



Greetings from your Bradley Beach Historical Society

We are writing this message during the first Shore History Fair organized by the Belmar (Beautiful Sea) Historic Society. There are more than ten vibrant groups here of various sizes and budgets, who are sharing successes and challenges, especially around recruiting active volunteers. We were thrilled to meet Virginia Woolley, who pointed to her father-in-law Alvah, shown in a hand-colored postcard of fishermen whose catch was being pulled out of the surf by horses. Describing his fish market on Newark Avenue, Virginia let slip a few details of her in-laws' love story. She has promised photos and more details for Bradley Love Stories on our new website: BBHistory.org.

VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE: BBHistory.org. You'll find stories about past events like the highly successful "Reclaim A Rocker" Community Art Workshop held on April 7. Families, teams of friends and even representatives of a neighborhood group spent the afternoon decorating rockers donated by BBHS supporters happy to rehome their old rocking chairs for a good cause.

FUTURE EVENTS: Reclaimed rockers will be featured in our Summer Exhibition: Rock 'n Remember focusing on the role of rocking chairs in life down the shore. In addition to photographs, paintings and sculptures, the art show includes a rocker decorated by 7th graders at the Bradley Beach Elementary School. If it sells during the auction, proceeds will help pay for their eighth-grade trip to Washington, DC. The exhibition will run from June 1 through July 15 at the Bradley Beach Museum, 719 Main Street in the Biase Center next to Boro Hall. Come to the reception on June 1 from 4-6 PM.

LOVE TO PAINT? We need volunteers to help prepare the Museum for the summer Exhibit. We will paint the walls during the second week of May. Call Jayne to volunteer: 732-361-7096.

VOLUNTEER TO MARCH IN THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE. We are looking for a classic car to complete the BBHS delegation of costumed volunteers in the big holiday parade along Ocean Avenue on Saturday, May 25. Contact Kathie Deak to join the fun: 732-775-4003. We also will have a table on the Boardwalk during the long weekend and can use a few volunteers who love to talk to people about Bradley Beach. All volunteers will receive a free t-shirt.

And don't forget, BBHS depends upon memberships, donations, sales and grants. We appreciate your generous support.

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