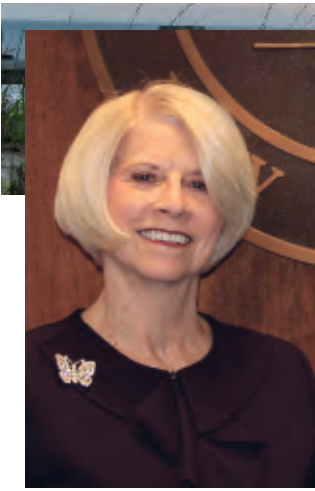




Greetings from Freeholder Virginia E. Haines

On behalf of the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, I welcome you to the Summer 2020 issue of *Out & About Ocean County*, A Free Newsguide to Arts & Heritage Events.

The Covid-19 pandemic is limiting the event offerings usually offered for the summer season so we are providing more stories in this issue. At this time, the Ocean County parks and visitor centers are open to the public. Please check <http://www.oceancountytourism.com/frmEvents> for updated event listings.

The pages of this 2020 summer issue are graced with artwork received in response to a call for contributions from the Pine Shores Art Association. This is the ninth summer that we have showcased art in our summer issue from one of our Ocean County artist organizations on a rotating basis.

The Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders is proud to announce that Bob Popovics, of Seaside Park, will receive the 2020 Lifetime Achievement in the Ocean County Arts Award. His documentary is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2IR2b7mdrSw>. Deborah Whitcraft, of Beach Haven will receive the 2020 Pauline S. Miller Lifetime Achievement in Ocean County Award. Her documentary is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2LPLUtEqtqk&feature=youtu.be>. Carol Herbert, of Point Pleasant will receive the 2020 Art Advocate Award. The commission has instituted a new award for Historical Advocacy. You may watch that documentary at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yV.IJdV3-bA.JkE_s_6afNQGCQIQ7M6YRV/view.

The Ocean County Tourism and Business Advisory Council selected Steve Steiner of Surfflight Theatre in Beach Haven for the 2020 Joseph H. Vicari Tourism Award. His documentary is at <https://vimeo.com/401142581/e6782d7145>.

I am pleased to commend NJ legislator DiAnne Gove (R-9) for her appointment, the first Ocean County resident, to the New Jersey Historical Commission.

I note with personal regret the passing of Charles E. Moffett, III, long-time history teacher at Southern Regional High School and noted Beach Haven historian.

Please keep safe, and we will get through this together.

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