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Swimsuit Issue



Mildred Finlon at Chesapeake Beach in 1921

Vintage Swimsuit Fashion Show

The Friends of the Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum are extremely happy and proud to announce their first Fund-Raiser and Friend-Raiser. It will be held on July 1, 2006, noon to 2 p.m. This stunning event will be a Vintage Swimsuit Fashion Show & Picnic on the Beach. It will be held rain or shine at the Rod "N" Reel Restaurant. Tickets are \$25.00 each and are available for purchase at the Railway Museum now open daily, 1-4 p.m. during the spring and summer season.

What a busy and fun winter the Friends and Curator Harriet Stout have had collecting the swimsuits for this occasion. Vince Cipriani, special volunteer, made many bids for us on eBay, while Hilary Dailey made friends at Jantzen Apparel LLC. Thanks to Hilary, special programs volunteer, Jantzen is loaning us 18 suits, both old and new. Thanks to Vince, the Friends now own several suits for our collection and Harriet will be showcasing several from her personal collection as well.

Models for this event will be under the direction of Abigail Francisco of the Abigail Francisco Classical School of Ballet in North Beach. Music will be provided by the Garrett Music Academy. With Abigail and Nick Garrett involved, you know this will be an occasion not to be missed!

If you think about the history of Chesapeake Beach, from the 1890's to the present, swimming suits have always been part of the local color. For more than 100 years, changing fashions have been on parade by the Bay, by the salt water pool in the amusement park, and at the Waterpark. Come see what we have collected, hear the stories we have to tell, and enjoy a good old picnic on the beach, while supporting the Friends of the Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum.

ENJOY THE VINTAGE SWIMSUITS
THROUGHOUT THIS ISSUE!!



Mildred Finlon and Joan Kilmon at the Waterpark in 2001

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