

# Students Aid In Rockaway Waterfront Alliance Beach Cleanup



Students diligently collect trash from the area.

Local students and community members have ventured out with Rockaway Waterfront Alliance to regularly keep the shoreline clean for the summer season.

Last week's participants were excited as they helped fellow RWA members to pitch a tent and then descended on the beachfront to pick up bags, food containers and rubbish that blotted the landscape. "I can't believe the way it looks out here. I remember when I came out to help clean at the end of the season last year," commented a Rockaway resident from Beach 110 Street.

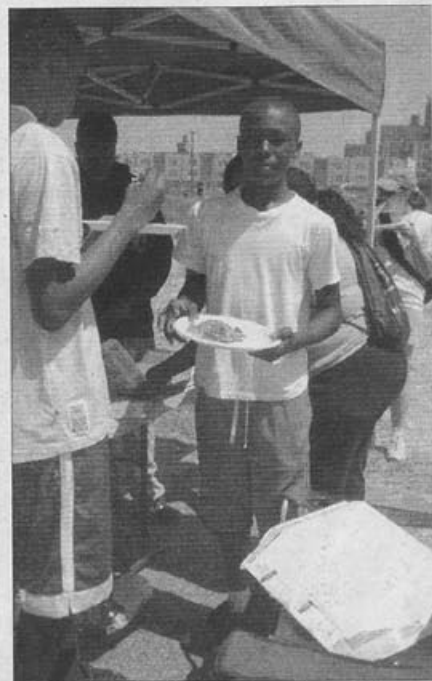
There was certainly plenty of work that needed to be done on Beach 26 Street. The Department of Parks and Recreation and local Rockaway artist Ethan Long and crew pitched in as well.

An RWA spokesperson commented that the cleanup gave the students a chance to not only help beautify Rockaway's shores, but they also had the opportunity to enjoy the sun and to finally let their hair down as delicious pizza greeted them after a long day of work.

"The conservation of Rockaway's shores through stewardship is a never-ending task," said the spokesperson, "and we believe that the students and community members experienced that even more than ever on the special Community Cleanup. We hope that all community members will take time out of their busy schedules to marvel at the beauty of our shores making every day their own Earth Day."



Rubbish from the cleanup.



Taking a break after a long day's work.