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Spring into Summer



WINTER RESTORATION COMPLETE: LONGTERM PLANNING KICKS OFF AT JULY 10 FUNDRAISER

By Mike Oleksak

President of Save Popponesset Bay

You may have heard that along with the winter storm devastation in our region, coastal geologists at The Woods Hole Group had deemed The Popponesset Spit "in critical condition." We are pleased to report the progress being made by neighborhood volunteers at Save Popponesset Bay (SPB) who have been working tirelessly to restore the damage and endow its long-term plan towards future sustainability.

An incredible transformation has begun to our beautiful wildlife preserve. As a result of the generosity of donors and SPB's Winter Appeal, in all more than 5,500 cubic yards of sand were sculpted into dunes and were reinforced with beach grass at a total cost of over \$200,000. The beach grass was critical to help prevent wind-blown sand from going back into the Bay. It is also very sensitive and will die if trampled upon. Please help us to safeguard the Spit and protect our investment by ensuring that everyone stays off the dunes!

Many of you know that we were down to the wire anticipating the arrival of the county dredge. The extreme weather, ice and wind threatened to put us past the deadline allowed for the last phase of work, clearing the channel. This would have put in jeopardy marine safety, boat navigability and sand barrier fortification. Thanks to the advocacy of Ken Bates of the Town of Mashpee, we are thrilled to let you know that our deadline was extended! The Barnstable County Dredge ultimately dredged approximately 8,000 cubic yards of sand from the channel (from the Bay to the Sound) and deposited it on the Spit. This was essential to immediately shore up the most vulnerable areas of our fragile barrier peninsula, and to begin our progress towards long term sustainability! Our winter work is now complete, and not a moment too soon as the first plovers have begun to nest!

Much more work is needed to address the remaining critical areas of the Spit, but we are in much better shape anticipating the inevitable fall and winter storms. This is an accomplishment that could not have been done without the generosity of donors, the expertise of the Woods Hole Group, and the leadership of our volunteer Board of Directors, most notably John Malloy, who spearheaded this project.

Come learn more about our future plans for the Spit! Save the date for Save Popponesset Bay's annual fundraiser to take place on Friday, July 10, 2015 at the Popponesset Inn! In addition to raising funds for the Spit, supporters will enjoy cocktails, dinner, live music and dancing in the pavilion, overlooking beautiful Nantucket Sound at sunset. We will also get our first glimpse at our long term plans from the Woods Hole Group, beginning with sharing an assessment of

BEFORE: The Spit in Critical Condition



AFTER: SPB Winter Reconstruction of Dunes on the Spit



options to ensure our Spit is strengthened for years to come. For example, SPB permits only allow for sand to be deposited along the beach facing Nantucket Sound, however our hope is to raise additional funds to expand and secure the dunes and widen navigation channels. This summer reunion and kick-off event is not to be missed!

We are asking everyone who cares about Popponesset Bay and the Spit to help. Most immediately, we need to raise another \$250-300,000 to execute our short term plans (such as qualifying us for \$194,000 in state grant matching funds), and help us to work towards our long term vision. Please help! Tax-deductible donations and auction items are needed and can be made at www.savepopponessetbay.org.

Save Popponesset Bay is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization 100% funded by donors and staffed by neighborhood volunteers. Please feel free to contact info@savepopponessetbay.org if you have ideas, questions, feedback, or want to help!

Please Save the Date!

Friday, July 10, 2015

**Save Popponesset Bay
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Popponesset Inn**

President's Report

by Joe Fisher

"This year's winter made way for a glorious spring". This was a recent headline in the Boston newspaper. Let's hope that the writer was accurate. The record snowfall and strong winds were the worst that I remember over the past fifteen years. While the town struggled at times, overall they did everything that they could to handle the 90-plus inches of snow, especially considering the fact that the bulk of the storms occurred in a compressed six-week period. Your Homeowners Association supplemented the town's work in an effort to keep our roads open. At times, this was not possible on some of our less traveled roads. There was just no place to put the snow. Mike Richardson and our vendors worked tirelessly responding to our residents as quickly as possible. The supplemental work we did was at a significant cost, but I believe that we will be able to manage the cost, and we will be on budget by year-end. The depth of the snow ground cover delayed our plans for cleanup and landscaping, but we're making good progress, and the work will be substantially completed by Memorial Day weekend. Mike and I and the Board of Directors are anticipating a great spring and summer.

Please mark your calendar for our Annual Meeting on August 8th. This year, elections will be held for the entire group of Officers, which will be elected for a three-year term. Further details are included in this issue of the Reporter. In addition, details of each Village's Annual meeting are also included in this issue. Please plan to attend.

Speaking of elections, The Town of Mashpee will hold elections on Saturday, May 16th. Among the items on the ballot are two Selectmen positions. Currently, there are three candidates on the ballot. One of the candidates for reelection is our Executive Director, Mike Richardson. His representation of our community is important to all of us. If you're a resident of Mashpee, please set aside time to vote on the 16th.

Our new street signs, which I discussed in my February report, are on schedule and should be completed by late spring or early summer. The signs will be a visual improvement and, hopefully, make it easier for our visitors to find their way throughout New Seabury.

Each year, I mention that for the safety of everyone during the busy summer season, please obey the speed limits and ask your visitors to do the same. Walk single file facing traffic. As in past years, we will have Mashpee Police providing speed control patrols during the busy periods.

Lastly, please have your property cleaned and landscaped by Memorial Day weekend. Please do your part so that we can all enjoy and be proud of our community.

I hope that you and your family enjoy a glorious and safe summer.



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Treasurer's Report

by Jane Goubeaux

Preparations for the summer season are well underway around New Seabury with winter snow/storm clean-up, landscaping, and general sprucing-up off to a good start. Homeowners' prompt payment of their 2015 annual fees provided an extra boost to our operating funds allowing these activities to begin as soon as the snow melted.

By the end of the first quarter, the Villages had collected, in the aggregate, 86% of their maintenance fees. The Peninsula Council matched this favorable rate in the collection of its special maintenance and membership fees. Even though both collection rates are better than last year's rates at this time, we are still actively pursuing collection of all outstanding fees.

On the expense side of the ledger, the Council and the Villages had spent only 21% and 7% of their respective annual expense budgets through March 31. These percentages will definitely increase in the coming months as tree trimming, landscaping, flower planting, drain maintenance, path clearing, and road repairs continue in the common areas and in all the Villages.

To add to the Council's and Villages' revenue, albeit on a relatively small scale, we have continued our program to move cash reserves to higher interest-bearing, yet low-risk and accessible, fully insured accounts at more local banks. Under this program, we moved \$115,000 during the first quarter, and have another \$174,000 in the pipeline for potential transfers later this year.

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ON THE COVER

Bright Coves residents, Tom and Kathy Quirk, (Kathy pictured), are the new owners of Bumble Bee Bike Rental at the Popponesset Marketplace. Along with bikes, all terrain jogger strollers, and child trailers, electric bikes are also available for rent. 508-477-2030, www.bumblebeebikerentals.com.

Executive Director's Report

by Mike Richardson

Well, spring has sprung, songs are sung, and I am up on a rung! I know that is not how it goes, but it's time to get cracking on the work to be done around here. Late spring has done nothing but make us all run a little faster to get caught up. As I look outside the window at the Peninsula Council, it's hard to believe we had the winter that we had. That is not the bad part; the bad part is that it's May already. I have become a believer that time goes much faster as age creeps up!

To the issues at hand: From a maintenance point of view, we are looking better than I had presumed after the winter. The color green (which was totally absent on St Patrick's Day) is now here. A little rain here and there, some nice sunshine and higher temperatures are making us all forget Old Man Winter... at least until next year. By the time the snowbirds return, we should look wonderful, and they will all say something like "we don't see any problems, what do you mean a bad winter, we don't see any damage." Well, that's the goal...to ensure all remember with fondness the place you left for a few months.

Tom Caston and Catherine Power left us up here in the cold for two months this year. Tom called a couple of times to tell me how hot it was down there! I think we may see this happening more frequently over the upcoming years. I want to thank FixAll and Quality Tree who kept in touch with me on a regular basis. Both called me almost daily and were willing to commit to time and effort. Tom Staruch opened up our drains and uncovered fire hydrants, while Mario helped with plowing and sanding.

I will be ordering poles to help with identifying hydrants in the future. This year's snow piles totally hid them, and when Tom Staruch discovered that the tops were painted white...go figure. Why would you paint hydrants in the Northeast of the country white on top?

At any rate, collections are very good. We continue to

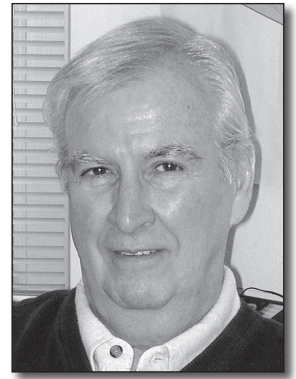
have some delinquents, and we are going after them one by one. Their numbers are dropping slowly, and that is good news.

As you all know, I did predict the Super Bowl outcome. You even saw me wearing shorts in the snow getting ready for the game. It was NOT, however, the way I wanted it to be. You can't even imagine the rise and fall of emotions that took over Jon and Darlene Furbush's theater room. Elation was replaced with dejection, followed by excitement, then a major sigh of relief! I think we all had one or two more sodas after the game.

I find myself extremely busy, and I am pleased to say that our community (both New Seabury and the Town of Mashpee) are in great shape. I am trying to continue my efforts as Town Selectman, and upon your return you will see signs and editorials as well as promises and commitments. I hope to continue to serve all of you as well as the rest of Mashpee. The Peninsula Council is also running smoothly, and we fully expect another wonderful year ahead of us.

We will continue to chip away at our maintenance responsibilities, and a few roads here and there. We will watch the growth of new homes, continue to manage vendors at the best prices, keep working on improving the quality and accuracy of data coming out of the Peninsula Council, and build on the strong relationships we have with everyone in the community. Please be thinking about tomorrow and how important it is to have a strong group of people on your Village Committees, and the Peninsula Council/ARC. We always need new faces with new ideas to step up and become involved. Could this be the year you get involved?

See you at the turn!



Special Maintenance Report

by Tom Caston

I know we are all tired of talking about the severe winter we endured. We survived the wind, rain, sleet, and snow. Unfortunately, many of our roads and plantings weren't as lucky. In addition to planned projects, we have added an extensive round of cleanup.

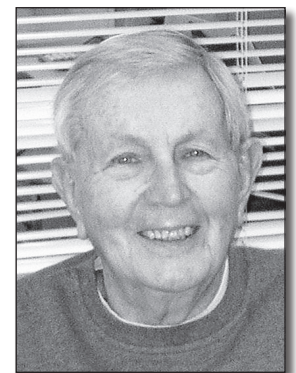
True to form, Mother Nature held up our plans. We are about three weeks behind schedule. We diligently removed the aftermath of the winter from roadways and common areas. Road maintenance is ongoing. We concentrated on filling potholes for the safety of drivers and pedestrians. We will continue to review the condition of each road.

This year, new flower beds will be added at both the main and Walton Heath entrances. Throughout New Seabury's gardens, shrubs will be added to not only replace those

damaged, but additional pieces will intensify the areas. The new irrigation system will be in place at these locations. That will allow us to plant more blossoming shrubs and flowers. We anticipate the most colorful gardens to bloom during late spring and throughout the summer.

The Special Maintenance Committee continues to work with New Seabury Properties on projects within the community. We have enjoyed a productive relationship and intend to keep moving forward for the benefit of both parties.

Enjoy the summer...we've earned it!





Welcome, Ann! Our New ARC Administrator

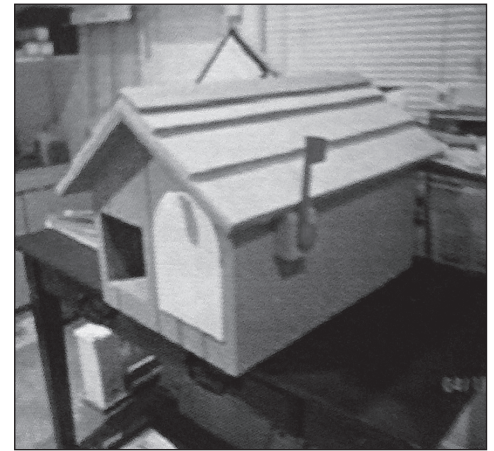
It is with great pleasure that the Peninsula Council welcomes Ann Macdonald as the new ARC Administrator. Ann started on April 1, and she is ready to help you with your latest outdoor project.

Ann has been a member of the New Seabury community for many years, and is well known to the town of Mashpee as well. She currently serves on the boards of the Women's Club of New Seabury, the Boys and Girls Club of Cape Cod, and

the Friends of Mashpee Library. She knows our community well, having been a New Seabury homeowner and having worked as a real estate broker at New Seabury Real Estate.

Ann's knowledge of New Seabury and our ARC Guidelines has allowed her to hit the ground running!

Please join us as we welcome Ann to the ARC and the Peninsula Council team!



IS A NEW MAILBOX ON YOUR TO-DO LIST?

So, you think you had a bad winter? Take a look at the mailboxes in your neighborhood....now, they had a bad winter! With over two feet of snow and piles totaling over six feet, it's no wonder some mailboxes were traumatized.

If you're in the market for a new mailbox, the ARC has some recommendations.

The Architectural Review Committee has five approved designs for a mailbox, with or without a newspaper receptacle, that can be used within the New Seabury community:

- Post mailbox without the newspaper receptacle;
- Post mailbox with the newspaper receptacle below the mailbox;
- Desmond Birdhouse Mailbox with the newspaper receptacle and mailbox side-by-side;
- Single post with dual mailboxes (i.e., post shared by neighbors);
- Single post with dual mailboxes with newspaper receptacle below the mailbox (i.e., post shared by neighbors).

SPECIFICATIONS OF MAIL POSTS AND BOXES:

- Height of the post should be 42"-44".
- A wooden post is preferred by the ARC. Other material such as Azek material (sample in the ARC office) will be considered as long as it can be painted as appropriate.
- The post can be white or painted to match the color of your home.
- The box should be a neutral color to blend in with the post or your home color (i.e., gray, taupe, ivory, or black). Red, green and blue are not approved colors for mailboxes in New Seabury.

You can get these mailbox posts, designs, and boxes at Walpole Fencing. The Desmond Birdhouse Mailbox can be ordered by contacting Cass Costa at (508) 477-9671, and you can view it at the ARC office at 12 Mall Way.

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Village Reports

Bright Coves

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What a winter we had in Bright Coves. It's sure to be one of the most memorable ever thanks to many old-fashioned New England snow storms. Have you seen the Spit lately? Check it out - almost 15,000 cubic yards of new sand were placed on the Spit this winter and spring through a combined effort by the Town of Mashpee and generous private donations to Save Popponesset Bay (SPB). The Spit is YOUR beach, and we rely on SPB to work with the county to dredge our channels for safe boat navigation, so please support www.savepopponessetbay.org. Come be a part of the



huge ongoing effort to rebuild and save the Spit!

Curbside brush pick up will be conducted during the week leading up to Memorial Day Weekend. We should also have new street signs throughout Bright Coves by this summer. So get ready for the summer of 2015...don't forget the 4th of July boat parade and the SPB Beachside Auction & Gala summer kick-off fundraiser on Friday, July 10th at the Popponesset Inn. The Bright Coves Annual meeting will be held Sunday, July 12th at 5:00 p.m. at the Marketplace Church.

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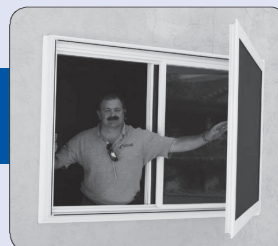
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Fells Pond

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Once again, it appears that spring forgot to arrive on Cape Cod; however, the pond has finally thawed. Osprey have returned and are out there fishing, and our two swans have made their annual visit. We have had two days of sunshine. Hooray! I see daffodils and crocuses peeking through next to the remaining snow piles!

What a winter! May it never happen again! Even though I was away, I was still in touch with the Peninsula Council and various homeowners helping to solve some serious snow and ice problems. Many, many thanks to our vendors, Tom Staruch of Quality Tree, and Mario Catalano from FixAll who saved so many homeowners from "isolation" even to the point of plowing streets to get to driveways. Tom Staruch was on the job seven days per week from dawn to dusk.

Now looking forward to summer. The roads have all been swept, drains cleaned and repaired, etc. All our usual efforts have been put in motion

to provide a special area for your enjoyment. Regarding resurfacing our village roads, we are presently meeting to assess conditions and determine the best way to complete the project. We have decided to resurface using chip seal, which is very durable and cost efficient.

Our Village Annual Meeting is scheduled for July 11 at the Congregational Church at the Poppy Marketplace at 10:00 a.m. The Fells Pond Fling is in the planning stages.

Those of you who have not paid your annual dues- please do so. We can't operate without one hundred percent cooperation. Spring cleanup will take place the week of May 18. No logs, no leaves, no broken furniture... just brush!

No boat storage on beaches; they will be removed.

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Dear Greensward Village Neighbors:

From all reports, notwithstanding the very severe winter, we sustained very little damage overall. Our village looks very good; spring cleanups have occurred or are in progress (our covenants as set forth in the ARC guidelines require a spring cleanup by June 1 of each year).

Our financial situation is very sound with \$233,000.00 in available deposits. Of that sum, \$36,000.00 is in a CD. Your Village Board, Alicia Morrow, Dick Noonan and I, working with our Homeowners' Association Treasurer and Executive Director have moved an additional \$125,000.00 into CDs - \$25,000.00 into a One Year, \$25,000.00 into a Two Year, \$25,000.00 into a Three Year, \$25,000.00 into a Four Year and \$25,000.00 into a Five Year. Remaining is \$71,000.00 in cash which is more than sufficient, along with a few more village fee payments not yet in, to cover our operating

expenses. While we will earn only a few thousand dollars over time, we concluded that some risk-free interest is better than none. As these CDs mature, we will be able to determine if the cash is needed for operations, or if it needs to be 'rolled over' into another CD.

In our village, thankfully, the Special Maintenance budget is responsible for the maintenance and, if need be, paving of Fairway Lane, Greensward Road, Troon Way and Walton Heath Way. However, we, Greensward Village, are responsible for the maintenance and paving of the other nine roads within our village. The only road which has been mentioned as requiring re-paving within the next five years, or sooner, is Glenneagle. I've looked at it closely, and it seems to me that it has some good years remaining. We will look forward to your views at the 2015 Annual Meeting.

Our Greensward Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 18 at 10:00 a.m., at the Congregational Church in the Popponesset Marketplace. That same evening, July 18, beginning at 7:00 p.m. we will celebrate our Annual Village Dinner. Please mark your calendars.

HIGH WOOD

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The winter of our discontent has finally faded away. Eleven straight weekends of snow have given way to spring. The first weekend after Easter feels as if we have turned the corner. Incredibly, we did not have any significant power outages this winter.

With the snow finally melted, we have been able to review the conditions of our village. Our roads are in need of repair. We have cracks, holes and even some caving in of drains. Tree roots protruding the asphalt are evident in many areas. Once we sweep the roads and clear the winter debris, we will have a better understanding of the scope of work needed to repair our roads. By the time you receive this newsletter, we should have a clearer picture.

Our annual brush pickup will be conducted the week before Memorial Day weekend. With the stormy winter we just encountered, this is a great time to clean up your yard.

We have many remodels going on in the community. Construction dumpsters are evident on many properties. We would appreciate if you could have your contractors clean up any debris that might have blown out of the dumpsters during the many winter storms.

Fee collection has been slower than prior years. Currently, we have received 78% of our billed fees. We expended more on storm cleanup than we expected, so timely payment of your fees is appreciated.

We welcome the snowbirds back to our village. Enjoy a beautiful spring and summer season.

Please drive cautiously on our narrow streets.

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The Mews

by Stephen Sykes for Pat Donohue
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Happy spring, everyone! As this column is being written, the snows have finally disappeared, and bulbs are starting to pop up. However, the warm weather is still alluding us, but soon we'll begin to enjoy life in The Mews again. While this past winter was harsh on Cape Cod, there didn't appear to be a lot of damage anywhere in our small community. See the pictures taken this past February.

Speaking of the upcoming spring/summer season, I'd like to take this opportunity to review some rules and regulations of the New Seabury Architectural Review Committee (ARC), as well as of The Mews. Specifically, I'd like to address three guidelines we all need to understand and respect: renting our properties, property maintenance and painting our houses.

First off, spring and summer are fantastic times of the year to enjoy a casual, quiet life in New Seabury. It's also a time when some owners rent their properties to others to enjoy. Last year we had multiple situations of large, loud parties sponsored by renters where the police needed to be called for disturbing the peace. Homeowners should be aware that they, too, are responsible and accountable for the actions of their renters. Under Mass. General Law 272, Section 53, homeowners are responsible for the actions of their renters including behavior and noise, and a breach of the peace is an arrestable offense. As such, the Mews Board would like to request homeowners who rent their properties to remind renters to be respectful in their behavior and noise.

A second issue to bring to everyone's attention is exterior maintenance – according to the guidelines of the ARC, all properties shall be maintained and kept in a neat and clean condition. Driveways must be kept free and clear of weeds and debris, and lots shall be cleaned up each year by June 1st and again in the fall to remove leaves and branches. Last fall, many properties were not cleaned of fallen leaves, making our entire community look unkempt. So, please contact a landscaping company to do your spring cleanup work or prepare to do the work yourself. Every year, the Peninsula Council sponsors a brush pickup week, and this year it is planned for the week prior to Memorial Day (please do not put your removable brush out much before this planned week).

Winter memories
in the Mews.



Finally,
with the nice
weather

of spring and summer, you might be starting the arrangements to spruce up the exterior of your house with a new paint job! ARC rules state that permission to paint the exterior of your house must be obtained before the work commences. Also, because The Mews is such a tightly built-out community, we have even more restrictive color regulations that must be adhered to. There are only two approved exterior colors for the body and trim of our houses. The approved colors for the body and/or trim are: Benjamin Moore paint, Smokey Taupe, or Cabot solid stain, Dune Grey. Additionally, there are specific approved colors for our front doors and shutters (to review the approved Village colors go to: www.peninsulacouncil.com/villages/mews.html, then go to the bottom of the page to review Your Guide to the Mews Village). Please do not ask your painting contractor to "color match" an old paint can from your basement or what is presently on your house as these existing colors may not be correct. Also note: there should be NO WHITE anywhere on the exterior of your house or fence.

A few final notes: either this spring (or fall depending upon contractor's availability) we are planning to improve the roads in The Mews by sealing the cracks in the roadways, then having the streets "chip sealed."

If you are available on Saturday, August 22, we'll be holding The Mews Annual Meeting at the New Seabury Country Club from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please join us, as your attendance and participation are important. Lastly, the HOA fees that we pay annually go towards maintaining our common areas, streets, lighting, road signage, as well as the New Seabury paths and open spaces. I'd like to thank the many homeowners who have paid their annual HOA fees in a timely manner; to the others – please send your payment soon.

Thank you!

Popponesset Island

by Steve Bell

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We have some new neighbors this year on the island. We look forward to meeting them. With that in mind, for several years Popponesset Islanders held an island adult party, as well as a family potluck block party. They were always great events. We can hold the block party on any one of our side streets. We need a couple of folks to step forward to help arrange it. It was held at the end of the summer in the past. As for the island adult party, if we get two couples to organize it, it can be one of the highlights of the summer.

Moving forward into spring, many of us have already cleaned up our yards, and hopefully, found little or no damage. If your yard hasn't been done yet, please be considerate of your friends and neighbors. In theory, all yards should have been cleaned up last fall, too.

The Peninsula Council relationship for the island continues to be making life easier for all of us. Drains are being cleaned, and a new one will have been installed near Bight Circle. There are also new street signs coming, as some are missing or just plain

Finally, the snow is gone!

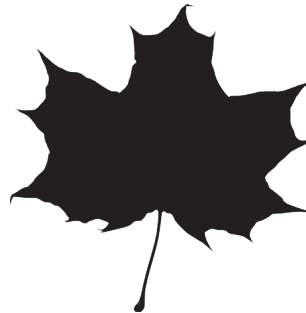
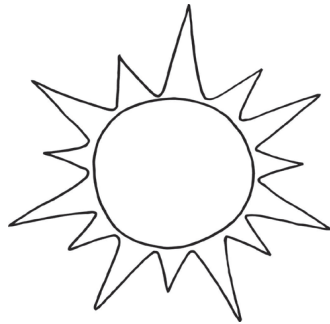
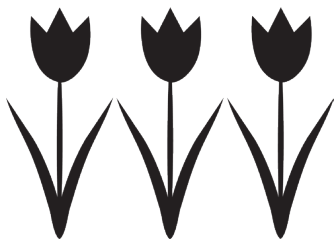
old. Also, the cracks and the holes in our streets will have been patched.

Save Popponesset Bay has stepped up again. The Spit had been leveled during this year's blizzards, and SPB has taken giant steps to rebuild it. They are seeking donations to start the long-term project of rebuilding in such a way that these storms will not cause this type of damage again. All property owners should be aware of SPB. Some homes on the island would not be in the condition they are in if SPB had not worked so hard to protect them. July 10th is the date of the SPB major fundraiser this year. All of us should plan to be there to see these long-term plans that will affect us.

Another date to put on our calendar is the Popponesset Island Annual Meeting on the 23rd of August at 4:00p.m. There will be an election of officers, and any other issues can be discussed.

Please, let's all of us remember to tell our visitors and remind ourselves that our speed limit is 15 MPH on the island. It doesn't take that much longer to drive from one end to the other.

Have a great summer!



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Poppy Place

by Frank Goode

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Although based on the cold temperatures and continuously cloudy days it's hard to tell that spring has sprung at Poppy Place, or anywhere else for that matter, but the calendar says spring is finally here. Unfortunately, it is so hard to forget one of our worst winters in I cannot remember when...some say it was worse than the blizzard of 1978 that hit all at once. Hopefully, our lawns, shrubs, trees, and perennials have short memories! The chirping birds are coming back, squirrels are finding food without the snow cover, the black crows, whose homes were displaced when Poppy Place was built, still feel it's their land and are digging the lawns up furiously looking for wiggly things. The construction vehicle traffic is increasing at Greensward all hours of the day and sometimes night, as they still haven't figured out all the locations of the speed tables...thump!

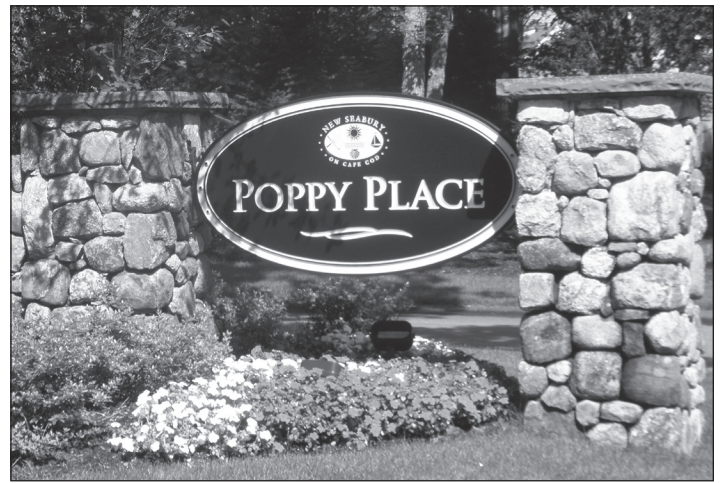
But rather than look back, let's move forward as our Board of Directors and the Peninsula Council have not been sitting idle all winter. I have many items to report that were highlighted in George Bell's Homeowner Update email that included upcoming service start-ups, important dates to set aside, and contact information for our primary service providers some of which have changed since last year.

The gate arms were installed on April 21st and are operational. Any questions or problems should be directed to 3Sixty Property Management, and replacement gate controllers are available to residents for a small fee.

Trash pick-up service will be provided by 3Sixty Property Management and commence on May 8th. All residents must make sure their garage door codes are registered with the Peninsula Council or 3Sixty especially if they have been changed recently.

Common area spring cleanup, landscaping and repairs from plows started the second week of April by our new landscape team, Linhares & Son Landscaping and Irrigation.

Irrigation turn-on for the common areas and our homes is scheduled for early May by Linhares & Son Landscaping and Irrigation. Since any irrigation problems on homeowner property is the responsibility of the homeowner, Linhares & Son Landscaping and Irrigation will contact you with the turn-on date so you can be present while the



services are performed.

Bulbs for fence post lighting and common area accent lighting will be replaced soon. The sensors will also be checked. Due to the cold weather, the relay in the sensor will stick either in the "light on" or "light off" position which is the signal for it to be replaced. The sensor and bulbs at #17 have been replaced and are operational..."so do not touch"!

The Annual Poppy Place Homeowners Association Meeting is scheduled for 8am on Sat., Aug. 8th at the New Seabury Country Club. Just an hour or so because it WILL be a beach day.

Finally, the Poppy Place Summer Kick-Off Social Gathering is scheduled at 5pm on Sat., June 27th at #2 Poppy Place. All residents and their children, relatives, friends and houseguests are welcome.

Contact Information:

The Peninsula Council – (508) 539-0028

Mike Richardson

3Sixty Property Management – (508) 444-6150
or (508) 566-7503 (cell) – Nadine Neil

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It is nice to stay connected with the "late breaking news" within Poppy Place...home sales, new owners, engagements, marriages, births, graduations, interesting travels, get well soon wishes. Please communicate these events to me at frank.goode17@hotmail.com or to the Peninsula Council so we can all enjoy.

As the weather gets better, there will be many people on our roadways running, walking, riding bicycles, pushing a baby carriage, or just crossing the street. Obey traffic rules, anticipate and give yourself plenty of time to completely stop at stop signs (rolling through is not legal), drive slowly, defensively, and be aware of your surroundings. This is a quiet and friendly resort community so let's not experience any devastating tragedies.

Until next time, we are all blessed to be in this small piece of paradise.

Sandalwood

by Marshall McStay

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Now that the snow has melted, I toured the village to see how Sandalwood survived the winter of 2015, a rough one at best. I am pleased to report that, despite the harsh winter with its many storms, Sandalwood has survived remarkably well. I saw no significant damage to any of our homes or property except for the usual amount of small branches blown down by the storms. Even the roads appeared to be in good shape considering the amount of ice and freezing they endured.

Probably by the time you read this, the crocuses will have bloomed with the daffodils and tulips not far behind. We will be coming out of our homes and taking strolls along the roads, raking our lawns, enjoying the warming days, and looking

forward to a pleasant summer.

Speaking of cleaning up our property, the annual brush pickup will be held again this year the week before Memorial Day. If you want your brush and those branches knocked down by the storms taken away and disposed of by the Association, you should have them piled up with the thick end facing the street on the utility easement in front of your house by Sunday, May 17th. Brush pickup will start Monday, May 18th, but we don't know the date the removal crew will be in Sandalwood. Please, no grass clippings or other lawn debris and no branches over six inches in diameter.

The Sandalwood Village Association Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, July 25th, at 10:00 AM at the Mashpee Public Library, 64 Steeple Street. This is your opportunity to meet with your neighbors and publicly bring up issues of interest to all residents before the Board of Directors. We will again be serving those delicious doughnuts and coffee you have come to expect. See you there.

SUMMERSEA

by Larry Rand

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Is it really spring? Did you know that, despite Mashpee providing plowing in Summersea, we had to spend over \$2,000.00 in additional funds for salting, sanding and removal of snow blocking streets and driveways? After endless snow and single digit temperatures, I'm a little paranoid. Can we really be sure? Let's hope so, because I'm ready for summer fun in New Seabury. I hope you are, too. To kick things off, we are holding our third Summersea Brunch at the lovely Poppy Inn. A good time to reacquaint yourselves with your neighbors, friends and newcomers from Summersea Village. It will be held on Saturday, June 27 from 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The food, ambiance and interaction between residents have been great at past brunches, and we hope to see many of you there. The village helps support this activity so it's good fun and a good deal. You should receive a

communication about the Brunch, or contact the Peninsula Council office to sign up.

Our Summersea Annual Meeting will be held on July 25, at 10:00 a.m. at the Mashpee Congregational Church. An election will be held for a member of the Summersea Committee who will serve a three year term. Your current members are Larry Rand, Lorraine Ghibaudi, and Lisa Wissmar. Sal DiBuono, Phil Sheriden, and Pat Gamache have ably served as alternates. This year, Lorraine Ghibaudi is up for re-election, but candidates may be nominated from the floor. Please attend and participate in choosing your village leaders. At this time, there are no changes in dues or assessments proposed for approval.

As a reminder, brush pickup will be the week before Memorial Day weekend. We also will be spraying around the field on By the Greenway for ticks. Signs will be posted.

Hoping to see you at the Brunch and/or Annual Meeting, but particularly along the beautiful byways of Summersea Village.

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TRITON SOUND

by George List

Email: gblist@comcast.net

In my last notes to you written near the end of January, I SAID that the winter had been a bit milder with no storms up to that point. Since then, we have had the coldest February on record and four major snow storms, so I will stay away from the weather forecasting for the time being.

During the February-March storms, the town of Mashpee and our local vendors did a great job plowing. Considering the conditions, they were able to keep the roads open to traffic. There were many days when cars had to back up or pull over to let a neighbor get by, but that is what we do here in New England in the winter. The work on trimming tree limbs has paid off as we only had a couple of momentary electric losses. One thing that became apparent with the storms was the need to have better location of the fire hydrants on our street as they were under many feet of snow at



Triton Way at the rotary this winter.



Morning sun at Maushop Village.

times. New higher marking poles that attach to the hydrants will be put in place prior to next winter.

The Peninsula Council has had vendors out fixing the lights, replacing post and rail fencing and doing a general cleanup to get New Seabury back to its good looking self for the upcoming season. The road sweeping and drain cleaning will be done shortly as well as cleaning up the paths and walkways.

After a closer look at the viewing area on Triton Way, it appears that only the bench needs repair at this point.

The work done on the pond (Frogs Leap Pond) across from the Peninsula Council office has paid great dividends as the water has cleared up, and there is a plan in place to start stocking it with fish this spring.

Our Triton Sound Annual Meeting has been set for a weekday evening again this year and will be held at 6:00 p.m. on July 8, and all are welcomed.

Vineyard Reach

by Connie Strait

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Vineyard Reach welcomes spring! Our neighborhood fared the winter weather well, and this was witnessed by how well our extensive landscaping project of 2014 and all our new plantings survived all the cold and snow, and are now starting to show their spring growth. We are beginning our latest project of working on the privacy gates in our community. Before long, our calendars will be set with all of our neighborhood gatherings. Our one-of-a-kind views are once again of acres of green grass, ocean and Martha's Vineyard!



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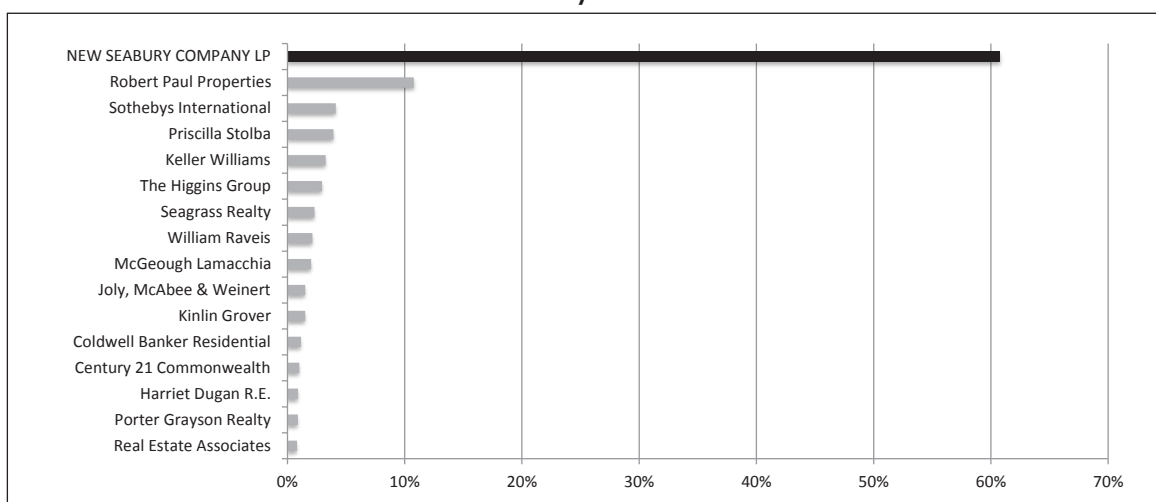


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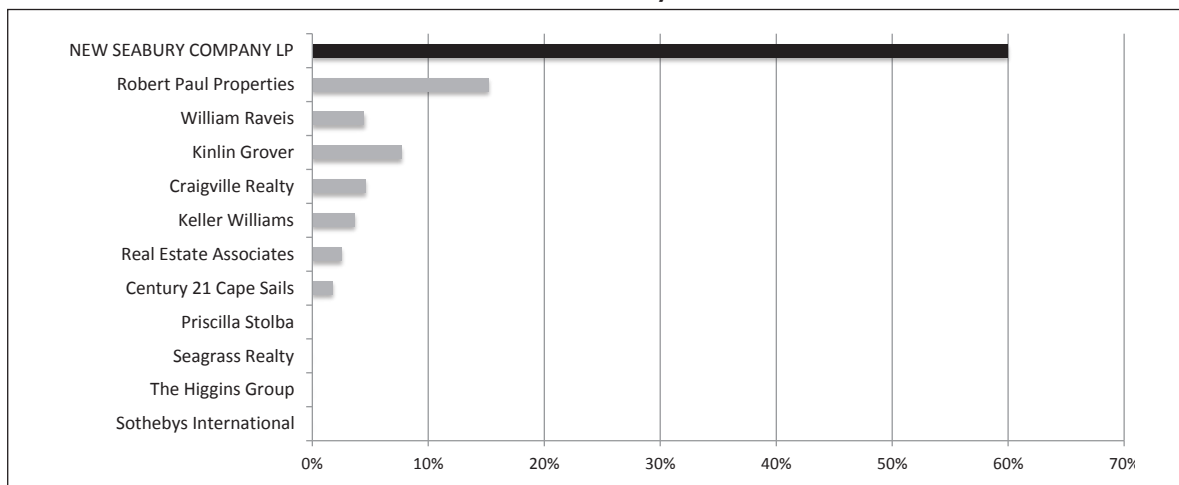
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Twists on the Classics

The Latest Craze: Pickle-Ball

(Coming to New Seabury This Summer)

By Tim McMaster

Created 50 years ago at a summer retreat on an island near Seattle, Washington, Pickle-Ball has expanded from a family activity game to a net court sport with formal rules. Named after one of the creator's dogs, Pickles, the sport is currently being played in thousands of educational institutions, parks and recreation centers, health clubs, corporate fitness centers, and on multi-purpose courts at family residences. There are more than 100 courts in the Villages in Florida.

The sport is a combination of the techniques used in badminton, ping-pong and tennis. The game is played on

a badminton-sized court with the net lowered to 34 inches. The ball is a perforated plastic baseball (similar to a whiffle ball), and the paddle may be wood or composite.

It's been popular in several Cape locations, and last fall the Mashpee Recreation Department offered it for the first time. It quickly filled up, and there now will be indoor and outdoor sessions all through the year.

The Peninsula Council has purchased equipment and plans to set it up on the basketball court across from the New Seabury Real Estate office. For information, please call the Peninsula Council at 508-539-0028, or drop by.

Disc Golf

by MJ Richardson

The sport of Disc Golf was formalized in the nineteen seventies, and has been growing ever since. The Professional Disc Golf Association has over fifty thousand members, there are annual competitive events, and Disc Golf Courses are becoming quite common across the country and around the world. There are even a few courses on Cape Cod: Burgess Park in Barnstable, Riverhead Field on Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket Disc Golf Course.

This spring, the Peninsula Council purchased a Disc Golf Set, which is available for New Seabury homeowners to reserve and use for recreation in their own yards. It's a great activity for all ages and abilities.

The sport is set up similar to "ball golf", with fairways measuring a certain number of feet –not yards, with the goal being to throw the Frisbee into the target at the "green" with the least amount of throws. A Pole Hole®, an elevated metal basket, is a common target. Although the Disc Golf sport is actually played on nine or eighteen holes with a disc golf target at the end of each hole, the Council's set contains one target and eight Frisbees. If the sport catches on within our community, more sets may be purchased.

Call the Peninsula Council at 508-539-0028 if you'd like to reserve the Disc Golf Set. Have a great summer!

Reference: Professional Disc Golf Association, www.pdga.com.



Mike, Tom and Ann perfecting their "golf" game.

If doing work on your home, check out the Resources tab on the Peninsula Council website. You'll find links to some recommended contractors, builders, architects, interior designers, landscapers, and more.

Twists on the Classics

Pole Fitness

by MJ Richardson

In spite of other pre-conceived ideas about pole performances, it seriously is a body uplifting and challenging exercise. Yes, there is a pole and music involved, but there is also a skill, more easily performed with some clear instruction. Once involved, it becomes a fun, low-stress, engaging process. There is a need to listen and watch Instructor Jennifer Lofiego, but once into the routine, it takes a life of its own. We are talking about Pole Fitness. We heard about this exercise from Jennifer LoFiego, who not only owns and instructs at Bella Vita Pole Fitness, but also happens to tend bar at Siena.

With intimidation and excuses aside – “I’m not strong enough, I’m too old, I’m afraid” – we decided to try it this past weekend; we headed to Bella Vita Pole Fitness in Falmouth. The class incorporated aerobics, ballet and gymnastics, and within the hour, we had focused on the pirouette and spin work: Basic Spin, Fireman’s Spin, and Reverse Leg Hook. We were at first a bit hesitant, but it didn’t take long to let those inhibitions go, and it turned out to be a fun and challenging workout, focusing on back, abdominal and core muscles, along with strength and flexibility. The more advanced classes include more complexity, such as pole inversion.

The studio has seven black and pink poles - one for the instructor and the other six for the students. The hour-long classes are limited to six students to provide adequate instruction to each. Jennifer teaches Beginner and Intermediate/Advanced classes on Monday and Wednesday nights and is also open on Saturdays and Sundays. The classes are twenty dollars and require pre-registration. Shirts, shorts, yoga pants, and socks are appropriate attire.

Pole Fitness is a growing sport. The U.S. Pole Dance Federation holds national pole dancing competitions at all levels throughout America, and there is an international group as well. Currently, there is a petition with over one million signatures gathered so far to include this discipline as an Olympic Sport.

Jennifer also offers Pole Parties as an innovative and fun way to celebrate bachelorette parties, girls’ night out, or any occasion...you name it. Whether for a party or for exercise, for all shapes and sizes, pole fitness is a good excuse to have fun while putting “a unique spin on getting in shape”.

The Bella Vita studio is a part of a co-op located at Uptown Body which also offers Pilates, Yoga and Massage. Jennifer is grateful to the owners, Cathy Dalton and Tobe Panepinto who have given her the opportunity to be a part of their co-op and operate her fitness company out of their space.

Bella Vita Pole Fitness is located at Uptown Body, 305 Dillingham Avenue, Falmouth.



Jennifer Lofiego, Owner/Instructor of Bella Vita Pole Fitness



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OUT ON THE TOWN

by Janet and Mark Wright

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We have been to Bistrot de Soleil in Hyannis several times, and have always had a wonderful dining experience.

The atmosphere of the restaurant makes you forget you are in Hyannis, or even on Cape Cod - the rooms are warm and welcoming, the decor is reminiscent of the Mediterranean or south of France. The seating is comfortable at tables, booths and even dining at the bar. The music is a pleasant mix of Sinatra and jazz type songs, and does not hinder conversation. Meals are plated on beautiful dinnerware, and we noticed that even the napkin rings were lovely and varied from table to table. I was even impressed with the real candles in the votives on our table, not battery operated!

But, you say, what about the food?? Ah yes, that's what keeps us coming back (and the wine, the service and the value). Bistrot offers a Prix Fixe menu; in the summertime you must be seated by 6:00 PM in order to have this option. This is one of the best prix fixe menus we have encountered. It includes 3 courses as well as a glass of wine from a selection of four excellent choices. The price depends on the choice of entree, ranging from \$20 - \$38. First course is a choice of four different interesting salads, baked oysters, soup or mussels. There are 16 entree choices! Clearly something for everyone - fresh fish, chicken, pork, risottos, beef, veal, rabbit - all prepared with the freshest ingredients and skillfully presented. The dessert course has five choices, making it difficult to choose just one.

Bistrot de Soliel prides itself on making fresh, homemade dishes using locally grown organic ingredients, including the freshest seafood. This pride is evident throughout their menu. In addition to the Prix Fixe menu, there are numerous pastas and risottos, many with fresh seafood (\$16 - \$26). Entrees include classics such as Coquille St. Jacques, Coq au Vin, Duck L'Orange, Beef Wellington, as well as beef short ribs and seared salmon (\$20 - \$30). Each night also has some specials offered. The menu indicates gluten-free and vegetarian options throughout.

Lunch is served daily, starting at 11:30 AM, and includes salads, pastas, risottos, sandwiches and burgers.

The wine list has something for everyone with good quality choices with reasonable prices both by the glass and the bottle.

On our most recent visit, we both opted for the Prix Fixe menu. After enjoying some scrumptious warm bread (from Pain D'Avignon), my husband started with the Caesar Salad, with added anchovies, of course - delicious and the perfect size, not huge to fill you up but certainly not skimpy, either. I had the Endive and Roasted Beet Salad with Chèvre, beautifully presented and so fresh tasting. For our entrees, my husband had the Fettucini and Escargots, with mushrooms, sour cream, walnuts and garnished with Italian parsley and shaved parmesan. It was rich, flavorful and loaded with escargot! The pasta



Fettucini and Escargots



Pan Roasted Haddock Florentine

was fresh and was a very plentiful portion, he could not finish it. I had the Pan Roasted Haddock Florentine, with spinach, teardrop tomatoes and mushrooms, baby Yukon gold potatoes and haricot vert. This was by far my favorite dish at this restaurant to date. The presentation was lovely, the fish was cooked perfectly, and the flavors were superb - not to mention I loved having all the vegetables instead of a pasta. The Prix Fixe menu includes a glass of wine; my husband had a very nice Cabernet Sauvignon and I enjoyed a glass of Chardonnay - both were generous pours and high quality. Dessert was hard to choose, we were getting full, but it was included so we went for it! My husband had a lime sorbet with a berry sauce, light and fresh after his somewhat heavy meal. I indulged in the NY cheesecake - I've had many in my life and this one ranks right up there; I loved it.

Obviously, the most important aspect of a wonderful dining experience has to be a delicious meal. That you will always get at Bistrot. However, the service must also live up to the caliber of the food, and this is what makes this restaurant one that we return to again and again. We are always warmly welcomed, our questions



are answered, our requests are honored and we are made to feel truly comfortable and appreciated. The service is professional and friendly. On our recent visit our server was Olga, she was so pleasant and made our meal very enjoyable.

We are so happy to have found this restaurant, and look forward to many more enjoyable visits!

If you have a favorite restaurant or an event (it doesn't have to be on Cape Cod), and you would like to share your experience with your New Seabury neighbors by writing a review in "Out On the Town", call the Peninsula Council at 508-539-0028. In appreciation of your review, you will be reimbursed \$35.00 toward your meal or the cost of the event (The \$35.00 does not apply to alcohol.) Open to New Seabury residents only.

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Women's Club OF NEW SEABURY

by Jane Beaudin, President

MY, OH, MY! What a winter we had here on Cape Cod!

Well, spring is finally here. Snowbirds are returning, and our lovely flowers are starting to pop through the ground reminding us that our beautiful Cape Cod summer is around the corner.

The Women's Club of New Seabury has been on hiatus during the months of January, February and March. April 14 was our first luncheon of the year, and it was held at Bleu. Chef Fredric provided us with a lovely lunch and a good time was had by all.

May 12 is the Women's Club of New Seabury's Annual Meeting and Luncheon. Board Members have completed their two-year term and the Nominating Committee will be asking for nominations. There will then be a vote from the members to complete the process. The new Board will take over starting with the June Board Meeting.

Most of our luncheons are held on Tuesdays, except for June and September when we meet on Wednesday to accommodate the golfers. Last year, we held a luncheon in August at the Poppy. This was a big success, so we are planning another luncheon for this August. Watch for the date, time and program.

Mark your calendar and join us for a wonderful lunch and program, good friends and lots of fun.

OUR SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

MAY 12

JUNE 10

AUGUST - TO BE ANNOUNCED

SEPTEMBER 9

OCTOBER 13

NOVEMBER 10

DECEMBER 8

You can find out more information on our web site:
www.womensclubofnewseabury.com



WCNS met at Bleu for their April luncheon.



Developer's Report

Greetings from the Sales Cottage

by Mike Degnan

Spring has finally arrived at New Seabury, and the Sales Cottage is now open daily 9-5. Development is still rapidly progressing here at New Seabury. New model homes have been completed and furnished; others are on schedule for a spring delivery. After a strong 2014 season, which saw over \$13 million dollars in closed new sales construction, we are eagerly anticipating a strong spring selling season.

Interest in our newest community, The Cottages at New Seabury, has been outstanding. Cottages in Phase One are now being placed under agreement with new residents expected to take occupancy this summer. Three furnished models and a dramatic price adjustment has brought only positive responses from prospective buyers and New Seabury residents. Seven of the eight available models are priced under \$699,000. If you haven't previewed our three model homes or visited before they were completed, I would strongly urge you to stop by. These homes evoke a simpler time and a return to Old Cape Cod, but with all of the modern conveniences for today's lifestyle. These "green" designed homes will offer the latest technology with maintenance-free materials and energy-efficient products. Eight smartly-designed homes reinvent the Cape Cod cottage with open light-filled interiors and welcoming outdoor living spaces. Set within an exciting new activity center for New Seabury, The Cottages allow for easy access to the new fitness facility and pool, tennis center, golf practice range and shops. Whether you are looking to

downsize, modernize or purchase your first New Seabury residence, it is a perfect time to investigate your possibilities. There is still time to be in for the summer of 2015.

In addition, we still have new construction possibilities in our other neighborhoods.

The Preserve at Flat Pond continues to be attractive to homeowners. This beautiful gated neighborhood is nearing completion with luxurious single family homes offering both wooded and ocean views. A new Sandpiper model home is currently under construction and will be available this spring. Eight lots remain available to build.

Oceanfront Homes at Seaside has also attracted strong interest as the most spectacular and unrivaled location within New Seabury. The deeded private beach, views and access to clubhouse are exceptional. A new gorgeous model home is currently under construction and will be completed this spring. We have sold our first waterfront home, and construction has begun for a summer delivery. Only three waterfront lots remain. A new water view home has also recently been placed under agreement.

If you are interested in enjoying a newly constructed New Seabury home this year, the time to act is now. Stop by the Sales Cottage or call us at 508-539-8200 to learn more about any of our new developments.

We will look forward to seeing or speaking with you soon!

Patty, Heather, Kim, Tyler and Mike

Collaboration At Its Best

by Mike Richardson

The Mashpee Technology Center, housed at the Mashpee Middle/High School, offers students in grades 7-12 an opportunity to create innovative products through project-based learning initiatives. What better way to highlight that end result than by partnering with a local business! Kensington's at Mashpee Commons, an upscale gift and travel boutique has been in Mashpee for 19 years and stands on their statement that they "can personalize almost anything, into personalized gifts for everlasting memories".

The initial product launch was a personalized cribbage board with 80% of the proceeds going back to the Mashpee Technology Center, which in turn further supports additional "cool" innovations, and also allows for teaching viable business skills through the process. Products will be created with a Cape Cod theme by the students in the Technology Center and further personalized on the spot by Kensington's. The end result is a one of a kind gift.

Mike Looney, Department Head for Career and Technical Education, at the school stated that "by fostering a partnership with Kensington's, students have a first hand look at how local, hand-made, innovative products are marketed and sold on Cape Cod, and Dan Collins of Kensington's has been a tremendous partner in this process. " All students in the Technology Center are exposed to 3-D design and printing, laser engraving, wood turning and more.

Information can be obtained by contacting Kensington's at info@DestinationMashpee.com, or by calling 508-477-4006. Their website is www.MakeItPersonalNow.com, www.KensingtonsCapeCod.com.

We say, yea to both the Mashpee Schools and Kensington's for this effort in highlighting the Mashpee Technology Center and the excellent output by our future leaders.



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~ 2015 VILLAGE ANNUAL MEETINGS ~

BRIGHT COVES

Sunday, July 12 at 5:00 PM
Mashpee Congregational Church

FELLS POND

Saturday, July 11 at 10:00 AM Meeting
Mashpee Congregational Church

GREENSWARD

Saturday, July 18 at 10:00 AM
Mashpee Congregational Church

HIGHWOOD

Saturday, July 25 at 2:00 PM
Mashpee Congregational Church

THE MEWS

Saturday, August 22 at 9:00 AM
New Seabury Country Club

POPPONESSET ISLAND

Sunday, August 23 at 4:00 PM
Mashpee Congregational Church

POPPY PLACE

Saturday, August 8 at 8:00 AM
New Seabury Country Club

SANDALWOOD

Saturday, July 2 at 10:00 AM
Mashpee Public Library

SUMMERSEA

Saturday, July 25 at 10:00 AM
Mashpee Congregational Church

TRITON SOUND

Wednesday, July 8 at 6:00 PM
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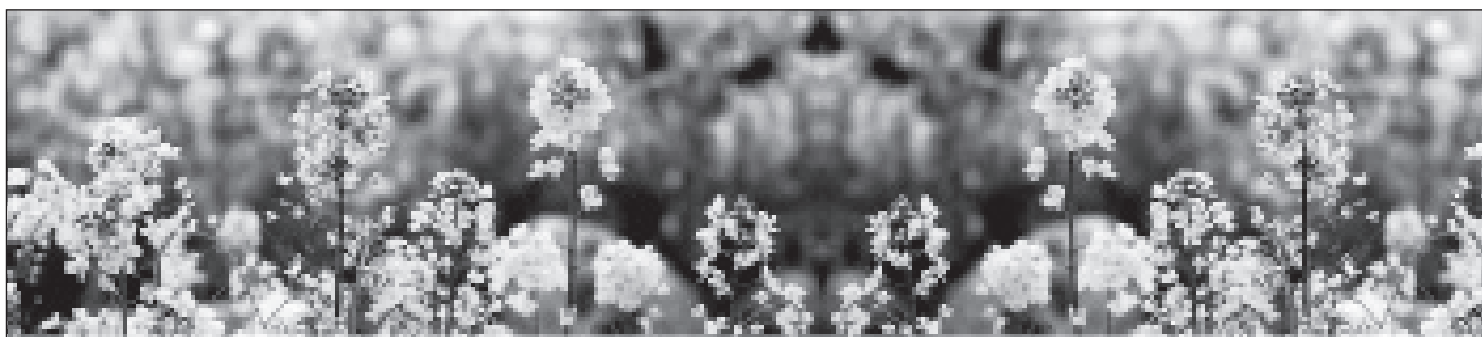
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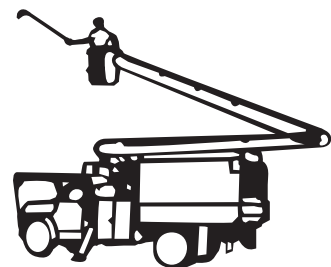
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RECYCLING

by June Levy

*"I Just Can't See
Myself With Someone
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After an apocalyptic winter where huge parts of our lives were cancelled due to the snow plague, we are finally able to move freely and expand our horizons beyond the 10 foot snow banks.

I asked Mike Richardson for an update on Recycling and the Waste Management Committee. Below is his response to me.

The Waste Management Committee continues to meet and discuss options for the Mashpee program. This is a sizeable committee with a wide variety of thought about process and programs. We are trying to corral all thoughts and ideas and narrow them down into a concrete group of proposals that can be estimated cost-wise. At present, we are slowly moving in the right direction. While frustratingly slow, we have tried to make sure that all suggestions are vetted thoroughly. There is still more to do, and after spending quite a bit of time in discussion, it's more clear than ever that we need to do a better job of explaining how things work, and what is "not trash".

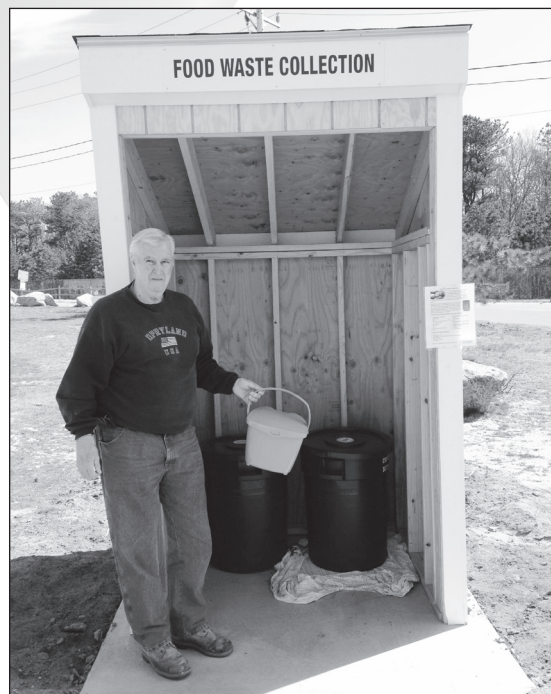
We are going to increase education on methods of recycling, as well as other options for "non-trash" items such as food waste and textiles. Both are going to be highlighted very much, very soon. There will be opportunities to support educating town residents with Public Service Announcements from Mashpee TV. We had hoped to do this in February but were snowed out. These are now being scheduled. Additionally, we have asked for help from the schools and hope to begin a robust program there as well.

Pay As You Throw or SMART is a constant topic, but is now combined with more discussion about alternatives, as well. Clearly, a wonderful end result would be an increase in recycling and alternative means of disposal such that our solid waste costs can be better managed. Some believe that it is possible, so we need to thoroughly consider all options.

The sticker price has been increased to \$119.00, which means the Transfer Station will remain subsidized by tax revenue.

The May 2015 Consumer Reports issued a Gripe-O-Meter of Rules to Recycle By. Here are a few highlights:

- 92% who participated in a survey by the magazine think recycling is good for the environment.
- 16% of Americans only recycle because law requires it.
- 1 in 10 Americans doesn't know their local recycling laws.
- 29% of Americans throw recyclables out with the trash often or every time.
- A top gripe is lack of a convenient ways to dispose of hard-to-recycle items such as batteries.
- 81% of women recycle
- 73 % of men recycle.



A Food Waste Collection shed is now located at the Mashpee Transfer Station across from the Recycling area. Disposal buckets can be obtained from the DPW office.

For Safety Sake: When you're out enjoying our community, please:

- ◆ Slow Down and follow the posted limits and rules of the roads.
- ◆ Ride your bike on the side of the road with the traffic.
- ◆ Walk or jog on the side of the road facing the traffic.
- ◆ Use the walking paths as much as possible.
- ◆ Walkers, joggers and bikers share our roads.
- ◆ Take note of those around you as you drive throughout our neighborhoods.

MEMORY-MAKING AT THE MARKETPLACE

by Brian Lewis

Each summer for over thirty years, the Popponesset Marketplace comes alive with activity preparing for the rush of seasonal residents and tourists. Soon, the sounds of children laughing and live entertainment will be the background for both shoppers and restaurant patrons. Careful planning and preparation are needed each spring to ensure that everything is ready to accommodate the thousands of people that will pass over the shell walkways each week during July and August. From live music to the ice cream eating contest to the colorful window boxes, every pre-opening detail must be attended to!

Completed in 1984, the shops and food establishments were designed to serve as a mini festival Marketplace for the New Seabury and Popponesset communities. Guided by a dreamer's vision, "the Marketplace with that Nantucket pace", as the ad reads, was completed in two phases over a two-year period. Strategically located near the geographic center of both Popponesset and New Seabury, it is just a short walk or bike ride from over a thousand homes. It was designed to attract the young and the young at heart with hopes that children, parents, and grandparents would all want to enjoy and support these very seasonal family shops. Over 30 years later, the Marketplace remains a center of community activity having overcome a few challenges along



the way. With salty air and overflowing lobster rolls, the Popponesset Marketplace remains an iconic slice of "Old Cape Cod".



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Ticks Are Vacationing on Cape Cod, Too



Ticks are prevalent on the Cape this year, so be on the lookout. A bit of prevention is worth the time and effort.

This year, we are also hearing more about the tick-borne transmission of babesiosis, which is an infection caused by microscopic parasites that infect red blood cells. According to the Cape Cod Times, "the Cape and Islands are a particular hotspot for babesiosis". Although it can be severe, the infection is both treatable and preventable. For more information on babesiosis, go to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website, www.cdc.gov.

The good news...steps can be taken to reduce the risk for babesiosis and other tick-borne infections by conducting daily tick checks. Take note of the following recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website:

- Walk on cleared trails and stay in the center of the trail, to minimize contact with leaf litter, brush, and overgrown grasses, where ticks are most likely to be found.
- Minimize the amount of exposed skin, by wearing socks, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt. Tuck the pant legs into the socks, so ticks cannot crawl up the inside of the pants. Wear light-colored clothing, to make it easier to see and remove ticks before they attach to skin.
 - Apply repellents to skin and clothing. Follow the instructions on the product label.
 - Products that contain DEET (N,N-diethylmetatoluamide) can be directly applied to exposed skin and to clothing, to help keep ticks away (by repelling them). The product label includes details about how and where to apply the repellent, how often to reapply it, and how to use it safely on children.
 - Permethrin products can be applied to clothing/boots (not to skin), actually kill ticks that come in contact with the treated clothing, and usually stay effective through several washings.
- Remove ticks from clothing and pets (check with your veterinarian for tick prevention for your pets) before going indoors.

Also, regarding yard protection - Ticks prefer shady areas with high humidity, so take note of your yard, especially if it borders woods. There are a number of products available to protect your yard. The Peninsula Council is familiar with Capewide Horticultural Care (508) 419-7370, a company that offers this service.

References: Center for Disease Control and Prevention www.cdc.gov

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COUNTRY CLUB HAPPENINGS

by **Matt Gelly**

Director of Food and Beverage

The Club at New Seabury

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It finally feels like spring! Although the temperature hasn't warmed up yet, the days are longer, the snow has melted, and the golf course will finally have activity.

Easter Brunch was a huge success with much positive feedback from our members. This year, we decided to be daring by adding innovative food items like Salmon Provencal, Cinnamon French Toast Skewers, Couscous Salad and Chicken Cacciatore Bread Bowls just to name a few. We were so pleased with the response that I'm sure we will be just as creative for our traditional Mother's Day Brunch, which will be served on May 10th in the ballroom of the Country Club. Please make your reservations soon.

On May 1st, The Popponesset Inn will be welcoming back our members for dinner service Friday through Sunday nights from 5pm to 9pm. The Poppy Inn has had a very busy winter with renovations to the bar replacing all new equipment, new flooring, new lighting, new TVs, and even a new sound system. I'm also happy to announce Poppy Inn will reopen with a revamped menu for both lunch and dinner. Chef Josh Zamira and I truly hope you approve, and we always welcome your feedback.

The Country Club will be opening Thursdays for the month of May serving lunch and dinner. Chef Zamira and

Sous Chef Ramon Duran have worked hard on condensing the menu, making some impressive changes. Beginning May 7th, the Club will launch our new three-course Prix Fixe menu in addition to the regular menu. This will include a choice of appetizer, a choice of entree and a dessert with one complimentary glass of house wine for only \$22.95. We will serve this during regular dinner hours on weeknights only, which will eventually be Wednesdays and Thursdays in season.

On Friday May 22nd, the Lure reopens at 5:30p.m. to kick off Memorial Day weekend and will be open weekend nights for the month of June. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for some wonderful additions we have added to the Lure.

I'm very pleased to announce that in the month of May I will launch a new and improved extensive wine list at both the Country Club and Popponesset Inn. This will include, but will not be limited to, wines by the glass, champagne and sparkling, many additional white and red wines by the bottle followed by dessert and port wines. Robin Innis and I have put a lot of thought into this, and we hope you find both lists to be diversified with new and old world wines spanning many parts of the world.

Spring has finally arrived and we all certainly deserve it!

***When you're out enjoying our community,
for your safety, make note of the following:***

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MEN'S SOCIAL CLUB AT NEW SEABURY

by **Mike Richardson**

It's the beginning of another season and we are looking for opportunities to get the group together again.

The Director of Community Relations at Bridges by EPOCH has agreed to speak to the Men's Club about a wide variety of issues that impact us all. Kristine Callahan provides a wide variety of sessions dealing with Alzheimer's including advanced directives, care giver stress, memory restoration, and activities for memory

exercises. Additionally, after discussions with Matt Gelly, Food and Beverage Manager at the Country Club, we have been considering a late afternoon Meet and Greet for Men's Club members to try some of the new food offerings. Author luncheons are always a decent draw, and we'll set some dates for Red Sox and Cape Cod baseball games, as well. As always, we will try for a few golf offerings at clubs in the local area where we can compete at the highest level for a little liquid refreshment. Stay tuned for dates.

If you haven't had a chance to renew your membership, please do so as soon as possible, and do consider our Scholarship program. Today, we meet to finalize this year's group, and it's a great thing we do for our future leaders.

So stay tuned...and welcome back to this wonderful place.

SPRING 2015 BRUSH PICKUP SCHEDULE

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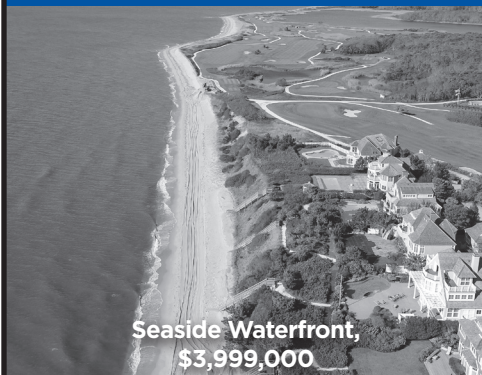
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