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# Cell Tower Update

It's frustrating to constantly hear a busy signal, but that is apparently where we are at this point in time. One court has dismissed the litigation and left us with the feeling that action was about to be taken on the cell tower, only to hear that subsequent litigation in the Barnstable Superior Court continues. I understand that a recent motion to dismiss was not approved; thus, movement towards trial is underway. Unfortunately, everyone knows how slow the wheels of justice turn.

Efforts at pursuing the ODAS (Outdoor Distributed Antenna System) continues. The consultant advises that he is working to secure commitments from vendors at which point work can begin.

I wish I had better news, but the frustration continues. More (or less) to come as I get information.

Mike R.



**Problem Solved !**



# President's Report

Dick Noonan



My article for the last *Reporter* focused on the sudden and dramatic impact of the Coronavirus, and the uncertainty it was causing in all of our lives. I would not have imagined that looking forward four months from when I wrote that note that we would still be dealing with many of the same issues. Yes, we understand the virus better and do not fear touching a gas pump handle as we did earlier, but we are more aware of the airborne dangers of this virus and have become super vigilant whenever we are inside a building or room.

Regardless of what we have learned and what remains unknown, the one thing that is certain is the impact this virus has had on our use of our typical haunts such as the Poppy, Beach Bar and the Clubhouse. We no longer worry about getting a seat at the bar. Instead wonder if the weather will be warm enough to sit outside. But we are a resilient species. As I walk or bike around the community, masks may be the style statement but we have also learned to truly appreciate the beach, swimming pools, golf course, walking paths and all manner of outdoor activities. Golf has become a healthy pursuit, at least in a physical sense. More couples seem to be playing golf together on a Sunday afternoon and that is a nice thing to observe. And there seems to be no shortage of laughter and good cheer.

The other result of this virus is that our community has been very busy this year. It started earlier and seems less weekend dependent as more people are living here full time. It is wonderful that we have this relatively safe feeling environment to enjoy all our amenities. But with the crowds, especially the younger set, we have encountered a few additional challenges.

Over the past month, we have received more than our usual complaints. They have ranged from the normal, such as people not picking up after their dogs and trash along our walking paths, vendors violating working hour restrictions, and unregistered vehicles on our streets and paths.

There are some new issues, even for Mike Richardson, who thought he had seen it all. We have had a couple of late night parties on a bench along our walking paths where on two occasions our volunteers had to clean up empty beer cans from the area including some that found their way into one of our ponds we work so hard to protect. There was a beach party that ended up with a nearby vehicle being stolen. And one of the more disturbing incidents was teenage vandalism that included one of our new solar lights being pulled from the ground and destroyed along with multiple street signs. That one overshadows having newly planted flowers at the entrance to two of our neighborhoods dug up and stolen one evening at the beginning of our season. And yes, for all of these Mike gets a call or an email informing, complaining or asking what he is going to do about it.

What I find so frustrating about this is the lack of consideration embedded in these behaviors. We sometimes find ourselves blaming this on renters, visitors or outsiders who are not as tied to this community as we are. That may or may not be true, but regardless of who or where these folks come from just a little respect would go a long way.

For the most part this place is run by volunteers. How many times will a volunteer pick up empty beer cans carelessly littered on our paths before they say: "enough, I am done!" If that happens we will never look or feel quite the same.

So please, as we finish out this season, take a minute to appreciate all we have, including those who work hard to maintain it. Help us preserve it. We are all dealing with more than usual due to this virus. Let's keep this the beautiful community we have come to know, one where you can enjoy time well spent in spite of the current challenges.

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## Executive Director's Report

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Let's see, what is the definition of **Insanity**?

Doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results. That is one way of looking at our world these days. How about **Wisdom** - the quality of having experience, knowledge and good judgment, the quality of being wise, and I guess that is one way to look at all those around us and how they act. How about **Courtesy**- the showing of politeness in one's attitude and behavior towards others. That one seems to be a challenge these days, and lastly how about **Respect**- the due regard for the rights, feelings, wishes and tradition of others. Wow, is that one under siege!!

How is that for an introduction to this edition of the *Peninsula Reporter*? This magazine has been over the years, continuously tweaked to make it something we can be proud of, something that highlights our community and its people, a way of keeping all up to date of what is happening in our lives here in New Seabury, a way of showing through pictures our activities and improvements, along with a little humor (okay, so maybe just my thoughts at humor), and we hope some interesting anecdotal stuff. I would be hard pressed to say that I feel anything but pride at how the product has progressed, and MJ has lead the charge all the way, putting up with me to the point of my first bullet...Insanity. I apparently have that way with folks.

Having just celebrated another year (thanks for the well wishes and concerns about my age), I, as maybe many others, have a tendency to look back and at first say, where the heck did all those years go? What have I accomplished in my years, and holy mackerel, how many do I have left? Can I put a stamp on anything worthwhile, and will my kids take care of me now that I am a little off kilter?

Well, enough of that stuff...I have always had this need to "keep truckin'." One reason family and exes have a hard time even dealing with me...."are you ever going to stop?" So, as an introduction to this long-winded article, let's start with "No, I am not ever going to stop, barring the actual inability to continue."

To the point about New Seabury. It's mid-year 2020, and our place looks wonderful. Our vendors have continued to do their job. You may know them by business name, I know them personally - their families, birthdays, cell phone numbers - and by their quality of work. Local, small business owners who work tirelessly to keep New Seabury the high value, beautiful place we all live. We celebrate these folks as they are definitely our value added friends. It's not rocket science for sure that is required, it's simply attention to detail and the love of our community that makes this work. The list is short - landscaping, lighting, roads, and drains for the most part, but there has been over a couple of years, and once again this year, a couple of added activities.....security, pet droppings, and trash pickup...Yup, security, pet droppings and trash pickup. I could (maybe I should) add

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separate budget line items for these three.

First, all of the Villages (10) we manage are in good financial shape. All have undertaken some unique projects, while others have worked through the wear and tear of years living on the Cape. The Mews has drastically improved the look along Mid Iron with beautiful landscaping. Bright Coves and Poppy Island have changed from gas to electric lights; HighWood continues to cause Robin Hood to move around with tree issues; Summersea annually looks to brighten up and improve the look of small rotaries, and Greensward employs the Morrow gang (Alicia and all) ensuring all is well. In summary, there is little question that we have involved and active committee members, all working to keep their Villages vibrant and enjoyable places to live. I can't say enough about all of the Board of Directors who are all volunteers who spend a lot of their time and energy on behalf of their residents.

This is my third revision of this article (and, per MJ, it's late as I type) as the first two could be defined as deep and dumb. I like to do a brain dump first to get it out of my system, and then looking at what I wrote, I smarten up. Nobody likes a complainer, and frankly reading stuff like that is a downer. That being said, it's still important to highlight areas needing attention.

Like David Letterman's Top Ten, I began with #1 Insanity, #2 Wisdom, #3 Courtesy, and #4 Respect. Let's continue.

#10. **20 mph** means driving 20 times **more per household** faster than your neighbors.

#9. **One man's trash is another's treasure** means that we should leave garbage all over for others to pick up.

#8. **Post and rails** represent targets for those who enjoy the late night social activities.

#7. **Contractor's Hours** means any time at any place it's okay to run a band saw.

#8. **Red cones** when parked on our streets for work are really just black raspberry ice cream cones eaten by workers.

#7. **Narrow streets** represent opportunities win the "I can park more cars than you" contest.

#6. **Mashpee Noise By-Law** doesn't mean that by law, you can party until the cows come home.

First of all, we don't have cows, and second of all, at our age, we all need our sleep.

#5. **All pooped out** really does mean, I am tired of picking up after all your dogs.

Okay, so enough nonsense. The above does represent some of the issues that keep me awake at night. That, and our dog, and the other reasons for getting up.

While this place is no doubt a wonderful place to live for that quality of life we all enjoy, there comes with it a responsibility to help keep it that way, so how about this....We all have the Wisdom to know what to do and we can do so with Respect for our fellow residents. Being Courteous is just an intelligent purposeful way to treat everybody. Lastly you all can play a major role in minimizing my Insanity by doing so. I mean, if you know MJ, you must feel sorry for her having to put up with me, so, how about it?

Enjoy the rest of the summer. Be healthy and safe. Be nice to your families, neighbors and friends, and..... remember the real #1. The number one reason for doing things right is because that is what our parents told us to do.

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# Treasurer's Report

Darlene Furbush

It's hard to believe as I sit here, it is almost mid-July. Since early March I have seen an increase in cars, walkers, bikes, and children in carriages. Summer seemed to have come early this year. Our Villages are lush with trees, grasses, flowers and families.

The Village landscaping, roads and lighting are for the most part in good shape. Some projects that were scheduled, or were going to be, had to be put on hold or slowed due to Covid-19, but overall everything looks good.

Your Village budgets are in good shape, and by the time this issue is in your hands, you will have heard from your Village Chairs with an update. The priority due to the virus has been your safety and social distancing. As a result, the yearly meetings were held via zoom, telephone or simply by email.

I hope you and your family are healthy and safe. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

## Special Maintenance Report

Tom Caston

After numerous phone calls and messages, we were able to obtain the items needed for our spring and summer plantings. In summary, we planted 2,700 assorted flowers (25% more than past years), 55 assorted shrubs, 15 new rose bushes and three large trees.



The Triton triangle garden was completely redone with a 15 foot spruce tree, along with an assortment of flowers and shrubs. A new garden was established at the corner of Glenneagle and Cross Road starting with a four foot edging of sod. Then we added 22 new shrubs in front of our established birch trees. All of the above required numerous hours of pruning, and the results have been well worth it.

We appreciate the many calls that we have received from residents. We are proud of the fact that this was all accomplished within our budget which overall is in great shape.

Enjoy our beautiful community and stay safe.



Lots of hard work and lots of plantings sure paid off at the Triton Triangle!





## ARC Update:

- Call or email ARC before undertaking any exterior work. We will tell you if a permit is required and will take it from there. You do not need to complete any forms.
- Due to COVID, presentations by contractors/home owners to the Committee have been suspended. We conduct the review/approval process via email. It takes effort; but, with your help, we do get it done.
- Know that the ARC works closely with the Mashpee Building Department. We send them digital notifications of ARC Permits. It is incumbent upon home owners to followup with the Town Bldg. Dept. in the determination if you require a Town permit (508-539-1406).

## Two cool stories. One:

I learned about a startup by two Harvard Business School students, Nick Ornitz and Shannon Kay that may be very helpful to homeowners like me. Launched in early 2020, “Dwelling” virtually connects homeowners who need home maintenance support with experienced professionals; it’s like telemedicine for your home.

Homeowners submit a description and photo(s) and/or video(s), and a matched professional on the Dwelling network provides a written response to help homeowners determine what’s wrong, how to fix the issue, and whether or not to call a contractor. Users can then ask followup questions through the Dwelling platform. Dwelling will soon enable homeowners to connect via video live chat with a professional in addition to the option for a written response. In both scenarios, the user can ask followup questions through the Dwelling platform.

### An example:

A homeowner’s hot water was not working. Rather than call a plumber asking for a home visit – assuming you can find a plumber available on the Cape - the home owner shared a few photos of the boiler with Dwelling. A service professional recommended resetting the system, and explained how to do so. Resetting the system had the hot working again within minutes. The homeowner likely uttered “Who knew?” or something similar...just before he heard from the other room “That’s what I said to do.”...just saying...

### Price:

Dwelling virtual services are offered for free for two weeks to each new user and then the option for a subscription ranging from \$9.99-14.99/month or \$24.99 for a single submission.

The website is below.

Let me know how you make out. I’ll share the news.

Website: <https://hellodwelling.com>



Man’s best friend.





# Village Reports

## Bright Coves

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This summer is like so many others – hot, humid and crowded – but that may be where the similarity ends. It was clear that many residents had come down in March and April to visit their happy place and maybe stay awhile. Many had not expected the

short-term visitors to return, but it seems they too had the same idea to get away to the Cape. Normally, we worry about how this will affect our ability to get a parking spot, a reservation at our favorite restaurant, or attend an outdoor concert, baseball game, or wedding. This year is different. I would like to ask that even though we are here to enjoy the summer – we still wear masks when appropriate and practice social distancing.

Our picture of a golf cart (included with this article and on the front cover) is from one of our new residents Richard and Tracy Nault. They won a prize in one of the 4th of July Parades held

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throughout New Seabury. The sign on the artfully decorated cart says it all – Home Sweet Home! The Boat Parade started at the Reserved Area on Bright Coves Way promptly at high noon. We had approximately 20 boats of all sizes and even some kayaks and paddle boards. Social distancing was practiced by the viewers and, luckily, all boats!

We continue to replace drains in Bright Coves. These are the biggest ticket item in our small budget. Since I have joined the Bright Coves committee, we have replaced or repaired EIGHT (8) drains. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Please consider edging your property with something other than MULCH. Grass lawn is the least expensive solution. Also, consider installing at least one row of cobblestones at the end of your driveway. I have noticed several properties with drains next to them that are contributing to the failure of these drains. I will address these owners on an individual basis. Everyone needs to do their part!

We are hoping to have the Bright Coves Annual Meeting as planned on August 29th at 9:30am. The tentative plan is to have the meeting either outside at the Reserved Area next to the Osprey nest on Waterway or through ZOOM. Stay tuned for emails relating to this subject. Please consider contacting the Peninsula Council office with any updates to your permanent mailing or email address. If you cannot or do not want to attend in person, or if ZOOM is not your thing, please contact me on my phone 617-755-9401 after August 25th. I should have the meeting agenda complete and could listen to your questions or concerns so that you too can be heard at the Annual Meeting for Bright Coves residents.





## Second cool story:



The Veterans Outreach Center is currently building a home for veterans in Dennis.

The ARC leases an office in The Grace Brain Center from the Cape and Islands Veteran Outreach Center (CIVOC), which also occupies space in the Brain Center. Recently, I learned that one of its major roles is providing transitional housing to homeless veterans.

The program, designed for veterans who have faced a variety of challenges and are in need of counseling and case management services, enables them to move on to permanent housing and a legitimate opportunity to live independent and productive lives.

The Outreach Center believes that through a personal sense of ownership and clearly defined expectations for progress, coupled with compassion and encouragement, veterans can successfully reintegrate into the communities for which they gave their service and to which they are capable of contributing. In this manner, CIVOC provides veterans with the comprehensive services which will empower them to achieve dignity and independence.

The Outreach Center is currently building a home for these veterans in Dennis. The housing project is the first of this type of collaboration with a Cape municipality. The Town of Dennis, CIVOC, and multiple community supporters are working together to construct a five-bedroom home for these otherwise homeless veterans. This is a major step forward to accomplishing the CIVOC mission to eliminate veteran homelessness on the Cape.

Of special note for us in New Seabury is that The Outreach Center has received substantial construction assistance from Bayswater Development, the construction arm of New Seabury Properties.

Bill Blaisdell, Treasurer of the Cape and Islands veterans Outreach Center, stated that when he reached out to John Falacci, President of Bayswater, John was unhesitatingly supportive of the Dennis project. Thank you, John.

If you wish to help CIVOC accomplish their mission of eliminating veteran homelessness on Cape Cod, please visit their website ([capeveterans.com](http://capeveterans.com)), send a donation by mail to CIVOC, 247 Stevens Street, Suite E, Hyannis, MA 02601 or call Bill Blaisdell directly at 508-292-2569 or 508-539-2400.

ARC Guidelines can be found online, along with other useful information. You can find the site at:

<http://peninsulacouncil.com/arc/arc-guidelines-and-specifications/>

Please contact me with any recommendations as to how the ARC can better serve you.

Thank you.

Tom



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# Fells Pond

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Fells Pond

## Flower Power!



**T**his year, we had to cancel our Annual Meeting due to the virus. Hopefully, you are all well. We have done our best to provide a beautiful venue for our residents. Our Village entrance looks spectacular as do all our flowers and plantings throughout New Seabury. This is the result of a lot of hard work and planting.

The pond has been tested for weed growth, algae, etc. The Barnstable County Health Department is testing the water weekly for e-coli and other bacterial growth. The quality of the pond has been excellent. It is still one of the most pristine ponds or lakes on the whole east coast. You should all be proud.

Stay well and enjoy the rest of the summer.



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## Dog Days of August

Meet Greensward Village's Canine Companions



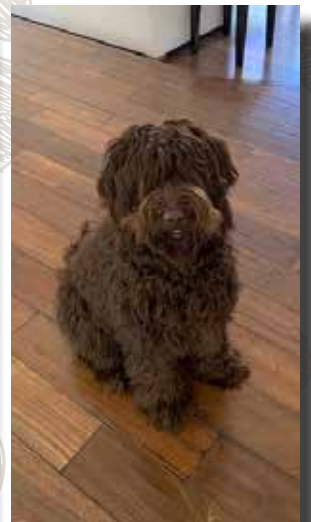
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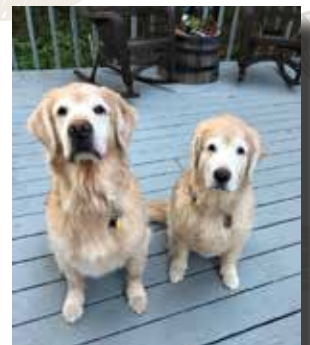
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# HIGHWOOD

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The weather has been spectacular this summer on Cape Cod. The wet spring has brought a luscious landscape to our eyes. New Seabury is truly a wonderful place to be at this time of year. Covid-19 is still hanging around and has altered many vacation plans. Slowly, patrons are heading back to the stores, beaches and restaurants. Curbside take out and outside dining have become the norm this summer. UPS and FedEx are daily visitors to our village.

Highwood is packed with visitors. Our roads are frequented by walkers, joggers, bicyclists and families with pets. Our roads are narrow, and drivers need to drive cautiously. We have many people trying to take short cuts around circles, by driving the wrong way causing hazards for people walking and jogging. Please abide by road signs and slow down.

We had our annual brush collection before Memorial weekend. Most properties did a good job of

cleaning their yards. However, we continue to have people place their yard debris on the side of the road. This is your responsibility; we are not doing another pick up this year. Please have your landscaper remove the brush or bring it to the Mashpee dump.

If you plan on doing any exterior work, you must get approval from the ARC. The Peninsula Council website is a good source of information for any project you are considering. The lights at the entrance to Highwood Way have not yet been installed. The utility company placed projects on hold due to the pandemic. Hopefully, by the end of the summer we will have our electric lights working.

I received word in late June that Cindy King and Marc Silverstein would no longer be able to serve on our Highwood Village committee. Cindy and Marc have been valuable contributors to our community for numerous years. They have played an active role in meetings and have worked tirelessly for the success of Highwood. We are forever grateful for their selfless dedication to making our village thrive. We wish them health and happiness in the future.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay safe.

## The Mews

Rob Bogosian

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Our landscape project, approved last year, is complete. The Committee is grateful for your compliments and support. We have decreased our dependence on

mulch and drastically reduced the risk of drain damage from mulch runoff.

Our lighting maintenance repairs at the Brassie Way entrance should be completed by August 2020. Our budget is in good shape and after we complete the perimeter fence project there are no additional major projects in the queue.

One significant unresolved issue is neighborhood security. By now, we assume that everyone is aware of the Mews July vandalism incident. The culprits were caught and have been charged with the crime. We worked with Mashpee Police and Mike Richardson to address the issue and we are now exploring prevention measures including digital security cameras connected to the Peninsula Council digital surveillance system.

The Mews Annual Meeting was held via Zoom (July 18). Homeowners approved two actions:

1. Allow black window and door frames (21 Yes/ 3 No)
2. Allow shutter colors to match front door colors (13 Yes/8 No)

The group discussed and decided to table two issues for further analysis and debate:

1. Install digital security cameras tied into Peninsula Council digital security system.
2. Add a minimum rental duration to our bylaws.

One Board seat came up for nomination and Pat Frechette will retain that seat. There were no new nominations submitted this year.

If you rent your Mews home, relevant State and Town Bylaws are attached below.

Again, I want to thank Wayne Luther, Pat Frechette and Pat Donohue for their unwavering efforts in 2019-2020. We managed three concurrent projects and delivered between 5-15 hours of work per week. Our team is devoted to the betterment of the Mews and integrity and honesty are our core team values. We are grateful for the overwhelming homeowner support.

**Renters and Associated Issues:** Most homeowners are respectful of their neighbors and the surrounding community... many renters have no affiliation with neighbors or the community so are here for their own personal enjoyment, and often times that creates issues for others. Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 272,

section 53, a person may be found chargeable for being a Keeper of a Disorderly House. Specifically the law prohibits a person that "controls or manages the premises" from engaging in disorderly conduct such as: noise that disturbs the public peace of the neighborhood; drinking of alcoholic beverages resulting in disorderly behavior; and



*The Mews continued from page 14*

gatherings of persons engaged in unlawful practices thereby endangering the public peace and corrupting of good morals. Disturbing the Peace may be found in Massachusetts General Law Chapter 272, Section 53. Each breath of the peace is an arrestable offense. Additionally, a local by-law prohibits unreasonable noise caused by any radio or sound making device (including amplification) from any building structure. Vehicle or premises from the hours of 10:00p.m. to 8:00a.m. We hope that owners and renters will all do their best to enjoy this wonderful place without that enjoyment having a negative impact on others. When we get a call or notice from neighbors, we first make contact with the homeowner so they have a chance to correct the situation. If that does not work...Call the Mashpee Police any renter abuse the above the requirements.

## *Popponesset Island* Words cannot describe the *Beauty* of Popponesset Island.

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# Poppy Place

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At last, summer is here and the homes at Poppy Place have been filling up for our 15th year. While we are experiencing a “new normal”, many neighborly hellos have been shared and both new and old acquaintances acknowledged. Our planned Welcome Back to Summer for June has been postponed and rethought in light of impending regulations and new advisories for the state and our local managers here at New Seabury. The Everett Family has once again offered their home and hospitality for perhaps what may be a Farewell to Fall as we move into cooler weather and closer to September.

The repairs and painting of the common area 8' perimeter fencing has been completed. Three individual homeowner leaning light posts, which are the responsibility of the community, are in the process of being replaced with composite material.

Progress is underway for those individual homeowners who opted to have their picket fences repaired/painted/removed and their driveways resealed. The work is being coordinated and separately billed by our property manager, Peninsula Council.

Our property has required additional attention to our common area landscaping. Well, if you are

wondering what happened to the lawn along the entry walkway, our landscaping partner, Linhares & Son, discovered that our problem was with our well and pump for that location. Once the problem was identified, testing was done and a new pump installed. This should serve as a reminder that each home was built with its own well to accommodate sprinkler systems. Heads-up to all, several owners have already had to replace pumps as a result of our aging property. Shortly after the irrigation issue was solved, a mysterious random opening of the front entrance gate occurred repeatedly over the July 4th weekend. We learned that our entry gate is set to open when sirens or other extremely loud noises occur in close proximity. Activity in our immediate area such as The Marketplace and neighborhood fireworks were likely triggering the random opening.

Typically our Annual HOA Meeting occurs in early August. A tentative date of Saturday, August 8th (8:00 AM) via Zoom has been set. Due to restrictions of “The New Normal” it has been determined that an alternative forum would better serve our Board and Members and concerned homeowners. Look for an e-mail communication in the very near future with information on a Zoom meeting.

As a general reminder, our Board meets via conference call on the third Tuesday of each month at 3:30PM. The lines are always open to anyone interested so please tune in. For details on access, please contact our property manager, Mike Richardson, at the Peninsula Council at [mike@peninsulacouncil.com](mailto:mike@peninsulacouncil.com).



The landscaping at Poppy Place certainly has been beautiful this year





# Promontory Point 6A

Christine Hirshland

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## What do we *Love* about New Seabury?

Observing how much JoJo loves spending her summers here!





# Sandalwood

Karyn O'Connor

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We announced in an email sent out on July 7, that our Annual Meeting planned for July 18 was being postponed, hopefully to be held in early September. The email also served as a summary update of all “things” Sandalwood – those topics that would have been covered at the Annual Meeting. There are a couple of topics discussed that the Board would like your feedback on – so please respond to Karyn O'Connor if you have any comments. We are hopeful that we will be allowed to hold the Annual Meeting in September, face to face, but if not we will schedule a Zoom call. If you missed the email the summary document can be found on the web-site under the Update tab.

The speeding problem in our Village is getting worse than ever before. We do seem to have more visitors this year as well as some new neighbors. PLEASE be aware that the speed limit on ALL roads in the Village is 20 MPH. That may seem slow to some, but our roads are winding and we have small children, runners, bikers, walkers and dog walkers out every day. The Board of Directors is looking into solutions including speed bumps and a police detail which WILL result in speeding tickets for violators. Please be aware of your speed as you drive through the Village – keep our streets safe for our residents and guests.

Our dedication to quarantine is also causing a noise problem. Backyard parties are fine and they are fun – but when they become loud they are disturbing and aggravating. Not everyone likes to stay up until midnight listening to music and chatter. Please be respectful of your neighbors and keep your music and your voice volume down!!! Noise can carry for many blocks, it doesn't stay in your backyard. Mashpee has a 10 p.m. curfew for parties, etc. and that will be enforced. No one wants to call the police on a neighbor nor does anyone want that “knock” on the door from Mashpee Police. Respect your neighbors, please.

On a positive note, Sandalwood residents have been hard at work improving their properties all spring. As of this writing, Sandalwood has been granted nine permits for outdoor work from the ARC. It's great to

see painting, landscaping & overall improvements being made to our Village – this increases the property values for everyone. Also, please be aware that anything that “changes or alters” the outside of your home needs to be approved by the ARC – even if you're just painting the “same” color. This also includes your back yard – major landscaping, pools, sheds, fences, tree cutting, etc. The ARC process is very simple and it helps keep the upscale look of the neighborhood in place. If you are in doubt of what qualifies for ARC approval, please call Tom Bone at the ARC office at 508-477-8855 or check the Peninsula Council website.

It's also great to see most people walking their dogs on a leash and picking up after them too. Not picking up after your pooch results in a huge mess for residents as well as damage to landscaping equipment.

Our front entrance looks beautiful again this year, thanks to Rick Corey from Coriste Landscaping. I think you'll all agree that Rick and his team are doing a great job keeping the Village looking clean, neat and as green as possible.





# Summersea

Risa Schneider-Fine

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Hi Everyone,

We hope this finds you well. We guess if one has to be in quarantine, this is a pretty beautiful place to be. We seem to have a lot of boats on the water, new garden projects galore, a banner year for hydrangea, and many other things to smile about here

You just can't mask beauty.

in Summersea. We know you must have noticed the blinking stop sign (how can you miss it) at the intersection of Summersea Lane and Summersea Road. It appears to be helping; we definitely see more cars and trucks stopping. We will be adding street painting/signage at both the front and back entrances to Summersea to designate the lanes when road painting is done in the rest of New Seabury.

The new solar light at the corner of Summersea Road and Summersea Lane is also a welcome addition. We are trying to get more for the Village, but they are back ordered. We will be getting one more at the front end of Summersea Road in the near future. The lights are solar so if you know of a sunny spot which is dark at night please let us know. We know many of you have expressed concern over AirB&B's; unfortunately, our hands are pretty tied. However, if you have a concern over safety or excessive noise, you can contact the home owner, and if that fails, call the Mashpee fire department and/or the Mashpee police. As some of you may know, Summersea is 60 years old, and so are the drains. Many are starting to fail, and they are very expensive to fix. If they can't be fixed they need to be replaced and that is even more expensive. The major cause of the drain failure, aside from age, is mulch washing into drains during rainstorms. We are reaching out to you before we have to repair and replace our drains because we don't want our dues to go up. If the drains continue to fail, as several have, we might run into that situation. Please try not to mulch close to the road, especially if you live near a drain. Try to put a grass or stone barrier of two to three feet next to the road when doing your landscaping

next year. We thank you in advance. Mashpee is in the process of discussing a town wide sewer system. We will keep you posted as we learn more.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and please stay healthy and whole.

Larry, Fredda, Bill, & Risa



Ahh.. the good life! A perfect Summersea sunset.



View from Popponesset Island Bridge.

## SUMMERSEA POEM

S-Sunshine is finally here  
U-Umbrellas by the pool  
M- Making summer memories  
M-Munching fresh fruit  
E-Eating ice cream as it melts away  
R- Reflections in the water  
S-Smiling, just because  
E- Enjoying a slow walk by the shore  
A- Another day to ponder





# TRITON SOUND

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It's hard to believe how fast the summer is going by. We have all appreciated the extra time spent with family. Triton Sound has been busy this summer with many neighbors around enjoying the weather. Residents have continued practicing social distancing while enjoying walks in the community and spending time outdoors. The neighborhood is looking beautiful with the flowers in bloom and plants thriving.

We decided to hold our annual village meeting this year virtually via Zoom on August 1. This helped us to enable full participation in the safest possible way. I look forward to reporting on the details of the meeting in the future.

A quick reminder that voices and music travel further than you think on nice quiet nights, so please continue to observe local regulations to keep outdoor noise to a minimum from 10 p.m. – 8 a.m. In addition, per the ARC, Builders/Contractors/Subcontractors are not permitted to perform work from July 1 through Labor Day on Saturdays or Sundays, and can only work from 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. during the weekdays.

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions. Please stay safe everyone, and enjoy the rest of the summer.

Jarred Sherman



An osprey in early summer getting ready to build his nest.

## Vineyard Reach

Connie Strait

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Vineyard Reach is doing well during these trying times. Our community pool is open and guarded to ensure proper standards are being enforced to keep the area clean and sanitized regularly for the safety of all our neighbors. We are looking forward to our annual meeting which is being scheduled for the end of August.

What a year for hydrangeas! Our grounds are looking great thanks to all the care that our landscaping team has provided as we combine all this color against the backdrop of the golf course and Nantucket Sound.

Our president, Steve Kaufman, has announced he will be stepping down at the end of his term, capping off seven years where he provided us with capable direction and leadership. We will be voting on his replacement. We are forming committees to help in the managing of the various different areas that all together make Vineyard Reach still one of the most desirable communities in which to live.



An awesome view taken from above a Vineyard Reach home.



# Peninsula Council Special

For those of us who use a car transporting service to Florida or elsewhere, a group of New Seabury residents used a company that supplied excellent service and a reasonable price last year and this spring. Ed Pein of Get It Done Transportation out of Fort Lauderdale said he would again like the opportunity to have a New Seabury group for whatever personal dates any of us want to book. He again will arrange door to door delivery. With the craziness going on, he hasn't been able to establish a firm price yet. Last year it was \$925 each direction to or from south Florida. In that possible changes look to be part of our Covid travel plans, he knows that we may change any dates that we book. Contact Ed Pein at 954-881-6362 or email him at [edpein@getitdonetransportation.com](mailto:edpein@getitdonetransportation.com).

-Steve Bell

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# Women's Club of New Seabury

Susan Finkle, President



The summer of 2020 allowed the Women's Club of New Seabury to begin holding our monthly Executive Board meetings "masked face to socially distanced masked face." The Club's Gazebo provided plenty of room and fresh air. Coming together was delightful, and as always, productive.

Although Spring 2020 separated our members physically, all came together in generous support of local food pantries, St. Vincent de Paul and the Falmouth Service Center, with donations totaling over \$6,500. We also oversaw donations of face masks to the Mashpee Fire and Police departments.

The recipient of our annual Women's Club of New Seabury Scholarship was announced by the Mashpee Scholarship Foundation Trust. Caitlyn Boyd will pursue a degree in Behavioral Neuroscience at Connecticut College in the Fall. She also happens to be the daughter of our Executive Board Corresponding Secretary, Kristen Boyd. We wish her much success.

Our 2020 - 2022 WCNS Membership drive began with two-year member renewals. Our members have open hearts, generous spirits and positive attitudes.

We invite ALL women in the New Seabury community to become part of the WCNS and take part in the fellowship, fun, and philanthropy.



Caitlyn Boyd is the recipient of the annual Women's Club of New Seabury Scholarship announced by the Mashpee Scholarship Foundation Trust. She appears in the photo with her mother, Kristen. Best wishes to you, Caitlyn!

Following MA guidelines, and in conjunction with The Club at New Seabury, a fall luncheon event is planned. It will combine fun, conviviality and a chance to see one another once again.

You are all welcome to join us.....at any and all events.

Look for publicity on our website: [womensclubofnewseabury.com](http://womensclubofnewseabury.com), and facebook page, Women's Club of New Seabury. Be sure to "like" us.

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## MEN'S SOCIAL CLUB at New Seabury

Joe Fisher, President

While many of the activities of the Men's Club have been suspended, the Men's Club this year has awarded Scholarship Grants to five exceptional Mashpee High School seniors. On behalf of Mike Richardson, Bill Blaisdell, Tom Caston and me, we extend our sincere thank you for the generosity of the Men's Club members who have made these grants possible.





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# Country Club Happenings

## Fun on the Fourth







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## **It's a first for the Fourth!** **The Club at New Seabury Parade!**

What a great turnout with all that everyone is dealing with - never let it be said that folks can't figure out how to have a good time. There's also no lack of talent in the decorating and costume design on the part of the attendees. Bright, imaginative and colorful, all showing pride for the red, white and blue, and our flag!

Congratulations to the following families for taking the prize!

### **Most Patriotic**

Bikers: Hoffman Family  
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## HIGHWOOD

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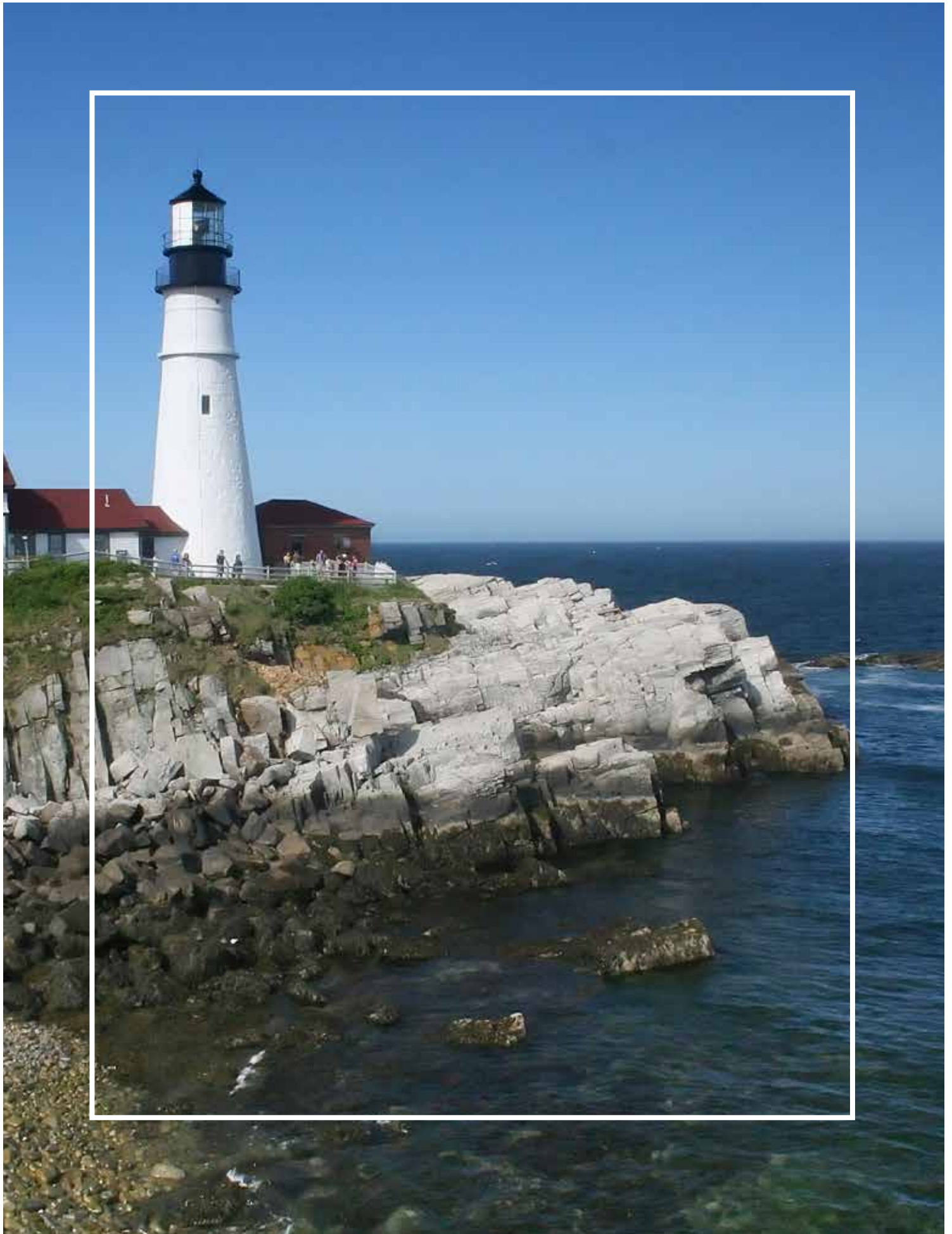
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# SIGNS OF SUMMER AT FLAT POND



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Okay, I'll pose for you



Everyone is ordering takeout these days

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# SUMMER 2020 NEW HOMEOWNERS SUMMER 2020

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# Save Popponesset Bay: Update

Marlene Perkins



While the summer of 2020 looks very different due to Covid-19, your Save Popponesset Bay Board has still been hard at work. In June, we applied for a grant from Coastal Zone Management, we continue to get our permits for the channel expansion project and we supported the movement to approve funding for plans by the Town of Mashpee to build a water treatment plant to offset nitrogen-loading in our bays and estuaries. This is all in addition to a sizable sand and dune grass initiative over the winter. SPB is run by a Board of volunteer neighbors from the Popponesset Bay area.

Over the Fourth of July weekend, a few SPB Board of Directors challenged friends and neighbors to a matching funds campaign. These Board members generously offered to donate \$35,000 if these funds could be matched. We are pleased to report that the match was not only achieved, it was exceeded! Forty-one of our community members made donations totaling \$50,450 which brought our “metaphorical fireworks” total to just over \$85,000!! To those who contributed, we thank you.

Friday night July 17th would have been SPB’s summer event at the Cabana Club. As with all social gatherings, this was put on hold in the effort to contain the spread of Covid-19. SPB’s annual summer event is an opportunity for us to say thank you to all who have contributed. This event has always given SPB the platform to update supporters about our work, while enjoying an evening connecting with old friends and a chance to meet new neighbors and enjoy live music, at a beautiful location.

We are pleased to announce that Save Popponesset Bay has launched their new website! Here you can stay informed about the work that we are doing, news about dredging, the Spit and the Bay, wildlife, and water quality. It is also here that you can very easily make your annual (or first time!) donation. We have added the ability to make your donation in honor/memory of someone by putting your information in the “write a note” section of the donation page. Your recipient will be notified by email of your generous donation. Please take the time to visit our website to stay informed - <https://savepopponessetbay.org/>. We also invite you to join our email list by signing up at <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/rcgFtj6>, allowing you to receive our news in a timely fashion.



We are in need of New Seabury Village Ambassadors. As an ambassador, you will attend your Village's annual meeting and events. Your primary goal will be to liaison between SPB and the community. Meet with other Village Ambassadors to determine the best way to get the community involved in our mission.

Skills required: passion for SPB. If you would like more information on this, or any other way to get involved please visit: <https://savepopponessetbay.org/donate/join-our-efforts/>.

We hope that the rest of your summer is the best that it can be. Thank you again for your support and please enjoy the outdoor activities we have here in our “happy place.”





Thanks to all Mashpee voters for approval of funding for the plans for the Asher's Path wastewater treatment plant in June! This plant will be critical to cutting off the excess nitrogen that feeds into the Mashpee River and Popponesset Bay. The supporting votes were 70% at Town Meeting and 75% in the Town Election. We appreciate everyone's support!

We'll be back with information about funding the construction of the wastewater treatment plant once the plans are complete in a year or two. In the meantime, Mashpee Clean Waters would like to share some thoughts on how you can help our waters and environment through choices you make in your own yard.

As part of our efforts to limit excess nitrogen, Mashpee passed the Nitrogen Control Bylaw, Chapter 107 of the Town Code in 2015. This law is very specific about fertilizer:

- Use only natural-organic, slow-release, water-insoluble forms
- Limit applications to no more than 0.5 pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet, and the annual aggregate total application of nitrogen should not exceed 1.0 pound per 1000 square feet.
- No applications within 100 feet of a waterway. If there is a 50 foot wide naturally vegetated buffer strip, fertilizer can be applied up to that 50' buffer zone.
- Nitrogen fertilizer cannot be applied between October 30th and April 14th of each year.

- Applications of fertilizer are prohibited within 24 hours of a heavy rain event or on soils that are saturated with water.

Of course, the best way to limit nitrogen run-off is to avoid fertilizers (and pesticides) all together. Native plants are a much better alternative to large lawns and exotic plants. They don't need fertilizers because they have deep root systems and are suited to our local conditions. You can see the comparison in the illustration between the shallow roots of a turf lawn and the deep roots of a native plant. This is how they are so hardy and act to slow down runoff and filter water. They also have the critical advantage of supporting local wildlife and birds.

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<https://www.audubon.org/content/why-native-plants-matter>

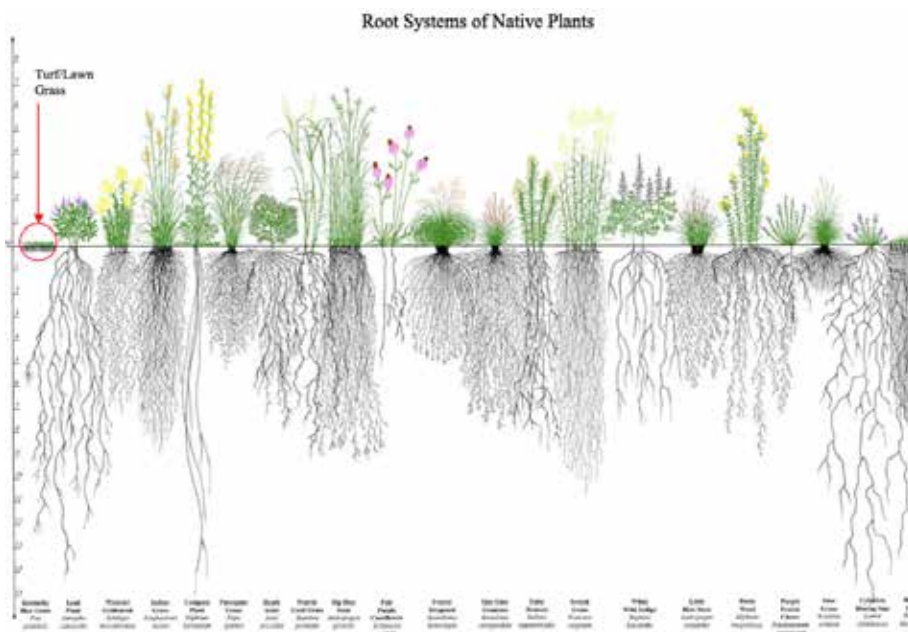


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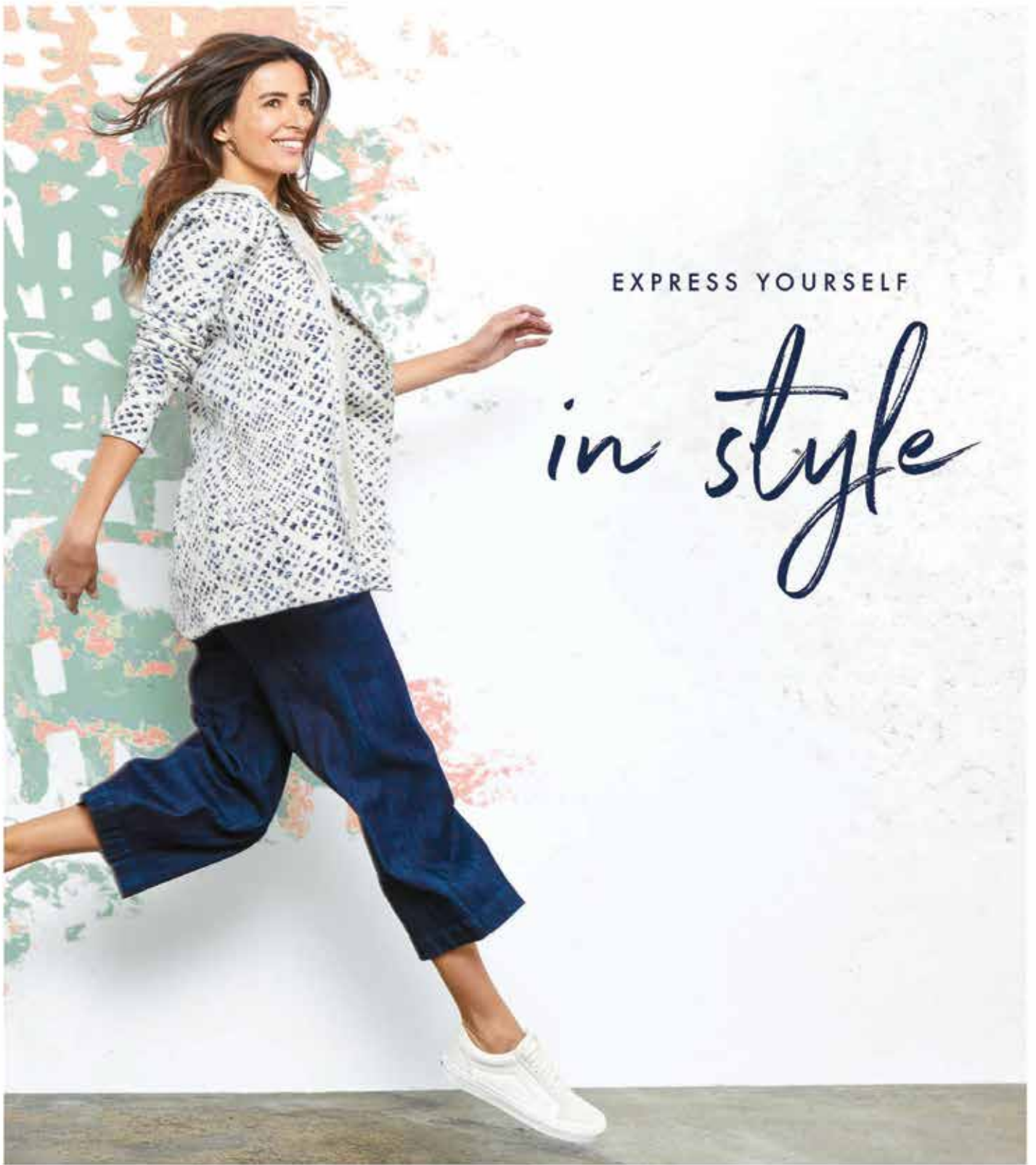
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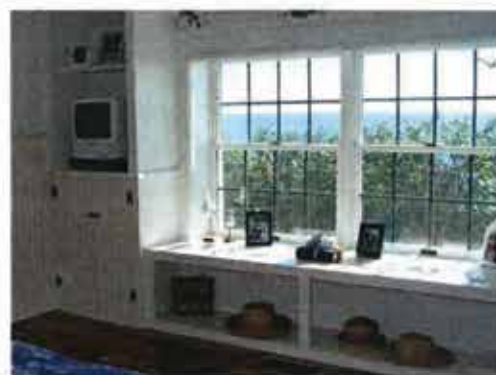


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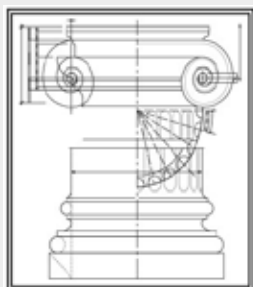
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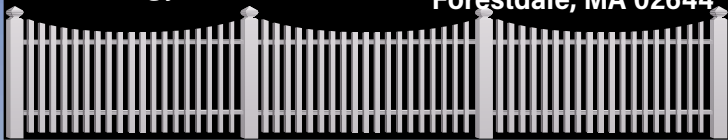
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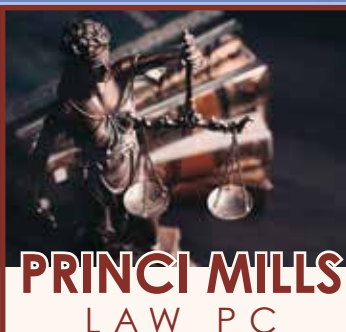
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