



Lake Hayward

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Upcoming Events

- 8/23 **BEACH GAMES**
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
at First Beach
- 8/23 **CARNIVAL**, 4-6 p.m. at
First Beach
- 8/30 **BAND SKYWALK**, 7:30
p.m. at the First Beach
Pavilion
- 8/30 **THIRD BEACH POT
LUCK**, 6 p.m.

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Message from the President: What is important to you?

Thank you, everyone, for a great annual meeting last week. Great discussion and positive outcomes on all fronts. For those who missed the meeting, the motion to dredge the channel from the lagoon boat launch to the lake was carried. We will keep you posted to the events and other related news throughout the off-season. A draft of the minutes of the meeting will be posted as soon as is possible for the recording secretary.

I was particularly appreciative of the questions and comments on a variety of topics throughout the meeting and hearing what was on everyone's mind. We need to do more of this so I will be organizing a "town hall" for early next June, so we can assemble to talk. No order of business, just an opportunity to gather and discuss topics of interest.

Recently, there was a Facebook comment regarding the future direction of the board. The comment was in response to a call for board nominees. What made the post interesting is that the board is talking about the same thing – in reverse. What is important to our members? What is the future of our community? How do we engage more of everyone's mindshare so we don't spin our wheels? How do we — or do we — maintain the traditions of the past 50 years;

- **Look for town hall dates next year**
- **Lagoon boat launch dredging vote passes at annual meeting.**
- **Focus on updating bylaws.**

what is it our new members want out of the association and life at the lake? Surveys do not seem to work for feedback, so we continue to work on taking the pulse of the community.

We shouldn't ignore the fact that the POALH was founded to be a recreational community made up of people who vacation and summer here all season. However, we are now a residential community with more and more owners here year-round. Our seasonal members have varying degrees of limited time and interests. We have property owners who rent out their seasonal cottages and extended next-generation family visiting and hoping to enjoy all that Lake Hayward has to offer. There are many different stakeholders.

The board on the other hand is just as varied as our stakeholders. As volunteers with limited time and bandwidth, we are also trying to find the right balance of fiscal and management oversight of properties and putting plans in place for recre-

ational and social programs for a busy eight-week schedule.

We have the added responsibility to look after and maintain our most important asset, the lake waters, and that involves important planning and the process of gaining consensus.

Our relationship with the town is more important than ever to keep them engaged to provide services and do their part with roads and drainage issues and support our lake quality initiatives. This is the answer to the question and the directional focus of the board:

The oversight and planning of our social and recreational programs is what I consider the most challenging, resource-intensive role that we need help with. We need more than people just showing up at an event and lending a hand. The direction we take on social and recreational programs is what I send back to you for consideration and what I believe will be the most problematic for the board at this time. If you are inclined to take on a leadership role (does not have to be as a board member) in the planning and managing of social and recreational programming, please contact me. A board member will support and oversee the committee. We have a budget and process in

Social and rec: Last chance to participate in Lake Hayward Days events

The men's fishing derby was rescheduled 6 p.m. tonight at Second Beach.

An entry fee of \$20 per boat will apply. Please contact either Neil Murphy at 203-463-0026 or Adam Thompson at 860-214-1030. BYOB: snacks will be provided.

Beach Games

Beach Games run today from noon to 3:00 p.m. Lots of beach games, fun in the sun and food! Come on down!

Carnival

Carnival runs today from 4-6 p.m.

Hurry, hurry, step right up to the Greatest Carnival on Earth ... or at least the lake. Fun, games, prizes and food.....



and allow you to play at any of the games....the two exceptions are the Carriage Ride and the T-Shirt booth. Children three and under play for free!

Carriage rides: \$2

T-Shirt booth: \$1

Swim

Congratulations to all our swimmers this year. We had a lovely end-of-swim-season lunch with ice cream and awards. We want to send a special thank you out to Coach Crowe, whose hard work and dedication was appreciated by all. Thanks Coach.

Wrist bands will be sold in place of tickets this year. Wrist bands are \$5 per person

Thanks to all who participated in this year's swimming lessons



News and Notes: Third Beach Potluck and Raffle returns on Aug. 30

Get together with friends and neighbors for a final late-summer fling at the Third Beach Potluck and Raffle, which takes place at 6 p.m. on Aug 30 and a rain date of Aug. 31.

Donate an item to be raffled off. Proceeds from the raffle have gone to buy new Third Beach umbrellas for everyone to share.

Suggestions for items to be donated for the raffle include children's toys, games, DVDs, school items, soda, beer, wine, crafts, household items and gift cards.

Suggested items to bring for the potluck include casseroles, salads, side dishes, desserts (cakes/cookies/brownies, etc.).

We'll see you there one week from today.

Permit to Discharge winner announces

The lucky winner of the \$200 cash prize for Permit to Discharge drawing last Sunday is Vicki Engelhardt of East Shore Drive. Remember that LQIC represents both sides of the lake so all Lake Hayward residents were eligible to enter. And the Chatham Health District will refund her \$30 permit fee as well.

We plan to run the drawing again next year



so you have lots of time to get your Permit to Discharge for the next cash drawing. If you entered this year, you can enter again in 2015. You can't win if you don't enter.

Residents donate Pavilion fridge

A big thank-you to Scott Miers and Gail Grzegorzczak for donating the new refrigerator for our pavilion. This generous gift was already appreciated when we had our Ice Cream Social earlier this year and was valuable during Lake Hayward Days. Thank you again Scott and Gail!

POALH seeks newsletter distributor

Looking for a volunteer to take over distributing the weekly newsletters and organizing the newsletter carriers starting next

The Third Beach potluck raffle proceeds will go to buying new umbrellas.



The new fridge.

summer.

This involves picking up the newsletters on Friday at Copies Plus in Colchester and then handing them out to the carriers on Saturday mornings.

Please feel free to give me a call if you would like to

do this or if you have any questions. For information, call Janet Soboleski at 860-537-1012.

Classified ads

For Sale: Sanyo 1.7 CF dorm-sized refrigerator. Clean and in good running condition. Asking \$60. Call 860-690-2915.

Free five green canvass window awnings with all needed hardware in very good condition. Four at 38 inch width and one at 68 inch width. Call 860-537-5928 or 860-688-1512.

For sale Dyer Sailing dingy: Ready to go, \$1,800 obo, on lake for viewing. 860-575-4641.

Home for sale by owner: NEVER buy oil again, large lot, Custom ranch, with geothermal heating and cooling. Granite counter, large walk in closets, master bedroom suit, tray ceiling 10' ceilings, sky lights, 3 bedrooms, with bonus room over 2 car garage. Mature planting, gazebo on cul-de-sac. 2400 square feet, on north end of Lake Hayward asking price, \$414,900. Call 860-575-4641.

Anyone looking for a cottage for rent? Still available for the month of September. Weekly or for the whole month. Four bedrooms, sleeps 8.

Call Frank or Lynn at 860-573-5064.

For Sale: French doors pre-hung 60 x 80 . Never used. 15 lite each side, insulated metal clad. Right door open from outside to inside. Stop by 309 Lake Shore to see or call 860-537-3111. \$350.

FREE 4 person hot tub: Located at last home by spillway. Please call Corinne at 203-209-3352.

Electric Water Heater for sale: 38 gallon, approximately five years old. \$75 or best offer. 860-537-2817.

17 1/2 ft. O'Day Sailboat and trailer: Two sails, spinnaker, 2nd mast and boom. Good size for the lake. \$1,200 or best offer. Contact Cliff Smith at 203 727 6667.

Stillwater by Old Town canoe: 16 foot - good shape hasn't been used in years, small tear in front seat caning. \$400 or BO. Call Tom Kress 860-537-5779 or email: tomkresscapentry@comcast.net

Yard Workers: Looking to earn a little extra money before the school year starts next fall by helping out our fellow lake friends. Any yard work that needs to be done give us a call at 860.933.4421. Ask for Angel or Luis.

Furniture for sale: We have 3 beautiful items for sale for \$5 each - A large unframed mirror-4' X 5' feet for \$5; A 10 drawer dresser (holds lots of clothes) 4' 4" long by 18" wide by 32" high \$5 and large trifold dresser mirror, in a wooden frame that is very ornate on the top. Please call during the week at 401-247-2744 and on the weekends at 401-457-6547. The furniture is located at 119 Longwood.

Wanted: Pontoon boat. Battery-operated. Call 860-917-5646.

FOR SALE: Minn Kota bow mount electric motor. 40 lb. thrust. excellent condition. \$200. Also for sale 14 ft. Escape sailboat with aluminum transport dolly. \$650.00. Call 860-537-4708 or Email jers5865@sbcglobal.net.

Fishing Derby kicks off Lake Hayward Days



Two (left and above) each catch a 14.5-inch large-mouth bass.

What a catch: an 11-inch smallmouth bass.



Cake Walk brings out the community



From Page 1: Votes, voices and plans to build a better community

place that will give you the ability to plan events for next year and beyond.

So for me personally, my push will be to harness the energies of the board to update the bylaws and present the recommendations for your consideration next year. This is important work long overdue and recommendations need to be complete before March 1 of next year. Those of you who have offered assistance will be contacted soon to convene our first meeting.

On a lighter note, after a review of our proceedings at the annual meeting and a refresh with Roberts Rules of Order, I am comfortable with how the motion for a ballot vote was handled. Without printing out all the supportive documentation on the subject, the following points are all factors in concluding that our voting method was appropriately handled:

* The motion for a ballot vote was not seconded.

* Contrary to a point of order mentioned by a person in the audience, one request for a ballot vote does not require a ballot vote.

* Ballot votes are usually reserved for election of senior officers.

* The overwhelming consensus of the attending members was to proceed with a hand vote.

Future Third Beach projects:

- **Clearing of hanging trees.**
- **Repair to fence.**
- **Work on the walkway.**

* Ballot votes are not provisioned in our bylaws.

POALH has established the precedent of hand or voice votes on numerous projects requiring the approval of \$200,000 for projects such as the tennis courts and pavilion rebuild.

In the event the vote was too close to call, which was not the case, we would have proceeded with a roll call vote.

Finally, a special note to my fellow Third Beach neighbors: There are a number of projects that the properties committee will be addressing, as Gary mentioned in his report. In the offseason and springtime, work on the walkway, clearing of hanging trees, repair to the fence, removal of the

bamboo and sumac (via the Garden Club) are items that have been listed as part of the budget process.

As was mentioned in our meeting, plans are also underway to increase boat racks and install docks to accommodate the growing number of boats being stored. Our beach front is a focus as is all the recreational areas we need to maintain.

We have struggled with an open Third Beach rep position for years – this role is key in bridging the communication gap from the district members to the board and committees.

In recent days, a few people have approached me to discuss and I believe filling this position will be important to furthering the interests of our district.

Third Beach doesn't have a lot of grounds to work with, but I am hearing the rumbling of ideas and grumbling about allocating budgeted funds to the beaches – and specifically Third Beach. This year, the 2014-15 and 2015-16 budgets are now in place so Gary will be able to plan and identify the resources needed to complete the projects on the table.

This about does it for this edition. Please come down and enjoy carnival days. It is a fun time for the kids and the food isn't bad either!

Beach Rules



1. Parents or chaperones are responsible for their child’s safety and their child’s actions at all times.
2. Children cannot be left at the beach unattended.
3. Infants must be in leak-proof diapers at all times.
4. No fishing from the beach and within 25 feet of swim area.
5. Dogs are never allowed on the beach.
6. Vehicles are not allowed on any beach at any time.
7. No glass on any beach or in the pavilion.
8. All trash and cigarette butts must be removed from the beach and beach area and disposed of properly.
9. Use of the beach and beach area is limited to Association members and their guests.
10. Cars parking in a beach parking area must display a current POALH parking sticker or current guest pass.
11. Beaches and Association properties are closed from Midnight to 6 a.m. Police take notice.

Board member contacts

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Deborah Smith — Second Beach Representative/Water Company Liason	860-823-8172
Cari Eckert — First Beach Representative	860-268-1834
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