




# Grove Beach Point Association, Inc.

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## Grove Beach Point Newsletter

Helen Dyar- Editor

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It's beginning  
to look a lot 

like Springtime with the birds returning, boats shedding their covers and the daffodils popping up. We have had a fair amount of snow this winter and with the rains lately this may ease the possibility of a drought. We're looking forward to the return of the rest of our members. Please bring the warm sun with you!

**\*\*\*\*\*A correction on the last newsletter. The date of the ANNUAL MEETING is, as usual, on the Saturday ( that's May 29<sup>th</sup> )of Memorial Week-end.**

### NOTE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Jeanne Lovejoy

This has sure been a cold winter, but a fairly easy one on the shore line.

There is a lot of building and remodeling going on in GBPA. Very exciting for all the home owners! One thing the home owners might keep in mind is being sure the contractors pick up after themselves. As you know we get our share of windy days here and "stuff" blows all around.

Please speak to your builders, etc. about this problem as it is unsightly and some of us have to pick up the litter and dispose of it.

Your Board of Governors has been meeting throughout the winter and are now

preparing for the upcoming annual meeting. I will not be in town on the Memorial week end as May 29<sup>th</sup> is our youngest daughter's birthday, and we are going to Colorado to be with her. ( Sorry, for the first time we will not be able to be here ). Tony Zimmitti, Vice Chairman will be running the meeting.

You will be receiving the call to the Annual Meeting in mid May. Please try to attend, this is your Association.

### GARBAGE/RECYCLING

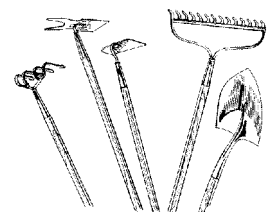
Enclosed in this issue of the newsletter is a form for the garbage/recycling weekly pick up. The monthly price is still \$17.00. For the summer home owners, please fill in the form, enclose your remittance and mail to the address on the form.

Also, enclosed are flyers on "Proper and Improper Recycling" on the back of "Boating Regulations" for posting.

If you are new or just want to join in this "community" collection, you are entitled to a recycling container. Please give me, Jeanne, a call at 664-0380

### PRIDE IN WESTBROOK

This is the 8th annual town wide clean up scheduled for **April 24<sup>th</sup>**. Actually, it goes on for the week of



April 19<sup>th</sup> with the various schools involved and also some of the businesses. All the roads in Westbrook are assigned to a volunteer and they in turn get others to help. We will be cleaning up GBPA and would appreciate your help! Each year we clean the Patio and parking area as well as pick up the litter around GBPA. We will ***meet at the Patio (4/24) at 9am.*** Please bring gloves, shovels, rakes, brooms and energy!

### SUMMER GATHERINGS

We will be back on the Patio for our first Social Gatherings scheduled for June 19th, starting at 5 pm. As always, bring the beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. It is a great way to meet your neighbors.



### TORN & FADED U.S. FLAGS

For the past few years we have had a burning of our old U.S. flags

on the beach. It is a very impressive program. And living where we live, we do go through our flags. So hold the date of Sunday, June 13th at 7:00 pm. (Flag Day is June 14th).

### NEW BOAT REGULATIONS

To keep us all informed we are attaching a informational sheet on changes that went into effect on March 8, 2004.

To save postage I have put “proper recycling” info on the back of boat regulations. Please save and post so you have it handy.

### BEACH PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Rick McGinley-Chairman

( Ed. Note) As Rick is away at this time, I will put in his report to the B.O.G. as noted in the minutes of the board meeting on February 7, 2004.

“A letter has been sent to the First Selectman to consider our beach erosion problem when planning the upcoming emergency dredging. A discussion of the roles of the Association, the Harbor Commission, the DEP and the Army Corp ensued. Jon Lovejoy, an Association member and Chairman of the Harbor Commission, clarified the issues of harbor safety and emergency.

Members of the Beach Preservation committee will plan to attend a Harbor Commission meeting and also meet with the First Selectman concerning GBPA beach erosion and nourishment to our beach from the sand collected when the channel is dredged”.

Helen Dyar

### BEACH COMMITTEE

Kris Brault-liaison to BOG

The search is on for a second beach monitor as Kate Lewandowski will be working at the Goodspeed Opera House this summer. Their gain is certainly our loss.



Gary Bazzano is looking into new basketball equipment and two new shuffleboard sets as they need replacing.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The committee consisting of Dana Lombardi, Dot Carter and Helen Dyar, as Chair, met on March 31 and now has a slate ready for the

Annual Meeting.

### MILESTONES

On March 27<sup>th</sup> Judith Ruegg, died in Bonito Springs, FL. Judy and Jack lived on Old Mail Trail and were longtime members of our Association before retiring to Florida. Our deepest sympathies to Jack and the family.

### POTPOURRI

Annual Meeting is Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. on the patio.

The Flag Day ceremony of burning old, torn or faded flags will take place on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the beach.

Our annual Independence Day Breakfast will be held on Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 to 10:30

The tentative date for the Bike Parade and PotLuck Supper is for Saturday August 28<sup>th</sup> so be sure to mark these dates.

More complete information will be in the June newsletter and check the sandwich board at the patio which will be up soon.

### BOUQUETS TO:

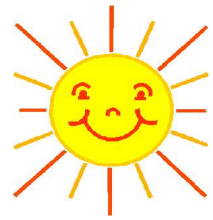
Gerry Dyar, David Brault, Jon Lovejoy and Tom Montifiore for adding the stabilizing beams to our two new Osprey nests. Some of these beautiful birds were looking at the platforms last fall, so let's hope they will "rent" them this Spring.



Rick McGinley for providing the lumber which Gerry sawed for the beams.

### SMILES

Why do they lock gas station bathrooms?  
Are they afraid someone will clean them?



How do they get the deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?

### **Board of Governors:**

*Jeanne Lovejoy-Chair  
Tony Zimmitti- Vice-chair  
Ken Penfield-Treasurer  
Betty Weber-Clerk  
Rick McGinley-Beach Preservation Chair  
Jeanne Lovejoy-"Roving Reporter"  
Dana Lombardi  
Tom Montifiore  
Kristine Brault- Beach Committee Liaison  
Helen Dyar- Newsletter Editor*



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MEMBERS AND A  
"FLOWERFULL" SPRING TO  
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