

Message from Paul and Dick

Dear Friends,

After one of the most difficult winters we have seen in years, it is great to be able to walk along the Knob and the Harbor enjoying warm temperatures and the beauty we are privileged to have all around us.

We were lucky that the winter did not wreak too much havoc. There has been the continued accelerated bank erosion of a half-dozen areas. Those locations are on a study list for consultation assistance. We are moving forward, together with Salt Pond Areas Bird Sanctuaries, with choosing a consultant to help us better understand the issues and to plan work to be permitted and accomplished over the next five years. We will let you know when we have news to report on that plan.

In the meantime, we are set for a great summer of events. From the Harbor and Beach Clean-up to the Annual Meeting to the Wheeler Lecture, our plans are in place. We hope to see you often.

Our thanks to Nancy McDonald, Quissett Harbor Preservation Trust Consultant, for her work, along with Morningstar Design, updating the website. Details are in this newsletter. We think the new format makes it easy for you to get the information you need about Quissett Harbor Preservation Trust.

Have a wonderful summer season on Quissett Harbor.

Sincerely,

Paul Hogan, President

Dick DeWolfe, Chairman

MICROBIAL OCEANOGRAPHER TO SPEAK AT WHEELER LECTURE

Our 2015 Wheeler Lecture speaker will be Dr. Julie Huber, Associate Scientist and Associate Director of the Josephine Bay Paul Center Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole. Dr. Huber is investigating deep-sea microbial ecosystems. The Josephine Bay Paul Center is doing work defining the complete genetic sequence, or the genome, of organisms populating this planet.

*Join us on Wednesday,
July 22, 2015,
6:00–7:30 p.m.
at The National Academy
of Sciences Jonsson
Conference Center,
The Carriage House,
314 Quissett Avenue,
overlooking the Harbor.*

VISIT OUR UPDATED WEBSITE

Have you visited our updated web page? Nancy McDonald has been working with Morningstar Design, our web designers, to streamline the site and freshen the look. “There was a lot of information in more than one place, so we wanted to tighten the site up and make it more user friendly,” said Nancy.

Some of the improvements you’ll see are:

- **A rotating banner.** We’ll change it with the seasons, adding photos of events.
- **Links at the top right** of the Home Page that make it easy to contact us, join or donate.
- **Easy access to About,** Get Involved, Education, Recreation, Events and News.
- **Three boxes on the home page** that will bring you to information about QHPT, Upcoming Events and Membership Renewal.
- **Links to our** annual reports and newsletters on the Home Page.

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JOIN US FOR OUR FIFTH ANNUAL HARBOR AND BEACH CLEAN-UP!

This will be the fifth year of our annual Harbor and Beach Clean-up. The clean-up started in June 2011 as part of the education program and continues with its educational mission today. “In addition to maintaining the area around the Harbor, the clean-up serves the purpose of building awareness,” said Kate Davis, chairperson of the Education Program.

From the beginning, participants in the program have spanned the generations. Kate is always particularly pleased to see young people. “Having the event at the beginning of the season reinforces with young people the value of taking care of the area and keeping it safe throughout the summer,” she said.

Whether you’ve participated in the past or this will be your first time, we hope you’ll be part of this annual event:

Saturday, June 27, 2015
9:00–11:00 a.m.

Meet on Harbor House deck

(rain or shine)

Refreshments, gloves &
trash bags will be provided.

Families Encouraged!

Any questions? Contact Kate Davis

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DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR DUES

Have you remembered to renew your dues for 2015? It's easy if you just go to our website, qhpt.org. You may pay online through PayPal or a credit card. Or you may download a printable membership form.

If you are not a member, we hope you will consider joining. It's a great way to participate in the preservation of Quissett Harbor.

Individual memberships are only \$50.
Family Memberships are \$100.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

Our Annual Meeting of Members will take place on Wednesday, July 1, 2015, from 5:00–7:30 p.m. at the Harbor House. In 2014, we changed the format to include a formal business meeting before the traditional cocktail party. “Our objective was to facilitate a two-way conversation between the Members and the Board, and we were pleased with the active discussion that took place on a variety of issues,” said Dick DeWolfe, Chairman.

The business meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. and last about an hour. Cocktails and appetizers will follow.

Our Mission

The Quissett Harbor Preservation Trust is a not-for-profit environmental organization created to preserve, maintain, protect and enhance the natural environment and related ecosystems of the Quissett Harbor and to take action to recognize and minimize threats to the overall health of the area.

For more information, go to qhpt.org.