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4th of July



The Fireworks display over Vineyard Sound was unfortunately masked by the fog bank this year. Many thanks to the Fireworks Committee and the Police Department for their dedication. Donations for the fireworks may be sent by check to the Falmouth Fireworks Committee, PO Box 500, Falmouth, MA 02541. Please note your Falmouth residence and that you are a FHMIA member on your donation.

Beach Updates

The Beach Committee reported that the project to install a **handicapped ramp** at the Heights Beach had been put on hold until funding can be secured.

The Enterprise published a photo of FHMIA members making the **donation of a defibrillator** for the beach use as wished by the Beach Committee.

An FHMIA director has continued to attend the monthly Beach Committee meetings to support the neighborhoods interests.

Bristol Beach

The FHMIA Directors worked quickly toward the mission of the Association. A lawyer was secured to review the deed on Bristol Beach; *for the use of Falmouth residents and their guests*. The Selectmen, after much discussion, did vote to oppose the opening of the parking lot to the public for a fee. **At this time, Bristol Beach will remain a sticker beach.**

Donations

Doggie Bag Reminder

Funds from FHMIA dues pay for the refilling of the doggie bags on Worcester Court. Replacement has been steadily increasing. As residents, please remember to bring your own bag and remind your guests and neighbors as well. Thanks to all for keeping the Green area clean for walking and play.

Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting, **Article 37**, approved funding to purchase beach parking lot gates for Bristol, Menahaunt and Surf Drive beaches.

Annual August Meeting

Thank you to all who attended especially **Selectwomen Moffet and Flynn** as well as **Mr. MacNamara** from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Many members received answers to questions regarding zoning laws, appeals and town guidelines.

Minutes from that meeting will soon be posted to our website.

The FHMIA wishes to **THANK Shaw's market and Stop and Shop** for their generous donations toward our annual meeting hospitality.

Little Pond

The oysters that were placed in Little Pond to manage the bacterial contamination will be ready for harvest next year and replaced by smaller oysters to continue the process.

For further information about these articles or any other issue impacting Falmouth Heights or Maravista, please feel free to contact any of us through info@fhmia.org:

President: Howard Grosser

Vice President: Paula Lichter

Treasurer: Kevin Smith

Secretary: Susan Gallagher

We would like to wish all our members and their families a wonderful Holiday Season and a healthy and safe New Year.



Please be sure to visit our **website**. The information is easily accessed and our intention is to keep you informed in a timely manner. If you have an email address but have not given it to us yet, please email info@fhmia.org and we will notify you whenever we post a new article.

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