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In Memoriam

Mary Melluzzo
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Update from the President

Before I start with my yearly message, I want to mention the passing this past year since the last Newsletter.

Brian Donahue, Arlene and Bob's son, my mother Mary Melluzzo, less than one month of her 99th birthday in January, and my favorite Aunt Josephine DiMauro, sister to my mother, less than 30 days after my Mom.

Aunt Jo was a frequent visitor to the events at the Community Center from working at painting the interior of the Center at age 86 to the weekly bingo games. You are all missed.

Greetings from the Great White North

Well, we have gone from 2013 to 2014 and one thing that is the same is the cold weather. So how's that global warming working for you now. It has been cold to even our snowbirds along the coast from Virginia to Florida. Snow, Snow everywhere. As Judge Marilyn Millian from the Peoples Court says, "Stick a fork in me I'm done with this snow and winter." I hope this finds you in good health as the flu is making its presence known in a big way.

• PAST EVENTS •

This past year has been pretty eventful. We saw the increase in Park Rangers to help with the order on the beaches. Also we saw the police get serious with the behavior of the guests that come to the best beach on the entire shoreline of Connecticut. We had changes in the parking and the addition of parking kiosks on Hartford Avenue.

Whether you agree or disagree with the changes that have been made, there will always be changes until we all can come up with the best scenario that works for the residents, businesses and visitors alike. Please give the changes a chance to work. The Town Parking lot/restrooms/ bike path is still on target. Frank Pappalardo will be giving you an update later in the newsletter.

I have for the past 20 years been trying to get from the Town, a park and restrooms in the parking lot to benefit all

the residents of Sound View, Old Lyme and the day-trippers alike. The restrooms are needed from a health aspect and also a visual perception. Porto-potties just don't cut it. I hated the idea of having a concert in the parking lot for everyone and to ask a member to plug into their garage for electricity. Totally unacceptable for what we pay in year-round taxes and what the Town of Old Lyme receives in parking fees. That issue hopefully will be rectified once the park comes to the construction phase.

• MEMBERSHIP •

Sometimes the Sound View Beach Association goes through ups and downs in the membership rolls. During the recession we saw membership dip. It is my hope that we have an increase in our membership. If you are a member, I am asking that you try and convince your neighbor who isn't a member to become one. We have enclosed our annual membership form in great numbers we can work wonders.

• COMING-UP ISSUES •

There will be issues we will have to deal with this year. The normal annual referendum on May 6th at the Cross Lane Firehouse. A special Town meeting / authorization for the Town Parking Lot / Bike Path costs is scheduled for March 24th.

There will also be informational meetings regarding the Water Pollution Control Authority / Wastewater Management / and sewer issues.

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Enjoying a little donut time. M-M-M Good!

Independence Day



Parade

Veterans who marched in 2013 were:

Fenmore Feigenbaum

WWII—Navy Seebees

Dave Griswold

U.S. Marine - Vietnam, ICORE

Tim Griswold

U.S. Navy - Vietnam

Bert Sillman

WWII - U.S. Naval cadet

We thank the veterans for marching along with the **Silver Coronet Band** who accompanied our marchers and **Jerry and Dee Vowles** for giving FREE rides on the carousel to all children that participated. Prizes were rewarded for:

Best Bike - Age 7

Claire Orafilli • Jack Ayer

Best Bike - Ages 8-12

Mia Valenti • Ryan Carlson

Best Costume –up to Age 7

Jessica Lombardo • Alex Ayer

Best Costume - Age 8-12

Gabriella Brocki • Luke Whitiker

Most Patriotic Costume

Julia Aiden

Funniest Costume

Whale • Alex Max

Best Wagon

Picnic Table

Best Float

Pavillion Beach Float

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The winners of the 2013 Raffle

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Apple iPad

Michael Mazzamurro

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Scott English

\$50 G.C. Groton Pizza Palace

Sarah Carlson

\$50 G.C. The Pavillion

Donna Brown

\$50 G.C. Sunset Rib

Angela Gionfriddo

\$25 G.C. Lenny's on the Beach

Kristen Lukens

\$25 G.C. The Grille Restaurant

Sandy Ziemba

\$25 G.C. Jessie's Restaurant

Linda Scanlon

Update

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I also want the Sound View Commission and the Town Selectmen to stay focused on completing the water distribution system to the proper depths on the upper portions of Portland, Swan and both alleyways that I called attention to last summer. We have been patient enough and can't wait for the sewer situation to be resolved. Also there has been a change in the Zoning office of the Town and I hope issues run a lot smoother and with the use of common sense.

• HARTFORD AVENUE PROPERTIES •

With all this, I also have good news to report. We have had to endure the deplorable conditions of the properties on the East side of Hartford Avenue. The Old Captain Video (Kiddleland), El Morocco and the drug store, if you are as old as me. There were a total of six properties that were auctioned off for back taxes by the Town of Old Lyme. This process started February of 2013 and was completed in December of 2013. I also know that if these properties had been on Lyme Street, the problem would have been fixed a lot sooner.

We had three winners at the auction. Frank Noye, who owns the building where Lenny's on the Beach is located, Bill Randazzo from Wethersfield, and our own Gail Fuller who wanted the parking lot across from the Center where the old hotel and bakery was located.

In my discussions with Gail, she has always wanted to be able to help SVBA more and this does that. We do not have onsite parking at the Center, we were limited as to what we could do with the entire Community Center because of Old Lyme zoning regulations. We are looking at the feasibility of a long-term agreement with Gail for the use of the property for events off-street parking or any situation that would benefit the SVBA and Gail alike. I would like to thank Gail myself as a friend and as President of the SVBA, to her commitment to the beach association, the Community Center, our members and the entire Sound View area. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

• OTHER EVENTS •

It is my hope that with the help of the Sound View Commission, the Beach Association can host the return of the Family Festival to the enjoyment of everyone and sorely missed. Good clean fun. Maybe with Gail's purchase of the parking lot, we can have venues in it that were held on the street. We, on the board, laughingly proposed a Ferris wheel and roller coaster would be a great attraction.

Spring is a scant six days from now and that is the start of our 2014 season. I hope it begins to warm us. The water gets turned on April 1st. Our season really ramps up around Memorial Day. The time between April 1st and Memorial Day is used for clean up/fix up time. Donut sales start on memorial Day weekend. The sales are our main fundraising effort along with the annual raffle in August for the Community Center Building Fund. Please partake in any and all activities we sponsor for the organization. We also do these for your enjoyment; our members who are volunteers put all of our activities on. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer for any event or activity.

I tried to touch on everything that has occurred since last summer and fall. If I have forgotten anything, please drop me a note.

Thank you and will see you at the BEACH!!!

Dennis Melluzzo

RAFFLE TICKETS

Sales begin

Saturday, May 24th



News from the Sound View Commission

It's been an exciting year!

The **BIG NEWS**: A town meeting was held on March 24 with two projects specific to Sound View. The Bike-way and Park project design and engineering phase 1 amount of \$148,000 was passed unanimously! The work will begin in April and will entail surveying, geotechnical analysis, design and engineering for the Bike-way on RT 156 as well as the Park and Restrooms. BSC Group of Glastonbury, Ct was chosen to do the work with Old Lyme's Nina Peck providing the architectural work for the restroom building. Throughout the spring and summer you'll be seeing surveyors and the like in the area. The project design aspects will be open for comment and input at several public information meetings. The \$148,000 price tag is the total cost and we will be reimbursed 80% by a federal government grant, which means the actual cost to the town is about 29K. It is anticipated that we can start construction the fall of 2015. The second item also passed unanimously, the purchase of a new parking kiosk for the town parking lot in the amount of \$13,000. With this kiosk, parking attendants will no longer be needed with a savings of approximately \$15,000 per year. Our town rangers will be doing patrols in the lot as well as the street. The town meeting was very well attended by both summer and year-round town residents and the support for both these initiatives was remarkable. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their overwhelming support and enthusiasm for improvements at Sound View.

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BINGO

Will begin on **Wednesday, JUNE 25th**
Every WEDNESDAY night through
 August and early September
 at the Shoreline Community Center.

Doors open at 6:00 pm
 Bingo starts at 7:00 pm.

Cash Prizes • Children under 12
 must be accompanied by an adult.



Sound View

Wine Tasting/Silent Auction

"An Evening of Fine Wines"

Saturday, July 19, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Featuring the auction of
 a very rare 15 year old bottle of

PAPPY VAN WINKLE'S
FAMILY RESERVE BOURBON



More Bocce! Lenny Corto (Lennys on the Beach) and Tom Larson (Just Dump it) have volunteered to assist with the Bocce court maintenance. They'll be working with the Commission providing labor for further repairs and sprucing up. Also we're thinking about starting a Sound View Bocce tournament. Always looking for more volunteers to help with this. Just send me your interest.

Community events: The Commission with the support of the Selectmen and Board of Finance are working towards some community events for SV. A summer concerts series, cruise night, and festival are some items. A special Commission sub-committee has been established and will be exploring the options. Once again everyone is welcome to attend the meetings with suggestions and comment.

Public Works: If you have tree/vegetation obscuring street signs or the alleys please do your part and keep these areas clear. Our public works department will be checking and will make sure we have safe un-obscured signs and alleys. The alleys must be kept clear and accessible for emergency and resident vehicle passage. Over the next few years we will be doing a survey of the alleys and streets, so make sure you don't have any encroachments.

Parking: Lots of comments last year about the Hartford Ave. parking configuration, both pro and con. The diagonal parking configuration will remain in effect this year. Any future change will be a part of the Bike-Way/Park design.

Rangers: looking to fill some of those idle summer days? You can apply to be a Town Ranger. There is no age limit!

The Sound View Commission meets the 4th Monday of the month and all meetings are open to the public. Check the Commission meeting agendas and minutes on the Old Lyme Town web site. Please feel free to attend our meetings; comments, correspondence and suggestions are always welcome.

Thank you,
 Frank Pappalardo,
 Chairman, Sound View Commission



BEACH DONUTS

begin selling on **Memorial Day Weekend**
Saturday, May 24th



Schedule of Events 2014

Donut Sales	starts Memorial Day weekend, Sat., May 24th
Spring Members' Meeting	Sat., June 21st @ 7:00 p.m.
Artisan Fair	Saturday, June 28th
Bingo	starts Wednesday, June 25th
Independence Day Parade	Saturday, July 5th
Wine Tasting & Silent Auction	Saturday, July 19th
Pasta Supper & Raffle	Saturday, August 9th
Annual Members' Meeting	Saturday, August 23rd @ 7:00 p.m.
End of Year Picnic	Saturday, September 13th

◆ ◆ Coming Soon to Sound View ◆ ◆

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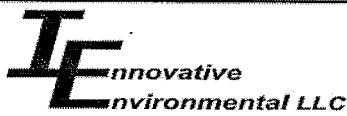
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