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Nahant Woman's Club Board Members meet with others, instrumental in bringing to fruition the Bailey's Hill Gazebo Restoration, on the day before the old Gazebo was demolished.

From left to right: Linda Jenkins, Fay Gray, Penny Billias, Cay Cusack, Marrit Hastings, John Paula of JP Construction, Architect John Falat and Town Administrator Mark Cullinan. In back row: Anna DiMascio, Polly Bradley and Margie Parisi.

Nahant Woman's Club Members Calantha Sears, Wendy Payne, Miriam Ostrovitz and Joanne Laubner were unable to be present for this photo.

All Nahant to Celebrate Rededication of Bailey's Hill Gazebo Sept. 24th

by Polly Bradley

An enthusiastic crowd is expected to gather at Bailey's Hill Park, for the rededication of the Bailey's Hill Gazebo, on Saturday, September 24, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The original dedication, in the Bicentennial Year of 1976, drew a crowd of 300 people in spite of strong winds and rain. This year a rain date is planned for Sunday, September 25, if the weather is uncooperative.

The rededication is sponsored by the Town of Nahant and the Nahant Woman's Club. Official ceremonies and festivities for the rebuilt gazebo include music, food, period costumes and the children's art exhibit.

Robert "Skip" Frary, Chairman of the Nahant Board of Selectmen, will cut the ribbon on the newly-reconstructed Bailey's Hill Gazebo. Calantha Sears will participate in the opening ceremony, as outgoing president of the Nahant Woman's Club. During her tenure, Calantha spearheaded three years of fundraising activities and organizational work necessary to make the Bailey's Hill Gazebo project come to fruition.

After the ribbon cutting ceremony, Alex Moccia, of Nahant, will sing *God Bless America*. Other musicians, who will entertain at the rededication, include the Tony Barrie Band and the Village Voices Barber Shop Quartet. To complete the program, baritone Don Wilkinson, a resident of Nahant, will sing the *Star Spangled Banner* and other patriotic songs, from 1:45 to 2:00 p.m.

An important part of the day, is the children's art show and contest. Winners will receive United States Savings Bonds, a tradition carried over from the Bicentennial children's art exhibit. First-place winners will also receive a gift certificate to the School of Refrigerator Art classes, by Carol Hanson.

All children under 13 years-old, who live in Nahant, are invited to submit art works. The judging, by well-known local artists Norman LaLiberté, Carolyn Jundzilo-Comer and Carol Hanson, will be according to three age groups, with first-prize winners and other awards in each group.

Art entries should be brought to Bailey's Hill Park between 8 and 9:30 a.m., on the morning of the festival. The theme of the contest is "What I Like to Do Best in Nahant." Entries should be labeled on the back, with name, age and phone number. Some of the

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The Thrill on the Hill is BACK! Sunday, September 18th Little Nahant Road



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The Friends of the Nahant Public Library announce a book sale, beginning Saturday, September 10, through Sunday, September 18th, at the Nahant Public Library.

As usual, the sale includes books used, new, hard-cover and paperback, some library discards, as well as audio tapes, musical CDs and video tapes.

The sale will be open during the Library's regular operating hours, which are: Saturday and Sunday, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.; Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and 2:00 to 8:00 p.m.; Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Nahant Public Library.

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NVC Men's Breakfast Topic Children's Legal Advocacy

The Sept 9th breakfast, of the Nahant Village Church Men's Group, will feature Jay McManus. He is the Executive Director of the Children's Law Center of MA, a legal advocacy and resource center for low-income families with children youth.

The center, founded in 1999, is based in Lynn and offers legal assistance in the areas of child abuse and neglect, disability matters, juvenile justice and regular and special education.

The free breakfast is served at 7:00 a.m., with the presentation to follow at 7:30 a.m. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Please feel free to bring a friend.

Pop off to the Country Club for Champagne Reception

Learn more about the Nahant Country Club and why you should become a member at the get-acquainted champagne reception scheduled for Friday, September 16th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Nahant Country Club, 280 Nahant Road.

The club's friendly members will tell you about the tennis and platform tennis programs. They're open to people of all ages and skill levels, from beginners, who can take lessons from the club pro, to experts, who will enjoy playing on courts that are among the best in New England. Tennis and platform tennis memberships are amazingly affordable.

The club also plans a full schedule of social events, including Don't Cook Fridays, Blues Night, holiday parties for the kids and lots more. The club is well on its way to being, once again, the social center of Nahant.

Admission is free and everyone is welcome. So meet your neighbors and make some new friends, at the reinvigorated Nahant Country Club. Reservations are required; call Kellie Frary at 581-1453 to make them.

Girl Scout Registration submitted by Mary Jo Ludke

Fall registration for Nahant Girl Scouts will take place Saturday, September 10th, from 12:00-2:00 at Linscott Park in Swampscott (near the monument). All girls entering kindergarten or older are invited to join. All returning and new girls are asked to attend this registration. The signature of a parent or guardian is required. There will be crafts and refreshments will be served. Come join the fun!

Garden Club News

The Nahant Garden Club members will have their first meeting of the season on September 22nd, in the garden of Nancy Carey, at 23 Phillips Road, beginning at noon. Members are requested to bring a sandwich and a chair. Beverages and desserts will be provided.

The speaker is Patricia Lev, a Nahant resident and garden club member. The title of her program is "Feng Shui in the Garden." This is an ancient art and science of placement in the home and garden. Patricia trained at the Western School of Feng Shui. She was formerly a docent at the internationally renowned Japanese Garden, in Portland Oregon.

Also, the Nahant Garden Club participated in the Gala Annual fund-raiser for "My Brother's Table," held August 11th, at Marian Court, in Swampscott.

Garden Club's Horticulture Chairman, Marie E. Ford, along with some of the members, designed and created several Floral arrangements

This is a project that the Nahant Garden Club has participated in for many years.

CYO Basketball Sign Up

St. Thomas announces that registrations for boys and girls for the 2005-06 CYO basketball season is now under way.

Registration is open to Nahant boys in grades 5-12 and Nahant & Swampscott girls in grades 5-8. All players, regardless of faith denomination, are welcome to sign up.

To do so please e-mail: info@saca.com and give player's name, street address, age and school grade as of September, 2005. If you don't access e-mail you may phone 781-581-0015 or mail to 44 Pond Street, Nahant. Upon receipt of this information, you'll be mailed CYO forms to fill out, work-out schedule, season fee, etc.

Most teams will play a 16-18 game schedule against parish teams throughout the North Shore and best-record teams can advance to regional & state tournaments.

K of C to Hold T-Boy Golf Classic Fund Raiser

The Nahant Knights of Columbus will be hosting their T-Boy Golf Classic Fund Raiser on Saturday, September 10th. The funds from the event are donated to Nahant youth organizations.

This year, the Knights has made donations to the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Johnson School Gymnastics, PTO Drug Awareness Program, Nahant Youth Soccer, Nahant Little League, Nahant Youth Basketball, the Swing with Me park restoration program, the Children's wing of the Nahant Public Library and the Nahant Fireworks.

The golf outing will be held at Kelley Greens Golf Course, with a Bar-B-Q dinner afterwards, at the Knights. The event is \$50 per player. Grand Knight, Scott Grieves encourages any Nahant resident to sign up to participate, or sponsor a hole for the event. Sign up sheets will be posted at the Knights, the Tides, Kelley Greens and the Town Hall.

Maurice Poulin of Nahant Selected to Represent the US Coast Guard

SEATTLE - The Coast Guard has selected three individuals to represent the service during the America's Celebrate Freedom Salute, World War II 60th Commemoration this summer and one of them is Maurice Poulin of Nahant!

Mr. Poulin served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of operation aboard the USS Leonard Wood. During the culminating commemoration ceremony Aug. 28, the veterans will receive recognition on stage on behalf of 241,093 World War II Coast Guardsmen that served as part of the war effort.

America's Celebrate Freedom Salute, World War II 60th Commemoration is one of six regional observances selected by the Department of Defense honoring those who served during WWII. Every veteran attending the Sunday ceremony will be presented with a WWII Veteran badge and the Honorable Service Lapel Pin. The veterans selected to represent the Coast Guard will be presented their pins on stage during the ceremony.

Veterans and family members are invited to the three-day event, with our WWII Veterans being recognized as the "Distinguished Guests" of "America's Celebrate Freedom Salute."

The Northwest's event is expected to be the largest in the nation. The event is managed by the Vancouver National Historic Reserve Trust and co-hosted by the National Park Service and the City of Vancouver in cooperation with the Department of Defense and the United States Coast Guard. The festivities will be at the Vancouver National Historic Reserve, home of the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site and Vancouver Barracks, which has a military history dating back to 1849.

Nahant Community Preservation Grants

The Nahant Community Preservation Committee is pleased to announce that grant applications for fiscal year 2006 will be available at the Town Hall, on September 1st.

Community Preservation funding is generated by a 3% real estate tax surcharge, that was approved by the 2004 Town Meeting and by state revenues, that are collected as real estate transaction fees.

The Nahant real estate tax surcharge for fiscal year 2006 will amount to approximately \$110,000 and will be available in the spring of 2006. The state match, of approximately \$110,000, will become available in the autumn of 2006.

The statute mandates that 30% of the total funds be allocated to specific issues defined, as affordable housing, historic preservation and open space. While 10% of the total amount must be reserved for each of these specific issues, the remaining 70% may be spent at the discretion of the Town.

The Committee will study the current and future needs of the Town, regarding community preservation, through discussions with town committees and an open meeting, scheduled for 7:30 p.m., on September 12th, at the Town Hall.

The first year of grant funding provided matching grants to the Nahant Lifesaving Station, the gazebo at Bailey's Hill, the American Legion Post 215 facility, at 5 Coolidge Road, and a portion of the costs of the comprehensive master plan for the Town. It is hoped that the second year of grant funding will inspire projects to fulfill the mission of the Community Preservation Committee, "to protect and enhance Nahant's unique character, as a coastal, residential community, by facilitating efforts to preserve historic places and structures, to retain and protect open spaces, to increase and/or develop lands available for recreational use and to seek creative solutions to the problem of affordable housing in Nahant."

Grant applications must be submitted by December 15, 2005. The Committee will review the applications and make recommendations to the April 2006 Town Meeting. Questions may be directed to Lynne Spencer (617-733-9737) or Tom Famulari (781-581-0933).

Annual Sand Castle Contest

The Nahant Sand Castle Contest is open to all Nahant residents and their friends: anyone, any age, any person, or any group, may participate.

The contest will be held on Short Beach, Saturday, Sept. 10th (rain day 9/11).

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., judging begins at noon.

Come and join the FUN. FMI, please call Bill Forster at 617-354-4651.

LynnArts Classes Start

LynnArts announces its Fall schedule of classes, performances and exhibitions. Low-cost, one-day and short-term classes for all ages, including pre-school, K-12 and adults, will begin the week of September 26th. For complete details and to receive the Fall brochure, call 1.781.598.5244, visit LynnArts, at 25 Exchange Street, in Central Square, or go to www.lynnarts.org.

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Knitting For Angels Goes Global

submitted by Susan Caccivio

I am a Nahant Mom of two small children, 3 and 5, who were adopted from Belarus and Russia. I started Knitting For Angels, several years ago, to make handmade items for all the children waiting in orphanages and hospitals in Belarus and Russia, who may never have a handmade blankie to snuggle, or keep them warm.

We started several years ago with just 2 members and now, have over 55 members in 5 states, including Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Florida and Kansas! Many of our most active members are fellow Moms from Nahant, whom I met through Carol Hanson's School of Refrigerator Door Art, on Valley Road, and the knitting group that meets there every Tuesday, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This spring and summer, we were able to send 120 children, ages 8-15, who were visiting Boston through The Chernobyl Children Project, home, with 159 hats and scarves to keep them warm this winter, in Belarus, Russia and Ukraine. These children were here not only for 6 weeks of fun and sun, but for much-needed medical treatment at Boston hospitals, to help them deal with the still devastating effects of this disaster. We also sent 104 hats, mittens, scarves and blankies to Slutsk, Belarus. The international adoption process in Belarus has shut down and these children need our help now, more than ever!

I am pleased to announce that we are now partnering with **Wide Horizons For Children**, the largest, private, non-profit child welfare and adoption agency in New England, with programs in 10 countries. Wide Horizons will provide us with transportation and distribution channels, not only to Russia, Belarus, Ukraine and Afghanistan, but we will now be able to reach children in China, Columbia, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Korea and the Philippines.

Although these children, in some warmer climates, don't need hats and mittens, every child needs a blankie. We will be concentrating on children in these areas with health issues, birth defects and many with Aids, who will likely never be adopted. Our next shipments will be in October, again to the Chernobyl Regions and to China for the first time. In November, we will be sending our first shipment with Wide Horizons to Ethiopia!

How can you help? Are you a crafter? We have supplies which we can deliver. Members work in the comfort of their own home, to make whatever is their specialty. If you are a retired crafter and would like to donate any unused stash of yarn, we can put it to immediate use. If you have been touched by adoption, or perhaps have family heritage in one of these countries, or just have always felt the need to help others and don't know where to start, here's your opportunity. Please remember the children and at least pass the word of our work on to anyone you think may help.

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by Rob Scanlan, U.S. Master Marine Surveyor

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9. The federal users' fee has been phased out. 10. If you want to teach the kids about the wonders of nature, nothing beats being in the midst of them. 11. You meet new friends who talk about things other than work. 12. You catch fish. 13. You get all sorts of neat catalogs in the mail.
14. Some people call you "Captain" and they aren't kidding.
15. You can go down to the boat after work and pretend you're fixing something, when in fact you're just hanging out drinking beer. 16. You have so many other things to hold your attention, that the pressures of the office begin to fade the moment you climb aboard. 17. You can take the family on vacation for less than the cost of going to Wally World. 18. You can spend weekends relaxing. 19. Or having adventures you'll remember the rest of your life. 20. Just the two of you can escape for the weekend.
21. No one in the family can ever say "I'm bored, there's nothing to do. 22. You can cruise-up to a lot of great restaurants. 23. You develop uncanny skills as a weather forecaster. 24. You can't legally run faster than 65 mph on any of America's highways.
25. You can go as fast as you want in open water. 26. There's a lot of open water out there. 27. You've earned a boat.
28. You want a boat, you have worked hard for a boat and as your marine surveyor, I will make damn sure no one is going to deprive you of the boat.

Delvena Theatre Company to present Mourning Becomes Eugene O'Neill at the Nahant Library

The Delvena Theatre Company will present an original drama, "Mourning Becomes Eugene O'Neill," based on the life of playwright, Eugene O'Neill, on Sunday, September 25, at 3:00 p.m., at the Nahant Public Library, 15 Pleasant Street, Nahant. Part lecture and part performance, the presentation will be followed by a discussion with the audience.

Using facts from O'Neill's life, psychological theory about mourning and scenes from O'Neill's great plays, spiced with a bit of Irish wit, actors Lynne Moulton and Loann West, will take the audience on a journey into the life and mourning of O'Neill. This Nobel and Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright had an alcoholic father and brother, and a morphine-addicted mother; yet he wrote such masterpieces as *Long Day's Journey into Night*, *Moon for the Misbegotten*, *Anna Christie* and *Mourning Becomes Electra*.

The play is directed by Joseph Zamparelli, Jr. and features Moulton and West in multiple roles.

The Delvena Theatre Company was founded in 1992 and has performed at various venues, most often at the Boston Center for the Arts. The company was nominated for five Independent Reviewers of New England awards. Its production of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* was on Theatre Mirror's Best List for acting, directing and production. Presentations of *Anna Weiss* and *Beyond Therapy* were included on Theatre Mirror's best play list and *Blue Heart* was placed on Aisle Say's best list.

Moulton has performed several roles for Delvena Theatre, including Martha, in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and Sissy, in *Piece of my Heart*. She has also performed in prominent roles at the Lyric Stage, Vanburgh Theatre in London, in *As You Like It* and *Richard the Third*, in *Death and the Maiden*, for Manchester England's REC Theatre, at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and at Wellesley Summer Theatre in *Dancing at Lughnasa*, which was included on the Boston Globe's top ten list. She won the Maine Stage Best Actress Award in 1990, for her performance as Blanche Dubois in *Streetcar Named Desire*. She received her acting training at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, under the direction of Sir Robert Palmer and at Trinity Rep Conservatory.

West is a designer as well as an actress. She performed in the Delvena production of *Piece of my Heart*, acted in *The House of Bernarda Alba*, with Theatre Zone and played a computer virus for Essayons Theatre. She recently designed sets and costumes for Out of the Blue Theater Company's production of Patrick Dabridge's *Blinders* and is a current IRNE nominee for her costumes in Zeitgeist Stage's production of *Far Away*.

Zamparelli is a professional actor, director and producer. He is a producing /artistic director of Boston Alive, which presents living history land- and sea-tours of downtown Boston and is co-founder of Daas Theatricals. He is co-directing, with Teja Arboleda and acting in *Imperfectly* for Entertaining Diversity Films and co-stars in the animated short *Unspoken* for T-Time Productions. Other directorial credits include Delvena's *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, *Sweet Bird of Youth*, *Henry V Pulped*, *Knock Knock*, *Sylvia*, and *Love Letters*.

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Nahant School News

by Denise Little, Superintendent and Principal

With the departure of Dr. DiBella for her new job as Superintendent of Schools in Sutton, MA, I look forward to continuing the Nahant Public School News for the *Harbor Review*. By way of introduction, my name is Denise Littlefield and I am beginning my 5th year as part of the Johnson School community.

The first order of business is to say, "It's that time!!!" By the time you read this, the 2005-2006 school year will have begun. As of August 30th, Nahant students are back in school. As the principal of the Johnson School, I am VERY happy that the students are back — it has been very lonely and I miss their energy and smiles.

Additionally, as the interim superintendent for the 2005-2006, I look forward to working in this new capacity, in order to continue to ensure quality education for all our children.

Over the past two months, there have been several changes that affect all of us. Most excitedly, the renovation of the Johnson School has officially begun. Over the summer, phase one of the project was completed. Phase one consisted of the removal of the floor tile in the primary classroom wing of the building and, with this, the associated asbestos abatement. The floors appear a bit discolored, but have been smoothed over and will be tiled at the end of this school year, when that part of the building is completely renovated. However, the cafeteria has been completely retiled and looks absolutely, positively AWESOME!

Phase two is expected to begin shortly, and this is the construction of a brand new wing, that will house new classrooms. We understand, as with any construction project, business as usual may be interrupted. But we are focused on The Prize...the finished product, a new facility for the education of the present and future students of Nahant.

Dr. JoAnn Testerverde is on a leave of absence for the 2005-2006 school year. In her absence, Dr. Bonnie Bisbicos will be with us as part time Director of Student Services. Over all, the staff is consistent with last school year but an update will be provided next month.

This will be a year of positive change. Some of which will be visible, as in the renovation of the building. But know, that as usual, the staff will be working hard on curriculum and assessment, in order to provide the students with the very best in educational practice. It will be exciting to keep you informed as we move through the school year. In the meantime, best wishes for a very happy and healthy school year.

Creating Art Creates Happiness

by Carol Hanson

Fall classes for children and adults are beginning the week of September 12th.

Classes, for children as young as 2, will be offered during the school day and after nap time. The classes for school-aged children will be offered between 2:30 - 5:30, with different time slots and days available. Children's Drawing and Painting classes will be offered for a short time, this fall, as well. Call 781-599-2222 for details.

Adult classes in painting, drawing, jewelry-making, stained glass, sea glass mosaic, collage, papermaking, cooking and flower arranging, are being offered during the day and at night. Please call for more info, or come to the Open House on Friday, September 9th, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. Private lessons are also available.

The School of Refrigerator Door Art also offers workshops and group classes to celebrate birthdays and other milestones of children and adults. Open studio times are available for adults. This is a great chance to work on something you've been creating in your head but don't know where to begin or don't have the place to do it. Director Carol Hanson is available during these open studio hours for feedback, if desired!

LynnArts to Show Refrigerator Door Art

by Carol Hanson

The School of Refrigerator Door Art has been selected to exhibit student work, in the new student gallery at LynnArts, 25 Exchange Street, Lynn, during the December Show and Sale. Jocelyn Almy Testa was very impressed with the work that has been done in the past year and during the summer program and is looking forward to the show.

There will be a minimum of twenty pieces, depending on sizes, and the show will represent a cross-section of work by artists of different ages, up to 18 years old, highlighting a range of techniques, media, subject and ability.

The opening for the show will be on December 3rd. Student artists are welcome to invite guests to the opening and their work will be available for sale, if the artists so desire! Please call 781-599-2222 for more info.

The Nature of Nahant: Big Wormie

by Linda Pivacek

Several times, during the cold snowy winter and early spring, I examined the silky cocoon in the shed and wondered if there were life inside. Then, on a warm spring day, when I reached for my garden trowel, there he was! A gorgeous cecropia moth, slowly fanning his wings to dry. Although I was anticipating the metamorphosis from caterpillar to moth, I was still amazed by this huge and colorful creature, that suddenly appeared beside the lifeless silk cocoon. After all, I had only known "Big Wormie" as a caterpillar before. During his former larval self, he was named Big Wormie, by Gina, my 5-year-old neighbor and friend.

His large and furry antennae confirmed that Big Wormie, aka BW, was, in fact, a male and he seemed content to pose for friends and neighbors and a brief photo shoot. Now we had to come to grips with the fact the BW would live for only about two weeks and his latest adult form was designed for one purpose — mating — ASAP. In fact, the adult cecropia does not eat!

Timing is everything. We learned from fellow Nahanter, Dorothy Saffarewich, that several female cecropias had emerged from their cocoons at Mass Audubon, just in time for the Biodiversity Day celebration. So we wished BW all the best and off he went with Dorothy to Mass Audubon for stud service. BW was going to be a Biodiversity Day star! Although he would have a short life, we were thrilled that BW would be assured a full life.

Later that day, a sad looking Dorothy returned BW to us. It seems that he was not quite up to the task at Audubon that day. He just sat around looking strikingly handsome, but non-responsive to the bevy of beauties around him. Performance anxiety perhaps? Time was running out for old BW. As dusk approached, we wondered where to release him and if he would rise to the occasion. In the few days he had to live, would BW use that gorgeous body in the way nature designed? Should we take him to the Nahant Thicket? But BW decided his own fate. Suddenly, the normally docile (comatose) BW began to become truly energetic — he began to shudder, then flutter! It was as though he received a secret message. He blasted out of his box over the fence into a holly. I hopped over the fence and found BW again. After one last shudder, he flew out of the holly, his huge wings fluttering vigorously. BW appeared to know where he was heading. I watched his silhouette as he rose up about 30 feet and headed across the lawns directly to the top of the tree line. Old BW's hormones finally kicked in.

With a bit of research, I learned that the female moth emits a scent, called a pheromone, which can be detected by the male from a distance of a mile or so. AND this happens at night. So BW did not have performance anxiety earlier that day, he just never got the message.

The Cecropia Moth (*Hyalophora cecropia*) is the largest North American moth, with a wingspan of 5 to 6 inches. It is extremely colorful and beautiful, but rarely seen since it flies only at night (unless you are lucky enough to have them in your shed). A mated pair will stay together for a day, and then the female lays her eggs on the underside of a leaf. The caterpillar or larva emerges in about two weeks and rapidly grows large and colorful, shedding its skin several times during the summer. Its body is green with red, blue and yellow horns. In late August, it builds a cocoon of silk, which is a fascinating process to watch. The cocoon is very strong on the outside and thick and silky inside, to keep the baby moth safe and warm during the winter. Inside the cocoon, the metamorphosis from caterpillar to beautiful moth is truly amazing. The moth emerges with small damp wings that dry and expand, revealing the richly-colored pattern of the adult.

Well, here we go again. It's the middle of summer and we have eight new cecropia caterpillars. Soon, they will build their cocoons and spend the winter in our shed. I think we will be better prepared when the moths emerge from their cocoons next spring, thanks to our experience with old BW.

What to look for in September

Many shorebirds, terns and gulls will still be plentiful at Short Beach and other beaches around Nahant. September will also bring the fall southward migration of landbirds. Look for them in garden shrubbery and treetops, during an early morning walk. Elderberry and dogwood berries will be ripe, attracting tanagers, orioles and thrushes. This is the peak of migration, with the greatest number of individual birds on the wing, than at any other time of year! Both the adult and this year's young birds, will be moving south. Unfortunately, many will not survive the rigors of their incredible journey, and the numbers will be reduced for the return flight next spring. Look for large Green Darner dragonflies on the wing. They will also be moving south, sometimes looking as large as small birds.

Fall wildflowers will be in bloom, including several varieties of fall aster. Each year new species find their way to our spectacular Lodge Park. The new moon phase occurs September 3, a good time to look for Venus and Jupiter, which will be close together in the west. The spectacular Harvest Moon will be full on September 17, at 10 p.m., and the Autumnal equinox will occur on the 22nd, (when days and nights are of equal length). Hard to believe autumn is almost here!

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Take Time For Yourself

by Sallee Slagle, Director, Dance Dimensions

As I look around, it seems to me that everything is moving at a faster pace. Our lives are full and hectic and so are our children's. No wonder stress is a major health issue! Exercise is known to reduce stress and promote health. I am always emphasizing exercise and good nutrition, but for some, this, too, creates stress. Wellness, mind/body fitness, both common buzz words lately. How do we achieve this "Whole" health? Well, we musn't forget to relax.

I know the idea of squeezing one more thing into our busy lifestyles might just be the thing to send you right over the edge, but a healthy life is a well-rounded life. So let's not forget, between workouts, buying fresh foods, managing finances, job and family, that there also needs to be time to just relax, stop and do nothing. Sounds ridiculous, but over-active may just defeat you. Working to be well-rounded and keep everything balanced must include some quiet time too.

Everyday we should try to include this. It's very rejuvenating. It helps keep your attitude sunny and those precious minutes that you may feel you cannot spare, may actually double your productivity, giving you even more time to relax! Start by making a list of ways you like to relax, for instance; read a book or magazine, watch the sun rise or set, a bath, arranging flowers, painting, time with a pet, yoga, etc. You may even find some activities relax you, like kayaking, walking, sailing. You may find spiritual things; prayer, meditation, peaceful observation, or imagery. Time with a friend, volunteering, or even a movie, may be what you need, to take your mind off today. Try to include all these things. Put the list up somewhere, to help you focus on including at least one part of every day for relaxation.

Other methods include relaxation techniques. Try this. Find a place you can be undisturbed and get comfortable, recline or lie on the floor, with a bolster under your knees, or your feet on the floor, with your knees resting against each other (toes turned slightly in). Set a timer for the amount of time you plan to relax (minimum 10 mins). Then play soft music, recorded environmental sounds, or choose silence. First take a few deep breaths and let go of any tension you notice. Breathe into the tense spots and imagine the tension leaving as you exhale. Focus on segments of the body, from your feet up and relax each as you move up to your head. Feel them get heavy, as the muscles let go and give into gravity. Be sure to relax your face, eyes, jaw. Let the music or the moment, take you to a beautiful place inside your mind.

When the timer rings, return your attention to the breath and take several deep breaths. If your eyes are shut, open them and focus on something in the room, notice something about it. Choose another object and really notice some detail. Continue this until you feel alert and ready to move on to your next destination.

Stress and fatigue often arrive unexpectedly, at various times throughout the day. Try deep breathing to help relieve them. Breath is the common thread throughout all forms of fitness, aerobics, Pilates, Tai Chi, Yoga, etc. Taking a 5-minute walk can also diffuse emotions, clear your head and refresh you. Try to get enough sleep every night. Lack of sleep will always stress your next day. When you wake, breathe deeply and think of, or look at, something that makes you smile. Try to take mindful moments. Be more present and interested in conversation, observation and activities.

You can't rush relaxation. Just put some in everyday. You'll find you can relax easier and deeper, over time. Just like everything else, you improve with practice. Your body will adjust faster and you will also understand better, what makes you relax. SO take the time for yourself and relax...

Trail News: Thanks to Bob Ward, DPW Crew and Mark Cullinan

The Nahant Open Space Committee has been working for several years toward establishment of a Recreational Walking Trail, connecting Little Nahant to Bailey's Hill.

Now, thanks to Bob Ward, the Nahant DPW crew and Mark Cullinan, we are thrilled to report, the first section of the Trail, from Short Beach Parking Lot to Flash Road, has been established and is open for walkers.

Work remains to be done, and the Open Space Committee will be looking for volunteers to help with maintenance. However, it is possible TODAY, to enjoy a quiet walk through the Lowlands wet meadow and woodland — a rare and wonderful new experience, here in Nahant!

The Open Space Committee is grateful to Bob Ward, for engineering this project and to Mark Cullinan, for his hands-on support and management. Planners and DPW crew had many challenges to overcome along the way. We especially like the simple, but elegant, ditch-crossings. Go and take a look!

Submitted by the Nahant Open Space Committee.

Nahant Village Church Members Fight AIDS in Africa

by Roger Lier, Interim Pastor, Nahant Village Church

Members of Nahant Village Church have made a big commitment to fighting HIV/AIDS and poverty in Africa. Pastor Roger Lier, of the Nahant Village Church, recently volunteered to seek child sponsorships, through World Vision, at the Soulfest 2005 music festival, at Gunstock Recreation Area, in New Hampshire. He asked his supervisors at World Vision in New Hampshire, if he could bring the files of some children needing sponsorships back to his church, when he preached the next Sunday morning, in an effort to secure sponsors among the members of Nahant Village Church.

Lier said, "They were reluctant to let me take the files back to my church on Friday night, because they said that those files are the only way they have of tracking, in their system, the children still in need of sponsors. But I promised I would bring the files back Sunday evening. So I took five case files with me."

Pastor Lier has been preaching through the book of Isaiah this summer. He said that Isaiah had a lot to say about caring for orphans and other needy people. So he was able to tie his sermon into the need for child sponsors, without any stretch at all. Fifteen million children have been orphaned by the AIDS pandemic and in the next 5 years, that number is expected to grow to 25 million orphans, mostly in Africa.

To Pastor Lier's surprise, his congregation wanted to sponsor more than the five children whose files he had brought back with him. "When I returned to the music festival Sunday evening, I was able to hand in the paperwork for the sponsorship of seven children, by folks from Nahant Village Church.

A sponsor supports a child with \$35 per month and establishes a relationship with that child through correspondence. Sponsorship provides a girl, or boy, living in an AIDS-affected community, with things like:

Age appropriate, biblically based education and practical-life skills training that promotes abstinence, to help prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS, training that can mean the difference between life and death; access to improved nutrition, health care and clean water; school fees and supplies to help them stay in school; vocational training (for older orphans); trained volunteers to look after their emotional, physical and spiritual needs and to help care for sick or dying parents; local churches and care networks that are mobilized to meet the needs of orphans and vulnerable children.

To find out more about how you can help turn the tide of the devastation, wrought by HIV/AIDS, call Pastor Roger Lier at 781-581-1202, or go to www.worldvision.org.

Nahant Historical Society's Autumn Schedule

The Nahant Historical Society is pleased to announce that the annual Paterson Lecture: "Nahant's Native Americans and their 17th Century New England World," will be held on Sunday, October 2nd, at 2:00 p.m., in the Serenity Room, at the Nahant Community Center. This lecture is held annually, in memory of the Society's late president, Stanley C. Paterson, author and leader in historic preservation in Massachusetts.

This year's speaker is David Stewart-Smith, PhD., ethno-historian and adjunct faculty member at Vermont College, Montpelier, Vermont. Dr. Stewart-Smith is author of "Pennacook- Pawtucket Relations: the Cycles of Family Alliance on the Merrimack River," and Ancient and Modern Quarry Techniques and "Pennacook Indians and the New England Frontier." He has recently been awarded a Peabody-Essex Museum fellowship, to do more research for his forthcoming book.

Dr. Stewart-Smith's talk will focus on Nahant's Native Americans and the 17th century New England world that they knew. Poquanum's image may grace our Town Seal; but few Nahanters know anything about the Sachem of Nahant, or his people.

Come and learn about Nahant's Native Americans and their family and inter-tribal relationships. Find out what really happened to this fascinating people, just before and during European colonization.

Light refreshments will be served. Members may certainly bring guests. The general public is welcome. This lecture is free, but donations are gladly accepted. Please remember that parking is limited at the Community Center, 41 Valley Road in Nahant. We encourage carpooling, walking and biking. Also a shuttle van service will be available from St. Thomas Aquinas Church parking lot, at 248 Nahant Road, between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m.

Please note the following dates on your calendar as well: On Sunday, October 23rd, the Society will hold a special members party, to celebrate our 30th anniversary. The afternoon will include, "Poetry by the Sea," with local celebrities reading Nahant-related works. On Sunday, November 13th, the Society will hold a joint meeting with the Swampscott Historical Society here at the Society, featuring a special program by Calantha Sears and Robert Wilson. More details in the next issue of the *Harbor Review*.



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Townwide Participation in Bailey's Hill Gazebo Rededication September 24th

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art show contestants may very well be children of winners of the Bicentennial show. Historic documents indicate that Skip Frary, now the Town of Nahant's primary Selectman, was one of the Boy Scouts who ushered at the 1976 ceremony.

Families can have their portraits taken, in vintage bathing suits, courtesy of the Vintage Bather cutouts on loan from Carol Hanson, director of the School of Refrigerator Art. Robert and Paul Wilson will be photographing the take-home photos. Games will include "Hoops and Sticks," "Boot Throw" and other historic games, played in a simpler era. Period costumes will be worn by the Bishop family.

Maurice Poulin will exhibit his boats-in-a-bottle and Frank Clements will display some of his boat models. A silent auction will include works of art, and other items donated by Nahant professionals and businesses. Limited edition memorabilia will be on sale to commemorate the day.

Citizens should bring a chair, or picnic blanket and plan to stay for the entire event. Pizza, hot dogs, popcorn, soft drinks and other refreshments will be available for purchase.

Special thanks go to Kelley Greens for donating the pizza and to Larry Scaglione, for donating hot dogs that will be sold pro bono by Shawn Canty, from his old-fashioned hot dog truck.

Others who deserve special recognition for participation, include the Nahant Board of Selectmen, for their unfailing support and Town Administrator Mark Cullinan, for his invaluable help in making this restoration possible. Architect John Falat, of Nahant, donated his time and expertise in designing the new, improved Bailey's Hill Gazebo, and Karen Falat, worked steadfastly, to move the project forward to the successful unveiling on September 24. Nahant John Paula, of JP Construction, lowered the price of building the Gazebo by \$1,000 and donated 50 hours of labor to the restoration.

The Nahant Garden Club, which also participated in the 1976 Bailey's Hill Park work, will do plantings and beautification for the 2005 event. The Nahant Department of Public Works will mow, trim and prepare the park for the festivities.

Members of the Nahant Woman's Club, under the leadership of Calantha Sears, worked energetically to raise funds for both the reconstruction and the rededication. Marrit Hastings, current president, and Linda Jenkins, vice-president, together with the Nahant Woman's Club Board, have been major organizers of the rededication.

The Gazebo celebration is also in commemoration of the 110th anniversary of the Nahant Woman's Club. The Woman's Club was instrumental in working towards building the original Gazebo.

Special thanks go to the many residents and businesses, who offered support and donations of time and funds, for the rebuilding of the Gazebo and the rededication. A list of contributors to date and further information on the festival are included in the Gazebo insert in this issue of the *Harbor Review*. Please bring along your program, on September 24th, so you don't miss a single event!

Historic Notes: Fort Ruckman

Bailey's Hill, under the name of Fort Ruckman, was a military installation, from 1900 to 1961. In 1948, the Fort was sold to the Town of Nahant, then promptly leased back by the Army, which closed the underground fortifications and constructed a series of barracks. When the area was returned permanently to the Town in 1961, Nahant was left with "piles of masonry and concrete rubble, open excavations and manholes, forlorn chimneys, wireless utility poles, rusting chain link fence, and, because of the dangerous rubble, a 'No Trespassing' sign," according to a Nahant Woman's Club report in 1976.

The Nahant Woman's Club decided to make Fort Ruckman its number one conservation project. A Fort Ruckman Committee was formed, consisting of representatives from the Nahant Conservation Commission, Nahant Woman's Club, Nahant Garden Club, Nahant Recreation Commission, and concerned abutters.

Volunteers, including the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, helped clean up the area, but the help of the Nahant Department of Public Works and a professional demolition team was necessary to remove and bury hazardous debris and fill excavations.

In October, 1975, Nahant was awarded a grant, to implement construction of the original Bailey's Hill Gazebo and beautify the Park. The gazebo was ready for dedication in June, 1976. By 2005, after almost 30 years, time and weather had taken its toll, so it was necessary not just to repair, but to rebuild the Bailey's Hill Gazebo. There were two gazebos in the Relay Yard in the early 1900's, during the heyday of the Bass Point Amusement Park, but these gazebos were long gone when plans were made to construct the 1976 gazebo at Bailey's Hill.

Town Blood Drive

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the Town Hall on Thursday, September 15th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Did you know that every two seconds, someone needs blood. At this time, the blood level is very low and the need is critical. Get the facts at www.redcross.org.

For more information, please Call Harriet, at 581-0018, before noon.

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September Birthday Babies

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September 2: Karen Boginski, Constance Duffy, Sean Hanlon, Bradley Coletti, lovely Maryliz Cort, Ron Butman, the dedicated Town employee, Walter Spinelli and actor Keanu Reeves.

September 3: Nurse Lisa Torchiana, Kathy Barry, Lorraine Locke, Peggy Messina, Dave Doyle, Mike Russo, Bob Comito, artist Pete Rogers, Scott Lishia and the dedicated public servant, John Lowell. Hang in, John! Happy birthday! Save me a piece of cake.

September 4 candle-blowers: Kristina Beaulieu, Carol Delaney, Patricia McSweeney, Dick Nagle, handsome Milton Goode, candyman Tom Mazzaferro, Bill Peterson, "blue-eyes" Donna Foti-Scovell and also born on this date, actress and singer, Mitzi Gaynor.

Our September 5 birthday babies: John Benson, Francis Hunter, our inspirational "kissing cousin" Maria Welsh and her double, actress Raquel Welsh.

September 6 birthdays: Ann Callahan, Jean Inglis, Joan Piazza, Alan Pearson, James Ryan, Martin Vangrouwn, good fella, Robert Caggiano and Swedish film actress, Britt Ekland.

September 7: Krystal Seger, Robin Byron, lovely Suzanne Bailey, Gwen Upton, Carl Maccario and rock'n'roll singer, Buddy Holly.

September 8: David Morton, John Seger, Paul Aurite, handsome Jim O'Brien, Aaron Hanson and TV comedian Sid Caesar.

September 9 gift-openers: Handsome Dr. John Keller, Rose Novello, Sheila Champigny, Peggy LeVangia, Ryan Mahoney, Mary Sweeney, the alluring Barbara Jay Angiulo, Kendra Brackett, Tim Demakis, Bruce Marshall and soul singer, Otis Reading.

September 10 birthday babies: Natasha Lebel, Beverly Quinn, sweet Cynthia Mantzoukas and singer, Jose' Feliciano.

September 11 birthdays: R. J. Barisano, Karol Borys, Marvene Kasper, Karol Lebel, John Kasper, Nahant's screenwriter, Joe Ciota, Dot's loving husband, Tom Johnson and such other notables as short-story writer, O. Henry, English writer, D.H. Lawrence and singer, pianist and songwriter, Harry Connick, Jr.

For those of us born on September 11 we are constantly reminded of that date, now known as "9/11." So how will we observe our birthday on September 11? Like all of you, we will be paying our respects to those who perished on that day.

September 12 birthday kiddies: Allison Deines, H.L. Mencken, journalist and linguist, and country singer, George Jones.

September 13: Roxanne Gillard, Malcolm Chamberlain, John Michaud, Roger Locantore and actress, Jacqueline Bisset.

September 14 birthdays kids: Dianne Cadigan, Diane Dunion, Elaine Salvato, Nahant's best cake-baker, Roz Puleo, educator Mike Tanen, Peter Fintonis, Mike Conley, Phil Russell, Peter Mazareas and Margaret Sanger, the nurse who pioneered birth-control education.

September 15: Patricia Kane, Nancee Peters and actor, Tommy Lee Jones.

September 16 birthdays: Nice guy, Charlie Jessome, Diane Horne, John Hirsh, Fred Quinlan and actors, Peter Falk and Lauren Bacall.

September 17: Charles Crocker, Susan Kerr, Michelle Hurley, Veronica Scapicchio, Karen Hawko, Zapata Conchitina, Julie Desmarias, Lana Proia, adorable Christine Howard, Jeff Mueller, mein Herr, Knut Fischer and actress, Anne Bancroft.

September 18: The brilliant Debra Glidden, who authors "Nahant News" for the *Daily Lynn Item*, Carol Mason, Carol Cartmell, Tim Hackett, Jim Keen, Tony Macone and actress, Greta Garbo and singer, Frankie Avalon.

September 19: Lovely Karen Canty, Larry McDonough, Joe Carmody, Kathryn Bezemes, Tom J. Costin and English model, Twiggy.

The September 20 birthday cake-eaters: Lovely Colleen Poth, Lea Hill, Jeff Hanson, Janet Livoti, Eric Jesionowski, Christian Similio and the creative chef, Antonia Steriti, the proprietor of the popular Periwinkle Food Shoppe on Loring Avenue in Salem. Also born on September 20, my paesano, Sophia Loren.

September 21: Thomas Wrenn, Cindy Donahue, Donna Breithaupt, Matt Hendrickson, the brilliant Jason Silva and Stephen King, writer of horror novels.

September 22: Katy Dolhun, Victoria Fortino, Leah Canali, Eva Cronis and Patrick Murray celebrates his seventh birthday.

Our distinguished publisher and singer, Donna Lee Hanlon, celebrates her birthday on September 23. Donna was born the year Frankie Lane was singing "Mule Train," and Nat "King" Cole's big hit was "Mona Lisa."

Also celebrating their birthdays on September 23, Janet Harkins, Judy Flaherty, Jennifer Coffey, Helen Zieman, Lester Plummer, Russell Cole Gaudet, Spanish singer Julio Iglesias and John Welsh's favorite sax player, John Coltrane.

September 24 birthdays: Nahant's first woman to serve as a Selectman, Jayne Solimine, Linda Peterson, Kathy Hatfield, Mary Buckley, Kathleen Baldwin, gorgeous Gail Boyan, Kirk Castetter, Chris Wright, Francis McCarthy, Tom Dwan, Larry Scaglione, Kris-Tina Beauliev, sweet Darlene Conigliaro and novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald.

September 25: Wish a happy birthday to the popular Paul English and also to Roger Bourque, Carol Ann Nelson, Stephanie Passino, TVs Barbara Walters and actor Michael Douglas.

September 26: Mary Ellen Catoggio, Gail Kasperowicz, Doris Hefler, Theresa Sullivan, Mary Krol, Mary Doucette, the wondrous Rosella Lent, Bill Gallant, Clint Norton, Tom Butler and pop singer, Olivia Newton-John.

September 27 birthdays: Natalie Petrovick, Caroline Nagle, Mike Belliveau, Ted Lewis and model and actress, Cheryl Tiegs.

September 28 birthdays: Personable Bob Tavares, Edna Doran, George Markus, Jim Estrella, Mark White and French film actress, Brigitte Bardot, who will be a beautiful 71 years old.

September 29: Alyssan Noangan, Nancy Locke, Sara Ashodian, Kathy Watson, and cowboy singing star, Gene Autry.

September 30 birthdays: Priscilla Parrish, Bethany Maher, Paul Lospennato, Steve Postma, Joey DeVito, David Barile, Antonio Granfone and actress, Angie Dickinson and singer, Johnny Mathis.

Sheila Hambleton Captivates People at Village Church

There she stood, looking stately, facing many Nahanters, Sheila Hambleton, Nahant's Assistant Assessor, calmly revealing some interesting facts about Real Estate, Personal Property, Motor Vehicle and Boat Excise Taxes. In brief, she stripped away some mysteries of how our homes are assessed. What's more, the brilliant Sheila Hambleton used visuals created by her loving husband, Tom, to guide her audience down the list of procedures used for deciding property values and more. With ease, she rattled off figures and facts! Amazing! Some men attending the informative session claimed Sheila Hambleton reminded them of Nicole Kidman, Lindsay Lohan and Jane Pauley. Enough said!

Thoughts About Birthdays

Dick "Beattle" Bailey of Sunset Road, says, "The best way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once!"

The captivating Brenda D'Orazio-Cook, of Seaview Avenue, says, "George Washington was first in war, first in peace and first to have his birthday juggled to make a long weekend."

Nahanters Thoughts About Autumn

Dan Dill, of Cary Street, says, "In the autumn husbands get their fall clothes out of moth balls, and wives get theirs out of dress shops."

Dan's attractive and brilliant wife Mary, quotes Camus, "Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."

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Status of Vernon Street's Gennaro "Jerry" Angiulo

Jerry Angiulo contends, in an affidavit filed in US District Court, that he was never a member of La Cosa Nostra, better known as the Mafia. Angiulo readily admitted he was the boss of the Angiulo gambling venture, which he promoted, upon his discharge from the US Navy, in 1946 and continued until indicted in 1986.

Nahant's illustrious Jerry Angiulo is being held in the federal prison in Devens, Massachusetts, and has already spent 21 years behind bars. His projected release date is May 2011, and he will then be 91 years old. Last heard, Jerry argues that parole officials violated his constitutional rights, last year, by refusing to grant his release, which he called "tantamount to an illegal death sentence."

Swallow Cave Villa Still Available

The fabulous villa on Swallow Cave Road, is still up for grabs for \$9,500,000! So, who will be the next owner of Nahant's highest-assessed home? Marcia Gaudet? Charles and Carol Sanphy? Frank and Cay Cusack? Carole Brophy? Dick Bailey? Maureen Edison? Milton Goode? David and Molly Conlin? Bob Loebel? Ed Poulin? Barbara Lombard? Red Sox stars Damon, Ortiz or Ramirez? Gee, we thought, for sure, Bob and Peggy Silva would have snapped it up!

More Nahanters Selling Out!

The August 14 edition of the Sunday Boston Globe, listed a total of 22 homes for sale in the Real Estate pages! What's going on? Why are there so many homes up for sale? Well, listed was a Victorian house on Willow Road going for \$1,350,000. A contemporary house was listed for \$2,549,000 and a home on Wilson Road was going for \$1,299,900. And the late Carl Smith's home, 236 Nahant Road was advertised as a Grand Victorian historical home, with the asking price of \$850,000.

Nahant's Victor Pisano Scores With Blues Brothers Revival

Victor Pisano, husband of Judy Belushi, widow of former "Saturday Night Live" and movie star, John Belushi, collaborated with Dan Aykroyd in producing The Blues Brothers Revival. In brief, Pisano wrote the musical stage play and directed the performances at the Chicago Center for Performing Arts.

Victor Pisano, a noted film writer and director, is the son of Reno and Mary Pisano of Rosemary Road. Victor and Judy, who reside on Martha's Vineyard, are celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary.

How well we recall their wedding reception, a sit-down dinner, at the Harborview Hotel. Attending the lively Martha's Vineyard wedding reception, Victor's, parents, Dan Aykroyd, Livingston Taylor, Charlie Gross, who did the soundtracks for Pisano's highly praised film, "Three Sovereigns for Sarah," and other notables from the theatrical world. Well, the one individual we enjoyed meeting was singer, Carly Simon. It so happened Carly recorded my big band theme song, "When Your Lover Has Gone." And so we talked on and on about music! And that is the way it was back in 1990.

Nahanters Thoughts About Colds

Jayne Solimine, of Fox Hill Road, says, "When we are suffering from a cold, it is surprising how much good advice we can get along without."

Carol Munnely, of Castle Road, says, "The only thing some people do for a cold is sneeze."

Joanna Reardon, of Nautical Lane, says, "Why is it, that only people who are not doctors, know how to cure a cold?"

Beverly English, of Little Nahant Road, "Among the remedies that won't cure a cold, the most common is advice."

Paula Smith, of Pleasant Street, says, "Nothing draws two people together, so much as both having colds at the same time."

Jean Hosker, of Valley Road, says, "Some people are bothered by colds; their friends are forever telling them all about theirs."

Blue eyes Donna Foti-Scovell of Little Nahant Road, says, "A cold can be either positive, or negative: sometimes the eyes have it, and sometimes the nose."

The electrifying Ed Poulin, of Irving Way, says, "An alcoholic's cure for a cold is not to feed it, or starve it, but to drown it."

Ed's sweet wife, Gayle, a native of jazzy New Orleans, recalls what William Osler once said about colds. "There is only one way to treat a cold, and that is with contempt."

Religiously Speaking

For your information, in Italy, 97 percent of the population describe themselves as Catholic, but only 30 percent attend Mass weekly. In France, only 5 percent attend church every week. More Europeans, in fact, attend soccer matches on Sunday than Mass. So reports Newsday.

Cal Hastings of Nahant Road, says, "Americans are a religious people. You can tell they trust in God by the way they drive."

Boston Herald Headline Jennings Gets Stung by Hub Tongue

The above was the headline in The Boston Herald, Tuesday, May 22, 1984. What follows is what ran on that day.

STINGRAY: Don't ask Peter Jennings, the ABC-TV news anchor, and zinging Ray Barron, local ad honcho, to the same press conference! There was Jennings at a Boston Ad Club lunch, full of frets on the state of the union. "You were born in Canada?" asked Ray, of Peter, at a press conference after Jennings's talk. "Correct," responded Peter.

"How long have you been in the USA?" abided Barron. "Eight years," was the answer. "Did you ever become an American citizen?" was the next question. "No," said the anchor.

"Then why don't you go back where you came from?" stung Ray, his editorial comment shocking the mild mannered ladies and gentlemen of the press.

Yes, I told Peter Jennings off for putting down our country's policies and more. His negative views bothered many of us, so up I stood and questioned him! What the Herald piece did not mention, was that I was loudly applauded by my colleagues.

Well, as you learned, last month, Peter Jennings, 67, passed away. He was proud of his Canadian citizenship although it was occasionally a sore point with some critics. At last, in the year 2003, Jennings quietly became a US citizen. Jennings, who was born in Toronto and raised in Ottawa, retained his Canadian citizenship. He said he began considering the dual citizenship in the months after the September 11, terrorist attacks. Of course, Peter Jennings was a highly respected TV journalist. Rest in peace, Peter.

Paintings of people and places in Nahant



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cheeses, strawberries, canteloupe,
honeydew melon, pineapple, clam
cakes, large cocktail shrimp with
the best cocktail sauce, lobster,
steamers, steak, bbq chicken,
rolls and butter, tortellini salad,
potato salad, green crisp iceberg
salad & cake!

the committee

Mary Flannery, Chris Whitlock,
Bumper Gooding, Mary Magner
& Paula Devereaux



"We made some great
history here tonight,
didn't we, Bump?" Dave
Conlin to Bumper Gooding



Sue Branga, Patricia Magner, Sheila Hambleton



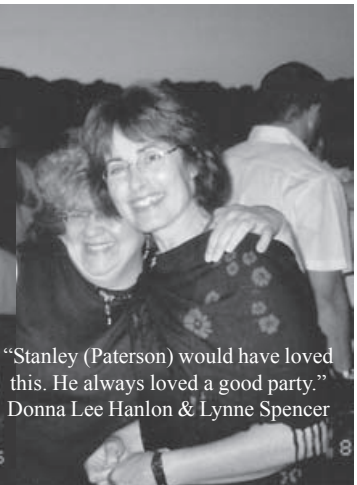
Betty Gooding & Lisa Arena



Chris Whitlock & his band were
AWESOME!



Kathy Bartholomew (Event
Organizer) & Kevin Nugent



"Stanley (Paterson) would have loved
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Donna Lee Hanlon & Lynne Spencer





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Making History on August 6, 2005



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many others.



Laural LaLiberte, Linda Jenkins, friend,
* Carl Jenkins



Michelle Kourkoulis & Deb Baldwin



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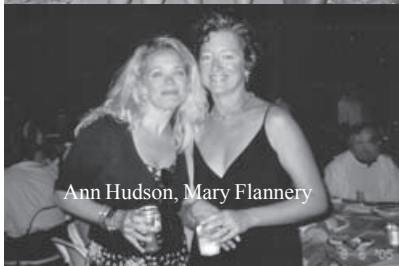
Barefoot
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Carol Hanson and friend



Ann Haskell, Richie Aswad,
Kelli Landry



Ann Hudson, Mary Flannery



Laurel & Norm LaLiberte



Larry aka the Penguin



Becky & George Richardson



And the band played on!

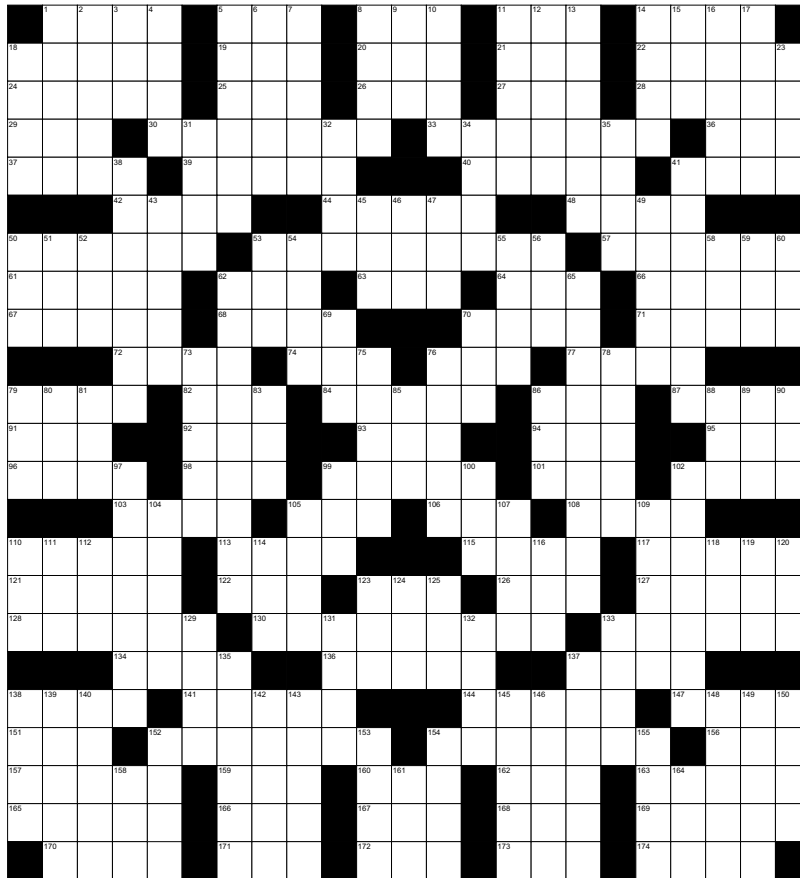


Good Night!
Bumper Gooding

NAHANT PUZZLE PAGE

"Back to School"

by Rick Kennedy



ACROSS

- 1 Fraud
5 Vase
8 *Modern library?*
11 Droop
14 Mighty trees
18 Dawdle
19 Also
20 Miner's goal
21 *Portable computer (abbr.)*
22 Tills
24 Forcefully
25 *Computer key*
26 *Another name for 8A*
27 Aspire
28 Spooky
29 Distress call
30 *See 104D*
33 Digestive cavity
36 Time period
37 Fastener
39 *Painting prop*
40 Fable writer
41 *___ pass*
42 Make
44 Marriage
48 Northeast hv east

(abbr.)

- 50 Flee
53 *Harvard locale*
57 *Chalkboard adjunct*
61 Civil rights org.
62 Stir fry pan
63 American sign language
64 Neither's partner
66 Small egg
67 *Register for classes (var.)*
68 Heroic
70 Affliction
71 Brandish
72 *___ phone*
74 Filbert e.g.
76 Drunk
77 Window part
79 *___ pack*
82 Wing
84 Bewilder
86 *School ___*
87 Hind end
91 Viper
92 Part of a min.
93 Cut of beef
94 And so forth
95 *College Board*

exam (abbr.)

- 96 Bangkok native
98 Sixth sense
99 Rebuff
101 Randy's skating partner
102 Food Safety org.
103 Tree growth
105 Prisoner of war
106 Game official (sl.)
108 Prejudice
110 Cager Olajuwon
113 Besides
115 *Computer maker*
117 Ocean jewel
121 Zodiac sign
122 Congressional vote
123 Red or Black
126 Peeper
127 *College conference*
128 Persian religion
130 Else
133 *Wellesley school*
134 Large land mass
136 Held the deed
137 Ponder, with "over"
138 *Campus VIP*
141 Proposal position
144 Druidne

147 Duke

- 151 Cousin of 106A
152 *Waltham college*
154 Needle
156 Legume
157 Intuit
159 Expression of surprise
160 Wretchedness
162 Past
163 Condescend
165 Walk
166 Fate
167 *Mortarboard*
168 Raise the ante
169 Magic lamp dweller
170 Sweet potatoes
171 Compass pt.
172 Back in the boat
173 *___ sauce*
174 Chicken output

DOWN

- 1 Treasured Island?
2 *___ room*
3 "The Greatest"
4 Talking bird
5 Beehive State resident

- 6 Functions
7 *"___ Dame"*
8 Accustomed
9 Before, poetically
10 Greek letter
11 Hand shovel
12 Adieu
13 Back___
14 Begin
15 Brew
16 Asian nation
17 Twist around
18 Elan
23 Caulk
31 Meager
32 Ghetto
34 *Halftime ensemble*
35 Dueling sword
38 *St. Peter's College mascot*
41 Larger
43 *Computer maker*
45 BB association
46 Tax agency
47 Lube
49 *Providence school*
50 Compass pt.
51 *___ Juan*
52 Sedan
53 Lawman
54 Similar
55 Tiny insect
56 Long time
58 Take to court
59 Annex
60 Mr. Auerbach
62 *Local women's college*
65 Trustworthy
69 Lop
70 Arc
73 Intense light beam
75 Hurdled
76 Serious
78 Computer character code
79 Airborne mammal
80 Tree
81 Bean counter (abbr.)
83 *American College of Physicians (abbr.)*
85 Tear
86 Gamblers placement
88 Ship initials
89 Angry
90 *School group*
97 Spain's peninsula
99 Shad delicacy
100 Headed
102 Can be utilized
104 *With 30A - State univ.*
105 *Prep. for 95A*
107 *Bursar collections*
109 Shock
110 Loose gown
111 Sephia maker
112 Parade

- 114 Sign of the zodiac
116 Caustic substance
118 American Cancer Society (abbr.)
119 Brazilian hotspot
120 Actor Chaney
123 Baste
124 White-tailed sea eagle
125 Admiration
129 *___ and Ike (candy)*
131 Sock's wound
132 Lazily
133 Small town
135 Chronicles
137 One-voice chant
138 Powder
139 Nail filing board
140 Sleep disorder
142 Guiding principles
143 Thrill
145 Mid-Eastern dwellers
146 *College conference*
148 Imitating
149 *Weston school*
150 Kent's girlfriend
152 Plots
153 Young Women's Christian Assoc.
154 *Common "Back to School" mo.*
155 Border
158 Surface to air missile
161 Clod
164 Electroencephalograph (abbr.)

Property Values and Abatements

Reported by Calvin B. Hastings

Assistant Assessor, Sheila Hambleton, addressed a near record gathering of men and women at the August 5th breakfast of the Nahant Village Church Men's Group. Her presentation focused on (1) what the assessing process is and how it affects individual property values, and (2) the types of abatements available to various town residents.

The assessing process is based on Massachusetts State Law and mandates that all real estate be valued at its fair cash value. The courts have determined this to be synonymous with fair market value. This process involves comparing each individual property with sales of "comparable" properties. Since there are very few properties that are identical, or alike, adjustments (both positive and negative) must be made, to arrive at a fair value. Aside from sales of comparable properties, a critical element is to first measure each and every property, so that the correct gross living area can be calculated. Once this has been correctly done, a market indicator of dollars-per-square-foot of gross living area can be computed and this can be used to compare one property to another, with some subjective adjustments for minor differences. The market indicator of dollars-per-square-foot of gross living area can be positively, or negatively adjusted, based on the overall condition of the property. For example, one may have been completed updated and modernized and in effect has no deferred maintenance versus another property in which this is not the case.

What complicates the process, is that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts establishes the fiscal year (FY) as Jan 1st of the first year of a FY. For example, the Oct. 2005 tax bill will be for FY 2006, based on a valuation date of Jan. 1st, 2005. Comparable sales data to be used to arrive at the fair market value on Jan. 1st 2005 will be sales that occurred during 2004. The problem with this procedure, is that the fair market value lags the market by up to a year and a half. This may be viewed by homeowners as a positive, in a rising market, but is a negative, in a declining market. All these factors should be taken into consideration, before questioning the assessed property value.

Property owners are urged to check the field card for their property annually, to ensure that the information is accurate, since it is used in the valuation process.

A property owner, who believes that his or her property is over-valued, has a right to apply for an abatement, using an application form, that is universal to all cities and towns in the Commonwealth. An

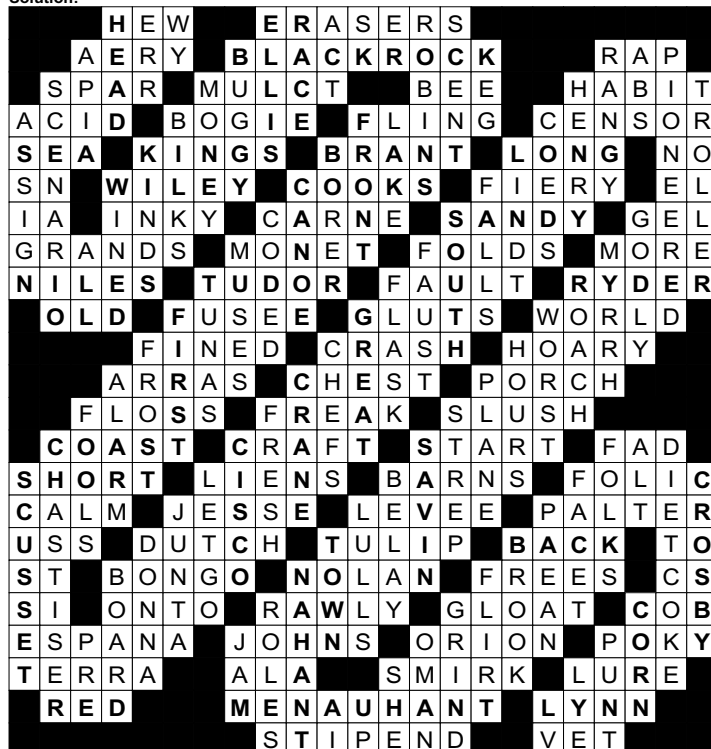
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SEPTEMBER

SUN	4	9:30A 7:00P	Nahant Village Church Services Mitchell's Corner Block Party sponsored by Nahant Firefighters. Proceeds toward the purchase of a thermal imaging camera. Food, raffles fun. Till 11:00 p.m.
FRI	9	7:00A	Nahant Village Church Mens Group Breakfast. Children's Legal Advocacy. All welcome.
MON	5		LABOR DAY
FRI	9	7:00A	NVC Men's Group Breakfast
SAT	10	10:30A	Sand Castle Contest. Short Beach
SAT	10	Noon	Girl Scouts Registration, noon to 2:00 p.m. FMI: Page 3.
SAT	10	2:00P	Library Book Sale Begins...See Special Events above.
SUN	11	10:30A	Rally Day at Nahant Village Church: Services, Sunday School Registration, return of Choir and Picnic
MON	12		Classes start at School of Refrigerator Door Art.
FRI	16	6:00P	Nahant Country Club Champagne Reception. All welcome. Till 8:00 p.m.
SAT	17	9:00A	Recreation Sailing Program Can & Bottle Drive at the Life-Saving Station. Till 11:30 p.m.
SUN	18	10:30A	Soap Box Derby on Little Nahant Road
THU	22	Noon	Garden Club Meeting
SAT	24	11:00A	TOWNWIDE CELEBRATION of the rededication of Bailey's Hill Gazebo. Till 2:00 p.m.
SUN	25	3:00P	Delvena Theater at Nahant Library

Got a story, poem, or photo to share with your neighbors? Send it to Editor, PO Box 88, Nahant, MA 01908. If you want it back, send a SASE with your submission.

The Nahant Historical Society is open to the public on Wednesdays, Thursdays and on the first Sunday of each month, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. (except holidays).

The American Legion meets on the first Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, 5 Coolidge Road, in Nahant.

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Property Values

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application for abatement can only be filed within 30 days of receipt of the 1st half tax bill (in Oct. or Nov.). You cannot file an abatement application on the 2nd half tax bill.

There are five property classifications in the Commonwealth: (1) residential, (2) open space, (3) commercial, (4) industrial, and (5) personal property. The vast majority of real estate in Nahant is classed as residential single family. Relative to commercial and multi-family properties, the Board of Assessors has the right to request income and expense statements for the property, which they can consider in the valuation of the property, using what is known as the "income approach." There is a third approach to estimating market value, that is the reproduction cost less depreciation approach. Depreciation comes in three forms: (1) physical, (2) functional, and (3) external. For example, it is conceivable that a property would not sell as quickly, or for as much money, because of an external factor.

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) surcharge was adopted by the Town of Nahant for FY 2005, for the next five years. This fund was established for the specific purpose of acquisition, creation and preservation of open space, historic places, and community housing. This Act assesses a 3% surcharge tax on the assessed property value, minus a \$100k exclusion. The Commonwealth matches, dollar for dollar, the monies raised through this Act. The results of this Act already are visible to Town residents—the Nahant Life-Saving Station restoration work, the walk linking the lower flats to Bailey's Hill and the restoration of Bailey's Hill Gazebo.

Exemptions and Abatements: A number of exemptions and abatements are available to the elderly, widowed persons, the blind, and veterans. All of these have some limitations, or guidelines and are handled on a confidential, case-by-case basis, by the Assistant Assessor. A temporary tax deferral also may be applied for. There is an exemption for low/moderate income households, called the "circuit breaker." It is administered by the State and applies to water and sewer charges. This is available to anyone with limited income. The income limits are established by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and are somewhat higher for a household with an individual who is over 60. There is no filing deadline for this exemption. In addition to meeting income criteria, the applicant's assessed property value cannot exceed \$480k for 2005. Since the majority of properties in Nahant is assessed at higher values, most residents will not qualify for this exemption.

Approximately 64% of the revenues necessary to balance the Nahant Town budget, are raised by the Board of Assessors; 25% is raised by the Selectmen in the form of Water, Sewer and Trash charges and other miscellaneous fees. The remaining 11% comes from State, or other resources. Proposition 2 ½ was adopted by the Town of Nahant in 1983 and limits the amount that the budget can increase in any given fiscal year, to no more than 2 ½ % of the previous year. It is important to note that Proposition 2 ½ does not limit the amount that your property valuation can increase or decrease. This is determined only by the market. Taxes go up when the Town increases its budget, even if property values go down.

The Board of Assessors has three elected members; the Assistant Assessor is appointed annually. The Town of Nahant is fortunate to have Sheila Hambleton in this role. She is knowledgeable, personable, dedicated and professional.

AA Meetings

Tuesdays and Thursdays: Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7:15 a.m. St Thomas Aquinas Church basement on Nahant Road.

Fridays: Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 7:30 a.m. Nahant Village Church Library on Cliff Street.

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