

Nauset Heights Association

Date: Saturday, July 14, 2012

Location: Home of Carl and Judy Trevison, 17 Doane Road

President King Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and thanked Carl and Judy Trevison for hosting the meeting. He noted that NHA hats (\$10) and vehicle stickers are available.

He asked members to take a moment to remember those who had "crossed the bar" during the past twelve months: Hap Barnes (1/21/2012), John Tropsa (2/12/12), Doris Birchfield (4/27/12), and Leroy (Roy) Weber (7/6/12).

Guest Speaker: King introduced guest speaker **Mark Carron, chairman of Orleans Historical Society**, who highlighted some of the many activities and exhibits provided by the Society. He also discussed plans to return the meetinghouse back to its original use by expanding the Hurd Chapel. A major campaign is about to commence, and members were invited to become part of the Society and this project. After his comments, King thanked Mark and noted that a donation would be made in his honor to the Historical Society, which Mark had selected from the list of local organizations supported by NHA.

Current **Board members** were recognized, and **new NHA members** were asked to introduce themselves.

Minutes of the August 20, 2011 meeting were reviewed and adopted with clarification of the sticker program so noted.

Fred Turner presented the **Treasurer's Report**, including a financial summary and noting that of the 192 paid members, 117 contributed to the stairs' fund. He also reviewed the major expenses.

Fun Run Report: Jess Tucker reported that 148 people, ranging in age from 3 to 86 years, signed up for the 4th Annual Fun Run. Jess recognized and thanked a number of people who volunteered.

NHA Stairs: Carl Trevison reported on the **association stairs**, noting that approximately \$200 are invested annually in clearing poison ivy and other overgrowth and in applying wood preservative. He asked members to report any defect (i.e. cracked treads). Sherry Tenney and Carl will inspect the stairs for needed work. King noted that the stairs to the Mill Pond are owned by the Town under the auspices of the Harbormaster. Please report any issues with these stairs as well.

Appreciation: King expressed appreciation to all of the NHA board members for their dedication. He noted that special recognition goes to Kathy Pattison and Dave Strickler who have designed and built a new NHA database from the ground up. This program will integrate all of our operations and reports. Kudos and many thanks to Kathy and Dave!!! Next spring members will be sent a separate printout with their specific information to verify, change or add to. Once everything is updated, we will have a pure product.

Upcoming Events:

- Fred Turner spoke on the **NHA Golf Outing** to take place at Captain's Course on July 17th. He is hoping that more folks can join them next year.
- Pat Tyng talked about the **Lawn Party**, happening Saturday, July 28th (5-7PM) at Joe and Sherry Tenney's home. The event is open to all members, their family and houseguests. The cost is \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door. The event includes a raw bar, music, wine/beer/soft drinks and lots of fun. Please bring a hearty hors d'oeuvres (table ready) to share – and please think beyond salsa and chips. Last year 180 adults and 40 children attended. Raindate is Sunday. Please let Pat know that you are coming. For reservations, call 508-255-1920, or email ptyng@fcwl.com. A volunteer worksheet was distributed.

- Jim Tyng discussed the 2nd **Annual NHA Tennis Tournament**, being held August 11-12 at 3 private courts in the neighborhood. We hope to have juniors, singles (men's and women's), and doubles categories if the number of registrants warrant it. There is no cost – watch for an email which will have the registration form and information. All participants need to register.
- Kathy Pattison talked about a new activity – a **Sandcastle Competition**. While more information will be forthcoming, the event will be 10 AM on Saturday, August 18th at the foot of the association stairs. There will be child, family and adult categories. Kathy is looking for judges.
- King reported on the upcoming **Annual Meeting**, scheduled for Saturday, August 25th at the home of Nick and Allison Denis at 32 Doane Rd. Officers and board members will be elected. The nominating committee is still looking for someone for the Recording Secretary position.
- **Fall Clean-up** will be held on October 20th. This is one of two organized clean-up dates, but members were encouraged to pick up trash when they see it.

King reminded members that the **Suggestion Box** is available and that the board wants to know what members want to see from the NHA. Additional email addresses for family members and extended family may also be submitted.

Under **New Business**, King introduced the **Police Reassurance Program** which is a daily call-in program through the Orleans Police Department that helps support seniors in their homes. Forms are available through the Police Department.

Aspinet Road Update: In answer to an inquiry on the status of the Aspinet Road issue, discussed at previous meetings, Jim Tyng reviewed the action taken at Annual Town Meeting in May. Voters authorized appraisal of the cost of moving forward in regard to the Town potentially taking Aspinet Road. After Town Meeting the Town signed an agreement with the majority of Aspinet residents pertaining to the use of Aspinet, if needed, from 2PM to 6PM on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from July through Labor Day. Questions and comments were made regarding to queuing for the beach and the sometimes arbitrary access permitted to some and denied to others. Jim described the process designed by the Town. Carl Trevison noted that he has been trying to get in touch with Paul Fulcher. All agreed that the queue process needs to be managed better. King will follow up on this. It was noted that part of the beach is currently closed due to Piping Plovers, putting additional pressure on the part of the Spit that is open.

Raffle Tickets for the **Flying Fish** ship model are available from Rob Cunningham. The raffle of the model clipper ship benefits the Orleans Historical Society.

Carl Trevison briefly spoke on the history of their home which was built in the 1950s and is fabled to originally have been Cape Edwards barracks. Judy and Carl personally rebuilt the cottage into their home.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Davidson
Recording Secretary