

# THE WAVE – JULY 2014

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## Point O'Woods Library 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

New Book by Joanne DeMaio: Need a beach read? Longtime POW vacationer and New York Times bestselling author Joanne DeMaio's fourth novel was recently published. Settle in for a summer of secrets in "True Blend," an unexpected love story set in DeMaio's quaint New England town of Addison. Her previous release "Blue Jeans and Coffee Beans," based on POW's beach setting, hit the New York Times bestseller list last summer. Visit [Joannedemaio.com](http://Joannedemaio.com)

"The Lemon Orchard" a new book by author Luanne Rice of Point O'Woods, is now available in book stores. Luanne grew up in Point "Woods and still maintains a summer home here. She is the recipient of one of the 2014 Governor's Arts Awards which was presented in New Haven as part of the annual International Festival of Arts and Ideas. Author of numerous books, using the Point O'Woods as a setting, we do have a number of her books in the POW Library.

We are continuing to collect the tabs from drink cans at the POW library as a fund raiser for the Shriners Children Hospital. Money raised from the tabs help restore a normal life to many children. Save the tabs and dropped them off in the green bucket at the library. Last year we collected approximately 16 pounds.

## July Activities

**July 4 10:00 a.m. - Bike Parade & Watermelon & Lemonade social after bike parade**

**July 13 - Professional Sand Sculptor on the Beach**

**July 19 – Women's Club Game Night**

**July 24 – Annual Beach Party**

**July 27 – Craft Fair**

**July 31 - Halloween at Point O'Woods**

**July – Boardwalk Bingo every Monday night - Movie on the Beach every Tuesday and Saturday night**

## Recreation – Beth Kelly Recreational Commissioner

The summer Recreation program runs from June 23<sup>rd</sup> until August 16<sup>th</sup> for children age 3.5 to 12 years of age. Rates are \$85.00 per week or \$25.00 per day per child. Field trips are scheduled for Thursdays, unless otherwise noted and are an additional cost depending on the trip. Signups will be Monday mornings at 8:30 a.m. under the pavilion. The program runs Monday through Friday from 8:45 am until noon and 1:00-2:00 pm.

The recreational evening activities include Monday night Bingo, Movies on Tuesday and Saturday and Wiffle Ball Games Thursdays.

## Tennis Clinic

Calling all tennis enthusiasts or kids interested in learning to play tennis. A seven week tennis clinic sponsored by POW REC starts June 30<sup>th</sup>, with the first week being free, as a chance to try it out. The first week will be everyday (Mon thru Thurs at 9 am) after that the days will be determined by group size. Two local high school shoreline tennis champs will run the clinic. The cost will be \$20 per week or \$90 for the summer. The program will be 2 sessions per week during the morning for approximately 2 hrs. Signups will be at the pavilion with the recreation program. An adult program is also being considered if there is an interest. Hope to see you on the courts!!

## Lyme Youth Service Bureau Party

The Lyme's Youth Service Bureau has a yearly holiday fundraiser to raise money for the needy families and children in town. These neighborhood parties raise 30% of the LYSM's budget for the year. Parties are hosted in every neighborhood throughout Old Lyme and Lyme, on the same night. This was a first for Point O'Woods, hosted by Chris Berger and Beth Kelly. The party was a huge success and the largest amount raised for a first time party, totaling over \$1300. Thank you all for your generosity! It was wonderful to see the community come together in the off-season for holiday cheer and good wishes. We hope more can join us for the 2014 party. If you are still missing a dish, please see Beth. Cheers! Susie Kelly LYSB Board.

## **July 4<sup>th</sup> Bike Parade**

The first event to kick off the summer season at Point O'Woods is the annual **4<sup>th</sup> of July** Bike Parade for children up to the age of 8 years sponsored by The Women's Club of Point O'Woods. The parade starts at 10:00 a.m. Friday morning July 4<sup>th</sup> on Champion Road. Lower Ridgewood Road and Champion Road will be closed to **all motorized traffic** during the parade. Decorate your bikes, strollers and wagons for the parade. For safety of everyone, PLEASE, **NO** Skate Boards, in-line skates, golf carts, dogs or motorized equipment. All participants will receive a prize. The Women's Club will have tables set up with a new line of tee shirts and sweat shirts. The 2014-2015 Point O'Woods calendars will be available in limited supply so get your calendar early. The calendars sell out every year. Cost of the calendar is still \$5.00. Following the parade, a treat of Watermelon and Lemonade will be served at the pavilion by the Recreation Department. Everyone is invited!

## **Mourning**

Virginia (Burns) Bouvier - Paul Edward Starr – Helen M. Kowalczyk – Ann (Johnson) Griffin – James B. Griswold – Richard Willard.

## **Craft Fair July 27<sup>th</sup>**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft Fair sponsored by the Point O'Woods Women's Club will be held on Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> under the tent in the parking lot. The time is from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. We have a wide variety of vendors this year with many numerous quality products that make excellent gifts for all occasions.

The Women's Club will continue to sell the NEW 2014 Tee Shirts and Sweat shirts while supply and sizes last. Get there early to insure they have your size. A donation is requested from the crafters for The Women's Club raffle. A special thanks to Karen Robert, Craft Fair Chairperson for her untiring efforts to insure the success of the Craft Fair each year. For additional details or to rent a space, contact Karen Robert, 5 Stanhope Road.

## **Births in the News**

Norman and Marilyn Stitham of Ridgewood Road became great-grandparents with the birth of their first great-grandson Tucker Jean Ochs. The proud parents are Lance/Corporal Justin (USMC) and Kaitlyn Ochs of North Carolina. Semper Fi!

Amy Sagan Bishop, husband Brian and daughters Emma, Kathy and Claire welcomed a baby brother Grayson, born on March 4<sup>th</sup>. He is the Great Grandson of Betty and Dick Sagan and will be the fifth generation to play and swim at wonderful Point O'Woods.

## **Sand Sculptures July 13<sup>th</sup>**

World renowned sculptor Ed Jarret, who recently broke the Guinness World Record for the Tallest Sand Castle, with a height of 38 feet, 2 inches, will be at Point O'Woods on Sunday July 13 to entertain all beach goers and the children. (Rain date is July 20.) It was at Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island, that Ed's life as a sculptor began, after just one class on ice carving. Ed has been sculpting ice for 28 years, snow for 15 years, sand for 11 years, and wood for eight years. Sand sculpting began as a dare. Ed volunteers his time to build sandcastles for charity. This year Ed has begun construction on his latest project, "Boardwalk Journey," a sand museum that will feature over 5,000 square feet of detailed sand sculpture under a tent at Seaside Park in New Jersey for the benefit of "Hometown Heroes".

We welcome Ed Jarrett to Point O'Woods and look forward to entertaining us and working with our children.

## **Nominating Committee Vacancy**

After many years of service on the Board of Governors Nominating Committee, Lorraine Gibson's term is complete leaving an open position on the committee. We appreciate Lorraine's efforts and contributions to the Point O'Woods community and we'll see her relaxing on the beach.

The Nominating Committee identifies, screens and selects candidates to serve on the Point O'Woods Association Board of Governors as well as the WPCA Board of Governors. Their objective is to present potential candidates for the Board review, approval and ultimately the property owners for election at the POW Annual Meeting. Committee members serve for 3 years. If you have an interest in serving on the Nomination Committee, notify Jean Smith, Operations Administrator, at [powoffice@att.net](mailto:powoffice@att.net) or 860 434-5686.

## Board of Governors News

At the Annual Meeting June 7, 2014, appreciation was expressed for the contributions of outgoing Board members who volunteered countless hours to ensure the safety, security, financial viability and benefits of Point O'Woods Association and its property owners.

Special thanks and recognition goes to:

Harry Ritson, Boat Basin Commissioner  
Bill Griffin, President  
Sandy Downes, Vice President  
Greg McKenna, Ordinances

The new POW Board of Governors held their organizational meeting after the election of new Board members. Board assignments are as follows:

**President:** Carl Filios, Stanhope Road; **Vice President:** Wayne Buchanan, Sargent Road; **Beach:** Jennifer Reyes, Massachusetts Road; **Boat Basin:** Pete Roberge, Hough Road; **Grounds:** Bud Phelps, Sargent Road; **Ordinance:** Faith Weiss, Seaview Road; **Recreation:** Beth Kelly, Ridgewood Road; **Roads:** Mike D'Aquila, Connecticut Road; **Security:** Fred Callahan, Oak Road.

**Appointments:** **Secretary:** Jean Smith, Champion Road; **Treasurer:** Roy Johnson, Massachusetts Road. **Temporary Operations Administrator, Point O'Woods Association:** Jean Smith

### Halloween at POW July 31<sup>st</sup>

The Fourth Annual POW Halloween Party will be held on Thursday July 31<sup>st</sup> at the pavilion under the guidance of the Recreation Department. Children should dress up in Halloween costumes for this event which is held in the early evening. The children will visit pre-select cottages in small groups, accompanied by recreation counselors and parents as they go Trick-or-Treating. If you would like to be a guest house to be visited by the children, please contact Beth Kelly at 860 434-0245.

### Graduations

**Brian Weiss** graduated from Avon High School in June and will attend Merrimack College in the fall to pursue a degree in Business Administration and Marketing. Brian is the son of Jim and Faith Weiss and the grandson of the late Bill Lacourciere.

**Siera Frascarelli** graduated from Old Lyme High School on June 20<sup>th</sup> and will attend the University of Hartford in the fall. Siera is the granddaughter of Dick Frascarelli and lives in Point O'Woods with her Uncle Rick and Aunt Michelle Frascarelli.

**Katie McCartney** graduated from Granby Memorial High School on June 20<sup>th</sup>. And will attend West Chester University in West Chester, Pennsylvania. She will be majoring in Special Education. She is the daughter of Ken and Tracey McCartney.

**Julia Ward** graduated from Shawsheen Valley Technical High School on June 6<sup>th</sup> and will attend Worcester State University in the fall, majoring in Psychology. She is the daughter of John and Tammy Ward.

**Matt Connors** graduated from Conard High School in West Hartford on June 17<sup>th</sup>. He will attend Watkinson school in the fall. He is the son of Kevin and Vicki Connors.

### Point O'Woods Internet Accesses

**The Wave:** [normanstitham@att.net](mailto:normanstitham@att.net)

**Point O'Woods Office:** [powoffice@att.net](mailto:powoffice@att.net)

**Point O'Woods Website:** [www.pointowoodset.com](http://www.pointowoodset.com)

### New Point O'Woods Website

Announcing the new Point O'Woods website [www.pointowoodset.com](http://www.pointowoodset.com). There is a new website in town to make your life easier and keep you informed! Check in daily for the most current news and up to date information. On the new site you can also; download and print forms, see the calendar of events, check the weather and tides, find our new office hours, click on links to local newspapers, ask the administrator a question and more! Take a few minutes and check it out!

## **Women's Club Annual Beach Party July 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Flash! Great News!* The Pizza Truck is coming to the **Annual Point O'Woods Beach Party** on Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. under the tent. The menu will feature Pizza's baked on site by the Pizza Truck. We will also feature live "New Wave Music" for your listening, entertainment and dancing pleasure provided by the band "No Excuses". It will be an evening of fun, fellowship and laughter with your Point O'Woods friends and neighbors. We will also have a 50-50 Raffle and some surprises. This is a B.Y.O.B. so bring the beverage or liquid refreshments of your choice. Tickets will be available after July 1<sup>st</sup> and will be on sale at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. Tickets are also available by contacting Marianne Fitch, 21 Hillcrest Road, (860 434-7193) or Jan Tonucci, 16 Oak Road (860 434-5360). Tickets are \$35.00 per person and must be purchased by July 20<sup>th</sup> so we can have a count for the evening.

### **Convalescing**

Sue Bookman is recovering from a Knee replacement at her cottage. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her on the beach.