

FISHERS ISLAND FOG HORN

OCTOBER 2015



News and Information about
Fishers Island, NY

45TH HOG TOURNAMENT RECAP



Sunday, September 6, 2015

The Island Health Project (IHP) hosted the 45th HOG Tournament at the Fishers Island Club this Labor Day Sunday. Net proceeds from the tournament support medical care for all Fishers Island residents and visitors through the Island Health Project.

The idea for the tournament on Labor Day weekend was hatched at the Harbor Bar in 1969 (hence the name Harbor Open Golf, better known as the HOG). The game format has remained the same – 4 clubs and a putter per team – but it has grown exponentially over the ensuing 45 years!

What a fantastic day for golf and fun in support of the Island Health Project! 24 teams of 6 players played

this year. Thank you to all who participated and supported the 2015 HOG Tournament.

IHP Board President Susie Parsons took a moment to thank the following individuals: “HOG Co-chairs, Reyn and Elizabeth duPont; Becca and Chad Bartels for the tee sponsors; Dr. Chris Ingram and Di Shillo and staff in the office; Dan Colvin and his whole golf staff; Pat and Stefan Schiestl and the whole club staff; all the girls who worked on holes #2, 8 and 12; my friends and IHP board members for helping sell merchandise; Cecil and Linda Lyon of The Leatherman and Eliza B for their kind donation of merchandise to sell; and to all the HOG players and all the tee sponsors! Thanks to Jim and Diane Baker for their donation of an 1882 US Coast Guard geodetic survey map of the island. It was auctioned off to benefit of the IHP.”

45TH HOG RECAP CONT.

OVERALL RESULTS:

“Most Improved Parade” Bob Warden, John Lombardi, Jeff MacDonald, Ben Strong Mark Shafir and Dave Burnham
“Best Spaceship” Marten Van Hengel, Geordie Loveday, Josh Parsons, Greg Cypherd, Chris Finan and Charles Smith
“Most Likely to Look Like Costume in 50 Years” Arthur Anthony, Ashton Harvey, David Walker, Alex Ochse, Win Rutherford and Peter Breining
“Best Escape” Nick Ogden, Jason Weida, Sales Braga, Tom Collingham, Mike duPont and Brent Armstrong

GOLF AWARDS:

Longest Drive – Tim Brown
Closest to the Pin – Nick Spofford
Bartol Award – Nishan Vartanian
Net Golf
1st Place: Teddy Harrington, Dicky Riegel, Chip Pollard, Chris Edwards, Kent Sednaoui & P.B. Weymouth 50.5
2nd Place: Tim Brown, Joe Pagliarulo, Bill Schaefer, Peter Todd, Jim Lefebure & Steve Leblanc 52
3rd Place: Robert Bailey, Andrew Fulham, Wiley Wilson, Galvin McCourt, Mark Scalrse & Will Ahmed 53

The 2016 HOG will be chaired by Bob and Margaret Warden and the date is Sunday, September 4.

Photos by Susie and Bobby Parsons, Jane Gray and Jane Ahrens. To see all the HOG photos please visit the Photo Gallery on FishersIsland.net.

At the parade, Scudder Sinclair paid tribute on this 45th HOG Anniversary to the tournament founders.

Judges, ladies and gentlemen, children of all ages, and hoggers – we greet you on this blessed day – a day of many celebrations, inappropriate costumes, dressed carts, flags flying, missed and made putts, and sprayed drives across this sacred ground – a momentous and cherished day we call the HOG!

These men – or large children – that stand before you, came to pay their deepest respects. They stand in tribute to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the Harbor Open Golf tournament – a wonderful day that for many decades has stood the test of time to support the Island Health Project. They stand here in the great costumes that have walked this great parade ground.

We celebrate the founders of this event and the early teammates who cared more about the good-natured fun and pranks than who shot the lowest score. Men like Artie Pratt, Peter Pochna, Tony Duke, Lee Hanley, Sam Yonce, Peter Crisp, and many others. And last, but most importantly, they stand here to pay deep tribute to a man who truly embodied the spirit of this tournament, Frank Kernan. In his honor this group has recreated some of the greatest costumes of Frank and his hogmates from over the years – costumes that only Frank and his team could get away with...

So let’s all please give a cheer to Frank Kernan and the men who made the HOG the HOG!!



ICB ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE AND NEWS



The ICB invites all islanders to its **annual meeting on Saturday, October 10** at 4:30 in the Community Center’s Multi-Purpose Room.

Along with the usual reports from FIDCO, Walsh Park, the Board of Education, and others, the Waste Management District will have its engineer presenting its **Draft Facilities Planning Report** and answering public questions about the single-site and combined-site options. This report is posted on Waste Management’s website and is available downstairs at the Community Center.

While we’ll provide detailed minutes on FishersIsland.net following the meeting, we hope we’ll see everyone there!

ICB received notification that the Day published this article last week on dredging sites in Long Island Sound: <http://www.theday.com/local/20150914/senator-murphy-joins-with-marina-owners-in-supporting-dredging-plan>
 As this is a topic where islanders might have strongly held feelings, ICB wants to make sure everyone is aware that the Army Corps of Engineers will be accepting public comment on the project through October 16th at:
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, (ATTN: LIS DMMP/PEIS Program Manager Meghan Quinn), 696 Virginia Road, Concord, MA 01742-2751. The full report (582 pages): <http://www.usace.army.mil/Portals/74/docs/Topics/LISDMMP/LIS-DMMP-Main-Report-PRDraft-August2015.pdf>. The Environmental Impact Study (738 pages): <http://www.usace.army.mil/Portals/74/docs/Topics/LISDMMP/LIS-DMMP-PEIS-PRDraft-August2015.pdf>

FI COMMUNITY CENTER'S DANCING IN THE STREET



If Labor Day Weekend marks the unofficial end of the summer, then boy did the Fishers Island Community Center finish off the season with a bang! On Saturday, September 5th, the Community Center and the Island Café hosted its inaugural “Dancing in the Street” party, receiving the highest praise from all who attended.

It comes as no surprise that the barbecue-style food was a massive hit amongst partygoers, whether it was the fall-off-the-bone pulled pork or the equally delectable lemon zest baked chicken and Cajun style shrimp, Chef Brian Busse certainly left guests licking their lips by evenings end.

Not only a place for dinner, perhaps the event’s biggest draw was the opportunity for guests to strut out onto the dance floor and show their stuff with music by an Island favorite DJ Rollin. Like few places seen before, the dance floor was a total melting pot of people; folks from every age group and all walks of life – out dancing in the street and enjoying the waning days of the summer season.

Special thanks go to Fishers Island Community Center Director Elizabeth Reid and her staff, Chef Brian Busse and his team, as well as Jane Ahrens who managed all the volunteers, including many Community Center Board members. Everyone helped make the night a huge success. And, thanks to Gail Cypherd for these great photos! *To see more, visit FishersIsland.net's Photo Gallery.*



OCTOBER GARDENING



FROM MÉLIE'S GARDEN

Fall has officially arrived, now that the Autumnal Equinox and the “Super Moon” lunar eclipse have passed. Often this is hard to tell on Fishers Island because the fall here is full of “Indian Summer” days and the first frost sometimes isn’t until early November. Never the less, the days are starting to get shorter and the plants in our gardens recognize that change and start preparing for winter.

At this time of year, I walk around my garden with a note pad and write down what I want to remember for next year. What plants worked and which didn’t and what to add to make the flowerbeds more interesting. A garden is always evolving as plants mature or run out of steam. I also write down the vegetables that did well and if was it better to put in seedlings or start certain things from seed. I note the tomato varieties that we liked and which Dahlias were the prettiest, so I can order them again. I find it very helpful to have these notes when spring arrives, so I know what changes I want to make.

In preparing a garden for winter, it is important to weed all beds as you are cutting back the plants. Be particularly careful of getting rid of invasive vines like Hedge Bindweed and Black Swallow-Wart. Do not put these vines in the compost, they should be placed in black plastic bags and thrown in the garbage. This is especially important if they have any seedpods!

Plants can be transplanted up to November 1st, which will allow roots to get established before a hard frost in four to six weeks.

Transplant into good soil and be especially mindful of watering due to the drought we have had this year. New bulbs can be planted up to mid-November.

And finally, houseplants that have summered outside need a good spray of insecticidal soap before coming into the house. Plants can winter over inside in temperatures down to 50 degrees. Let the plants rest by not fertilizing them until there are ten hours of daylight and the growing season begins again.

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED: RESEARCH ON LOCAL MARINE RESOURCE MGMT.

Chantal Collier is the Director of the Long Island Sound Program for The Nature Conservancy. In addition to her work with the Conservancy, she is currently a graduate student at Duke University’s Nicholas School of the Environment. As part of her work at Duke and the Conservancy, she is collaborating with the H.L. Ferguson Museum and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to launch a research study on coastal and marine resource management. She will be on Fishers Island from October 5-10, 2015 to conduct research interviews with members of the Fishers Island community for this study.

Chantal wrote, “I am looking for Fishers Island community volunteers to take part in a study designed to develop opportunities for increasing local community involvement in the management of marine and coastal resources. You would be asked to participate in an interview of approximately 45-60 minutes in length during October 5-10, 2015. Information gathered in this study will be used to inform my Master’s Project about options for implementing the objectives of the New York Seagrass Protection Act. There is no financial compensation for participating in this research.”

For more information, or to volunteer for this study, please contact:

Chantal Collier, Duke Environmental Leadership Program Duke University

Nicholas School of the Environment

Email: Chantal.Collier@duke.edu



FISHERS ISLAND WINS 2015 IOD WORLDS



IOD skipper Jonathan Farrar and his team from Fishers Island Yacht Club are the new IOD Worlds Champions.

Hosted by the Nantucket IOD Fleet and Nantucket Yacht Club, 14 boats from 5 countries competed in this annual event that moves each year to a new venue. All races this year were held outside Nantucket Harbor on Nantucket Sound. Before each race in the series, the crews rotated boats rather than racing in their own for the whole competition.

The week-long race began Monday, September 14 and racing continued through Friday, September 19. The FIYC team won 3 of the first 8 races and mathematically clinched the championship without having to sail the 9th and final race.

The FIYC team, led by Skipper Jonathan Farrar included Isabelle Kinsolving Farrar doing pit and tactics; Mike McNamara trimming jib and spinnaker; Kevin Wypychoski trimming main; and Kevin Gilman on the bow.



Images c/o John Burnham, Mike McNamara and Kevin Wypychoski

EBB AND FLOW

WEDDING



Jennifer Kozlowski and Michael Webb
September 19, 2015 Fishers Island, NY

ENGAGEMENT



Kate Shillo and Nicholas Beardsley on
September 7, 2015 in New York, NY

BIRTH



June 8, 2015 Grace Porter O'Grady
to Amanda McKown & Sean O'Grady

FISHERS ISLAND SCHOOL NEWS

FISHERS ISLAND SCHOOL
HOSTS SPANISH GUESTS

Sunday, September 13, 2015, twelve Spanish exchange students met their host families and embarked on a two-week visit to Fishers Island. The guests will be staying at Fishers Island School students' family homes on the island and the mainland and will attend classes and discover all that Fishers Island has to offer.

The hosts and the School welcomed their guests and were informally introduced at lunch on Monday. That afternoon the visiting 10th graders selected the classes they will take while attending school here.

Fishers Island School Spanish teacher Ms. Christine Anifantakis assisted Principal & Superintendent Mrs. Karen Goodwin over the summer months with the details of the exchange. Ms. Anifantakis and Ms. Jen Burns will be chaperoning our 11th and 12th graders to Spain in February 2016 for a two-week trip wrapped around February break and Presidents' Day. The hope is to continue this student exchange every 2 years.

The visitors are from A Coruña, a coastal port city of over 200,000 residents in northern Spain on the Atlantic Ocean where they attend school at Santa María del Mar.

This international student exchange would not be possible without our host families opening their homes to our visitors. Thank you to the Hanson, Allen, Shillo, Scala, Cypherd, Conger, Morrissey/Scumaci, Snyder, Hanson, Baez and Kane families.

Monday, September 28 Fishers Island School held a farewell assembly and streamed it live to the Spanish students' parents in Spain. You can watch it on FishersIsland.net and realize what an amazing experience this has been for all. Gemma, Elena, José Ramón, Laura, Inés, Marta, Claudia, Martín, Paula, Patricia, José Miguel and Beatriz with their chaperone Mr. Fernando Lopez Azcarate will always be a part of Fishers Island School.

"The 12 exchange students have spent two weeks on Fishers learning about our culture and partaking in daily school activities. The school will greatly miss seeing their smiling faces as they depart and many of our students and staff hope to keep in contact with our new friends. Many of our Junior and Seniors will be attending school for two weeks in Spain during February break where we look forward to hearing of their experiences. Thanks to Miss Anifantakis, our students, teachers, and staff, as well as the many parent hosts for making this experience possible."

~ Karen Goodwin, Principal/Superintendent



KANE NAMED NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALIST



Fishers Island School (FIS) senior, Elias Kane, was recently named as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, representing less than one percent of the nation's seniors. Eli has been a student at Fishers Island School since ninth grade and is the son of Michael Kane and Syma Ebbin of Groton, CT.

Eli's accomplishment was announced to the upper school during lunch on Friday, September 18, 2015. The cheers and applause from the student body demonstrate their strong support for and pride in their classmate.

Eli is actively involved in nearly all FIS activities including band, cross country, basketball, golf, student government, and drama. He has served as Student Council officer, attended HOBY Leadership training, won top honors for his research at the CT Science Fair Competition, and earned a perfect score of 800 on his Math SAT. In discussing his activities and accomplishments with this humble student, Eli shared that he has benefitted greatly "from taking advantage of every amazing opportunity that Fishers Island School has offered."

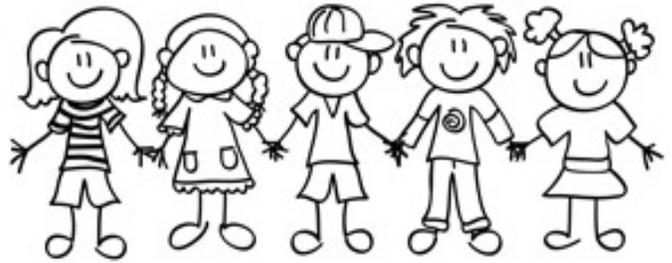
Because Eli is deeply interested in so many areas of study, including the sciences, math, and humanities, he plans to initially pursue a Liberal Arts course of study at the collegiate level. He is currently exploring a variety of colleges and has recently interviewed at Harvard University.

Photo credit: Aly Cochrane

FISHERS ISLAND BULLETIN BOARD

POSITION AVAILABLE: IPP MORNING PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Island People’s Project is accepting applications for a Morning Program Director for Summer 2016 and beyond. Please go to www.islandpeoplesproject.com for more details.



UNION CHAPEL’S ASSIST TO ISLANDERS

Rev. Whitman and a group of concerned islanders met to address food insecurity in our community, and the need to assist a few islanders in meeting their utility bill by providing short-term support in both areas, including a small temporary food pantry that will expand based on need. Individuals seeking assistance may contact Candy confidentially at her home (788-7029).

Those interested in donating non-perishable goods or funds, or volunteering may contact Candy or their own clergy. Tax-deductible donations for food and utilities may be made by check to Union Chapel, PO Box 192, Fishers Island, NY 06390, with “Islanders for Islanders” in the memo line.

ELLE DÉCOR: FEATURE OCTOBER 2015

Elle Décor Magazine cover story: Style Setters at Home
Featuring Amy Fine Collins, special correspondent to *Vanity Fair* and her home decorating style. In the article titled *Against the Current*, Amy is interviewed about her use of color at her Falcon Hill home on Fishers Island with photos showing her design aesthetic. This issue also includes Our Lady of Grace Rummage as a go-to shopping destination – one of Amy’s “favorite sources for vintage clothing and antiques”.



OYSTER FEST FOUNDERS ON CBS2

Rockaway Oyster Fest founders: Terence Mulligan founder of the Craic Festival (celebrating Irish film and music) and Pete Malinowski, director of Billion Oyster Project! See the interview at www.FishersIsland.net Photo Galley page – videos section.

CALL FOR LHW SPRING 2016 FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Lighthouse Works is seeking applications from visual artists and writers for fellowships awarded during our two 2016 Spring fellowship seasons.

SPRING I 2016 March 15 to April 26, 2016

SPRING II 2016 May 17 to June 28, 2016

Fellowships are six weeks in length and provide fellows with room, board, studio space and \$1,750 in stipends. **Application Deadline: October 15, 2015**

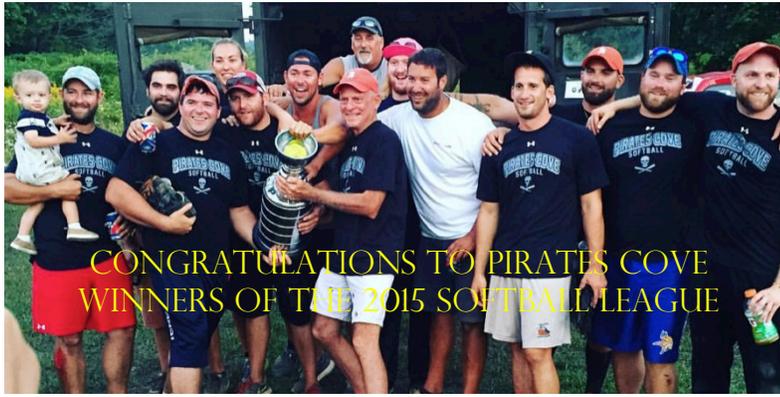
For more information about *The Lighthouse Works*, our fellowship program and the application process please visit our website: www.thelighthouseworks.com



SAVE THE DATES:

VISIT [HTTP://FISHERSISLAND.NET/EVENTS/](http://fishersisland.net/events/)

FOR ALL UPCOMING FISHERS ISLAND EVENTS



CONGRATULATIONS TO PIRATES COVE WINNERS OF THE 2015 SOFTBALL LEAGUE



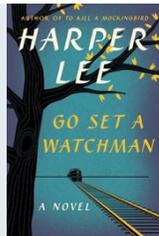
Yoga & Fitness
Island Café
 Open Tues-Sat 4:00-8:00
 with the Bowling Alley!

Union Chapel Fall Fair
 10:00-1:00
 Saturday, October 10



The Gardes
 BEHIND THE HOPE
 A TALE OF
 7:00 PM
 MICHAEL J. WELLET
 10/17
TELL-TALE LIES
 Special ferry trip back @ 9:30

LIBRARY BOOK GROUP
Thursday, November 12
7:00-9:00 pm
 Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee
 Fishers Island Library



October Fog Horn masthead by Alex McKown

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 P.O. BOX 464, FISHERS ISLAND, NY 06390

If you have something you would like posted on FishersIsland.net or in the Fog Horn - a story idea, an event 'save the date', photos to share, suggestions or an interest in advertising, please contact Editor Jane Ahrens at (631) 788-7487 or info@fishersisland.net. Contact Sarah Porter to place an event on the Community Calendar at www.fishersisland.net/events/ at (631) 788-7683 or fishersislandevents@gmail.com.

TOPPER'S SCOOP

After 22 years, and much thought, I've decided to hang up the scoops and sell Topper's. It's been a heartwarming experience to stand behind the counter and share your family stories; I have learned so much and appreciate all the support I've received over the years.

Trust me when I say that I did not come to this decision easily. 22 years is a LONGGGG time and Topper's and I have been through a lot. I've seen babies born, families grow, I've served children who have grown up and they've worked for me serving you, and have seen the many sides of human behavior; we're a funny lot, which I have gleaned over many scoops of ice cream. You, my customers, have been so wonderful and enthusiastic and have made Topper's what it is today.

I hope the traditions and theme that I started will be carried on with a new owner, and hope that Topper's will continue to serve you in the manner to which you've all become accustomed.

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in the chance of buying Topper's, please contact Jim Reid with Mystic Isle Realty on Fishers Island at jimreid@mysticislerealty.com.

Sincerely, Liz

