

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

March 1, 2019

Announcements:

- Please note that effective November 1 to April 30, the Transfer Station is open Friday through Tuesday from 7:30 am- 3:30 pm.

This week's activities of note from the Town Manager's Office:

- Chief Calise, Assistant Town Manager Clark and I joined Lower Cape town managers/ administrators, CCNS Superintendent Carlstrom and other stakeholders at the State House on Wednesday to discuss shark mitigation with Senator Cyr, Representative Peake, and staff from the offices of: U.S. Rep. William Keating, Sen. Edward Markey, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, Gov. Baker and Lt. Gov. Polito, as well as, the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, the House Ways and Means Committee, the Division of Marine Fisheries, and the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security. We hope this meeting will serve as an initial step in creating a local, state and federal partnership to address the complex issues that white sharks present to the Lower Cape.
- As a reminder, the 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant closes today (March 1st at 4 pm) for submission of articles.

Upcoming Meetings:

- March 4, 2019-Truro Conservation Commission @ Truro Town Hall at 6:00pm.
- March 5, 2019-Truro Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30pm.
- March 6, 2019- Herring River Restoration Committee @ Cc National Seashore Headquarters at 9:30am.
- March 6, 2019-Truro Planning Board @ Truro Town Hall at 5:00pm.

Department News:

Police Department

- The Truro Police Department Senior Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!
- Members of the Truro Police Department will be taking part in the Saint Patrick's Day parade in Yarmouth on March 9, 2019. The parade begins at 11:00 a.m.

Department of Public Works

- The Transfer Station Swap Shop project is progressing. We hope to have it open no later than May 1, 2019. The insulation has been installed and the sheetrock installation will be completed early next week.
- The MIG Corporation began work on the East Harbor outfall repair project this week. MIG worked through the snowy and windy conditions and completed all tasks that were scheduled for this week.
- The Head of the Meadow shed has been completed. The Fire Department boat and Beach Department ATV can be relocated to the shed anytime.
- As part of emergency preparedness, two small sheds have been moved from Head of the Meadow beach parking lot and relocated to Longnook beach and Coast Guard beach. A third shed will be positioned at Ballston beach this spring.
- DEP has issued a grant contract to the Town to initiate the free recycling of mattresses and box springs beginning this spring. The grant will expire January 1, 2021.
- As part of a grant award with DEP, DPW Director Cabral has arranged for a regional paint take-back day to coincide with Hazardous Waste Day, or Amnesty Day, in August. Paint removal will be paid for as part of the DEP grant.

Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable

- It was cold and rainy over the weekend, but more than twenty people bundled up in the foul weather gear and harvested shellfish.

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- Harbor Master Jackett met with the Harbor Commission and discussed the completed dredging in the channel and briefed them on the status of the remaining dredge work.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
 - Director Clements and Assistant Director Nunes attended a meeting about the future of Puma Park Playground.
 - Adult Indoor Soccer – Tuesdays, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Truro Central School.
 - Community Volleyball – Wednesdays evenings at the Truro Community Center.
 - Pamet After-School program: Monday – Friday 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - Zumba Fitness: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:30 am – 9:30 am at the Truro Community Center
Saturdays, 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center
 - Youth basketball games.
- Beach
 - The Beach Office located at 36 Shore Road is currently closed. Beach stickers are not required to park at town owned beach parking lots.
 - To report a shark sighting please call the Truro Police Department at (508) 487-8730.
 - To purchase ORV stickers, visit the Licensing Desk at Town Hall, located at 24 Town Hall Road.
 - For inquiries about the beaches please call (508) 487-1632.
 - Beach fire permits for September 5, 2018 or later are issued at the Truro Fire Department.
 - Warning – Recent shark sightings, practice shark safety.
 - Don't swim where seals are present.
 - Don't swim too far from shore.
 - Swim in groups.
 - Avoid wearing shiny jewelry or other accessories (which look like fish scales to a shark).
 - Avoid surfing alone.
 - Avoid areas with signs of baitfish or fish feeding activity – watch for diving seabirds.
 - Be aware that sharks may be present between sandbars or near steep drop offs.

Library

- The Community Room artists for the month of March are the students at Truro Central School. Please stop by and check out the creations of our young artists.
- Library Director Ford will be attending the Massachusetts Library Legislative Day on Tuesday, March 5th at the Mass. State House.
- The Board of the Friends of the Truro Library will hold their monthly meeting on March 6, at 9:30 a.m., in the Community Room of the Library.

Assessing

- **Exemption Deadline is April 1st, 2019**
Just a reminder that Monday, April 1st, is the deadline for all applications for Fiscal Year 2019 Statutory and Residential Exemption Applications to be received in the Assessor's Office. Statutory exemptions include the Blind, Seniors who meet Income and Asset limits, Surviving spouses of some qualified Veterans/Police/Fire personnel, as well as Veterans who have a Service Connected disability. Residential Exemptions are for those residents that were domiciled in the Town of Truro as of January 1, 2018 for Fiscal Year 2019. Please don't hesitate to contact the Assessor's Office with any questions at 508.349.7004 x117. Thank you.

Council on Aging

- **MOVIE TIME AT THE CHATHAM ORPHEUM THEATER**-As part of the Orpheum Theater's Winter Art

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Series, we will be going to the **March 7th screening of "Young Picasso."** This film explains how Picasso acquired his craft focusing on the so-called Blue Period and Rose Period and the three cities that played a key role: Malaga, Barcelona and Paris. Senior admission (62+) is \$8.00. Following the screening, enjoy a light lunch in the Orpheum Café. Prices range from \$8.00 for soup or chili, to \$16.00 for lamb sliders or fish and chips with other dining choices in-between. Reservations for the trip are **required by March 1st**, 508-487-2462.

- The Visiting Nurses Association Wellness Presentation, "Keep the Beat Alive: Heart Attack Symptoms for Men & Women" with Melanie Parrish, BSN RN will be held on Tuesday, March 5th (Rescheduled from Feb. 12th), 1:30-2:30 pm at the Truro Council on Aging. "Keep the Beat Alive" is a presentation that focuses on what keeps the heart pumping and the risk factors contributing to coronary artery disease. Attendees will learn about their own personal risk factors and what they can do to decrease their changes of suffering a heart attack. It is also important to recognize the differences between men and women and how symptoms vary between the two groups. Please join us for lunch at the Truro Community Lunch before this informative presentation. Reservations are required.

Attachments

Dredged beach nourishment holding up at high tide during
this past week's high wind event

