

APRIL 2024

# GOOD TIDE-INGS



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## A Message from Patricia

As I write my first note for this issue of Good Tide-ings, I think about the past decade! that our family has spent in Cataumet. First drawn in by the beautiful harbor and the quiet area, our family was quickly welcomed into the Cataumet Club community, offering us a connection to the history of Cataumet and a wonderful new group of friends. Club members encouraged us to “dive in”, which we did – my husband has learned to sail, my tennis has improved, our youngest son attended and now works at the camp. The Cataumet Club is a place that welcomes new faces, while keeping traditions developed over more than a century. We are incredibly grateful to all of you who have welcomed us in.

The Cataumet Club has always benefited from the volunteer efforts of the members, and this year is no different. A special thank you to the committees, chairs and board members who plan during the winter and spring to create the summer events that we all enjoy. I look forward to spending time in Cataumet this summer, to seeing old friends, and making new ones.

Best,  
Patricia

## Note on the Club Dues

As you will see on the enclosed Dues Notice, once again we made some modest increases in Club dues and fees. These increases will help us cope with the increasing costs of insurance, repairs, tennis and waterfront maintenance and the rebuilding/restoration of our fabulous boat house and Clubhouse deck.

## Let's Be Social

Our summer calendar (enclosed) includes our opening and closing family picnics, bottle parties, tennis events, and our favorite mid-summer family event on Saturday, August 3: a traditional Clambake! We'll set up on Grasslands, just like two years ago. Have some music, games and activities for the kids. And we'll need lots of volunteers to help. Details will be sent out later this spring

## Tennis

According to Joan Fallon, Cape & Islands Tennis and Wint Frame have started to prepare our courts for the 2024 tennis season. Weather permitting they should be open sometime in late April, early May. The tennis guest fee policy will continue to apply for the summer season (June 1 – Labor Day). As a reminder, the intent of the policy is for frequent guests to pay a one-time guest fee of \$160, which will be used to help maintain the courts and equipment. The fee is due by June 28, 2024; full details are included in our handbook along with details on our men's and ladies tennis groups.



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## Golf

The annual Cataumet Club “Shotgun”, scramble format, Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, July 13, 8 am, at the Falmouth Country Club. Each year, we get more players as this event is just plain fun for golfers. Plus, there is the awards luncheon immediately following play. All award winners will be announced including the winner of the most coveted award, the “Third Annual Best Team Outfit Competition!” The tournament is open to all Cataumet Club members, families and friends, all ages and all abilities. More details will be sent out soon or you may contact Bethany Jason Kauff: 617.875.5006 or bethanykauff@comcast.net.



## Waterfront

John York reports that all is good and quiet on the waterfront. He is looking forward to seeing many of you soon on the beach and out in your boats.

## Membership

The membership committee, with Board approval, has made a few policy changes to help us avoid wait lists. We have also decided to emphasize the important role of sponsors in our new applicant process. We are working on a new, optional Sponsor Form, which will be available online. We are also asking that for families with multiple family memberships, only one of these families sponsor the same new applicant. All the details will be described in the 2024 Membership Handbook to be distributed in June. Be sure and take a look

### Congratulations to:

- Andrea Gordon and Bill & Erika Fox, our new Honorary Members.
- Sean Palfrey, on the publication of his new book, “Home.”
- Laurie York, on her 100th birthday, March 12, 2024.

To celebrate Laurie and her family, the Club will install a bronze plaque this spring on Club grounds.

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## A Message from Luke Duffy, New Executive Director, Cataumet Club Camp

I am very excited to be returning for my 11th summer at Cataumet Club camp as the new Executive Director. We have a fantastic staff joining us with almost all our counselors returning. I would like to thank the Club camp committee for all their help; I could not do this without their support.

This year was our second year opening up registrations to the members first. I feel that this went well and we were able to accommodate almost everyone's needs. If your family's plans change or if you need anything, please feel free to reach out. I will try my best to work something out. We had a great turnout on both member registration day as well as when the general public registered and filled the camp in an unprecedented three and a half days. We are all excited to start camp and get all the activities up and running and the new sailboats rigged and ready for launch. We will continue to sail the Quests, Terras, Optis, and 420s. Seeing the kids cruise around Squeteague Harbor and continue to improve in this wonderful life sport always puts a smile on my face. I look forward to seeing you all at the courts and on the beach this summer.

## Let Cataumet Club Summer '24 BEGIN

Our summer party season kicks off Sunday, May 26 at 5:30, when Surendra & Alice welcome you on the Clubhouse deck (note new location)! Come meet new members and visit with old friends. And, in true Cataumet tradition, please **BYOB** and some food to share.

## In Fond Memory of Special Friends

Susan Bradley*	Jean Davock	Wayne Hansen*	William Jackson	Billy Johnson*
Gerald Leone	Nancy Mara ( <i>Honorary</i> )	John Pearce	Ed & Martha Roney ( <i>Honorary</i> )	
Henry (Tim) Russell	Jean Swan-Masch*			

*The Club has contributed to the Bourne Conservation Trust in memory of these members.*

## In Closing

As we start to anticipate the summer of 2024 with much excitement, the Board of Directors offers a special wish for our members: May you all enjoy a happy and healthy Cataumet summer surrounded by family and friends, and blessed with sunshine, fair winds, warm water, laughter and lots of fun.



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## Your Cataumet Club Officers & Board of Directors

<i>President:</i>	Patricia Belden
<i>Vice President:</i>	Scott Seaver
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Meg Marge
<i>Secretary:</i>	Julie Gregg
<i>Board Members:</i>	Alice DeNormandie, Erich Giebel, Justin Hansen, Carla Hutker, Peter Lewitt

## 2024 Committee Chairs

<i>Buildings and Grounds:</i>	John Santangelo
<i>Camp:</i>	Luke Duffy ( <i>executive director</i> )
<i>Communication:</i>	Maureen York
<i>Finance:</i>	Meg Marge
<i>Membership:</i>	Linda Carpenter
<i>Social:</i>	Suzanne Geibel / Raydene Hansen
<i>Tennis:</i>	Joan Fallon
<i>Waterfront:</i>	John York

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