

## FRIENDS OF CHATHAM WATERWAYS

2012 Annual Meeting  
Monday, August 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.  
Chatham Community Center  
702 Main Street, Chatham

### ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

**President's Remarks:** George Cooper  
**Treasurer's Report & Adoption of FY 2013 Budget:** Nat Mason  
**Election of Directors and Officers** (See: Nominating Committee Report, below)  
**Environmental Scholarship Awards:** Dick Evans  
**2012 Captain's Award:** Tom King & Charles Bartlett  
Other Business

Adjournment of Business Meeting

### KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

Research of Graduate Student Scholarship Awardees  
Meredith Atwood - Wetland Ecology  
Holly Bayley - Eelgrass Restoration  
Owen Nichols - Coastal Marine Fisheries

### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following are placed in nomination as new members of the Board of Directors:

Fred Jensen and Barbara Holden - terms ending in 2015

Continuing Directors - terms ending in 2015: Bill Coleman, Kurt Hellfach, Martha Stone, John Sweeney, Pat Tarnow

Nominated as Officers for FY 2013:

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| President      | Tom King       |
| Vice-President | Frank Messina  |
| Secretary      | Barbara Cotnam |
| Treasurer      | Nat Mason      |

Other Continuing Directors:

Terms ending in 2013: Betsy Mosser, Charles Bartlett, Debby Ecker, Frank Messina, Nat Mason, Ron Bergstrom

Terms ending in 2014: Nell Pinkert, Tom King, George Cooper

Respectfully submitted: Tom King, Chair; Kurt Hellfach, George Olmsted and Frank Messina

Nominating Committee for 2013: George Olmsted, Kurt Hellfach, Ron Bergstrom, Betsy Mosser

## Low Kimball Environmental Scholarships

Friends of Chatham Waterways has awarded three \$2500 scholarships to students committed to careers in environmental fields. This year for the first time, all the awards were to graduate students.

**Meredith Atwood** is beginning her Ph.D. program at Yale, focusing on the ecology of wetlands, their importance in the larger landscape and how to protect them. After graduating summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Denison University, she obtained her Master's at SUNY-ESF. Her goal after graduating is to become an academic professor and researcher, blending teaching with high quality research on wetland ecosystems. She is a resident of Dennis.

**Owen Nichols** is in the final year of his Ph. D. program in the School

for Marine Science and Technology at U. Mass. Dartmouth. His interest lies in understanding the marine ecosystem as a whole, beyond the study of a single species of animal. In his doctoral research he is working with commercial fishermen and scientists in assessing variables in nearshore habitats. He raised funds to start a research program at the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown with the objective of fostering collaboration between fishermen and scientists. He is a resident of Brewster.

**Holly Bayley** is in a Master's program at the University of New Hampshire where she is completing her research fieldwork in Cape Cod estuaries, on aspects of the restoration of eelgrass. She also works full-time at Cape Cod National Seashore as the aquatic ecology

technician. Her goal is to contribute to advancing the management of coastal ecosystems of Cape Cod and Massachusetts. She is a resident of Wellfleet.

In addition to receiving high grades, all three scholarship winners have already published research papers or given scientific presentations on their research.

Friends of Chatham Waterways extends its congratulations to these students. We believe that providing such scholarships will help tomorrow's leaders pursue careers in the environmental field.




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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

2012 is a momentous year for Chatham. For FCW, however, it has been less propitious. In February, my Co-President, **Bill Appleyard**, died unexpectedly. His passing is often felt because he did so many things for FCW. Our board is also losing two outstanding directors: **George Olmsted** and **Dick Evans**. George was the principal author of FCW's Tercentennial publication "*Chatham Waters and Shorelines. Then and Now 1712 - 2012*" and was instrumental in the production of our 2009 publication "*Chatham Blue Pages, A Guide to Protecting Our Waters ...*"

Dick Evans has been the guiding light behind our Scholarship Program, making the outreach to colleges and universities and evaluating applicants.

Being knowledgeable about shoreline and waterway issues is FCW's mission. To that end, your board has met with Bob Hamblet, Chairman of the Waterways Advisory Committee and Ted Keon, Director of Coastal

Resources, to discuss various plans to increase vehicle and trailer parking at Ryder's Cove Town Landing. We also met recently with Stuart Smith, Chatham Harbormaster, to discuss mooring issues, in particular the use of elastic mooring tackle to eliminate scouring of the harbor bottom. FCW's board opposed the attempts to override State and Town prohibitions against installing a private dock and pier adjacent to Strong Island Town Landing. Many hours were spent at Planning Board meetings concerned with this matter and with Zoning By-Law rewrites.

This is the 14th consecutive summer that **Chatham Water Watchers** have collected water quality data and samples. Currently there are nine stations in embayments off Nantucket Sound, and five stations in Chatham waters in Pleasant Bay. We are always in need of volunteers for this project. Three sampling dates remain for 2012: mornings of August 7 & 22 and September 6. If interested, contact me at [gcooper39@earthlink.net](mailto:gcooper39@earthlink.net).

Mark your calendars! On September 22nd, beginning at 9:00 a.m., FCW volunteers will conduct **CoastswEEP** 2012 from the Chatham Fish Pier south to the Harwich town line. In 2011, some 77 volunteers collected over 700 pounds of debris. Contact: Pat Tarnow at [pt2603@aol.com](mailto:pt2603@aol.com) for information and equipment.

We ask you to provide your e-mail address when you renew your FCW membership on the form provided in this newsletter. Our sole use of this information is to keep you informed via **Constant Contact** on a timely basis of events and meetings that are relevant to our mission.

Lastly, our **Annual Meeting** will be held on Monday, August 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chatham Community Center Conference Room. Recipients of the Environmental Scholarship Awards will give brief presentations about their research interests.

George Cooper

## NEW FCW BOARD MEMBERS

**Barbara Holden** is a graduate of Vassar College, Case Western Reserve and the Cleveland Institute of Art. Barbara grew up on a 40-acre farm in Ohio and spent many hours in the woods investigating nature. Barbara met and married a Scotsman, the first Marshall Plan scholar to this country from Britain. After their marriage they moved to Britain where they resided for 7 years and where they had two sons. They returned to U.S.A., spent a few years here, had a daughter, and then moved to Hyderabad, India for three years where Stuart worked for the Ford Foundation.

Upon returning to the USA, Barbara returned to college and received a MA in Art. She taught drawing, painting, weaving and pottery in Ohio before leaving for Geneva, Switzerland where her husband was setting up an office for Diamond-Shamrock Co. There she immersed herself in pottery and did substitute teaching in the International School. Upon returning to the States, Barbara and her family moved to the Cape where Barbara taught pottery at the Creative Arts Center and also ran the Life Drawing Evening Group. She is an active member of the American Society of Botanical Artists, the New England Society of Botanical Artists, and the Creative Arts Center of Chatham.

Barbara is one of the Samuel Hawes Park volunteers and each Tuesday at 10 a.m. leads walks in Samuel Hawes Park clearing trails of invasive plants, poison ivy, fallen branches and trees etc. Barbara served on the Blue Pages committee which was an enlightening experience especially concerning the uses and abuses of the single aquifer under our dear old Cape Cod.

**Fred Jensen** has been a full-time resident of Chatham since 1966, moving here from Ridgewood, NJ. He served for 12 years as chairman of the now-retired Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) for Wastewater Management. The recommendation of this Committee to install sewers throughout the entire town was approved by the MA Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs in July, 2009.

For his leadership of the CAC, Jensen received the 2010 Captain's Award from the Friends of Chatham Waterways. In addition, in 2011, he was chosen to serve on Chatham's five-member Search Committee to assist in choosing Chatham's new Town Manager.

From 1989 to 1995, Jensen was professor of management in the Howe School of Technology Management at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, NJ where he taught graduate courses in strategic management and new business ventures. He has also taught graduate courses in entrepreneurship at Vilnius Gediminas Technical University in Vilnius, Lithuania, where he was a Fulbright Scholar and visiting professor of management in 1995-1996.

Prior to teaching at Stevens, Jensen worked as a management consultant and manager of new business development for the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., Dun and Bradstreet Corporation, Exxon-Mobil Oil Corporation and Exxon Research and Engineering Company.

A former U.S. Navy pilot, Jensen is a graduate in industrial engineering from Cornell University. He holds a Master's degree in business administration from Carnegie Mellon University and has pursued doctoral studies in economics as a Ford Foundation Fellow at Columbia University.

With his first wife of 50 years, who died in 2007, Jensen has five children and ten grandchildren. He now lives in Park Place on Main Street, with his wife, Barbara Rothenburger, whom he married in 2010.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The late Bill Appleyard, former Co-President, had an apt description of FCW: "We are a hands-on operation, we think that what we do really and truly makes a difference because of the results of our efforts." If you have already renewed your membership for 2013, we thank you. By joining, you are committed to the protection, wise use and enjoyment of Chatham's fresh and salt waterways and adjoining lands. Members of FCW believe Chatham's harbors, embayments and 'rivers' are fundamental to the town's heritage. Every membership helps support our programs and projects, e.g., Chatham Water Watchers, Coastsweep and scholarships awarded to dedicated individuals like the three graduate student recipients who will speak at the Annual Meeting. Please join or renew your membership today. By doing so you become a FCW steward, helping to preserve and protect Chatham's unique natural resources that are so vital to our environment and economic health.

Barbara Cotnam  
Membership Chair



## EDUCATION GRANTS

2012-2013 - FCW's "Barbara Streibert Education Grant" has been awarded to Stephanie Rae, Elementary School teacher, benefiting about 250 students - through their Coastal Studies program. Learning about our unique coastal settings is the first step towards preservation of these delicate ecosystems.

## EMAIL REQUEST

We urge you to provide us with your e-mail address when you renew your membership. This will save money and enable us to notify our members of important meetings and events in a timely fashion.



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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

At Friends of Chatham Waterways we are committed to the protection, wise use and enjoyment of Chatham's fresh and salt waterways and adjoining lands. Please help by joining FCW.

- Yes, I/we want to help FCW protect and preserve our waters for future generations.  
 \$25 individual membership       \$40 family membership       Additional donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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