

2019 Annual President's Report

January 8, 2020

This report summarizes the activities of Friends of Barnstable Harbor in 2019.

Directors & By-Laws:

There were no changes to our By Laws in 2018. Director Gordon Starr retired, and Dana Bassett replaced him.

Youth Education Project: yep!:

Brit Lay, Chair

- <u>Funding:</u>
 - o \$1715 Matching Donation in the name of Carl Wirtanen
 - o \$500 yep! directed donations
- Purchases:
 - o No new
- <u>Trips:</u>
 - o English Language Learners: 2 trips in May
 - o Lighthouse Charter School: 4 Trips = approximately 100 9th grade students
 - Community Partner Program: Hyannis West: federally funded 21st Century Community Centers Learning Grant with 3 trips of elementary aged students in July
- 2020:
 - o Anticipate:
 - TBD

2019 Highlights:

• Sunset Cruise Benefit Event:

- Over 150 people were on board our first ever Sunset Cruise Benefit Event. The event raised close to \$10K for our Barnstable Harbor from the Bottom Up Habitat Mapping Project. Additionally, it increased our membership by over 100 people.
- Donations were made by: The Dolphin Restaurant, Mattakeese Wharf Restaurant, Osterville Fish Too, Nirvana Coffee Shop, Pan D'Avignon, Barnstable Market, and Hyannis Whale Watch.
- Special thanks to our volunteers: Jon Brink, Deirdre Detjens, Kris & Lenny Clark, Andrea Higgins, Bridget Burger, Maureen O'Shea, Gordon Starr, & Joshua Wrigley!

• Letters from the Prez:

- Established a format for addressing concerns with regard to the impact of climate evolution on Barnstable Harbor and its surrounding community
- Continue this into 2020, hopefully resulting in a conference for Community Coastal Resiliency Strategies

Barnstable Harbor from the Bottom Up Habitat Mapping Project:

- Fundraising:
 - o Sunset Cruise \$10K (See Above)
 - o Major Donors gave a total of \$65K
 - o Memory Donations amounted to almost \$10K

New Business/ Upcoming Events:

- The list is long however here are some highlights:
 - Habitat Mapping Fundraising
 - o Increased communication and work with other non-profits
 - Storm Water Run-Off Issues
 - o Blish Point/ Maraspin Creek neighborhood Resiliency
 - Commercial Shellfishing
 - o Organization Compliance Considerations
 - o Barnstable Harbor Art Collection
 - Events: Owen Nichols, Finfish & Shellfish Study, Efficacy of Mosquito Trenches in BH marsh systems, Community Coastal Resiliency Conference

Thank you to all that are Friends of Barnstable Harbor!

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