

First of all, thank you for being a friend to the Nahant Preservation Trust (NPT).

Like everyone else, we have been cautiously working to "get back to normal" this year. There have been some notable achievements in our mission to preserve and protect Nahant's heritage and open space.



Our beloved Life Saving Station all dressed up for the holidays thanks to an assist from our friends at the American Legion. Photo courtesy of Bob Fields.

### **Nahant Life Saving Station (NLSS)**

- The NPT provided support for the American Legion Veterans in hosting the Vietnam Memorial Wall event in July, including extending the use of the LSS as a welcome center, and hosting a pizza party for volunteers.
- We ensured that planned enhancements including exterior painting were completed in time for hosting this prestigious event.
- Phase 1 of the Tower Room restoration was completed.

- Events re-started and we had 15 events in a shortened season. The LSS also hosted community events hosted by groups such as the Garden Club and SWIM.
- Christine Kendall, our events manager for many years, moved on in her career. We thank Christine for her excellent work, and wish her well in her new endeavors.
- Lynda Fields has joined us as the new events manager.
- The Town of Nahant continues to make good use of the garage for winter storage of rescue and other equipment, and our tower light continues to shine brightly.

#### **Nahant Community Center (Valley Road)**

- The Sears Room was restored, thanks to generous benefactors. Improvements were completed in time for Calantha Sears' milestone birthday.
- We said goodbye to original tenant and friend Margaret Dragon, and welcomed new tenants Spencer Preservation Group, Mavex Films, and Sue Cadigan.
- A new online fire alarm system was installed, increasing safety and reducing our costs.
- Additional memorial bricks were added to the sidewalk. Please see our website's join/donate page if you'd like to purchase one.
- Hallway lights and central electric system were upgraded.
- A new cleaning company was engaged for weekly cleaning.
- Extensive fence repairs were completed.
- We are grateful to the dedicated volunteers who keep the gardens and urns looking beautiful.

#### **Open Space (Furbush Road)**

- Our spending commitment is complete and was used on property clean-up and an environmental study.

## Open Space (East Point)

- \$3M raised by NPT was gifted to the Town of Nahant in May to be used for eminent domain proceedings.
- The town voted overwhelmingly for proceeding with eminent domain in the May town meeting.
- The town began eminent domain action in September.
- More information is available at [www.KeepNahantWild.org](http://www.KeepNahantWild.org)

## Trust Operations

- 2020 preliminary audit was completed successfully and our financials are solid.
- Board policies for document retention, whistleblower, and Conflict of Interest were put in place.
- Thank you to all the volunteers who keep the NPT alive and vibrant.



## Membership

- Your membership and donations make everything we do possible.
- Join or renew now (simply click [here](#)) and work with us in 2022. We need your support.

## What's Ahead

- We look forward to working more closely with our friends the Veterans at AL Post 215 on joint activities.
- For the Life Saving Station, we hope to fund painting of the garage, finish the Tower Room restoration and we are exploring new fencing along the Short Beach side of the Station.
- At Valley Road, we hope to create more event activity using the newly-renovated Sears Room, the Serenity room, and the COA room.
- Also at Valley Road, we hope to paint the exterior trim and refresh the Town seal over the entranceway as well as pursue grants for refurbishing the entranceway and COA room floor.
- We are continuing to partner with the Town on the plan for open space at the Thicket (Furbush Road).
- On Open Space at East Point, we continue to work for a positive resolution. We are still in need of your support with funds for this effort due to ongoing litigation that is not specifically related to eminent domain proceedings. Although we had requested a pause in these proceedings in light of the eminent domain case, the court has ruled that discovery must continue, and unfortunately, that means additional legal costs.

We wish all of you a safe, hopeful, and peaceful holiday season.