

# The Shore

## Friends Hosts Gala Fundraiser on July 23

*Featuring Comedian Jimmy Tingle*

Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore is hosting a gala evening to benefit Cape Cod National Seashore on Wednesday, July 23, 7 to 9 pm, at the Payomet Performing Arts Center in Truro.

Our special guest and headline performer is the nationally known social commentator and comedian, Jimmy Tingle. As a part-time resident of Wellfleet, he is a lover of the Cape and is generously donating his time and talent to benefit our beloved National Seashore

*The New York Times* calls Mr. Tingle “more than comic wit. . . so cheerfully intelligent he makes his audience optimistic in the face of reality.”

Payomet Center, where the gala will be held, is the creation of late Friends board member Guy Strauss. Guy turned his passion for theater and his love for the Seashore into a successful venture where art and the beauty of nature may be enjoyed simultaneously. It is a wonderful use of Park land, and Friends is thrilled to collaborate with Payomet in supporting the Cape Cod National Seashore.

This special evening will also include music by the perennial local favorite Toast and Jam, light hors d’oeuvres from Far Land Provisions, Herring Cove Beach concessionaire, dessert donated by Whole Foods, and wine and beer generously donated by Town Center Wine and Spirits.

We will also hold a brief live auction of items of local interest:

- A photograph of Long Point Light by local photographer Jesse Mechling
- A watercolor by Truro artist Marston Hodgkin
- An antique hand-drawn Wellfleet harbor chart by George W. Eldridge
- A half-day fishing charter with Monomoy Sports Fishing



For more details on auction items see pages 6-7, or the Friends website [www.fccns.org](http://www.fccns.org).

Proceeds from the Gala will be used:

- To buy wildlife monitoring cameras that will help the Park to gain greater understanding of mammal population and habitat use, and to document piping plover predation.
- To provide matching funds for the production of a film about sustainable practices at the Park, to be shown on the website and at Salt Pond Visitor Center.
- To implement beach recycling programs.

Tickets are \$50 and are available for purchase on the Friends website or by responding to invitations mailed in early June. We are limited to 200 guests, so don’t delay. If you are unable to join us, please consider making a donation.

We hope you will join us for this fun-filled evening of laughter, music, food, and fellowship to benefit Cape Cod National Seashore.

■ Heather Ace Hill, *Gala Chair*

***Purchase gala tickets at [www.fccns.org](http://www.fccns.org)***



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We are very sad to report the passing of Friends Board member Guy Strauss, as well as recent Board member Dave Hubbard this past winter.

### **Meet the New Directors of Friends**

**Pat Canavan** retired five years ago, after a career in philanthropy and local government, most recently as housing advisor to Boston Mayor Thomas Menino. Following her retirement she and her late husband, Matt Rowe, became full-time Eastham residents. Pat has recently rejoined the Friends board after an absence of a couple of years, and has taken on editorial responsibility of the Friends 2014 Magazine. Her interests in architecture and history have led her to volunteer at the Seashore as a guide at the Atwood-Higgins House and transcriber of historic journals. Her favorite aspect of the National Seashore is its wondrous shoreline, open to all.

**Jesse Mechling** has been coming to the Outer Cape for 38 years and has been a full-time resident since 2008. He works as marine education director at the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown. Prior to that position, Jesse worked as an interpretive ranger for the Cape Cod National Seashore for two years. Jesse is an award winning travel and nature photographer who regularly leads photographic trips around the Seashore. In addition to the board of the Friends, he serves on the Massachusetts Marine Educator's board of directors. He lives in Eastham with his wife and young son.

**Patricia Ryder** worked as a nurse and raised a family off-Cape until her mid-forties, making frequent trips to family property in Eastham. Twenty-one years ago, she and her husband, Richard, moved to Eastham as year-rounders. She became interested in Cape Cod history, particularly of the U.S. Life-Saving Service, and in the environmental history of the Cape. In 2011 she retired from Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary as administrative assistant and Day Camp registrar. She currently volunteers two days a week at Old Harbor Life-Saving Station, and is Membership Coordinator for the U.S. Life-Saving Service Heritage Association.

### **In Memory of and in Honor of Gifts**

If you would like to give a gift to the Friends in memory of or in honor of a special person in your life, you can do so by going to "Donate" on the Friends website at [www.fccns.org](http://www.fccns.org).

### **Will Bequests — Another Way to Give to Friends**

Preserving and protecting the things we treasure is a wise investment. Bequests allow you to make a meaningful gift to the Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore without jeopardizing your family's security.

A bequest can be cash or specific property. It can be designated for general purposes or a specific program, fund or project. Naming the Friends in your will gives you peace of mind that you are helping to protect the Cape Cod National Seashore forever.

If interested in learning more, please go the Friends website at [www.fccns.org](http://www.fccns.org) and click on "Donate."

### **Keep up with Friends activities — send us your email address!**

For those members who have not yet provided us with their email address, we encourage you to do so. Increasingly, the board communicates with Friends members by email – from our bi-monthly eNews to information about volunteer opportunities to membership news and renewal. You may send us your address at [info@fccns.org](mailto:info@fccns.org) or go into your member profile and add it. Friends will never share your address with other organizations.



## FRIENDS 2014 CONCERTS AND EVENTS

### Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham

**Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore** sponsors FREE concerts and activities each year for residents and families visiting the Seashore. Note that seating at the SPVC auditorium is limited, so please arrive early. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

**Friday, June 20** **7:00 pm**

#### **TOAST AND JAM**

Tim Dickey, Julie Charland, Laird Boles, and Alice Munroe playing bluegrass, classic swing, and jazz with an array of instruments.

**Thursday, July 10** **7:00 pm**

#### **BILLY & BETH**

Billy Hardy and Beth Sweeney are a dynamic Celtic fiddle and instrumental duo who play Irish and other Celtic music.

**Wednesday, July 16** **7:30 pm**

#### **THE SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP IN HUMPBACK WHALES AND MARINE BIRDS**

**A lecture by Peter Trull**

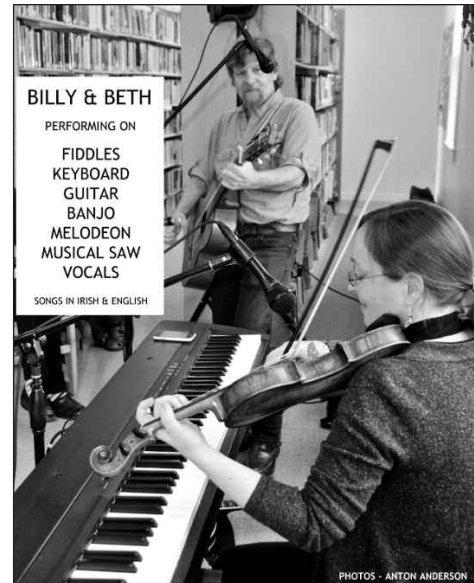
Renowned naturalist Peter Trull has been involved in marine research since 1976. As a researcher and education director at the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown in the 1990s, he developed and taught classes related to whales and marine birds, the topic of this fascinating talk.

The lecture follows the **Annual Meeting of Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore** at 6:30 pm.



#### **FRIENDS Annual Meeting on July 16 – Salt Pond Visitor Center, 6:30 pm**

After introductory comments by Seashore Superintendent George Price, FCCNS President Richard Ryder will give the annual report on Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore's many activities and accomplishments. The election of officers and directors follows. A notice with the slate of officers will be mailed to all members in late June. Following the meeting, at 7:30 pm, Peter Trull will present an illustrated talk on the symbiotic relationship in whales and marine birds. Attending the Annual Meeting is a great way to learn more about the Friends – and to hear an engaging speaker.



**Wednesday, July 23** **7:00 to 9:00 pm**

#### **FRIENDS FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT SEASHORE** **With comedian Jimmy Tingle**

Payomet Performing Arts Center, Truro

Tickets: \$50 per person. For details, see article on p. 1.

**Thursday, August 7** **7:00 pm**

#### **OUTER CAPE CHORALE CHAMBER SINGERS**

A glorious evening of song by this esteemed Outer Cape Chorale ensemble. The wide range of melodies will delight the audience.

**Friday, October 11** **7:00 pm**

#### **THE RUM SOAKED CROOKS**

Friends' traditional Autumn Winds Concert, featuring this rousing quartet, singing a medley of sea chanteys, ballads, and ditties that span three centuries of Yankee seafaring tradition, including Cape and Islands songs.

*Photo by Jesse Mechling*

## 2014 CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE PROGRAMS

### TUESDAY EVENINGS AT SALT POND

These FREE summer Cape Cod National Seashore programs are sponsored by Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore. All programs begin at 7 pm, are about one hour long, and take place at Salt Pond Visitor Center (wheelchair accessible) in Eastham. Seating is limited; come early! Doors open at 6:30 pm.

**July 1** **7:00 pm**

#### **Life at Sea: A Voyage in Song.**

Accompanied by his concertina, musician David Coffin will get everyone singing along to the songs sailors, fishermen, and whalers sang as they hoisted the sails or drifted in the doldrums off South America.

**July 8** **7:00 pm**

#### **Atlantic White Shark Research.**

To date the Massachusetts Shark Research Program has tagged 39 white sharks off the coast of Cape Cod. Join John Chisholm and Cynthia Wigren of the Atlantic Shark Conservancy as they highlight what has been learned, as well as the ongoing work of both organizations.

**July 15** **7:00 pm**

#### **A Live Look at Owls.**

Join Perry Ellis from Mass Audubon's Blue Hills Trailside Museum for an exploration into what makes owls special. See several live owls up close and ask an experienced naturalist your owl questions.

**July 22** **7:00 pm**

#### **Science: A Way of Thinking of and Understanding Nature.**

Cape Codders see dramatic events in nature: waves and erosion, forests overtaking fields, seal colonies, marshes that flood, flocks of shorebirds. Join CCNS GIS Specialist Mark Adams as he uncovers the connections between nature and science at CCNS.

**July 29** **7:00 pm**

#### **Wildlife at Cape Cod National Seashore: The Rare and Unseen Among Us.**

Join CCNS wildlife biologist Dr. Robert Cook for a look at some of the lesser known and less conspicuous of the species of wildlife that the park supports. Learn about the roles that they play in the ecology of the park.

**August 5** **7:00 pm**

#### **Coastal Resources, Native Motifs: Traditional Wampanoag Arts.**

Southern New England artist Elizabeth James-Perry, who is of Aquinnah Wampanoag heritage, presents an illustrated talk on Native American adornment and material culture including weaving and the tradition of wampum.

**August 12** **7:00 pm**

#### **Songs for the Earth.**

Paul Kaplan presents engaging songs on a wide variety of environmental topics, helping us to better understand both the fragility and the resilience of life on Earth. The audience actively participates.

**August 19** **7:00 pm**

#### **The Canal Story.**

100 years ago the Cape Cod Canal became a reality. Discover how this waterway became the engineering marvel you see today. Join US Army Corps of Engineers Park Ranger Samantha Gray as she reveals the rich history, unique features and modern day operations of the Cape Cod Canal.

**August 26** **7:00 pm**

#### **Petticoats at Sea: The Story of a Clipper Ship Family.**

History is full of stories about America's clipper ship captains, but women and children also lived and sailed on these ships. Join performer Joan Gatturna as she portrays the story of Johanna Sears and her family, based on the true life adventures of several New England families who faced perils at sea.

### PROVINCE LANDS VISITOR CENTER

**August 1** **1 to 4:00 pm**

#### **Province Lands Mini-Fest**

Join us at the outdoor PLVC amphitheater for an afternoon of games, crafts, and music. The fourth annual **Zoe Lewis and Peter Donnelly Concert** at 3 pm will quickly have us all singing and dancing!

### HERRING COVE CONCERTS

*Far Land on the Beach* is hosting Wednesday night music at Herring Cove from June 25 to August 27, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Three of the performers are sponsored by Friends –

**July 16:** Peter Donnelly and the New Beach Band

**August 6:** Zoe Lewis and her Rubber Band

**August 27:** Chandler Travis Phiharmonette

## Items of local interest to be auctioned at our July 23 Gala Fundraiser



### “Long Point Light”

Color photograph by Jesse Mechling  
42 x 16 inches, printed on canvas

This beautiful Cape Cod image has been donated by photographer and Friends board member, Jesse Mechling. Jesse is an award-winning freelance photographer specializing in landscape and nature images from Cape Cod and around the world. His photographs have been published in *Cape Cod Life*, *The Cape Codder*, *Nature Photographer Magazine*, *Browntrout Calendars*, *Lonely Planet*, *American Express*, and *NY Times Online*. He is marine education director at Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown.



### “Truro Dunes”

Watercolor by Marston Hodgkin  
33 x 26 inches, framed

Local artist, Marston “Bud” Hodgkin, the father of current Board member Tony Hodgkin, was born in

Cambridge, Ohio in 1903. His first formal art lessons were with Randolph Coats at Indiana University; he moved to Provincetown in the summer of 1924 to study painting with Coats. In 1928 he established the School of Fine Arts at Miami (OH) University, and was chair of the department for 36 years. He died in Provincetown in 2003. “Truro Dunes” evokes the timeless serenity of a Lower Cape landscape.



### Wellfleet Harbor Chart

George W. Eldridge, dated 1903  
10 x 12 ¼ inches, framed lithograph

George Eldridge (1821-1900) was a former captain of a fishing vessel out of Cape Cod and a local pilot, who, in 1851, produced his first chart while recuperating from an injury. The success of this chart inspired him to continue chart making, and Eldridge went on to produce many other fine charts of New England and the Atlantic coast. His son, George W. Eldridge (1845-1914) of Chatham, and locally known as “Chaht George,” later took over the business. His descendants still publish the Eldridge Tide Book, indispensable for coastal mariners. Most of the Eldridge charts were based on official U.S. Coastal Surveys, but they were successful because of their first-rate and straightforward design and clarity.

A unique piece of local memorabilia, ideal for a collector, Wellfleet resident, lover of Cape Cod history – or all three!





**Monomoy Sport Fishing Trip**

Half day with Capt. Darren – up to 4 adults

Capt. Darren of Monomoy Sport Fishing is a graduate of Phillips Exeter and holds a BS in Marine Science and Coastal Processes from Cornell University. He also has a USCG 50 ton Masters License. With more than 20 years experience fishing on the Outer Cape, he has the local knowledge, experience and expertise to provide an unforgettable fishing experience for up to four adults.

**Members Spring Outing**



*Photo by Tom Slack*

Heading up the dunes during an early May FCCNS members hike at the parabolic dunes of Truro. The hike was led by Bob Cook, CCNS Wildlife Ecologist.



*Photo by Tom Slack*

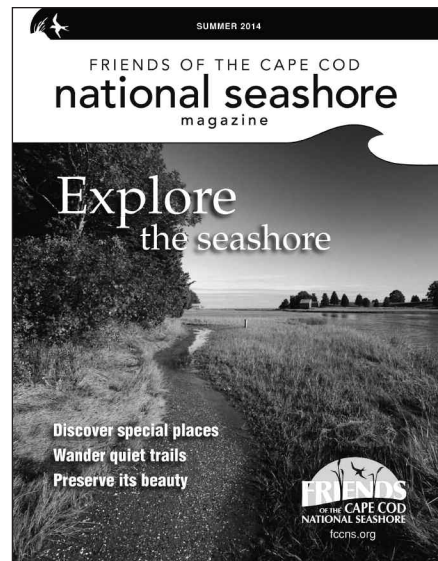
Bob Cook captures a spadefoot toad during the parabolic dunes walk from High Head, Truro.

**Friends publishes a “new” 2014 Magazine**

Five years ago, in 2010, the first annual FCCNS National Seashore Magazine was published, with more than 40,000 copies distributed during that and subsequent summers to residents and visitors to the Outer Cape. The magazine was the brainchild of Glenn Ritt, editor and publisher for four years. This year, Friends has partnered with GateHouse Media/*The Cape Codder* to co-publish the magazine.

Friends managed the editorial functions, headed by Board member Pat Canavan, with a big assist by several Board members and, as always, the Seashore staff. GateHouse Media handled the business end of things, and *The Cape Codder*, the design and production. Special thanks to publisher Mark Olivieri and assistant editor Donna Tunney.

We are proud of the results and trust that you will enjoy the 2014 magazine (members receive a copy by mail) and show it to all of your friends!





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