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June 9, 2024

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Please take note of several upcoming meetings:

June 13 - Zoning Meeting 6:45 pm June 15 - GNBA Annual Meeting 9:00 am <u>Agenda</u> <u>Proposed Budget</u> June 15 - BOG Meeting immediately following annual meeting <u>Agenda</u>

<u>News</u>



We are proud to announce the two Giants Neck Beach Men's Club Dinners/gettogethers for the 2024 season,

The first one will be on Friday, June 28th, at 6:00 PM. The theme of this dinner/gettogether is "BBQ Time." We will have Chester's Barbeque catering a scrumptious selection of baby back ribs, chicken, pulled pork, mac n cheese, Caesar salad, coleslaw, potato salad, assorted desserts, and much, much more. Beer, Wine, water, and soft drinks will be provided. If you wish to bring other libations and cigars, please do. The last dinner had so many gathered on the deck smoking cigars and continuing the get-together all the way up until the very end of the evening.

********Please email or call me if you are attending and how many are in your party. I will always reply to your email confirming that I got it. Please try to confirm your attendance by June 21st so we can get a good count and order the right amount of food from Chester's BBQ.

The second Men's Club Dinner/get-together is Friday, July 26th. The theme dinner will be "Pizza Night." The Rolling Tomato has been confirmed and booked for Pizza Night. Put it in your calendar and save the date.

******Due to the fact Alcohol is served, "no one under 21" will be permitted to attend

This year's GNB Men's Club Community Breakfast is confirmed and set for Sunday, August 11th. Please save the date.

Please note that, as always, volunteers are needed at the end of the dinner to clean up and put the tables and chairs away.

We look forward to seeing you at our first 2024 Giants Neck Beach Men's Club Dinner and get-together.

Thank you, Ernie Annibale, Richard Corona, Steve Spano and Mario Harris



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Please let us know if you plan on attending the dinner on June 20, at 6 pm. Le Belle Aurore will be catering and we will have a speaker from the East Lyme Giving Garden. It should be an enjoyable evening.

Often on the beach and on our green spaces around the neighborhood we find that the Canada Goose has become an unwelcome neighbor. They leave the area messy and unsanitary and most of us are finding them to be the "beach guest" who forgot to go home! But if we can find a way of making them feel unwelcome, without harming them...perhaps they may find a different location to hang out. So, first, let's find out more about our neighbors....

Baby geese are very smart and agile. Just 24 hours after hatching, goslings can swim and dive 30 feet underwater! Goslings start flying at 2-3 months old and will stay with their parents for the first year of their life.

When the Goose is 2-3 years old they start looking for a lifelong mate. These birds live to be 10-25 years old. They will try to replace a mate if their partner dies.

Since geese can swim, they can get away from land predators. Back when our ponds froze, they couldn't stay around here year round. Now that our climate is warmer, they don't have to leave.

During the time of year that they molt, they can't fly so they will stay near water and will swim away if their honing, hissing, and biting don't keep away their predators.

Geese just love a big grassy lawn without bushes and other plantings where a predator might be lurking. The manicured lawns and man-made ponds are their favorite hangouts. So it should be quite obvious why ours have made GNB their home!

What can we do to dissuade these geese? First, we are doing a great job of not feeding the geese. Next, we can provide thick, tall plants that predators can hide behind so that the areas around the ponds and our yards are not seen as safe havens. They do not like our "Upper Pond"...look at how the landscaping around their keeps them from hanging out there. The closer the grassy areas are to the water, the better the environment is for the geese. If you are not a fan of the geese in your yard, consider changing the habitat...now that you know how the geese think.

Please remember, we aren't looking to hurt the birds but we are looking for them to feel like the beach house guest that did get the memo that they are not welcome. No one loves to walk barefoot in what they leave behind. - Lisa Doggart

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