

Wellfleet Non-resident Taxpayers' Association

Promoting community involvement and communication



State of the Town, 2016

The **Wellfleet Non-resident Taxpayers' Association** (WNRTA) will hold its annual meeting on **Thursday, August 11, 2016 at Preservation Hall from 7:30 - 9:00.**

Assistant Town Administrator Brian Carlson will give a report on the "State of the Town" and review the financial and environmental challenges facing Wellfleet. We will elect officers and members of the Board of Directors. Steve Fossella, chair of the Provincetown Non-resident Taxpayers' Association, will join us to share Provincetown's experience.

Wellfleet Non-resident Taxpayers' Association Board of Directors Slate for election in 2016

Helen Birenbaum and her family built their home in Wellfleet more than 35 years ago. Recently retired as Director of the City University of NY Graduate School Telecommunications Policy Center, she lives in Brooklyn, NY, serves on the Board of the Women's City Club of NY, and works with many civic organizations. [2016-2018]

Pamela Blau has been coming to Wellfleet since the 1960s and feels very lucky to own a home in the National Seashore. She lives off-cape in Cambridge, MA, where she has a private psychoanalytic practice. She is also active in Mothers Out Front, bringing awareness about climate change and working towards a fossil fuel-free world for our children. [2016-2017]

Phyllis Bretholz After teaching English at Cambridge Rindge & Latin School for almost 30 years, Phyllis transitioned her professional work to photography. For the past 17 years she has been the visual archivist for the Boston Arts Academy. She is on the Board of directors of Company One Theater, a small company with a social justice focus, a commissioner on the Cambridge Commission on the Status of Women, and involved in several other non-profit organizations. Phyllis is an avid biker, gardener and enthusiastic member of the Board of the Wellfleet Non Resident Taxpayer Association. [2016-2018]

Jim Campen taught economics at UMass/Boston for 27 years. He has been coming to Wellfleet with his family since the 1970s. Jim has a special interest in affordable

housing on the Cape. He and his wife, Phyllis Ewen, live in Cambridge MA. [2016-2018]

Frances R. Davidson has been coming to Wellfleet since she was a child and now comes with children and grandchildren in tow. A recently retired federal civil servant, she volunteers with community organizations in Washington, DC where she lives when she isn't in Wellfleet and works as a consultant on international public health programs. [2016-2018]

Gordon Kahn has been coming to Wellfleet for more than 50 years. For most of that time, he or his family has owned a house here. Gordon has been active on this Board for the past four years, serving as Vice President for the past two. Gordon, his husband Ed Galloway and their three children divide their time between Wellfleet and New York. Gordon is an architect in private practice in New York City. [2016-2018]

Karen Goldberg and her family have been coming to Wellfleet since 1970 and built their house in 1980. She has enjoyed being a member of WRNTA and believes strongly in what we can achieve. She has been a Rep. of her local union and also chairperson of her chapter of the United Federation of Teachers. [2016-2017]

Marian Lief Palley has been a summer resident of Wellfleet for over 40 years. She is a past president of the WNRTA as well as a former editor of the association's newsletter. She is Professor Emerita of Political Science at the University of Delaware and since her retirement from the university has been active in a number of voluntary organizations. [2016-2018]

Susan M. Reverby has been coming to Wellfleet with her family for decades. She is a long-time member and immediate past-president of the WNRTA Board. She is retiring this fall after 34 years as an historian of medicine and professor of Women's and Gender Studies at Wellesley College. Her off-Cape home is in Cambridge, MA. [2016-2017]

***Carmen Richkin** has been a summer resident of Wellfleet for 39 years. Her three daughters and six grandchildren also enjoy their summers in Wellfleet. She recently retired as a public health nurse at the La Guardia High School for Music and Art and the Performing Arts and looks forward to spending more time on the Cape. [2016-2018]

Martin Richman is a retired New York attorney. He has been coming to Wellfleet for more than 45 years with his family, which has owned a summer home here since 1980. Off season Martin and his wife Flo reside on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. [2016-2017]

Ellen Rothman and her family first came to South Wellfleet in 1963 and have been homeowners since 1968. A year-round resident of Watertown, MA, Ellen recently retired after a career in public history. She volunteers with the Boston Area Gleaners, as an ESL tutor for Project Literacy, and an advisor to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. [2016-2018]

***Bob Sloane** has worked in transportation planning for over 40 years, participating in the early stages of planning for the Big Dig project as Assistant Secretary of Transportation for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He also worked in planning for the MBTA and the state highway department prior to joining the state's central transportation planning staff. While living in Maine, he was co-editor of the weekly *Maine Lawyers Review* and a consultant for transportation projects around the country. A co-founder of WalkBoston in 1990, he led some of the very first walking tours and, in 1993, began working full-time for the non-profit organization and continues as Senior Planner. His family began coming to Wellfleet in 1980; after 18 years on the Upper Cape, they returned to town last year. [2016-2018]

Betsy Van Dorn, a retired editor, was brought *in utero* to Wellfleet and has made it her second home for the past 50 years. Along with her extended family, she loves this

beautiful place and is committed to protecting and preserving its unique characteristics.
[2016-2018]

****Renee Zarin*** has been coming to Wellfleet since 1960. In Great Neck, NY, she was a member of the Planning Board, then Trustee of the Village of Thomaston and subsequently a member of the Board and then president of the Great Neck Library System. She has been a higher education administrator at Queens College in New York. She has served as a founding trustee of the Institute for Student Achievement and now is a Trustee of the Queens College Foundation and the Wellfleet Harbor Actors Theater. When not on the Cape, she lives in Floral Park, NY. [2016-2018]

* new member

Proposed slate of officers:

President: Marian Palley

Vice President: Gordon Kahn

Secretary: Betsy Van Dorn

Treasurer: Frances Davidson

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