



THE NAHANT PRESERVATION TRUST, INC.

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A non-profit corporation, formed to carry out beneficial and civic purposes including preserving historic buildings and protecting open space for public and community purposes.



Summer in Nahant!

The season we wait for all year is finally in full swing. After the stressful winter we've all had, settling into *Summer in Nahant* is more than welcome!

Major Upgrades at the Properties: Accomplished & Planned

With all of your help, we were pleased to accomplish major improvements at the Valley Road property this year, especially since that trusty old building sometimes seems to be forgotten in the shadow of its flashier iconic sister, the Life Saving Station. A Lynn item [article](#) highlighted these efforts with a great picture of our very own Andy Puleo. One quick note: the \$30k mentioned only for this year's improvements, not the amount spent since we took over the management of the derelict building in 1996. (As-if!!)

The building at 41 Valley Road opened in 1904 as a schoolhouse, and in 2003 we celebrated its re-opening as the Nahant Community Center after an extensive restoration effort. It houses several small businesses, the Council on Aging, and the Nahant Historical Society and still boasts the lovely "Serenity Room", the general assembly room from its schoolhouse days which is used for dance lessons, exercise classes, occasional exhibits and talks, and can be rented for small gatherings. As of July 2015, its office spaces are fully operational and rented.

An advanced water management/drainage system installed in the basement,

just in time to avoid severe flooding in the spring melt-off after an extraordinary winter. This basement issue goes back to this building's early days, and the current tenants have all had positive responses to this needed improvement.

Also mentioned in the Lynn Item article was the replacement of the aging HVAC units at Valley Road. The old units dated to the late 1990s and the initial building restoration. This will make the building more energy efficient and tenants are already noticing the improved cooling/circulation.

There is always a lot to do in and around old buildings, only some of which is visible and all of which "takes a village". A great example of this was a refresh of the landscaping which was made possible by a generous anonymous donor who funded the initial professional start-up work. This set the stage for a great crew of volunteers who are keeping the garden going and growing.

Another donor is helping us with walkway repair at Valley Road, which should come on line shortly. Worthy projects such as a new floor for the Serenity Room and needed foundation/brick work on the building itself are on our wish list for Valley Road. Your contributions make all the difference in our ability to do more than simply "keep the lights on" - enabling us to enhance and preserve the properties for future generations.

Speaking of wishes finally coming true, look for work commencing around the **Life Saving Station** this fall as the Town Meeting approved landscaping, fencing, and parking project gets underway in late summer or early fall.



Photo / Paula Muller

Thanks again to the wonderful volunteers of the Beautification Committee for keeping our gardens beautiful and growing. Want to join them for a hour every couple of weeks? They'd love to have you. Reply to NPT-Communications@NahantMA.us

Officer Change-UP at NPT

We have a new Treasurer at NPT! Dennis Maroney (VP) has agreed to take over the duties of Treasurer assisted by Eileen Simons as our accountant. Our outgoing Treasurer, Mia Corinha, stepped up when there was an urgent need to find a replacement for Robin DeStefano to whom we owe a great debt of gratitude for her long service. Emily Potts, NPT President, said "We would not be where we are today without Mia's outstanding contributions. We are very excited that she will remain on our Management Committee and focus on communicating and fundraising".

Our thanks to Eileen and Dennis for taking over and maintaining this key area.

Nahant Little League Car Wash

Nahant Life Saving Station

July 18th 8:30 - 11:30am

To Benefit the Jimmy Fund.

Contact Frank Botta, Little League President, at frankandjean@comcast.net

Save the Date: Reggae Beach Party

Saturday, August 22 3-6pm

Relax to live music and have an easy summer dinner on the beach.

Beach food and beverages available for sale at the Life Saving Station

Proceeds benefit the NPT.

Come and bring your friends!

Your Event at the Life Saving Station?

There are still a few late summer & fall openings on the calendar for private events at the Life Saving Station. Discounts for Nahant residents. A wonderful seaside spot for a family reunion, special birthday, reception, or quiet wedding celebration. Businesses have found it to be a great location for a mid-week team barbecue location, or offsite management meeting.

Contact our wonderful Function Manager, Christine Kendall, for more information: Email: NPT-Events@NahantMA.us

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