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Osterville Village Library Hosts Wonder of Water Lecture Series

Lectures Presented by Barnstable Clean Water Coalition Formerly Three Bays Preservation, Inc.

Osterville, Mass. –Seven illustrated and thought-provoking programs on the natural history, cultural heritage and environmental science of West, North and Cotuit Bays and the Town of Barnstable will be held in July and August at the Osterville Village Library.

The lecture series on the Three Bays Estuary is entitled: **Wonder of Water**. These unique talks feature engaging expert speakers from the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, formerly, Three Bays Preservation, Inc. For more information about the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, please visit: BCleanWater.org, phone 508-420-0780, or email info@BCleanWater.org.

All lectures are free and open to the public. Presentations begin at 5 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room at the Osterville Village Library located at 43 Wianno Avenue:

Tuesday, July 11

It Takes a Town: The Path Forward for Clean Water in Barnstable

Lindsey B. Counsell
Director Emeritus
Three Bays Preservation, Inc.

Lindsey has spent over two decades devoted to protecting the Three Bays Watershed. He also is Chair of the Town of Barnstable’s Water Resources Advisory Committee with a mission to advise the Town of Barnstable on completing and implementing a Comprehensive Water Management Planning Project. His talk will outline the details of that planning project.

Tuesday, July 18

A Native Cape Cod Garden - Planting with a Purpose

Kristin Andres
Director of Education & Outreach
Association to Preserve Cape Cod

The use of native plants in our managed landscape, together with ecologically-friendly land care practices, can help protect the purity of our waters, support bees, butterflies and birds, and preserve the essence of Cape Cod. Hear about some of our valued Cape Cod native species and how you can better steward your piece of the Cape!

Wednesday, July 26

Barnstable's Milestone Opportunity: Implementing the 208 Plan

Scott W. Horsley
Water Resources Consultant

This illustrated lecture will present the watershed plan for Three Bays that was designed by the Cape Cod Commission to address the water quality problems caused by excessive nitrogen. The plan includes a range of innovative strategies including storm water management, fertilizer controls, permeable reactive barriers, pond dredging, wetland restoration, fertigation, alternative septic system technologies, and aquaculture.

Tuesday, August 1

Barnstable's Nitrogen Crisis

Michael "Mike" J. Egan
President, Board of Directors, Barnstable Clean Water Coalition

In this thought-provoking and illustrated presentation, a noted Cape Cod conservationist continues to rally the cry for understanding how nitrogen pollutes our ecosystem, and what we as a community could do about it.

Tuesday, August 8

Wings, Fins and Watery Wonders: Exploring Wildlife in the Three Bays Watershed

Meg Materne, Science Manager
Barnstable Clean Water Coalition

Get a compelling glimpse into one of the most ecologically bio-diverse regions on Cape Cod, the 12,458-acre watershed that includes West, North and Cotuit Bays.

Tuesday, August 15

Introducing the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition: Barnstable's Innovative Future

Zenas "Zee" Crocker
Executive Director
Barnstable Clean Water Coalition

Within the 1,245-acre estuary, West, North and Cotuit Bays look pristine, but in reality, these embayments along with other bodies of water in the Town of Barnstable are threatened by excess nitrogen. Learn about the new generation of conservation advocacy led by the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, as well as enlightened, comprehensive plans to protect watersheds in the Town of Barnstable.

Tuesday, August 22

The Indomitable Oyster: Nature's Way Toward Ecosystem Strength

Mike Moynihan

Member, Barnstable Clean Water Coalition

Oh, the power of a single animal! Oysters are natural filter feeders that can significantly help cleanse an ecosystem. In this engaging and illustrated lecture, Mike will enthrall listeners with true tales of these tiny but mighty creatures.