



## 2021 Summer Concerts



Summer band concerts begin on Monday, July 5th, 7 - 8 P.M. through August 16th.

All bands unable to perform for 2020 have been invited back. Watch for the return of the Monday Painters, Yoga on the green, Hyannis Sound and the Annual Dennis Union Church Auction.

However...last year, the Sound Dunes under the capable direction of Jim Stamboni, used the green for the band's rehearsals, weather dependent and social distancing observed. It was a catch as catch-can situation and rehearsals were both interesting and entertaining. The band is continuing the outside rehearsals.

### The Village Improvement Society of Dennis

#### - OFFICERS -

Carole W. Bell  
*President*  
Bill Creighton  
*Vice President*

Kate Byron  
*Vice President*

Kathy Tomassetti  
*Secretary*

Judy November  
*Treasurer*

#### - EXECUTIVE BOARD -

Cliff Adams  
*Crèche Chair*

Jan Adams

#### *Corresponding Secretary*

Bill Collins	Bonnie Hempel
Diane Collins	Jeni Landers
Pat Hassett	Gerry May, Jr.
David Kaplan	Brad Tomassetti

#### - HONORARY MEMBERS -

Paul Prue      Craig Short

*\*Our properties include  
the Village Green and Soldier's Field  
on Route 6A.*

*Playground at New Boston Road.*

*Nobscusset Park is maintained  
on behalf of the town.*

**Municipal parking is available  
across from the playground.**



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Est. 1902

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The Village Improvement Society  
is a 501c(3) non-profit.



# Summer 2021

*Your society was established and chartered in October 1902.*

*The purpose was to ornament and improve the streets and public grounds of the Village.*

*We continue that mission.*

Greetings Friends and Neighbors

While enduring the pandemic, along with everyone else, your Society has maintained its properties\* within a careful budget and with the dedication of dozens of volunteers.

Some of them: **Brad Tomasetti** has taken over the care of the historic pump (circa 1891) at Old Bass River Road and 6A.

The two Bills, **Bill Collins** and **Bill Creighton** along with **Kate Byron** pitched in last spring to clean up the landscaping at Carleton Hall.

**David Main**, always ready to lend a hand, is repairing our storage shed in Nobscussett Park.

**Steve Burke** repaired the up lighting on the trees at the Park that vandals had damaged.

**Cliff Adams** is continually replacing our fencing, conferring with **Jeni Landers** about the playground and Cliff sees that the bandstand is shipshape.

**Judy November**, our longtime treasurer copes with multiple documents and the paperwork the Commonwealth requires. She pays our bills and keeps our books.

**Bill Creighton** is our dedicated *keeper of our flag*. It is lit up during evening hours and lowered to half mast on appropriate occasions.

**David Kaplan**, wearing two hats, has facilitated the donation of our surplus barrels to the new residential housing, *Forward at the Rock*.

**Bonnie Hempel**, **Dee Collins**, and **Pat Hassett**, aka The Petunia Patrol, kept the flowers watered in the small island last summer at the corner of 6A and Nobscussett Road. It proved to be a death defying experience. The speed and volume of early A.M. traffic there was, well, not anticipated. **Kathy Tomasetti** sees that the bandstand is planted each spring and decorated each fall courtesy of **Hart Farm**.

**Jan Adams** has given her time and talents of compiling donation lists, writing out thank you notes and seeing that our annual appeal letter is delivered to the post office: a Herculean task. Christmas crèche set ups and take downs for over 30 years are Cliff's expertise as he and **Gerry May, Jr.** round up the willing volunteers each December. Did you know the **Joseph** figure alone weighs 600 pounds?

We are grateful for the two beautiful gardens planted in Nobscussett Park each spring by the **Village Garden Club of Dennis**.

We doff our masks in gratefulness to all our volunteers.

**We appreciate your help.**

**We trust that you will find us worthy of your support.**

**Thank you in advance.**

“We need day to day interaction with our weak ties... the neighbors, the shop keepers, librarians and others we regularly say hello to.”

From: **The Village Effect: How Face to Face Contact Can Make Us Healthier and Happy.** Day to day interactions are integral to a long and satisfying life.

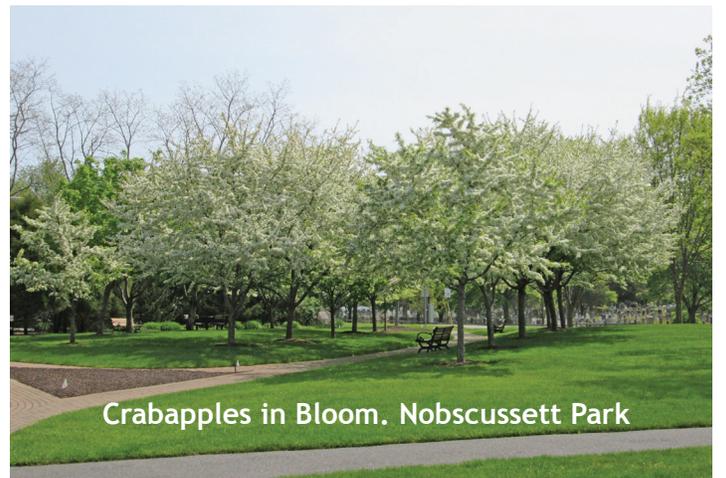


BEFORE - (1980)

Soldier's Training Field, 6A.



AFTER - (1982)



Crabapples in Bloom. Nobscussett Park