

February 2019

Please enjoy this special issue of Tidings. The cold may be upon us but we have plenty of hot news below.



Help Us Publish a History of the Friends

FBHI has embarked on an exciting new project. We are producing a publication/booklet that will celebrate 40 years of achievements by the FBHI. We are hoping to make this an informative, lively, factual and well-designed booklet of 50 to 75 pages, full color. The focus will be both a walk down memory lane for members and volunteers and outreach for those who want to know the history of the Friends and of the Islands. We are in the process of collecting multiple documents, flyers and photos for inclusion.

We'd like your help. We are looking for good quality, 300 dpi digital (or digitized) photos of the Friends in action. Here's what we need:

Shots, close-ups particularly, of Friends in activities on the island, leading tours, doing clean up, interacting with visitors and each other.

Here's what we don't want:

Posed group shots (we already have plenty of those), shots of the islands without people (they may be pretty but we want to show off the Friends), and out-of-focus shots.

We will only accept photos that have already been scanned at a high resolution, not prints. (We don't want to lose your precious memories).

Please look through your photos and choose ONE or TWO (but NO more) photos.

Please send these AS DIGITAL ATTACHMENTS to Stephanie Schorow at sschorow@gmail.com. IF YOU ARE HAVING TROUBLE SENDING LARGE PHOTOS, PLEASE EMAIL Stephanie FOR ASSISTANCE.

Please send your photos by Feb. 18. Note: We will NOT be accepting print photos. You can get your photos scanned at Staples as needed.

We may not be able to use all the photos sent in.

We are still working out the details of the booklet but we think it will be a great keepsake for our members and volunteers.

Thank you, as always, for all your support.

COME VISIT THE FRIENDS AT THE NEW ENGLAND BOAT SHOW!!



Walter Hope, Pat Leary, Rab Sherman, and Paul Federico at the 2018 boat show.

Every year the volunteers from the Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands have a table at the [New England Boat Show](#), held this year from Feb. 9 to 17 at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. It is a great way for us to get to know the folks who may be traveling by boat in our beloved islands. Please stop by booth No. 470 to say hello. If you are a boater and plan to attention, use social media to direct

people to the booth, where we will have tons of information, maps, books and maybe even some

giveaways.

Here are dates and hours:

February 9-17, 2019

Saturday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Monday through Friday 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Adults: \$16, children ages 12 & younger: FREE*

For tickets, [click here.](#)

Welcoming 2019

A Very Happy New Year

Neither cold, nor wind, nor rocky boats kept members of the Friends and their friends from kicking off the new year with a trip to the islands. On Jan. 1, 2019, we explored Thompson Island, enjoying the bright sun and bracing against a chilly wind. The scenery was gorgeous and a crew had hot coffee, cookies and other treats awaiting in a school building. So much for those New Year's resolutions about sugar. But the large group probably burned off lots of calories by walking the shores of Thompson.

We had special guests -- a Boston Globe reporter and a writer. Read the article in [the Boston Globe.](#)



Disembarking from the boat onto

Thompson.



Visitors were reward with spectacular views.



Lance Levine and Marsha Turin of Concord discover the root cellar



Refueling with coffee and cookies

If you think it's too cold to visit the Islands, think again. There are three trips coming up that will help you

see the islands in a different season and light.

- For a February 16 *Winter Harbor Cruise and Guided History*, see [here](#). Co-sponsored with Friends of Boston HarborWalk and Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands.
- For a February 23 *Winter Wander on Peddocks* see [here](#).
- For a March 23 *Revelry and Revolution Cruise*, highlighting the real history of Boston's Evacuation Day, see [here](#).

You may apply your FBHI member new discount code for 2019. Your membership must be current to have the new online code. Or show your current FBHI membership card at the BHC ticket booth.

For more information, go to the Boston Harbor Islands site [here](#).

FREE 40th Anniversary Reunion Cruise

SAVE THE DATE!

Celebrate four decades of public service, advocacy and fun with a FREE public cruise on Sunday, May 5, 2019.



The [Friends](#) will mark their 40th anniversary and their decades of activity on land, sea and the islands with this special cruise.

All are welcome: current and former Friends members and Park staff; Partnership, Advisory Council and agency personnel, island visitors. This is a cruise for those of us who have been visiting the islands for years and for those who might just be visiting for the first time.

The boat will depart from Boston Harbor Cruises, Long Wharf, Boston at 2:00 p.m. returning to the dock at 5:00 p.m.

Boarding begins at 1:30 p.m.

The trip is free but you must

[RSVP.](#)

Donations will be accepted for the Friends 40th anniversary legacy project to restore the Lovells Island oil house. Donations will be matched 2:1 by the Department of Conservation and Recreation Partnership Matching Funds Program.



Thanks to Boston Harbor Cruises for providing the vessel, MV Frederick L. Nolan, Jr.

There will be a cash bar and galley with snacks open during the cruise. Guests are responsible for their own refreshments. FBHI will provide complimentary birthday cake.

Rain or shine we sail!

Join us! Become a Member or renew!

MEMBERS LIKE YOU are our major source of income. Thank you for being a Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands member.

There are two types of membership: "**lump sum**" or a set amount paid in one payment. The other option is a "**subscription**" membership. A subscription membership provides a donation from \$20 and up a month to the Friends and helps the group tremendously, and does so in an **easy to budget** way for you.

With the SUBSCRIPTION feature, you can budget your membership level over twelve months.

A Subscription Membership

\$20 a month = \$240 a year!

\$30 a month = \$360 a year!

\$40 a month = \$480 a year!

\$50 a month = \$600 a year!

[JOIN US!](#) *Thank you for your support.*

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