2019 Summer Evening Presentations Cape Cod Canal Visitor Center Wednesdays from 7–8pm



## July 10 Deer Ticks: "One Bite Can Change Your Life..."

Lyme Disease is the most prevalent infectious disease in MA and is now considered a public health crisis. Join us to gain a better understanding of the life cycle and ecology of deer ticks, incidence rates and distribution of tick-borne illnesses. As well as learn how to protect yourself, protect your yard and protect your pet. Presented by Larry Dapsis, entomologist with the Cape Cod Cooperative and member of the Barnstable County Task Force on Lyme and other Tick-Borne Diseases.

# July 17 Curious Cape Cod

Cape Cod, for all of its natural beauty and storied history, is a curious place. From the Cape Cod sea captain who kept Siamese twins in his woodshed and the Sandwich man who taught dancing to the King and Queen of England, to the wealthy Falmouth family that made a practice of weighing their guests before feeding them dinner, and one town's attempt to outlaw golf, the peninsula is a never ending source of strange and unusual tales. This illustrated talk will be presented by local historian, author and story teller Jim Coogan.

## July 24 Family Fishing Night

Do you have a budding fisherman in the family? We'll then let's go fishing! Join Canal Park Rangers & Massachusetts Marine Fisheries staff for a family friendly evening learning about the different fish species in the Canal, fishing gear, techniques & the proper ethics of fishing. Poles & bait will be supplied for children under 16 years old.

## July 31 From the Archives

It's the Cape Cod Canal's birthday week. So let's take a look back at how our Canal has grown with the help of archival photographs, film and drawings. Join Park Ranger Samantha Gray for a glimpse into a rich mix of engineering, vessel traffic, memorable events and recreation that has taken place along the Cape Cod Canal throughout the last 105 years.

#### Aug 7Marine Operations at the Cape Cod Canal

Join Jay Deal, US Army Corps of Engineers Marine Facility and Equipment Specialist, as he discusses the fleet of modern patrol vessels the Corps is using to help ensure safe movement of marine traffic through the waterway. We'll take an in-depth look at the Marine Traffic Control system and patrol boat operations, as well as vessel rescues and assistance. Do you want to learn more about safely navigating the Cape Cod Canal? Discover potential hazards, as well as safety tips, for ensuring a safe transit in your recreational boat.

## Aug 14 Food Webs in the Cape Cod Canal

Let's meet some plankton with Jim Remillard, Chair of the Science Technology Department at Saint John Paul II High School and the students of his summer oceanography program. Throughout a multi-day program, these budding oceanographers performed daily plankton tows and engaged in practical methods in ocean water sampling and analysis, learned how to use gear and instrumentation to collect water samples and measure parameters, and developed the skills to record and analyze the data collected in the field. They will share all their fascinating findings with us during this presentation.

## Aug 21 Planting for Pollinators

90% of all flowering plants rely on animals to transport their pollen to achieve pollination. Without them, many of our favorite fruits and vegetables would cease to exist! Join U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Par Ranger Elisa Carey for an evening discussion on what we can plant to not only attract pollinators to our yards, but will also improve year round habitat for them.

# Aug 28 Canal During Prohibition

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 18th amendment a law that prohibited the sale of alcohol in the United States. Instead of deterring alcohol consumption, this law actually escalated illegal drinking, crime and other notorious activities, making this time one of the most interesting periods in American history. In this era Cape Cod and the Canal became hotbeds of activity for bootleggers, rum runners, smugglers, as well as the Coast Guard and law enforcement. Join Park Ranger Andrew Fino as we discuss Cape Cod during this infamous time.