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Calendar of Events:

- 5/22 Lifeguard Tryouts - 11AM
- 5/29 & 30 Work Day at Ocean & Bay Beach (Volunteers Needed)
- 6/5 Annual Spring Meeting - 1 PM
- 6/26 Ocean & Bay Beach Opening
- 7/3 Monterey Beach Swim
- 7/3 Bay Beach Teen Dance 8-11
- 7/10 Wine & Cheese Tasting
Dover-Brick 1st Aid 7 -11
- 7/17 Halloween Trick or Treating
- 7/31 Club Summer Meeting at the Bay Beach 10 AM
- 8/21 Family Day @ Ocean
- 9/6 Beach Closing
- 9/11 Annual Fall Meeting - 10 AM
- 9/11 & 12 Work Day at Ocean & Bay Beach (Volunteers Needed)

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Presidents Message 2010

First, on behalf of myself and the entire board of Monterey Beach Club I would like to welcome everyone back for the 2010 summer season. As your newly elected President I want everyone to know that I am eager to serve and hopefully help to make Monterey an even nicer place to visit and vacation. Second I would like to thank the outgoing leadership and board whose tireless devotion to the club and its membership has been personally appreciated by my family and me.

At the past Fall election 4 new board members were elected. They include Vice-President (Diane Hammell), Beach Chairman (Steve Nicholas), Roads and Grounds Chairman (Len Minkler), and myself President (Anthony DeFilippis). Along with the remaining board we look forward to meeting and working with each club member.

This past winter has been unusually difficult with respect to the weather. Several nor'easters have pounded the beachfront resulting in serious erosion of sand and substantial damage to the dunes. Because of this, the board felt it necessary to hold in reserve nearly \$5,000 additional funds for beach grooming and fence replacement. Also with the help of our Treasurer we have safely secured the 5 year CAFRA permit that allows us to maintain the beach under the guidelines of the NJ DEP. Without this permit we would not be able to make any modifications to our ocean beach.

During the offseason the neighboring beaches met (commonly referred to as the Federation of Beaches) to discuss issues that impact the entire north barrier island. These include discussions with our councilwoman and Toms River Township chief of police. Topics discussed obviously included the tax increase to our properties as well as garbage collection, road repair, street cleaning and security. The township's position as of this writing is currently in a state of pause due to the lack of a budget for 2010. Naturally all of us did not want to hear any lamenting on their part about lack of funds since we all saw our property taxes increase by double or more!

Included in the offseason, as well as, for nearly two years is the ongoing struggle with New Jersey American Water Company (NJAWC) over the construction of a three story chemical treatment facility on the property located at Carmel and San Diego Roads. We as a community have been resisting this monstrosity for many reasons including safety to our children, concerns over flooding, fire, noise and pollution outputs as well as the unsightly appearance this will have to Monterey as a whole. The Finley family and many others have made very compelling arguments against this and hopefully the zoning board will rule in our favor requiring the NJAWC to seek an alternative property.

Presidents Message 2010

As your President I have rearranged some of the responsibilities amongst the board. I know that each member has and will continue to give their utmost to the club but I felt that rotating some roles would be a catalyst to new thoughts and ideas. For this season the following are the committees:

Beach - Steve Nichols (Chairman), Len Minkler, and Jim Cleary

Roads and Grounds - Len Minkler (Chairman) and Bruce Freeman

Security - Pat Hamtil (Chairwoman) and Bruce Freeman

Public Relations - Stacey Storek (Chairwoman) and Jim Kaub

Membership - Diane Hammell (Chairwoman)

Social - Stacey Storek (Chairwoman)

Recreation - Jim Cleary (Chairman) and Len Minkler

Audit - Jim Kaub

Planning - Jim Kaub (Chairman), Pat Hamtil, and Jim Cleary

Constitution and By-Laws - Jim Kaub

Budget and Finance - Jim Kaub (Chairman), Anthony DeFilippis and Diane Hammell

Nominating - Nick Onnembo (Chairman), Tom Clark and Tony Scutti

There will be a new management team involved with the lifeguards. Steve Nicholas serving as chairman and Len Minkler serving as the direct supervision over lifeguard operations. We have a new captain joining us for this year, AJ DeFilippis. He comes to us with many years of experience and involvement with the USLA and open water rescue. His resume is posted on our website. Our goal is to hopefully remove most, if not all, valid concerns that resulted from the 2009 lifeguard captain and co-captains' leadership style. We also have a near term goal of becoming a USLA Certified Agency. This is a lofty goal carrying a recognition of professionalism by the nation's highest private authority on surf rescue. To achieve this goal extensive training (both physical and educational) by our lifeguard team will be required and employed this year. We want to be on the forefront setting the standard by which all beaches follow.

Turning to security, we will be employing the same security guard as the past season. We will be modifying his times to keep an element of surprise so as to discourage the types of events that have occurred in the

past. Additionally we are attempting, along with the Federation of Beaches, to have the township provide bicycle patrols. This is a method used in Lavallette and seems to have a certain level of deterrence above that of a privately hired security guard. However, this is subjected to township budgetary constraints.

We are always striving to improve our communications with the club. Over the past few years many of you have enrolled and are receiving notice updates by email. We hope that as more people get computerized all communications could be moved to email. Also we have a wonderful website where general information about the club can be found. Information such as rules, applications, directions, minutes and the seasonal schedule are found. The site is www.montereybeachclub.org and I strongly encourage all to add this to your favorites on your web browser.

I would like everyone to attend our 2010 Spring Meeting on June 5th @ 1:00 PM - Dover-Brick 1st Aid building in Normandy beach. Several important final votes will take place that day including: whether to replace, remove or bring up to 2014 code the playground equipment at the bay beach and voting on proposed new amendments to the by-laws.

As many have seen the real estate property development has begun. White Construction has informed us that their goal is to begin construction of seven homes by May. This is quite a burden to all of us and will certainly disrupt traffic flow and parking in the area. The board will work in the hopes of mitigating the natural side effects of such a project as best we can imploring to the builders our overall concern of safety, noise and general nuisance inherit with this size and type of endeavor.

As a result of this construction and the possibility of NJAWC getting approval to build parking will continue to become a overwhelming issue. We have worked during the offseason to acquire parking nearby. This space is limited and will come at a fee. The club is not running the operation but will serve as liaison for any interested member. Anyone interested please contact me at 732-830-0488. This is on a first come first serve basis.

Without taking the thunder out of the social committee's article I will briefly mention that we are holding three events this summer for kids and family. I would encourage you all to read on to find the details about those events.

Presidents Message 2010

The final two issues I have saved for last because I want these to be what all most remember. First we are a community, this means we are a family of volunteers and people brought together by a common element - our love for Monterey Beach. We need each other to make this a success in the terms of cleanliness, safety, parking, noise and overall appearance. We need everyone to take pride in their private property by maintaining their land and home, by not trying to place vehicles in areas not designed for parking, by considering commuting together to reduce the number of cars, by using your driveways first before taking street spots and by respecting each other's concerns. Second, if anyone has any issue regarding the operation of the club in any aspect including the beach and lifeguards please bring it

to a board members' attention. Do not approach any employee directly. We were elected and entrusted by you all to manage the beach and we will exactly do that. We are all here to have a wonderful summer. Please let us handle any concerns you may have. We as a board have discussed this issue fully and feel strongly that we are your contacts on any issue. Finally I have an open policy and if you need to speak to me directly you can either call me at 732-830-0488 or email me at bella55@aol.com. I wish everyone a safe, warm and sun filled 2010 summer season.

Anthony DeFilippis
President

Roads and Grounds

Now that spring is here and all the winter snow is gone it is now time for all of us to spruce up our property. Our properties are not only our homes but also our investments. If all of us strive to maintain our homes, we will continue to make Monterey Beach one of the most desirable communities on the island.

I have spoken to our Council person about some road "concerns". The bad news for this year; only three roads on the island are slated to be repaved and none are in Monterey Beach. I also asked about curb repairs. I was told that curb and sidewalk repairs are the responsibility of the homeowner and the township only replaces curbs and sidewalks when a street is up for reconstruction. Reconstruction of a street would include new sanitary sewers, new storm drainage, curbs and sidewalks, along with new grading and paving of the road.



Again, none of our streets are in line for that.

The next item I need to talk about is For Sale or For Rent signs. Under Monterey Beach Club Constitution and By-Laws, Article 9 titled Restrictions it states "There shall be NO "For Sale or "For Rent" signs displayed on any building or property within the confines of Monterey Beach". I would please ask all members of our club to abide by constitution and By-Laws and if you have a For Sale or For Rent sign on your home or property please remove it.

In closing I would just like to wish everyone an enjoyable and safe summer.

Len Minkler

Growing up in Monterey - Facebook Social Network

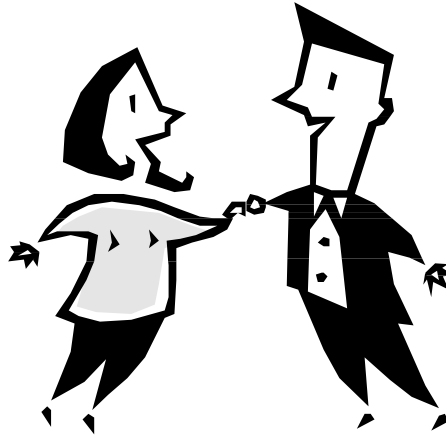
I would like to invite all Monterey Beach members to join the Facebook group "Growing up in Monterey Beach". You can share your fond memories with pictures and stories of growing up and living in the best beach community in New Jersey. All are welcome to join and participate. You can also put current events and news bulletins.

Peace J.M.

Welcome New Neighbors

What is one of the best things about Monterey Beach? Sure the beach is beautiful, the sand is clean, the water is lovely, the lifeguards are terrific, but the answer is always the same.....the people.

Monterey Beach people are special. They are great neighbors, great friends, and they are there for each other. That is why we would like to give a very warm welcome to our newest Monterey Beach neighbors.



Kenneth Debrowski
241 San Fernando Dr.

Thomas and Eugina Cassio
110 Del Monte Road

Christopher and Jennifer Zinn
212 San Fernando Dr.

Welcome to Monterey Beach.

We all look forward to meeting you
this summer.

Ocean and Bay Beach Updates

Beach Conditions in the Spring of 2010

Steve Nicholas and James Keane

In our judgment, Monterey Beach Club's most important assets is our recreational beaches. Comments by several club members over the past two summers indicated their concerns with the steepness of the beach as well as the loss of dry beach area. This winter the effect of 4 to 5 winter storms have resulted in additional severe beach erosion and sand loss. This coupled with the long term effect created by the dune has severely compromised our recreational beach. To summarize, our beach in the spring of 2010 is under severe stress due to two effects: the expanded area of the dune over the past five years, and beach erosion and sand loss.

In view of the current situation the Monterey Beach Club board sees the need for an aggressive program to restore and groom our beach for a safe summertime

recreational use. Our springtime beach grooming process will include the following activities: first, reclaim sand from the lower berm whenever available and move it to mid-beach during May and early June. Secondly, move sand from the backside of the dune to the ocean side of the dune and lastly, move sand and grade the beach from the dune front to the mid-beach area.



With the cooperation of the weather this work should be completed by mid June. The intent is this work is to limit the growth of the dune and achieve a gradual transition to mid-beach and the high water mark. It should be noted, however, that the severe loss of sand due to the winter storms may not completely restore our beach this year.

We sincerely hope that use of the beach this summer will be enjoyed by the Monterey Beach Club membership and renters as well.

Beach Badge Distribution

In an effort to reduce distribution costs as well as centralize the distribution of all badges the following is the new beach badge distribution process:

1. All beach badge distribution will be handled by the Badge checker.
2. Homeowners who have met all their financial obligations and are in good standing with the Monterey Beach Club will be able to claim their badges from the Badge checker.
3. Homeowners who rent their homes must too be in good standing before their renters will be eligible to receive their rental badges (even if the renters have paid for the badges).
4. On opening day 6/26/10 (weather permitting) the Badge checker will be on duty at the south walk (ocean – Las Vegas Road) from 9:30 to 5 PM.
5. Homeowner badges will be available for pick up from 6/26/10 onward, however the normal Badge checker's hours are 10 to 4 PM.
6. Rental badges can be picked up on the Saturday of the start of their stay from the badge checker.
7. The Badge checker will have a list of both homeowners and renters who are entitled to receive badges.
8. Any homeowner wishing to purchase the rental badges on behalf of their renters can at a reduced rate of \$60/week prior to 6/1/10. After 6/1/10 the cost is \$65/week.
9. Any renter who has not purchased the badges before 6/1/10 at \$80/week must pay \$90/week as a late fee of \$10 is charged.
10. Both homeowners and renters receive 8 badges. Anyone wishing to purchase additional badges can at a cost of \$45 per badge – please note that there are a limited amount of homeowner badges available so if interested please contact the Treasurer ASAP to reserve the extra needed badges. (Treasurer is Jim Kaub – email jimkaub@hotmail.com or 732-761-8740).

Monterey Beach Security

In an effort to make your summer enjoyable, we have re-hired our private security officer to patrol the beach during the summer season. This season he will work four nights per week and his starting time will be randomly set by our security committee. We had substantial damage and theft occur last summer so we decided that an element of surprise may help deter or reduce that this season. Dave, our security man, will be very visible, wearing a matching set of black pants and shirt, with gold lettering "Monterey Beach Security". He will be using his private vehicle, which will have magnetic signs on both sides of the car, with black and gold lettering saying "Monterey Beach Security".

Over the years Dave has become very familiar with the problems and incidents that occur during the season, and will be able to handle the majority of minor incidents in a professional manner and if needed he will contact the Toms River Police Department for further assistance.



Additionally there may be bicycle patrols by Toms River Township Police.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Dave is our security officer, not a certified police officer, **TOMS RIVER TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT** is our primary Law Enforcement Agency, and they should be called directly in cases of emergencies or violations of the law. The security committee for Monterey Beach consists of: Pat Hamtil (732-830-9287) and Bruce Freeman(732-793-7871). The security officer will report directly to us, and we will pass along any complaints that the residents may have. Once again: Toms River Township Police Department (9-1-1) for emergencies, they have a sub station on the island.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Social Scene

This year we are planning our annual party at the bay to be a Teen Dance. The party is scheduled for July 3rd from 8 to 11 pm and will be a great way for the kids to celebrate after the day's swim meet activities.

We are also planning to host another Halloween in the Summer for the kids to be held on July 17th. This event was a huge success in the past... so we decided to bring it back this year. Details and times will follow as the date draws near...



And finally, this is the summer that we are bringing back Family Day at the beach. The event is scheduled for August 21st and will include food, games, and entertainment. Anyone who is interested in volunteering to help plan the big day, please contact Anthony DeFilippis, Diane Hammell, or Stacey Storek.

Looking forward to seeing everyone this summer...

Stacey Storek

Wine & Cheese Tasting

We are in the process of putting together a Wine and Cheese tasting event for July 10th 2010 at 7:00 Pm till 11:00 PM at the First Aid Station on Route 35 South. We will be bringing the Winemakers of Somerset (<http://www.njwinemakers.com>). Winemakers of Somerset have access to over 25 varieties of select grapes brought in from California and Chile. The cost is \$35.00 per person.



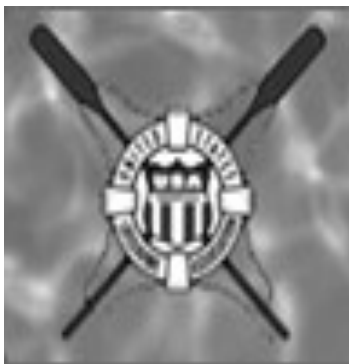
We invite you to join your friends and neighbors for a fun evening of wine tasting, Hors de oeuvres, and some enjoyable music.

We need to get a head count so if you interest in joining us please RSVP by June 6th 2010 to Jim Cleary at 732-250-6509 or JFCZES@yahoo.com or Len Minkler @ lminklerjr@msn.com

Message from the new Lifeguard Captain

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, Lifeguard Captain AJ DeFilippis. I am looking forward to this opportunity and I am really excited about putting together a great lifeguard TEAM for Monterey Beach. **Our lifeguard try-outs are being held at the Ocean County YMCA on May 22 for the 2010 season.**

I have been an Ocean Lifeguard for 20 years on beaches in FL. and NJ. I have represented the USLA in competition, both nationally and internationally. I have a deep respect and passion for the ocean environment. For the last 11 years I have been a full time Firefighter/Paramedic.



This season Monterey Beach Ocean Rescue will operate under the guidelines set forth by The United States Lifesaving Association.

The USLA prides itself on training, competition and professionalism. My goal for this season is to have a rigorous training program in place, so that our guards are prepared both physically and mentally on a day to day basis. I look forward to a really fun, safe summer. See you on the beach!

Captain AJ

Lifeguard & Junior Lifeguard Tournament Updates

Ocean Beach II held their annual lifeguard tournament on August 9, 2009. The guards from Monterey created a mixed team that included Matt Spencer, Craig Casperino, Scott Kircher, Rich Bloomfiend and guards from Chadwick Beach and Seacrest. They gave their team the name "Good Times". The name was an appropriate fit for a group of friends competing in running, paddling and kayaking events.

On the morning of August 15, 2009, Ocean Beach Unit III held their annual junior lifeguard tournament. Although it was week seven, the junior guards rallied to get in some last minute training with the help of the co-captain Steve Dadd and first year guard Kelsey Kaub. Kelsey, an eight year junior guard veteran, accompanied the team to the tournament to give some last minute pointers. Jessy Capen came in first in the 13-14 year girls swim and second in the 13-14 year old paddle proving she is well on her way to a future lifeguarding job in Monterey. Lexi Riley caught a great wave to receive 3rd place in the 9-10 year girls paddle and ran a stellar performance in the beach flags. Samantha Riley also gave an impressive performance in the 11-12 girls beach flags. Chris Geotchius, the first Monterey renter to ever compete on the Monterey team, dove for the beach flag to receive second place in the boys 13-14 beach flag event. Following in his brothers footsteps was Matt Goetchius running to a third place finish in the boys 11-12 beach flags. The final event was the line pull. This was the first time this event was ever held at the Ocean Beach III junior guard tournament. Kelsey swam the line out and gave her team the

signal to begin the long pull up the beach. With the team having the fewest members and the only female line swimmer, they did a terrific job and finished fourth. The guards celebrated their accomplishments with pizza party lunch.

Later that evening on August 15, 2009 Ocean Beach II held their Ironman lifeguard tournament. This event was originally scheduled in July, but had to be postponed due to thunderstorms. The

structure of the ironguard is different from traditional lifeguard tournaments. This is a tournament held for individual men and women guards of the federation of beaches. Each guard competes individually and tries to accumulate the most total points to win the title of "ironguard man" and "ironguard woman". Monterey participants included Matt Spencer, Rich Bloomfield, Matt McCarthy, and Kelsey Kaub. First year guard, Rich sprinted to the finish of the long distance run and just beat fourth year guard Matt Spencer in a photo finish to receive third place. Matt McCarthy, a second year guard, entered the kayak event and did a great job. Kelsey received first place in the long distance run and first place in the beach flags. After catching a wave and overturning in the surf, she received a second in the kayak event. Kelsey received third place overall in the ironguard tournament.

Everyone that competed did a great job and had a great time.

Rich, Matt Spencer, Matt McCarthy and Kelsey will be returning this summer and are looking forward to working with the new captain A.J. De-Filippis. The lifeguards and the junior lifeguards are looking forward to training and competing in the summer of 2010.

Kelsey Kaub



Monterey Beach Junior Lifeguards 2009

Constitution and Bylaws

During the Spring General Membership meeting the second reading and subsequent voting on the following two amendments will take place.

First, Amendment to Article 1 paragraph 3—Membership. This amendment, initially requested by Anthony Scutti brings clarification for home transfers through inheritance or transfer within the immediate family.

The wording is as follows:

Any member in good standing acquiring an additional home will be assessed a processing fee set by the Board of Governors and pay their regular dues and assessments for each home acquired. The processing fee and conditions will apply within the immediate family. Membership dues are not transferable. Each home transfer shall require the new owner to pay the full processing fee on each home transferred to him regardless of the portion of



the year still remaining before the regular dues apply.

Second, Amendment to Article 3—Election of Officers.

This amendment, initially requested by Jim Kaub stresses the fact that positions are volunteer in nature and candidates should be present for their own election.

All persons placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee must be present at the Fall General Membership meeting during the election, unless providing in advance to the board a valid excuse for their absence. Any candidate nominated from the floor at the time of the election **MUST** be in attendance.

Please carefully review your by-laws and these amendments prior to making a decision at the spring meeting.

Things to do on a rainy day

With all the benefits that rain brings to our planet you would think that a day of it during a vacation would be welcomed. But all of us wait in child-like anticipation for those very few moments in Monterey to relax and soak in the sun. Well we all know that sometime the luck of warm sun filled days may not happen. Anyway when it is too wet and the house walls are closing in there are day trips that help to replace plans that involve the sun:

Atlantic City and its casinos are just a short trip away. Cape May zoo is a bit further, but well worth a day trip. Did you know that right across the bay in Toms River is a nature preserve? How about Point Pleasant or Seaside Heights for the wheels and the rides!

Miniature golf as long as its not pouring.

Check the schedule for the Blue Claws games. A short trip down route 9 takes you to Blackbeard's. Oh and the kids favorite "the Mall". Here movies and shopping are a nice fallback.

There also is the Cranberry bogs for hiking and enjoying nature virtually untouched, even for Jersey.

Finally after a really big rain most just love running through the huge puddles left in the storms wake.

Beach News ...

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back everyone to Monterey Beach. We have endured a long and snowy winter and summer fun awaits us. During the off season changes have been made to help improve our beach.

We have secured a beach captain, AJ DeFilippis who is second to none. He has already put in countless hours preparing our manual and contacting qualified candidates to complete the staffing. The qualification swim will be held on May 22nd at 11:00A.M. at the Ocean County YMCA. Everyone is welcome to come out and support AJ and our highly qualified beach staff.

We have always taken pride in the pristine condition of Monterey Beach, and in order to continue this tradition we

must all take the initiative to help keep it that way. Our community has functioned successfully due to the hard work and commitment of many of our members who have repeatedly volunteered their time throughout the years. There is a huge amount of work to be done at the bay and ocean beaches at the beginning and end of each season. I would like to see more members offer their time as there are many jobs to be performed from raking to putting up and taking down fencing and installing walkways. I would like to thank my committee, Len Minkler & Jim Cleary for their continued support and dedication.



As our noted friend Thomas Berrian would say "another great day in Monterey". Let's work together to make this season the best ever.

Best regards,
Steve Nicholas

Letter to the Editor

Community—The American Dictionary defines it as: A group or class of people having a common interest.

Monterey Beach consist of 251 homes and the Monterey Beach club includes all but a few. For over 60 years the beach, through this organization have maintained the ocean and bay beaches. The club has established groups of volunteers that have strived to insure that not only the beaches, but parking, home appearances, security and safety have been held to the highest possible standard. All the while by utilizing volunteers with the goal of keeping expenses down.

Although we are just four blocks wide our common interests at times seems like we live in different countries. Never has this been so visible as it has become now. The New Jersey American Water Company has been trying for over 2 1/2 years to get approval for well over 10 variances to build a chemical filtration plant on the corner of Carmel and San Diego roads. This facility will be about three times larger than anything near it and 4-5 times larger than the original homes that still remain on Del Monte, Carmel and San Diego roads. This monstrosity will not only impact the immediate area, but anyone, no everyone will be affected. Yet as we get further away from the proposed site it seems that individual involvement (albeit the few exceptions) at best is faint and for the most part for this writer is completely absent.

For those of us, and there are many who I would like to thank, we see the same faces at all the hearings. But that only represents a portion of the membership. Where is everyone else? I know we all have lives to live and its just too far to drive on a Thursday night. Okay but maybe once and a while you can make the trip down. But this is just the tip of the iceberg. How about the request for a simple \$50.00 donation to help offset expenses incurred by the Finley family. A family by the way who has been here from the moment their home was built in the 1960's. Yes, yes, I know you say well its right across the street from where they live, but it is just right up or down the street from where you all live too. We have taken this on for everyone and don't pretend to think that everyone won't benefit after we are successful in preventing this from being built. You will not go by this facility, you will not have to explain to potential renters what the hell that giant building is sitting in the middle of Monterey and you will not wonder if the blind spots this facility will cause will someday cause a car to take the life of your child riding his/her bike to the bay or to the ocean.

You will spend more than \$50.00 coming down for a weekend this year, you'll make that "awful" haul all the way to the shore and never once think well its just to far to drive.

You say "Well we never asked the Finley's to take it upon themselves to hire an attorney". Thank God they did! And here is where it really gets to me. \$50.00 times the 243 members equals \$12,150. They have spent many times that, they just would like some help. We spent as a club over \$8,000 one year on the parking lot behind the old real estate building to spruce it up. This was used for parking, parking many of us never needed or ever used, but we contributed because that's what a community does. For nearly 50 years we paid a large portion of our beach bulldozing for the 12 homes that front the ocean. This is private property yet we did it because that is what a community does. We spent \$35,000 to build a playground and some do not have children, but that is what a community does. These three are just a few examples of expenses done through the years that did not benefit people except those located near the property and now we have the same situation, yet over 50% have not made a donation.

I guess the next expense that occurs, and there will be one, if it does not directly affect those of us in this fight then those who want it can fend for themselves. After all, that seems to be how over 50% of this organization's members defines community.

If the new approach is: "if its not by my house then I don't care" well then that is the end of a community.

Jim Kaub