

Fremont Community in Action 2022

Conservation & Open Space Endeavors



The Open Space Work Party got together on September 17th for improvements to the Depot Trail. The Highway Department trucked in a few loads of donated wood chips and a hearty group of volunteers were out on Saturday September 17th to spread them. Great work folks!

Fremont's trail network is maintained exclusively by volunteers and they do a lot of great works!

Photo courtesy of Sam Harris, who is always part of the work parties as well!

Conservation Commissioners Leanne Miner (L) and Bill Knee with new interpretive trail signage for the Oak Ridge Town Forest. Signs will be placed on the former School (donated to Conservation) property adjacent to the Fremont Public Library, the Railroad Trail and within the Forest. These signs were funded from a gift from Aja Mahoney, left for the express use of an educational program. Aja lived in Fremont for 45 years and was a teacher in the Needham MA school system. She passed away in 2013.



Photo courtesy of Larry Miner

Field Improvements

During the summer, FAA volunteers and some Town staff spent time doing Babe Ruth field improvements to retrofit it to a youth field, to



accommodate the Town's needs and age group availability. The Babe Ruth Field was "converted" to a



60/70 field so that the age groups currently active in Fremont have more flexibility (and a second field to play on). Special thanks to Steve Shea who helped to organize this on behalf of the Town (also an FAA parent); Jonathan Collins and his boys; Jason Homiak and his family; Mike Dudley and Justin Hatch.



We also would like to thank Jackson

Lumber for their donation of the lumber to complete much-needed repair work on the dugouts. This was spear-headed by Frank McNeil, Fremont Majors 60 Coach and is being largely organized by Steve Shea on behalf of the Town. This work (largely replacement of most of the structures) is planned for early spring so they will be ready for the season. We are still looking for a donation of metal roofing for the dugouts!

Photos courtesy of Steve Shea

Fremont Garden Club



held workshops and started seedlings to get a jump on the season.

Garden Club Photos
courtesy of member Michelle Gallant

The men and women of the Fremont Garden Club continue to reach new heights with their enthusiasm, energy and dedication to making Fremont beautiful! They are shown in various photos here (and elsewhere in the Town Report) doing their work throughout the year.

They meet monthly at the Fremont Public Library during the non-gardening months. They did some field trips to beautiful gardens and





These folks freshen and plant in our community gardens in the spring, water them in the summer and do the fall cleanup.

Their swags and kissing balls decorated signage and Town Buildings for the holiday season and still look great even as of the writing of this report.

Eagle Scout Achievements

James Thompson started in Cub Scouts as a Tiger Cub in 1st grade and went through the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in Fremont Troop 1. James held many leadership positions in Troop 1 including Senior Patrol Leader 3 times, and Troop Guide for the last year, helping the younger scouts navigate their first couple of years in Boy Scouts. James has been involved with



numerous Wreaths of Remembrance Ceremonies, Memorial Day Parades, Scouting for Food Drives and Veterans Day dinners, as well as other service projects in town. His Eagle Scout project was creating a new Gaga Ball

pit at Camp Lincoln in Kingston along with a couple of benches for viewing.



Photos and information courtesy of Brittany & Jamie Thompson

Eagle Scout Blake Yaffe completed his work in 2022 on Flag Retirement Boxes (see more information and details in the Report of the Safety Committee). He began working with the Town years ahead of time (pre-Covid) when he was only 14.

His work culminated in two boxes being placed for the retirement of flags, at the Town Hall and Fremont Public Library. Blake and his Epping Scout Troop held a Flag Retirement Ceremony on August 4, 2022 at the Fremont Highway Shed.

Photo courtesy of Blake Yaffe and Family

Public Safety Services Escort of Santa through Fremont

Our Public Safety Services gear up every year for a visit from Santa, and delight in being able to escort him around Town! We know we can't hit every street, but they work hard to see as many Fremont children (and adults) as they can!



Photos courtesy of Michelle Gallant

Congratulations Fremont Majors 60 Baseball Champions!

Photo courtesy of Kimberly Ahern

