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## FOCHSP NEWS

We welcome new members and volunteers who can help us support and maintain the Park we all love. For more information and/or to become a member, please contact the Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park via our website ([www.friendsofcapehenlopen.org](http://www.friendsofcapehenlopen.org)), by email ([FOCHSP@gmail.com](mailto:FOCHSP@gmail.com)), or by phone (302-858-6127).

\*Check out the stock of used bikes for sale on our website!

\*AmazonSmile customers can support Friends in the Amazon shopping app or at: [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

\*GRAIN, the new restaurant at the Ferry Terminal, is sponsoring an evening Outdoor Concert Series, and tickets benefit Friends! (Photo below showing the July 23 Funsters concert with socially-distant spacing is by Nick Roth for the Cape Gazette, used with permission) You can read about upcoming concerts and the safety requirements for concerts at [RockingTheDocks.com](http://RockingTheDocks.com)

\*FOCHSP is raffling a new 21-speed 24" Mongoose mountain bike as a fundraiser (see photo below). Raffle tickets are \$5.00, or 5 for \$20.00. To purchase tickets, send a check for the number of tickets you would like to purchase to the Friends' PO Box mailing address above, or purchase online at:

<https://www.friendsofcapehenlopen.org/bike-raffle.html> Your raffle ticket stub will be mailed to you as confirmation that your check has been received. Envelopes for raffle ticket purchases must be post-marked by August 31, 2020.

The advertisement features a blue and green background. At the top, it says "GRAIN ON THE ROCKS" in white. Below that, "LEWES" is written in large, colorful, 3D letters. Underneath, "Rocking the Docks" is written in a cursive font. A small logo of a person with arms raised is on the right. The main text reads "Outdoor Concert Series" in bold, followed by "Grain On The Rocks at The Lewes Ferry Terminal", "7/9 The Brit Pack - 7/23 The Funsters", and "8/6 Pressing Strings - 8/20 Hot Dogs & Gin". A yellow box contains the text "The 'All VIP' Experience!" followed by "Private 12' Squares for \$40 (up to 8 family members)", "Mobile Food & Beverage Ordering with Chair-side Delivery", and "Bike, Boat, Bus or Drive In!". At the bottom, it says "Tickets Benefit Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park" and "Get Tickets and Learn More at [RockingTheDocks.com](http://RockingTheDocks.com)".

## PARK UPDATES

For latest updates and Covid-19 restrictions at Cape Henlopen State Park and all Delaware Parks please go to their website at: <https://destateparks.com/covid19>

The Friends of Cape Henlopen State Park (FOCHSP) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer organization that works with the Delaware Division of Parks and Recreation, and staff, to support and advocate for one of the county's most unique public parks. Join now!



### Getting to know our FOCHSP Members: Ian Friedland

Ian and his wife Jan moved to Lewes in 2015 from the DC area. They had moved around on the East Coast – 3 times in and out of the DC area, Ithaca NY, South Jersey, and Buffalo, NY, however a major element in their decision to move to Lewes was their love of the Park, its beaches and its trails – and they joined Friends immediately. Though Ian says it was Gordon Reed, Stu Schmidt and Bob Wallace (Friends members) who were sitting on a bench next to the Bike Barn one afternoon and convinced (Ian says harassed) him into becoming a Bike Ambassador. Ian essentially volunteers for everything Friends does: special events, the Bike Barn, monthly Trails Days and a member of the Board (now the FOCHSP VP). He is the point of contact for other volunteer organizations sponsoring runs or biking events throughout the Park, helping with staffing water stops and providing assistance with their events. Ian loves meeting, greeting and helping visitors from all over the world enjoy our wonderful Park. Ian discovered CHSP 40 years ago when he lived in South Jersey and would take his bike across on the Ferry, exploring the area. He and Jan really like Trapp Pond and other area parks but there is a special place for CHSP and the amazing Friends members who support it.

### Getting to know our Park employees: Molly Serfass



Molly is the Program Coordinator at the Nature Center for CHSP. She began working at the Park a little over a year ago as the nature center aquarist, coming from a position at the Elmwood Park Zoo in Pennsylvania. Molly lived in Baltimore while she worked at the National Aquarium (see photo from her work there), and would visit her parents who had moved to Fenwick Island. She has loved this area and jumped at the opportunity to be at the beach and work at CHSP when a position opened. Molly is currently working on a Masters in Conservation Biology from the Miami University of Ohio, expecting to graduate in December. The Park gives her a great place to collect research. She has always had a passion for informal environmental education and animal care. One of her favorite memories so far at CHSP was during one of her first Dolphin Watch programs on the Hawk Watch where the group ended up seeing a pod of about 30 dolphins. “It was so cool to see how the visitor’s faces lit up when we saw that first dorsal fin break the surface”. Molly’s favorite season is summer. She loves walking on the bay beach at sunset or brining her dog Charlie (short for Charles BARKley) to Herring Point. She encourages all visitors to stop by the nature

center and sign up for a program!

### They are flying!!

Check out the Friends sponsored Osprey cam, greatly enhanced with high definition video and sound. The two baby Osprey we have been watching since April started flying! They return often to the nest to eat the fish they have learned to catch. Go to the link below for a better look before they start their migration south!!

[friendsofcapehenlopen.org/ospreycam.html](https://friendsofcapehenlopen.org/ospreycam.html)

**Additional Park Bird News:** There have been five breeding pair of Piping Plovers, with nests and ten chicks, in the Park this season!! These are endangered birds with a special protected breeding area at the Point.

