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(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

Shepherd's Pantry...15 years and counting



L-R: Trent, Aaron, Kristyn and Yahla from the Southeastern Mass. Educational Collaborative take a minute to pose while volunteering at the Shepherd's Food Pantry on Wednesday, 11/18. The pantry has been operating for 15 years and currently operates out of the Long Plain United Methodist Church in Acushnet. See page 12 for story. *Photo by Beth David*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Wow, all of a sudden it feels like fall. Guess the holidays really are on the way. This weekend there are Christmas bazaars and all kinds of other stuff to remind you that the big day is on the way. But before that, is Thanksgiving...next week.

And that brings us to our cover story (page 12). The Shepherd's Pantry is 15 years old this year. And, yes....I've been meaning to do this story since January. Alas.

But, the year is not over yet, so....we got it done.

The Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust (pages 4 & 13), held its annual guided hike on Sciticut Neck this year. It's a beautiful hike, on both sides of the road. New boardwalks will help you get through the muddy areas. Be sure to wear orange, though, if you go during the week. It is hunting season and the FALPT properties are open to hunters.

The Rogers School is having its tag sale this weekend (see page 3). It's a one-day deal, though. So if you want to pick up a piece of nostalgia from the old school, this is your chance. .

I don't want to sign off without mentioning the horrific attacks in Paris last week. What a sad and disheartening thing it is that people think it's okay to murder innocent souls who are just living their lives.

The response of some people in our country, saying we should not accept any refugees from war-torn Syria, is also disheartening.

This is America, people. Do you even know what that is supposed to mean?

It's bad enough that our huge, rich country of more than 300,000,000, and 50 large states, is only talking about letting in 10,000 refugees. That's embarrassing enough as it is. But to say they can only live in certain places if they do get here is just un-American.

One of the greatest things, possibly THE greatest thing, about this great country of ours, is that you get to live where you want. As long as you can afford the rent or the mortgage, you get to live there. The federal government does not tell you where you can live. Governors do not tell you where you cannot live. No one has the right to decide that only people of a certain religion or ethnicity can live in a place. That's a result of the rule of law, and the separation of church and state.

It's the very thing that separates us from the people who bomb cafes. It's the very thing they want to change about us. And it's the very thing you immediately want to do.

I posted most of that on Facebook, and I heard from lots of people.

I've yet to hear a good reason why we should turn our backs on all that we stand for because we are afraid.

I'm no fool. I know when to be afraid, too. But I also know that turning our backs on people who will, in all likelihood, be the happiest Americans ever, is just simply wrong.

Until next week then....see ya



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Fairhaven Turkey Trot supports food pantries

From press release materials

Join us for the Fairhaven Turkey Trot, a 5K Fun Run/Walk on **Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, 11/25, 8 a.m.** (rain, snow, or shine). Starts and Finishes at Nemasket Group, Green Street and Bridge Street, Fairhaven Visit www.FairhavenTurkeyTrot.com or active.com

Adults: \$25. Youth (12 & under): \$10. T-shirts to first 500 adults registered and all volunteers!

All proceeds benefit local families. After party hosted by lead sponsor Rasputin's Tavern. For more details and to register, visit www.FairhavenTurkeyTrot.com or active.com

Since 2010, the Fairhaven Turkey Trot has raised over \$37,000 and collected hundreds of pounds of canned goods to support the Shepherd's Pantry, MOLIFE, St. Anthony's, and other local food pantries.

Volunteers needed

The Fairhaven Turkey Trot is all about raising money for food pantries while we get people moving on Thanksgiving morning, and we couldn't do any of it without your

help! From start to finish, we're looking for a few good men, women, and teens who can help check in runners, distribute t-shirts, marshal intersections, and a lot more. We hope you'll join us!

It takes a village to put on a Turkey Trot! Want to help make this year's event the best yet? Consider helping out in the days leading up to Thanksgiving day or at the fun run itself. All volunteers receive a t-shirt!

How You Can Help

Now!

- Distribute Trot flyers around the Greater New Bedford area
- Help to recruit Turkey Trot sponsors
- Tuesday, Nov 24 (volunteers check-in at Nemasket at 3:15pm or 6pm)
- Registration and early check-in at the Nemasket Group 4pm-8pm
- Registration and check-in at the Nemasket Group (indoors!) 6:30am-8am
- Start/Finish line set-up at Cushman Park 7am-8am
- Intersection marshal 7:45am-9am
- Pace caller on route 7:45am-9am
- Finish festival food set-up and

clean-up at Rasputin's 8am-10am

- Food donation collection at Rasputin's 8am-10am
- much more

Are you more artsy than athletic? If you're a graphic designer, photographer, or singer, we need your help! If you're not, but know someone who is, let 'em know!

Be A Sponsor

Turkey Trot sponsors allow us to donate thousands more dollars to local food pantries. Are you a local business owner? Consider sponsoring, or ask your favorite business owner to pitch in.

By sponsoring the Fairhaven Turkey Trot, local business owners show their support for Fairhaven's food pantries, the families our food pantries serve, and the families who recreate together on Thanksgiving. Thank you for your generosity, businesses! Runners, return the favor and support our sponsors!

To volunteer or be a sponsor, contact us at fairhaventurkeytrot@gmail.com today!

Tag Sale at Oxford generates \$4,400; Rogers is next

The total from the tag sale held by the Town of Fairhaven on Saturday, 11/14, was close to \$4,400, according to Selectboard administrative assistant Anne O'Brien.

The town sold desks, chairs, shelving and other furniture in anticipation of the building being sold soon.

Scouts from Troop 55 volunteered, helping with the sale, including moving furniture and helping people load their vehicles.

According to Ms. O'Brien, "Despite the fact that the tag sale involved some tough work, I heard from the volunteers throughout the day that they were having a great time. I did

too."

The Rogers School will be next. This Saturday, 11/21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the school will be open for the public to buy items that have been tagged for sale.

Visit the town's website at www.fairhaven-ma.gov for details.



Boy Scouts from Troop 55 help move some furniture at the Oxford School Tag Sale on Saturday, 11/14. Photo courtesy of Phil Washko.

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The Schooner Ellenor Anchors Museum's Bradford Collection

Press Release

Recently, the New Bedford Whaling Museum added a new treasure to its collections: an oil on canvas by William Bradford titled Schooner Ellenor, Boston, 1869.

This generous gift from Herbert and Patricia Pratt complements the Museum's formidable collection of Bradford's work, widely acknowledged as a significant resource for scholars and enthusiasts.

Herbert Pratt bought the painting in 1963 after being advised by his brother-in-law, the sculptor Chippy Chase of Wiscasset, to stop by Betsy Wyeth's gallery in Tenant's Harbor, Maine.

Herbert was enchanted by this painting and bought it on the spot. Years later, Herbert and Patricia saw a remarkably similar Bradford at the Art Institute of Chicago, and they knew they had acquired a piece of significance.

A truly exceptional work, Schooner Ellenor, Boston exemplifies Bradford's mastery of light and atmosphere, and shows the influence of fellow artist Albert Van Beest in its fluidity of line and loose brushwork. The painting depicts a bustling Boston Harbor with a variety of ships from schooners to steamships entering the harbor at twilight.

A graduate of Harvard University and veteran of the Coast Guard and Navy, Pratt was a passionate conservationist, birder, and a lover of art, sailing, and nature. Among his many accomplishments in his lifelong passion of protecting wildlife, he served on the Board of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, founded Prouts Neck Audubon Society, and was a Director of the New England Forestry Foundation, which manages and conserves forest land throughout New England.

In May 2016, a retrospective exhibition on William Bradford will open in the Wattles Family Gallery showcasing the Schooner Ellenor, Boston in its new home. From Bradford's exquisite and precious sky study series to his dramatic luminist maritime paintings, works will be selected from the permanent



This painting, "Schooner Ellenor, Boston, 1869," was painted by William Bradford, an acclaimed 19th century artist originally from Fairhaven. It was donated to the New Bedford Whaling Museum by Herbert and Patricia Pratt. *Submitted photo.*

collections.

Born in Fairhaven in 1823, William Bradford became a widely celebrated artist. He traveled to Antarctica and published an account of his trip. He was both a photographer and an artist.

The New Bedford Whaling Museum is the world's most comprehensive museum devoted to the global story of whales and the history and culture of the South Coast.

Visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

From a different perspective



This view of Bella Vista Island (left) and West Island, from the Shipyard Farm property on Scoticut Neck Road, shows a different perspective. The property is owned by the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust which hosted a guided hike on Sunday. See page 13 for story.

Photo by Beth David.

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Tag Sale

This Sat., 11/21. See page 3.

Turkey Trot

On Thanksgiving Day. See page 3.

Holiday Bazaar

Saint Joseph School will hold its Annual Holiday Bazaar on **Sat., 11/21, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at St. Joseph School 100 Spring St., Fairhaven**

Vendors/crafters will be selling great holiday gifts. Check out the treasures at the Yard Sale, stop by the Classroom Tables selling crafts and raffle chances. Try your luck at the Chinese Auction, and bring the kids to the Holiday Shop where, with the help of adult volunteers, they can buy Christmas gifts for the whole family! The Holiday Cafe will include burgers, hot dogs, pizza, and more — then you can treat yourself to desserts at the Bake Sale!

All proceeds from this event directly benefit the students of St Joseph School. Admission is free.

Spaces are still available for vendors and crafters (\$40 fee). Call the school at 508-996-1983.

Christmas Bazaar

Trinity Lutheran Church, 16 Temple Place, Fairhaven, will hold its annual Christmas bazaar on **Sat., 11/21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Creations by the Women's Fellowship. Featuring a variety of gift giving items from handmade Christmas decorations to unique knitted hats, scarves, mittens, socks, baby sweaters, shopping bags and more. Come and enjoy a lunch featuring Norwegian open-faced sandwiches and pastries as well as fresh lobster rolls, scallops and chicken delicacies.

Coat Drive

Fairhaven Wine & Spirits, 105 Scotcut Neck Road, is holding a coat drive **through Fri., 11/20.** Looking for new and gently used coats.

Toys for Tots

The Fairhaven Firefighters Association Local 1555 is holding its first annual Toys for Tots Drive, **now until Dec. 13.** Drop off NEW, unwrapped

toys only from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., any day, at the Fairhaven Fire Station, 146 Washington St.

Picture Day with Santa: Sun., 12/13, from 1-4 p.m. Bring a toy!

Indoor Yard Sale

At VFW, 109 Middle St., Fairhaven. Sat., 11/21, from noon-5 p.m. Benefits the VFW. Antiques, kayaks, marine supplies, clothing, toys, etc. You just never know what you'll find. Kitchen will be open.

Tables are still available, \$20. Call Jen, 508-951-8590.

Blood Drive

The Red Cross is holding two blood drives in Fairhaven:

Wed., 11/25, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Barley Family Healthcare, 270 Huttleston Avenue

Visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

SAVE THE DATES

Christmas Tree Sale

On **Sat. & Sun., 12/5 & 6, from 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m.,** the Douglass family will be selling Christmas Trees from their farm located on Scotcut Neck Road in Fairhaven, MA. All trees, priced at \$40 each, are donated by the Douglasses so that all proceeds from trees purchased will support the ALS research.

Boy Scouts Christmas Trees

Troop and Pack 55 Fairhaven is holding its Annual Christmas tree fundraiser. **Starting the day after Thanksgiving selling both wreaths and Christmas trees. The height of the trees range from 6-8 ft. Prices are from \$35-\$60; \$15 per wreath.** Limited number, so get yours early.

At Mike & Wayne's, 163 Huttleston Ave. (Rte. 6) in Fairhaven. The scouts will be selling Monday through Friday from 5:00 PM to 7:30PM, Saturday & Sunday from 9:00 AM to 7:30 PM.

Employees of Mike & Wayne's are gracious enough to collect money for the Scouts during the early hours on weekdays.

Volunteers Needed

Work off those extra turkey pounds **and help us decorate Benoit Square on Sat., 11/28, starting at 8 a.m.,** at the corner of Howland Rd. and Adams St., Fairhaven.

Volunteers are greatly needed. The

more we have the quicker it will get done. Bring the kids and grandkids they are all the motivation you need. They will love it! On Friday evening, December 4th you can all stand back and admire your work at the Annual Lighting. Come and be part of NFIA's Christmas tradition!

Nutcracker for Kids Sign up NOW

The Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven, presents *A Nutcracker Journey* with Kay Hanley Alden, a local dance teacher and choreographer, on **Wed., 12/9 at 10 a.m. in the downstairs auditorium. The program is open to 3-5 year olds** with siblings welcome, and is **limited to 20** participants. Please sign up with Ms. Jane at 508-992-5342. Accessible.

Art Sale/Exhibit

Art can be an especially unique and meaningful gift. Come see the possibilities! Art On Center invites you to the opening reception for its **4th Annual Holiday Small Works Exhibition and Sale on Sat., 11/21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** This show features original artwork created by local artists and **all works are priced at \$250 or less.** Choose from beautiful paintings in oil, watercolor, pastel, mixed media and more. Meet the artists at the opening reception; the exhibition continues through Saturday, December 19.

Also save the date for the Fine Craft Fair, Saturday, December 5th, 10 AM to 4 PM, featuring handcrafted stained glass giftware, jewelry, baskets, garden steppingstones, textiles and more, all created by local artisans. Shop for one-of-a-kind gifts sure to please your loved ones. And, gift wrapping is available on site.

On Sunday, December 6th, Art On Center joins in the fun of Fairhaven's Olde Time Holiday Weekend with an Open House and ornament-crafting activities, from 12 noon to 4:30 PM. Join us for hot chocolate, cookies, and merriment!

Art On Center is located at 15 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA and is fully wheelchair accessible with plenty of off-street parking. For more information call 774-206-1709 or email info@artoncenter.org. Art On Center is a federally approved 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.



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Western Day Boot Scootin' Party Fri., 11/20, 2:30 p.m. Howdy, y'all! Head on down to Atria for some Western fun. Enjoy live entertainment with David Valerio and some delicious chow. RSVP

Birthday Bash with Tom & Betty Tues., 11/24, 2:30 p.m. Join us as this dynamic duo returns to celebrate our residents with November birthdays. Don't miss this fun-filled afternoon. Refreshments will be served. RSVP

Bake Sale Wed., 11/25, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Counting Fish

A new film by Don Cuddy titled *Counting Fish* will premiere on **Sun., 11/22 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cook Memorial Theater, New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, NB.** The screening is part of Harvest of the Sea Sunday. Both programs are free and open to the public.

New England fishermen are in trouble, with catch limits set so low that many boats remain tied to the dock. But the industry has little confidence in the NOAA survey that provides the raw data for the stock assessment. Accurately counting fish populations in the ocean is a daunting task, however, and everyone agrees on the need for better science.

Immediately following the Q&A, guests will be invited to **walk next door to the Seamen's Bethel for its traditional Harvest of Sea Service of Thanksgiving at 3 p.m.**, with special music by Ms. Caroline Blais. A display of seafood will be on the dais beneath the Bethel's famous ship's prow pulpit, adorning the chapel for the brief service. Refreshments will follow in the Salt Box, provided by the Ladies Branch of the New Bedford Port Society.

No reservations are required for either of the programs, which are being sponsored in part by the New Bedford Whaling Museum and the New Bedford Port Society as an opportunity to reflect upon the challenges of commercial fishing – a day which will bring into focus the city's physical, spiritual and cultural roots as a maritime community.

Volunteer Oppty.

United Way of Greater New Bedford will host its first annual **Hunger Heroes Project: Families Helping Families.** Families are being encouraged to volunteer together on **Sat., 11/21, National Family Volunteer Day**, to help give other families a happy Thanksgiving. During this event, 400 Thanksgiving packages will be prepared to be delivered to food pantries in Greater New Bedford by United Way's Hunger Commission.

Food has been donated through a variety of local food drives including Cans Across the Park, Acushnet Company and the Christian Fellowship Center (these are the 3 top local food drives) along with drives

held at other organizations and businesses.

Volunteers will work for 2 hour shifts completing a variety of tasks including sorting the food from local drives, assembling the packages, wrapping the packages and repacking them on the Hunger Commission Truck. We will also have Thanksgiving Card making for kids that may be too young to help with the general packaging.

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Please meet on Sat., 11/21, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. Packaging will take place from 11-3, at Dennison Memorial Community Center, 755 So. First Street, New Bedford.

For more information, call Victoria Grasela, 508-994-9625, ext. 10

NB Open Studios

November is New Bedford Open Studios month.

Experience Hatch Street Studios, 88 Hatch St., **Sat., 11/21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., & Sun., 11/22, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday opening, 11/20, 5-9 p.m.** Live music, preview building expansion

The NB Open Studios tour is free. It is funded by member artists with special thanks to the New Bedford Cultural Council. Art and arisan work will be available at all locations. Visit www.NewBedfordOpenStudios.org

Socks for Vets

During this 2015 Holiday season The Law Office of Surprenant & Beneski, P.C. and the Wound Care Center at Vibra Hospital of SE Mass. are once again teaming up to hold a "Socks for Vets" sock drive. They will be collecting new socks for the Veteran's Transition House in New Bedford as a way of giving back to the community and saying "Thank You" to those who have sacrificed so selflessly for our nation.

This campaign will run continuously until Dec. 31. New Sock donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday (9-5) either at Surprenant and Beneski, P.C. 35 Arnold Street, New Bedford, or at the Wound Care Center at Vibra Hospital of SE Mass. (formally known as New Bedford Rehabilitation Hospital) 4499 Acushnet Avenue, New Bedford. Thank you to everyone in advance for your support.

Dracula

Dracula, the classic gothic thriller, is playing at Your Theatre, Inc. this weekend.

A special discount ticket of \$10 is offered for Saturday night for those who "**Dress Up for Dracula.**" Wear your best Vamp attire on Nov. 21 only.

Remaining performance dates are: Nov. 19, 20, 21 at 8 p.m., and Nov. 22 at 2:30 p.m. General admission is \$15, \$12 for season subscribers, and \$13 for students, seniors, and military personnel.

Performances are held at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse, 136 Rivet St., New Bedford, at the St. Martin's Episcopal Church complex. Free parking.

For tickets call 508-993-0772, or send an email to info@yourtheatre.org. Visit www.yourtheatre.org

Short plays Marath.

Culture*Park will present the 13th Annual Short Plays Marathon on Sat., 11/21, from 2 to 10:30 p.m., in the Whaling Museum Theatre, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford, for a full day of new plays by local and regional playwrights.

The Marathon will feature staged readings of twenty-five new plays, presented by an ensemble of more than 50 actors and directors.

The plays' themes are far ranging, and include topical and current issues explored through a variety of theatrical expressions, from tender to thought-provoking to humorous, insightful and hilarious. Themes are generally adult oriented. The plays are not censored, and include some family friendly plays. Please call with questions regarding content.

Many of the actors who perform at the Marathon act in regional theatres in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, including Second Story Theater in Warren, Feinstein-Gamm Theatre in Pawtucket, The Wilbury Group and Trinity Repertory Company, in Providence, Boston University Playwrights' Theatre, Your Theatre, The Riot Act, Ana Enyu productions, and elsewhere.

For a complete schedule of plays, visit www.culturepark.org

The Marathon is punctuated by playwrights' panels featuring audience/playwright discussions about the

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HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

COA Holiday Fair

The Acushnet Council on Aging will hold a **Holiday Fair at the senior center, 59 1/2 So. Main St., Acushnet, on Sat., 11/21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Christmas Tea

Join us for a Christmas Tea with Donna and Ron Lasko. America's Tea Couple present, **"The History of Santa Claus" on Sat., 12/5 at 1 p.m., at Acushnet-Wesley United Methodist Church 67 Main St., Acushnet.**

NO Tickets sold at the door, please call in advance, Cathy, 508-991-5533. Adults: \$10, Children 7 and under \$7

Turkey Trot

Just in time for Thanksgiving! Join Lloyd Center Outreach Specialist Jen Wimmer on a Turkey Trot with a guided walk through the Lloyd Center for the Environment's Hardscrabble Nature Preserve. During this 2 hour program participants will make turkey callers and get the chance to head out on the trails to search for signs of these large birds.

Sat., 11/21 from 10 a.m. -Noon Meet at the Lloyd Center's Bond Building located at 430 Potomska Road in Dartmouth. The cost of the Turkey Trot for Lloyd Center members is **\$5 for individuals and \$15 for a family of 4. Non-members, \$7 for individuals and \$21 for a family of 4. Space is limited to 20. All ages welcome.** (Please note that an adult must accompany children during the program.)

To register for this event, call the Lloyd Center Event Line 508-558-2918 or simply visit www.lloydcenter.org and register online. Registration deadline is Thursday, November 19, 4pm. If you have specific questions regarding the program, call Jen Wimmer, Lloyd Center Outreach Specialist at 508-990-0505 ext. 14.

Visit www.lloydcenter.org

Thanksgiving Parade

In Plymouth, Mass., America's Hometown, America's only historically accurate chronological parade will be held on **Sat., 11/21. Opening Ceremonies, DCR Pilgrim Memorial Park, 10:30 a.m. Parade Steps Off-Benny's Plaza Court St., 11**

This is one of America's only historically accurate chronological

parades, visually bringing to life America's rich heritage representing each century from the 17th through the 21st. In showing the preservation of America's history through the years, beginning with the Pilgrim era, we promote an appreciation among our citizens for our rich heritage.

The parade is ranked the #1 Thanksgiving parade in the nation by AOL. It features beautifully decorated floats, nationally recognized Drum and Bugle Corps, re-enactment units from every period of American history and military marching units.

Patriotism and hope is revived in the hearts of observant adults and children as the drum and fife, pipe, drum and bugle corps, and military bands play music honoring the courageous defenders of our country: the men and women who serve in the Army, the Navy, the Marines, the Air Force and the Coast Guard.

Educational and economic factors aside, the parade offers plenty of fun and entertainment to attract visitors from all corners of the United States and even beyond. Music, historical reenactments, vintage American cars and beautiful handmade floats are all part of the visual feast and fun. Viewers are treated to a visual trip back to the colonial days.

Visit <http://www.usathanksgiving.com/parade.php> for details, including parade route.

Animal Advocates

Animal Advocates will be hosting its 19th Annual Four Paws **Charity Auction for Homeless Animals on Fri., 11/20, from 6-9 p.m., at Hawthorne Country Club, 970 Tucker Rd., Dartmouth.** The Silent Auction for Animals is our largest annual fund raiser; it's a chance to meet with friends, have a fun evening out and support a worthy cause.

Admission is free with complimentary appetizers. If you can donate an item, please call 508-991-7727 or e-mail animaladvocates@comcast.net

Proceeds from the Auction for Animals will spay and neuter homeless and abandoned dogs and cats and pets living in elderly, disabled or low-income households. Animal Advocates is committed to ensuring the health and welfare of homeless dogs and cats by promoting proactive, compassionate

no-kill programs.

At our Auction this year we are featuring beautiful original art from the Southcoast's most gifted artists; including paintings, glasswork, jewelry, furniture, pottery, and fiber art. Many of the items at the Auction are unique. There will be antiques, children's and young adult items, weekend get-a-ways, fabulous handmade gift baskets and gift certificates to the area's most delicious restaurants and eateries, gift certificates to stores, shops and services. For those who want pampering there will be gift certificates for salon, spa and massage services, that would pair perfectly with a gift package for a fantastic night out on the town.

Beach Walk

The public is invited to join the Lloyd Center for the Environment on November 29th for **EXPLORING OUR COAST: A LOCAL BEACH WALK SERIES** from 8-10am on Sun., 11/29. Meet at the Lloyd Center's lower parking lot, 430 Potomska Road in Dartmouth. All walks are weather-permitting. \$7 for Lloyd Center members and \$9 for non-members. Appropriate for ages 14 and older. **Pre-registration deadline is 12pm on Wednesday, November 25th.**

To learn more about this event or to pre-register, call Erika at the Lloyd Center (508-990-0505 x 16), email erika@lloydcenter.org, or simply visit the Center's website www.lloydcenter.org and register online. This is a very popular trip and space is limited so please register early.

Art Trail Pass

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Visit www.ctarttrail.org for details.

Recipe of the Week

Sweet Potato Casserole With Pecan Topping

4 cups sweet potato, cubed
1/2 cup white sugar
2 eggs, beaten
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons butter, softened
1/2 cup milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons butter, softened
1/2 cup chopped pecans

Preheat oven to 325 degrees.

Put sweet potatoes in a medium saucepan with water to cover. Cook over medium high heat until tender; drain and mash.

In a large bowl, mix together the sweet potatoes, white sugar, eggs, salt, butter, milk and vanilla extract. Mix until smooth.

Transfer to a 9x13 inch baking dish.

In medium bowl, mix the brown sugar and flour. Cut in the butter until the mixture is coarse. Stir in the pecans. Sprinkle the mixture over the sweet potato mixture.

Bake in the preheated oven 30 minutes, or until the topping is lightly brown.

From AllRecipes.com

Working Waterfront Fest. to be biennial

Press Release

After twelve successful years of producing the Festival as an annual event, the Festival will become a biennial event. The next Festival will take place in 2017. During 2016, a strategic plan will be developed to ensure the long-term viability of the Festival.

In 2004, the Working Waterfront Festival was created to bring visibility to the fishing industry by providing a forum for the commercial fishing community to tell its own story and an opportunity for the public to gain a fundamental understanding of the lives, culture, skills, and knowledge of the people who are part of the working waterfront.

Over time, the two-day Festival evolved to present a myriad of year-round programs including school programs, a summer camp, a community oral history project, a monthly film series, walking tours, weekly seasonal cruise ship presentations, exhibits of industry art, a radio series, a book, and a CD.

These programs were developed with the intention of keeping the

commercial fishing industry and the working waterfront in the public eye year-round.

The establishment of the New Bedford Fishing

Heritage Center (NBFHC) represents the continued evolution of this work. The Center was created to provide a permanent home for telling the story of the New Bedford fishing industry past, present, and future.

During 2015, the Festival and the NBFHC partnered to present the year round programs. In 2016, the NBFHC will continue to present these programs as it works toward the creation of a bricks and mortar facility.

A project of the Community Economic Development Center of Southeastern MA (CEDC), the Working Waterfront Festival is immensely grateful for the steadfast support of the many individuals, organizations, and businesses who have given their time, energy, and resources to create the event each year.

As plans develop for the 2017 Working Waterfront Festival, updates will be posted on our website www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org and Facebook page.

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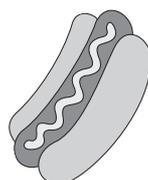
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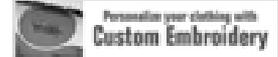
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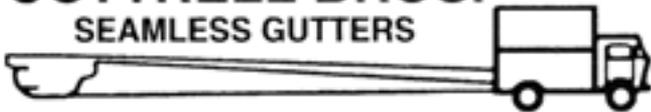
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Shepherd's Pantry serves those in need: 15 years and counting

By Beth David
Editor

Blanche Pepin thought they would have a little food pantry, just for a little while, until the economy got better. That was 15 years ago.

As one of the founding members of The Shepherd's Pantry, Ms. Pepin could not have imagined that their first 12 bags of food would grow to 360 each week, serving more than 100 families.

"We thought we would do it for a little while, and then people wouldn't need it anymore and we'd stop," said Ms. Pepin, who is the pantry's administrator. "But the need has just gotten larger and larger.

The operation has grown in many ways: in space, in volunteers, and, most importantly, in the amount of food needed to keep people fed.

From a handful of people at the Good Shepherd Church in Fairhaven, to a collaboration with seven churches in Fairhaven and Acushnet, the pantry has kept its focus on food and those who need it.

The whole "staff" is volunteer. Not one penny goes to a salary. All food collected goes towards food and bags to package it. The pantry spends between \$6,000 and \$7,000 each month.

This week, the bags will be filled with Thanksgiving fare: cranberry sauce, boxed stuffing, sweet potatoes, dried potatoes, canned pumpkin.

Each week, the bags are filled to give three meals a day for four days, which can mean up to four bags of food for a family.

Most of the food comes from the Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB), which has great prices, but much of it comes from the bins around town.



Sometimes, the pantry gets kind of odd things that don't really fit in with the nutritional plan set out by the GBFB. That stuff does not go to waste, though. It goes on the "gourmet" table, or a couple of other tables that patrons can choose from.

Some things do go to waste, though: the expired goods that people sometimes donate. The pantry will not give out expired food, so all items need to be checked.

The food is sorted and packed on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, and handed out on Saturday mornings from 10 to noon.

Ms. Pepin said that each of the seven churches has a week to help out.

The effort has gotten a little more sophisticated over time. On Wednesday certain bags are packed, on Thursday, other bags are packed.

Right now, the pantry is serving about 100 people each week, said Ms. Pepin. That's down a little from a high of 120.

"It's hard to know why because we never ask why people are using us," she said.

The USDA does have certain eligibility requirements, but Ms. Pepin said those are simple enough to follow.

"If you're over here looking for food, we're going to give you food," said Ms. Pepin.

She remembers when \$10,000 was enough to keep the pantry going for months. Now, that won't make it through six weeks.

It can be a little unnerving, especially at the beginning.

"There have been times when funds were low and we passed the word around," said Ms. Pepin. "And the first thing you know, we get donations."

She said one week, some years ago, when they were especially low on funds and did not know how they would buy enough food, the pastor at



L-R: Arthur Ryle, Cathy Hickey, Pat Baggerly and Bruce Baggerly fill bags at the Shepherd's Pantry on Wednesday to be distributed on Saturday morning. This week's food bags will include specialty items for Thanksgiving, such as cranberry sauce and stuffing. BELOW: Bags are all ready to go on Wednesday morning. Pantry volunteers will fill 360 bags this week to go to approximately 100 families. Photos by Beth David.

St. Joseph's held a second collection for them and donated \$3,000. That got them through the week.

"We have never run out of money," said Ms. Pepin. "We always had what we needed."

And every penny helps.

"I have some who give five dollars," said Ms. Pepin. "And I have some who give thousands."

It all goes to the food.

The seven member churches are Church of the Good Shepherd, St. Joseph's, St. Mary's, Trinity Lutheran and the Unitarian Memorial of Fairhaven; and Long Plain United Methodist, and Acushnet Wesley United Methodist of Acushnet.

Ms. Pepin remembers starting in a small corner of the Nemasket Group building on Bridge Street in Fairhaven.

For a time, they had the food stored in a tractor trailer and had to trudge through snow and all kinds of weather across the parking lot to get the food to the distribution tables.

They are still using some shelving that came from the old Stop & Shop building.

The ironic thing, said Ms. Pepin, is that it all started because she and a few others learned that some people they knew in Fairhaven were getting food from Damien's pantry in Wareham. When the Shepherd's Pantry began, however, they still had no Fairhaven people. It was clear they wanted to go where no one knew them.

"Practically the first person to walk

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through the door said she was from Dartmouth and asked if we would give food to a Dartmouth person," said Ms. Pepin. "We made a unilateral decision right then to give food to anyone."

Ms. Pepin mentions lots of names of people who do special fund-raisers for the pantry, especially Gerry

Payette, who coordinates the annual National Association of Letter Carriers drive each year, and the pastors and congregations of each church.

But, in general, it's the many volunteers who make it possible, she said. More than 100 volunteers keep the food moving each week.



ABOVE: Volunteer Arlene Hansmann sorts through some of the canned goods to be packed and then distributed by the Shepherd's Food Pantry in Acushnet. TOP: Pantry Administrator Blanche Pepin gestures while explaining how the food pantry works. All donations go directly to buying food. There are no paid staff members. It takes about 100 volunteers each week to sort, bag and distribute the food. *Photos by Beth David.*



"There are so many people who are in need of our services," said Ms. Pepin. "But we wouldn't be able to do what we do if it wasn't for all the various people who help out."

And there is no shortage of tasks for volunteers, from sorting to packing bags, to running bags out to cars.

"If they show up, we'll find something for

them to do."

The Shepherd's Pantry is located at the Long Plain United Methodist Church, 1215 Main Street, Acushnet. Visit www.shepherdsparntry.org, or call 508-763-9289. Food is distributed on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

Food bins are located at the Millicent Library in Fairhaven (Walnut Street entrance), and at Stop & Shop in Fairhaven. Send checks to The Shepherd's Pantry, PO Box 760, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

The pantry welcomes volunteers.

Guided hike showcases Scotcut Neck properties

By Beth David
Editor

"This is your land," said Cora Peirce, president of the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust, as a group of about 50 people got ready to hike the trails of the Shipyard Farms property and Winsegansett properties on Scotcut Neck Road.

"It's with mixed emotions," that the annual hike took place, said Ms. Peirce, noting that her companion and long-time FALPT president John Darwin died in July.

Mr. Darwin was a founding member of the FALPT and delighted in showing off the properties to anyone who asked to see them.

Although the fields are rented to the Viveiros Farm, a right of way through the middle (or around the edges when it's a cornfield) is guaranteed for hiking and other passive uses, even during growing season.

The clear, bright day on Sunday, 11/15, showed off the large fields, wide woods, and expansive marshes that stretch all the way to the ocean.

The hikers entered the field, walked to the marsh, then skirted the

edge of the field to the woods, stopping to take pictures or just look around.

After traipsing through some trails on the east side of the road for about an hour, the group, ranging in age from around five to the senior set, set off on the west side of the road.

The 170 or so acres on that side are muddier, but volunteers had covered the wettest spots with newly built boardwalks and installed them on Veterans Day, just in time for the hike.

"We love it here. It's awesome," said Jack Daley, who moved to Fairhaven recently with his wife Mary. "It's such a gift to be able to come in here."

Diane Johanson, who lives nearby, said she had walked by the property many times, but this was her first time hiking it. Usually, she sticks to the street.

"It's really fun to go off on all the side streets," she said. "I just love it here."

According to its website, the FALPT owns 743 acres in

Fairhaven, Acushnet and Freetown, and holds conservation restrictions on 179 acres for a total of 1,022 acres of protected open space.

Property owned by the FALPT is open to the public for passive uses such as hiking, fishing and hunting.

For more information visit <http://falpt.org/> or www.Facebook.com/falpt



The group follows the trail on a property owned by the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust on the east side of Scotcut Neck Road in Fairhaven on Sunday, 11/15. The guided hike showcased the property on both the east and west sides of the road. *Photo by Beth David.*

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Calling all basketball enthusiasts! We are looking for motivated, committed individuals to volunteer as basketball coaches for this league. We are also in need of officials for the league, pay is roughly \$15 per game. For more information and to fill out a volunteer application please call or stop by the Recreation Center during league registration hours

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If you are a Senior/Fairhaven Resident and would like to join us at the Fairhaven Senior Center for Thanksgiving Dinner November 26, from 11:30-1:00 p.m., please call the Fairhaven Senior Center at 508-979-4029 to reserve your seat by Friday November 20th. Transportation can be arranged for those in need.

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Acushnet Selectboard receives petition for school bus monitors

By Michael Smith

Neighb News Correspondent

Addressing the public safety of students who use buses to get to school, a group of concerned residents submitted a petition to the Acushnet Selectboard on Monday, 11/16, to re-instate bus monitors.

Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar read a letter written by Leo Rousseau regarding the petition. Mr. Gaspar chaired the meeting as Selectboard Chairperson David Wojnar could attend.

Mr. Rousseau, a former Acushnet selectperson, provided 485 signatures to the board. Mr. Gaspar said the petition should be taken to the Town Clerk's office for the signatures to be certified.

Two hundred signatures are needed to force a special town meeting, according to Acushnet Town Administrator Alan Coutinho.

"A lot of leg work went into it," said Mr. Rousseau. "I'm very high on safety, and a lot of people who signed it feel the same way."

Mr. Rousseau claimed that some people were angry at not being notified by the Acushnet School Committee of a public meeting to address the removal of the monitors earlier this year, when the SC voted to remove the monitors.

Any funding for monitors must first get approval of the school committee, according to Mr. Gaspar.

Mr. Rousseau suggested that the money can be provided by the town's free cash if needed.

"Seventy-five thousand dollars is a cheap price tag to put on safety," said Mr. Gaspar, agreeing with Mr. Rousseau.

Lorrie Boardman, a former monitor

who has not worked since June, told the board that students are not safe without monitors looking out for them as they cross the street.

Selectboard member Garry Rawcliffe asked if monitors were needed, noting that parents often are at the bus stops and walk their children across the street.

Mr. Rousseau said he would schedule a meeting with the school committee before returning to the Selectboard with the issue.

[Leo] Rousseau, a former Acushnet selectperson, provided 485 signatures to the board...Two hundred signatures are needed to force a special town meeting

In another matter the Selectboard approved a wage increase for the next two years for employees of the Acushnet River Valley Golf Course (ARV), but not without some concerns.

The wages will increase one dollar for everyone from the current \$9 to \$13-an-hour wages in place.

"We feel it's important to remain competitive in the marketplace in pay scale," said Dana Przybyszewski, manager of golf at ARV.

Mr. Rawcliffe said the current national push for increases in minimum wages will raise the cost of living, and things will not be any different in Acushnet.

Mr. Gaspar cautioned that the golf

course cannot continue losing revenue while raising wages.

"My goal is to stay profitable," said Mr. Gaspar.

Tackling a matter pertaining to the Department of Public Works, the Selectboard unanimously approved final water and sewer charges, as well as approving a group of senior betterment deferrals.

A water abatement for 17 Ludlow Street was reviewed by the Selectboard and unanimously denied.

A couple of in-house position transfers within the water department have left an opening for a position, according to Mr. Gaspar.

Mr. Coutinho said the board has to wait five days for anyone in house to apply before advertising the position.

The Selectboard unanimously approved the transfers.

Mr. Gaspar said an Acushnet Eagle Scout would like to work on a project to paint identifying marks on roadways where catch basins are so DPW workers can easily locate them.

The Selectboard unanimously approved of the project.

A 16% water loss from the DPW's first quarter report for 2015 was not met enthusiastically by the Selectboard.

However, the 16-percent water loss is an improvement from the 22-percent number the Selectboard inherited when they took over the DPW in January of this year.

"It think we can a do a lot better job than 16 percent," said Mr. Gaspar.

He suggested the problem might actually stem from water readers not working properly, rather than leaks.

"That could be a major concern,"

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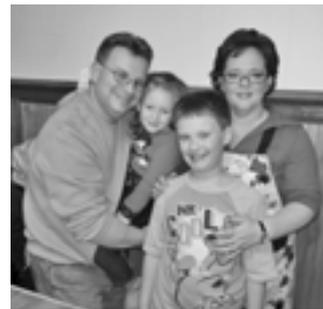
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Thanksgiving Day has three times as many fires

Press Release

When most of us think about Thanksgiving, images of turkey, stuffing and time spent with loved ones typically come to mind, not fire hazards. However, an increased risk of fire is, in fact, a reality of Thanksgiving. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), three times as many home cooking fires occur on Thanksgiving as on a typical day.

NFPA's latest cooking estimates show that there were 1,550 cooking fires on Thanksgiving in 2013, reflecting a 230 percent increase over the daily average. Home cooking fires also spike on other major U.S. holidays, including Christmas Day, Christmas Eve and Memorial Day weekend. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of home cooking fires.

"A combination of factors collectively increase the risk of home cooking fires on Thanksgiving," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of Outreach and Advocacy. "People are often preparing multiple dishes with lots of guests and other distractions, which can make it all too easy to forget what's on the stove. That's when cooking mishaps are most likely to occur."

While the number of cooking fires spikes on holidays, it's also one of the leading causes of home fire year-round. Between 2009 and 2013, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated average of 162,400 home

cooking fires per year. These fires resulted in an annual average of 430 civilian fire deaths, 5,400 reported injuries and \$1.1 billion in direct property damage.

Fortunately, Carli notes, there are many simple steps people can take to ensure safe cooking on Thanksgiving.

"A little added awareness about potential fire hazards and taking a few basic precautions in the kitchen can go a long way toward keeping your Thanksgiving fire-free," said Carli.

Here are NFPA's top five tips for cooking with fire safety in mind on Thanksgiving and beyond:

- Remain in the kitchen while you're cooking, and keep a close eye on what you fry! Always stay in the kitchen while frying, grilling or broiling food. If you have to leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove. Regularly check on food that's simmering, baking or roasting, and use a timer to remind you that you're cooking.
- Keep things that can catch fire such as oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels and curtains away from the cooking area.
- Be alert when cooking. If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol, don't use the stove or stovetop.
- If you have a small (grease) cooking fire on the stovetop and decide to fight the fire: Smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and

turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled. For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

- If you're cooking a turkey using a disposable aluminum pan, consider doubling up and using two pans to avoid a puncture, as dripping turkey juices can cause an oven fire.

NFPA discourages the use of turkey fryers, a popular cooking method on Thanksgiving. The use of turkey fryers can lead to devastating burns and other injuries, and the destruction of property due to the large amount and high temperature of oil used. NFPA urges those who prefer fried turkey to look for grocery stores, specialty food retailers and restaurants that sell deep fried turkeys.

Founded in 1896, NFPA is a global, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission.

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FHS Football team falls to Seekonk



The Fairhaven Blue Devil football team committed too many penalties and fell 26-6 to Seekonk on Friday, November 11 at home. Trailing only 14-6 in the middle of the third quarter, turnovers and penalties helped slow the comeback attempt by Fairhaven. The loss marks the last Friday night home game for several seniors. With the loss the team drops to 4-6 on the season. ABOVE LEFT: Ian Furtado avoids the sack by Seekonk. ABOVE RIGHT: Noah Furtado follows his blockers up the middle for the Blue Devils. BELOW LEFT: John Bulgar shakes off a Seekonk defender and keeps up going up field. BELOW RIGHT: John Bulgar, who was injured on the play, is taken down by a Seekonk defender grabbing his feet. BOTTOM LEFT: Khyrstyeon Luiz takes down Josh Lane for a big loss of yardage. BOTTOM RIGHT: Noah Furtado jumps over a Seekonk defender. *Photos by Ryan Feeney.*



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said Mr. Gaspar.

Mr. Gaspar said he felt like "we're looking at fictitious numbers."

There are over 2,810 water meters in Acushnet, he said, and the department has been changing out 300 meters per year.

He concluded by suggesting a comprehensive water leak study.

Submitting some good news in his report to the Selectboard, Mr. Coutinho said the Electricity Aggregation Plan for Acushnet and surrounding communities has been finalized and signed.

The communities have been working a little over a year on finalizing the plan, he said, noting that the community plan is the third largest in the nation.

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Fairhaven Meetings

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Thurs., 11/19, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Assessors

Fri., 11/20, Town Hall, 3:30 p.m.

Capital Planning Comm

Wed., 12/2, Town Hall, 2 p.m.

CDBG neighborhood forum

Wed., 12/2, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Community Preserv. Comm

Thurs., 11/19, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 11/30, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Contributory Retirement

Mon., 11/23, Town Hall, 8:30 a.m.

Dog Park Committee

Wed., 12/2, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 12/8, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 12/16, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Mon., 11/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Town Administrator Comm

Mon., 11/23, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Acushnet Meetings

Historical Commission

Sat., 11/21, Town Hall, 9 a.m.

Selectboard

Mon., 11/30, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Planning Commission

Thurs., 11/19, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

Agricultural Commission

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Public Hearings/Legal Notices

Town of Fairhaven Notice of Neighborhood Forum FY 16 Community Development Block Grant Application

Town of Fairhaven will hold a Neighborhood Forum at 6:30 P.M. on December 2, 2015, at Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. The purpose of the meeting is to take in Public input on the Town's intention to apply to DHCD for up to \$900,000 for activities such as Housing Rehabilitation Program, Social Service Support, possible Housing Authority moderation projects and the reconstruction of Plymouth Avenue between Adams Street and Green Street within the Anthony School Neighborhood Target Area. If you are interested in improvements within your neighborhood, you are urged to attend the forum, where the Town will be available to answer questions. The Town will also be taking applications for the current housing rehab program. The rehab program is on a first come first serve basis. Those unable to attend the forum may submit comments or questions to the Department of Planning & Economic Development at the Fairhaven Town Hall, broth@fairhaven-ma.gov or call (508) 979-4082, Ext. 9. The Town will make reasonable accommodations for the disabled with prior notice to the Planning Department.

*William D. Roth, Jr., Director
Planning & Economic Development Department*

Conservation Commission

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on November 30, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. in the Fairhaven Town Hall. Purpose is for the Request for Determination of the following matters as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40 as amended.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Request for Determination Applicant Augusto Pinto Location 153 Weeden Road Plot 32A Lot 152 Purpose conduct a perk test within a VE flood zone.

- Request for Determination Applicant Paul B. Roack Location 4 Montauk Ave. Plot 32A Lot 117 Purpose conduct a perk test within a VE flood zone.
- Request for Determination Applicant Denise P. Hunt Location 46 Bay Street Plot 28A Lot 423 Purpose construct a 12 x 16 shed with in an AE flood zone.
- Request for Determination Applicant V - Corp LLC Location Charity Stevens Lane Plot 40 Lot 14 Purpose verify wetland line and perform a perk test. Within the NRB.
- Notice of Intent Applicant Iskandar W. & Rouba Sarkis Location 2 Gilbert Street Plot 29A Lot 214 Purpose license and repair existing seawall within a VE flood zone and coastal bank.
- Request for Determination Applicant Estate of Joseph S. Thomas c/o Lisa Chouinard Location 80 Fir Street Plot 43C Lots 349-358 & 361-362 Purpose perform perk test.
- Request for Determination Applicant David & Karen Gallagher Location 1 Jerusalem Road Plot @9B Lot 687-690 Purpose construct a 8 x 10 shed within a VE flood zone.

Jay Simmons, Chairman

FAIRHAVEN PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at **6:30 P.M. on December 8, 2015**, in the Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

The purpose of the hearings will be to receive information and public comment on the following applications. 1) **Special Permit**, the applicant, *Shelley Moniz, The Executive Dog, Inc.*, is requesting approval to renew the Special Permit granted in 2005 to operate a Doggie Daycare. The location is *105 Sconticut Neck Road, Map 28, Lot 14K.* 2) The applicant, *the Fairhaven Planning Board*, is proposing to amend Chapter 198, Section 16, 25, 27 and 33. The purpose of the amendment is to make Motor Vehicle and Boat sales, rental and service subject to a Special Permit. In addition new definitions are proposed to be added. 3) The applicant, *the Fairhaven Planning Board*, is proposing to amend

Chapter 198, Section 29- Special Permits. The purpose of the amendment is to add Section G, which would allow the Planning Board to require Security for Special Permits.

Copies of the applications are on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4082, Ext. 9.

Wayne Hayward, Chairman of the Planning Board

Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petition(s):

NEW HEARING

- Petitioner: Tony Martins, RE: 24 Brookview Street, Plot 31, Lot 117; Book 10688 and Page 14; 198-23 - B-4 - Home Occupation - Special Permit required for Building Trades as Home Occupation.

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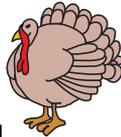
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