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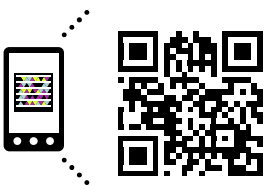
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Teeming with information you need.  
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

## Fairhaven's new Ladder 1 unveiled



Selectboard members and members of the public leave the Selectboard meeting to check out Fairhaven's new ladder truck on Monday, 1/14/19, parked in front of Town Hall. Note the Fairhaven blue on the ladder. The town was able to customize some features of the brand new vehicle. 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.



Beth David, Publisher

Ugh....can I crawl under a rock? Nope. Not possible. I KNOW that the real whaler, the "Acushnet" that Melville sailed on, left from the Fairhaven side of the harbor. The fictional boat is the Pequod. Why my brain did that last week is a mystery. Ah well.

Winter is finally going to get here in earnest (See page 18), and the marsh will be REALY frozen soon. Unless we get rain, which can also happen, right?

Anyway, buckle up because the calm and clear sunny days are definitely going to get pushed aside for at least a little while.

There are still a few outdoor things planned these days, though. See the happenings pages for that (5, 8, 9), and also check out the story on page 6 about the next section of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail getting paved this year. The bids have been opened and it looks like the work could start as soon as the weather warms up a bit. So, if you like that hike-in-the-woods feel of that part of the boke path, you'll have to bundle up and get there soon. It won't be long before it's paved. That'll be great for people who have to stop at Mattapoisett Neck Road because of the end of the pavement.

That's a beautiful stretch that they're missing, too, with a bridge that goes over the river. I love our bike path, and I love that it connects to Mattapoisett's, and I am very excited that the plans will take it to Marion and then Wareham.

Think of how cool that will be, to be able to walk or bike from Fairhaven all the way to Wareham without using Route 6.

Thank you to the many volunteers over the years who made it a reality. And I hope that those who opposed the bike path those many years ago have come to appreciate it now.

Fairhaven got a brand new ladder truck. It's a beauty, and the fire department is all giggles about it. See page 12 for details.

Fairhaven has a new Veterans Agent, too (see page 4), and our Planning Director resigned (see page 13). Changes are afoot.

We also have a couple of disturbing stories in this week's issue. Racist graffiti was painted on a fence (see page 4). Whether or not it was a hate crime intended for the specific family, it is a horrible thing to do. Those words have no place here. Sing them in your stupid songs if you must, but don't make the rest of us see that vile hatred. And if you do not understand why it is so vile and offensive, then you should not use those words. Understand the words you use, or you look like an idiot, at best, or a criminal, at worst.

The other story is about a worker at the Royal of Fairhaven who posted video of two residents to a social media site (page 22). Disrespectful does not even begin to describe this behavior. Cruel and heartless come a little closer, and, hopefully, criminal. The people in those facilities are so vulnerable, and often very scared. People with no heart do not belong there.

Until next week then...see ya.

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story last week about the Miss NB Teen pageant we made a mistake: Emma Gendreau is 15 years old.

Also, in the letter from our esteemed editor, she made a glaring error that certainly makes her want to crawl under a rock. But, alas, that is not quite possible. *Clarification:* The real whaler, the "Acushnet" that Herman Melville sailed on, left from the Fairhaven side of the harbor. The fictional boat is the Pequod (but I knew that...and so did you).

# New Bedford to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.

## Press Release

Mayor Jon Mitchell is pleased to join with the Greater New Bedford Area Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee in welcoming the public to attend the "Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Remembrance Celebration." The celebration will be held on Sunday, January 20, 2019 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. at the Tifereth Israel Congregation, 145 Brownell Avenue in New Bedford.

"New Bedford's annual celebration to honor Dr. King's legacy is an important time for us to reflect on his message of peace and understanding, which unites all Americans," said Mayor Jon Mitchell.

Dr. King was an integral part of the Civil Rights Movement which laid the foundation for the theory and practice of inclusion and diversity in American society and around the world. Though he was assassinated fifty-one years ago, in 1968, Dr. King's dream lives on, touching the hearts and minds of people throughout the world.

The theme for New Bedford's 2019 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Remembrance Celebration is "Where Do We Go From Here?" and was selected by the committee to raise the question of how to speak out against injustice and oppression in the spirit of Dr. King's message. The

2019 keynote speaker will be Rev. Sharyn Halliday, Pastor of Bethel AME Church in New Bedford.

Other program highlights include musical selections by the Deliverance Gospel Choir, Vanessa Marques, and the chorus from James B. Congdon School in New Bedford. The program will also include the announcement of the 2019 Annual Essay Contest winners — a special feature of the annual event for the last 12 years.

All are encouraged to attend the program. For more information contact Marci Pina-Christian or the Department of Community Services at (508) 979-1464.

## Weekend of women includes march in downtown New Bedford

### Womens Forum+

Women's Persisterhood Forum and Lunch at New Bedford Art Museum, 608 Pleasant St., New Bedford, Sat., 1/19, 8:30 a.m., Keynote speaker, Dr. Laurie Santos will speak precisely at 9 a.m., followed by a facilitated discussion from 10-11 a.m. Lunch 11-noon. At noon we will dismiss and head to the Custom House Square to rally and march. Hosted by Women's March Southcoast and Action Together Southeastern Mass.

Part of the second annual Weekend of Women, which includes, Lunafest at Zeiterion on Fri., 1/18, from 5-9 p.m.; afterparty at Slainte Irish Pub at 9 p.m. on 1/18; Men's Forum at Solstice on 1/19 at 10:30 a.m.; Beyond #metoo at NB Public Library at 2:30 p.m. on 1/19; Persisterhood Awards at NB Harbor Hotel at 3 p.m. on 1/19; Free makeovers at Sty Makers Salon

on Sun., 1/20; MLK Jr. Day at Tifereth Israel Congregation at 3 p.m. on 1/20.

### Men's Forum

Sat., 1/19, 10:a.m.-11:30 a.m., at Solstice Skateboarding, 102 William St., NB: Join Manny DeBrito and Angel Diaz for a forum to discuss being allies to women and children. We respectfully request that registration be limited to male oriented attendees.

### March

Sat., 1/19, beginning at Custom House Square, downtown New Bedford. Pre-March Rally begins at 12 noon. Anniversary of the Women's March in downtown New Bedford. Starting at Custom House Square. Open to all! Children and families welcome. Singers include Miss New Bedford 2018 and Showstoppers Performing Arts, Inc. Speakers include Dr. Kim Holland, Poet

Laureate Patricia Gomes.

Statement of March Values: In all areas, ATMA and all March affiliates stand for equal rights, religious tolerance, freedom of the press, science, inclusivity, social justice, economic freedom, and fundamental human decency.

Affiliated and Partner organizations: Action Together Massachusetts, Women's Fund of Southeastern Massachusetts, YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts, Human Relations Commission, Martha Briggs, A's before J's Program, Coalition for Social Justice, We Won't Go Back/New Bedford, New Bedford Harbor Hotel, Slainte Irish Pub, Plum Direct Marketing, Foxx and Luna

Find info on the whole Weekend of Women at <https://www.facebook.com/events/2067228159962412/> including a Women's Forum and lunch before the march.



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# Fairhaven unveils its brand new ladder truck, hires Vets agent

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Selectboard welcomed the town's new Veterans Agent, and inspected the town's new ladder truck at its meeting on Monday, 1/14/19. After opening up the meeting, the board took a quick recess to go outside and inspect the new Ladder 1 (see story on page 12), which boasts the latest technology.

The board also approved the appointment of Bradford Fish of Acushnet as the town's new Veterans Agent. The town has been operating without an agent for several months, with the work falling on Administrative Secretary Jane Bettencourt.

The board presented Ms. Bettencourt with a bouquet of flowers to let her know that they appreciated her

extra effort.

Mr. Fish was hired by Town Administrator Mark Rees, subject to approval by the Board, after a search committee picked him as their first choice.

He is currently Veteran's Service Officer for the town of Westport. He served as a Marine and the Army National Guard. He also worked for the Department of Defense and the US Post Office.

"I love what I do. I love what I do for a living," Mr. Fish told the board.

He has four grown children, and lives in Acushnet with his wife Carol. Mr. Fish should be able to start in a couple of weeks.

In another matter, Mr. Rees reviewed the report from HKT Architects, which studied town

buildings and made recommendations for repairs and maintenance. The total cost of renovations is more than \$100 million. The firm created a prioritized list of nine projects for the town to plan on.

The number one recommendation was for a new public safety facility for the police and fire departments, Harbormaster, and a new animal shelter, estimated at \$40.6 million if constructed in 2021. The town does not own the 4.5 to 4.75 acres needed for the project, so the cost includes some money to buy land.

Mr. Rees told the board that he and the chiefs have a few sites in mind, but they need to send out a Request for Proposal (RFP) first.

He said the only way to get some of

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## Racial slur on fence prompts hate crimes investigation

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven police are investigating as a hate crime the vandalism on a fence on Castle Avenue, behind Fairhaven High School.

A racial slur was painted on the stockade fence in front of the home of a Cape Verdean family. "Kill a N\_\_a" it reads, "Like a care package."

Lt. Kevin Kobza, Fairhaven Police Department spokesperson, said the incident is being investigated as a hate crime, which includes the required reporting to the appropriate agencies.

"To have such a disgusting display of horrible racism rear its ugly head within our community is as infuriating as it is heartbreaking," said Lt. Kobza. "This absolutely does not define who we are as a town, and it certainly is not reflective of who we

are as a people. Whoever is responsible for this atrocity will be charged to the fullest extent of the law."

He said there have been no other incidents of this nature in Fairhaven and the department is vigorously investigating it.

There was some graffiti vandalism to the high school on 11/30/18, but there were no racist overtones in that incident.

The resident had previously reported to police that her house had had eggs thrown at it on New Year's Day. Police do not know if the incidents are related.

In an update, just before press time, Lt. Kobza said that the ongoing investigation revealed that the sentence written on the fence is from a rap song, leading police to believe it may be more of a random act than a

hate crime aimed at the family.

The area is at a dead end "paper street" that is used by the neighbors as a short cut.

"Due to these circumstances, and in speaking with the resident further, police believe that the act was random and that the graffiti was likely done by someone using the trail behind the victim's home," said Lt. Kobza in a press release.

Police are still investigating the incident as an act of vandalism and defacement of personal property.

"If further information is developed that indicates that a hate crime was indeed committed, the Department will pursue the case as such," reads the statement.

Anyone who has information about any of these incidents, should call the Fairhaven Police at 508-997-7421.●●●

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# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## Vendors Wanted

The Huttleston Marketplace in Fairhaven, MA, will be starting its second season on Saturday, June 1, 2019, after a successful run last summer. Application forms for vendors are now available at a link shown below.

The marketplace, operated by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism, is held on Saturdays on the lawn of the Fairhaven Visitors Center, 141 Main Street at the intersection of Route 6, next to Fairhaven High School. In 2019 it will run from June 1 through September 14. The following Saturday, September 21, the seventh annual Harvest Fun Day will be held at the same location. Huttleston Marketplace vendors have the option of adding Harvest Fun Day to their schedule.

The following link downloads the application form that includes all the specific rules and guidelines. <http://fairhaventours.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Application-Form-2019.pdf>

Categories for Huttleston Marketplace vendors are: • arts, crafts, photography (crafts must be hand-made) • local authors • antiques, vintage collectibles, used books • whole fresh farm produce, plants • prepared food (requires food vendor permit from BOH) • the Huttleston Marketplace does not accept representatives/consultants for commercially produced, direct sales products.

Vendors may sign up for single Saturdays of their choice at \$20 for an 11'x11' space. There is a nine-week discount rate of \$100 for any nine weeks, and a full season discount of \$150 for the 16-week season. (Plus another \$20 can be tacked on for Harvest Fun Day.)

Some vendors sign up for one or two Saturdays at the beginning of the season and then add on dates at \$20 each as the summer goes on. One does not need to choose all of the weeks at the beginning of the season.

The cost of the space is a donation to the Tourism Gift Account and that money is used to promote the marketplace, purchase related supplies, and to hire local musicians to perform during the day.

Last season a total of 65 vendors participated during the course of the

season. Each Saturday there were about 30 to 35 booths set up. The majority of vendors are eager to return in 2019, and we expect the marketplace will grow in its second season.

You can visit the web page at: <https://fairhaventours.com/huttleston-marketplace/>.

There is also a Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/HuttlestonMarketplace/>.

If you have any other questions, feel free to call the Fairhaven Office of Tourism at 508-979-4085 or email [FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov](mailto:FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov).

## Historical Society Scholarship

A \$1000 scholarship for a graduating Fairhaven-resident high school senior interested in history will be awarded by the Fairhaven Historical Society.

The scholarship, to be presented for the first time in 2019 and annually thereafter, honors Enrique Goytizolo's dedication to preserving the history of the Town of Fairhaven and his vital and long-time leadership role with the Fairhaven Historical Society. The Fairhaven Historical Society is a 501C3 organization.

**Deadline for scholarship applications is January 31, 2019.**

To obtain an application students can contact the Fairhaven Historical Society, [historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com](mailto:historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com). In addition to the application, students must submit an essay of no more than 400 words focusing on Fairhaven history, what it means to the applicant, and how that has impacted the applicant's interest in the further study of history. Three references as specified on the application are also required.

Applications and essays must be submitted via email to [historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com](mailto:historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com). The scholarship award recipient will be notified via email on or before April 1, 2019.

Recognition of receipt of the scholarship will be made at graduation and at the Annual Fairhaven Historical Society Annual Meeting and Dinner in June. The one-time award of \$1000 will be presented to the recipient upon proof of successful completion of semester one classes.

A minimum of three hours of volunteer time at the Fairhaven Historical Society Museum or Fairhaven Historical Society events/activities within one year of scholarship award notification is required of each annual scholarship recipient.

For more information or an application email [historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com](mailto:historicalsocietyfairhaven@gmail.com).

## Buzzards Bay Swim Registration Open

Make your New Year's resolution to have a great time for a good cause at the 26th anniversary Buzzards Bay Swim on Saturday, June 22, 2019. Registration is now open at [www.savebuzzardsbay.org/swim](http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/swim)

The Buzzards Bay Swim is an exciting outdoor experience that welcomes swimmers of all abilities and fitness levels ages 11 and up. Over 300 swimmers complete a scenic 1.2-mile point-to-point open water course from New Bedford's South End, past the iconic Butler Flats Lighthouse and New Bedford Hurricane Barrier with a crowd of hundreds watching and cheering.

At the finish line at Fort Phoenix State Reservation in Fairhaven, swimmers and their guests are welcomed with a beach party featuring a live steel drum band, pancakes cooked to order, gourmet coffee, free massages, local craft beer and awards and prizes. First-time and beginner swimmers can swim with a personal kayak or paddleboard escort for added support.

Last year, swimmers raised a total of \$158,000 to support the Coalition's ongoing work .

to prevent pollution and protect clean water in Buzzards Bay.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Monarch Butterflies: Our special summer visitor

Join us for special talk, Monarch Butterflies and Fairhaven: Our special summer visitor, on Sat., 3/2, at 1 p.m., at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven (Walnut Street entrance)

It's winter now, but spring is just around the corner! Join Fairhaven resident and local monarch butterfly

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# DW White is apparent low bidder in bike path project

*Press Release*

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has announced that DW White is the apparent low bidder for its upcoming project to build a shared-use path in Mattapoisett. The path will accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians and will extend from Mattapoisett Neck Road to Depot Street.

The Mattapoisett Rail Trail connects to Fairhaven's Phoenix Bike Trail just east of Shaw Road at the Shaw Farm Trail.

This new path will be the next phase of the connection that currently exists heading west through Mattapoisett and Fairhaven, terminating at the Fairhaven/New Bedford Harbor. Bids from ten contractors for this project were opened on Tuesday, January 8, with the lowest bid from DW White being \$6,645,395.44. As per policy, MassDOT will now review the bid prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed for work.

"We are pleased to see this multimodal infrastructure project continuing to move forward," said Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. "I would like to thank the many stakeholders that have transformed this idea into a reality, such as the Town of Mattapoisett, the local elected officials, and the

Mattapoisett Bike Path Committee and their Friends Committee. We look forward to continuing to work together to deliver this important project."

Since 2015, the Baker-Polito Administration has constructed or funded 150 miles of paved trails, adding to the current state wide inventory of 565 miles of paved trails. Over 30 miles of trails spanning over a dozen projects were completed across the Commonwealth in 2018.

"I am excited to see the project reach another important milestone for a connected bike path through Mattapoisett; this next phase of construction is the culmination of years of planning work undertaken by community members and professionals many of whom have volunteered their time," said Representative Bill Straus. "I want to thank Governor Baker for making the project a priority, and I want to offer special thanks to all of the local advocates and members of town meeting who continue to support the path."

In 2017, Governor Baker established an Interagency Trails Team which is led by the Governor's office and is comprised of staff from MassDOT, the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). The purpose of the team is to help develop a unified vision for a trails network and translate that into strategic investments, policy innovation to facilitate the development of trails, and an enhanced relationship with municipal partners.



ABOVE & BELOW: The paved portion of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail ends at Mattapoisett Neck Road now, but, thanks to a state grant, this section to the YMCA property, will be paved this year. *Photo by Glenn C. Silva.*



The Baker-Polito Administration in fall 2018 also announced the MassTrails Program, an interagency initiative that will provide funding and resources to municipal and public entities in order to expand and connect networks of off-road, shared-use pathways and recreational trails for all users across Massachusetts.

The MassTrails Program will provide a total of approximately \$5 million in matching grants through the first round of funding in Fiscal Year 2020 and will also offer technical assistance and resources to individuals, municipalities, non-profits, and other public entities to design, construct, and maintain high-quality Massachusetts trails. The grant application for the MassTrails Program is now available and more information can now be found on the new public website: <https://www.mass.gov/welcome-to-masstrails>.

MassDOT's 5-year Capital Investment Plan (CIP) sets aside \$180 million for multi-use pathways as well as \$60 million for high-priority projects through the statewide Pedestrian and Bicycle Plans that are currently being completed.

To learn more about the Mattapoisett Rail Trail visit <https://mattapoisettrailtrail.com> or <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/places-to-go/mattapoisett-rail-trail/>

To learn more about the Phoenix Bike Trail visit <https://fairhaventours.com/phoenix-bike-trail-fairhaven-ma/>

# Regal House Outlet opens in Fairhaven

Press Release

Regal House has moved its outlet location to Fairhaven. Regal House Outlet Furniture & Mattress offers discounted prices on clearance items. It was located on Belleville Avenue in New Bedford, but moved to 13 Berdon Way, Fairhaven, the site of the former Shaw's. Regal House is a family owned business that has been in operation since the 1980s.

Regal House Outlet, established in 2001, offers discounted prices on new brand name furniture from well-known vendors such as Ashley, the world's largest furniture manufacturer. Customers can find great deals on sofas, sectionals, recliners, dining room, bedrooms, kids furniture, and accent pieces, including Sierra sleep mattresses from Ashley, Laura Ashley bedding, and more than 27 models of mattresses to choose from.

The company offers free financing plans, and low price delivery fees; all major credit cards are accepted.

The new location opened for its first full day on 1/16/19. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.;

Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, visit [www.regalhouseoutlet.com](http://www.regalhouseoutlet.com), or call 508-996-5437, or find us on Facebook,

[www.facebook.com/regalhouseclearanceoutlet/](http://www.facebook.com/regalhouseclearanceoutlet/)

The New Bedford store is located at 965 Church Street.



Regal House Outlet is open for business at 13 Berdon Way in Fairhaven on 1/16/18. Photo by Glenn C. Silva.

## Local Cancer Survivors and Caregivers to be Honored

Press Release

Local cancer survivors and their caregivers will take the celebratory first lap at the 25th annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Greater New Bedford event on June 21, 2019 at Paul Walsh Field in New Bedford. The Survivors Lap will begin at 6:30PM.

Anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer and their caregivers are encouraged to join the celebration. As the survivors walk, other participants will cheer them on in a demon-

stration of support and celebration. The survivor lap will be led by three lead survivors – Ana Costa, Lauren Andrade Hoey, and Giselle Velez.

Celebrating 25 years in 2019, Relay For Life of Greater New Bedford is a community event where teams and individuals come together to honor, celebrate, and raise funds and awareness in an effort to free the world from the pain and suffering of cancer. Money raised will help the American Cancer Society provide free information and support for people

facing the disease today, and fund cancer research that will help protect future generations.

If you are a cancer survivor or caregiver and would like to be part of the Relay For Life event, visit [RelayForLife.org/gtrnewbedfordma](http://RelayForLife.org/gtrnewbedfordma), or call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345.

Founded by Dr. Gordy Klatt in Washington in 1985, the Relay For Life movement is the world's largest fundraising event to save lives from cancer.

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# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## MLK Day Event

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## Women's Rights March & Forum

See page 3.

## Miss NB Teen

The Miss New Bedford Outstanding Teen pageant will take place on **Sat., 1/19, at 6:00 p.m. at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, 1121 Ashley Boulevard in New Bedford.**

Tickets purchased in advance are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children/seniors. At the door, all tickets for patrons of all ages will be a flat rate of \$20. You may reserve tickets by contacting tickets@missnewbedford.org or 508-971-9564.

## "Harvey" at YTI

YTI Director Suzanne J. Houbre of New Bedford, MA. has cast twelve Southcoast area actors to take the stage in the hit Pulitzer Prize-winning Broadway and Hollywood comedy *Harvey* by Mary Chase, the fourth major attraction of Your Theatre, Inc.'s 72nd season.

The cast includes Peter Ashworth, Lawrence R. Houbre, Jr. and Al Vitale of New Bedford, Mellanie Crowther of Fairhaven, Stephen R. Kay and Megan McCaughey of Swansea, Susan Wing Markson of Lakeville, Camerin Bennett and Susan B., Sullivan of Fairhaven, Susie Kokkins of Marion, Bob Goodwin of Bristol, RI and Dennis J. Smith of Tiverton, RI. The production is stage managed by Mellanie Crowther of Fairhaven. Costumes are by Mark P. Fuller, Set and Lighting design by Lawrence R. Houbre, Jr., both of New Bedford with sound design by William Smith of Dartmouth.

### *A Hilarious Whirlwind Of Confusion*

This comedy pulls laughter out of the hat at every turn. Elwood P. Dowd is charming and kind with one character flaw: an unwavering friendship with a 6-foot-tall, invisible white rabbit named Harvey. When Elwood starts to introduce his friend to guests at a society party, his sister Veta can't take it anymore. In order to save the family's social reputation, Elwood's sister takes him to the local sanatorium. But when the doctor

mistakenly commits his anxiety-ridden sister, Elwood and Harvey slip out of the hospital unbothered, setting off a hilarious whirlwind of confusion and chaos as everyone in town tries to catch a man and his invisible rabbit. Everyone needs a best friend, and ours is Harvey!

Your Theatre, Inc. is grateful to our 72th Season Sponsor, Bank5, for their seventh year of strong support for the arts.

The play opens on January 10, 2019 and runs for two Thursdays through Sundays. Performance dates are January 10, 11, 12, 13 and 17, 18, 19, 20, 2019. Curtain time is 7:30 PM for all performances except the 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinees. Performances are held at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse located at 136 Rivet St. (corner of County St.), New Bedford, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church complex. Free off-street parking entrance is on County Street.

**Tickets are \$18 general admission, \$13 for season subscribers (three show minimum), and \$15 for senior citizens, students, and military personnel.** For further information call Your Theatre, Inc. at 508-993-0772, or send an email to info@yourtheatre.org. The theatre's web site is [www.yourtheatre.org](http://www.yourtheatre.org).

## SAVE THE DATES

### Quilt Guild Meeting

Shining Tides Quilt Guild, Inc. promotes social, charitable, education and cultural connections among quilters. We offer two meeting times one during the day at VFW #3260; 281 Appleton St., New Bedford (corner of Appleton St. and Ashley Blvd.). Social at 9:30 am and meeting 10-12; we meet every 4th Monday from September to June. Our night meeting meets at United Methodist Church; 67 Main St., Acushnet. Social at 6:30 pm and meeting from 7-9 pm. we meet every 2nd Monday from September to June. Check out our Web site: <http://www.shiningtidesquiltguild.com>

### Route 18 Interchange meeting

A Public Informational Meeting will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed **New Bedford Route I-195 to Rte. 18 Interchange Rehabilitation Project in New Bedford, MA, at the New Bedford Public Library – Main**

**Branch, 613 Pleasant Street New Bedford, MA 02740, on Thurs., 1/31, at 6:30 p.m.**

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed New Bedford Route I-195 to Route 18 Interchange Rehabilitation Project. All views and comments made at the meeting will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

The proposed project consists of the replacement of the existing viaduct bridge structure that carries Interstate I-195 over the Route 18 interchange, Mass Coastal railroad, Mt. Pleasant Street, Purchase Street, State Street and Weld Street. Once the project has been completed, the I-195 interchange will feature new signage to enhance daytime and nighttime visibility, signal improvements, new drainage, and safety enhancements such as wider auxiliary lanes for weaving, longer deceleration lanes, road shoulders, and safer roadside barriers. Aged, damaged guardrail will be replaced.

### Free Dance Film

Zeiterion Performing Arts Center will offer several dance-themed events as part of their Dance Discovery program in the 2018/2019 season, many of which are free and open to the public.

"Dance belongs to everyone, so The Z is committed to removing barriers to the art form with free eventst," said Rosemary Gill, Executive Director, Programming & Development. "Because dance isn't as available as other performing arts genres like music, it's our duty to keep trained dance in the public through our Dance Discovery program."

The next free Dance Discovery event is **Dance Barre — Kicking and Screening: New England Choreographers Showcase, Wed., 2/27, 7:00 p.m. FREE**

Join us for a film presentation of short experimental dances created specifically for the camera. The films collected here represent a diversity of cultural backgrounds and artistic languages; and though all are concerned with the capture of the moving body within the moving frame, each does so in its own unique

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# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

## Free Movie

The Tuesday at 2 Movie Matinee on Jan., 1/22 is *Victoria & Abdul*, at 2 p.m., Acushnet Public Library, 232 Middle Rd. Bring a covered beverage and a snack if you wish. Abdul Karim arrives from India to participate in Queen Victoria's golden jubilee. The young clerk is surprised to find favor with the queen herself. As Victoria questions the constrictions of her long-held position, the two forge an unlikely and devoted alliance that her household and inner circle try to destroy. As their friendship deepens, the queen begins to see a changing world through new eyes, joyfully reclaiming her humanity. Presented through a license with Movie Licensing USA. Visit [www.acupl.org](http://www.acupl.org) or call 508-998-0270.

## Acushnet YouTube

Acushnet Cable is on YouTube. You can watch meetings and other events at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQLN-V7X9rp0JdWXh445neQ>

Acushnet residents are encouraged to subscribe to the channel. If the channel gets 100 subscribers, the name can be changed to a custom URL that will be easier to remember.

In the meantime visit [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) and search "Acushnet Cable," and the channel page will pop up at the top.

## Acushnet Cultural Council

The Acushnet Cultural Council is in need of members, please consider volunteering. The Acushnet Cultural Council is a group of citizens who have been appointed by the Selectboard to administer funds appropriated by the Massachusetts Cultural Council for the purpose of providing events in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences for the residents of Acushnet.

The Cultural Council is in need of three or more new members to fulfill our commitment to the children and residents of our town. Our team needs five members to operate for a quorum. A term is three years, up to six if you choose. Then you would need to sit out for one year before renewing. This is the case this year, with all but two of our members having to remove ourselves from service.

Meetings are minimal; there are opportunities for seminars and training with wother towns.

Grants previously funded by the ACC: Acushnet Art Show, Storytellers at the library, pass programs for the three Acushnet Schools, music for seniors at the COA, New Bedford Festival Theater, NBSO youth concerts, Tri County Symphonic Band, New Bedford Folk Festival.

Our priorities are the town's school children, our senior citizens and local art organizations.

To volunteer, please send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen's Office, 122 Main St., Acushnet, MA 02743.

## Long Dam Walk

Have you been sticking with your New Year's resolution to get more exercise? Join DNRT for a challenging hike! On Monday, January 21, Mike Labossiere and a group of DNRT staff and volunteers will lead a 6.5 mile walk through several properties, including DNRT's Ridge Hill Reserve, the Southeastern MA Bioreserve, and Copicut Woods. Attendees will also be able to walk across the Copicut Reservoir Dam, which is not normally open to the public! Prepare for uneven terrain; wet, rocky, and rooty areas; as well as inclines. This walk takes approximately 3.5-4 hours.

Space is limited and pre-registration required. Sign up at [dnrt.org/events](http://dnrt.org/events) or by calling DNRT at (508) 991-2289. Meeting location and details will be emailed to registrants before walk. Sorry, dogs not allowed on this hike!

At Southeastern MA Bioreserve, Dartmouth, MA 02747; Monday, January 21, 10:00 AM. Free for DNRT Members, \$5 Non-Members

## Lunar Eclipse

On the evening of January 20 into the morning of January 21, the shadow of earth will pass in front of the full moon, creating a total lunar eclipse. Come join the Buzzards Bay Coalition at The Bogs (138 Acushnet Rd., Mattapoisett) to watch this incredible celestial event!

Located far from city lights, within the Mattapoisett River Reserve, The Bogs offer a dark, expansive sky perfect for views of the eclipsed moon. This eclipse will reach its peak

at 12:12 AM on January 21. Stop by any time between 11:30 PM and 12:30 AM to view the moon up-close and personal, and learn a bit more about this astronomical event.

Sky viewing will be weather-dependent. Please check the event page/Facebook the morning of the program for cancellations.

Dress warmly; we recommend bringing a chair and blankets if you plan to stay and watch the event. Binoculars and telescopes are welcome, and some extra binoculars will be available for use. Hot chocolate will be provided!

To learn more and register, visit <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/total-lunar-eclipse-the-bogs-jan-20-2019/> or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition at (508) 999-6363 ext. 219 or [bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org](mailto:bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org).

## Auditions

Theatre By The Sea announces Equity and Non-Equity Adult Auditions for its 2019 Summer Season. Seeking strong actors, dancers and singers. Performers must be available for all rehearsal and performance dates. Local talent is strongly encouraged to audition. All roles are open for the following productions:

Love and Other Fables to be presented from May 29 - June 16; Singin' in the Rain to be presented from June 19 - July 13; Disney's Newsies to be presented from July 17-August 10; Saturday Night Fever to be presented from August 14 - September 8

**Auditions will be held on Saturday, January 26 and Sunday, January 27, 2019 at: URI - Fine Arts Building, 105 Upper College Rd, Kingston, RI 02881** Parking and entrance behind building.

The schedule for both days will be: 9:00 am - Sign-in begins; 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - Open Call; 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Dance callbacks

Additional information and character breakdowns are available at [www.TheatreByTheSea.com](http://www.TheatreByTheSea.com). Please email Matthew Chappell, Casting Director, with any questions at [mchappell@nsmt.org](mailto:mchappell@nsmt.org)

Performers of all ethnicities and backgrounds are strongly encouraged to attend this audition.

## Recipe of the Week Jalapeño Popper Dip

10 slices bacon  
1 (8-oz.) block cream cheese,  
softened  
1/3 c. mayonnaise  
1/3 c. sour cream  
1 tsp. garlic powder  
2 jalapeños, minced  
1 1/2 c. shredded cheddar  
1 1/2 c. shredded Monterey jack  
Kosher salt  
Freshly ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large nonstick skillet over medium heat, cook bacon until crispy, about 8 mins. Drain on a paper towel-lined plate, then chop.

In a large bowl, stir together cream cheese, mayo, sour cream, garlic powder, most of cooked bacon (reserve some for topping), most of the jalapeños (reserve some for topping), and 1 cup each cheddar and Monterey jack. Season with salt and pepper.

Transfer to a small oven-safe skillet or baking dish and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cups cheddar and Monterey jack, cooked bacon, and jalapeño.

Bake until dip is golden & bubbly, 15 to 20 mins. (If desired, broil 3 minutes to get cheese extra golden.) *From delish.com*

### To share a recipe with your neighbors

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## Cultural Council awardees announced

*Press Release*

The Fairhaven Cultural Council is pleased to announce the Fairhaven Local Cultural Council Grant award winners for 2019. In addition to demonstrating compliance with Massachusetts Cultural Council and local grant project guidelines, winning projects demonstrated the most benefit to our community and specifically for residents of Fairhaven, providing opportunities for all ages to participate in a variety of arts and humanities areas.

Projects funded this year include NBAM/ArtWorks! Teen Internship Program, "Resourceful Composer, Resourceful Planet"; the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra's Learning in Concert program for Fairhaven Elementary School students; South Coast Children's Theater's production of "The Little Mermaid", "Firebird"; New Bedford Ballet's in-school programs for Fairhaven Elementary School students; New Bedford Festival Theater's Summer Academy; Tri-County Symphonic Band; the 8th Annual New Bedford JazzFest; the 2019 New Bedford Folk Festival; the Cooke Memorial Park Basin Garden project; Fishing Heritage Center's "The Fishing Industry: Then and Now" exhibit; Shakespeare in NB's "Much Ado About Nothing"; the South Coast Children's Chorus Community Choral Connections; Fairhaven

Lions Club's "Painting with Splash" Community Event; Zeiterion Theater Field Trip for St. Joseph's School students; and Seaglass Theater Company's "Stars and Stripes: A Musical Salute".

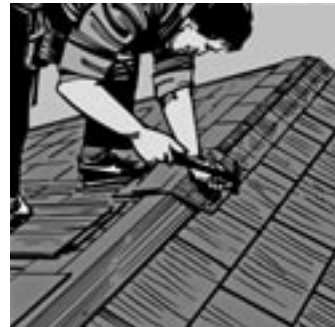
Support for the Local Cultural Council (LCC) grant program is provided annually by the Massachusetts Cultural Council as well as from the town of Fairhaven. Funding allotted by the town of Fairhaven is earmarked to support events that promote tourism and attract visitors to local businesses. In 2019, town funds will be supporting the John Root's "Edible Wild Plants of the Northeast" lecture at the Millicent Library; Bates & Tincknell's "Universe of Songs & Stories"; 2019 Summer Reading Kick-off at the Millicent Library; and the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society's 2019 Manjiro Festival.

Events and programs are offered at affordable or free ticket prices; many offer senior citizen discounts as well.

Visit the Fairhaven council's blog at <http://fairhavenculturalcouncil.com>.

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# Fairhaven's new ladder truck is state of the art

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven's new ladder truck is a state-of-the art piece of equipment that the Fairhaven Fire Department helped to design. Fairhaven Fire Chief Timothy Francis and Deputy Fire Chief Todd Correia displayed the new vehicle outside Town Hall on Monday, 1/14, during the Selectboard meeting. Selectboard members, Town Administrator Mark Rees, and members of the public were able to take a good gander at the new truck and ask questions.

The new truck will consolidate two pieces, wrote Mr. Correia in an email: The heavy rescue which is 23 years old, and the old ladder which is 35 years old. The new truck is expected to last 25 years.

The ladder is 110 feet, the same as the old one, but the new ladder has the hose permanently fixed to it. This means that firefighters do not have to haul the hose up the ladder. It can also be turned on from below.

The new truck has a 20 kw generator and a "full cascade system," which means it can resupply air tanks for firefighters. It seats four firefighters and will also be used as the technical rescue vehicle.

"This vehicle will make us more efficient with our responses," wrote

Mr. Correia.

The truck contains all the current technology, including LEDs, battery operated equipment. In addition to the aerial ladder, it has eight other ladders from 10 feet to 35 feet long.

"All hose connections are interoperable with our neighboring communities, so the truck will adapt to other town equipment," wrote Mr. Correia.

Each firefighter has had at least 12-15 hours of initial training by the in house training lieutenant and the manufacturer. They will continue to train for the remainder of the year to obtain proficiency in the operations.

The truck took nine months to build, plus two months to customize it to the specifications of the town, including the use of Fairhaven blue on the ladder lights. It was designed by the Apparatus Study Committee, whose members include: Chairperson John Rogers (citizen member); Charlie Murphy, Selectboard member; Timothy Francis, Fire Chief; Todd Correia, Deputy Chief; Robert Lincoln, EMS/Training Lieutenant; Brian Messier, FD Lt.; Joshua Benoit, Firefighter Paramedic; G. Bourne Knowes, Lieutenant and Tree Warden; Todd Cox, Firefighter; Donn Fletcher, retired Deputy Fire Chief (citizen member).

Cost of the truck was just over



\$903K and \$21K+ on equipment, for a total of about \$925,000.

At the Selectboard meeting, the chief and deputy fire chief thanked the board and Town Meeting for supporting the project.



TOP: Fairhaven's new ladder truck shines Fairhaven blue in front of town hall on 1/14/19, as it is checked out by town officials. The town was able to customize some features of the brand new vehicle. ABOVE LEFT: L-R: Fairhaven Fire Chief Timothy Francis explains some of the features of Fairhaven's new ladder truck to Selectboard member Bob Espindola, Town Administrator Mark Rees, and Selectboard member Charles K. Murphy, Sr. ABOVE RIGHT: Fairhaven town officials and members of the public check out the new ladder truck  
Photos by Beth David.

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the projects done would be with debt exclusions, which means an override on the tax cap that Proposition 1 1/2 imposes on municipalities in Mass.

Costs are estimated based on the year a project would likely be done, since it is not feasible to do all the projects in one year. The firm provided the town with an escalated cost table out to 10 years

Second on the list was relocating the school administration offices to the old Tripp School, 56 Bridge Street, with renovations, and also using it for other high school needs, and possibly town offices. Work to the building includes gutting the interior, some structural and exterior work, and some HVAC work. Total is estimated at about \$7.4 million if the work is done in 2022.

Third on the list is the Senior Center and Recreation Center building, with recommendations for additions and renovations. Work at that site would include exterior maintenance that has been deferred, electrical and plumbing work. The recommendation also includes an additional 990 square feet of for the recreation side and some renovations to allow more office space. Total for those recommendations is about \$5.4 million in 2022.

Number four on the list is improving wheelchair accessibility in town hall, exterior renovations and mechanical and electrical upgrades totalling about \$383K if done in 2021.

Number five on the list is renovations to the LL Wood and East Fairhaven Elementary schools to correct accessibility issues and miscellaneous issues with the mechanical systems, totalling about \$2 million, but with state grants, the town's portion would be less, around \$1.16 million if done in 2022.

The BPW is six on the list, with a recommendation for a new vehicle storage building and interior renovations, at a cost of \$5.59 million if done in 2023.

Number seven on the list is

Hastings Middle School improvements, which include roof replacement, demolishing the modular classroom, HVAC upgrades, and other exterior and interior work. Cost is estimated at \$11.5 million if done in 2023, with 40% reimbursed by the state.

Fairhaven High School is eight on the list, with improvements to heating, plumbing, electrical, and masonry work slated to be done in 2024 for \$25.5 million, but with some reimbursement, about 40% from the state.

The Millicent Library made the high priorities list at number nine, for upgrades to the ventilation and air conditioning systems, electrical and plumbing. Cost of the project is estimated at \$2.4 million in 2024, with a variety of funding sources to take some of the sting out of it, leaving about \$1.2 million to come from the general fund.

The study also breaks out costs for renovating the animal shelter as a separate project, or demolishing the emergency management building on Sciticut Neck Road, and for renovating the School Administration building on Washington Street.

In another matter, the board was supposed to meet with Hatem El Rifai, the owner of Fairhaven Getty, to make changes to his license, but they did not meet with him. The board extended his temporary license until the next meeting, 1/28, to give him and the town time to work out some



Bradford Fish of Acushnet meets with Fairhaven Selectboard members on 1/14/19, after being appointed as the town's new Veterans Agent. His wife Carol watches from a few rows back. Photo by Beth David.

differences, Mr. Rees told the board.

The motion passed, 2-1, with Chairperson Daniel Freitas voting against the extension. He said he visited the station's website and saw more cars for sale than the permit allows.

"So I don't know how serious he's taking this," said Mr. Freitas.

Selectboard member Charles Murphy said he believed some cars were at Mr. El Rifai's Wareham site.

But Mr. Freitas said he would hold off until he was sure.

In other business, Mr. Rees told the board that the Zoning Board of Appeals approved the modifications to the project at the Oxford School. The project has been downsized

The town also finalized the host community agreement with BASK, which is seeking to open a recreational marijuana facility in Fairhaven. The company already operates a medical marijuana dispensary in town. The recreational shop would be at the same location.

## Fairhaven Planning Director resigns

By Beth David  
Editor

After only eight months on the job, Gloria McPherson has resigned from her position as Director of Planning

and Economic Development in Fairhaven. Ms. McPherson was hired in April of 2018.

The *Neighb News* learned of the resignation close to press time, and

we were unable to reach Ms. McPherson for comment.

It is unclear how long she will remain on the job while the town seeks a replacement.

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## Kool Kids February Vacation

This 4 day program is a great opportunity to make new friends while participating in fun group activities such as pillo polo, floor hockey, dodge ball, cooperative games, flag football, arts & crafts, etc. Kids will need to bring their own lunch for the first 3 days of the program. The last day is a pizza lunch. Come ready to have fun! Sneakers and active clothes must be worn each day. Kids will be grouped according to their current grade in school.

Grades: K-5. Dates: 2/19/19 – 2/22/19. Drop off between 8-8:15, pick up by 3 p.m. Instructors: Staff  
Cost: Member \$100; Non Member \$125

## Home Alone Safety Class

This course is designed to encourage children to be more independent. Topics covered will be basic first aid, door and telephone protocol, accident prevention, and first aid for choking and safety measures. Pizza will also be provided. Space is limited... sign up soon!!

Ages: 9-11. Date: February 12  
Instructor: Beth Oleson Time: 6PM-8PM Cost: \$50 Members; \$55 Non-members

## Body Pump

Three great classes in one: 20/20/20, tabata, which is 20-second exercise, 10 second rest and circuit training. Each class will be a different one, to shock your body into getting more fit. Hand weights and stability ball needed

Ages:16-Adult Tuesday and Thursday 6:45PM-7:45PM

Cost: \$50 Member; \$75 Non Member Start Date: January 8 End Date: March 19 Instructor: Julie Baiardi.

# Fairhaven Senior Center

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## Mall Trips

1/23 Hyannis Mall, Xmas Shop, Trader Joe's  
1/30 Burlington & South Coast Market place

## Entertainment: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

1/23 D&D • 1/24 Ray J • 1/30 D&D • 1/31 Joe Mac

## Special Activities

### Weather Cancellations

If we have any amount of snow accumulation, there will be no shopping that day and activities may be cancelled. Call the Senior Center (508-979-4029) to confirm. So please stock up on non-perishable food items. If the Town Hall is closed because of bad weather, the Fairhaven Senior Center will also be closed.

### Southcoast VNA & Hospice

Grief Support Group, 1st Tuesday of the month Widows and Widowers Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the month General Loss Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. Join Nancy Arnold as she provides the support you need to get through these difficult times. Call the Fairhaven Senior Center to sign up at 508-979-4029.

### Family Caregiver Support Group

Open to ALL Caregivers 1st Friday of every month: 1-2:30 p.m. Dartmouth COA 228 Dartmouth Street, South Dartmouth. Pre-registration is not required For more information please call Carolyn Lazaris or Stephanie Gibson at 508-999-6400.

### Sewing Circle

Mondays 1-3 p.m., 2/4, 2/11; and

Thursdays 5:45-8 p.m., Jan. 24 31, Feb. 7, 21, 28. Call 508-979-4029 for additional dates.

### Volunteer

Looking for something to do this summer? Sharing the Harvest Community Farm is looking for green thumbs of every skill level who can help during the harvesting season. All produce from the farm is donated to those in need throughout the South Coast. Email [sharingtheharvest@ymcasc.org](mailto:sharingtheharvest@ymcasc.org) for more information

### Computer Technology for Seniors

9-10:00 a.m. Participants must sign up at the main desk at the Senior Center. Bring your own laptops. The first 8 to sign up will be accepted. Remaining dates: Feb.4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15. Please call the Fairhaven COA to sign up.

### One Drop at a Time

Amy LeBlanc will share her knowledge on how to support your health and wellness with Young Living Essential Oils, Room Sprays, Immune Boosting Roller Balls and Achy Feet Soaks at \$5.00 per item on February 12, from 6-8:00 p.m. please call the Fairhaven Senior Center to sign up at 508-979-4029.

## Ongoing Programs

### Call 508-979-4029 for days and times

A/G Consumer Mediator; Bingo; Board Meeting/monthly; Bridge; Caregiver Support & Education Group; Chair Yoga, Computer Training; Fit Quest; Friends of Elderly/monthly meeting; Grocery Shopping; LGBT Supper Club; Line Dancing; Live Band; Medical Transportation; Nutrition Program/ meal served; Osteoporosis class; Outreach Coordinator; PACE Fuel Assistance; Pitch; Reassurance Program; Shopping; Singles Senior Supper Club; Supportive Senior Social Day Program; Tai Chi; Tap 'N' Time, Walking Clubs, Zumba.



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# Acushnet faces continuing repairs to water and sewer system

By Beth David  
Editor

Woodard and Curran has completed Phase II of the inflow/infiltration study on Acushnet's water and sewer lines. The Selectboard heard from W&C's Carol Harris at its meeting on 1/8/19.

The I/I study identifies how much and where the town's water and sewer system is being infiltrated by ground water. The infiltration of ground water from rain and sump pumps costs the town money if the additional water goes through the sewer system; and pollutes local waterways and marshes if the pipes are draining into local waters.

Acushnet buys its water from New Bedford and has its sewer treated in New Bedford, so the less that goes in, the lower the costs to the town.

Ms. Harris told the board that Phase I was completed in 2016, and consisted of an assessment of the sewer system and further inspection of specific areas, including flow isolation, access hole inspections and inspections using cameras (CCTV).

Phase one assessed the flow in all 43,332 linear feet (LF) of sewer pipe; inspected with CCTV 10,068 LF of pipe; inspection of 34 of the 220 access holes.

Phase II, completed in 2018, included inspection of 49 access holes; another 8,202 of CCTV inspection of pipe.

Both phases of the study found a variety of defects that were corrected, saving the town approximately \$23,600 for a six month period.

Future investigations will include identifying and reducing I/I and reducing operating costs; and inspecting an additional 8,500 LF of pipe and 45-50 access holes per year.

Department of Public Works Director Dan Menard told the board that the town still had a problem with residents pumping water from basements into the catch basins on the street.

Ms. Harris said that Mr. Menard had been very productive in fixing the problems that the studies found in the system. There is still significant work to do.

Selectboard member Roger Cabral asked why the town could not allow residents to tie into a sewer main that runs to the schools. He said that when he was on the building committee, they decided to make sure the line could accommodate the extra homes tying in, but now he was being told that it was not possible.

Mr. Menard and another representative from W&C told Mr. Cabral that the problem was the kind of pumps that each home would require. They said the line could not handle it.

Another option would be to replace the town's pumping station in that area so residents could use traditional pumps.

The board and W&C representative discussed a variety of options.

Mr. Cabral asked if they could tie in at least some of the homes.

Some homes might be able to tie in with a gravity system, some might be able to use traditional pumps.

The board asked W&C to evaluate the line and the homes and advise them on the possibilities to try to give homeowners a chance to tie in.

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# Animal Shelter dedicates room to Michael Robinson

By Beth David  
Editor

The friends and family of Michael Robinson found a special way to remember him after he passed away last April. The response was so great that the shelter has dedicated a room to him.

"After his passing his wonderful wife asked for his friends and family to make a donation to the Fairhaven animal shelter in lieu of flowers," wrote Fairhaven Animal Control Officer Terry Cripps in an email. "The response was overwhelming. We want to send our deepest condolences to his loved ones along with our sincerest gratitude for all of the donations. Thank you."

Mr. Cripps dedicated one of the cat rooms to Mr. Robinson.

The donations, which are still coming in, have totaled more than \$6,000 so far. Mr. Cripps said that they will use most of the funds to make the shelter more wheelchair accessible for visitors, and especially for volunteers.

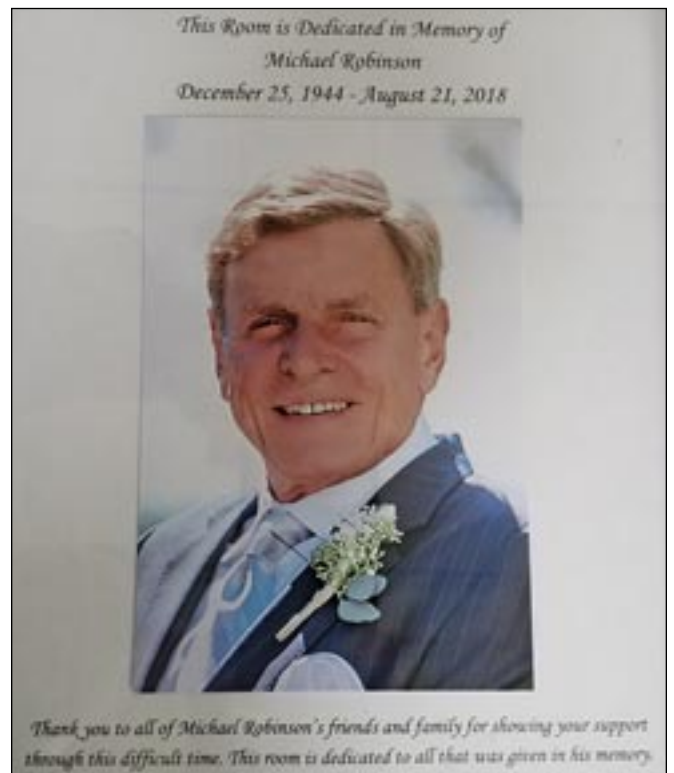
The shelter just installed a ramp so that volunteers in wheelchairs are able to get into the garage, where most of the supplies are kept.

They will also extend the concrete in the back so people in wheelchairs can get around to open the dog kennels outside.

The shelter's gift account is used for a variety of items for the shelter and the animals, including food and other daily needs.

To donate, send check or MO to the Fairhaven Animal Shelter, 200 Bridge Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719. If you want to donate in his memory, put his name in the subject line.

To learn more about the shelter, visit <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/animal-officer> or find them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Fairhaven-Animal-Shelter-131982760179806/>



The Fairhaven Animal Shelter dedicated a room in memory of Michael Robinson after more than \$6,000 was donated in his name by his friends and family. The shelter is using the money to make the building and grounds more wheelchair accessible. Submitted photo.

## January has been cold but dry, that will change this weekend



So far, winter has been pretty mild in these parts, despite a frigid start in November. We have, however, had temperatures get low enough in the last couple of weeks to freeze the marshes. The messy stuff is on the way, though. Temperatures are supposed to drop on Thursday, quite possibly into the teens. On Thursday night into Friday morning, the region will see a dusting of snow, that could make for some slippery commutes. The weekend is the big question, though. A second system is heading our way Saturday night into Sunday and could turn into five inches of snow, or 20 inches of snow, or just a messy mix of snow and sleet depending on what the temperature does. The Southcoast is right on the line of the big snow and the rain, so there's a good chance we'll just have a wet mess that could freeze over. So buckle up: We won't know what we've got until we've got it. Welcome to New England weather. LEFT: The marsh along the bike path in Fairhaven is frozen from the cold temperatures, but free from snow...so far.

Photos by Glenn C. Silva.

# International co. acquires Wing Lane solar project in Acushnet

## Press Release

CVE North America, an independent renewable energy producer based in New York, has recently acquired a 650kW solar power plant in Acushnet, MA. The installation, Rockett Solar LLC, was built in 2017 on a site located on Wing Lane and has been producing clean electricity ever since.

The project will be the first solar installation owned and operated by CVE NA in the United States and will serve as their first community solar project providing solar credits and energy savings to local communities.

This acquisition represents an important step for CVE who recently applied for 36MW of projects under the Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target program (SMART) and has 30MW of projects in development in New York State.

"We are extremely pleased to acquire the Rockett site and create an opportunity to provide clean, renewable power to local residents and businesses through community solar." Ryan Young, Solar Site Originator Massachusetts.

Incentivized by the state-run solar program SMART, community solar allows people who cannot or do not want to install solar panels on their roof to have access to solar energy without upfront investment. As the



solar installation deliver energy to the grid, subscribers receive solar credits that offset their electricity bill. Renters, people living in apartments, or in houses unsuitable for solar can contribute to the transition towards cleaner energy while saving money.

CVE's community solar offer will be available to local eligible electricity users in the first quarter of 2019.

"CVE is committed to delivering locally produced clean energy and making solar accessible to all

communities. The Acushnet project is a first step to enter the community solar market, a fast-growing segment in the solar industry." Thibaut Delespaul, Vice President North America.

The closing represents the first phase of CVE's community solar efforts on Wing Lane in Acushnet. CVE is also under contract to develop an additional 3.5 megawatts of clean power across the street from this site.

CVE North America is the American subsidiary of the international independent renewable power producer CVE Group. CVE NA's core business is to develop, operate, maintain and own solar installations focusing in the states of New York and Massachusetts, while looking to expand to other Northeastern states. CVE currently has 10 projects in development in Massachusetts totaling 45 MW. Among those, 7 projects totaling 36MW were applied as community solar projects under the SMART program. CVE also has over 29 MW in development in New York state.

Staying true to the vision of the group, CVE's mission is to produce clean energy to answer the energy and environmental needs of municipalities, homes and companies. CVE aims to fully enter the Massachusetts community solar market in early 2019 and to have 350MW of projects in development by 2024.

To learn more about CVE, visit [www.cvegroup.com/en](http://www.cvegroup.com/en)



ABOVE & TOP: The Rockett Solar, LLC, array on Wing Lane in Acushnet has been acquired by CVE North America, an independent renewable energy producer based in New York, and a subsidiary of the international company, CVE Group. *Photos by Glenn C. Silva.*

## From our readers

### The Unitarian Memorial Church and the Universalist Society of Fairhaven is facing a bright future

In the January 3, 2019 edition of this paper, Mike and Juliet Merolla, expressed concerns about our Unitarian Memorial Church.

While our church is in need of repairs, the roof is not falling down and a comparison with St. Anne's in Fall River is not on par with the challenges we are addressing. There are several initiatives underway to address our shared concern for the Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven (UUSF) cathedral. As President of the UUSF Board of Governors, I am pleased to provide more detail on our initiatives.

We have hired an expert

architectural and engineering firm to conduct a full assessment of the causes for any of the structural problems in the cathedral. The study will result in a report that includes prioritized guidelines for repair and renovation. The firm selected has extensive experience working with historical structures, including churches. In addition, they have done fantastic work on Fairhaven High School, another of the Rogers buildings. The study begins this month.

In the meantime, this past year we have implemented several repairs to the roof and other areas that have had significant impact on the issues referred to in the letter. Several committees composed of our Church membership continue to work effectively to address the structural

and repair needs of our cathedral.

Historic preservation is costly. The planning process is already underway for our capital campaign which we will launch in 2020. We welcome the financial support from the community. It really is an exciting time in our church as the membership moves forward with solutions to our challenges.

Speaking of our membership, I am very pleased to report that the membership at the Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven is thriving and growing. In fact, our membership has grown by more than 20% over the past three years. Please feel free to visit us. Our Sunday Service is at 10:30 a.m.

*Barbara L. Grotz, President of the Board of Governors, Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven.*

#### FHVN HAPPS: cont'd from page 5

enthusiast, Louise Barteau, for an hour of warm conversation and colorful photos about one of the most interesting migrants on the planet. She'll tell her own "monarch story" while discussing the monarch life cycle, the migration, how to plant a Monarch waystation and more. Come and hear how you can help to save

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Louise is a local artist and naturalist, whose primary interest is coastal native plants. An active volunteer for the New England Botanical Club and a Plant Conservation Volunteer for the New

England Wildflower Society, she received her Advanced Certificate in Field Botany in 2015 from the New England Wildflower Society. She is currently inventorying all the plants in the West Island Reservation for the MA DCR and the NEBC.

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## Fairhaven Meetings

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Tues., 3/5, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 1/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 2/6, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 1/28, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Board of Assessors

Tues., 1/29, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Old Colony School Council

Wed., 1/16, Old Colony Reg., 3:15 p.

### Selectboard

Tues., 1/22, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

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Tuesday	22	0834	2104	0145*	1432*
Wednesday	23	0926	2155	0242*	1518*
Thursday	24	1017	2249	0333*	1600*
Friday	25	1111	2345	0421*	1644*

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# Royal employee charged with taking nude photos of residents

By Beth David  
Editor

An employee of The Royal of Fairhaven Nursing Center, a long term care facility that also has beds for short term rehabilitation, has been accused by police of taking photos of two residents and posting them to Snapchat: a man who was nude from the waist down, and a woman who had soiled herself.

Snapchat is a social media platform favored because posts are deleted after they are reviewed by the intended recipients. However, recipients are able to view posts more than once, before posts are deleted. The platform also saves posts on its server for up to 30 days, depending on how they were posted.

According to court records, Deeshawn Venegas, 27, of 4 Penniman Street, New Bedford, was an employee at the Royal and allegedly took a video of a male rehab patient who was walking in the hall with no pants or underwear on. A racial slur,

“N\_\_a” was superimposed on the video.

According to court records, Ms. Venegas also allegedly posted a video of woman who had soiled herself, and whose hand was covered in feces from trying to clean herself. The word “Heated” was superimposed on that video. The audio of that video said, “Ah geez, I’m really not about to f\_\_\_g do this right now bro! What the hooo!”

The resident had an “elder emoji face” superimposed over her face, according to court records.

A recipient of the Snapchat posts informed the Royal of the videos and said they had been posted on 10/22/18. The woman told officials she was Ms. Venegas’s cousin.

According to court records, the facility and the police obtained a copy of both videos.

According to court records, Ms. Venegas was fired, along with Zuleika Lobo, another employee who knew about at least one of the videos and

did not report it.

Ms. Venegas did not appear in court on 12/4/18 as ordered. A default warrant was issued on 12/5, she was arrested on 12/18, and appeared in court on 12/19/18. It is unclear if she was in custody overnight.

Ms. Venegas was charged under Mass. General Laws Chapter 272, Section 105. The charge is for photographing a person who is nude or partially nude when that person has a reasonable expectation of privacy, and for disseminating the image. She faces up to 1 1/2 years in the house of correction and/or a fine of up to \$5,000.

She was released on \$1,000 bail, with \$500 paid in cash, and ordered not to have any contact with the elderly in an nursing home setting. She is due in court on 1/17 for a pre-trial hearing.

Court records indicate that the facility immediately notified police and took action against the two employees.

## Nomination papers available in Fairhaven and Acushnet

By Beth David  
Editor

The annual election for town offices in both Fairhaven and Acushnet will be held on Monday, April 1, 2019.

For both towns Thursday, 2/7/19, at 5 p.m. is the deadline for requesting nomination papers. Mon. 2/11/19, at 5 p.m. is the deadline for turning in nomination papers to the town clerk’s office. Wed., 2/27/19 is the last day to withdraw papers.

In Fairhaven Town Meeting member incumbents have until Monday, 2/4 to file a written request for re-election with the Town Clerk.

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, is the last day to register to vote for the town election. The Town Clerk’s office in both towns will be open until 8 p.m. that day.

In Fairhaven you may register to vote any day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30

p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Fairhaven Town Clerk’s Office, Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven.

In Acushnet, you may register to vote at the Town Clerk’s Office, Parting Ways Building, 130 Main St., Acushnet, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. Fridays 8:00 a.m.11:30 a.m.

Mail-in voter registration forms are available at both Town Clerk’s Offices, the Millicent Library in Fairhaven, and state and federal offices throughout Massachusetts. You may also register to vote online at <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/>

After picking up nomination papers at the Town Clerk’s office, candidates must gather the proper number of signatures to appear on the ballot. In Fairhaven, to vote at Town Meeting, you must be a member. You must get nomination

papers and gather 10 certified signatures from YOUR precinct only.

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In Fairhaven papers for townwide office require 50 certified signatures.

In Acushnet, papers for townwide office require 43 certified signatures.

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### Contacts

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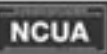
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