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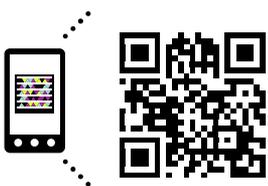
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Teeming with information you need.
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

Women's march files the streets of NB



Marches make their way up Union Street led by a group of young dancers at the women's march in New Bedford on Saturday, 1/19/19. See page 12 for story. Photo by Beth David.



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First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Judge Murray Gurfein, Pentagon Papers case, June 17, 1971:

"The security of the Nation is not at the ramparts alone. Security also lies in the value of our free institutions. A cantankerous press, an obstinate press, a ubiquitous press must be suffered by those in authority in order to preserve the even greater values of freedom of expression and the right of the people to know."

From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

We are Super Bowl BOUND! I wish they would stop giving us all heart attacks, though.

And, even though I'm glad we won, I think sudden death is unfair. Each team should be able to get possession at least once. But...as Tom Brady would say...that's football.

Anyone have any special game-day recipes? Send 'em in!

Now onto more local stuff and more serious.

The owners of the house that had the racist graffiti painted on the fence sent a thank-you for the support they have gotten from the community. I don't usually run anonymous letters, but they still fear for their safety, so I ran it without their names.

The police are leaning towards thinking that it wasn't meant as a hate crime, or targeted to that house or even racially motivated at all. They think it was just some stupid kid repeating a line from a rap song.

I hope it was just a stupid kid who didn't know any better. But I hope he (or she) does NOW. Really, people. In the first place, you shouldn't be spray painting other people's property. It's vandalism, pure and simple. Second, if you DO write something on a wall, know what the hell it means. And third, if you do know what it means, pay attention to where you are painting it. Hate crimes are serious business, as they should be.

Gary Lavalette, who has had mucho experience cleaning of graffiti at Fort Phoenix, lent his expertise to the cause and cleaned up the fence. Great gesture, and practical, too. See page 7 for story.

Our cover story was lots of fun to cover. I know, I know, it got three pages. Slow news week. It's winter in these parts. I like to put pictures on the color pages.

It looks like we could have a couple of races this election season. See page 4 for who took out papers so far. Of course, it isn't really true until the papers are back and the deadline to withdraw has passed. But...it's looking hopeful.

C'mon people, jump in. Keep these guys on their toes. Make them work for their seats.

I was going to run a frozen and thawed marsh pictures this week, but then the weather forgot to warm up. I did, however, manage to get a few fun shots of the Great Annual Holly Tree Feed. It totally messed up my schedule and I'm hoping my printer appreciates the photos, because waiting for those shots took up a bit of time I should have been using to get this baby to bed.

There's plenty more in here, of course, but you'll have to thumb through and find it for yourself. Please take note of who our advertisers are and let them know you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*. And if you go to a place that doesn't advertise with us, let them know you read the *Neighb News* and maybe they will start. Until next week then...see ya,



Beth David, Publisher

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Historical Society Scholarship deadline is next week

Press Release

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.

The Enrique Goytizolo Scholarship is open to any graduating high school senior whose primary residence is in Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Students who apply should be interested in pursuing the study of history and

have plans to matriculate to an accredited institution of higher learning in the fall of 2019.

Deadline for scholarship applications is January 31, 2019.

To obtain an application form contact the Fairhaven Historical Society, 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. 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.

Snow Parking Ban in effect in Fairhaven

No vehicles shall be permitted to remain on the hydrant side of all streets in Fairhaven from December 1 to March 31 from midnight to 8:00 a.m. and also during the time of any snowfall or snow removal operations.

On streets with no hydrants, NO vehicles shall be permitted to remain

either on the east side of streets running north and south or on the north side of streets running east and west.

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Deadline to get nomination papers coming up in two weeks

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.

Acushnet has an open Town Meeting, where any registered voter can vote.

For Townwide Offices

In Fairhaven papers for townwide office require 50 certified signatures.

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

Candidates should speak with their town clerk for details.

Polling Places

Polling places for Fairhaven's town elections are: Precinct 1, Town Hall; Precincts 2 & 3, Hastings Middle School; Precinct 4, Fairhaven Fire Station; Precincts 5 & 6, Recreation Center. Polls are open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on 4/1/19.

All precincts in Acushnet vote at the Elementary School on Middle Road.

Contacts

If you have any questions about running for office or registering to vote, contact your town's Town Clerk's office.

Fairhaven: office or registering to vote, 508-979-4023, Ext. 3; at Town Hall, 40 Center Street.

Acushnet: 508-998-0215; Parting Ways Building, 130 Main Street, Acushnet (adjacent to Town Hall).

Who's up for re-election and who's running?

Although it is early in the process to know who will actually run for

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THANK YOU

The members of the Fairhaven Mothers' Club, established in 1915, would like to thank the many people who generously support our annual fundraisers at the Old Time Holiday Fair, and Spring Food and Fun/Card Party.

These events and other Club funds help us fulfill our mission to, "promote child education, welfare and health, to give financial assistance to Fairhaven families and children in need."

The Mothers' Club supported three programs in 2018. We awarded two \$1,000 scholarships to each of two Fairhaven High School seniors, Club members supported the New Beginnings Program at St. Luke's neonatal unit, and finally we assisted six Fairhaven families with gift cards to Stop & Shop and Walmart to help supplement their December holidays.

Our next **Spring Fun and Food/Card Party fundraiser is on Tuesday, April 23rd from 11am-3pm at Oxford Terrace Community Room.** See you there!

Barbara Mitchell, Community Service Chair

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

FHS Has Got Talent

"Fairhaven High's Got Talent" show is being on held Fri., 2/1, at 7 p.m. in the Fairhaven High School Performing Arts Center.

Come and enjoy performances of the talented students of Fairhaven High School! **Tickets are \$5 and are being sold at the door.** Proceeds go to the Fairhaven High School PTO which provides scholarships as well as special programs and educational opportunities on topics critical to teens. Please come and show your support and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment!

Millicent Art Exhibit

The Millicent Library's current exhibits include paintings by Fairhaven watercolor artist, Jack Daly. They are on show at the ends of the stacks behind the circulation desk.

In the Rogers Room showcase, there is a display of items that have been donated to the library, but are generally tucked away in storage or in the archives. We want to show the variety of historical and other items that have generously been given to us. Most of the art objects in the Rogers Room were donated to the Library.

The Millicent Library is at 45 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719. It is wheelchair accessible at the Walnut Street entrance. Call 508-992-5342.

Foxwoods with the Lions

Fairhaven Lions Club day trip to Foxwoods Resort and Casino, **Sun., 5/19, \$35 pp.** Pick up 10 a.m., return 7 p.m., 1 Fairhaven Commons Way. Free buffet or \$10 meal voucher. \$10 slot play. Contact Bill, 508-996-3420, or lc1914bb@aol.com

St. Joseph Open House

Saint Joseph School, 100 Spring St., Fairhaven, is hosting our annual Open House to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. It will be held on Sun., 1/27, 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.. It kicks off with a Family Mass at St. Joseph Church, 74

Spring St., at 10 a.m. All are invited to tour the school, and visit our Scholastic Book Fair which will be open throughout the Open House.

We will also expect an appearance from Clifford the Big Red Dog.

Come and meet the faculty, and tour our school with our student ambassadors.

Events are planned all week long for Catholic Schools Week.

For more information, visit <https://www.saintjosephschool.org>.

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 handmade) • 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.

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

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

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Owners thank community for support after racist graffiti

By Beth David
Editor

The owners of a Castle Avenue home in Fairhaven that had racist graffiti spray painted on the fence, is publicly thanking the community for an outpouring of support. The couple is still afraid to be named publicly, though, until the culprit is caught, and they are sure it was not a hate crime. After some investigating, the Fairhaven Police Department said it was revising its focus and decided the incident was probably not a hate crime, but just graffiti by someone who did not realize how serious the words were.

"Kill a N_ _ _ a like a care package," read the words. Police have subsequently discovered that the phrase is from a rap song. Also, the area is used as a short-cut by a lot of young people, and the stockade fence obscures the house, making it seem less likely that the perpetrator even realized there was a house there, or that a Cape Verdean family lived there.

After the incident, an outpouring of support, sprinkled with a fair amount of outrage, spread on social media.

Gary Lavalette, who is known around town as an accomplished graffiti remover for his work keeping Fort Phoenix graffiti-free, volunteered to clean off the fence. He said he was able to wash off the paint and did not have to power wash it.

"I can't believe these young kids have no respect or pride for their town!" said Mr. Lavalette in a Facebook post.

The owners of the home sent a statement to the *Neighb News* by email.

"First and foremost we would like to thank Mr. Gary Lavalette for coming to our home on a very cold morning and removing the nasty graffiti from our fences," wrote the couple in a joint statement. "He so graciously volunteered to do so. From the bottom of our hearts we thank you! We need more people like you in our town. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!"

"We thank our family and friends, the neighbors who called or personally came by, you know who you are, and to those in our community for their encouraging words of support!"



Gary Lavalette cleans off racist graffiti on a fence at a house on Castle Avenue in Fairhaven on 1/18/19. Submitted photo.

Police are still looking for the person who vandalized the fence. If you have any information, please call the Fairhaven Police Department, at 508-997-7421.



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Selectboard chooses two photos for annual report cover

By Beth David
Editor

The Fairhaven Selectboard received 17 photos from seven people for the 2018 annual report cover. The board had trouble deciding on one at its meeting on 1/14/19, so they picked two, one for the front and one for the back.

The names were not included in the copies that the board members saw so they would not be biased. Both pictures are from Fort Phoenix.

Assistant Town Administrator

Vicki Paquette won the back cover, with her photo of the Fairhaven Villiage Militia's small cannon near one of the few trees at Fort Phoenix, facing south towards the Atlantic. It was taken during the encampment in September, 2018.

Ms. Paquette said she got engaged by that tree on July 4, so it has a special meaning for her, and that's why she took the picture.

Adam Katz won the cover with his photo of FVM

members silhouetted against a colorful setting sun, loading the cannons for the annual Memorial Day weekend firing in 2017.

All 17 submitted photos are available for viewing on the town's Facebook page. Search for "Fairhaven Town Hall."

The annual report will be printed and available in time for Town Meeting on 5/4/19. It will also be available online on the town's website.



ABOVE: This photo by Adam Katz will be on the front cover of the 2018 Fairhaven Annual Report; the photo at right by Vicki Paquette will be on the back. *Photos submitted.*



The Great Annual Holly Tree Feed



Every year around this time, the hardy winter robins show up on West Island looking for the berries on the holly trees to be just right to eat. After they get cold and warm a couple of times, they taste better, according to some experts. These guys hung around the yard for a day or two, and then suddenly hundreds of birds converged upon the holly, devouring its berries in two days. The first day, the tree was pretty much stripped bare. The second day, the leftovers on the ground, and a few stragglers on the branches got gobbled up. Usually there are a few blue jays in the mix, but they remained elusive this year. LEFT TOP: The holly before the gorging. LEFT BELOW: The holly stripped of its berries. MIDDLE AND RIGHT: The robins feasting on the berries on Monday, 1/21/19. *Photos by Beth David.*

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Hist Reenactment

Coretta Scott King

Coretta Scott King, **Sat., 1/26, at 3 p.m., NB Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant St., NB. FREE.** Enjoy a historical reenactment of Coretta Scott King by Jeanne Costa. Break through the lens of history and see Coretta King's life, love, family, and activism come to life before you with the skillful historical reenactment of local actor, Jeanne Costa.

LGBTQ Film Series

New Bedford LGBTQ Film Series kicks off with *Moonlight!* Join us for this **FREE** event for fun, learning, and snacks! **Sun., 1/27, 1-4 p.m. at New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, NB.** Resource tables from community partners, 1-4 p.m.; **movie screening, 1-2:55 p.m.;** panel/ discussion, 2:55-3:45 p.m.

After a successful first year, the New Bedford LGBTQ Winter Film Series has expanded and grown exponentially! We are excited to announce the addition of the New Bedford Free Public Library and the New Bedford Whaling Museum as partners for the Series.

"Due to the high attendance last year, the screenings have been moved to the theater inside the New Bedford Whaling Museum," said Liz DiCarlo, Chair of the New Bedford LGBTQ Winter Film Series; "While the 2018 series showcased documentaries, the 2019 season will feature contemporary films from various dimensions of LGBTQ life."

The New Bedford LGBTQ Winter Film Series will be hosted on the **last Sunday of January, February, March, and April. Our FREE screenings start at 1 p.m.,** followed by a panel discussion. Resource tables from our community partners provide information on local services and a networking opportunity for LGBTQ individuals before and after the film until 4pm.

The Series opens with the play turned Oscar-winning film *Moonlight*, a look at three defining chapters in the life of Chiron, a young black man growing up in Miami. His epic journey to manhood is guided by the kindness, support and love of the community that helps raise him.

The full series includes: *Moonlight* on January 27, 2019; *Cloudburst* on February 24, 2019; 3 *Generations* on

March 31, 2019; and *Pariah* on April 28, 2019. All films start at 1:00pm at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford MA.

To keep up to date, we invite you to follow us on Facebook at @NBLGBTQWinterFilmSeries or at www.sclgbtqnetwork.org.

The New Bedford LGBTQ Winter Film Series is a collaboration of community partners that include: , Community Counseling of Bristol County, Greater New Bedford Community Health Center, Health Imperatives, New Bedford Art Museum/ArtWorks!, New Bedford Free Public Library; New Bedford Historical Society, New Bedford Whaling Museum, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Seven Hills Behavioral Health, South Coast LGBTQ Network, The Women's Center, UMass Dartmouth Center for Women, Gender & Sexuality, and YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts. We are united by our desire to foster understanding of LGBTQ culture and create networking opportunities and support for LGBTQ residents.

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 (**next meeting 1/28**). 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 (**next meeting 2/11**). Check out our Web site: <http://www.shiningtidesquiltguild.com>

Route 18 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.

EPA Mtg cancelled

Due to the lapse in appropriate funding, the meeting on the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site, scheduled for January 24th is being postponed. The meeting will be rescheduled for a later date.

SAVE THE DATES:

Douglass Read-A-Thon

Sun., 2/10, from 2-6 p.m., First Unitarian Church, 71 Eighth St., NB. FREE. The New Bedford Historical Society invites you to the 19th Annual Frederick Douglass Community Read-A-Thon of "The Narrative of the life of Frederick Douglass, an American slave written by himself (1845)."

For more information, visit <http://nbhistoricalsociety.org>

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 events," 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

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HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Rte. 24 Closure

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will implement a temporary **full closure in Raynham the weekend of January 25 of Route 44 east and westbound and of Route 24 north and southbound at the interchange where the Route 44 bridge crosses over Route 24** due to essential bridge replacement work activities.

The closures are scheduled to take place overnight each evening from 10 p.m. through 5 a.m., beginning on Friday, January 25, and continuing through Sunday, January 27. On Monday, January 28, as of 5 a.m., Route 44 and Route 24 travel lanes will reopen.

The schedule for this major infrastructure project is weather dependent and subject to change without notice. MassDOT appreciates the patience of the traveling public during this important capital improvement project.

For additional information, please visit the project website: www.mass.gov/route44over24.

Shellfish Regs Mtgs

Under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A and pursuant to the authority found at M.G.L. c. 130 §§ 2, 17A, 52, 80, 81, 82 and 104, the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) is proposing draft regulatory amendments to 322 CMR §16.00.

1. Shellfish Recodification and Reorganization. To enhance compliance with the National Shellfish Sanitation Program's Model Ordinance, DMF is proposing to amend its shellfish regulations:

a. At 322 CMR §§16.03, 16.04 and 16.08, DMF is proposing to adopt longstanding permit conditions, practices and policies as regulations. This proposal includes regulations describing adopting shellfish growing area classifications and growing area status designations; adopting by regulation those shellfish harvest, handling and transport permit conditions set forth annually in an affidavit; and implementing regulations that describe how the municipal contaminated shellfish relay and transplant program is to be conducted.

b. At 322 CMR §§ 16.01, 16.02, 16.05, 16.07, and 16.10, DMF is

proposing nominal refinements to the existing regulatory language to improve clarity and organization.

c. At 322 CMR §§ 16.06 and 16.09, DMF is proposing to reserve sections of regulations where in the future DMF may codify rules affecting shellfish aquaculture or recodify rules affecting the harvest of moderately contaminated shellfish.

2. Municipal Contaminated Shellfish Relay and Transplant Fee (322 CMR 16.08). In accordance with c. 47, §112 of the Acts of 2017 DMF is required to establish a per bag fee for contaminated shellfish harvested as part of the so-called "contaminated relay" program. This fee is to be paid by the receiving municipality through DMF to the harvest source municipality. DMF is proposing that this fee be set at a cost of \$1.00 per bushel.

The Division of Marine Fisheries has scheduled two public hearings to take comment on these proposals. The public hearings will be held at **6 p.m. on Jan. 30, at Hotel 1620, 180 Water St., Plymouth, MA 02360; and a 6 p.m. on Jan. 31, at DMF's Annisquam River Station, 30 Emerson Avenue, Gloucester, MA 01930**

Public Comment Instructions

The Division of Marine Fisheries will also accept public comment **through 5PM on Friday, February 8, 2019**. Please address all written comments to Director Dr. David Pierce and submit to DMF by e-mail at marine.fish@state.ma.us or by post to 251 Causeway Street, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114. A full copy of the draft regulations may be found on DMF's website or by contacting Jared Silva (jared.silva@state.ma.us; 617-626-1534).

NE Fish Council

The New England Fishery Management Council will hold a three-day meeting from Tuesday, January 29 through Thursday, January 31, 2019. The public is invited to listen-in via webinar or telephone.

This meeting will proceed on schedule, regardless of the status of the partial government shutdown.

LOCATION: Portsmouth Harbor Events & Conference Center, 100 Deer Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801; Portsmouth Harbor Events Center.

START TIME: The webinar will be

activated at 8:00 a.m. each day. However, please note that the meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday and at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday. The webinar will end at approximately 6:00 p.m. EST or shortly after the Council adjourns each day.

WEBINAR REGISTRATION: Online access to the meeting is available at Listen Live (<https://register.goto.com/webinar/register/1382748417694782979>). There is no charge to access the meeting through this webinar.

CALL-IN OPTION: To listen by telephone, dial +1 (415) 930-5321. The access code is 145-763-000. Please be aware that if you dial in, your regular phone charges will apply.

AGENDA: In addition to the revised agenda (https://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/NEFMC_January-29-31-2018_Portsouth_2_190122_090600.pdf) all meeting materials are available on the Council's website at <https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/jan-29-31-2019-council-meeting>

A copy of the New England Council's Three Meeting Outlook is available at <https://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/Three-Meeting-Outlook-January-18-2019.pdf>

Anyone with questions prior to or during the Council meeting should contact Janice Plante at 607-592-4817, jplante@nefmc.org.

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 and search "Acushnet Cable," and the channel page will pop up at the top.

Acushnet Cultural Council

The Acushnet Cultural Council is 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

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Recipe of the Week

Harvey Ham Sandwiches

1 six-pound bone-in ham
1 8-oz. jar yellow mustard
1 lb. brown sugar
24 dinner rolls, split

Place ham in large pot or slow cooker, and fill with enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to low, and simmer for 8 to 10 hours. Remove the meat from the water, and allow to cool. If it has cooked long enough, it will fall into pieces as you pick it up.

Pull the ham apart into shreds once it is cool enough to handle. It doesn't have to be tiny shreds. Place the shredded ham into a slow cooker. Stir in the mustard and brown sugar, cover, and set to Low. Cook just until heated. Serve on dinner rolls.

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To share a recipe with your neighbors

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Desroches to run for Acushnet Selectbd

Press Release

Dave Desroches today announced on January 17 his candidacy for the Acushnet Board of Selectmen.

"I'm proud of Acushnet," said Dave. "I grew up here and want to give back by serving the town and my fellow residents."

A professional photographer, Dave has deep roots in Acushnet. He went to St. Francis Grammar School, played Little League baseball at Pope Park and, like other Acushnet children, attended Saint Anthony High School in New Bedford.

"I'm running for Selectman because I'm concerned about the fiscal challenges our town is facing. Pensions/Other Post-Employment Benefits, Waste Management and a need for new business ventures are problems that will require tough decisions. I believe the town has not gone far enough in its approach to these difficult situations. We need to be proactive, not reactive, to keep taxes stable."

"As we enter the New Year, I am thinking ahead to Acushnet's future," Dave said. "What course are we



David Desroches has announced that he is running for a seat on the Acushnet Select-board. By press time he had not returned his nomination papers and no other candidate had pulled papers to run, including incumbent Michael Cioper. *Submitted photo.*

taking for the town and our residents as we progress through the twenty first century? As I roll out my vision and proposals for Acushnet in the coming weeks, I look forward to hearing from residents about their thoughts and concerns."



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Hundreds march for women's rights

By Beth David
Editor

Hundreds of people took the cold streets of New Bedford this weekend to rally in support of women's rights. The second annual weekend of women, included a women's forum, a men's forum, a film festival and other events to encourage women to speak up and fight for equality in their personal lives and in the world.

The march on Saturday began at Custom House Square and marched up Union Street to Pleasant Street, with speakers and entertainment on the steps of the library.

The crowd included politicians past and present, educators, furloughed government workers, students, activists, and people who just wanted to be counted.

Marches and rallies were held around the country, including Washington, DC, to advocate for the rights of women and all marginalized people in the US.

In New Bedford, City Councilor Dana Rebeiro, emceed the event noting it "truly took a village" to hold the event, as she mentioned her co-organizers, Beth Fauteux and Ruth Chicca.

Speakers included US Representative Bill Keating, New Bedford Poet Laureate Patricia Gomes, and keynote speaker Dr. Kim Holland.

People literally danced their way up Union Street, with a dance troupe leading the way, and marchers showing off their own moves, too.

Showstoppers also entertained the group with a couple of numbers; a group performed a drumming piece; and Miss New Bedford sang the national anthem.

Carol Werronen said she was there to support gender equality, hence her sign: "The rise of women does not mean the fall of men."

"I want to make the world a better



place," she said.

People have to get involved on a small level for things to rise to a greater level, she said.

Allie Bosworth, Court Sousa, and Mia Sousa said they were there to show support for women's rights and the rights of LGBTQ people.

It was Mia's first march, there with her aunt.

"It's good," said Mia, saying she would go to another march. "It's fun."

"It's a beautiful thing to see everyone come together," said her aunt, Court Sousa.

"It's great to see a lot of people showed up," said Ms. Bosworth, adding it was peaceful, and full of smiles.



TOP: Dana Rebeiro emceeds at the rally after the women's march in New Bedford on 1/19/19. ABOVE: Co-organizer Ruth Chicca addresses the crowd. BELOW: US Rep. Bill Keating speaks to marchers. Photos by Beth David.

Rep. Keating told the crowd that he was blessed to have strong women around him. He said his mother was a "Rosie the Riveter" type, his wife stands up against workplace oppression, and his daughter works to help child survivors of sexual assault.

He told the crowd that the House of Representatives was "our house," and that the voters took it back in the last election. He spoke about the diversity of the new Congress, with its record number of women.

Rep. Keating went down a list of inequalities women face, including paying more for the same services, and said he will work to change it. The last election means there will now be accountability, he said, and criticized the government shutdown.

Government workers should not be used as "budgetary tools," he said, and children should not be used as pawns at the border.



We march, he said not just for a new house and new senate, but for a new administration, and our "shared values," walking "side by side, shoulder to shoulder, black, yellow, white, brown."

He said next year, we will find more progress has been made because marches were being held all over the country.

Organizer Beth Fauteux told the crowd that they march because they want the new generation know we believe in them. We march, she said so that previous generations know that their work and sacrifice in the community will be fought for, always.

And she named some well known local activists, such as Lee Blake and Marlene Pollock.

And, she said, we march so our representatives will know that we are watching how they vote and who they support.

Organizer Ruth Chicca recited the march values to the crowd: In all areas, ATMA and all March affiliates stand for equal rights, religious tolerance, freedom of the press, science, inclusiveness, social justice, economic freedom, and fundamental human decency.

Poet Laureate Patricia Gomes gave the crowd an uplifting message applauding "each and every one of us for the progress we made in 2018."

She said they must continue to "move forward together."

Ms. Gomes recited Maya Angelou's "Still I Rise," with the crowd participating by answering, "I rise" on cue.

Dana Rebeiro took a few minutes at the podium to note that the Black Panthers of the 1960s and 1970s were not just known for rioting and uprisings. They were the catalyst for school lunches, she said, because they fed students. They tested people

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for sickle cell anemia, and did other things to help the community.

Ms. Rebeiro introduced keynote speaker, Dr. Kim Holland, as a woman who had come through adversity to get where she is.

“Hello, Family,” started Dr. Holland.

She stopped, took a deep breath, and asked everyone to join her in simply breathing and taking in the moment.

“It is cold here,” she said.

She recalled that when she was in elementary school, the black students were not given homework because teachers said they might get peanut butter and jelly on the books. She said the Black Panthers fought for education, housing, full employment and health equity.

“We still want those things now,” said Dr. Holland.

She said everyone should have the chance to live up to their maximum

potential.

She talked about the #metoo movement, that takes on the problem of sexual harassment and sexual assault of women. She said there are still many untold stories.

Dr. Holland says she fights for equality in the world for the men in her life, too.

“Let’s listen to each other,” said Dr. Holland.

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ABOVE LEFT: Jennifer White Smith holds a sign during the women’s march in New Bedford on Saturday, 1/19/19. ABOVE MIDDLE & RIGHT: Keynote speaker Dr. Kim Holland. BELOW LEFT: L-R: Allie Bosworth, Court Sousa, Mia Sousa take their own signs to the women’s march in New Bedford. BELOW MIDDLE: Carol Werronen carries her own sign at the women’s march. BELOW RIGHT: L-R Shane Sher and Ann Richard of Fairhaven make their feelings known with an “impeach” sign and Trump balloons at the women’s march in New Bedford. Photos by Beth David.



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Yoga Vibes

Yoga vibes combines gentle yoga with user friendly dance moves that gives class an aerobic nature with uplifting, inspiring music to groove to. Combining yoga asana with breath, fluid movement and meditation in motion yoga vibes will help you experience joy in the body as well as the mind/heart/spirit. Instructor Stephanie Lawrence is hoping to create a fun, light class that allows for laughter and love to permeate to the physical and emotional heart all while building strength, flexibility, balance, awareness and coordination. Ages: 16+ Jan 23-Mar. 27, Weds., 6-7 pm Cost:\$50, member, \$75/non member

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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 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

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Acushnet Selectboard continues budget discussions

By Beth David
Editor

The Acushnet Selectboard continued looking at budgets at its meeting on Tuesday, 1/22/19, with a discussion on budgets for the Fire Department, Police Department, and Building Department. The board also discussed a plan by the School Department to start the process of applying for state funds to replace a section of roof on the Acushnet Elementary School.

Police Chief Michael Alves told the board that he included money in his budget to have four officers on duty for all shifts. The increase of about \$209K will be offset by some overtime costs that will be reduced. The chief said that he also added to the salary budget to accommodate wage increases for two officers who earned college degrees, making them eligible for raises under the Quinn Bill.

One big question mark, though, is the raises that have not yet been decided in the new union contract being negotiated now.

Chief Alves also said that he had two possible retirements to think

about in the next couple of years.

When Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar asked about how satisfied the chief is with the staffing levels and if he felt they were stable, the chief said "as of right now," it was "looking good."

But...

"How long have you been doing this?" asked Chief Alves, adding that right now "on paper" it looks good, but noted that people retire, people transfer.

The chief also discussed changes in the part time academy rules. It costs recruits more to go, so they are less likely to do it.

Board member Roger Cabral asked why anyone would pay for it all, then noted that it was just like going to any other school where students have to pay tuition.

Chief Alves said that recruiting for police officers was a "crisis nationwide." Public safety careers are not as popular or desirable as they once were, he said.

The chief also put money in his budget to buy hybrid cruisers, which will run on gas and electricity. Cost is an extra \$7500.00 per vehicle, but the

savings in gas should make up for that in a year or two.

Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher presented a budget that completely integrates the Emergency Medical Services department. Chief Gallagher reminded the board that the process started several years ago and the merger is now complete.

His salary budget assumes a 2% increase. The negotiations with the union are not completed, so the increase is an estimate to have at least some money available when the contract is decided. All personnel, from EMS and Fire are now under one union.

The budget is for four full time paramedics and four full time firefighters. He said they have had seven not eight full timers, but now that they have activated the second ambulance, he wants to fill that last slot. He has been using Call Firefighters and overtime. He said he is not quite ready to hire, though, because the contract is still being negotiated.

Among the changes will be a "significant change" in the way the

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department hires, he said. The announcement will be made at Town Meeting, assuming the terms are negotiated into the new contract.

Building Commissioner James Marot also presented his budget, telling the board that he is happy with the level of staffing he has with two maintenance workers, not three, after one left recently.

Mr. Marot said he shuffled some salary money around, but did not increase by much. He said plumbing inspector Raymond LaFrance "almost never uses" part timers, because he does all the inspections himself. Mr. Marot took money from the part time salary budget for a 6% increase for Mr. LaFrance, who has not had an increase in years, said Mr. Marot.

Mr. Gaspar noted that the budget also reflects the \$18,000 increase Mr. Marot received in September.

Instead of hiring a full time person, Mr. Marot told the board he would rather hire another pair of students from Old Colony to do routine work in the summer, such as grass cutting, and grounds maintenance. The two workers under his supervision often work on projects with the Department of Public works. They were both Old Colony students hired after working during the summer.

The two young men are "going full steam," said Mr. Marot.

He said they worked on Sunday to make sure that Town Hall and the Parting Ways Building would be clear from ice for Monday morning.

"I never see them sitting down, like I used to see before," said Mr. Marot, adding that he had nothing but good things to say about both of them.

Mr. Marot also told the board that he would continue to pursue Green Community grant money as long as the town was eligible. He said past grants have paid for a variety of cost saving measures, such as new insulation, and new light bulbs. The town has also changed to more efficient gas boilers.

Most of the savings the town has seen has come from the installation of LED lighting, he said. All town buildings, except for the historical buildings have been changed over to LED.

The budget shows a significant increase in grounds and supplies because town workers are doing more of the work, instead of bidding it out, said Mr. Marot.

A rather interesting discussion ensued over the difference between the "supplies" line item and the "buildings and grounds" line item, with the board, Mr. Marot, and even town accountant Julie Hebert agreeing that a door could be put in either column. Paint is most definitely under supplies, but...fixing a boiler is buildings & grounds?

Mr. Gaspar, ever the stickler for detail, persisted until he was satisfied that he could indeed tell the difference between six and a half a dozen: "If a repairman comes in I can't pay him out of supplies."

Right?

Right.

Mr. Marot took that particular opportunity to note that the town hall roof was leaking and it looked like the repairs would be significant. He said

Just get rid of it.
Don't ask questions
[Mike Cioper about a
contaminated property
on the Freetown line]

it was a job that should be bid out.

"Some things are too big for my workforce to do," said Mr. Marot.

The board also heard from Kristin Flynn, School Business Manager, who asked the board to vote to support a Statement of Interest with the Mass. School Building Authority, for a new roof on the Elementary School.

A study done by CBI Consulting recommended replacing 63,000 sf of a roof that dates back to 1971.

Estimated cost is \$1.2 million not including design and other fees. The MSBA reimburses local school districts for eligible construction projects, from 31-50% depending on a number of factors.

The board agreed to sign the SOI to get the process started. The process can be long, Ms. Flynn told the board, but the first step requires approval from the Selectboard.

The School Department can now go to the next step in the application process.

"This is just the first step" to get the funds, said Ms. Flynn.

She said the portion of the roof that needs replacing cost about \$10,000 last year to maintain and will cost the same this year.

She also said that the leaky roof has interfered with activities inside the building, with buckets in the hallway not helping much.

Dr. Paula Bailey, School Superintendent, told the board that because of the problem with the roof, other projects inside the building have been postponed.

The department must submit the materials to the MSBA by February 16. Town Meeting will have to vote on any funds expended, and the town will be reimbursed for at least some of the costs.

Town Administrator Brian Noble reported to the board an extension request by the town of Freetown over the one-acre parcel that is located in Acushnet on the town line. The town has not been able to locate the owners.

Freetown wants to acquire the piece to combine it with an abutting piece it owns to build elderly housing on the parcel. Myriad problems have arisen during the years-long process. The parcel is contaminated, and although it was in tax title to Acushnet, the town never took it because of the contamination and associated cleanup costs.

The end result could be that Freetown owns land in Acushnet, or, another possibility is that the legislature re-draws the town line to put that piece in Freetown.

All three Selectboard members and Mr. Noble agreed that the parcel was not worth the trouble and if Freetown wanted it, they could have it any which way they could get it.

Freetown has applied for a Brownfields grant, that will require the complete cleanup of the piece.

Mr. Noble clarified what his message to Freetown would be: "We're willing to do whatever is necessary" for them to get the piece.

Mr. Cabral then asked if Freetown could at least give Acushnet an acre in exchange. All three of the other men responded at once with audible shock and possibly awe.

"Just get rid of it. Don't ask questions," said Selectboard Chair Michael Cioper.

More pictures from the march

See story and more photos on page 12



ABOVE LEFT: The Coalition for Social Justice joins the women's march in New Bedford on Saturday, 1/19/19. ABOVE RIGHT: A woman holds an equal pay sign at the rally after the march. BELOW LEFT: A woman holds a sign at the march with a saying used pejoratively by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell against Mass. Sen. Elizabeth Warren and since embraced by women's rights activists: "Nevertheless, she persisted." Photos courtesy of Tori Tepe.



ABOVE RIGHT: A woman holds a creative sign at the women's march in New Bedford on Saturday, 1/19/19. LEFT: A child holds a sign while riding on an adult's shoulders. RIGHT: A woman and her sign. Photos by Glenn C. Silva.

Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 5, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall, Banquet Room, to consider the following petition(s):

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **30 Alder Street**, Plot 43A, Lot 015:198-22 (A)(4): Variance request for detached garage to be within 5' boundary line. 198-22(A) (2) Variance request for 4' over maximum height on accessory building, than the principle structure. 198-22 (A) (4): Variance request for shed not to be 5' from lot line; 198-18: Variance request for short 4.6' short of 20' required setback.
2. **177 Ebony Street**, Plot 43B, Lot 312: 198-22 (A) (2): Variance request for 5' over maximum height for 2 story garage. 198-18: Variance request for 19' South Side and 7' West Side.

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Please submit cover letter, resume, and three references to Anne O'Brien, Human Resources Director, Town of Fairhaven, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 01719. A full job description can be found at www.Fairhaven-MA.gov > Departments > Human Resources > Job Opportunities. Application deadline is February 12, 2019. EOE

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Cultural Council for the purpose of providing events in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences for the residents of Acushnet.

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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.

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HELP WANTED

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of interest to the Board of Selectmen's Office, 122 Main St., Acushnet, MA 02743.

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.

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. Please email Matthew Chappell, Casting Director, with any questions at mchappell@nsmt.org

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

Fairhaven Meetings

Board of Appeals

Tues., 2/5, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 2/4, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Contributory Retirement Bd

Fri., 1/25, Town Hall, 1 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.

Ford Middle School SC

Thurs., 1/31, FMS, 2:55 p.m.

Old Colony School Council

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

Selectboard

Tues., 2/5, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

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	Jan. 2019	HIGH a.m.	LOW p.m.	LOW a.m.	LOW p.m.
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Friday	25	1111	2345	0421*	1644*
Saturday	26	----	1208	0516*	1737*
Sunday	27	0043	1305	0644	1849*
Monday	28	0138	1401	0849	2008
Tuesday	29	0234	1459	1013	2206
Wednesday	30	0336	1606	1116	2314
Thursday	31	0438	1705	----	1208

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which seats, it is not too early to list the seats up for a vote in April.

Fairhaven: Do we have a race?

In Fairhaven, Selectboard member Daniel Freitas's seat will be on the ballot, and he has taken out papers to Lisa Plante has also taken out papers. Neither candidate had returned papers by press time.

The Town Clerk seat is also on the ballot for a full term this year. Technically, it is vacant, because former clerk Eileen Lowney retired. Her assistant, Carolyn Hurley has been appointed acting Town Clerk. Ms. Hurley returned her papers with the proper number of signatures on 1/7.

The School Committee has two seats up this year. Incumbents for those seats are Michael McNamara and Stasia Powers. Both have pulled papers, but neither had returned them as of press time.

For the Board of Health, Peter DeTerra is up for re-election. He returned his papers on 12/4/18.

For Commissioner of Trust Funds, Barbara Acksen is up for re-election. No one had pulled papers for the seat by press time.

For the Board of Public Works, one seat is up for re-election, held by Michael Ristuccia. Albert Martin,

whose bid for a seat on the BPW ended in a tie last year, has taken out papers for Mr. Ristucci's seat.

Mr. Ristuccia, however, has not taken out papers for his seat. He has taken out papers for the Planning Board.

There are two people up for re-election on the PB, Rene Fleurent and Wayne Hayward. Both have taken out papers for that four-year term. That makes three people running for two seats, if they all return papers.

There is also an unexpired term for PB, vacated when Nicholas Carrigg resigned. John (Jay) Malaspino was appointed to that position and has taken out papers to run.

The Housing Authority also has one five-year seat on the ballot this year, currently held by Anne Silveira. Three people have taken out papers for that seat: Ms. Silveira, Nicholas Sylvia, and Carol Alfonso. None of them had returned papers as of press time.

Acushnet

In Acushnet, several people have taken out papers, but as of press time no one had returned them and there were no contested races.

David Desrosches (see page 10 for announcement) has taken out nomi-

nation papers for the Selectboard. Incumbent Michael Cioper has not taken out papers.

Thomas Fortin, Board of Health member, has taken out nomination papers for his three-year seat; Board of Assessors member Liberio DaSilva Soares has taken out papers for her seat; Sarah Gomes and Jennifer Downing are up for re-election for their seats on the School Committee but so far only Ms. Downing has taken out papers to run for that board; two Trustees of the Free Public Library, Kristen Leotti and Nancy Francis have terms expiring this year, but only Ms. Francis has taken out papers; Cemetery Board incumbent Charlene Fortin has taken out papers for her seat.

For other races, both three-year terms: Commissioner of Trust Funds Marc Laplante is up for re-election; and Park Commissioner Christopher Anderson is up for re-election.

The Acushnet Housing Authority has one five-year seat on the ballot, and incumbent Andrew Gomes has taken out papers to run again for this seat. Planning Commissioner Richard Ellis is also up for re-election to a five-year term, but he had not yet taken out papers by press time. ●●●

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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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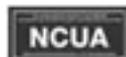
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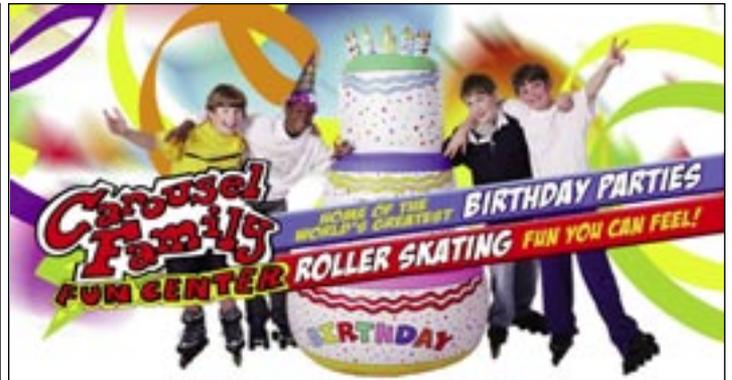
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