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See page 12.

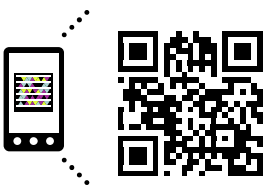
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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Oh, this is fun. We complained last week about the report that was submitted to the Selectboard on alleged infractions at Rasputin's Tavern and a host of bad behavior by drunk patrons and bartenders in bikinis (I kid you not). I did not get the report in time for my story.

That means I had to go strictly by what was said in the meeting, which may not always be accurate.

Well, I finally got a report, with positively outrageous redactions made by Town Counsel.

After some back and forth with Town Administrator Mark Rees and a couple of people in the police department, they decided that even more should've been redacted.

This is ridiculous. We are clearly interpreting the open records law differently.

I did manage to get enough info from what was not redacted and the letters that were included in the report to write the story (see page 3). But, really, folks, this is not okay.

The people preparing these documents for a public hearing should just kind of know, dontchathink?, that the press is going to ask for the information. It's a public hearing. People have a right to know what is going on at a bar that is causing all kinds of noise and other disturbances in the neighborhood. And, there's plenty going on there.

The public hearing was continued to this Monday, 5/20, so hopefully more information will come out at the meeting.

The only way, though, that this kind of secrecy ends, is if people complain. If the law is allowing, or even requiring, this kind of secrecy, then the law needs to change. Laws are made by lawmakers, and we elect THEM, so we need to get on the phone and talk to these guys, write and agitate and do what is necessary.

In my humble opinion, I think what has happened is that we have a bunch of legislators with a bunch of troublemaker kids and so the laws have changed to protect their brats.

This has to stop.

Until next week then...see ya,

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

# Heavily redacted Rasputin's report still reveals disturbing incidents

By Beth David

Editor

Although the police sections of the report on disturbances at Rasputin's Tavern in Fairhaven are heavily redacted, the letters, accompanying documents, and sheer volume of reports paint the picture of a bar that is clearly requiring much more police presence than any other similar establishments in town.

The Selectboard held a public hearing on 5/6/19 (see 5/9/19 issue), with police and one of the owners to discuss a reportedly 130-page report submitted by police to the Selectboard. The hearing was continued to 5/20, when the board will consider what, if any, sanctions to place on the bar, which could include pulling the bar's license to operate. After repeated requests by the *Neighb News*, 113 pages of the report were released, with much of it heavily redacted.

Reports going back to 2016 detail fights, disturbances, intoxicated individuals, ranging from loud talking to gun threats, with some injuries from assaults. Fifty incidents are detailed in the report to the Selectboard.

In response to complaints, the police conducted an undercover operation inside the bar and found other violations, such as wait staff drinking on duty and allowing customers to take "body shots" from them, which is when shots that require salt, sugar or lemon/lime are licked off an exposed body part. Most of the more egregious violations occurred during "bikini Fridays," when bartenders wear skimpy bikinis to serve customers.

In a letter included in the report, Police Chief Michael Myers requested the public hearing saying that police have responded 57 times in the past two years, compared to an average of nine calls to the other 11 bars in town.

The chief's letter says undercover

officers observed patrons being over served and becoming highly intoxicated; underage drinking; bartenders routinely walking and dancing on top of the bar while wearing shoes and bikinis; bartenders dancing for patrons on the bar soliciting money to be placed in their bikini bottoms or tops; bartenders pouring drinks for themselves, charging the customer, and drinking the shot themselves while on duty; body shots on bartenders; apparent drug activity.

"Owner of the establishment was present during all this activity and in many instances is highly intoxicated himself and encourages all above behavior," wrote the chief in #7 of his 12-point list.

Other complaints included disturbances outside, including patrons urinating on and vandalizing neighboring properties.

Number 10: "A much higher amount of calls involving firearms or threats of firearms."

The letter also listed six instances of violence from 2016 to January of this year: male with a gun fled from police and threw a gun out of his car; fight resulting in male being assaulted with a weapon causing laceration to head; male found bleeding heavily from beer bottle being used, and would not cooperate with police; male reported he was assaulted by another male with a gun; male severely beaten inside the establishment and was thrown out, police were not notified by the bar, but were notified by the hospital; male found bleeding and highly intoxicated and the owner was also highly intoxicated and uncooperative with police.

The bar is co-owned by Matthew Cebula and his wife Ellen.

A report written by Det. Sgt. Matthew Botelho on 2/6/19 details the alleged violations on "Bikini Fridays," discovered during the undercover investigation. He

details several instances of body shots, with men licking lime juice off the bodies of the bikini-clad bartenders, over-serving liquor, and drug activity.

"Throughout this time span, the employees behave more like strippers than bartenders," wrote Det. Sgt. Botelho. "The women dance on top of the bar and place their genitalia close to the male patrons while getting money placed inside their bikini bottoms. Others perform 'body shots' at another location of the bar for anyone willing to pay a little extra. The owner of the establishment was not only present at all times during our investigation, but was encouraging others to join in."

The report also includes photos of bartenders dancing on the bar, body shots, and interacting with male patrons.

In a letter responding to the allegations, Attorney Christopher Markey went down a list of seven complaints with recommendations for remediation, but did not deny that the incidents happened. He said the bar will buy a scanner to detect false IDs; add security staff inside and outside to address disturbances, especially at closing time. In response to over serving, Mr. Markey wrote that patrons were sneaking in "nip bottles," and that security would be more vigilant in detecting them.

Mr. Markey also addressed body shots and said they were not a "common occurrence." He said during bikini Fridays, "on occasion, patrons have asked the staff to let the patron do a body shot. The staff members have obliged the patrons."

He said the staff will be required to sign agreements that they will no longer serve alcohol via body shots. He also said dancing on the bar and tables will no longer be tolerated.

Mr. Markey also suggested that the bar establish a manager log with a phone number for each manager on duty.♦♦♦



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Ride is about 2 hours ending at the Ice House Bar & Grill in Fairhaven. Live music on the outdoor stage by Johnny's Basement, Texas Barbeque, Outside Cash Bar, Vendors. Event Sponsored by St. Joseph School and Ice House Bar & Grill. Benefits St. Joseph. Call Tracy at St. Joseph's 508-996-1983 or Ice House at 508-992-2337

## Beach Cleanup

Fort Phoenix Beach Cleanup. Please join Be the Solution to Pollution and Old Rochester Regional High School Community Service Learning Club on **Sun., 5/19, from 1-3 p.m. Meet in the parking lot near the cannons.** Bags, tools, gloves and refreshments provided.

Children are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult.

Please bring a reusable water bottle and wear closed toe shoes. For more info, email: [bethesolutiontopollution@gmail.com](mailto:bethesolutiontopollution@gmail.com) or find us at [www.facebook.com/pollutionsolution](http://www.facebook.com/pollutionsolution)

## Immigration Talk

Mon., 5/20, at 6:30 p.m. with Dr. Lisa Maya Knauer " in the auditorium of the Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, Fairhaven. See ad on page 20.

## Walking Tours

The following tours last about 90 minutes and are presented by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism. For more information, call 508-979-4085 or email [FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov](mailto:FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov). The Fairhaven Office of Tourism is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Rain cancels both tours.

### Poverty Point

Fairhaven's historical "Poverty Point" neighborhood will be the scene of a newly revised walking tour on **Sat., 5/18, at 10:00 a.m. The tour, guided by Christopher Richard, will begin at Cooke Memorial Park on Pilgrim Avenue.**

Often considered for Historic District designation, the Poverty

Point area has about a dozen 18th Century homes, dating from 1742 to the 1790s. Parking is allowed on the west side of Cherry Street and on the south side of Pilgrim Ave.

### Riverside Cemetery

Fairhaven's lovely Riverside Cemetery will be the setting for an **evening tour on Wed., 5/22, at 6:00 p.m.** Begins inside the cemetery's entrance at 274 Main St. Office of Tourism volunteer Joanne Zych will act as guide. The cemetery was created in 1850, on land donated by Warren Delano II, grandfather of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. It is considered to be one of the most beautiful rural-style burial grounds in the region.

The tour traces the quiet winding paths past the final resting places of some of the town's most famous residents, a wide variety of trees, and tombstone art.

Wear comfortable shoes and be prepared for some hills and uneven ground. Parking is allowed on the roads inside the cemetery, however two or three car lengths must be left open directly inside the gate. There are no public restrooms in the cemetery.

## Immigration Stories

The Friends of the Millicent Library invite you to tell about your families' immigration to our country by filling out a card at the Walnut Street entrance of the Millicent Library, or at the main desk. **We are preparing the community for our annual meeting on May 20th**, with a speaker from UMass Dartmouth, discussing immigration policies as they presently affect our community. If you have a story to tell about you or your family, there are colorful cards available. After filling out any history that you would like to share, either pin the card to the Friends of the Millicent Library's bulletin board located in the downstairs entrance, or leave at the desk for one of the Friends to properly display it.

## FIA Voucher Prog.

Each year the Fairhaven Improvement Association offers the Voucher Program to help Fairhaven residents enhance the beauty of their property. To take advantage of this program send a check for \$20.00 to Fairhaven

Improvement Association, P.O. Box 404, Fairhaven, MA 02719 with a self-addressed **stamped** envelope. You will receive a voucher for double the amount — \$40.00 — to purchase any combination of the following shrubbery: Andromeda, Azalea, Boxwood, Butterfly Bush, Dogwood, Holly, Hydrangea, Lilac, Magnolia, PJM, Rhododendron, Viburnum and Wisteria at Kenny's Farm Stand, 325 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven.

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### Memorial Day Parade

Mon., 5/27, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Main Street, from Center Street north to Riverside Cemetery

# SC Children's Theatre preforms "The Little Mermaid"



SouthCoast Children's Theatre presented Disney's *The Little Mermaid* this weekend at Keith Middle School in New Bedford, with its irresistible songs, including "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl" and "Part of Your World." All cast members were children from the SouthCoast in grades 1-8. ABOVE LEFT: Scuttle (Kallie Rose) helps Ariel (Hadley Fitton) stand up after she gets her new land legs in a scene from Disney's "The Little Mermaid" on 5/10/19. ABOVE RIGHT: L-R: Prince Eric (Forrest Malo) and Grimsby (Mason Langlois). BELOW LEFT: Hadley Fitton as Ariel. BELOW RIGHT: The cast of this year's performance of Disney's "The Little Mermaid" by SouthCoast Children's Theatre on 5/10/19 at Keith Middle School in New Bedford, Mass. Photos by Glenn C. Silva. See more of his photos on Instagram: @asttphoto



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The display is located in the Art Room and will be up through the end of June at the Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, Fairhaven. RIGH: David Duval, Trustee of the Millicent Library in Fairhaven, Mass., stands by the D-Day display in the Art Room of the Millicent Library in Fairhaven.

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Tickets: \$20 at door/adults; \$15 in advance; \$5/children 6-12; children under five, free. Tickets available online at [www.tasteofsouthcoast.com](http://www.tasteofsouthcoast.com) and BayCoast Bank, 23 Elm St., NB.

The tasting wraps up by 3:15 pm. The votes are tallied and the awards are presented by 4:30 pm. The fun continues until 5 pm with live music all afternoon. Beer, wine and soft drinks will be served until 5 pm.

## Paper Shred Day

New Bedford Credit Union is sponsoring the spring Paper Shredding Day on **Sat., 5/18, from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the parking lot across from New Bedford City Hall** on the corner of William St. and North 6th St. (enter on William Street).

Residents of New Bedford, Dartmouth, and all communities are welcome. Individuals may bring a maximum of two boxes of paper (standard size box used to hold reams of paper). There will be two shred trucks at this event since the last event was so popular.

Shredding confidential documents helps to prevent identify theft, protect personal information, and prevent valuable resources from being sent to the landfill.

Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed, but please remove paper from folders and binders. Shredded paper will be recycled into new products such as paper towels.

Event is held in partnership with New Bedford's Department of Community Services and the Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District.

For more info call the Department of Community Services at (508) 979-1692 or the Refuse District Recycling Office at (508) 979-1493.

## YYI Play

Your Theatre's final major attraction of the 72nd Season, "A Man

for All Seasons" by Robert Bolt, runs for two Thursdays through Sundays. Remaining performance dates are **May 16, 17, 18, 19. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for all performances except the 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee.**

YTI veteran director Bob Gillet has cast 14 Southcoast area actors to take the stage in this gripping drama. Performances are held at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse, 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.

This tragic historical drama offers a brilliant portrait of Sir Thomas More in his last years as Lord Chancellor of England during the reign of Henry VIII.

**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](mailto:info@yourtheatre.org).

## World Fiddle Day

Old Time Fiddle Session will be hosting a multi-cultural, interactive, traditional music event called "World Fiddle Day" at Southcoast Lessons in **Hatch Street Studios, New Bedford on Sun., 5/19, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.** and includes open playing opportunities for musicians, children's activities, vendors, workshops, dancing, and a full schedule of performances by traditional fiddle music acts. Lessons and Old Time Fiddle Session will be highlighting the rapidly growing traditional music and dance community of our region.

**Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children and \$50 for family passes.** Online sales are available at Eventbrite. In person sales at The Symphony Music Shop, and Southcoast Lessons.

## Author Event

New Bedford Historical Society Presents "How High The Moon," Sat., 5/18, 2-4 PM, free, at the New Bedford Art Museum, 608 Pleasant St., NB [www.newbedfordart.org](http://www.newbedfordart.org)

Actress (Fresh Prince of Bel Air) and activist Karyn Parsons reads from her new book about a young

girl's journey to connect with her mother and learn the truth about her father in the tumultuous times of the Jim Crow South.

## Club Madeirense FR

The Club Madeirense S. S. Sacramento is playing host to an evening of wine and beer tastings while raising **money to support scholarships, May 18th from 6 to 9 p.m. at Madeira Field.** Approaching \$1,100,000, the Club Madeirense S. S. Sacramento Charitable Foundation, Inc. will award fifty-five \$1000 scholarship awards to graduating high school students. Each student has demonstrated academic excellence and has been admitted to a college or university.

The event will also include a silent auction with items including local getaways, golf packages, family day trips, wine tastings and much, much more.

**Tickets: \$30 per adult.** To purchase tickets, contact Paul K. Leconte at 508-965-8546 or [marlec68@comcast.net](mailto:marlec68@comcast.net); John Nunes at 508-971-4033 or [John\\_nunes@comcast.net](mailto:John_nunes@comcast.net)

Limited tickets will also be available at the door. Visit us at [FeastoftheBlessedSacrament.com](http://FeastoftheBlessedSacrament.com)

## YTI Auditions

Your Theatre, Inc. is holding open general auditions May 23, at 7 p.m., for possible roles in the upcoming 2019-2020 Season productions. Now is your chance to take a step into the acting process! Auditions are held in the playhouse located in St. Martin's Church/Hall complex, 136 Rivet Street at Country Street, in New Bedford. The auditions are open to all actors over the age of 16, regardless of prior experience with YTI.

Auditions will consist of a series of cold readings, alone and with an acting partner, and will be conducted by members of YTI's Directorial Staff.

Visit [yourtheatre.org](http://yourtheatre.org) for more information on upcoming productions

Your Theatre celebrates diversity and seeks people of all backgrounds. All are welcome! Dare yourself! Experience is not necessary, just the desire to participate and share the experience of live theatre and the enjoyment of collaborating with other talented individuals.



# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

## Golf Tourney

The Knights of Columbus, Council #14236 of St. Julie's and St. Mary's Parishes in Dartmouth, are again sponsoring a Golf Tournament to raise funds to assist local charities. In the past the Knights have supported such organizations as My Brother's Keeper, Sister Rose House, Child and Family Services, Veteran's Transition House, Humane Society, and others.

The tournament will be held Sun., 5/19 at Allendale Country Club, 1047 Allen St, N. Dartmouth, with registration opening at 12 noon and a 1 p.m. Shotgun Start, scramble format. Prizes include a 2019 Toyota RAV, courtesy of Dartmouth Toyota for a Hole-In-One on the 12th hole. Other prizes will be awarded for Closest-To-The-Pin on any Par 3 including the 12th hole and a Putting Competition.

**The tournament fee is \$100 per golfer; \$400 for foursome**, a tournament gift for each player and includes a golf cart and a dinner provided by Valley Top along with a huge raffle table. Contact William Boles at 508-491-6700 or WilliamBoles@Comcast.net or visit [www.kofcdartmouth.weebly.com/](http://www.kofcdartmouth.weebly.com/)

## Lobster Roll Dinner

Includes chowder, coleslaw, chips, drink, coffee and strawberry shortcake. **Tickets \$25. Friday, May 17 at 6 p.m., St. Julie Billiard Church Hall, 494 Slocum Road, Dartmouth.** Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call 508-991-1590.

## Yard Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging will be having a yard sale on **Sat., 5/18, at the COA on Barstow St., from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Rain date is May 19.** No furniture or electronics, and no early birds.

## Pathway to Planting

**For \$10 you may purchase a Pathway to Planting Passport** from the Mattapoisett Woman's Club (MWC). **On May 18 & 19, 2019 enjoy savings on your Spring gardening needs.** Some local Garden Centers & Nurseries are offering discounts to those holding a Pathway to Planting Passport! Passports are available at the Town Wharf General Store at Shipyard Park, 10 Water Street,

Mattapoisett or the Pen & Pendulum at 67 County Rd. (Rte 6).

All proceeds go to the MWC Scholarship Fund. For more info, contact Sue Mitchell at 508-758-9464

## Author Event

Writer and historian Stan Grayson will appear at the **Acushnet Public Library, 232 Middle Rd., Acushnet, 508-998-0270, on Sat., 5/18 at 1 p.m.** to discuss his most recent book, *A Man for All Oceans, Captain Joshua Slocum and the first solo voyage around the world.* The book was co-published by the New Bedford Whaling Museum and Tilbury House Publishers of Thomaston, Maine.

Grayson is widely known for his books and articles about American yachting and small-craft history, and the American automobile and marine engine industries.

*A Man for All Oceans* is the most comprehensive biography ever published about Joshua Slocum, the first man to circumnavigate and the author of the classic book, *Sailing Alone Around the World*, published in 1900. The book is based on new research and reveals previously unknown details about Slocum, details which the great sailor never shared with the public. Slocum had a strong connection to southeastern Massachusetts for it was in Fairhaven that he rebuilt his famous boat, the *Spray*.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

## Plant Sale

New Bedford Garden Club Plant Sale, **Sat., 5/18, 9 a.m.-noon, at Acushnet Council on Aging, 59 1/2 So. Main St., Acushnet. Rain or shine.** Perennials, herbs, annuals, shrubs and vegetables will all be available. Proceeds support the Greater NB Garden Club Scholarship Fund.

## Bird Club Mtg

Join the Nasketucket Bird Club on **Thurs., 5/23 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow St.** This month will feature Trivia Night. Teams will have fun competing on bird related questions, photos, and audio clips. Join us and bring a friend! Open to the public, free and accessible; use the south

door entrance on Barstow Street.

Visit us at: <http://massbird.org/Nasketucket/> or email Justin Barrett at [jmbarrett426@gmail.com](mailto:jmbarrett426@gmail.com)

## Public Comments

**The Buzzards Bay Coalition and its independent affiliate, the Acushnet River Reserve**, are pleased to announce they are applying for renewal of their existing accreditation with the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, a program that recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for forever protecting important natural places and working lands. **A public comment period is now open.**

Protecting land is an integral part of the Coalition's work to save Buzzards Bay. Conserving forests, wetlands and river corridors helps protect clean water for drinking, swimming and fishing for future generations.

In 2014, the Coalition received accreditation from commission. This is the highest recognition that a land trust can receive. The reaccreditation process will involve another extensive review of the Coalition's policies and programs.

The commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how the BBC and the ARR comply with national quality standards for the ethical and technical operations of a land trust. For the full list of standards, visit [www.landtrustaccreditation.org/tips-and-tools/indicator-practices](http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/tips-and-tools/indicator-practices).

To learn more and submit a comment, visit [www.landtrustaccreditation.org](http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org) or email comment to [info@landtrustaccreditation.org](mailto:info@landtrustaccreditation.org); fax or mail to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments, at (518) 587-3183 or 112 Spring Street, Suite 204, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Comments on the Buzzards Bay Coalition and Acushnet River Reserve's application will be most useful by June 30.

The Acushnet River Reserve is an independent conservation organization affiliated with BBC to protect land along the Acushnet River for conservation purposes.

## Recipe of the Week

### Chocolate Peanut Butter Rice Treats

2 cups peanut butter, divided  
 1 1/2 cups chocolate candy  
 3 cups marshmallow  
 2 cups chocolate chips, melted  
 3 cups crispy rice cereal

In a sauce pan, combine and mix 1 cup (240 gram) peanut butter and marshmallows over medium heat, stirring constantly. Lower the heat and cook until melted. Remove from heat.

Add in, rice cereal and chocolate candies. Mix until evenly combined. Turn mixture into buttered 9x9 pan.

Melt 2 cups (450g) of chocolate chips in a bowl in 30-second increments. Pour melted chocolate over pan and spread evenly.

Melt 1 cup (240g) of peanut butter and drizzle over chocolate. Sprinkle 1/2 cup (100g) of chocolate candies over top. Chill for 2-4 hours.

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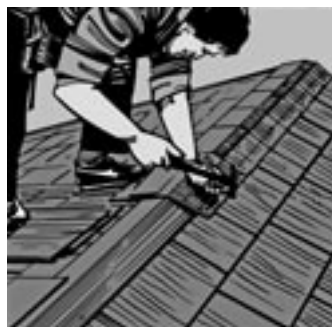
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# Food drive collects 4,160 pounds in Fairhaven



The 27th annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive by the National Association of Letter Carriers, the largest one-day food drive in the country, collected 25,550 pounds of food items for local pantries in Greater New Bedford, with 4,160 pounds collected in Fairhaven alone. The Fairhaven donations went to the Shepherd's Food Pantry in Acushnet. Every year, on the second Saturday in May, residents leave nonperishable food items near their mailboxes. Letter carriers and volunteers pick up the food for distribution to local pantries. For more information on the NALC food drive, visit <https://www.nalc.org/community-service/food-drive>. ABOVE LEFT: Volunteers at the Shepherd's Pantry take a minute to pose for the local free sheet after unloading the truck at the Shepherd's Food Pantry. ABOVE RIGHT: Volunteers use a makeshift ramp to slide the boxes of food from the truck outside into the basement of the Long Plain Methodist Church where the Shepherd's Food Pantry is located. RIGHT: The truck fills up with 4,160 pounds of food collected in Fairhaven.

*Photos by Glenn C. Silva.*



## “Thank you” from the pantry director

*Gerry Payette*

### Shepherd's Pantry Director

This letter of thanks goes out to the folks in the surrounding communities that include New Bedford, Fairhaven, Acushnet, Dartmouth, Rochester and Wareham, who donated non-perishable food towards the 27th annual “Stamp out Hunger” food drive for the needy.

On Saturday May 11th, 2019, letter carriers and volunteer helpers from our area, picked up donated food along their routes that totaled over 25,550 pounds. In Fairhaven alone, 4,160 pounds were collected. This food was left around mailboxes and on porches to help fill the shelves at the Shepherd's Pantry in Acushnet, the Damien Place Pantry in Wareham, M.O. L.I.F.E Food pantry, the Immigrant Assistance Center, the Salvation Army, PACE, the Red Cross and the Catholic Social Services, all

located in New Bedford.

Nationally, all 50 States and U.S. jurisdictions participated in this annual food drive to help the less fortunate. Last year, over 7.1 million pounds were collected throughout the U.S.

A very special thank-you, once again, goes to the very dedicated volunteers who helped out the letter carriers on that day. Also, a BIG thank you to *The Standard-Times*, *The Fairhaven Neighborhood News* and *The Advocate* Newspapers. Also another BIG thank you to Skip's Marine for the use of their truck used by the Shepherd's Pantry to transport their donated food. Also, a big thank you to P.J. Keating, located in Acushnet, for the use of their vehicle scale to weigh the trucks that carried the food to their respective pantries after the food drive.

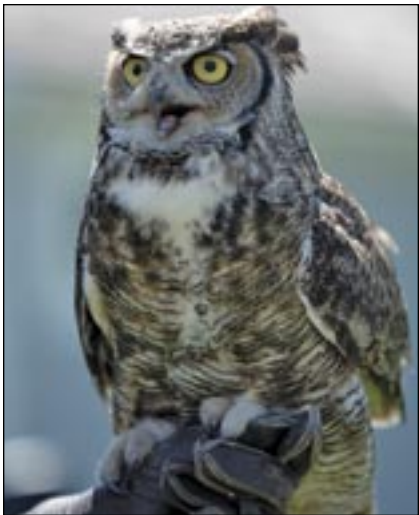
Please remember that every year,

the second Saturday in May will be designated for this very important food drive to help the needy. Every and all donations are appreciated and needed to make this yearly food drive the biggest one-day food drive in the nation. Also, the many dedicated volunteers who help out each week to make all area pantries run smoothly, is a testimony of their kind hearts. I, for one, will never take them for granted.

And finally, the Millicent Library and Stop & Shop Supermarket, both located in Fairhaven, will continue to accept non-perishable food donations all year long that will eventually find their way to the Shepherd's Pantry located at the Long Plain United Methodist Church, 1215 Main Street, Acushnet.

Any questions please call the Shepherd's Pantry at 508-763-9289.

# Herring Festival grabs the only dry day to showcase nature



The Buzzards Bay Coalition held its fourth annual Acushnet River Herring Festival at the Acushnet Sawmill property on Saturday, 5/11/19. The free event featured live animal shows, canoeing and kayaking on the river and the pond, educational demonstrations, food by the Oxcart, and Toe Jam Puppet Band. The property, at 32 Mill Road in Acusnet, is a private park open to the public, owned by the BBC. To learn more about the BBC, visit <http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org>. ABOVE: Sam Claggett from the Buttonwood Park Zoo talks to the crowd about Cisco, a great horned owl. BELOW: Sam Claggett from the Buttonwood Park Zoo talks to the crowd about a turkey vulture named Vlad (LEFT) and a red-tailed hawk named Lorton. BELOW RIGHT: David d'Amore paddles his sons Grayson and Nolan around the pond. BOTTOM, LEFT & RIGHT: People got to kayak and canoe on a beautiful summer-like day as part of the festivities. Photos by Glenn C. Silva. See more of his photos on Instagram: @asttephoto



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#### Sewing Circle

Mondays 1-3 p.m. on June 3, 17; on Thursdays 5:45-8 p.m. on May 23, 30. Call 508-979-4029 for additional dates.

#### Computer Technology for Seniors

9-10:00 a.m. Participants must sign up at the main desk at the Senior Center. The first 10 to sign up will be accepted. The participants must commit to all three classes, Seniors signing up for this class must have a USB storage device with saved photos to be brought to class for tutorials. May 20, 22, 24 from 9-10 a.m. please sign up at the senior Center.

#### Memory Cafe

Coming to Fairhaven COA in June. Fairhaven Council on Aging Memory Cafe will meet every Tuesday 1-2:30 p.m. At The Fairhaven Council on

Aging 229 Huttleston Ave. Call 508-979-4029 and ask for Anne Silvia if you have any questions.

#### Senior Center Garden

Spring has arrived and plans are developing to enjoy another vegetable garden in the enclosed yard behind our Senior Center. Fairhaven Lions will assist to prepare the plantings and we are looking for a few people who would like to help. We anticipate several people will work together to help our garden succeed again.. Please call the Senior Center 508-979-4029 or leave your name at the front reception counter.

#### Precision Body Sculpting Class

Lead by Sue Ashley, Precision Body Sculpting is a one hour blended fitness format integrating elements of yoga, pilates and free weight training for a full body/mind workout. The class will run 2 days a week, Monday and Wednesday beginning June 3rd, from 10:00-11:00 for 6 weeks at the Oxford Terrace, 275 Main Street, Fairhaven, MA. Please call the Fairhaven Senior Center at 508-979-4029 to sign up for this 6 week course. The cost of the course is \$72.00 paid directly to Sue on the first day of class.

### Ongoing Programs

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

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# Acushnet Town Meeting changes local election day and month

By Beth David  
Editor

Acushnet Town Meeting passed the town's \$32.5 million operating budget, capital spending articles, and other spending articles, along with a couple of bylaw changes at the annual TM on Monday, 5/13/19 in about 2 1/2 hours. Most of the 38 articles passed with little or no discussion, and most passed unanimously, but a few saw some debate.

The one that got discussed the longest, by far, was a bylaw change to create a permitting avenue for containers.

Surprisingly little discussion was held, however, on an article that changed the day and date of the annual town election, which will now be on a Saturday. The new bylaw also sets the Annual Town Meeting to be held on the second Monday in May of each year ("or at such other time as shall be determined by vote of the Town"), and the annual election of town officers to be held the first Saturday following the annual TM.

Town Clerk Pamela Labonte told Town Meeting that having the local election on a Saturday would avoid any conflicts with the school, as voting is held at the elementary school. Having the election after TM would also mean that a new selectboard member would not be trying to catch up and vote on a budget he or she was not familiar with. She also said that a Saturday vote might increase voter participation.

Ms. Labonte also noted that in 2020 there will be presidential primaries within 30 days of the local election.

Local elections must, by state law, be held from February to June, so they cannot be held at the same time as state or national elections. That would also require two ballots and a second set of voting machines, anyway, so that would not be a good alternative.

In the end, the vote, which required 2/3 to change a bylaw, passed with a show of hands.

TM also passed a bylaw allowing the town to require all abandoned and foreclosed properties to be registered with the town.

It will allow the town to make sure the properties are not neglected, said Building Inspector James Marot. He said he has to spend a lot of time just finding owners, properties have had burst pipes, have vandalism problems, and are eyesores in the neighborhood. If the town

has a registry, it will be able to force owners to keep the properties maintained.

"Surprisingly enough, we have quite a few of them," said Mr. Marot.

He said a lot of communities are adopting the same kinds of measures to combat the problem.

The article passed with only one opposed.

TM also passed a zoning bylaws change that clarified some sections of Article VIII of the bylaws. The changes, however, were not the pieces that got the discussion. A provision about how far driveways can be constructed near structures drew criticism from David Davignon.

Planning Director Henry Young, however, explained that the provision in question had been on the books for years.

Mr. Davignon withdrew his motion to amend, but noted that the bylaw really does need to be changed.



Voters hold their hands as high as possible to be counted in favor of tabling a bylaw change that would require permits for box containers at Acushnet Town Meeting on 5/13/19. The motion to table failed and the main motion eventually passed, changing the bylaw to require permits for all temporary and permanent containers. Photo by Beth David.

The article passed with the required 2/3 votes.

TM also passed a bylaw, after a very lengthy discussion, that would require a permit for temporary storage containers, trailer boxes, etc. The bylaw sets up a temporary, one year license, and also requires a permit and site plan for all permanently purchased containers.

Mr. Marot told TM that there are a lot of containers on properties throughout town, and they are all not allowed.

He said the new bylaw would allow the containers, but would also give the town and the neighbors some control over where they could go, and make sure they are properly maintained. Mr. Marot said people are using the containers to get around the permitting process for sheds.

He said the containers can, indeed, be made into sheds and can be treated that

way, but they would need to go through the permitting process, with a site plan, variances if necessary, etc.

Now, he said, the containers are used as temporary, moveable structures, even though they stay in the same place all the time, to skirt the bylaws. The new bylaw will allow the containers, but will require them to follow the same rules as sheds and other out buildings.

Stephanie St. Onge objected to the bylaw, saying that many of the larger containers have been on farms and used to store grain and farm equipment. She said she would like to have a provision to exempt, or "grandfather" in some of them.

A lengthy discussion ensued, including amendments, and a ruling by Town Counsel that there was no way to word the exceptions legally, based on what Ms. St. Onge was specifying.

Debra Medeiros said she was worried that someone who had a container on a property for 20 years would get denied a permit.

Mr. Marot said that once a site plan was approved and the permit granted, then the container would be legal.

But now, without the permit, "It's there illegally," said Mr. Marot.

The Selectboard would be the entity that approves the permits and site plans, said Mr. Marot.

The point is to get rid of the containers and boxes that are supposed to be temporary and are placed on properties to the "detriment of the town," he said.

A vote to table the article failed, and discussion continued.

Selectboard member Roger Cabral spoke in favor of the change, saying that it would give the building inspector the tools he needs to regulate the containers

"This is not to harass you," said Mr. Cabral. "It's not government out to get you."

Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar also supported the article, saying it would require the containers to adhere to the same setback requirements as other buildings,

"Temporary is one thing," said Mr. Gaspar. "But permanently? Think about that."

Mr. Marot said the purpose was to make them legal.

"Right now, they are all illegal," he said, adding that if it did not pass, then he would still go after them as complaints

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get called into his office.

Mr. Davignon said he was not opposed to the bylaw, but said he felt there should be a way to grandfather in those that have been in place for decades.

In the end, TM passed the bylaw as written, with the required 2/3 votes.

A change to the use of Civil Service for the fire and police departments passed with some discussion. Call Firefighter Eric Arruda spoke in favor of the measure, saying that the law is "antiquated." With the rules the way they are, he said, call firefighters who have been with the town for years are not allowed to move up.

Spending articles, including the operating budget, received minimal discussion, although Police Chief Michael Alves did have to explain why he needed



\$50,000 from free cash for mobile computers in the police cruisers, and why new speed limit signs cost \$7,500.

David Calheta said some expenses in Article 12, for capital expenses, such as \$10,000 for a copy machine were "excessive" and called the \$50,000 for mobile computers "outrageous."

Chief Alves said the copy machine was also a computer. As for the mobile computers for the cruisers, the fleet is changing from gas powered vehicles to electric, so eight cruisers need to be refitted this year.

The \$7,500 for speed limit signs is for 75 signs in the "center village." He said the signs have to be placed at certain intervals in order for the citations to be legal. The money is for signs, posts, and installation.

Mr. Cabral emphasized to Town Meeting that all capital expenditures had been discussed individually by both the Finance Committee and the Selectboard before being placed on the warrant.

The article passed unanimously.

Article 14 also used free cash, to the tune of \$230,000 for a variety of School Department improvement, including \$75,000 for a fire/burglar alarm; \$30,000



ABOVE: Stephanie St. Onge speaks against a bylaw change that would require permits for storage containers and box trailers at Acushnet Town Meeting on 5/13/19. The measure passed. BELOW: Acushnet Fire Chief Michael Alves explains a few of the capital expenses his department requested. Photos by Beth David.

for roof condensers; \$15,000 for roof maintenance; and \$50,000 for Curriculum Adoption.

Superintendent Paula Bailey said the district had not adopted a new curriculum in years.

Teacher Rebecca Ashley said there were leaks inside the school.

The article passed unanimously.

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## St. Joseph School wins at Science Fair



Four students from St. Joseph School in Fairhaven won awards at the Regional Science Fair at Bristol Community College. L-R: Ava Koczzero-Kasem placed overall 2nd Place at the Middle School Science Fair and an Air Force Distinguished Achievement Award; Ireland Nordstrom and Lola Bergeron both placed for the Interview Award; Katelyn Silva won an Airforce Recognition Award. *Submitted photo*

## St. Joseph celebrates poetry



Students from St. Joseph School in Fairhaven in grades 4-8 celebrate April as poetry month by composing original poems which were then depicted by beautifully illustrated original drawings. Poems were written in a variety of styles including Haiku, cinquain, narrative, lyric and free verse and included topics such as nature, love, memorable events and spirituality. TOP: Skyla Alves and Hadley Cebula stand by their illustrated poetry created during Poetry Month in April. ABOVE LEFT: Luke Carreiro. ABOVE RIGHT: Blaine Boulanger. *Photos submitted.*

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*Lisa Maya Knauer, chairperson of the  
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Drawing upon her research with the immigrant community in New Bedford and in Guatemala, her experiences volunteering at the U.S.–Mexico border, and her work as an expert witness in asylum cases, Dr. Knauer will talk about Central American migration to the United States.

Dr. Knauer has been researching and collaborating with New Bedford’s Central American community and in Guatemala since 2009. She spent 2011 in Guatemala as a Fulbright scholar, and has been awarded research funding by the Russell Sage Foundation and the Sociological Initiatives Fund.

**Monday, May 20, 2019**

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## Fairhaven Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Tues., 6/4, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Board of Public Works

Mon., 5/27, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

### Cable Advisory Comm.

Thurs., 5/16, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 5/20, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Mon., 5/20, Senior Ctr., 9 a.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 5/28 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 5/22, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.  
(NOTE date changed from 5/15)

### Selectboard

Mon., 5/20, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Sustainability Committee

Tues., 5/21, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Voc-Tech Committee

**To appoint new member**

Mon., 5/20, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Agricultural Commission

Thurs., 5/16, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Board of Assessors

Tues., 5/21, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Planning Commission

Thurs., 5/23, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Tues., 5/21, Ford Middle Lib., 5:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Tues., 5/21, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

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Tuesday	21	1032	2250	0411	1553
Wednesday	22	1118	2336	0436	1628
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Friday	24	0027	1301	0541	1746
Saturday	25	0121	1355	0628	1842
Sunday	26	0213	1445	0732	1958
Monday	27	0303	1536	0834	2105

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# ZBA approves all petitions

By Mary Macedo

## Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Tuesday, 5/7/19 the Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals approved of some home additions, a special permit for chickens, and a temporary placement for a camping trailer.

Owner Troy Tonnessen of 149 Dogwood Street asked the board for variances for front, side, and rear setbacks on his current house on West Island, as well as variances for total lot coverage and total building coverage.

Mr. Tonnessen said that he wanted to build an addition to the existing house. He said it was not any closer to the house next to his and not any closer to the street in the front.

He explained that the proposed deck on the side of the house is about two feet closer to the neighbor on that side. He also explained that the property to the north of the house is empty and he owns that empty lot.

The board voted unanimously to grant the variances.

The board also met with John and Karen Cabral of 3 Bass Creek Road about a special permit to allow a temporary camper on their lot for an extended period of time during the summer months.

Mr. Cabral explained that the 19-foot trailer would be stationed at the side of their yard with limited visibility from the street.

He said the trailer would be there from the Fourth of July through Labor Day so that his mentally handicapped brother could visit them on the weekends and some weeks during the summer months.

Mr. Cabral also said he would love for the special permit to be granted

for more than one year for the summer months, so that it would not have to renew the permit each year.

The board granted the special permit for three years for the months of June through September. After three years, they can request an extension.

The board also unanimously accepted a variance for a rear setback at 8 Phillip Street for an additional bedroom and bathroom addition to the house.

Alexander Castro of 3 Jenna Drive also appeared before the board about a variance for a rear setback, which was an after-the-fact filing.

Mr. Castro explained that they built an additional two-car garage and it is 1-foot-9-inches short at the corner.

He said he got the drawings approved, they began building, and he was not aware that he had to get surveyed drawings as well. Mr. Castro apologized for the mistake and said he understands there are no excuses for it.

ZBA Chairperson Peter DeTerra explained to Mr. Castro that it was not his fault and that Mr. Castro relied on certain people.

The board granted the variance unanimously.

The board also met with Lucas Lavallee of 8 Friendly Street who was requesting a special permit for a chicken coop and five chickens. Mr. Lavallee said that his neighbors have no problem with it; and some of his neighbors even showed up to support him.

Mr. Lavallee said there will be no rooster just the five chickens.

The board unanimously granted the permit.

Mr. DeTerra explained to Mr.

Lavallee that he will still need to get the chickens approved by the Board of Health.

The board then met with Anthony and Lisa DeAngelis of 102 Fir Street and their architect Chris Gully.

The project required multiple variances due to setback and lot coverage shortages. The property also has wetland issues.

The plan is to knock down the existing house and garage, and build a new house with an attached garage that will also have living space above it.

Mr. Gully said they have been working closely with the Conservation Commission while planning the layout and construction of the property due to the wetlands. He said the Conservation Commission approved the plans at its last meeting.

The board granted the variances unanimously.

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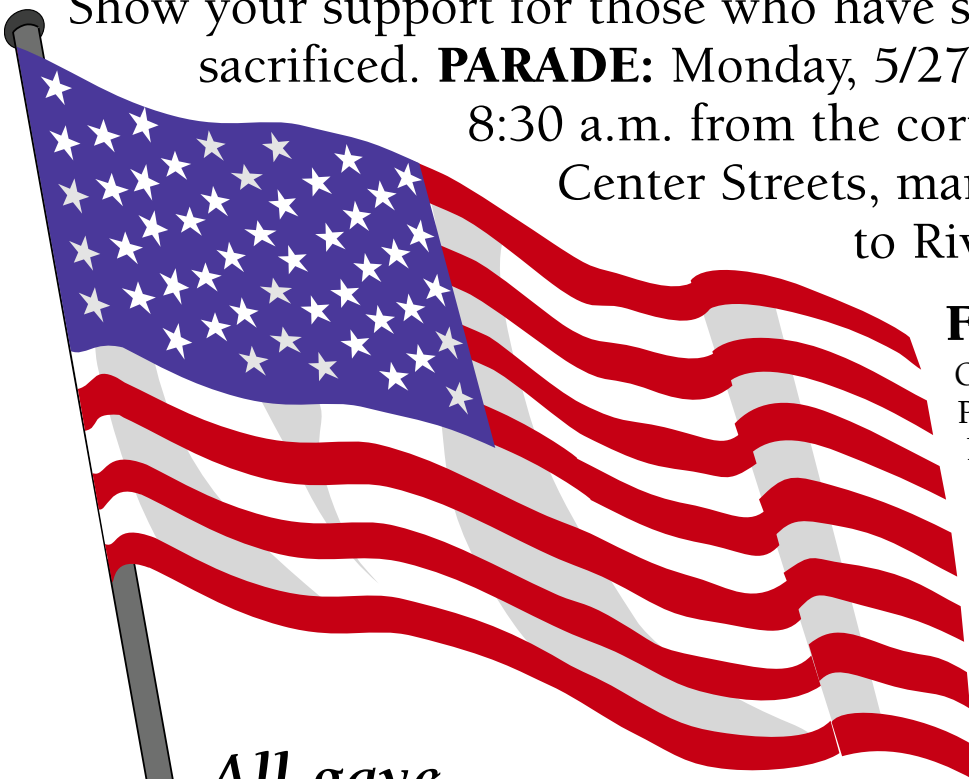
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Veterans are asked to gather at South and Main Streets no later than 8 a.m. Veterans and active military personnel who wish to join the parade but are not able to walk, should meet at the Fairhaven Senior Center at 7:30 a.m. Please call 508-979-4029 so they can get an idea how many riders they will have. The parade will conclude at Riverside Cemetery where a ceremony will be held. Organizers are asking spectators to line Main Street and wave small flags as the parade passes. Home owners on Main Street are asked to place flags out front to show support.

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