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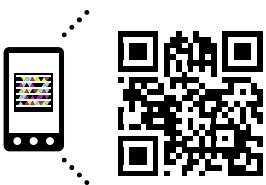
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(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

340 brave the rain for annual Blessing of Bikes



The weather may have been damp but the spirits were mostly high from the hundreds that turned out for the 21st annual Blessing of the Bikes by St. Joseph School. The 340 bikes left Fort Phoenix a little early to try to beat the rain, but those brave souls still got wet. ABOVE: Officer Laurie Cannon is all smiles as she leads the way of the 21st annual Blessing of the Bikes on Sunday, 5/19/19, past St. Joseph Church in Fairhaven where Father David Lupo SSCC splashes holy water on the bikers. See page 12. Photo by Glenn C. Silva.



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

And just like THAT...it's summer. I know, technically it's still a few weeks away, but this weather, and the Memorial Day Parade tell me...it's SUMMER!

It's also the weekend of the spring encampment at Fort Phoenix. We have a parade, New Bedford has a parade, there's a bunch of other stuff going on, too (see pages 3, 5, 8, 9). The weekends are really going to start getting full. It only lasts for about three months, although we do managed to squeeze out few extra weeks in the fall, so get out there and enjoy it.

Rasputin's got continued (no, really, in Fairhaven?). See page 3 for that.

Our cover story is always fun. The rain gods tried to ruin it, but 340 bikers got out there anyway. See page 12 for that, and be sure to note the link to Glenn's pictures, so you can see more of that event.

West Island has a firefly habitat (see page 18), which also happens to be a perfect place for fairies to visit. The press release didn't say that but I added an editor's note because I think it's very important.*

Now, be sure to get out there on Memorial Day (see page 3) and go to a parade to show support for those who died in service to our country, and their families. Fairhaven has a great parade along Main Street and a ceremony at Riverside Cemetery.

We have a bunch of other stuff in here, of course, so make sure you thumb through each page. You're sure to find something fun to do, or something you did not know about.

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Until next week then...
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*(Book ad too obvious?
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Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Memorial Day weekend events

Fairhaven Mem. Day Parade

Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 27, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Main Street, from Center Street north to Riverside Cemetery. Units will march from Center and Main streets north to Riverside Cemetery. There will be a pause at Fairhaven High School for the raising of the "Big Flag" with the National Anthem performed by Fairhaven High School music students. At Riverside Cemetery there will be a ceremony at the Civil War monument, followed by a cannon salute. The public is encouraged to line the route, and homeowners are encouraged to fly the flag. In case of rain, go to Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven.

Flag Raising

At Fort Phoenix at 7 a.m. on Monday, 5/27, the Boy Scouts will raise the flag, and at 5 p.m., will lower the flag near the cannons.

Encampment

The Revolutionary War era will come to life again in Fairhaven during a two-day historical encampment scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26, 2019 at Fort Phoenix.

During the weekend, members of the Fairhaven Village Militia and the Wareham Minutemen and Militia Companies, will live in an authentic period camp the same way it was done 240 years ago. Men, women and children dressed in period clothing will reenact life in 1778 and talk about the history of the fort. They will also be demonstrating campfire cooking, fire starting with flint and steel, musket ball casting, military drilling, loading and firing flintlock muskets and rifles, tin-smithing, leather working, sewing, cannon firing and more. The militia's chaplain will deliver Revolutionary War period sermons. Visitors may try their hand at tomahawk throwing and children's games of the period.

The highlight of the weekend will be the firing of the fort's five large cannons, scheduled for dusk, approximately 7:45 p.m., on Saturday. When fired near sundown, the cannons' plumes of flames and smoke make a spectacular sight.

The militia began as a small volunteer group in 1999, made up of local people who were interested in

local history of the Revolutionary War period. The name Fairhaven Village Militia was adopted in 1993, the same year the first Fort Phoenix encampment was held. The group's commander, Ellsworth Sylvaria Jr., is a descendant of Bartholomew West, whose home was burnt down by the British in 1778. Captain of Artillery Wayne Oliveira was originally a member of Donald R. Bernard's Fourth Old Dartmouth Militia.

Since the group started its programs, thousands of people, including hundreds of school children, cruise ship passengers, visitors, and local residents have visited them at Fort Phoenix. The militia has also taken part in events in the surrounding communities of Mattapoissett, Marion, Dartmouth, and Acushnet and at Fort Taber in New Bedford.

At the encampment, the group is depicting camp life during the Revolutionary War period. There will be regular demonstrations of military drilling and musket firing, but there will be no large-scale battle reenactments.

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Selectboard okays Getty, continues Rasputin's

By Beth David
Editor

The Fairhaven Selectboard granted a continuance to Rasputin's Tavern at its meeting on Monday, 5/22. The bar is facing sanctions, possibly up to a revocation of its license, due to a long list of violations that include over-serving customers, serving alcohol to underage customers, bartenders allowing "body shots" on "Bikini Fridays," and an all-around rowdy atmosphere encouraged by the owners, Matthew and Ellen Cebula.

At the Selectboard meeting on 5/6/19, attorney Christopher Markey admitted to most of the infractions and worked out a temporary plan for more security and some other measures at the bar until the 5/20 meeting.

In a letter to the board dated 5/14, Mr. Markey asked for a continuance so the change of manager documents and other filings with the state can be completed. He also stated that the business is still creating a security plan to be approved by the Fairhaven police department.

He wrote that he wanted to submit financial records from different days of the week to show that the extra

security is not necessary on all the days that the board had ordered.

Town Counsel Thomas Crotty said in an email that he supported the continuance because it would give the town a chance to "put together proposed findings for the Board to review and act on."

Selectboard member Daniel Freitas made it clear he was not happy with the first continuance, and was even unhappier with the second one. He said the board received 106 additional pages of incidents at the bar.

Selectboard member Bob Espindola, however, clarified that the additional pages were from incidents in 2016, not recent incidents

Town Administrator Mark Rees recommended that the board allow the continuance to give Mr. Crotty a chance to prepare the documents properly. Mr. Rees told the board they would not want to send all the documents to the licensing board just to have the sanctions overturned on a technicality.

Mr. Espindola also said that he felt comfortable with the continuance because Town Counsel advised it.

Mr. Freitas, however, said he

received a complaint from someone who was at the bar, saying there was a "commotion," and that the new security measures were not put in place.

"I think we need to get to this soon," said Mr. Freitas.

"I agree," said Mr. Espindola. "I'm anxious to get to the bottom of it."

In another matter, the board finally voted to close the hearing on Fairhaven Getty, which had been trying to comply with changes to its license after a number of violations, mostly revolving around the number of cars for sale on the lot. The board approved a new site plan that included newly striped parking spaces with a change in the number of spots for cars for sale, repair spots, and employee spots.

The business also striped some areas as no parking zones on Grinnell and Rivet Streets to ease congestion.

The board approved the changes, on the condition that the spots be labeled, and gave the business 90 days to complete the painting.

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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.

Fort Encampment

Revolutionary War Encampment Sat. & Sun., 5/25 & 25, Fort Phoenix, Fort St., See page 3 for details.

Mem. Day Parade

Mon., 5/27, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Main Street, from Center Street north to Riverside Cemetery. See page 3.

Free Vessel Checks

As the warm weather nears, boaters are anxious to enjoy days on the water fishing, sailing, and kayaking. It's important, however, to remain alert and practice boating safety whenever you are on the water. USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 65 of Fairhaven, in keeping with its mission to foster recreational boating, reminds boaters to wear your life jacket at all times when you are on the water. All 50 states have adopted the "WEAR IT" campaign slogan to promote safe boating.

Accidents can happen too fast to reach and put on a stowed life jacket. Most recent Coast Guard statistics report that drowning was the reported cause of death in almost three-fourths of all boating fatalities. Of those, 84 percent were not wearing life jackets. Wearing a life jacket is one of the most effective and simple life saving strategies for safe boating.

To foster awareness, members of Flotilla 65 will be available on Sat., 5/25, at Pease Park in Fairhaven from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. to answer questions

and provide Boating Safety informational pamphlets. Free vessel safety checks will be available.

The Flotilla will provide a "Suddenly in Command" course June 1 from 9-11:30 a.m. and July 22 from 7-9:30 p.m. Paddlecraft Safety courses will be offered on June 22 from 9-11 a.m. and on July 8 from 7-9:30 p.m. For more info, visit <http://a0130605.Uscgaux.info/>

Yard Sale FR

Multi family yard sale to benefit The LCpl Matthew R. Rodriguez Memorial Foundation, Sat., May 25th & Sun., May 26th 61 Gелette Road, Fairhaven. See ad on page 21. Visit www.thesmilingwarrior.org

Mattress Recycling

The Town of Fairhaven Board of Health has been awarded a \$28,303.00 grant from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection as part of a mattress recycling program. The program has already begun and will continue for the next five years. The grant will allow for the collection and recycling of residential mattresses and box springs. Residents will need to transport their mattresses and box springs to the Department of Public Works building at 5 Arsene Street and are required to pay a \$20.00 fee per mattress/box spring.

The Health Department is in full understanding that the disposal of mattresses in our Town is quite difficult for our residents. Due to many circumstances, a vast majority of mattresses are left at curbside or in the yards of residential properties. We are very pleased to be awarded available grant funds that will aid in the collection and recycling of mattresses and box springs throughout the Town of Fairhaven. With the availability of grant funding, our goal is to advance recycling and waste reduction.

Please contact the Health Department at (508) 979-4023 ext. 125 for more information.

SAVE THE DATES

Huttleston Marketplace

Close to 50 booths will set up for the second season of Fairhaven's outdoor Huttleston Marketplace,

opening on Sat., 6/1, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., on the lawn of the Fairhaven Visitors Center. See ad on page 7.

New England Pirates

The Fairhaven Historical Society presents "New England Pirates" by Stephen O'Neill, Executive Director of the Hanover Historical Society, at Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, on Friday, June 7, at 7 pm. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.

The Fairhaven Historical Society is a 501(c)3 organization making your donation tax deductible. For more information contact historical_societyfairhaven@gmail.com

All Class Breakfast

The Fairhaven High School Class of 1969 will be hosting the All-Class Breakfast during homecoming weekend this year. As is customary, the class celebrating its 50th year serves as the host to the breakfast.

The event will take place on Sunday, June 30th from 8:30-10:00 AM at the FHS Cafeteria and is catered by Courtyard Restaurant.

Tickets are \$10 each and are available at Euro Shop now and will be available at the Fairhaven Alumni Booth at the homecoming fair. You may also contact Susan at 774-263-0951 for advanced tickets.

Community Garden

Have you ever wanted to try gardening but didn't know where to start? Perhaps you're interested in saving money by growing your own organic vegetables? Or maybe, you just want to be part of a "growing green" community?

If you've answered yes to any of these questions, you're in luck. The Fairhaven Community Garden has garden beds available at three locations in town: East Fairhaven Elementary School, Hastings Middle School and Wood School. **The annual fee is \$10 per 4x8 foot bed.** All gardeners agree to use organic practices only.

If you are interested or have a question, visit our website at fairhavencommunitygarden.org where you'll find more information and the 2019 gardening application, or you can email the site coordinator at sitecoordinator@fairhavencommunitygarden.org.

FHS music students win awards in DC

Press Release

The Fairhaven High School Music Department had a successful week-end in Washington, D.C. last month, when it collected numerous awards and accolades at the WorldStrides OnStage Music Festival.

The Festival was a chance for FHS Music students to showcase their talents and compete against other high school music students from across the country.

The already well-decorated program was proud to return home with numerous awards. The Concert Choir and Treble Choir had the most success, both earning Gold Awards along with an invitation to perform at Carnegie Hall. The Jazz Band also received a Gold Award for their performance, and the Concert Band and Orchestra were each recognized with a Silver Award.

Along with the group awards, six students also earned individual Maestro Awards. The Maestro Awards recipients were recognized for their outstanding solo contributions. Bethany Tetrault, Caitlyn Foster, Kaylee Sanchez, Brian Poirier,



Students from Fairhaven High School and their teachers pose with awards they won at the WorldStrides OnStage Music Festival in Washington, DC, in April, 2019. *Photo submitted.*

Frances Desrosiers and Sebastian Antonio all received Maestro Awards at the Festival.

While the group and individual awards were special to FHS Music, the highlight of the trip was being presented with The Festival Sweepstakes Award. This prestigious award is earned by achieving the highest overall combined score across both instrumental and choral ensembles.

Along with the great pride that came from being named the recipients of The Festival Sweepstakes, FHS Music was recently invited to the

Emerald Isle Music Festival, an invitation-only festival for Festival Sweepstakes Award winners.

Despite the competitive nature of the trip, FHS Music still managed to enjoy and educate themselves while visiting the Nation's capital. Some of the highlights from the trip were: Singing the National Anthem during a flag raising ceremony at the exact spot that the poem was written, experiencing the performance of "Into the Woods" at Ford's Theatre and "Shear Madness" at the Kennedy Center, an Arlington National Cemetery Walking Tour, witnessing the changing of the guards, sightseeing and much more.

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Vendor space available. FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov 508-979-4085 *No market June 29.

Memorial Day

New Bedford will hold a parade and other events to commemorate Memorial Day. See page 3.

Auditions

Your Theatre, Inc. is holding auditions **Wed. & Thurs, 5/29 & 30, 7 p.m.** and for all roles in the upcoming 2019-2020 Season production of "The 39 Steps" by John Buchan and adapted by Patrick Barlow. The performances run from Sept.12-22.

Auditions are held in the playhouse in St. Martin's Church/Hall complex, 136 Rivet Street, NB. The auditions are open to all actors over the age of 16. Audition Package available at <https://yourtheatre.org/>

Auditions will consist of a cold reading from the script and a prepared monologue (see the web site for download). Various accents are a plus. Director Lawrence R. Houbre, Jr. of New Bedford is casting all roles.

Play summary: Bored Canadian Richard Hannay, on holiday in London, meets a mysterious woman who says she's a spy. When she is murdered in his flat and he is accused, Hannay sets out to uncover the meaning of the "39 Steps," a secret she spoke of with her dying breath. Hannay, unsure of whom he can trust, crisscrosses England and Scotland on a thrilling adventure involving train chases, plane crashes, shadowy murders, beautiful spies, trilled heavies, dastardly villains, and of course love, as he races against time to save England and the world.

Your Theatre celebrates diversity and seeks people of all backgrounds regardless of age, race, creed, or national origin. All are welcome!

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.

Nomination Papers

Nomination papers to run for local municipal office in the November 2019 municipal election in NB are now available from the Election Commission Office in New Bedford City Hall, 133 William Street, Room 114. The Election Office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Nomination papers are available for: Mayor, Assessor-at-Large, School

Committee, Councillors-at-Large and Ward Councillors.

Before issuance of nomination papers, a candidate must sign a statement containing his or her name, address, and the office for which he or she intends to be a candidate. Anyone other than a candidate must present a signed authorization in order to secure papers on behalf of a candidate.

Candidates must obtain 50 certified signatures in order to be eligible to appear on the Preliminary Municipal Election ballot, which New Bedford voters will consider on Tuesday, October 1, 2019. **The final day and hour to submit nomination papers to the Board of Election Commissioners for certification of signatures is August 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** Nomination papers must be filed with the Board of Election Commissioners by 5:00 p.m.

The Preliminary Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, 10/1/9. The Final Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019.

Stonewall Riots 50th

The South Coast LGBTQ Network is hosting a **Meet and Greet with Veterans of the Stonewall Riots on Fri., 5/31, 6-9 p.m., at the Harbor Hotel, 222 Union Street, New Bedford, MA. Tickets are \$25 each and are available online at www.sclgbtqnetwork.org.**

The Stonewall Riots on June 27-29, 1969 were a symbol of resistance to social and political discrimination that inspired solidarity among LGBT individuals and communities to fight for equality and civil rights. Local individuals who were instrumental in the work for Marriage Equality will also be recognized, as 2019 marks 15 years of Marriage Equality in Mass.

For more information, to purchase tickets, sponsor or vendor space, visit www.sclgbtqnetwork.org or call Eileen at 774-775-2656.

The South Coast LGBTQ Network, Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit organization whose mission is "to build and maintain a comprehensive support network for LGBTQ individuals and families across the age spectrum."

SAVE THE DATES

South Coast Pride

South Coast Pride is June 1 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Buttonwood Park,

New Bedford. This free, family friendly community event has a healthy start at 9:00 a.m. with the 1.9 mile New Bedford Wellness Walk around the park with Dr. Michael Rocha, followed by Yoga in the Park at 9:45 a.m. with local yoga guru, Jeff Costa. Live entertainment, drag performances, vendors, resource tables, live art and more continue from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Adults (21+) are invited to the After Pride Party at Le Place, 20 Kenyon Street, New Bedford from 4 p.m.-2 a.m. featuring friends, fun and food for \$10 cover charge. Local favorite DJ Nicole will be on the outside deck from 4-9 p.m.

There is also room for a few more vendors if you register by noon on May 24. For more information or to register, visit www.sclgbtqnetwork.org or call Eileen at 774-775-2656.

Whale Dance

The New Bedford Whaling Museum will host a truly one-of-a-kind contemporary dance performance interpreting the newly installed exhibition Whales Today on Saturday, June 1, 2019. The Whales Today exhibition explores whale biology and behavior, marine mammal conservation, ocean health, and how human interaction with these giants of the deep has evolved over time. This live performance by Tilted Collab Dance Project of Cambridge, Mass., will feature improvisational movements inspired by whale behavior, sounds, vulnerabilities, and survival. It will be choreographed in the moment allowing the audience to feel true authenticity and vulnerability.

Dancers will be responding to music produced by local artists Thomas O'Leary, Simon White, and Sean Fennessey. The musical composition was created as a reaction to the exhibition and influenced by the digital recordings of whale sounds that the Museum spotlights within the exhibition. An exclusive talk with the artists will take place after the performance. Whales Today Live runs from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A catered reception begins at 6 p.m. with a cash bar, followed by the performance and Q&A with the artists. **Tickets are \$35 for Whaling Museum members; \$40 for non-members, and \$25 for students.** Fir tickets, visit www.whalingmuseum.org or call 508-997-0046.

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Lakeside Festival

St. John Neumann's Lakeside Family Festival, held on Memorial Day Weekend, has become an anticipated event in the area. Because our emphasis is to present a weekend of activities directed to all family members, we demand a safe and secure environment: absolutely no alcoholic beverages are allowed on the grounds.

The festival is located at Cathedral Camp on Long Pond, Route 18, (Middleboro Road) in East Freetown, Mass. FREE ADMISSION!

The dates and hours are: Fri., 5/24, 6–11 p.m.; Sat. & Sun., Noon–11 p.m.; Mon., 5/27, Noon–5 p.m.

Amusement rides for all ages—ethnic and American food booths—midway game booths of skill and chance— including our “GRAND” raffle, and our renowned GIANT Barn Sale. Also enjoy delicious freshly prepared home-baked goods. On Sunday, at 8 a.m., registration begins for our 29th Annual Antique and Classic Car Show, registration fee is \$10.00. Judging begins at 2 p.m. and the awards section is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. (Rain date will be Monday.)

Blessing of the Bikes takes place on Saturday. Riders \$15. And passengers \$10. Registration begins at Noon and kickstands are up at 1 pm. (Rain Date will be Sunday)

For more details visit <http://www.sjnfreetown.org>

Bird Walk

Join the Buzzards Bay Coalition to look and listen for songbirds, shorebirds, and raptors on Sat., 5/25, at 8 a.m. at Nasketucket Bay State Reservation (94 Brandt Island Rd., Mattapoisett). With the birding expertise of Nate Marchessault, president of the South Shore Bird Club, we'll search for birds in forest, farmland, and along the rocky shoreline of Nasketucket Bay.

Thanks to its variety of habitat, Nasketucket Bay State Reservation hosts a great diversity of birds, and we'll try to identify those that we see. Whether you are a fledgling or an expert flyer, all are welcome — just bring your binoculars and your listening ears!

To RSVP or to get more information about this free program, visit <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/birds-of-buzzards-bay-may-25-2019/> or call (508) 999-6363 ext. 219 or email bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org.

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La Salette Festival

The annual La Salette Holy Family Festival will be held Thurs., 5/23–Mon., 5/27, in the 2nd Parking lot (adjacent to Life Care) 947 Park St., Attleboro, MA 02703, <https://www.lasaletteattleboroshrine.org>

La Salette at Attleboro continues its Memorial Day tradition with a Family Festival and Carnival. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the start of the summer season and help support the Shrine's ministries. Come join us for Food, Games, and Rides for all ages!

SAVE THE DATES

Boston Pride

Join us for Boston LGBTQ Pride Week, 5/31–6/11, with the annual Pride Parade and Festival on Sat. 6/8, ending at City Hall Plaza. Flag raising ceremony at City Hall, noon on Fri., 5/31; Pride Family Movie Night featuring at dusk on Fri., 5/31 at Boston Common; Pride Arts Event, “God Save the Queens,” at New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall, 8 p.m. Join us for a full slate of events starting on June 1 and going through the whole month of June.

PARADE & FEST

Pride Parade, a rain or shine event, starts at Copley Square, stepping off at noon; finishes at City Hall Plaza. Visit <http://www.bostonpride.org/parade/> for route and advice for spectators.

Newport Pride

Newport LGBTQ Pride events this year include flag raising at city hall at 4:30 p.m. and Sunset Yoga at Third Beach at 6 p.m. on Friday, 5/31; Pride Cruise on 6/1, 2–3:30 p.m.; Fishnets Newport Pride Party at Christie's, 8 p.m.–1 a.m.; Bike Ride Parade on Sun., 6/2, 11 a.m.–noon; Pride Fest at Equity Park, noon–4 p.m.; Tea Dance at Parlo, 5 p.m. Visit <https://www.newportout.com> for details.

Fall River Pride

The Fall River Pride Committee presents its Inaugural Pride Festival, Sun., 6/2, noon–4 p.m., Government Ctr and PW Square. Featuring tabling

fair, DJ & live performers, local food trucks, yoga at Government Ctr. Atrium, games, raffles, door prizes and more. Fun for all ages.

C o n t a c t :
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Acushnet Art Show

The Acushnet Art Show is celebrating 60 years, don't forget to save the date! Public Viewing: will be Saturday, 6/1, from 2:00–8:00 p.m. and Sunday, 6/2 from 1:00–5:00 p.m. at the Acushnet Senior Community Center, 59 1/2 South Main Street. Donations of finger foods such as cheese, crackers, cookies, squares etc. will be accepted for the afternoon reception. For more information please call Dianna Couto, 508-965-5752.

Free Concert

Free and Fabulous Concert in Middleborough, Sat., 6/1, at 7:30 p.m. Composer and pianist, Erik Lindgren, will be joined by The Bespoke Consort in a unique concert at First UU Middleboro, located at 25 S. Main Street. In addition to Erik, members of the consort include Thomasine Berg (flute), Vessela Stoyanova (marimba lumina), and Valerie Thompson (cello). These amazing musicians present invigorating concerts of crossover chamber music, moving in and out of classical, pop, and rock. It's sophisticated, fun, and unique — spring-loaded musical escapades a-go-go! Check it out: <http://www.arfarrecords.com/bespoke/index.html>. Admission is free (donations accepted). This program is supported in part by a grant from the Middleborough Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass. Cultural Council, a state agency.

Women in Waders

Join the Buzzards Bay Coalition for a three-week series of free adventures for women who love the outdoors. Adults of all ages are welcome. **On May 28, discover the diversity of aquatic life at the edge of the Acushnet River during “Buggin’ Out” at The Sawmill (32 Mill Rd., Acushnet), 6–7:30 p.m.**

To RSVP and learn more, visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/ or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition at (508) 999-6363 ext. 219 or bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org.

Recipe of the Week

Shrimp De Jonghe

- 3 pounds cooked shrimp
- 2/3 cup bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup dry sherry
- 1/4 pound butter
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 pinch tarragon
- 1 pinch marjoram
- 1 teaspoon parsley, or to taste

Preheat the oven to 400°. Place shrimp in a baking dish.

Combine bread crumbs, sherry, butter, garlic, salt, tarragon, and marjoram in a bowl. Sprinkle mixture on top of shrimp in the baking dish. Sprinkle parsley on top. Bake in the preheated oven until golden brown, about 25 mins.

From recipes.com

To share a recipe with your neighbors

Mail to 166 Dogwood St., Fairhaven, MA 02719; fax to 508-991-5580; email to neighnews@comcast.net (Email preferred)

FIA voucher program returns

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.

The voucher is valid from May 1st till September 30th 2019. If you use your voucher before July 1st, Kenny has offered to add another \$10.00 allowance to your doubled voucher giving you a total of \$50.00 in buying power at his nursery.

The offer is available to Fairhaven residents only. One voucher per family is allowed.

The voucher may be used for the shrubbery listed only. It may not be

used for any other merchandise in the nursery. It cannot be exchanged for cash. The voucher will expire September 30, 2019. The voucher program ends when all allocated funds have been depleted but no later than September 30, 2019.

The application is also available at Kenny's farm-stand, Fairhaven Town Hall or on FIA website: fairhavenimprovement.org and our Facebook page. Contact: Monika Whalley, 508.758.8223 or monikawhalley@hotmail.com

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Blessing of the bikes draws 340 despite rain



The 21st annual Blessing of the Bikes was postponed due to rain, and almost got rained out on Sunday, 5/19/19. The ride started from Fort Phoenix a few minutes early to try to beat the rain, but it was coming down pretty steadily by the time the 340 bikes made it to St. Joseph Church in Fairhaven for the blessing. Father David Lupo SSCC and Father Stephen Banjare SSCC splashed the bikes with holy water as they rode off for a two-hour ride along the back roads, then back to the Ice House for an afternoon of music and food. The annual event benefits St. Joseph School in Fairhaven. Last year's run was also plagued by rain and got 175 bikers on the rain date. 2017 saw 412 bikes on a bright and sunny day. ABOVE LEFT: Bikes wait to check in at Fort Phoenix before the rain starts on 5/19/19. ABOVE MIDDLE: A rider is ready with the \$15 to join the ride. ABOVE RIGHT: Garth and Mari Rowe moments before getting blessed. BELOW LEFT: Father David Lupo SSCC splashes water on the bikes as they pass by the church. BELOW RIGHT: Fr. Lupo is joined by Father Stephen Banjare SSCC in front of the church. BOTTOM LEFT: Some of the 340 bikes that braved the elements ride up Spring Street to pass the church for the blessing. BOTTOM RIGHT: A couple of riders and their faithful companion smile for the photographer. *Photos this page by Glenn C. Silva. See more photos from this event at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/8ozw426nmXuPPV6a7>; find him on Instagram, @asttphoto, to see more of his photos.*



Poverty Point Walking Tour gets a little make-over

From Press Release Materials

Fairhaven's historical "Poverty Point" neighborhood was the scene of a newly revised walking tour presented by the town's Office of Tourism on Saturday, May 18. Guided by Christopher Richard, the tour began at Cooke Memorial Park on Pilgrim Avenue.

This walking tour, outlining the history of the people and events in Oxford Village, the oldest village area in present-day Fairhaven, was first created in 1995 by the late Natalie S. Hemingway, who was a volunteer with the Fairhaven Tourism Committee at the time. That basic walk with slight modifications has been offered to the public a number of times over the last twenty-plus years. Since the tour was last presented in 2017, Mr. Richard, the Tourism Director for Fairhaven, has revised and updated the walk along a new tour route.

This area, once known as "Ye Little Town at Ye Foot of William Wood's Homestead," and later "Oxford," got the nickname "Poverty Point" around 1810, but the downturn of fortune was short-lived.

On the tour walkers heard about the old burial ground and the mysterious human remains dug up in 1902, and what was once called "the most pretentious dwelling in the village." Walkers also learned about the some of the people who brought worldwide fame to Fairhaven.



The land was once owned by Thomas Taber, the son-in-law of Mayflower passenger John Cooke, and the remains of Taber's house still stand more than 340 years later.

The neighborhood was where Joseph Bates, founder of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, grew up and it is where Manjiro Nakahama first stayed when he was the first Japanese person to live in America. Capt. Joshua Slocum rebuilt the sloop Spray here before sailing it alone around the world. The neighborhood was also the home of artists including Charles Gifford and Lemuel D. Eldred.

Often considered for Historic District designation, the Poverty Point area has about a dozen 18th Century homes, dating from 1742 to the 1790s.

The Fairhaven Office of Tourism offers several free walking tours. To learn more, visit <https://fairhaventours.com>, call 508-979-4085 or email 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.

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TOP & ABOVE: Fairhaven Director of Tourism Christopher Richard talks about the history of "Poverty Point" during a walking tour on Saturday, 5/18/19. About 50 people showed up for a free walking tour of Poverty Point by Fairhaven Director of Tourism Christopher Richard on Saturday, 5/18/19. About 50 people showed up for the tour. *Photos courtesy of Robert Pina.*

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ma.gov/recreation-department](https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/recreation-department)**

Hampton Beach

Come and enjoy a summer day traveling to the 19th Hampton Beach Master Sand Sculpturing Classic on June 22nd. Take delight in the sculptures and see who won all the coveted awards. It's time to laugh, play and enjoy the culinary delights the area restaurants have for you. Have fun at the Arcade, sit at the ocean and take in all the sights and sounds while feeling a passing ocean breeze. Finally relax as your Coach heads for home after having a unique experience; something to share with friends and to remember. Date: June 22; bus leaves rec at 10 a.m. leaves Hampton Beach at 5 p.m. \$50.00 pp

Kool Kids Summer Vacation

Kool Kids is for children entering grades 1-age 12. Children will have fun each day by participating in a variety of sports, games and art activities. Each session will also include special themed events. Children are grouped by the Grade they will enter in the Fall. Don't miss out on this great summer program. Last year's program was full almost every week. Sign up early so we can take more participants than last year \$130 per week for members, sibling discounts available, also non member rates. Hours: Monday thru Friday 8a.m.-3 p.m., Drop off 8 a.m., pick up 3 p.m.

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Special Activities

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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 hosts tabletop exercise for the big storm

By Beth David
Editor

Acushnet town officials have been working with cadets from Mass Maritime Academy since last October, resulting in a tabletop exercise, "Winter Storm Cindy," that simulated a blizzard with prolonged power outage. According to Fire Chief Kevin

Gallagher, the town's emergency response plans were reviewed and will be modified as a result of the exercise.

The cadets are part of the Homeland Security program and the exercise was part of a class they took.

The three-hour training took place on Tuesday, 5/21/19, at the Acushnet Police Department.

School officials also attended to evaluate the students on their presentation.

Fire Chief Gallagher said the exercise was helpful to the department.

"Our emergency plans will be updated based on this exercise," he said.



LEFT: Mass Maritime Academy cadets (L-R) Zach O'Neil, Brian O'Connell, and Emily Noyes make their presentation during "Winter Storm Cindy," a tabletop exercise at the Acushnet police department on 5/21/19 designed to help the town prepare for a blizzard with a prolonged power outage. RIGHT, L-R: Emily Noyes (seated), Brian O'Connell, Zach O'Neil make their presentation to town officials. Photos by Glenn C. Silva. See more of his photos on Instagram @asttphoto.

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Acushnet Selectboard Gaspar still griping about W&C study

By Pattie Pacella

Neighb News Correspondent

The Acushnet Selectboard honored the Standard Times' Acushnet Man of the Year, Tom DeCosta at their meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. They presented him with a reprint of the article and thanked him for all he has done with putting together the Veterans Memorial Park.

Mr. DeCosta said many more people deserved the award than he did. He thanked the paper and the Selectboard for recognizing all the hard work that went into creating the park. He said he would still like to put up a storyboard or two at the park with all the sponsors that helped put it together and that by the end of the year there should be approximately six hundred memorial bricks with names of veterans, that are being sponsored daily by community members.

Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar told Mr. DeCosta he had a big heart and deserved many plaques. He thanked him for all his hard work in creating the park.

In other business, the Selectboard

had a contentious discussion on the wage and classification sub-committee appointment that Mr. Cabral had included on the agenda.

Mr. Cabral explained that he felt the Wage & Classification Committee should a three person committee that could review some of the job classifications still in question and report their findings and recommendations back to the Selectboard.

Mr. Cabral suggested the committee be made up of Town Administrator Brian Noble, a Finance Committee Member, and a member of the Selectboard. He also stated that he was open to either one of the two Selectboard members being that third person, as it did not have to be him.

Board member David Desroches asked that if the Selectboard is in charge of it now, why the sudden change to have a committee be in charge.

Mr. Cabral explained that the Selectboard received the wage and classification study back in early 2018 and the Selectboard sat on it for eight to nine months. He said it was then discussed in executive session, where

the board members at that time could not come to an agreement about the study, so he and Mr. Noble went through the study completely and returned to the full Selectboard to make recommendations and certain wage and classifications were voted unanimously on. Mr. Cabral said that there were a few positions that still needed further review.

Mr. Gaspar said he had always been against the W&C study because he believes it to be "inaccurate."

"The wage and classification study were all done without me being present, and I believe it is very inaccurate," he said, adding that he did not think a subcommittee was necessary and he thought that they all needed to refine the inaccuracies in the report.

He said there were a lot of empty spaces in the report that compares Acushnet to other towns that are not comparable to Acushnet.

The conversation continued to go back and forth with Mr. Gaspar opposing the study and the subcommittee and Mr. Cabral in favor.

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Firefly habitat on West Island gets help from students

Submitted by Lauren Viera

Amanda O'Gara Pedersen's Fairhaven High Environmental Science Club got down and dirty on Sunday May 19th at the West Island Firefly Habitat. She loves doing experiments and projects with her students in school, but feels the importance of also teaching them to get involved in their community. And what better way to do this then by helping the fireflies?

Did you know that firefly numbers are declining This is due to many factors but, most importantly, loss of habitat and light pollution. The tarring of roads causes runoff that can contaminate the wet forest floors they use to lay their eggs. All of the street lights and back yard floodlights affect the firefly light show which is their breeding technique. Plus the

development of our open land and use of pesticides make it difficult for them, too.

The West Island Firefly Habitat was created a few years ago by a group of neighbors who wanted to ensure our magic bugs stick around. The West Island Improvement Association allowed a section of the field on Fir Street near the basketball court to be sectioned off.



ABOVE: Students from Amanda O'Gara Pedersen's Fairhaven High School Environmental Science Club help spruce up the West Island Firefly Habitat on Sunday, 5/19, (L-R) Abigail Benjamin, Braley Viera, Liz Arruda, Amanda Pedersen, and Emily Pedersen. TOP: The West Island Firefly Habitat is located in the field owned by the West Island Improvement Association on Fir Street. Photos courtesy of Lauren Viera.

Many generous Islanders donated perennials from their gardens or supplies to help make the simple fence. Each spring the Habitat needs some sprucing up. Amanda, along with her children, Emily and Jakob, and a few science club students got to work. They helped plant some flowering trees, fixed the fence, and weeded out the dead grass and leaves. This will make the area

more enjoyable for everyone (including the bugs) come summertime.

The habitat started out with fireflies in mind, but actually helps much wildlife. We have milkweed plants growing which are great for the Monarch butterflies. The Audubon society has noted that letting a section of your property's grass grow to full height and wild is great for the birds.* The deer have been visiting and enjoying the tiger lilies as a spring snack, not to mention the fence had to be repaired from the fox pups ripping it up in the tall grasses.

If you would like to find out more about the habitat or visit it, contact Lauren Viera at 508-997-8731

**Editor's Note: Also, when you leave a part of your yard a little wild, you give the fairies a place to stay as they travel the world at night bestowing goodness wherever they go.*



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Rain does not ruin spirits at Fairhaven High School prom



They needed umbrellas by the time they got to the coach buses at Fairhaven High School on Friday, 5/17/19, but that did not dampen the spirits of the students going to the prom, which was held at Venus De Milo in Swansea. FHS also hosted a luau-themed after-prom party at the high school that went on until 5 a.m. the next day. On the left, *photos courtesy of Susan Rizzo*. Darcy Rizzo (LEFT) and her friend Keira Kenney; and Darcy with Abby Horan, Alyssa Freitas, and Jorja Jayne before the prom. On the right, *photos courtesy of Brian Monroe*. Rachel Braga and Gabriel Monroe pose with Gabe's parents, Keri and Brian Monroe at FHS before the prom. RIGHT: Rachel Braga pins a corsage on Gabe.

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TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN COMMITTEE VACANCY

The Town of Fairhaven is seeking one Fairhaven Resident to serve on the Fairhaven Housing Authority. This elected position will be on the ballot in 2023, but in the interim the Housing Authority and the Board of Selectmen must appoint someone to fill the vacancy until the term expires.

Letters of interest may be mailed to the Selectmen's Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 by May 29, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. or emailed to VPaquette@Fairhaven-MA.gov

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven Conservation Commission

Monday, June 3, 2019 at 6:30
Town Hall, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold the following **Public Hearings** pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands:

1. CON-19-058: **68 Bay Street** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Cecelia Demello for the installation of a fence, rebuild and extension of the front porch, replacement of existing deck landing with pavers, addition of a landing for back deck, and addition of seashells at the property located at 68 Bay Street, Assessors Map 28A, Lot 413. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm

2. CON-19-059: **32 Alder Street** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Alan Vaynerchuck for the construction of a stone wall at the edge of existing lawn at the property located at 32 Alder Street, Assessors Map 43A, Lot 14. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone VE and Buffer Zone to Coastal Beach.
3. CON-19-060: **30 Hitch Street** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by John Logan for the installation of a pre-fabricated 6' x 8' wooden shed on 4 sonotubes at the property located at 30 Hitch Street, Assessors Map 8, Lot 46. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone AE.
4. CON-19-061: **36 Monondach Avenue** Request for Determination of Applicability filed after-the-fact by Naji Elkhoury for the reconstruction of a 10' x 28' deck at the property located at 36 Monondach Avenue, Assessors Map 42A, Lot 229. Work to take place on Barrier Beach and in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone VE.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be viewed at the Conservation Office in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

Whitney McClees, Agent
Fairhaven Conservation Commission
Fairhaven Neighborhood News, 5/23/19

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday, June 4, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

1. 21 Littleneck Road – 198:21 (D) Special Permit request to rebuild within two years and Variance request for 9' of front setback of dwelling and garage on corner lot to build a new dwelling, shed and garage.
2. 57 Fort Street – 198-18: Variance request for side setback of 1'6" and rear setback of 1'3" in a RA District for a addition to rear of house.
3. 41 Winona Avenue – 198-18: Variance request for

- 14.5' from 30' required front setback for elevator in a RR District.
4. 8 Deerfield Lane – 198-16: Special Permit for 4 chickens in a RA District.
5. 86-88 Middle Street – 198-18: Variance request for 30% lot coverage over 70% allowed in the Mixed Use District.
6. 12 Gull Island Road – 198-18: Variance request 9.1' front side setback, 16' front setback; 18.7% variance for lot coverage and 11.5% variance for building coverage for a deck in a RR District.
7. Winsagansett Ave – 198-16: Special Permit for an accessory structure on a lot without a principal use. 198-18: Variance for 15.7' front setback on East Side; Variance for 14.0' front setback on North side. Variance request for 4' 9" over the 20' max. Variance request for 6,521 sq feet of required 30,000 sq ft lot in a RR District; And a Variance to allow the building in a front yard to construct storage area on an engineered concrete foundation.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman
5/23/19, 5/30/19

Acushnet Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby giving notice that a meeting will be held by the Board on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Case # 2019.06.04A:** A case on David Daniel, of 18 Union Street, who is petitioning for a Special Permit and Variance to be able to transfer/merge a portion of the properties located at 18 Union Street and 56 Lawson Avenue. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3 "B" and Section 4.1 "A".
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Board of Appeals

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

Board of Assessors

Thurs., 5/23, Town Hall, 4:30 p.m.

Board of Health

Thurs., 5/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Public Works

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

Broadband Study Comm.

Tues., 5/28, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 6/3, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Economic Dev. Comm.

Thurs., 5/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board

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

School Committee

Wed., 6/5, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Mon., 6/3, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet Meetings

Conservation Commission

Tues., 5/28, Parting Ways, 6 p.m.

Planning Commission

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

Selectboard

Tues., 6/11, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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	May 2019	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	23	----	1207	0505	1705
Friday	24	0027	1301	0541	1746
Saturday	25	0121	1355	0628	1842
Sunday	26	0213	1445	0732	1958
Monday	27	0303	1536	0834	2105
Tuesday	28	0357	1632	0923	2204
Wednesday	29	0456	1727	1010	2305
Thursday	30	0550	1814	1057	2351
Friday	31	0635	1854	1141	----

	June 2019	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Saturday	1	0715	1933	0029	1222
Sunday	2	0755	2013	0108	1303
Monday	3	0838	2058	0151	1348*
Tuesday	4	0925	2146	0240*	1439*
Wednesday	5	1015	2235	0330*	1532*
Thursday	6	1105	2327	0416*	1622*
Friday	7	----	1200	0501*	1712*

*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
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WEEKEND: cont'd from page 3

Both the cannon firing and the overnight encampment will be cancelled in the event of heavy rain. Weather permitting, the militia's camp will open to the public from 9:00 a.m. until sunset on Saturday and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

New Bedford Events

Several events are planned in New Bedford throughout Memorial Day weekend to honor the courageous men and women who lost their lives serving the United States.

Saturday, May 25

9:00 a.m. at Rural Cemetery

The Greater New Bedford Civil War Round Table will conduct a memorial exercise at the Union Soldier's Burial Site at Rural Cemetery, 149 Dartmouth Street. Services typically include historical reenactment, music and a

gun salute.

Sunday, May 26

10:30 a.m. at Pine Grove Cemetery

New Bedford Post 1, The American Legion will conduct a Memorial Day Exercise at the Veterans' plot in Pine Grove Cemetery, 1100 Ashley Blvd.

12:00 p.m. at New Bedford City Hall

New Bedford Post 1, The American Legion will conduct a Memorial Day Exercise at the Vietnam Veterans' Honor Roll at New Bedford City Hall (133 William Street) on the William Street side of the building.

Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day)

8:15 a.m. at Rural Cemetery

New Bedford Post 1, The American Legion will conduct a Memorial Day Exercise at the Veterans' Plot in Rural Cemetery, 149 Dartmouth Street.

10:00 a.m. at Pier 3

The New Bedford Port Society's Annual Memorial Day Fishermen's

Service, Pier 3, NB Waterfront.

11:30 a.m. City of New Bedford Memorial Day Parade

The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Committee and the New Bedford Veterans' Advisory Board will conduct the New Bedford Annual Memorial Day Parade and Services. The Parade will form at 11:00 a.m. at the intersection of Parker Street and Hathaway Boulevard and will step off at 11:30 a.m. The Parade will travel east on Parker Street to County Street, north on County Street to Pope Street, and east on Pope Street into Clasky Common Park for a Memorial Day Ceremony.

Anyone who attends the service in Clasky Common Park is invited to bring a single flower of their choice to lay at the park's memorials, in remembrance of a veteran family member or friend.

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Mr. Desroches stated that he felt it was something that the Selectboard should be able to resolve together, or at least start at that point versus having a sub-committee.

"This is a political hot potato," he said. "And I think we, as the Selectboard should be able to review it and improve on it together."

He added that if they tried to work on it together and could not come to a compromise then he would be open to creating a sub-committee.

Mr. Cabral said he did not believe the task would be manageable in open session and that was why he suggested the sub-committee.

"We need to move this forward," he said.

Again, Mr. Gaspar disagreed and stated that the study had its effect on the morale problem happening among employees and that he had spoken to some and people are upset.

"There is a recent hire that received a 5.7% raise and then there is someone who has been with the Town for 21 years that received a minimal 3% raise. Mistakes were made, and you [speaking to Mr. Cabral] don't want to take respon-

sibility for them," he said. "We can't compete with certain towns that aren't comparable to Acushnet."

Mr. Cabral spoke directly to Mr. Gaspar, saying he was giving Mr. Gaspar the opportunity to stand in front of the issue and lead it, as he was given the opportunity to do so in the past.

Mr. Gaspar said he did not think a sub-committee should be given the results of the study and then, led by Mr. Noble, do as he said, versus the Selectboard working to improve the study.

"Lead. Follow. Or get out of the way," Mr. Cabral told Mr. Gaspar.

The discussion ended without a resolution. Mr. Cabral, as Chairperson moved the meeting to the next item on the agenda.

In the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Noble said he had received a request from Mr. Cabral to find out the options to keeping the Department of Public Works Barn open on Saturdays until 5:00 p.m. Mr. Noble stated he did speak to the business manager and that the cost would be no more than \$3300 to stay open from March to September an extra two and half hours on Saturday. Mr. Noble said he was waiting on the

approval of the Selectboard to move forward, if they agreed he would have those discussions with the DPW.

Mr. Gaspar said he was not sure if they would be able to find an employee who would want to work on Saturdays until 5:00 p.m., but he was in favor of allowing Mr. Noble to move forward. The board agreed that Mr. Noble could move forward in discussing it with the DPW and the union. He will report back at the next meeting.

In other business, the Selectboard approved finance committee appointments Robert St. Jean and Robert Ferreira, and reported there was one vacant position on the committee. Any resident interested in the position should contact the Selectboard.

Lastly, Mr. Cabral stated he would like to ask the By-Law Review Committee to attend a meeting to discuss their role in reviewing the by-laws. He said as a Selectboard member on that committee, he was under the impression that the Committee met long before Town Meeting to review and recommend any changes to by-laws, however it was not until a day or so earlier than their most recent Town Meeting that the by-law committee met to go over by-law changes.



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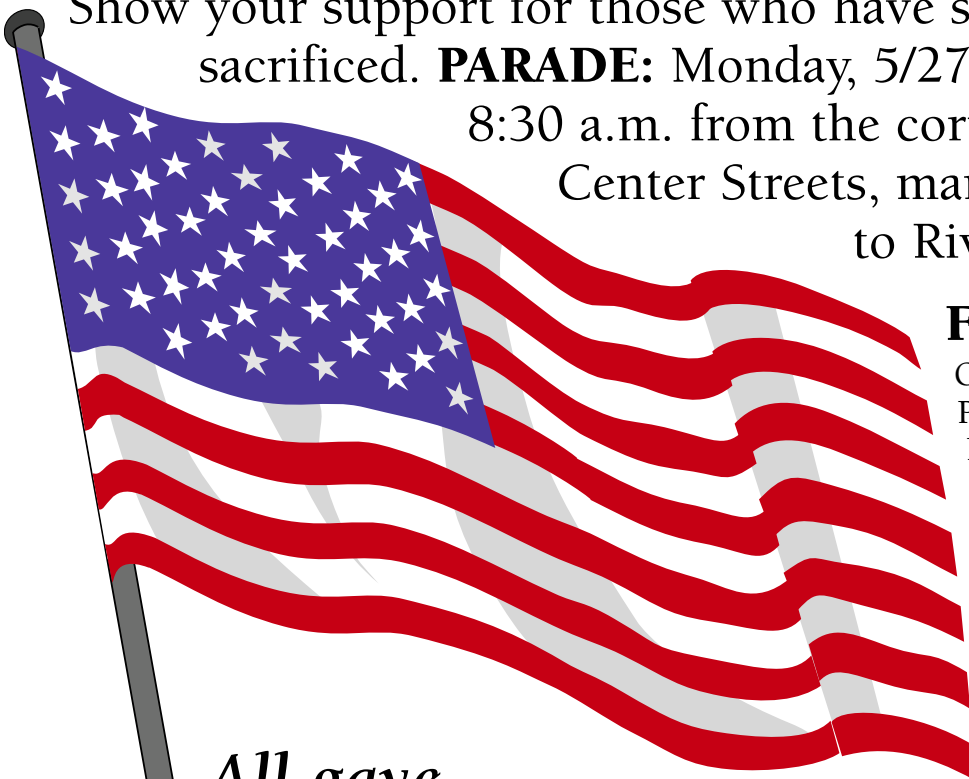
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Flag Raising

On Mon., 5/27, at Fort Phoenix, Fort Street, Fairhaven at 7 a.m. The Memorial Day flag raising ceremony at the fort is sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association with the Fairhaven Boy Scouts. The flag will be lowered at 5 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

*In case of rain go to Town Hall. Join us **AFTER THE PARADE** at the Fairhaven VFW, 109 Middle St., Fairhaven, for complimentary refreshments.

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.

**From
George
Brownell,
Vietnam War
Veteran**