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Santa Claus makes his grand entrance on an antique fire truck at the annual lighting of Benoit Square in Fairhaven on 12/6/19. *Photo by Beth David.*

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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Beth David, Publisher

This is it. The last issue of the year. End of year 14. Wow...14.

Whodathunkit, huh?

Our next issue will be on 1/2.

So, enjoy the holidays, and I'll see you when they are all over, except for Epiphany, of course, and the hangovers.

We have a big weekend coming up in Fairhaven, and then more Christmas stuff, like singalongs and Christmas movie to enjoy before the big day.

See pages 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, for a pretty good collection of fun stuff to do in the next couple of weeks.

And then there'll be the snow!

We had a couple of pretty good snows already. I like those, just a few inches, nothing catastrophic, but it sure does make things pretty.

Speaking of pretty, be sure to take a ride around when it's dark. I noticed that lots of people in the whole area have decorated their homes and yards. I wasn't able to get any pictures in this week's issue because there just wasn't any space left...we've got a jam-packed issue, to be sure.

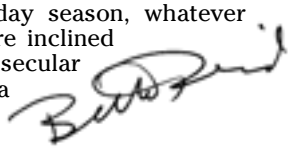
So go through each page carefully, oh, and read slowly, so you make it last until 1/2.

I was hoping to write a good Christmas message for this issue, but time got away from me....again.

I guess I'll just have to keep it quick: the Christmas spirit is all around you, you just have to open your eyes. All over these pages you'll find groups doing all kinds of good work. That's the Christmas spirit. There are toy drives, food drives, events that raise money to give people a little extra cheer for the holidays, and all kinds of fun activities to get you in the spirit. And nothing will be better for that than just walking around the center of Fairhaven this Saturday. See page 3 for details on the Old Time Holiday event. It truly does bring the spirit of Christmas to town.

Well, time for me to go.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season, whatever holiday you celebrate. And if you are inclined not to celebrate any religious or secular holiday this season, then I wish you a magical time just because it is a magical time. Until next year, then...see ya,



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Old Time Holiday event is this weekend

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It's that time of year when Santa makes as many visits as he can to our little part of the world. There are all kinds of great events coming up this weekend and the next few weekends for the holiday season. The Neighb News is taking a two-week publishing break after this issue, so we've tried to include lots of extra events in this week's issue.

First up....Fairhaven's Old Time Holiday.

Old Time Holiday

See ad on page 6 and visit https://fairhaventours.com/fairhaven-old-time-holiday/ for details.

Get into the spirit of the holidays and find an array of holiday gifts, food, music, and old-fashioned good cheer by visiting Fairhaven on Saturday, December 14, 2019, for the 22nd annual Old-Time Holiday in the historical town center. Over the years it has become one of Fairhaven's favorite events.

This year, as always, most of the Old-Time Holiday events take place during the day on Saturday, 12/14. Both the First Congregational Church, 34 Center Street, and the Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green Street, will hold fairs, with church members and outside vendors displaying a wide variety of items for sale. In a similar vein, about 25 of the town's non-profit and school groups will have tables at the Town Hall, 40 Center Street. At these locations you'll find handmade crafts, gifts, holiday greens, delicious baked goods, gift baskets, silent auction items to bid on, and more. In the Town Hall there will also be face painting and a few children's activities. All three fairs run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Unitarian Church, a magnificent English-Gothic style "cathedral," will also give guided tours of the sanctuary during the day.

The Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, will hold a **book fair with many local authors signing and selling their books.** (See ad on page 7.)

A short walk away, the lobby of the beautiful, Tudor style Our Lady's Haven, 71 Center Street, will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for **visits and photos with Santa. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served.**

As lunch time rolls around, food will be available at three locations. A lobster roll luncheon will be held at the First Congregation Church. A soup and sandwich luncheon will take place at the Harrop Center 47 Center Street, an Elizabethan style cottage on the Unitarian Church property. On the Town Hall lawn, Boy Scout Troop 52 will be selling hotdogs, and in the first floor banquet room of the Town Hall the North Fairhaven Improvement Association will serve hot soups, meat pies, spinach pies, stuffed quahogs, chips, soda and water. There will also be cider and donuts available from the FHS Class of 2021 and popcorn from the Fairhaven Village Militia.

As you walk from place to place, you'll hear the musical sounds of the Buttonwood Brass, made up of Michael Rocha, Paul Chadbourne, and Shawn Baptista, as they stroll around the area from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The live music is supported by the vendors of Fairhaven's summertime Huttleston Marketplace.

At 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, the Fairhaven Improvement Association hosts its annual Sing-Along on the steps of Town Hall. There will be

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Board of Directors, Management and Staff would like to wish you and your family a wonderful Holiday Season and a very Happy New Year!

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Worship with us this Christmas Season!

Sunday, December 22 • 7 PM
Blue Christmas Service
Designed for those experiencing loss of any kind or anyone who is finding it hard to feel joy this Christmas: readings, music, silence, candle lighting

Tuesday, December 24 • 4:30 PM
Children's Service
Casual, family-friendly and interactive; designed for the littlest ones but all welcome

Tuesday, December 24 • 7 PM
Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

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caroling led by Acushnet's Miss Apple-Peach Tori Kalisz and the arrival of Santa on a fire engine. Then hot chocolate and snacks will be available inside in the auditorium.

On Sunday, December 15, St. Joseph School will hold a **Breakfast with Santa at 100 Spring Street.** Breakfast will include pancakes, sausages, juice, milk, and coffee. Tickets are $6.00 for adults and $4.00 for children and may be purchased at the door. Also, you may purchase pictures with your child and Santa for $5.00 and a canned good for the Food Pantry.

The final event of the weekend is a **Service of Lessons and Carols** at the Unitarian Memorial Church on Sunday, December 15, at 4:30 p.m. It features seasonal readings and music by the church choir, under the direction of Dwight Thomas. All are welcome. Donations are accepted. Visit www.uufairhaven.org

During Fairhaven's 22nd annual Old-Time Holiday, people of all ages from throughout the SouthCoast area can find something to put them into the holiday spirit.

Visit https://fairhaventours.com/fairhaven-old-time-holiday/ for more information.

Fill the Bus
NOTE DATE CHANGE

Join the Fairhaven Police Department, Tremblay's Bus, and Safe Zones at **Walmart in Fairhaven, on Sun, 12/15, frm 9 a.m.–5 p.m.** Please donate an unused, unwrapped toy that will be donated to local chuldren. We can't begin to tell you how much it means to the families who would otherwise go without a few presents this holiday season.

There will be coffee and donuts and of course the great group of people from Tremblay Bus, Safe Zones, and our jolly officers! Don't miss this great way to bring the community together.

Holiday House Tour

Sat., 12/14, from 4–8 p.m.; and Sun., 12/15, from 1–5 p.m.; at Wamsutta Club, 427 County Street

Capture the holiday spirit on the New Bedford Preservation Society's 27th Annual Holiday House Tour. Visitors will be inspired by the varied architecture and interiors, all beautifully decorated for the season. The tour runs Saturday the 14th, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Many other 2019 Holiday Happenings are available on Destination New Bedford's website at http://destinationnewbedford.org/holidays2019/

Young local author

Mike's Big Space Adventure tells the story of a young boy who loves astronomy. One night, he dreams that he becomes a shooting star and travels through different galaxies in space, meeting new friends — and getting into some scary situations — but having a wonderful adventure along the way.

The newly published book, for ages 3 through 10, is poised to make its young Fairhaven author a shooting star himself in the highly competitive universe of children's literature.

Reece Arnold is a dynamic, highly creative young man with interests in music, writing, and inventing. Fascinated by space since a young age, Arnold used his vivid imagination to create the many interesting friends the book's main character, Mike, makes along his intergalactic journey.

Reece will be one of the authors featured at the Holiday Book Fair at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., on Sat., 12/14, from 9:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

More happenings on pages 5, 8, 9.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!
Wed. Dec. 25, 2019

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If you are unable to prepare a fine holiday meal for your family, Jevon would be honored to prepare all or part of one for you. Select from:

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Price includes all taxes and packaging

We promise a delicious, work-free, Christmas dinner.
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Old Time Holiday

Sat., 12/14, see page 3 for details.

Book Group

The winner of the National Book Award for Fiction, "The Friend,", written by Sigrid Nunez, is the next book chosen by Millicent Library's Book Group. The author tells the story of a woman grieving for the death of a dear friend inherits her friend's 180-pound Great Dane. The book is "an unforgettable exploration of loss, healing and canine love."

The book will be discussed at Fairhaven's **Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven, on Thurs., 12/19, at 10 a.m.,** in the library's meeting room, accessible through the Walnut Street entrance.

The discussion is free and open to the public. The book is available at the library or through the library's web-site, www.millicentlibrary.org. For more information call Norma Markey at 508-993-3745.

Don't get tangled up

Donate all unwanted and broken holiday lights to reduce the amount of tanglers in our waste. Simply take to one of four drop-off bins in Fairhaven: Council on Aging/Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Ave.; Fire Dept. 146 Washington St.; NFIA building, 267 Adams St.; Hoppy's Landing, 69 Goulart Mem. Dr. The bins will remain in place until the end of January.

By the Fairhaven Health Department in collaboration with Fairhaven public works, ABC Disposal, MA Dept. of Environmental Protection, and E-Waste Coalition.

Seeking classmates

The reunion committee for the Fairhaven High School graduation class of 1960 is searching for contact information for the following classmates: Cynthia (Fleming) Bradley, Ann Bumpus, Carolyn (Shumway) Marshall, Joyce (Avila) Osborne, James Arruda, Barbara (Ellis) Lear, Kathie (Langlois) Rounds, Janet (Martin) Benjamin, Gerard Dumoulin, Mary Ann (Bartlett) Kovalchic, Joyce (Holmstrom) Picard, Margaret (Justley) Bartholomy, Louise (Valladoa) Selkowe, David Reid

The reunion will be held in June of 2020. Any information helping us to connect to these classmates would be greatly appreciated. Please call Diane at 508-9937378.If there is no answer, please leave a message.

Mental Health Awareness

It is important to know how to start a conversation about these issues and to know what signs to look for if someone is struggling. The Rhode Island Broadcasters Association has partnered together with officials from the State of Rhode Island to tackle mental health and substance use issues and to help kick-start the conversation.

For the first time, reporters from ABC-6, NBC-10 and WPRI-12 have worked together to tell the stories of everyday Rhode Islanders who are dealing with these types of issues but have found help and hope through statewide initiatives.

Local television and radio stations will air a locally produced, **half-hour special simultaneously and in-kind on Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m.** The conversation, led by Capitol TV's Margie O'Brien, will continue on Rhode Island PBS from 8 to 8:30 p.m. The two specials and social media content produced by Sociable!, a company owned by Fairhaven's John Methia, will provide resources for viewers and listeners, their loved ones and those caring for people with mental health and substance use issues.

"It's OK Not To Be OK" Resources: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/npf8lbqhyky7nxd/AACM_SHPRgdRQgKYaXA4oX5Ia?dl=0

First Congregational

Worship with us this Christmas Season at the First Congregational Church, 34 Center St., Fairhaven. See ad on page 3

Sun., 12/22, 7 p.m., Blue Christmas Service; Tues., 12/24, 4:30 p.m., Children's Service; Tues., 12/24, 7 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Snow Park Ban

No vehicles shall be permitted to remain on the hydrant side of all streets in Fairhaven from December 1st to March 31st from midnight to 8:00 a.m. and also during the time of any snowfall or snow removal operations. On streets with no hydrants, NO vehicles shall be permitted to remain either on the east side of streets running north and south or on the north side of streets running east and west. Violators will be towed and/or ticketed.

Dinner for 2 books

The FHS Honor Society and Student Council are again selling Dinner for Two books, $29.95 each, buy 3 ($89.85), get 1 free. This 2020 edition has a full-priced admission to Edaville Railroad worth $37.00, in addition to 80 other coupons for free dinners, plays, concerts, and cruises worth over $1500.00. Books will be gift wrapped and ready for pick-up at the high school. All proceeds go to support local nonprofits chosen by FHS students.

Please leave a message at 508-979-4052: Paula Jardin (x15320) or Ben Hevey (x15309) or send an email to pjardin@fairhavenps.net or bhevey@fairhavenps.net if you are interested. Checks are payable to either FHS Honor Society or FHS Student Council. Students will also be selling these at the Town Hall Shops on Sat., Dec 14th, from 10-3. We appreciate your purchase!

Polar Plunge

Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge, Wed., 1/1/10, at 10:00 a.m. Fort Phoenix State Beach and Reservation, South end of Green St., Fairhaven, MA

Start off the new year with a dash into the ocean! The theme for the 2020 plunge is "Under the Sea." Challenge your family and friends to come out and plunge to support Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars.

A donation of $25 buys a long sleeve T-shirt. Shirts will be available on a first come, first served basis. You can choose whether or not you jump in. Registration and t-shirts can be purchased at the Plunge from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Checks can be made payable to: Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars. Please note on check: Ft. Phoenix Polar Plunge.

For more information, email slopes417@aol.com.

FAIRHAVEN, MA

Old-Time Holiday

December 14 & 15, 2019

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

Millicent's Holiday Book Fair
Authors signing, selling from their books
Millicent Library auditorium, 45 Center St. (use Walnut St. entrance), 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Town Hall Shops
Booths by non-profit groups, face painting, food music by Fairhaven School Department
Town Hall, 40 Center St., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Congregational Church Holiday Fair
Craft booths, baked goods, thrift shop & more
Congregational Church, 34 Center St., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Unitarian Church Holiday Marketplace
Craft booths, holiday greens & more
Unitarian Church, 102 Green St., 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Cookies & Santa at Our Lady's Haven
Lobby open for cookies & hot chocolate.
Visit and take photos with Santa.
Our Lady's Haven, 71 Center St., 11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Unitarian Church Tours
Unitarian Church, 102 Green St. 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Holiday Soup & Sandwich Luncheon
Harrop Center, 47 Center St., 11:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m.

Lobster Roll Luncheon
Congregational Church, 34 Center St., 11 a.m. - ?

Town Hall Sing-along
Town Hall, 40 Center St., 6:00 p.m.
Sponsored by Fairhaven Improvement Association.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

St. Joseph School Breakfast with Santa
Pancake breakfast and photo op with Santa
St. Joseph School, 100 Spring St., 9-11:30 a.m.

Service of Lessons and Carols
Music and readings to celebrate the holiday
Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green St., 4:30 p.m.

The Old-Time Holiday is sponsored by Fairhaven non-profit and church groups and is coordinated and promoted by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism. Complete program listings are available from *http://Fairhaventours.com*. For more information, contact the Fairhaven Office of Tourism, 141 Main Street, Fairhaven, telephone 508-979-4085, email *FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov*. The Visitors Center will not be open on Saturday, December 14, during the Old-Time Holiday.

Millicent's Holiday Book Fair

Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019
9:30–2

Authors of Children's Books, Mysteries, History, and more will sell and sign their books

The Millicent Library
Community Auditorium

Free Coffee from The Flour Girls!
Bestseller Raffle!
Author Readings!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Millicent Library

Tree Lighting

Cove Street Neighborhood Group Tree Lighting DATE CHANGE: **Fri., 12/13, at 6:00 p.m.,** Loretta Bourque Park at corner of Ruth Street and Salisbury Street

Holiday Pops

Holiday Pops comes to The Z on **December 14! TWO SHOWS: 3:30pm children's matinee, 7:00pm evening concert** Join Maestro Yaniv Dinur, the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra, the Southeastern Massachusetts Youth Orchestra, and Showstoppers at the beautifully decorated Zeiterion Theatre for a holiday performance that will make everyone merry! The programs feature works from Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker,* John Williams' *Home Alone,* a fun sing-along, and more holiday tunes! The children's matinee features some fun surprises for the young and young at heart, while the evening concert features a bit more music.

Tickets start at $10. Children and student tickets available for $5 from Z box office in person or by phone (not available online). Visit https://zeiterion.org or call (508) 994-2900

Polish Food Sale

Polish Food Sale: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 235 North Front Street, New Bedford, 10am-1pm, Sat., Dec 14. Frozen stuffed cabbage, pierogi, cabbage soup, kielbasa and blessed Oplatek wafers.

Sing-Along

Pilgrim United Church of Christ will present a Christmas Concert/Sing Along during their 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning service on December 15. Corner of Purchase and School Streets, New Bedford. Everyone welcome. Accessible

Austin Burns, choir director, has planned this special program. Mr. Burns is a native of Georgia and graduated from the New England Conservatory and has performed frequently in the Boston area.

There will be familiar Carols that the congregation can join in singing. Mr. Burns will perform as well as the following musicians: Violinist Marnen Laibow-Koser from Boston; Cellist Vi Taylor, New Bedford Symphony; Pianist Almira Izumchensky from Cambridge.

Nativity Tableau

The Catholic Community of New Bedford North will present a Nativity Tableau at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 19, in St. Mary's Church at 343 Tarkiln Hill Road in New Bedford.. The presentation will approach The Nativity in a different light, with adults playing the characters of the tableau rather than children. Gabriel, Mary, Joseph, the Inn Keeper and his wife as well as the shepherds will present the full story from the aspect of first-person.

Thrift Shop

Hetty's Thrift Shoppe is open with new items weekly! We are located in the Child & Family Services' building on 1061 Pleasant Street in New Bedford. Store hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Shop from a variety of brand names and the lowest prices around; you never know what treasures you'll find! All proceeds from Hetty's go directly to support our Caring Network Program. We also accept donations during business hours. Visit: www.child-familyservices.org/hettys-thrift-shoppe/ for more information.

Free Parking in NB

In an effort to encourage everyone to do their holiday shopping in New Bedford, the City will again offer a special Holiday Parking Program with both downtown parking garages offering two hours of free parking. From **Thursday, December 5 through Wednesday, January 1,** both the Elm Street Garage and the Zeiterion Garage will offer FREE parking for up to two hours.

Anyone parked in either of the downtown garages while doing holiday shopping who receives a ticket as a result of parking in excess of the 2-hour limit may mail or present their ticket along with a copy of a sales receipt for $10 or more from a downtown restaurant or merchant to the City of New Bedford Traffic Commission office within three weeks (21 days) of receiving the ticket. The parking ticket will be forgiven with the presentation of the same-day receipt.

Metered street spaces will no longer offer free parking, after earlier this year the parking limits at meters were extended.

With the new, longer limits, there are three zones for parking. The zones and parking time limits will be indicated by signs indicating the time limit in that area. The zones and signs are also color-coded.

Zone 1 (Green) is at the center of downtown. Parking will be extended from its current 2-hour limit to a 3-hour limit.

Zone 2 (Blue) is the next zone outside the center of the downtown. Parking will be extended from its current 2-hour limit to a 4-hour limit.

Zone 3 (Yellow) is the farthest zone outside the center of the downtown. Parking will be extended from its current 2-hour limit to unlimited parking.

Questions regarding the Holiday Parking Program should be directed to the Traffic Commission Office at 508-961-3153.

Moby-Dick Marathon/FREE

Join us for the annual readathon of America's most iconic novel, *Moby-Dick.* An experience you don't want to miss, you'll relive the famous, action-packed narrative and be transported back in time on the search for the elusive white whale. In addition to the main event, the Whaling Museum hosts two mini-marathons on January 4: a Portuguese-language reading of Tiago Patricio's abridged Moby-Dick; and a children's version by Classic Starts. Visit https://www.whalingmuseum.org/programs/24th-annual-moby-dick-marathon/

From 9:30 a.m. Saturday to 1 pm Sunday. **All Saturday and Sunday events are free and open to the public.** Guests may come and go as needed through the Museum's main entrance.

Fri., 1/3, opening night dinner and presentation, ticketed event: $45 members; $55 non members.

Kick off this year's *Moby-Dick* Marathon by enjoying a meal well-suited for hungry sailors and a lively presentation by Mary K. Bercaw, Melville Scholar, titled *Herman Melville: Sailor, Writer, Metaphysician,* followed by a Q&A. Call 508-997-0046, ext. 100, or visit https://www.whalingmuseum.org

Nutcracker

Spindle City Ballet will be presenting its lively holiday classic production of "The Nutcracker" Sat. & Sun., 12/21 & 22, at 2 p.m. at Bristol Community College in Fall River, MA.

The professional company will be supported by a cast of 30 local children, transporting audiences through a magical journey of dancing Soldiers and swirling Snowflakes to the magical Land of the Sweets. New this year will include a new interactive component that will be sure to delight audience members of all ages.

Two special events will be held along with the performances. We will be offering the ever popular, magical "Meet Clara". This exciting event for children of all ages begins after the Saturday and Sunday matinees. Each child, accompanied by one adult, may come backstage to meet Clara, see what is happening behind the scenes and take pictures with Clara. This will be the highlight of your child's day! Reserve your spot today, this event usually sells out! Children 12 & Under - $13. At the Sunday matinee performance December 22nd beginning at 1:00pm, the ballet will hold it's "A Brunch at the Ballet". At this event guests will enjoy delicious pastries, fruits, sweet treats, soft drinks, and mimosa champagne before the show and during intermission. Tickets for this event are Adults & Seniors - $25, Children 12 & Under

All performances are generously sponsored by Silva Funeral Home, Providential Partners, LLC, PrimaCare and BayCoast Bank.

Tickets to the performance are $14.00-$35.00. For more information call 508-536-6073 or go to spindlecityballet.org. or email lisabibeau@spindlecityballet.org

Spindle City Ballet is the South Coast's only non-profit professional ballet company celebrating it's 24th season presenting performances that excite, educate and inspire.

Mattapoisett COA

The following events are being held at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging/Senior Center, 17 Barstow St., Mattapoisett, 508-758-4110.

Movie & Pizza

Tues., 12/17, at noon. 508-758-4110. Registration: 508-758-4110. Free screening of "The Farewell," a story of a family; of three generations; of love; of culture. Free movie. **Pizza-$1 per slice.**

Medicare & Mass Health: Know Your Legal Rights

Informational session by South Coastal Counties Legal Services Attorney. After the short session, one-on-one legal consultations (20 min.) may be scheduled. Tues., 12/17, 10:00 a.m. Register: 508-758-4110

Pottery/Clay Building

Clay hand building, ceramic tile painting, slab building and glazing. Create your own unique piece, which will be kiln fired and later returned to you as a finished product. Led by Barbara Greenspan, artist and registered art therapist. All materials and instruction included. **Special price for December: $5!** (Note: any products made in Dec. will not be fired in the kiln until after January.)

Thurs., 12/19, 9:30–11 a.m. Register: 508-758-4110

COA Holiday Party

Mon., 12/23, 12:15 p.m. lunch. 1:00 p.m. musical entertainment, at Acushnet Senior Center, 59 1/2 S. Main St., Acushnet. Tickets: $4/per person.

Join us to celebrate the holiday season with lunch (deli sandwiches) and musical entertainment by Country Flavored featuring rhythm guitar, lead guitar, vocals, and pedal steel guitar.

Mindfulness Walk

Enjoy the peace and beauty of nature with Jessica Webb, owner of Anchor Yoga, and the Buzzards Bay Coalition during a mindfulness walk at Goldavitz Bog (Parlowtown Rd., Marion) on Sat., 12/14, at 1:00 p.m. Through guided mindfulness meditation, participants will experience the outdoors with their senses wide open. Goldavitz Bog is a retired cranberry bog that is transitioning to a more natural habitat, rich with wetlands, ponds, and fields. Tucked away at the end of a quiet unpaved road, these 75 town-owned acres next to Aucoot Woods are a fantastic spot for all ages to explore.

All fitness levels are welcome on this free, one-hour walk. The walk will be conducted at a deliberately slow and mindful pace in social silence without digital devices. Please wear appropriate footwear for a walk through nature.

Pre-registration is required. To RSVP, visit https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/mindfulness-walk-goldavitz-bog-dec-14-2019/ or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition at (508) 999-6363 ext. 219 or bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org

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Old Sturbridge Village will transform an area of the museum into the "North Pole Village," complete with a Santa Claus experience that has families walking through a super-sized "The Night Before Christmas" storybook illustrated by acclaimed artist Charles Santore. Families can see a model railroad display, including the train set featured in the 2015 major motion picture "Joy," and make crafts at a Christmas craft workshop.

Admission is $28 for adults; $14 for youth ages 4 - 12; and FREE for children 3 and under. Thursday, Friday and Sunday tickets purchased before November 22 by OSV Members receive 25% OFF and non-members receive 15% OFF. There is no early discount for Saturday tickets. Online ticketing is encouraged at www.osv.org/cbc

Recipe of the Week

Chocolate Popcorn Reindeer

8 cups unsalted, unbuttered popped popcorn
2 1/2 cups mini marshmallows
1/2 cup chopped dark chocolate or dark chocolate chips
2 tbsp butter or light olive oil
1/4 tsp salt
16 pretzel sticks
16 eyeball candies
8 red candy-coated chocolate candies

Place popcorn in large mixing bowl. In saucepan on med. heat, heat marshmallows, chocolate, butter and salt, stirring often, until smooth. Toss marshmallow mixture with popcorn until well combined.

Scoop 3/4 cup popcorn mixture into ball. Repeat with remaining mixture to make 8 balls. Place each ball in paper muffin cup liner.

Insert pretzel stick on each side of ball to resemble antlers, stick two eyeball candies on for "eyes" and red candy for "nose." Cool completely.

Tip: Eyeball candies can be found in the baking aisle.

From www.popcorn.org

From our readers

Shepherd's Pantry Thanks Turkey Trot

On Thanksgiving morning, November 28 of this year, runners were gathered around Cushman Park to get ready to partake in the 10th annual Turkey Trot. The proceeds from this road race, after expenses, totaling over $15,000.00 that was amassed from the runners' registrations, would eventually go to help the Shepherd's Pantry located in Acushnet.

Although not all of the 700 registered runners ran that morning, there was still a good amount of participants that showed up and ran on a damp and cold morning. On top of that, over 3,000 pounds of non-perishable food was donated.

I would like to thank teacher Christine McFee, who organized the food drive and the students from Dartmouth High School, who together amassed over 1,500 pounds of the food collected.

And lastly, a very big thank you goes to Erin Carr and Nikki Harrington from Union Running, located in Fairhaven, for their superb organizing skills to help make this road race a success. Also, to both Eric Tavares and Rick Racine from The Greater New Bedford Track Club, for their continued dedication and hard work for making this road race a combined effort between both of these running organizations.

We, at the Shepherd's Pantry rely on donations, year round, to help those in need. We will continue and do our very best to never turn away anyone who come looking for help.

God bless.

Gerry Payette, Director/ Shepherd's Pantry

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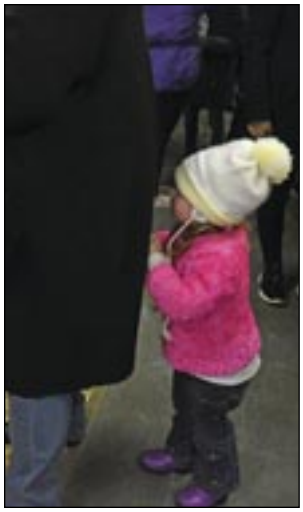

The North Fairhaven Improvement Association held its annual sing-along and lighting of Benoit Square on Friday, 12/6, and Mother nature dished out just a tad of precipitation and just the right amount of cold to make it feel like winter, but not feel too harsh. A little snow on the ground from the storm a couple of days before added to the ambience. The threat of rain, however, did seem to scare some people away, as the crowd was maybe not as large as other years. But it was an enthusiastic bunch. People sang, led by the capable voices of Miss New Bedford Teen Juliette Simmons, and Voice in Time members Katherine Papas and Brooke Boucher. The square will be lit up every night until the first week in January. After the sing-along in the square, Santa made his grand entrance on an antique fire truck and children of all ages headed inside to visit with the big guy and have their pictures taken. TOP LEFT: People stop singing just long enough to pose for the local free sheet at the annual lighting of Benoit Square in Fairhaven on 12/6/19. TOP MIDDLE: Savannah (front) hams it up for the camera, getting a giggle out of Lily And Sarah as they pose for a picture with Santa. TOP RIGHT: Little Joslyn is clearly taken with Miss New Bedford Teen Juliette Simmons, and Voices in Time singers Katherine Pappas and Brooke Boucher. FAR LEFT: Little Emma has no intention of letting Santa see her. LEFT: Emmalyn holds a clearly skeptical Makenna in Santa's lap. *Photos by Beth David.*

Volunteers place wreaths to honor vets at Fairhaven cemeteries

By Beth David
Editor

Fairhaven veterans agent Brad Fish and a group of volunteers converged upon Riverside Cemetery on Saturday, to place wreaths at the entrance of each section to honor the veterans buried there.

Frank Fostin told the group that he go the idea from a relative in Florida who, he said, travels around the state working on a variety of events to honor veterans. Mr. Fostin wanted the town to join in with Wreaths Across America, which will be laing wreaths on 12/14/19, but it was too late to make the official list this year.

So Mr. Fish and Mr. Fostin decided the town could hold its own little event.

"I have a partner now," said Mr. Fostin, referring to Mr. Fish.

He also noted the help of Jane Bettencourt, who works in the Veterans office, and her husband Greg.

Mr. Fish thanked a long list of donors, including many town departments and organizations.

Sisters Sophie and Claire were there with their grandmother Cheryl Brownell, to help.

TOP RIGHT, L-R: Bob Lopes, Commander of the American Legion Post 166/Fairhaven, and Richard Ryle, Chaplain of Post 166, place the first wreath at Riverside Cemetery on 12/7/19. Fairhaven was too late to get on the official list for Wreaths Across America, but that did not stop the town from holding its own event. ABOVE: Fairhaven Veterans Agent Brad Fish hands out wreaths to volunteers to place them at each of the 22 sections of Riverside Cemetery. *Photo by Beth David.*

"Because veterans have done so much for our country and deserve to be recognized in as many ways as possible," said Claire.

"I think they should be treated well, even those who are not with us," said Sophie. "They should still be recognized and remembered for what they did and what they have done for our country."

The event will be available on https://www.fairhaventv.com/communityvideos

To learn more about Wreaths Across America, visti https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org

Acushnet Lights up for the season

A couple of hundred people showed up for Acushnet's annual lighting and sing-along, that even Santa attended, on Sunday, 12/8/19, at the fire station.

Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher greeted the "happy, spirit filled crowd," and introduced the Ford Middle School Chorus, which led the crowd in song.

Chief Gallagher let the crowd know that he was in radio contact with the New Bedford Police and the state police keeping track of Santa, who had last been seen in New Bedford.

Chief Gallagher thanked the firefighters and other volunteers who took the time to decorate the grounds outside Fire Station 1, singling out Papa Elf Paul Frysinger, and, Mama Elf Diane Barlow.

Chief Gallagher recruited young Adam to help with the countdown, when the switch was turned to "on" and the lawn lit up.

Everyone then went inside the fire station for hot chocolate, cookies, and a session with Santa. Children also donated toys for the Toys for Tots program.

The lights will be on through the end of the year, and the public is welcome to view them any time.

ABOVE LEFT: This little boy looks like he knows exactly what to tell Santa when he gets his chance at the annual Acushnet lighting and sing-along on Sunday, 12/8/19, at Fire Station 1. TOP RIGHT: This little girl takes full advantage of having Santa's ear, while her little sister waits her turn. ABOVE RIGHT: The Ford Middle School Chorus leads the crowd in song. *Photos by Beth David.*

Middle School student goes all out for Toys 4 Tots

By Beth David
Editor

Kate Machado is only 12, but she's already been giving back to the community for years. Since she was about 9, the Fairhaven resident has been using her own money to buy toys for the less fortunate. Every year, throughout all the seasons, she uses her Christmas money, her birthday money, and money from family and friends to buy toys to donate to the Toys for Toys program run by the US Marines. She said it's just something she has always felt she should do.

"Because some kids don't have things at Christmastime," she said, adding that some don't have money, some don't have toys.

Her grandmother, Cynthia Reddy, said the family is no stranger to tough times, so she and her daughter Kim both taught young Kate to appreciate that even though people do their best, there are many that are not as fortunate as she is.

Kate does not do any fund-raising, but she does get a lot of help from relatives.

"It's a family thing," said Kim, adding that if she sees something appropriate throughout the year, she is quick to grab it.

This year, Kate has collected more than 100 gifts for Toys for Tots.

The gifts run the gamut, all ages, all tastes, action games, board games, dolls and action figures. They admit, they have no idea how much they spent, and they all enjoy it.

They also admit that they are not sure how it all started. But they plan on continuing.

Kim said she believed it probably started when Kate was at the Wood School and the students were asked to bring a toy. The next thing they knew, a corner of the cellar was reserved for toys. Now, the project takes up much more than a corner.

Ms. Reddy said that she decided she could afford to buy one expensive gift, such as a bicycle, for a child, or she could buy a lot of smaller gifts.

"This way multiple children have Santa Claus, and a smile on their faces," she said.

Kate Machado of Fairhaven poses with some of the toys she has collected over the year to give to Toys for Tots. *Photo by Beth David.*

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

Grades: K–5 Session 1: 12/23, 12/26, 12/27. Session 2: 12/30/2019 to 01/03/2020. Drop off 8 a.m., pick up by 3 p.m. Instructors: Staff. Cost of each session: $75 Member, $100 Non Member

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Special Activities

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Fuel Assistance and recertifications

The Fuel Assistance program started in November for the 2019-2020 season. If you need help filling out the recertification from or a new application, Call Phyllis at the Senior Center 508-979-4029 for an appointment.

Foster Grandparents Program

Classroom Grandmas and Grandpas Wanted

Help children who need it the most. The program is open to individuals age 55 and over who can serve between 15–40 hours a week and who meet eligibility requirements. For more information on volunteering, contact Jacqueline Medeiros at 508-742-9198.

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- Dec. 9, 11, 13, Bring your tech issues and questions.
- Dec. 16, 18, 20 All about Google Maps,Earth, trips, Waze .

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The sewing Circle meets on TUESDAYS from 1-3:00 p.m.: Dec. 3; and THURSDAYS, Dec. 5, 12, from 5:45-8:00 p.m. Call 508-979-4029 for more dates.

Santa is our culture's only mythic figure truly believed in by a large percentage of the population. It's a fact that most of the true believers are under eight years old, and that's a pity.

Chris Van Allsburg

Ongoing Programs

Call 508-979-4029 for days and times

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Acushnet Lions collects food and toys for area needy families

By Beth David
Editor

The Acushnet Lions Club and the Rivers End Cafe teamed up again for the annual motorcycle run and toy drive on 12/1/19. Rivers End owner Mark DeSilva said it was the 12th year he has hosted the event.

"No kid should go without a toy at Christmas," said Mr. DeSilva. "And the pantry needs food, so we keep helping out."

Some very hardy motorcycle riders donated a toy or non perishable food item for the Shepherd's Pantry in Acushnet to join the ride.

"It's all about the kids," said Mr. DeSilva.

A volunteer at the pantry said the toys would be sorted by age and placed on a table for patrons to choose from.

In addition to about 24 motorcycle riders, Linda Taylor from the Adam Taylor Foundation donated a carload of toys, members of the public dropped by with toys and food. At noon time, kickstands were up and they were off to the Shepherd's Pantry in the December cold.

Jeanie Desroches was at the pantry when the truck (donated by Adams and Adams coin operated machines) pulled up and scores of volunteers unloaded the toys and food and took it all into the pantry.

"I never saw anything like it," said Ms. Desroches, who was volunteering for the first time with the Lions Club.

Mark DeSilva accepts a donation and packs the truck with toys and food heading to the Shepherd's Pantry in Acushnet at the annual Lions Club motorcycle run and toy/food drive on 12/1/19. Some of the volunteers and motorcycle riders who helped unload the truckload of toys and food pose for a picture after their work is done. *Photos by Beth David.*

Iron Order motorcyle club donates to neediest families fund

Silent Few, the Fairhaven chapter of Iron Order motorcycle club, recently spent the afternoon tagging and collecting donations to purchase toys for New Bedford's neediest family fund. They raised a total of $4,000 with the generous help of the South Coast community and other area chapters: Renegade Crew, Liberty Crew, the Cape Cod Crew, and the Iron Rockets.

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Acushnet selectboard chooses Ron San Angelo as new TA

By Pattie Medeiros
Neighb News Correspondent

The Acushnet Selectboard made its decision on hiring a new Town Administrator at its meeting on 12/6. The board chose Ron San Angelo, who is currently the Town Manager of Southbridge, Mass. The board interviewed, in open session, Mr. San Angelo on 11/22, and three other candidates on 11/25. Both meetings are available online at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQLn-V7X9rp0JdWXh445neQ

At its meeting on 12/10, the board heard a variety of requests, including a request from Verizon for a pole on the easterly side of Middle Road for a new solar array farm.

Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar, said he did not believe the measurements were accurate, so he would not make a decision without it being re-staked.

Residents from the area also expressed concerns about exactly where the pole would be, as they were concerned it was too close to their property line.

The Selectboard agreed to meet with the Verizon representatives to review and re-stake where the pole was going to be.

In other business, the Selectboard approved Nstar Electric/Eversource Energy) to install and maintain underground cables, conduits and manholes for a new subdivision on Allison Drive.

The Selectboard also heard from Department of Public Works Superintendent, Dan Menard for a continuing discussion on the Pavement Management Plan.

Selectboard Chairperson, Roger Cabral stated he requested Mr. Menard's presence to discuss the plan again with the Board.

Mr. Menard discussed his reasoning for choosing the streets based on the Town's funding. He stated they just finished repaving Hathaway Street at a cost of nearly $416,000.

He said they had limited Chapter 90 funds to repair the roads, and that the Pavement Management Plan did not take into consideration how much money they would receive.

Mr. Cabral said he was satisfied that the plan continuously needs updating, and Mr. Menard will continue to communicate with the Selectboard as an on-going process.

Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher was also in attendance to speak about the P.J. Keating application for construction and relocation of above ground storage tanks. Chief Gallagher stated that P.J. Keating has erected two silos with proper permitting and that they were looking to move the asphalt business from the back side of their property to the front near South Main Street.

Chief Gallagher stated that the application has to be reviewed by the State for the technical aspect, site inspections will be done and that construction is on-going. He also stated that the land use license is something that is permitted by the Selectboard and that it has to be reviewed because of where the asphalt is going to be on the property. He stated that the Selectboard would need to hold a public hearing to issue the license.

Chief Gallagher also asked for the Selectboard's support and direction

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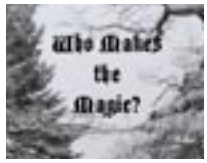

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Submission of Town Meeting Articles

Please submit Articles for the May 2, 2020 Town Meeting, including Street Acceptance Articles, by January 17, 2020 at 4 p.m.

Fairhaven Board of Selectmen

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

1. 130 Ebony Street, Map: 43A, Lots: 235-236. Hinds, John. 198-21 (D) Variance request for 8' side setback on North Side. 198-21 (D): Variance request for 4' side setback on South Side

Peter DeTerra, Chairman
12/5/19, 12/12/19

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for a part-time Board of Health agent whose main focus would be to ensure the compliance of the asphalt project.

He also recommended that the Selectboard work with him to create a nuisance abatement plan to work with P.J. Keating on negotiating, managing and reporting back to the Selectboard regarding complaints that come in.

Mr. Cabral said he was not in favor of P.J. Keating moving their asphalt business so close to South Main Street. He stated that the company has not been a very good neighbor at all.

Chief Gallagher stated that restrictions can come directly from the Selectboard in issuing the license. The Selectboard will schedule a public hearing sometime in January to continue the discussion.

BPW discusses new Tinkham well, and permit tracking

By Mary Macedo
Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Monday, 12/2 the Fairhaven Board of Public Works discussed the replacement of the Tinkham Lane well, and an issue with a recent driveway waiver.

First the board discussed the third payment due to Dankris Builders Corporation for the water well being constructed at the Tinkham Lane pump station.

The well is one of several that provide drinking water to the town of Fairhaven. The Tinkham well consistently produces the most water, but has failed several times due to sand accumulation. The board decided to rebuild the well. BPW Superintendent Vincent Furtado told the board that a lot of progress has been made and it should be up and running soon.

The board approved the payment.

In another matter Mr. Furtado explained that the town is in the beginning stages of looking into a software system to monitor all the town's permits. He said it would help town officials and board members be aware of proposed projects within the town.

Mr. Furtado also updated the board regarding adding stop signs on West Island. He said he contacted GCG Consulting, and had them look at the situation on the island. A traffic study in 2016 showed that traffic on the island did not meet the minimum standards required by the state to warrant a stop sign. However, other criteria are also taken into consideration, including accidents. After several recent accidents on Causeway Road, Mr. Furtado said he hoped GCG would find that stop signs are recommended.

In another matter Mr. Furtado said he has run into an issue with a driveway waiver they approved. He explained that he got a call from a resident/neighbor of the driveway waiver recipient on Goulart Memorial Drive. The neighbor said that the Zoning Board of Appeals had approved the garage with conditions, and that the driveway waiver violates the conditions. In a follow-up phone interview, Mr. Furtado said he had gotten a copy of the minutes from that meeting and the motion that was approved did not include any stipulations on the driveway. Typically, the BPW is responsible for changes to the town layout, such as driveway aprons, and the ZBA would be responsible for issues such as setbacks and lot coverage, etc.

Board member Robert Hobson said that this is one of the reasons he thinks neighbors should be notified when new driveways are being put it on their street.

In another matter Mr. Hobson asked Mr. Furtado if he has talked to the Town Administrator Mark Rees about moving the recycling center to Bridge Street.

Mr. Furtado said he did speak to Mr. Rees and he said as long as it meets Board of Health regulations, they can move it. BPW Chairperson Brian Wotton said that the BPW needs to set up a meeting with the Selectboard and the Board of Health so they can start the process of moving the recycling center as soon as possible.

In another matter Mr. Hobson also said that the board needs to discuss the possibility of the BPW taking over the tree department with the Selectboard and Mr. Rees as well.

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Obituary

Carolyn L. (Sanders) Manchester

FAIRHAVEN-Carolyn L. (Sanders) Manchester, 67, of Fairhaven passed away peacefully Sunday, December 1, 2019, at home surrounded by her family. She was the wife of 50 years to Craig L. Manchester, Sr.

Born in Acushnet, daughter of the late William and Dorothea (Lambert) Sanders, she lived most of her life in Fairhaven where she was a graduate of Fairhaven High School. Carolyn had been a bookkeeper for Service News and later at the Mass. Maritime Academy as well as at various other area businesses.

She enjoyed trips to the casinos, being outdoors; camping, cookouts and going to the beach, but most of all she enjoyed spending time with her family especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Carolyn is survived by her husband Craig; children, Craig L. Manchester, Jr. and his wife Michelle of North Dartmouth; Sean Manchester and his wife Michele of Methuen; and Heather L. Blanchette of Tiverton, RI; five grandchildren, Cody, David and Samantha Blanchette and Sydney and Kelsey Manchester; two great grandchildren, Braydon and Ariela; two brothers, Robert Sanders of Fairhaven and Thomas Sanders of Acushnet; a sister, Roberta Hayward of Fairhaven and several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Manchester was the sister of the late William and James Sanders.

In accordance with her wishes she was cremated and arrangements were by the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven, www.hathawayfunerals.com.

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Board of Public Works
Mon., 12/16, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

Cable Advisory Comm.
Tues., 12/17, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Community Preservation
Thurs., 12/19, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee
Thurs., 12/12, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

School Committee
Wed., 1/15, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard
Mon., 12/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Comm.
Tues., 12/17, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet Meetings

Board of Assessors
Tues., 12/17, Town Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission
Mon., 12/30, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard
Tues. 1/7, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

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US Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal/Wing's Neck

Dec. 2019		HIGH a.m.	HIGH p.m.	LOW a.m.	LOW p.m.
Friday	13	0823	2051	0113*	1404*
Saturday	14	0910	2139	0205*	1451*
Sunday	15	0959	2230	0255*	1535*
Monday	16	1051	2327	0344*	1620*
Tuesday	17	1150	----	0435*	1711*
Wednesday	18	0027	1250	0538	1817*
Thursday	19	0125	1347	0700	1928*
Friday	20	0222	1446	0822	2031*
Saturday	21	0323	1552	1007	2137*
Sunday	22	0427	1654	1123*	2245*
Monday	23	0521	1746	----	1216*
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Tuesday	24	0608	1832	----	1310*
Wednesday	25	0652	1917	0016*	1404*
Thursday	26	0737	2003	0056*	1446*
Friday	27	0822	2050	0138	1505*
Saturday	28	0907	2134	0219	1512*
Sunday	29	0950	2219	0255	1532
Monday	30	1035	2306	0330	1600
Tuesday	31	1123	2358	0406	1634

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