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

## Volunteers help Ospreys along



A group led by Kathy Groh, including Boy Scout Troop 55, Jeff Lucas, Arthur Oliveira, Helene Oliveira, Tom Perron, Chaunce Burr, Nat Trull, Charlie Green and "The Scully Boys" raises a platform designed to attract a pair of Ospreys to build a nest on at the bottom of Egypt Lane in Fairhaven on Tuesday, 4/16. BOTTOM LEFT: As if to show approval, an Osprey flies overhead with nesting material. *Photos by Heidi Winnett. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

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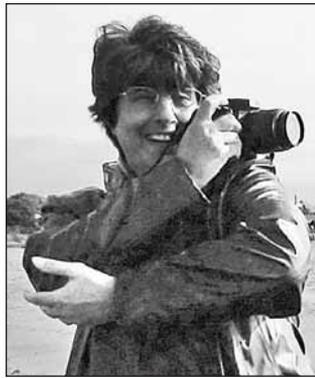
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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Glued to the TV again for yet another tragedy, this one so terribly close to home (page 3)

Generally speaking, I prefer anger as a response. Maybe I'm just older now and figure I've lived a bit, so what the heck. Maybe not. All I know is, they won't stop me from living the way I want to live. There's no point in being alive if it means being scared all the time.

Honestly, it just makes me want to kick some butt.

I suppose we shouldn't be shocked. We know these things happen. We know the terrorists have to resort to the "soft targets" because we've kicked their butts everywhere else. The cowards have to pick on defenseless people who are not expecting it.

At this point, though, we don't know if it's Islamic terrorists or some home-grown variety of nut. Either way it's terrorism, and they are cowards, and they picked that venue because they would not succeed against soldiers, against those who are armed and ready. They have to pick on the defenseless. Tough guys, huh?

I wish people would not get so hung up on the word "terrorism." If this isn't terrorism, what the hell is?

If you blow up people at a sporting event, you are a terrorist. It doesn't matter to the person with no legs if you are part of a group or not.

If you plot and plan to kill and maim people who are going about their lives minding their own business, you are a terrorist. It doesn't matter to the family members mourning an eight-year-old if you are from the Middle East or the Midwest.

It's just so profoundly sad to hear about the casualties: An eight-year-old dead, his sister maimed, his mother with a head injury, his father finding all this out after running a marathon; a student from China enjoying all that Boston has to offer, killed; a 29-year-old woman living the single life in the big city, cut down; two brothers, both roofers, both losing legs; so many more with limbs severed, with burns, with other injuries that will take months, even years to heal from; some with injuries that will never heal.

The rest of the stories will come out one by one. Each will have its tragedy and its triumph. The response from people on the ground was something to watch, wasn't it? People just rushing in to help. People getting rushed to the best medical facilities in the world. Bet that ticks off the terrorists who did this.

Boston will not stop being Boston, just as New York did not stop being New York.

Will it ever be the same? I don't know. I hope so, eventually. Each time something like this happens we lose a little of ourselves; we call for more security, we call for more to be done. Please be careful what you wish for, be careful what you work for. It won't be worth the living if we can't watch a race without being treated like criminals. It won't be worth it if we can't be a little different from the rest for fear of getting hauled away for the safety of others.

We'll get the SOBs who did this. They will have their moments in the spotlight. We will wonder why, ask how any human being could do something so horrendous.

Let's not let ourselves do something horrendous back. Let's find a way to get the little SOBs without hurting ourselves and our lifestyles at the same time.

It must be possible. We're Americans. We can do anything.

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our Finance Committee story last week we made a mistake identifying the park where work is proposed on a fence. It is the Macomber Pimental Field that is under consideration. We apologize for our error and any confusion it may have caused.

# Two bombs explode at Boston Marathon; 3 killed

By Beth David  
Editor

Two bombs exploded near the finish line of the Boston Marathon on Monday, 4/15, at 2:50 p.m., when the bulk of the amateur runners were finishing the race. The second bomb exploded approximately 15 seconds after the first in Copley Square.

Three people were killed in the attack and 176 were wounded, with more than a dozen reportedly suffering from severed limbs.

Eight-year-old Martin Richard of Dorchester was among the dead. His mother and sister were also seriously injured as they all waited to watch Martin's father cross the finish line.

Krystle Campbell, 29, of Arlington who grew up in Medford, was also killed in the attack. She was with her friend and authorities initially mixed up their identities, something her

father found out when he went to the hospital.

Officials did not release the name of the third victim by press time, but did confirm she was a Boston University graduate student. News outlets have widely reported that Lingzi Lu was the graduate student from China who was killed.

As of press time no group or individual had taken responsibility for the attack.

At press time, news outlets were reporting that a suspect had been identified by surveillance video from Lord & Taylor in Copley square. The FBI issued a press release saying that no one had been taken into custody.

The Massachusetts Attorney General's Office released a statement warning residents to be careful where they send money to help victims.

Boston Mayor Thomas Menino and

Mass. Governor Deval Patrick announced the establishment of the "One Fund Boston" to help victims.

The Boston Marathon's lead sponsor, John Hancock, donated \$1 million to the fund. To donate visit <http://www.theonefundboston.org/> or send check to One Fund Boston, Inc., 800 Boylston Street #990009, Boston, MA 02199.

People are also encouraged to donate blood and give to the Red Cross and other established charities. To see if a charity is registered and filing with the AGs office visit [www.mass.gov/ago/charitiesreports](http://www.mass.gov/ago/charitiesreports) or call 617-727-2200 x2101.

President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama were expected to attend an interfaith service in Boston on Thursday morning at 11 a.m. the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on Washington Street in Boston.

## Fairhaven faces water restrictions while water tank rehabbed

Press Release

The Fairhaven Water Department hereby advises residents of the Town of Fairhaven of an upcoming construction project in Town. The project generally consists of abrasive blast cleaning and repainting of the interior and exterior of the Boston Hill Water Storage Tank located at 55 Boston Hill Road. The anticipated timeframe of construction is now through June 15, 2013.

The project will require that the Boston Hill Water Storage Tank be taken out of service during the construction period. The Fairhaven Water Department will adjust water distribution system operations in an effort to maintain typical day to day water pressures and service within the system with the water tank offline.

Due to the temporary change in normal operation of the water distribution system, customers may occasionally observe discoloration of water. Customers who experience discolored (rusty) water should run their cold water faucet until it clears. In addition, customers may experience intermittent variations in water pressure.

Abrasive blast cleaning and painting operations will be fully contained at the water tank site such that local homes will not be affected. However, homeowners in the vicinity of the tank can anticipate noise

during construction operations.

The Town of Fairhaven's water distribution system interconnection with the City of New Bedford will be utilized during construction should the system experience an unforeseen drop in water pressure or if a fire occurs. Please note that the City of New Bedford utilizes chloramines to disinfect their water supply. Should use of the water system interconnection between Fairhaven and New Bedford be required, chloramines would be introduced into Fairhaven's water distribution system. While chloramines are recognized as a safe form of drinking water disinfection, they must be removed from water used in kidney dialysis machines and any tap water before it is added to fish tanks, lobster tanks, aquariums or ponds. Please contact your dialysis physician for further information.

Anyone maintaining fish or lobster tanks should consult their pet store, shellfish supplier or aquarium supplier for information regarding removal of chloramines from tap water. Fact sheets are also available from the Fairhaven Water Department.

Since the interconnection with the New Bedford water supply will only be used in the event of an unforeseen drop in water pressure or an emergency, the Fairhaven Water Department cannot provide

exact dates as to when chloramines would be introduced to Fairhaven's water supply. Therefore, the Fairhaven Water Department suggests that actions required for removal of chloramines be implemented through June 15, 2013). A subsequent press release will be issued notifying customers when the water tank is back in service and use of the interconnection with New Bedford is no longer necessary.

Contact the water department at 508-979-4032 with any questions.



Signs like this have been posted around Fairhaven. Watering limits have been imposed during the rehabilitation of the Boston Hill Road water tank. Officials are trying to minimize a drop in water pressure during the construction period which should end by June 15. Photo by Beth David

## HMs students collect stuffed animals for cancer patients



One of the seventh grade Community Services Classes at Hastings Middle School has been collecting stuffed animals for Children with Cancer. These toys will be donated to the Boston Children's Hospital. During the month long project students collected over 250 toys to be donated. *Submitted photo. See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

## John Stapleton is Mr. Fairhaven, 2013



On Friday, April 5, the After Prom Committee held its annual "Mr. Fairhaven" contest for Fairhaven High School boys. The show was very successful and entertaining, and was almost a sold-out audience. Finalists were Ryan Baldwin, Christian Braga, Dan McLaughlin, Billy Pires and John Stapleton. Mr. Stapleton was crowned Mr. Fairhaven 2013. The After Prom Committee thanks all the contestants for their hard work in putting on a fun and memorable show that helped raise money for the After Prom event. *Submitted photo. See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

## Huttleston House demolished



The Huttleston House building on Route 6 in Fairhaven is demolished by Peter DeTerra Excavating on Friday, 4/12, to make way for a New York style deli, according to Cathy Melanson, who owns Emma Jean's next door with her husband Ken. The new EJ's Brooklynne Deli and EJ's Meat Specialties will also carry specialty meats and Antil's meat pies, which are currently available at Emma Jean's. *Photos by Jim Mahaney, <http://jimmahaneyphotography.smugmug.com>. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

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# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## West Island 5K

The second annual West Island 5K will be held on **Sun., 4/28**. All proceeds go to the Fairhaven High School Cross Country program & The Crispin Demers Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Children's fun mile starts at 10 a.m., 5K starts at 11. Registration: \$5.00 kids; 5K Run/Walk, \$15.00, K-12 students; \$25.00 others.

Parking at a field on Sconticut Neck and Hoppy's Landing, with shuttles from the field. Traffic will be stopped going on and off the island for about 15 minutes from 10:55-11:10 a.m.. For more information or to register, visit [WestIsland5K.org](http://WestIsland5K.org)

## Book release

Fairhaven author Pat Perry has announced that her novel, *The Realm of Dark and Light, The Source of Darkness* (previously published as *Quest for the Source of Darkness*) has been published by RiverhavenBooks. It is available for \$18.99 on Amazon and CreateSpace, and for \$2.99 on a Kindle. It can also be purchased through the author's website, [www.questforthesourceofdarkness.com](http://www.questforthesourceofdarkness.com) or [www.awb6.com](http://www.awb6.com)

## Pancake Breakfast

The Fairhaven Lions Club is holding its annual pancake breakfast on **Sunday April 21st, from 8am to Noon, at St. Mary's Church Hall, Main Street, Fairhaven.**

**Tickets are \$5.00** and can be purchased at the door or by calling Victor Oliveira at 508-992-1775

## Earth Day Event

Learn how a sustainable and environmentally friendly yard and landscaping will benefit you and your family, as well as Buzzards Bay, at the Earth Day for Buzzards Bay Expo, featuring a wide variety of eco-friendly options for a lifestyle with low impact on the environment.

The Expo will be held on **Sat., 4/20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fairhaven Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven.** There is a **10 a.m. bird walk on the bike trail** behind the Center, bring binoculars.

Presentations are scheduled all day. There will be displays and projects for children, as well as food and music. For more information,

contact Merilee Kelly at 508 998-0202 or [mkelly@acushnet.ma.us](mailto:mkelly@acushnet.ma.us).

Online: <http://a0130605.uscgaux.info/training.html>

## Cherry Blossom Fest

Join the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society for its first annual Japanese Cherry Blossom Friendship Festival on **Sun., 4/28, from Noon-4:00 PM** at Cooke Memorial Park, Fairhaven (corner of Cherry & Pilgrim Streets). Shuttle available from Fairhaven High School.

**Tickets (limited number): \$20/adult, \$10/child (under 12)**, includes bento picnic box lunch (bring a blanket); tea and dessert; bonsai & kimono displays; entertainment;; tours of Fairhaven Colonial Club, Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Museum; dedication of "Peace Pole"

To reserve tickets: call Gerry at 508-995-1219 or e-mail: [Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org](mailto:Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org)

## DOR hearing

The Fairhaven selectboard will hold a public hearing to discuss the Department of Revenue (DOR) report with the public prior to the Annual Town Meeting. The DOR report contains 34 recommendations for Fairhaven's governmental practices. The hearing will outline these recommendations and the Board will solicit comments and answer questions from the public.

The hearing will be held on **Wed., 4/24, at 6:00 p.m.**, in the Town Hall Conference Room. A PDF copy of the DOR report is available on the Town website: [www.Fairhaven-MA.gov](http://www.Fairhaven-MA.gov). For more information, contact the Selectboard Office: 508-979-4023.

## Boat Classes

US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 65 is holding a series of boating classes, including **GPS Operations Thursday April 25, 7PM-930PM** The Space Segments (satellites) and the use and operation of a hand-held GPS, utilizing the Garmin 76 or 176 as models; methods of inserting Waypoints and Routes; setting up the GPS; use of tide and current tables, etc. Students are encouraged to bring their hand-held GPS to class to possibly practice, time permitting.

All courses take place at 80 Middle St., Fairhaven. Contact: Keith Stalter [arpeggio56@comcast.net](mailto:arpeggio56@comcast.net) Register

## Organ Fund Concert

Celebrate the arrival of spring on SouthCoast with "The Music Within: A Concert by Church Members and Friends" at the Unitarian Memorial Church in Fairhaven at **3 p.m. April 21**. The program, a benefit for the church's Organ Fund, will feature a variety of music for pipe organ, piano, strings and voice with organist Dwight Thomas.

The suggested donation is \$10 for adults; youths 16 and under will be admitted free. A reception in the Parish House will follow the concert.

The church at 102 Green St. is handicapped accessible via a ramp off the Center Street driveway.

## BDTV Telethon

The 5th annual BD-TV (Blue Devil-TV) Telethon is set for **Fri., 4/26 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.** Produced by the FHS students in the media classes, the telethon covers many aspects of Fairhaven High School and the community.

Students are hoping to surpass the \$2,000 raised last year through donations from area businesses and individuals. The money raised goes toward scholarships and field trips for the media program.

The telethon can be viewed live on Comcast's Channel 9 in Fairhaven and also on the Internet at [bdtv.us.to](http://bdtv.us.to). Viewers can also find that site through [fairhavenps.org](http://fairhavenps.org), FHS, BDTV, and Telethon.

BD-TV will be taking donations of any amount from viewers by email at [bdtv@fairhavenps.org](mailto:bdtv@fairhavenps.org) or mail to Fairhaven High School, c/o BDTV Telethon, 12 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven, MA 02719; or call 508-979-4051, ext. 0 and ask for the TV Studio.

## Save Livesey Park

The students at Hastings Middle School and others continue to try to raise funds to restore and repair Fairhaven's skate park. The next event is on **Sat. 4/27, 12-5 p.m. at Livesey Park** in North Fairhaven.

There will be food, music, contest, prizes and more. For more information contact Ann Richard and the school, 508-979-4063 or [arichard@fairhavenps.org](mailto:arichard@fairhavenps.org)

# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Oil Spill Talk

The Buzzards Bay Coalition will host a free public talk on preventing oil spills in Buzzards Bay on **Tuesday, April 23 at 6 p.m. in downtown New Bedford.** Korrin Petersen, the Coalition's senior attorney, will speak about the Coalition's work to protect Buzzards Bay from oil spills in the wake of the devastating Bouchard spill, which fouled Buzzards Bay's waters, beaches and wildlife with 98,000 gallons of fuel oil in 2003.

The talk will take place at the Buzzards Bay Center, located at 114 Front Street in New Bedford. The event is free, though donations are welcome to support the Coalition's advocacy, restoration, protection and education efforts throughout the Buzzards Bay region.

For more information contact Alicia Pimental at (508) 999-6363 x226 or [pimental@savebuzzardsbay.org](mailto:pimental@savebuzzardsbay.org).

To learn more about the Coalition's efforts to prevent oil spills in Buzzards Bay, visit <http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/OilSpill>.

## Play Auditions

Director Lawrence R. Houbre, Jr. will audition actors for Neil Simon's comedy about the hilarious Antics of Army recruits "Biloxi Blues" on **Wed. and Thurs., 4/25 & 26, at 7:30 p.m.**

Tryouts for seven male and two female roles will be held in Your Theatre, Inc. Performance Complex at St. Martin's Church, 136 Rivet St. at County St., New Bedford. Parking and entrance located at rear of church on County St.

Acting experience is not necessary, but role seekers should have a desire to share the experience of live theatre and the enjoyment of collaborating with other talented individuals.

Mr. Houbre is seeking individuals to fill the following roles: Eugene (18-25), a Jewish man aspiring to be a writer who sees the lighter side of life; Roy Selridge (18-25), a not-too-bright tough guy; Joseph Wykowski (18-25), a bigoted tough guy; Don Carney (18-25), an indecisive guy who thinks he can sing; Arnold Epstein (18-25), physically weak but mentally strong; Sergeant Merwin J. Toomey (30-45) a by-the-book military man who is not completely sane; James Hennesey (18-30), a kind-hearted soul; Rowene

(22-40), a prostitute; and Daisy Hannigan (17-25), sweet, innocent and smart young lady.

"Biloxi Blues" will run Thursdays through Saturday evenings Sept. 12-14 and 19-21 at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees Sept. 15 and 22 at 2:30 p.m.

It will be the first of Your Theatre Inc.'s five major productions in its 2013-2014 67th season of providing award-winning community theatre to SE Mass.

For info call 508 993-0772, e-mail [info@yourtheatre.org](mailto:info@yourtheatre.org), or visit [www.yourtheatre.org](http://www.yourtheatre.org)

## FIA Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner and Meeting of the Fairhaven Improvement Association will be held on **Tuesday, 4/23, at the Wamsutta Club.** Members, guests, and the community are invited to attend. Cocktails will begin at 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM.

This event allows us to conduct annual elections of new Board Members and Officers, as well as, to honor individuals who have provided outstanding community service and to local businesses which have beautified their properties in Fairhaven. Honorees include Mr. James Kalife, Morgan Dawicki, Hannah Dawicki, and Lauren Dawicki for their service and Sea Breeze Mini Mart and Laundry and Brahmin Leather Company for their beautification efforts. The evening will also feature a presentation by Mrs. Beth Luey who will bring the Adams family to life.

Dinner choices for the Annual Dinner include Petite Filet Mignon (\$30); Prime Rib(\$30); Chicken Kiev (\$20); or Baked Scrod(\$20). Please plan to attend and bring a friend. Contact Linda Meredith at 508-542-1735 for reservations and questions.

## Joe Garcia Benefit

Our Lady of Angels Catholic Association of Fairhaven will be hosting a Benefit for Joe Garcia, our former President. This event will be held on **Sunday April 28th from 1pm-5pm at the Madeira Feast Grounds in New Bedford.** There will be food, music and raffles. Donations are \$20 each. For more information or to purchase tickets please contact Ed (508) 558-2058, Jeff (508) 965-0820 or Dave (508) 717-9007.

## Park Serve Day

Lend a Hand for this Year's Annual Park Serve Day on Saturday, April 20.. Registration is now open at <http://parkserv.env.state.ma.us/parks.aspx>

Last year the Department of Conservation and Recreation hosted over 4,797 volunteers in 53 park sites across the Commonwealth for Park Serve Day. By day's end, those volunteers had planted 1,742 flowers, 187+ trees (the majority in communities affected by the Tornado of 2011), and 167 shrubs, and had collected more than over 19.5 tons of trash. Since it began, tens of thousands of Massachusetts residents have picked a park, given a day, and made a difference.

The Schooner Ernestina and Myles Standish are on the list of participating parks.

## Sailor Series

The New Bedford Whaling Museum Sailor Series continues on **Thursday, April 18,** at 7:00 p.m. in the Cook Memorial Theater, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford. Accessible.

A lecture titled "The Charles W. Morgan and Our Yankee Whaleboat Project" will be presented by Quentin Snediker, Mystic Seaport Shipyard Director and Bill Womack, owner of Beetle, Inc.

**On Thursday, May 2,** a lecture titled "Volvo Ocean Race" will be presented by Ken Read. Considered one of the world's most accomplished sailors, Mr. Read has twice helmed America's Cup programs in 2000 and 2003 and was twice named "United States Rolex Yachtsman of the Year." He has 46 World, North American, and National Championships to his credit.

All Sailors' Series lectures occur on Thursday evenings, starting at 7:00 p.m. with a pre-lecture reception at 6:00 p.m. in the Jacobs Family Gallery. Tweet the Sailors' Series with hashtag #SailorsSeries23.

Admission for individual lectures: Members: \$15 / Non-Members: \$20.

The Sailors' Series is sponsored in part by C.E. Beckman, the Beverly Yacht Club and the New Bedford Yacht Club.

Visit [www.whalingmuseum.org](http://www.whalingmuseum.org).

## Scholarships Avail.

The Acushnet Teachers Association (ATA) Scholarship application forms are due on May 1. Applications forms are available for students and their families to download online at [www.acushnetteachers.com](http://www.acushnetteachers.com) or hard copies may be picked up during school hours at the Ford Middle School main office, 708 Middle Road,.

In order to assist Acushnet residents in continuing to build their academic futures, the ATA annually awards scholarships to qualified students. Residents of Acushnet or individuals who have attended Acushnet Public Schools for any number of years enrolling in a full-time college program in 2013-14 are eligible for these awards.

Contact Kristine Daniels, A.T.A. Scholarship Committee Co-Chair, at [kdaniels@acushnet.k12.ma.us](mailto:kdaniels@acushnet.k12.ma.us) or 508-998-0265 ext. 1205.

## 1st Time Homebuyer

The Fall River Housing Corporation, together with BankFive, will present two seminars to provide first-time homebuyers with information about what they need to know when purchasing a home. Topics to be discussed include budgeting and credit, the housing search process, lead paint issues, home inspections, obtaining a mortgage, legal issues and successful ownership.

Guest speakers will be on hand to discuss city and state first-time homebuyer programs and multi-family ownership. Certificates will be awarded to those who attend the sessions, allowing them to participate in specialized first-time homebuyer programs.

The seminars will be held at the Fall River Affordable Housing Corporation, at 111 Durfee Street in Fall River on **April 24 and April 25 from 5 to 9 pm.**

The cost of the seminar is **\$35 per person or \$50 per couple.** Contact Bob Landry or Nancy at the Fall River Affordable Housing Corporation at 508-677-2220 to register.

## "Miracles" F-R

Mattapoisett resident, Jillian Zucco, will present "An Evening For Miracles," a fundraiser to support the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals

at the **Eagle Event Center in Fall River on Friday April 26.**

As Miss Fall River 2013, she will host an evening of entertainment with performances from various talented local artists and celebrity guests in a supper club atmosphere.

The event will feature light fare, cash bar, raffle, silent auction, and a live band. **Tickets are \$15.** Advance ticket sales will be eligible for a door prize drawing.

The Children's Miracle Network Hospitals is the national platform for the Miss America Organization whose mission is to help save and improve lives of children treated at hospitals within the network, including Hasbro and Boston's Children's.

For information or tickets, email [MiraclesEvent@comcast.net](mailto:MiraclesEvent@comcast.net).

## Photo Contest

The Westport River Watershed Alliance is sponsoring a photo contest and is seeking photographers who love the river and the natural world. All entries will be judged and on display at WRWA's River Day Festival, Sat. June 22 at the Head of Westport Landing. Prizes will be awarded for the following categories: Adult, and Junior (grades 1-12).

All entries must be submitted in hardcopy and digital formats to WRWA. **Email JPG format images to [water@wrwa.com](mailto:water@wrwa.com) by June 1, 2013.** Each entry must also be printed and matted as an 8"x10" and mailed or dropped off at the WRWA office with ATTN: PHOTO CONTEST to 1151 Main Rd., PO Box 3427 Westport 02790 on or before June 1, 2013.

Each photo entry must be ready for display entry and labeled on the back with the photo's title, name of the contestant, address, phone number and entry class. In addition a 3x5 card must accompany each entry with the title, name of photographer, and entry category.

While reasonable care will be taken, WRWA will not be responsible for lost, stolen or damaged photographs. Contestants must pick up their photographs at River Day or at the office before July 1, 2013.

With permission of the photographer, WRWA reserves the right to use photographs in any published materials with credit given to the photographer whenever

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## Author Event

*Women in King Philip's War.* Though often overlooked by historians, a number of remarkable women played major roles in King Philip's War, making history-changing decisions, performing heroic deeds, enduring hardships, chronicling their experiences, lending support in innovative ways.

Join author Edward Lodi and members of the Lakeville Historical Society on **Wed., 4/24, at 7 p.m. inside the Meeting Room of the Lakeville Public Library at 4 Precinct St.** to learn what roles women played during King Philip's War. This is a free program. You are invited to remain after the presentation for refreshments and the Historical Society's monthly business meeting.

This event is the first in a series of free-to-the-public Cultural Presentations being held at the Lakeville Public Library supported in part from a grant by the Lakeville Arts Council, a local agency that is supported by the Mass. Cultural Council, a state agency. Visit [www.lakevillearts.com](http://www.lakevillearts.com).

## Retire old flags

Boy Scouts in Troop 333 are pleased to announce that they will again collect and honorably retire used and worn American Flags. A retirement ceremony will take place in May during a weekend campout at Cathedral Camp 157 Middleboro Road, East Freetown.

Flags may be dropped off at Freetown Town Hall, Freetown Police Headquarters, the Freetown Trading Post at 1 Chace Road and at the Town Clerk's Office in Lakeville Town Hall.

Cities, towns, fraternal and veterans groups, businesses and individuals in the southeastern Mass. region are encouraged to contact the troop to schedule the pickup of worn and tattered American and POW-MIA flags. Please contact Troop Committee Chairman Mike McCormack at 508-998-1218 or through e-mail at [CCTroop333ASM@gmail.com](mailto:CCTroop333ASM@gmail.com).

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- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons cayenne pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 1/2 pounds beef sirloin, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 10 wooden skewers, soaked in water for 1 hour
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

Dissolve bouillon in water. Stir in the garlic, cayenne pepper, salt, and black pepper. Toss the meat in the marinade, cover, and marinate in the refrigerator for at least 2 hours.

Preheat a grill for high heat.

Skewer the beef cubes, using 6 to 8 pieces per skewer. Pour the oil onto a plate, and roll the skewers in it to coat them on all sides.

Grill the skewers, turning frequently, until the beef has turned light pink, 12 to 15 minutes.

*From allrecipes.com*

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Each year the Fairhaven Improvement Association offers the Voucher Program to help the residents of Fairhaven enhance the beauty of their properties.

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

For a limited time 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. This offer will be honored from May 1 to July 1, 2013. If you decide to use your voucher after that date, it will be good for \$40.00 but not for the special stated above.

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

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The voucher will expire September 30, 2013. The voucher program ends when all allocated funds have been depleted but no later than September 30, 2013.

For more information, contact Monika Whalley 508 992 5697 or monikawhalley@hotmail.com

Mail this form with a self-addressed stamped envelope and check for \$20.00 made out to the Fairhaven Improvement Association to: FIA, P.O. Box 404, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

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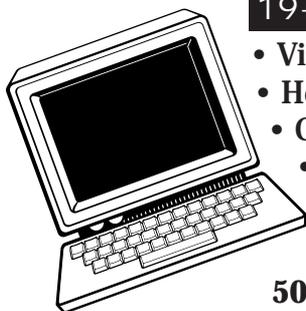
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# State investigating Fairhaven election; two recounts scheduled

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven's never-ending election 2013 is facing two recounts and an investigation by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

On April 10, the Mass. Elections Division sent a letter\* to Fairhaven Town Clerk Eileen Lowney stating that the Secretary Francis Galvin has "initiated an investigation into matters relating to the actions taken by election officials in the administration of the municipal town election."

The 2013 election has been plagued by missteps and confusion. On election night, Ms. Lowney declared challenger John Wethington as the winner by three votes and swore him in. Then she counted the "hand counts," ballots that had been rejected by the counting machines. At first she declared incumbent Peter DeTerra the winner by two votes, then realized she had counted from the wrong envelope. She then declared Mr. DeTerra the winner by 1 one vote after a meeting of the Registrar of Voters on Friday, 4/5.

At first, neither Mr. DeTerra nor Mr. Wethington would say he was asking for a recount; Mr. Wethington and his attorney Ann Ponichtera-DeNardis claiming he was the rightful winner because he had been sworn in; and Mr. DeTerra maintaining he was declared the winner by the Registrars.

Since then, three candidates have asked for recounts: Cathy Melanson for Planning Board, who lost by four votes according to the Registrars, and both Mr. DeTerra and Mr. Wethington.

A recount requires 10 certified signatures from each precinct. All three candidates had their petitions accepted by the Registrars on Tuesday, 4/16.

The board voted to schedule the Planning Board recount on Monday, 4/22, at 6 p.m. in the town hall auditorium. The Board of Health recount will take place on Tuesday, 4/23, at 6 p.m. in the same room.

The election has also not been certified by the town clerk because of a discrepancy in the number of people who checked in to vote and

the number who checked out.

The recount may reconcile the two numbers, if not, a new election may be the only answer.

Those in the Wethington camp are calling for a new election, saying the process has been tainted. Ms. Ponichtera-DeNardis has repeatedly stated that the ballots were not secure and has clearly stated that she believes they were tampered with.

Mr. DeTerra released a statement saying that "the people have spoken," and decried the call for a new election as sour grapes from "disgruntled individuals who are unhappy with the result."\*

"People who are unsuccessful in elections are not entitled to request a 'do-over,'" reads the statement.

A judge will have to order a new election which will cost \$7,000-\$8,000.

It is unclear if a new election would be limited to the Board of Health race or if it would also include the other local races.

\*See the letter and the statement on our website: [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)



## Mackenzie Martin wins at shooting competition

It was a great week at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs for Fairhaven's Mackenzie Martin, who competes in shooting contests and is working hard to get on the US Olympic team. She may not have finished in the top three overall, but she learned a lot. In Air Rifle she finished 17th; in Smallbore she finished 13th; and in the J2/15-17 year-old-group she came in second, winning silver. According to her proud dad, Sid Martin, at least nine universities have lined up to talk to her when she is old enough to be recruited. MacKenzie is 16; the athletes are 12-20 years old.

Most of the top 12 are in the 18-20 year range and are in college.

LEFT L-R: MacKenzie Martin (Silver), Rachel Garner (Gold), Casey Lutz (Bronze) take the podium after winning in the Smallbore 15-17 year-old-group at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs this month. Photo courtesy of Todd May, <http://www.maysphotography.com/> See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)

## Letters from our readers



L-R: Lemuel D. Eldred, artist; Adeline & Lemuel (mother and father); Susan (daughter to Martha and David); Martha (grandmother); David Eldred (grandfather). Cost to repair: \$450.00. Submitted photo.

### Fixing headstones honors our past

Now that winter is over and our town election has passed, we now focus on our town meeting.

As Fairhaven art curator my department includes art restoration and historical archives. The projects are many and are planned well in advance, although one project of historical value that needs attention is the grave site of our local artist, Lemuel D. Eldred, of which two head stones need to be up-righted.

Every year the director of tourism escorts hundreds of visitors through Riverside Cemetery. The tour has many beautiful monuments of our history, including many local famous artists, such as William Bradford, Charles H. Gifford, Lemuel D. Eldred and Elizabeth T. Delano.

Voters, I have placed an article in the annual town meeting warrant and I am asking for your support for a small amount of money to up-right the two head stones and show how proud we are of our history and famous artists. It will show the visitors that we care.

*Albert F. Benac, Art Curator,  
Fairhaven*

### Murphy takes first step to "heal" town

If Fairhaven is to heal we first need to admit to the wound. In one courageous act of compassion Select Board Chairman Charlie Murphy did just that. What I witnessed was an act that would begin to reunite us as a town.

Unbeknownst to his fellow board members Charlie made an announcement. He asked Karen Isherwood to come forward and be seated in the

front row and directly across from him. Karen is familiar with this seat. She has made a point in taking this seat across from those who had refused to hear her concerns, those who accused her of not speaking in her own words and those who simply had cast her off as "crazy."

In an emotional moment the chairman looked directly into Karen's eyes and apologized for the town's inaction. Charlie spoke from the heart saying "no one should go without sleep." Karen was without words and brought to tears. Those in the room stood in applause.

The Chairman then moved that the Select board and the Board of Health become united in hearing the voices of the turbine victims. The Board then voted to begin proceedings to hold a full public hearing and move toward mitigation. Town Counsel and the Executive Secretary voiced concerns, but the Select Board held their ground.

I say "thank you" for the elderly veteran who can no longer spend time in his beloved garden, the mother who hopes that her twins will someday enjoy the river in which their great grandfather swam, the teenager that has to sleep away to escape the headaches, the young minds that will soon be enriched at the new Wood School and all of your neighbors. You've put Fairhaven on the road to healing as a town through this one simple act of courage and compassion.

Thank You

*John Methia, Fairhaven*

### Fairhaven Lights up for Autism

On Tuesday April 2nd more than a hundred Fairhaven residents, along with several businesses and our town departments, participated in Autism Speaks' Light It Up Blue, a worldwide event to raise awareness about Autism Spectrum Disorders. I am proud to say that this is the third year I have asked my town to participate in this event and each year the response is greater than the last.

I thank all of my friends, neighbors and townspeople who participated by lighting a blue bulb on their porch or in a window of their homes on the first night of Autism Awareness month. I would also like to give special recognition to the businesses

in town who responded to my request to participate in this year's event.

Please thank the following merchants when you frequent their shops: Emma Jean's Cupcakes, Days Sports, Art On Center, Rasputin's, The Ice House, Dorothy Cox's Candies, The Flour Girls. The managers at Benny's and Rocky's were also very helpful in making blue bulbs available to the residents of Fairhaven. I must give a shout-out to Frank Fostin as well for lighting up the clock tower of our Town Hall. I also have to give a special thank-you to The House of Hair at 72 Main St., where you can still stop in to get blue hair extensions for the low price of \$5 each — there is a limited supply so Blue Devil fans, get yours before they sell out!

The most recent number released by the CDC is 1 in 50 children is diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder, in other words at least one child on each school bus is Autistic. Why? I have no idea, that's why a puzzle piece is the logo associated with Autism.

My opinion is that it does not matter why it's diagnosed more often these days, but what does matter is that autism is here to stay, so we must be educated about it and accepting of it so that every person can reach their full potential and have successful workplace and private relationships. Thank you for all helping Autism Speaks shine a light on autism.

*Diane Hahn, Fairhaven*

### Schools cutting back on wrong things

As the date of Fairhaven's Town Meeting approaches, I sincerely hope meeting members are carefully considering how the town's limited financial resources ought best be distributed. It will be a challenge. And as I'm sure we want the best "bang for our buck," I feel the need to enlighten members to a fact that in one area, I think we're getting short-changed.

I don't endorse a cut from only one department, and a cut shouldn't come from a department simply because of the size of its budget. But thought must be given to: are we getting what we're paying for? Or, are we getting what we're told we're getting? As a parent of two students at Hastings Middle School, I don't

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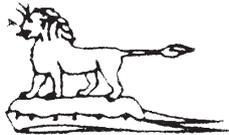
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# Girl Scouts give Library/Community Center project new life

By Beth David  
Editor

When the Girl Scouts found out that the Acushnet Library/Community Center project had failed to pass in the town election, they realized their meeting place would be closed in June. Five Girl Scout Troops meet at the Community Center.

The \$6.2 million project would have combined the Acushnet Free Public Library with the Community Center at the center's location on Middle Road. A state grant and of \$3.2 million and \$365,000 from other sources leaves the town with responsibility for about 46% of the costs.

The grant money will be lost on June 30 if the town does not agree to pay for the matching funds.

So, the girls sprang into action.

It takes 100 signatures of registered voters to get an article on the town

warrant. In four days, the girls got 684 signatures.

They have not been certified yet, but with that many signatures, it seems unlikely that there will be a problem with that.

The deadline for submitting the article was Wednesday, 4/17. To be safe, the girls and their mothers submitted the petitions on Tuesday, 4/16. After the signatures are certified, the petition has to be approved by the Selectboard, which is scheduled to decide on the matter on Monday, 4/22.

If it passes at Town Meeting on May 20 (it did once), then it will be subject to a townwide vote, which must happen before 6/30/13.

The letter\* accompanying the petition asks for the question to be placed on the ballot for the June 25 special election to replace Sen. John Kerry.

Emma Moniz, 9, is a Brownie, whose troop meets at the community center, said she wanted to make change for the better. She said her troop uses the community center "all the time."

She said she walked "around the whole entire neighborhood" getting signatures.

Lily Lafountain said she worked to get signatures because she likes the Girl Scouts and does not know where the will meet if the center closes.

The Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadets and Seniors all meet at the center on the same night, according to the parents.

The center is the only place large enough and accessible enough to accommodate the whole group. Many families have two or even three sisters at different levels. If they have to go to different places, they would not be able to all be in the Scouts.

For more information and updates, visit Facebook and search for: Petition for the Acushnet Library/Community Center.

\*See the letter at  
[www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)



LEFT L-R: Girl Scouts Emma Moniz, Lilly LaFountain (foreground), and Hannah Perreira pose at the Acushnet Town Clerk's office after handing over a petition to Irene Decotis. The petition contained 684 signatures to get an item on the town meeting warrant to vote once again to have a special election to pass the Library/Community Center project. The project failed to pass at the town election on April 1 by 36 votes. Organizers have until June 30 to try again, at which time the state funding will be lost. RIGHT: the girls watch while Ms. Decotis counts the petitions after time stamping them. Photo by Beth David.

## Acushnet Park Commissioner seat open

One of the Park Commissioners in Acushnet has resigned. The Acushnet Selectboard has voted to accept letters of interest for the open seat, to be appointed until the next election.

They board will accept the letters of interest until April 30th. Send to Acushnet Selectboard, Town Hall, 122 Main Street, Acushnet, MA 02743.

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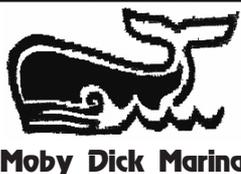
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## Letters: cont'd from page 13

think so. Maybe we don't need to know how much the schools spend on a gross of pencils, but we do need to be informed of the actual education our children are receiving.

This past fall, due to budget constraints, the school department cut several teaching positions. While I understand that, I don't understand the rationale behind what they chose to cut. Our 6th grade students are currently receiving only 1/2 year instruction in history and science. This was presented as a change in grade 6 curriculum, to align it with grades K to 6, instead of grades 6 to 8. The action was commended by the school committee. But what does it mean for our students? Without receiving a logical answer from administrators or school committee members, it means all of our grade 6 students are only receiving 1/2 year instruction in two core subjects.

Our 6th graders are now receiving longer instruction periods in ELA and Math. We're told by having them increase their skills in these subjects, that they'll be able to better grasp history and science concepts later.

Exactly when will that be? And how does this serve the students who grasped ELA and Math in elementary school? I have to think a number of them did, or otherwise I'd be questioning what's going on at that level.

Students at Hastings have also not received instruction in subjects besides these this year. Administrators didn't notified parents of that situation. I have asked questions about several issues concerning administrative decisions that academically affect our students, and still await answers.

What needs to be examined before allocating money at town meeting is: what are we getting for our money? And are we getting what we're told we're getting? In the matter of the school department in particular, what decisions are they going to make using the money they get? Based on their previous elusiveness on the subject, would town funds

just be more wisely directed to other areas?

*Michelle Furtado, Fairhaven*

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# Couple organizes to support St. Jude Children's Hospital

## Press Release

Have you ever wished you could do more for charity, but being faced with the tough times, unable to do so? That's how local couple Peter & Amy Kobza felt over the past few years, and wanted to do something about it.

A few years ago, due to financial struggles, Peter & Amy where unable to continue to be "Partners In Hope", a monthly donation made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

"We would listen to the radio-thons on the local country stations, and the stories would break our hearts," the couple said in a statement. "It wasn't much a month to donate, but like most families, we were struggling to pay our bills. It was one of the saddest decisions we had to make. We are parents, and know what a nightmare it would be to deal with something as terrible as childhood cancer. The financial burden should be the last thing a parent has to worry about when faced with this type of situation."

According to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital website, during the

past five years, 81 cents of every dollar received has supported the research and treatment at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. It costs \$1.8 million a day to operate St. Jude, and public donations provide more than 75% of their funding. No family is ever turned away because they can't pay. This is why, when times weren't so tough, Peter & Amy didn't hesitate to donate to such a good cause.

So, instead of not doing anything, the Kobzas decided to put together a charity event called "Kickin' Cancer Country Style!" **The event will take place May 5th, 2013 3pm-8pm at the Mattapoisett Knights of Columbus. Accessible.**

"If you like country music, you'll have a good time!" said Amy.

There will be Line Dance lessons and Country Music provided by "Outlaw Country Dance Party" instructor Brian Simmons. There will also be a BBQ Chicken Buffet by "Mac's Soda Bar" of Fairhaven.

"The generosity of people when they heard the charity was for St. Jude was unbelievable," said Amy.

Due to the generosity of the venue, entertainment, and caterer, the couple was able to keep ticket prices low, giving the opportunity for everyone to come out for a good time, all to benefit a good cause.

**A donation of \$20.00** will give you admission to the event, line dance lessons, BBQ chicken dinner with all the fixin's, one non-alcoholic drink ticket, and a night of dancing. There will also be a cash bar and the opportunity to purchase tickets to win door prizes. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time so that the correct amount of food can be ordered. There are also sponsorship opportunities that are available starting at \$25.00. For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Amy at 508-510-1466, or email at [kickincancercountrystyle@aol.com](mailto:kickincancercountrystyle@aol.com).

"This is the first Annual 'Kickin' Cancer Country Style' event, and we are very excited about it!" the couple stated. "Please help us to make this event unforgettable!"

For more information on St. Jude's, visit [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)

## Big Brother Big Sister looking for mentors

### Press Release

By Deanna Bodeau

The difference a role model can make

A mentor can take many forms — little league coaches, parents, academic advisers and firefighters are just a few of many who take on the role. Mentors help guide the lives of others, but mentees aren't the only ones benefitting from these relationships. As a mentor, adults have the opportunity to directly impact another person's life in a positive way, and in return share in the joy of their mentees' successes and make a real difference.

While it's important to have positive role models at every stage of life, it's especially critical for children, particularly those who may have a difficult time at home or school. Growing up is not an easy process, but it's much easier — and fun! — when children have friends to guide them along the way.

Mentors are friends who listen, give advice and let children know that they are important. This positive influence in children's lives can go a

long way in helping shape their futures, so it is essential to surround them with role models, in and outside the family, starting at a young age.

At Child & Family Services, our Big Brothers Big Sisters program, which is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year, provides lasting friendships and role models for boys and girls in Greater New Bedford. We pair adult mentors, or "bigs," with mentees, also known as "littles," between the ages of 7-14, to create lasting friendships that often continue long after the children age out of the program.

Having a big brother or big sister can make a huge difference in a child's life and can have an equally valuable impact on the mentor as well.

Unfortunately, the need for "bigs" far surpasses the program's capacity. As we celebrate the past 40 years of friendships, we hope to recruit at least 40 more volunteers to help meet the needs of the 100+ New Bedford children on the program's waiting list.

Almost anyone can volunteer to be a "big" and start making a difference. "Bigs" come from all different career paths, ages and backgrounds, with

current mentors ranging from 10 to 72 years of age. Big Brothers Big Sisters is especially looking for males to join the program and commit just four hours a month to activities like going to the park, playing a sport or simply hanging out to watch a movie. One of our "bigs," Adam, recently took his "little," James, to see his first Celtics game. "Big" Michaela took "little" Leann to see her first musical, the "Sound of Music."

It is incredibly rewarding to see the positive impact that mentoring can have on the youth in our community — and mentors may even end up with a wedding flower girl out of it, like "big" Pauline did!

If you're interested in learning more about Big Brothers Big Sisters or getting involved, visit [www.child-family-services.org](http://www.child-family-services.org) or call Deanna at 508-990-0894.

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# Public Hearings/ Legal Notices

## Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petitions:

1. **Petitioner: Keri Dias Thatcher**, 9 Blackburn Street, Plat 22A, Lot 4, Certificate #20938; 198-18: Short 20' of the required 30' front setback in a RA District.
2. **Petitioner: Ford Family Real Estate Irrevocable Trust**, 293 Mill Road, Plat 39, Lot 22C, Book 9260 and Page 157; Administrative Appeal
3. **Petitioner: Jon daRosa**, 14 Fishermans Road, Plat 43A, Lot 182, Certificate #22601; 198-18: Short 9' of the required 30' front setback on a corner lot & 23% over the maximum allowed lot coverage of 15% all within a RR District.
4. **Petitioner: Leo R Tremblay**, 6 Karen Avenue, Plat 28, Lots 14C & 14E, Book 7757 and Page 142; 198-18: Short 3,000 sq ft of the required 15,000 sq ft for a buildable lot in a RA District.
5. **Petitioner: David P & Sandra Teves**, 3 Judson Drive, Plat 31A, Lot 3A, Book 10501 and Page 82; 198-18: Short 23.13' of the required 100' frontage in a RA District.

*Peter DeTerra, Chairman*

# Volunteers clean up Ft. Phoenix beach



Seven adults and two children joined Be the Solution to Pollution to clean up the beach at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven on Sunday, 4/14. The total haul included 13 bags of trash, four bags of recyclables, a bag of nylon rope, a large bin, a large bucket, broom and seven needles. The Fairhaven Fire Department provided a sharp-box for future needle pickup. For more information on Be the Solution to Pollution and future cleanups, contact Mary Lou Nicholson at freymarylou@yahoo.com TOP: Bags of trash collected by a crew organized by Be the Solution to Pollution wait for pickup at Ft. Phoenix in Fairhaven. ABOVE LEFT-RIGHT: Emma and Johnathan use grippers to pick up trash on the beach at Ft. Phoenix. *Photos submitted. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

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## Fairhaven Meetings

- Board of Appeals  
Tues., 5/7, Town Hall, 6 p.m.
- Board of Public Works  
Mon., 4/22, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.
- Board of Registrars  
Mon., 4/22, Town Hall Aud., 6 p.m.
- Planning Board recount  
Tues., 4/23, Town Hall Aud., 6 p.m.
- Board of Health recount
- Conservation Commission  
Mon., 4/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Contributory Retirement Public Hearing re: COLA  
Fri., 4/26, Town Hall, 8:30 a.m.
- Cultural Council  
Mon., 5/6, Nemasket Bldg., 6:30 p.m.
- DOR report hearing  
Wed., 4/24, Town Hall, 6 p.m.
- Finance Committee  
Thurs., 4/18, BPW/Arsene St., 7 p.m.  
Thurs., 4/25, BPW/Arsene St., 7 p.m.
- Housing Authority/Special  
Fri., 3/22, Oxford Terr., 10 a.m.
- Planning Board  
Tues., 4/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- School Committee  
Wed., 4/24, FHS Media Ctr, 6:30 p.m.
- Selectboard  
Mon., 4/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

- Conservation Commission  
Wed., 4/24, Parting Ways Bldg., 7 p.m.
- Finance Committee  
Wed., 4/24, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Library Trustees  
Wed., 4/24, Acushnet Library, 6 p.m.
- Planning Commission  
Thurs., 4/25, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.
- Selecboard  
Mon., 4/22, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Only when the last tree has died and the last river been poisoned and the last fish been caught will we realise we cannot eat money.

*Cree Indian Proverb*

## Fairhaven High School bands win in PA



On April 13th Fairhaven High School students performed at the Heritage Festival in Philadelphia. The choral group sang at the Harverford School, and at another venue the FHS Concert Band, Orchestra and Jazz Band performed at the Marple Newtown High School. Later that night we met at the Radisson Hotel for the awards banquet. Chorus received Silver; Concert Band received Silver; Orchestra received Silver; Jazz Band received Bronze First place (there was a tie for 3rd place). Congratulations to all the students who participated in the event. ABOVE: FHS orchestra, jazz band, concert band and chorus members on the steps of the Museum of Arts in Philadelphia, PA, aka the "Rocky Stairs." Photo by Heidi Winnett. See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)

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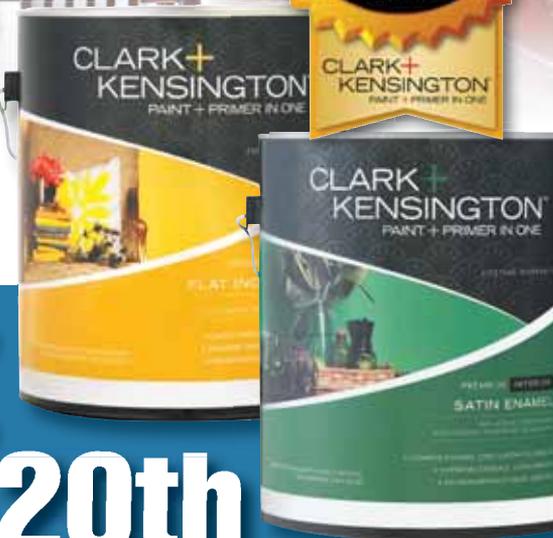
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