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L-R: Father Paul and Father Joseph from St. Joseph's Church in Fairhaven bless more than 600 motorcyclists at the annual Blessing of the Bikes on Sunday, 5/5. The ride started a Fort Phoenix, went through the backroads of Acushnet and Rochester, and ended back in Fairhaven at the Ice House for live entertainment. See page 23 for more photos. *Photo by Heidi Winnett. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com Visit us at www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews to see more photos of this and other events. Individual photos are available for purchase.*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

A bigot, a racist and a lesbian. Pray tell, Mr. (or Ms.) AnonyASS, how do you really feel? (See page 3.)

Was it something I said? Wrote? Transmitted by ESP?

First of all, I don't hold grudges. I just can't be bothered. Well, okay, maybe a couple...a few deadbeats are on my list. They will stay there, and I will not frequent their establishments, but, hey, you can go there if you want. I don't care what you do, just leave me out of it.

Second of all, I don't badmouth other businesses, even those belonging to the deadbeats. My father started a business when I was just a kid. I watched how hard he worked to make it successful. I know how hard I'm working to make mine successful. More power to ya, especially if you're a deadbeat.

Third, what on God's green earth does being a lesbian have to do with anything? As for the racist and bigot labels, well, I won't say anything about that. I'll let those who know me speak to those accusations, or let the words I've written over the years in this space do the talking for me.

Now, about that cleaning job I supposedly have. You are soooo funny Mr/s. AnonyASS. I've been chuckling all day, which is going to be a problem if I ever figure out who you are and get to sue you or charge you with something. It will be so hard to prove how aggrieved I am if I keep breaking out in this big grin.

Cleaning is an honorable profession. I repeat: Cleaning is an honorable profession. It has served me and my family well for the past 45 years or more. Cleaning toilets paid my way through high school and college and I was never embarrassed about it and never will be. Cleaning continues to serve the David clan well. I, however, at this point in time, do not even clean my own house, so where that came from is anyone's guess. (Double chuckle.) So, Mr/s. AnonyASS, you've just pissed off a sizeable portion of the female population in Southeastern Mass. by denigrating the honorable profession of "cleaning woman."

Now, about that part about telling people not to go to certain businesses. Tsk, tsk, Mr/s. AnonyASS. Do you really think I have, like, powers over people or something? If I tell someone not to shop somewhere do you think they really won't? Hah! Maybe if I thought as highly of myself as you do of me, I'd try it; but I assure you, I would use my hypnotic powers to get them to go TO my advertisers' places of business. I wouldn't waste my talents trying to stop them from going somewhere else. There just ain't no profit in it.

If you translate a support FOR my advertisers to putting down other businesses, well, that's your problem. Generally speaking, I try not to go to places that don't advertise with me, but it's not a hard and fast rule. I admit that in the last month I have been to two restaurants and one ice cream place that do not advertise with me. But, that was a matter of convenience and/or someone else was paying. For the most part, I try to support my advertisers, just the way I ask my readers to. They are supporting me, so I support them. It ain't rocket science, just good business, and a lot of fun, too.

And then there's the Pasta House, in a class all by itself. I admit it, okay: We go there a few times a year. It's mom's favorite place. There are usually about 12 of us and we leave a big tip, and I apologize to my advertisers, but I PROMISE that whenever I see Mario there I give him what-for because he doesn't advertise with us and I tell him how I shouldn't be there because he doesn't advertise with us and I

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Nothing? Really? You're sure, right?
Phew...one week and counting

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generally make a ruckus about the whole thing.

Heavy sigh...maybe that's what my new favorite fan is talking about. Maybe he heard me as I gave poor Mario a hard time. Sorry, Mario, you don't have to advertise with me, really, it's okay, we'll still go there. Promise.

Hmm...then there's a local band-that-will-not-be-named that I refuse to listen to no matter where they play. Sigh again. Maybe Mr/s. AnonyASS heard me talking about that lead singer who makes me gag. Ugh...he still makes me gag.

One thing I do know: WE sign everything we write. We own up to what we are saying. We don't impersonate other organizations. And we don't try to interfere with other people's livelihoods.

One more thing, Mr/s. AnonyASS, what exactly did you think would happen when you sent this letter? Did you really think none of my advertisers would show it to me? What did you think I'd do when I DID see it? You know what I do for a living right? I tell people stuff — stuff that's happening, stuff

that happened, stuff that's about to happen.

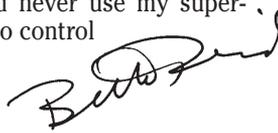
Surely you didn't think I'd hide under the bed or something, did you? Secrets ain't my stock and trade; I don't do hush-hush well.

The saddest part is that you've taken space away from more important things. The Stamp Out Hunger drive is this weekend (see page 6). And I was in the middle of preparing a perfectly good rant about this foolishness over what to do with Tamerlan Tsarnaev's body. What are you all afraid of? My God, people, you all need jobs or something. Send him to Russia and you've created a pilgrimage site. Is that better than having him here where we can keep an eye on the pilgrims? Nuff said.

Gotta run.

Be sure to tell our advertisers you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*, but it's okay if you go somewhere else because they are all wonderful whether they advertise with us or not and I would never use my super-human powers to control where you go.

Phew...until next week then.



From the REAL FBA

A letter that is circulating to other local businesses has been brought to my attention as President of the Fairhaven Business Association, Inc.

It seems as though there is a person/group impersonating the FBA, Inc. We are horrified by this letter of awful allegations and name-calling. By no means are we telling people where or who to advertise with, that goes against everything that we stand for. And we certainly do not lower ourselves to name calling in order to get our point across. Perhaps the writer(s) of this letter should take a good look in the mirror.

Our mission statement reads: The objective of the FBA, Inc. is the collaboration of marketing, encouragement of local economic development, revitalization and tourism, by providing a forum for discussion and by providing information to assist in ventures advantageous to its members and the community as a whole.

There will be a further investigation into the sender of this letter, who calls themselves a part of the Fairhaven Business Associates. If there is such an organization, it has no connections with the FBA, Inc.

As far as Ms. David and the Neighborhood News are concerned, many of the FBA, Inc. members do advertise through her and have never encountered a problem. She has been more than gracious and all the advertisers through the Neighborhood News and the FBA, Inc. have been satisfied.

You are invited to attend our next meeting on June 4, 2013 at Carousel Family Fun Center, located at 4 David Drown Blvd. in Fairhaven, starting at 5:30 p.m.

If you would like more information about the FBA, Inc. please feel free to contact me, Cathy Melanson, President, at 774-206-1132, 115 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven; or Charlene Conway, Vice President, at charcarosl@aol.com.

Come see what the Fairhaven Business Association, Inc. is truly about.

Cathy Melanson, President FBA, Inc.

Poison pen letter sent to FNN advertisers

By Jean Perry

Neighb News Correspondent

An anonymous source sent libelous and ominous letters to local businesses that advertise with the *Neighb News* this week in a failed attempt to influence advertisers to cease marketing their businesses in Beth David's weekly paper.

The letter appears to be an act of vengeance against Ms. David personally, alleging that Ms. David discourages people from patronizing local business with which she has "grudges," while also calling her "a bigot, a racist, and a lesbian."

The person signed the letters "Fairhaven Business Associates," a name that closely resembles the legitimate Fairhaven Business Association (FBA), which initially caught some recipients of the letter off-guard.

Advertising clients were warned that if they continue to advertise with the *Neighb News*, their businesses could suffer as a result of mere association with Ms. David.

Ms. David reported that she immediately began receiving phone calls from advertisers who were upset and offended by the letters. Some forwarded copies of the letter and envelope that she has shared with the Fairhaven Police Department.

"I just can't stop grinning," said Ms. David in a phone interview. She said if someone relatively respectable sends a letter and signs his or her name to it, then it might lend a certain amount of

credibility. "It's just a coward trying to stir the pot."

President of the legitimate FBA, Cathy Melanson, expressed her outrage and disgust, stating that she was in total shock when she first became aware of the circulating letters with the misleading signature she considers "awful and hateful."

"I was horrified. Absolutely horrified," said Ms. Melanson. She stated that she heard about the letters when fellow FBA members began calling her and emailing her, and eventually Ms. David contacted her as well.

As of today, Ms. Melanson, who has advertised her business, Emma Jean's Cupcake Factory & Ice Cream Shoppe, with the *Neighb News*, has not received one of the letters.

She plans to distance the FBA from the misleading letters in every way possible. The FBA Facebook page will soon put up a notice advising people that the legitimate FBA has nothing to do with the misleading signature "Fairhaven Business Associates."

Don Rahl, owner of Elegance in Gold Jewelers and an advertiser in the *Neighb News*, said in a phone interview, "My first thought was, 'who has she pissed off now?'"

His reaction after reading the letter was, "I'm glad they're mad at her and not at me," he said laughing.

Mr. Rahl said he initially felt like his

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Selectboard takes no action to petition court for new election

By Mali Lim

Neighb News Correspondent

Fairhaven Selectboard members refused to take any action Monday night, 5/6, concerning the ongoing Board of Health election controversy, in spite of a request from losing candidate John Wethington for the board to petition Superior Court for a new election, citing varying reasons for staying out of the fray.

Ann DeNardis,* attorney for John Wethington, submitted a letter to the board asking them to request a new election, claiming the process contained too many errors and irregularities for the results to be trusted.

Attorney John Markey,* representing incumbent Peter DeTerra, who won by one vote after a recount, also submitted a letter to the board, arguing that while Mr. Wethington has the legal right to challenge the results in Superior Court, he was not entitled to have the town request and pay for his quest for a new election.

Selectboard member Geoffrey Haworth strongly spoke out in opposition to the board petitioning Superior Court, saying that he felt the board would be stepping out of its jurisdiction by getting involved with the election.

"We have a board of registrars and a town clerk whose job it is to handle this," said Mr. Haworth. "I don't see how the selectboard could go to court on the behalf of a single candidate. The candidate, if he feels he's been treated unfairly and wants to appeal it, I would support that, but I feel it's outside the bounds of what an elected official, other than the board of registrars and town clerk, should be involved in."

Board member Bob Espindola, on the other hand, questioned Town Counsel Thomas Crotty on how the investigation by the Secretary of State's Election Division was progressing, stating he wanted to wait for that report before taking action.

Mr. Crotty responded that he was not sure how long the state's investigation would take and he cautioned the board that the final answer from the state might not even take the form of a report at all.

"There may just be a requirement that the Town Clerk go through training again," said Mr. Crotty. "As far as whether or not you want to do something, it comes down to a policy

decision: Is this something you want to get involved in or not?"

Mr. Espindola raised the fact that the Board of Registrars, which is already involved in the process, is a board appointed by the Selectboard, but Mr. Crotty responded that the selectboard did not have the power to tell even an appointed board what to do.

"As the appointing board, you have the authority to appoint them or remove them if they're not doing their job. But you have no authority to direct them on how to do their jobs or how to make decisions," he said.

Selectboard Chair Charles K. Murphy stated that he had not planned for the board to make a decision either way.

"We have a request for the selectboard to take action, but due to unresolved questions, I don't feel comfortable making a decision," said

We have a board of registrars and a town clerk whose job it is to handle this. I don't see how the selectboard could go to court on the behalf of a single candidate. [Geoffrey Haworth]

Mr. Murphy.

He added that both parties were welcome to wait for an opinion from the state if they wanted, but that any party involved — the town clerk, Mr. Markey or Ms. DeNardis — could appeal for a new election and should not wait for a decision from the selectboard.

Perhaps as a result of the elections controversy, tightening up policies and setting stricter rules for procedures seemed to be the theme of the meeting. The board rejected a request from a group asking for fee waivers for the use of Town Hall for a 50th high school reunion on June 30, on the grounds that the group was not a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization; and refused permission for the Southeastern Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL) to use the town seal on materials publicizing the town's participation in the South-Coast Energy Challenge.

Despite an impassioned presentation from SEEAL Director Jennifer Marshall-Grantham, who brought supporting documents from other municipalities including New Bedford, the board did not budge from its position that the town seal was reserved specifically for official town documents only.

Mr. Espindola seemed the most willing to allow the exception, pointing out that the SCEC, an initiative designed to help residents reduce energy consumption and improve energy efficiency, was being conducted in partnership with the Sustainability Committee which is a town committee, and the town had signed a memorandum of understanding to take part in the program.

"Essentially this is a service that we provided to people to let them know what is available to them," he said. "It doesn't endorse a specific company or specific measures, and I would be okay with that."

Mr. Haworth, however, raised strong objections, as did Selectboard Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch. Although they stated that they respected the mission and ideals of SEEAL, they felt the use of the town seal should be reserved for official town business.

"I don't want to see it on anything unless it's on the side of a town vehicle or on official town letterhead," said Mr. Haworth.

Mr. Murphy and Mr. Espindola suggested a compromise, allowing SEEAL to use an alternative logo depicting the Fairhaven skyline, which was used extensively in the town's bicentennial promotional materials, with the tagline indicating support from the selectboard.

The board also reluctantly approved a request from a recreation center employee to carry five remaining vacation days over her May 5th anniversary date, but stated that they would ask the Personnel Board to outline a clear policy on vacation carry-over requests in the future.

While acknowledging that such requests are not uncommon, they were not pleased with the late timing of the request as well as the feeling that employees may have gotten blasé about the process.

"There were problems developing

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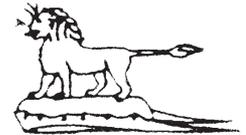
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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Wayne Bergeron Documentary

Do you remember Wayne Bergeron, the Fairhaven man who got a lung transplant and surprised his son at a football game in Fairhaven? We wrote about it in our 10/11/12 issue.

Well, the documentary on him and his journey has been running on the Big Ten Network (BTN). That's Channel 285 on Comcast, or 885 HD.

It is also on YouTube at: <http://youtu.be/hg-woINicXE>

It's a very inspirational story. Mr. Bergeron said he was very happy with the video, so be sure to check it out and share this widely.

East Fairhaven IA

The East Fairhaven Improvement Association will be holding its **annual meeting on May 9th at 6:00 at the Council on Aging Huttleston Ave.**

This great organization will be awarding scholarships to local students and will install officers for the coming year. The event is pot luck, all are welcome to attend!

Stamp Out Hunger

The annual Stamp Out Hunger campaign by the National Association of Letter Carriers will be on May 11 this year. Please leave out non-perishable items near your mailbox by 8 a.m. on **Saturday, 5/11**. Your letter carrier will pick up the food and it will be delivered to area food Pantries. Food collected in Fairhaven will go to the Shepherd's Food Pantry in Acushnet and Damien Food Pantry in Wareham. See page 30 for letter.

FTA Annual mtg

The Fairhaven Tennis Association will be holding its annual opening day on Saturday May 11, at Hastings Middle School Courts from 10 a.m.-12 noon. We will have information available on all of our programs. We will be taking registration for our many junior instructional programs as well as our adult instructional programs. Our professional staff will be on hand to answer any questions you might have. We also encourage everyone to consider becoming a member of the Fairhaven Tennis Association. More information can be

found at www.fairhaventennis.org

The FTA is a regional tennis association that offers low cost programs for adults and children. We are the only Community Tennis Association from New Bedford to Wareham that is affiliated with the United States Tennis Association and follows their guidelines in our instructional programs.

2 Bike Rides

The Fairhaven Bike Way committee in celebration of National Bike Week will be hosting two bike rides **from Fort Phoenix on Saturday May 18. Both Rides will start at 9:00 AM.** One ride is a family ride and is approximately 7 miles long. The second ride is approximately 28 miles long and will include the Phoenix Bike Path, West Island and Mattapoisett. Both rides will leave from Fort Phoenix and return to Fort Phoenix. Music and light refreshments will be provided. An historical tour of Fort Phoenix by local historian Chris Richard will take place at 11:00 AM. Free t-shirts will be given out to the first 75 who register. Bike Helmets are required.

Anyone who wants to be put on the Friends of the Fairhaven Bikeway List should send name and an e-mail to K_pottel@hotmail.com If you are on the Friends List you will get updates on bike rides in the town and in the surrounding area.

To register for your free t-shirts for the May 18th ride visit <http://www.southcoastbikeway.com/calendar-events.html>

Hospice Volunteers

Are you looking for a rewarding, unique volunteer experience? Perhaps you have musical, artistic or creative gifts that can be shared with individuals that would enhance their quality of life as they journey to end of life. Or perhaps you would simply like to be a quiet presence and companion to a hospice patient. Life Choice Hospice is looking for volunteers to visit patients under hospice care in your community. We are also looking for volunteers interested in Reiki, Pet Therapy or Massage Therapy.

Volunteers are formally trained and are a valued part of the interdisciplinary team in serving patients

at end of life. If you are interested please call Karen Spangler 508-743-0203 or kspangler@lifechoicehospice.com.

Book Group

Fairhaven Book Lovers Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, May 16, at 1:00 p.m., at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven. (Walnut Street entrance). Accessible.

The novel *Defending Jacob* by William Landay will be discussed. All are welcome. May meet in the Rogers Room. Free. For more information, call 508-992-5342.

Millicent Spring Youth Programs

Storytimes will be running in 6 or 7 week sessions with breaks in between. You do not need to register. Just drop in!

- **Toddlers (ages 1-3)** meet from 9:30-10:15 OR 10:30-11:15 on Tuesdays, **NEW TIMES:**
- **Babies (0-18 months)** now meet Fridays from 9:30-10:15!!
- **Big Kids (ages 3-5)** now meet Fridays from 10:30-11:30. Siblings are always welcome!

Toddlers and Babies enjoy play time after stories, while Big Kids make a simple craft or coloring project.

Late Spring Session:

Through June 7th, with one week off (Week of May 13th: No Storytimes on Tuesday 5/14 and Friday 5/17).

Summer Reading will kick off on June 26th.

The Millicent Library is accessible. For further information, contact Jane Murphy at 508-992-5342 or at jmurphy@sailsinc.org

Blood Drives

The Southcoast™ Blood Bank at St. Luke's Hospital hosts blood drives throughout the region on the Southcoast Health Van and at local businesses. To schedule a free blood drive please call Catherine Alegria, Southcoast Blood Donor Coordinator, at 508-993-0430 or by email at alegriac@southcoast.org.

The following **blood drive** will be held in Fairhaven:

Friday, May 17: Southcoast Center For Cancer Care, 206 Mill Road, Blood Drive, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Zany comedy at YTI

A rollicking Southern comedy, "The Hallelujah Girls," will cap Your Theatre, Inc.'s 66th season of award-winning community theatre entertainment. Written by Jesse Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten, the play takes place at the Spa-Dee-Dah, an abandoned Eden Falls, Georgia church turned health resort where six feisty women gather every Friday afternoon.

After the loss of a dear friend, the women realize they have to change their lives immediately if they're going to achieve their dreams because time is precious.

The comic tension mounts when a sexy ex-boyfriend of one gal arrives, a marriage proposal comes from an unlikely suitor, and a rival of the spa's owner vows to steal the business.

Sponsored in part by Bank Five, a Your Theatre, Inc. corporate sponsor, "The Hallelujah Girls" will run **Thursdays through Saturday evenings May 9-11 and 16-18, at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees May 12 and 19, at 2:30 p.m.**

Performances will be held in the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Complex at St. Martin's Church, 136 Rivet St. at County St., New Bedford. Parking is free in the church lot on County St.

Ticket and other information about the production are available by calling Your Theatre, Inc. at 508 993-0772, or by sending e-mail to info@yourtheatre.org. The theatre's web site is www.yourtheatre.org.

Free Training

The City of New Bedford Office of Tourism & Marketing has teamed with the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, New Bedford Chamber of Commerce, Bristol Community College and the Southeastern MA CVB to offer support and training for local employees working in hospitality related businesses.

The partnership will offer **free hospitality training on Wednesday, May 15th from 9:30-11:30 am** at the National Park Visitor Center (33 William Street). The training is designed to equip customer service and hospitality workers with the most current information about New Bedford attractions. This program

will empower employees to become better informed about New Bedford and all the city has to offer. The hospitality industry consists of a broad section of fields within the service industry including lodging, restaurants, event planning, transportation, entertainment and activities.

In addition, the partnership will host a Familiarization Tour on Tuesday, May 21st to familiarize stakeholders and businesses with their destination and services. The FAM tour will begin at the National Park Visitor Center, Corson Building where the NB Line shuttle will escort the group to attractions and points of interest in New Bedford.

For more information, contact the Office of Tourism & Marketing at (508) 979-1745 or register to attend either of these events at www.newbedfordchamber.com. Visit the Destination New Bedford website at www.destinationnewbedford.org.

AHA! Night

May 9th AHA! Night: City View, Sponsored by: First Citizens' Federal Credit Union, Boston Medical Center Health Net Plan, & UMass Dartmouth College of Visual and Performing Arts www.ahanewbedford.org

Join us on AHA! Night when Art, History, and Architecture come alive in New Bedford. This month we invite you to take a City View. Harbor views, street views and as always there's plenty of art to view. There's a lot to do (And a lot to view) so come early and stay late!

For more information call 508-996-8253 x205. First time visitors may want to start AHA! Night at the National Park Visitor Center (33 William Street). Complete program flyers with maps are also available at all AHA! venues starting the Tuesday prior to each event.

Photography Exhibit

The Bierstadt Art Society presents photographic works by member photographers, Bernadette Costa, Barbara Lawrence, and Marilyn Urquhart featuring photographs of South Coast as well as other locales and topics. An exhibit reception will be held at the **Wamsutta Club, 427 County St., New Bedford, on Thurs.,**

May 9th from 6pm to 9pm. Light refreshments will be served. The exhibit is open to guests, members and the community for viewing through May and select items will be available for purchase. Contact the Wamsutta Club for viewing times at 508-997-7431.

Scrimshaw Weekend

The New Bedford Whaling Museum holds its **24th annual Scrimshaw Weekend on May 17, 18, and 19**, and the public is invited to attend. This year's special events are a classic swap meet and Nautical Antiques Show on Friday afternoon, and an optional fieldtrip "behind the scenes" to Mystic Seaport on the Sunday. Between times, sessions held all day on Saturday will feature illustrated presentations on the origins and history of scrimshaw, the identification and connoisseurship of masterworks, tips on collecting, and research on prices and market trends, all provided by experts gathered from across the nation — followed by a cash bar reception, gala banquet, and evening program.

Scrimshaw Weekend tuition is \$335; \$330 for Museum members. Tickets to Saturday's banquet only may be purchased for \$75 each. Call to reserve seats for the optional fieldtrip to Mystic on Sunday, May 19.

For more information or to register, please contact visitor services at (508) 997-0046, ext. 100 or email: frontdesk@whalingmuseum.org. For full schedule of events and updates, visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

Free Health Assess

Southcoast VNA, will hold free health assessments, screenings and wellness education for seniors. This program is designed to help improve the health and well-being of seniors, age 60 and older, who reside in the Greater New Bedford area.

Tuesday, May 14, Brickenwood, 52 Walker Street, Health Screenings & Vaccines, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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For more information on community clinics or individual assessments call 800-698-6877.

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Tiara Classic

The 7th Annual Women's Fund 5K Race & Walk will take place on **Mother's Day, Sun., 5/12**, with the start and finish at Oxford Creamery in Mattapoisett. Registration opens at 7 AM; the Children's Fun Run starts at 9:00 AM and the 5K Classic starts at 9:30. Register for the race at www.womensfundtiara5k.com or at the event. **Pre-registration is \$20 before May 1 and \$30 thereafter.** Kids Fun Run registration is \$5. All revenue from the race will support the Women's Fund's mission to advance the educational attainment and economic security of women and girls in SE Mass. Teams encouraged.

Lacrosse Border Rivalry!

**Lax Fest 2013! Saturday, May 11,
12-4 pm @ ORRHS**

Old Rochester Regional High School's Bulldogs will take on Fairhaven High School's Blue Devils on **Saturday, May 11 at Old Rochester High School.** The girls' varsity teams will play at noon and the boys' varsity teams will play at 2 p.m. There will be concessions, a moon bounce, stick stringing, a shot clock competition, and merchandise sales. This event will be fun for the whole family!

Auditions

Ocean State Theatre Company announces Open Equity and Non-Equity Adult Auditions for its 2013 summer production of *Legally Blonde The Musical* on Sunday, May 12 and Monday, May 13, 2013. Local talent is strongly encouraged to audition. All roles are open. Performers must be available for the following rehearsal and performance dates:

Auditions will be held at Ocean State Theatre located at 1245 Jefferson Boulevard in Warwick, RI. Those auditioning should enter through the main lobby doors and bring their headshot or a recent photo and resume (if available) stapled together (back to back).

No appointments will be given to non-union actors. No appointment needed for dance audition. Members of Actors' Equity only may call (401) 921-1777, x111, beginning May 6, 2013 to schedule a singing/acting appoint-

ment. Equity Members without appointments will be seen throughout each audition day, as time permits. Doors open Sunday at 4:30pm and Monday at 9 am.

PLEASE NOTE: These auditions are for adults only (18 years and older).

There are no NYC auditions scheduled at this time. Additional information, character breakdowns and directions are available at www.OceanStateTheatre.org.

The theatre is required to hire a minimum of five members of Actors' Equity Association for this show.

All ethnic minorities are strongly encouraged to attend this audition.

Golf Tourney

SouthCoast golfers have a unique opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of golf at a championship golf course while also helping to clean up nitrogen pollution in New Bedford Harbor. The Buzzards Bay Coalition and the Bay Club at Mattapoisett are partnering to host a Golf Outing on **Tuesday, May 28.** All proceeds from the golf outing will go into a dedicated fund to support projects that stop nitrogen pollution — Buzzards Bay's largest pollutant — from reaching New Bedford Harbor.

For golfers, it's a rare opportunity to enjoy the private Bay Club's parkland-style 7,100 yard course, designed by PGA Tour professional Brad Faxon in conjunction with golf course architect Brad Booth. The golf outing uses a "best ball of foursome" format, so golfers of all abilities are welcome to participate.

Golfers can register online, individually or as a foursome, at www.savebuzzardsbay.org/golf through May 22.

Not a golfer? You can still enjoy the festivities and show your support for clean water by attending the cocktail party reception, which will begin at 5 p.m. after the conclusion of play. The reception will feature an open bar, hors d'oeuvres, live music, and a live and silent auction, all taking place on the Golf House Restaurant patio overlooking the course. The auction will include one-of-a-kind experiences like an Antigua resort vacation, a cottage stay in Sussex, England, and lakeside getaways in Maine. Golfers will also win prizes for lowest score, longest drive and closest to the pin.

But the Buzzards Bay Coalition hopes the biggest prize will be clean water in New Bedford Harbor.

Golf Scramble

The Fairhaven Acushnet Little League is holding its 2nd Annual Golf Scramble/Dinner at Allendale Country Club on Saturday June 1st at 12:30. Fee is \$125 which includes 18 holes with cart, Titleist hat, goody bag, and a Surf and Turf dinner following @ 6 PM. "Dinner only"

option is available for \$37.50. Information is available by visting our Facebook page, visting our website at fairhavenacushnetll.com, or by contacting Eric Tveit at 508-965-5900 or tveit1@comcast.net.

Japan Festival Boston

Boston has enjoyed a deep relationship with Japan since the days of the Iwakura Mission of 1871. In April of 2012 the city celebrated the 100th anniversary of the friendship gift of cherry trees from Kyoto to Washington D.C. by hosting a Japan Spring Festival with support from the Consulate-General of Japan in Boston and in cooperation with local Japanese businesses and organizations. The festival was held in Boston's historic Copley Square Park in the heart of the city and was modeled after a traditional Japanese fair. The celebration exceeded all expectations, with over 13,000 participants in attendance. The success of the festival was due largely in part to the unprecedented level of cooperation from the local Japanese community. Around the same time as the festival, the city celebrated the addition of a new direct flight option between Boston Logan airport and Narita airport, bringing the two cultures and peoples closer than ever.

The 2013 Japan Festival in Boston will focus on the theme of "matsuri," the time-honored traditional Japanese-style festival. Free! All are welcome!

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- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 t. Italian seasoning
- 1/2 t. crushed red pepper
- 1/2 t. Sea salt
- 1/4 t. Coarse grind black pepper
- 8 oz. pasta (tagliatelle)

Place tomatoes, cut side up, in foil lined 15x10x1-inch pan. Mix 1/4c. of the oil, garlic, and spices.

Spoon over tomatoes. Drizzle with 2T. Of the remaining oil.

Roast in preheated 400 degree oven for 45 minutes or until tomatoes are soft and browned on top.

Cook pasta as directed on package. Drain well. Coarsely mash 1/2 of the tomatoes with remaining 2 T. Of oil. Add pasta and remaining tomatoes; toss to mix well. Makes 6 servings.

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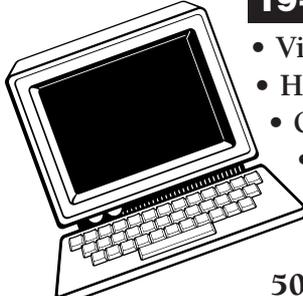
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LEFT, L-R: Bill Lessa accepts an "Award of Appreciation" for his 32 years of coaching little league from Pete Braley at the Acushnet-Fairhaven Little League opening day on Saturday, 4/27, at Pope Park in Acushnet.

BELOW: The athletes and their adults pledge allegiance to the flag.

BOTTOM: athletes march in the parade along Main Street in Acushnet.

Photos this page by Beth David. See them in color at www.NeighbNews.com Visit www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews for more photos of this event

Little League Standings

These are the Fairhaven Acushnet Little League Standings as of 5/3. Up-to-date standings and schedule available at fairhavenacushnetll.com

Junior League	Steven's Home Imp. 0-2
Atria 2-0	
Pro Con 2-0	Minors
Livesey Club 1-1	Acushnet Co. 3-0
Southern Mass CU 1-2	J&R Plastics 3-0
Fhvn Police 0-3	Elias
Major League	Plastering 2-1
Knox Electric 3-0	Fairhaven Lumber 2-1
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Lions Club 1-1	Deterra
Century House 1-1	Excavating 1-2
Acush. Police 1-2	Ray & Mike's 0-3
Costa's Ins. 1-2	Whaling City Seafood Display 0-3
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ConCom gives lesson on dunes and dune behavior

By Jean Perry

Neighb News Correspondent

Some annoying sand dunes that keep drifting willy-nilly caused some Cove Street neighbors to lose patience and take matters into their own unknowing hands, landing one of them in front of the Fairhaven Conservation Commission on 5/6 for plowing down a sand dune without a permit. Permits for plowing down sand dunes, however, are non-existent.

David Fall of 6 Cove Street filed an after the fact Notice of Intent, instead, for "beach nourishment and raking." Representing Mr. Fall was Ken Ferreira who called the matter "unusual," stating that, apparently, Mr. Fall "and his abutters" altered the beach" and "did some damage to some dune grass."

After having said that, one of the several abutters present gasped. Mr. Ferreira said the parties involved "didn't know it was illegal."

"You're not going to get a permit to destroy a dune," said commission member Andy Jones. He later pointed out that the original ConCom Order of Conditions for the 2011 construction of the house "promptly kind of got disregarded."

A concrete slab was built beneath the raised house, a no-no for properties with sand dunes.

"Dunes migrate. Dunes move," said Mr. Jones. "That's what they do... unfortunately, they move where people don't want them to move... Where they go, they go."

Mr. Jones said concrete is not allowed because there is nothing for migrating sand to grab onto to establish a dune. Mr. Fall has also been parking his vehicle on the concrete below his raised house.

"He's very apologetic," said Mr. Ferreira.

Abutter Carol Garnett of 4 Cove Street questioned Mr. Ferreira's assertion that abutters removed the dune grass.

"We didn't remove it," said Ms. Garnett. "Ours is still there." She then added, "Last year he had his plowed."

Roger Larocque of 10 Cove Street stated, "What we did we thought was right."

He said they simply "moved sand from one side of the beach to the other," adding that sand only travels in two directions: toward the street or toward the sea. He said their property just keeps filling up with sand.

"We shovel it, rake it ourselves," said Mr. Larocque.

"That's what we do," said Ms. Garnett.

Conservation Agent Wayne Fostin is scheduled to assess the location and the hearing was continued to 5/20.

Also at the meeting, the contractor

issuing an enforcement order and visit the property again. Mr. Jones promptly disagreed.

"Don't wait...It's pretty apparent... they're not adhering to the Order of Conditions," said Mr. Jones. "Enough. Issue the enforcement order."

He told Mr. Taylor ConCom should not sit back and ask "will we, or won't we?"

A discussion ensued and Mr. Jones asked a series of questions in the spirit of the Socratic Method until Mr. Taylor arrived at his own conclusion to issue the enforcement order, including an order to temporarily cease and desist all work; and it was a done deal.

In other matters, Ruth Geoffroy of 4 Wilbur's Point received approval for repairs to a septic system and the construction of an eight by ten-foot shed within 100 feet of a coastal bank.

Steven Cromwell of 30 Camel Street received approval for an eight by 10-foot shed.

Gregory and Margaret Kulpinski of Goulart Memorial Drive received approval for a percolation test after wetlands lines were verified.

Janice Kreitz of 21 Shaws Cove received approval for the installation of a septic system and replacement of a deck within 100 feet of a barrier beach.

The hearing for Doris Gallagher of 57 Nakata Avenue was continued until 5/20 to allow the engineer to draft a summary explaining why certain recommendations made by the Town's Wetlands Consultant John Rockwell are not viable. Ms. Gallagher seeks to replace an eroding seawall.

Finally, ConCom visited the property of Lauren Francis of 1 Smugglers Road and deemed the existing wetlands line sufficient enough for work to rectify a years-long drainage issue that was allegedly caused by Department of Public Works activities. The BPW will have to file with ConCom before beginning the work.

Dunes migrate. Dunes
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[Andrew Jones]

for Todd Eisenberg, constructing a house on Washburn Avenue, has ticked off ConCom once again over the same recurring issues of faulty silt filtration and water draining onto abutting properties.

Chairperson Joe Taylor told the commission that he saw the silt fence "just hanging there," ineffectively, having been poorly installed and not maintained.

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Town Meeting makes quick work of spending \$50+ mil

By Beth David
Editor

Fairhaven Town Meeting members flew through a packed TM and special TM on Saturday 5/4, with little tension, lots of jokes, and plenty of laughter and applause. Despite the typical, perfect outdoor weather for the first Saturday in May, enough people filed into the Hastings Middle School auditorium to hold the quorum, even after lunch.

Finance Committee chairperson John Roderiques did not waste any time telling TM members that the "wall" they have been talking about for years does exist and is now "not that far away."

He said the \$450,000 from surplus revenue includes a lot of one-time money.

"We are spending well above our means at this time," said Mr. Roderiques. "This is not a scare tactic anymore."

He said fixed expenses, such as salaries are jumping up 4-5-6% each year. "We're holding the line, but just barely."

Expenses for FY13 started the day with a total of \$151,739 in general government charges, including \$110,00 for veterans services and \$5,000 for legal services.

The special TM contained the articles for reorganizing town government, which were created in response to the Department of Revenue report, which made 34 recommendations.

Article 11 was moved to be voted on before the other reorganization articles because it asked for creating a government study committee before implementing any changes.

Phil Washko, speaking for the article, said the \$5,000 would be used for posting and printing and other expenses.

"If we're going to do it, let's do it the right way," said Mr. Washko.

TM member Lisa Plante said she



had an issue with the town moderator being the appointing authority and that it should be someone who is not " beholden " to anyone.

Town Moderator Mark Sylvia reminded her that he is elected in a town-wide vote.

"This is a little awkward in a way, I would say," remarked Mr. Sylvia.

He explained how he would approach appointing people, by making sure all precincts were represented by a "diverse people."

Ann Ponichtera DeNardis also expressed concern about having the moderator be the sole appointing authority, saying it was "beyond the scope" of his "elected authority."

In the end TM voted to have the town moderator select the members.

After passing the creation of a town government study committee, town meeting voted against the article establishing the position of town administrator, which would also have

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willy nilly doing things
[John Roderiques]

eliminated the Board of Public Works and Personnel Board.

The article to combine the position of town treasurer and collector was approved, but the article to change the Finance Committee was passed over.

Town Meeting also passed the solar bylaw without any changes, despite a call by Louise Barteau for a five-year moratorium to find out more about alleged hazardous gases from solar installations; and concerns by Curt Devlin about shutting down the grid in a crisis.

"My God [will we] go kicking and screaming into the future?" asked TM member Rich Taber.

The new wind turbine bylaw garnered a lot of discussion, but was passed without any changes. It will cut in half the size of allowed turbines in town, limiting height to 265 feet. Fairhaven's new assistant Moderator Christopher Bunnell moderated, as Mr. Sylvia has a conflict because of his job with the Mass. Energy

TM member Donald Mulcare said



ABOVE, L-R: 18-year-old Alex Kuechler, attending his first town meeting as a voting member, sits next to his grandfather John Rogers during debate at Fairhaven's Town Meeting on Saturday, 5/4. BELOW: Donald Mulcare addresses town meeting. Photos by Beth David.

that limiting the size of the wind turbines would not necessarily diminish noise. He said the WTs in Fairhaven "whisper in comparison" to the smaller one at the Mass. Maritime Institute.

Windwise activist Curt Devlin said the bylaw as written had a "loophole you can drive a truck through," because of a waiver clause. It allows developers to get the signatures of abutters.

"It undermines the whole law," said Mr. Devlin.

"Zoning bylaws are living documents and can be changed as things and information and issues arise," said town planner Bill Roth.

Henry Ferreira said the bylaw was "too little, too late" for him and others affected by the existing bylaws. He said the town should not only care about tax revenue, but should consider quality of life.

In the end, the new bylaw passed, with the waiver clause in place.

General government charges totalling \$50.182 million passed with some discussion, but nothing earth shattering as most of the amounts recommended by the FinCom and the Selectboard matched.

The legal expenses item, which has a drop of \$10,000, from \$140,00 to \$130,000 garnered some discussion. Mr. Roderiques said that the specific issues that caused last year's legal expenses to be so high were not anticipated this year.

Jennifer Bishop asked why town counsel Thomas Crotty does not have a specific contract for a fixed amount with the town. Selectboard Executive

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Secretary Jeffrey Osuch explained that not all legal costs are from Mr. Crotty, that the town has a diverse range of legal needs. He said the contract with Mr. Crotty is for a per-hour fee.

The lower figure of \$130,000 passed.

Another item held for discussion was the capital outlay expense for the police department, which experienced a significant jump starting with FY 13. Police Chief Michael Myers explained that Ford no longer makes the Crown Victoria for police departments. The new Interceptor cruisers which are SUV type vehicles, cost more and the old equipment, such as cages, do not fit in the new body style, so new items need to be bought for each vehicle.

Vehicles are generally on the frontline for three years, then used as backup for two years, then given to other town departments.

The item passed easily.

An interesting snag came up when TM members questioned why the gas expenditure for the Animal Control Officer was less this year. Mr. Osuch and Mr. Roderiques both explained that actual expenditures are tracked with the amount based on historical usage and cost of gas.

"We're not just willy nilly doing things," said Mr. Roderiques.

There was also some discussion about the cost of recycling and trash removal, with Mr. Osuch assuring members that Fairhaven has one of the most favorable rates in the region as one of the original municipalities to sign on to SEMASS, the waste to energy plant that burns trash.

He cautioned that the town will undoubtedly see a "pay-as-you-throw" situation in the not-so-distant future.

TM member Donald Mulcare asked if there was anything the town could do to encourage more recycling.

"I'd like to see the town go in the direction of education a little more," said Mr. Mulcare.

The water division will get its three new meter readers, after a quick bit of questioning on its capital outlay expenditure of \$18,300. They do, indeed cost \$6,100 each, and will replace older, less accurate models.

The school department's budget of \$17,978,499 passed without discussion. Added to Voc-Tech and Bristol County Agricultural HS, the total schools expenditure was \$20,126,310.

The power struggle between the BPW and FinCom over which streets

to pave reared its head again, and again, it was about Dogwood Street on the south side of West Island.

The BPW and the FinCom have been playing tug-of-war over the streets for the past few months. The BPW wanted to pave Dogwood, Cooke and North Streets, but the FinCom insisted on Cooke and North, which were the two that passed.

BPW chair Steve Riley made the annual argument that FinCom should not be dictating which streets the BPW should work on, but should only allocate the funds.

FinCom's Mr. Roderiques begged to differ, "It is our job and obligation to be looking at them." He added that paved roads that are not maintained



John Roderiques, chairperson of the Fairhaven Finance Committee strikes a familiar pose during town meeting on Saturday 5/4.

are worse than unpaved roads, such as Dogwood." "We have too many roads that are paved and deteriorating."

"You can't do everything. You can't make everyone happy," said Mr. Roderiques, also reiterating his point that it's "your money" and if "Dogwood is your choice," so be it.

Several Cooke Street users spoke about the road's abysmal condition.

"Cooke Street has just languished," said David Gonsalves.

Robert "Hoppy" Hobson's argument that he pipes under Cooke Street would cause it to cost more than anticipated, was not enough to sway TM.

An article to spend \$450 on headstones for the grave sites of the Lemuel Eldred family failed after Francis Budryk offered to pay for it himself.

Town curator Al Benac tried to convince town meeting that there was a compelling public interest to allow the use of public funds on private property. The stones are on the graves of the famous artist and his family that

are visited as tourist sites.

"It's just not a proper purpose of public funds, ladies and gentlemen," said Mr. Roderiques.

Rich Taber made a plea to use the funds for the graves, saying that "Concord has writers, we have artists."

The measure to use \$200,000 of Community Preservation funds to buy into a complicated land deal involving 400 acres and \$6 million passed 104-56 after some debate about what kind of access taxpayers would actually get. Most of the land is in Mattapoisett, with slivers in Fairhaven that will include easements for access to other conservation land in East Fairhaven and Mattapoisett.

Mr. Roderiques spoke against the expenditure saying the town would be better off to buy land outright instead of conservation restrictions that give money to land owners who then retain ownership and control of the property.

Town meeting also failed pass, again, a requested rate increase for the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Committee. Mr. Roderiques' argument that the committee is allowed to spend money and that TM has to then vote to disapprove of their actions seemed to take hold, yet again. The rate increase is one cent per 100 gallons this year, and two cents per gallon after that.

"If you think this is the last penny you're gonna be asked to pay for..." said Mr. Roderiques.

The measure required a 2/3 vote and failed, 103-58.

In other business Town Meeting

- Approved \$30,000 for upgrades to the town's computers and phones.
- Passed with no discussion \$147,000 in Community Preservation Act appropriations, passing over a request for \$40,000 for a Rogers School Study.
- Approved a request by the owners of Mac's Soda Bar to petition the legislature for a restaurant beer and wine license.
- Approved a request by the new owners at the old Uno's property to petition the legislature for a restaurant all alcohol license. Edgar Brambila said he will run a Frontera Grill, like the one he owns in Chicopee, Mass.
- Allocated \$2,000 to the Emergency Management Agency for cots.
- Allocated \$8,500 for a Fire Department security system. •••

Bikeway committee making progress, planning events

Press Release

SPRING IS IN THE AIR IN YOUR TIRES

Spring is here and folks are out on their bikes. To kick off the season, the Fairhaven bikeway committee is having a **Fun Ride on May 18 starting at 9 a.m.** There will be a five-mile family ride and an advanced ride of 20+ miles through Fairhaven and Mattapoisett. Both rides leave from Fort Phoenix State Reservation. The family ride will include quiet on-road portions and sections of the Phoenix Bike trail. The Advanced ride will also ride portions of the BikeTrail and will include on-road riding. All group ride participants must wear a bike helmet. Once the rides return to Fort Phoenix, there will live music by local favorites Pumpkin Head Ted and a tour of Fort Phoenix.

This Spring you'll notice not just bikes, but more signs and road markings to help people get around more easily on their bikes and to help motorists.

Sharrows are share-arrows

Along Route 6, the state has installed Fairhaven's first Sharrows. A Sharrow is a "shared road marking." It tells bikes where to be on the roadway, and alerts drivers to the presence of bikes using this roadway. Route 6 is not the most used of our local bike routes, but it is a logical connector for many of the easiest routes around town. You'll be seeing more of these markings in the future, both on the major Route 6 projects that will continue for the next few years, and on town owned roads where bikes are often seen.

Thanks to Town Meeting and the Community Preservation Council, a few major routes in town will soon see new "Share the Road" signs. These signs are used all over the country to alert motorists to the presence of bicycles on roadways.

People Ride Bikes

All around town, be alert for cyclists. Some are just getting warmed up for the season, but all cyclists must be given at least three

feet of clearance when passing. Bikes are allowed use of the full lane where the rider deems it is necessary. Less experienced cyclists may use the sidewalk if they are more comfortable, so keep an eye out for bikes crossing streets at crossroads. Always check behind and beside you before turning right, especially when turning on red. Remember when you've just passed a bike, cyclists are allowed to pass on the right and drivers must yield to cyclists when turning right. And lastly, check your mirrors for oncoming bikes when opening your door.

Visit massbike.org for more information.

Upcoming event

Fairhaven Fun Ride on May 18th starts at 9 a.m. Post-ride events at the Fort start at 10:30 a.m. Check baystatebikeweek.org, for events celebrating two-wheels all over the state this month. And visit FairhavenBikeway.org.

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own business was being threatened, but the absurdity of the letter soon had him and his wife Jan both laughing.

"We aren't worried about it," said Mr. Rahl. "We didn't take it seriously."

Ms. Melanson said she and other members of the FBA have worked hard to establish their association and she does not want anyone putting a blemish on the legitimate FBA. She said she is going to get the FBA onto the Selectboard agenda to alert board members of the incident and to raise awareness of the incident in the Fairhaven community.

"They're attacking Beth and making the Fairhaven Business Association look like low-lives," said Ms. Melanson. "There's a lot going on here."

Meanwhile, Ms. David is gathering information and has been receiving cooperation and support from others in the community. She said she would certainly take any legal action against the offender that was available to her.

"It's beyond the pale to lie to my advertisers to go after my livelihood," said Ms. David, adding that she is resisting speculating on who it is because she wants to find out who really sent the letters.

"Imagine how much fun I can have if we find out who it is!" •••

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Conservation Commission

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on May 20, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. in the Fairhaven Town Hall, Purpose is for the Request for Determination of the following matters as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40 as amended.

- Request for Determination Applicant Robert Forbes Location Welcome Street Plot 31B Lot 1E Purpose Remove existing double 18" culvert, gate fill and restore disturbed wetland bank.
- Notice of Intent Applicant David Teixeira Location 9 Carlton Ave. Plot 2 Lot 15 Purpose construction of boulder seawall and install break away walls within 100' of rocky beach and within a VE flood zone.
- Notice of Intent Applicant Heiam Alsawhli Location 1 Bella Vista Island Plot 43B Lots 326,359,& 360 Purpose reconstruction of existing groin, installation of a 40' wooden pier and construction of a ten foot wide crushed stone path to the beach within a VE flood zone.
- Request for Determination Applicant Joseph Batista Location 32 Nakata Ave. Plot 43 Lot 201D & 244 Purpose verify wetland line and perform perc test within a VE flood zone.
- Request for determination Applicant Fairhaven Acushnet Land Preservation Trust Location West side of Sconticut Neck Road Plot 41 Lot 2K Purpose construct walking trail within 100' buffer zone to BVW.

Respectfully Submitted
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Fairhaven Conservation Commission

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with the BPW with people wanting to carry over vacation time," explained Mr. Haworth. "People are getting used to approval for the requests and just assuming they'll be approved, but as a general rule it should not be automatic."

The Fairhaven Trust Fund Commissioners have also come under scrutiny after the selectboard received a memo from the Town Accountant about the Julia Stoddard Trust Fund, warning that fund levels have dropped to the point that payouts will cease in August this year. The fund, which was set up to give assistance to people struggling to make ends meet, has apparently decreased steadily over the past five years and is now at a point where the interest has depleted.

The selectboard was particularly concerned by the news that the Town Accountant had made attempts to contact the commissioners to discuss the situation, but had not received a response, and that the last officially recorded commissioners meeting was in 2011.

"I think that we have a problem here with an elected board that's not doing its job," said Mr. Haworth. "It's upsetting to me to hear the fund is depleting and they apparently haven't met since 2011."

The board plans to demand an explanation from the three-person commission at an upcoming selectboard meeting. Mr. Murphy added that people who are expecting assistance from the fund should be aware of the situation and should make other arrangements.

The Board of Health will also be invited to an upcoming meeting with the selectboard, with the requests for a summary of the number of com-

plaints they have received about the wind turbines.

The selectboard also scheduled a licensing hearing for Jack's Auto Sales after receiving a complaint from resident and town employee Vicky Paquette regarding an auto sale dispute and alleged Lemon Law violations. According to Ms. Paquette, she won a small claims court suit against dealership owner Donald Lamarr, as well as the appeal hearing that he filed, but Mr. Lamarr failed to show at the payment review hearing.

Mr. Osuch reminded the board that they renewed Mr. Lamarr's dealership license in January. As the licensing board, the selectboard has two options: refuse to renew the license next January, or hold a hearing to decide whether or not to suspend or revoke the license. The board unanimously voted to call Mr. Lamarr in for a hearing as soon as possible.

The board approved a license renewal for Sunday live entertainment at Down the Hatch, from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m., noting that the business has made attempts to reduce sound disturbances in the neighborhood by hiring more acoustic acts and repositioning equipment.

The board did caution owner Dave Hebert that signage should be posted reminding patrons that the Hoppy's Landing parking area is not to be used as overflow for the establishment's parking lot.

The board convened in executive session to discuss clerical, fire, police, and dispatcher union negotiations, litigation involving the Seaport Inn, and an open meeting law complaint, and did not reconvene in open session.

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Fairhaven Meetings

Board of Appeals

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

Conservation Commission

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

DEP Sound Study mtg

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

Personnel Board

Mon., 5/20, Town Hall, 3 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 5/14, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 5/15, FHS Media Ctr, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

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

Acushnet Meetings

Community Preservation

Mon. 5/13, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee

Wed., 5/15, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Police Station Bldg Com.

Wed., 5/15, Town Hall, 3 p.m.

Planning Commission

Thurs., 5/16, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

Town Meeting

Mon., 5/20, Ford Middle Sch., 7 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

	May, 2013	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	9	0821	2036	0154	1324
Friday	10	0901	2115	0227	1404
Saturday	11	0941	2152	0302	1445
Sunday	12	1021	2229	0339	1526
Monday	13	1102	2306	0416	1607
Tuesday	14	1145	2346	0453	1649
Wednesday	15	----	1228	0532	1733
Thursday	16	0028	1313	0615	1823
Friday	17	0114	1400	0705	1924
Saturday	18	0203	1450	0805	2037
Sunday	19	0259	1544	0907	2149
Monday	20	0358	1640	1001	2249

*- Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
**-Predicted minus tides from -1.1 ft to -2.0 ft or more

If you hate a person,
you hate something
in him that is part of
yourself. What isn't
part of ourselves
doesn't disturb us.

Hermann Hesse

Eagle Scout brothers make their distinctive marks

Brothers Anthony and Daniel Perry have both achieved the rank of Eagle Scout with Troop 333. See below for their projects.

Eagle Scout project recalls Native American history

Press Release

When New Bedford Boy Scout Daniel Perry worked on his Eagle Scout Project, it meant putting on his hiking boots and insect repellent and heading out to the woods of Great Quitticas Pond. In 2012, during a hike with Troop 333 of E. Freetown, Daniel noted that the maps available dated from the early 1940s and did not agree with the actual trails. Talking to the operators of New Bedford's Water Treatment facilities he realized that no one really had mapped the trails in over 70 years.

Daniel, 13, decided that this would make an excellent Eagle Scout Project and spent the next 10 months tracing and plotting out the existing trails which are now listed and named in a document available for the outdoor enthusiast to use in exploring the area. (Available online at http://cctroop333.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/2/2/10225291/daniel_perry_eagle_project_quitticas_trail_map.pdf)

Daniel took it a few steps further by, with the City's permission, repainting and re-labeling the fire-trail markers as well as erecting signs and

markers for each of the trails.

Charlie Kennedy, Assistant Superintendent of Public Infrastructure for the City of New Bedford noted: "He did an excellent job of mapping, even giving the trails Native American names. He gained much knowledge through contacts that he acquired along the way. Nancy Yeatts, of Lakeville, helped him with Native American history of the area and the Engineering Division of the Department of Public Infrastructure (DPI) trained him in Geospatial Information Systems (GIS) mapping. He also had his share of hands-on physical work, clearing brush from lane-ways, restoring fire lane identification posts and erecting trail signposts which hold

the map and a brief summary of the historical significance of the immediate area."

Daniel successfully passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review on March 27, 2013, and will be awarded his Eagle Badge on May 18 at a 6:15 p.m. Eagle Scout Court of Honor to be held at St. John Neumann Church in East Freetown.



Daniel Perry, 13, will receive his Eagle Scout Badge on May 18. His project involved mapping out the trails in the woods at Great Quitticas Pond. Submitted photo.

Eagle Scout Project creates a place of quiet solitude

Press Release

A member of Troop 333, Anthony Perry, wanted to build an Eagle Scout Project that reflected his love of God and his Faith. He approached the pastor of St. John Neumann Church, which sponsors his troop in East Freetown, with the thought that he could create a project which was of significant benefit to the parish and provide a place for meditation and reflection overlooking Long Pond.

Anthony, 14, a New Bedford native, designed and built a Rosary Garden which now serves as a memorial for members of the parish family, both living and deceased. The garden, immediately behind the church, consists of 87 bluestone slate stepping stones, two granite benches, a 28" fiberglass plaque of Madonna & Child, a handmade granite cross and a custom-made Mira etched with The Holy Mother and Jesus.

Over a period of nine months, utilizing the talents and experience of numerous volunteers and business

leaders in the community, Anthony designed, laid-out and constructed the garden so that it would benefit the parishioners for many years to come.

Anthony commented: "We don't have to wait until we are adults to make a difference in the world.

Scouting showed me that even a young person could make a difference — that anyone can have an impact on life — but it is our choice to make the best of it. Go out there and make a difference. You are the only one

who can."

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Anthony Perry, 14, will receive his Eagle Scout Badge on May 18. For his project, he created this Rosary Garden at St. John Neumann Church in Freetown. Submitted photo.

Blessing of the bikes brings hundreds to Fairhaven



The Blessing of the Bikes sponsored by St. Joseph's Church in Fairhaven drew more than 600 bikers to Fort Phoenix on Sunday, 4/28. The ride cost \$15 and included a two-hour ride along backroads in Rochester and Acushnet, and live entertainment after the ride at the Ice House in Fairhaven. LEFT: Eric Caravan said he loves to go on organized rides because, "It's a lot of fun. There's nothing like a bunch of bikes getting together." RIGHT: Barb and Maggie from New Bedford were on their first ride. They were riding in honor of Lou Lou Dion, who had a Harley Davidson, belonged to the Harley Davidson Club, and died two years ago. Zita Simas (not pictured) said she likes organized rides because she meets new people, "it's the beginning of the riding season." Photos by Beth David. See them in color at www.NeighbNews.com Visit www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews for more photos of this and other events.

Town Meeting quotable quotes

"You've got to agree with THAT one,"

Moderator Mark Sylvia

"I agree," FinCom Chair

John Roderiques

About the \$1.00 for a Water Department contract

Here we go [John Roderiques just before speaking on one of his pet peeves]

It's Monty Hall, door 1, 2, 3 [Town Planner Bill Roth]

So voted, go forth, good luck [Mark Sylvia]

"No disrespect," Lisa Plante
 "Well thank you," Mark Sylvia on a discussion of whether or not the town moderator was fit to appoint the government study committee.

You're running out of room. I ask you to keep that in mind and enjoy your day [John Roderiques]

This is a little awkward, in a way, I would say [Mark Sylvia On the aforementioned article]

"That's not what the script says," Mark Sylvia.
 "Just making sure you're awake," Selectboard Chair Charlie Murphy as slipped up reading an article]

I like that...Mr. Speaker. I got a promotion. [Mark Sylvia on a slip of the tongue by a town meeting member]

That's okay, don't let it happen again [Mark Sylvia to a non-member of Town Meeting on sitting in the wrong section]

My God, (will we) go kicking and screaming into the future? [Rich Taber about resistance to the solar bylaw]*

I think in honor of Cinco de Mayo, we should pass this [Diane Hahn on a liquor license]

You're learning a lot at this town meeting [Mark Sylvia after Curt Devlin revealed that his wife loves margaritas]

That's not very generous [John Pond after being told he had one minute left to speak]

Some of you may know that I'm not entirely enthusiastic about wind turbines in Fairhaven [Outspoken Windwise activist Curt Devlin]

We all agree that Mr. Benac is a fantastic individual [Mark Sylvia]

We've seen some very interesting votes today [Mark Sylvia]

Why does the fire department need a security system with the police department right next door? [Mark Badwey]

*Okay, I missed the exact quote, but I'm sure about the "kicking and screaming into the future" part.

USCG urges safe boating as season begins

Press Release

In light of spring temperatures, the Coast Guard emphasizes safety for recreational boaters and paddlers planning to venture out on the inland and coastal waters of the Northeast this spring.

The rescues of two kayakers recently by Coast Guard crews and additional first responders serve as reminders that boating season in the Northeast is just around the corner and all boaters should practice maritime safety measures while out on the water.

At approximately 2:45 p.m. Sunday, 4/10, Coast Guard Sector Boston received a report of a capsized orange kayak with one person in the water in the vicinity of Bumpkin Island, Mass. Coast Guard Station Point Allerton, Mass. launched a 47-Motor Life Boat crew along with Hingham, Mass., and Hull, Mass., Harbormasters. Station Point Allerton rescued the kayaker and transferred him to local EMS. The kayaker was wearing a lifejacket.

Also on the 10th, watch standers at Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound, in New Haven, Conn., received a report of a capsized kayak with one person in the water at Short Beach in Nissequogue River near Smithtown, N.Y. Crews from Coast Guard Station Eaton's Neck, in Northport, N.Y., the local park service, fire department, and Suffolk County Police Depart-

ment responded. The fire department's boat rescued the kayaker and transferred him to the local hospital for examination.

"The warmer weather can create a false sense of security," said Walt Taylor, Recreational Boating Safety Manager for the 1st Coast Guard District. "Though the air is warm, the water is still very cold, and in the event of a capsized hypothermia can quickly set in."

Some safe boating tips to remember are:

1. Dress for the water temperature. Though the air may be warm, the water is still cold. Wet suits and dry suits offer protection against hyperthermia in the event of a capsized or immersion in the water.

2. Check all required safety equipment to be sure it is in good working order. The Coast Guard Auxiliary provides free vessel safety exams. Contact your nearest flotilla for more information.

3. File a float plan before getting underway.

4. Be sure to have U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejackets aboard. All boaters and paddlers are encouraged to wear their lifejackets while underway.

More information can be found at the Coast Guard Boating Safety Resource Center at www.uscgboating.org/

From our readers

Water Conservation Anyone?

Today I wanted to wash a section of fence which I was going to paint, but it was not my day to use water. Since I was washing clothes anyway, I just put the drain hose in a five-gallon bucket during the rinse cycle and I had plenty of soapy water to wash the fence with.

I would really like to get other people's ideas on how to conserve water.

Linda Pisz, Fairhaven

Editor's Note: Fairhaven is under a water use restriction while the Boston Hill Road water tank is offline and being restored. Fairhaven residents are asked to water outside only on their trash day.

Scholarships avail.

The West Island Improvement Association is again please to announce that they will be awarding their annual scholarships, which are limited to sons, daughters and grandchildren of WIIA members.

Applicants must be members of a current high school graduating class. Applications are expected to represent a complete, accurate, and honest appraisal of the candidate's performance and status. This application must be accompanied by an official high school transcript, along with an attached short essay explaining why the student believes s/he should receive the scholarship. Also required is a copy of the letter of intent to the college the applicant will attend.

Friday, June 22, is the deadline for filing. Applications received after this date will be considered ineligible. Presentations will be made at the annual summer WI Scholarship Breakfast on July 14, 2013.

For applications, call Terry Perreira, Chairperson, at 508-994-7266, or Bev Pope at 508-992-9451.

If malice or envy
were tangible and
had a shape, it
would be the shape
of a boomerang.

Charley Reese

Red Cross supports disaster response after Marathon attacks

Press Release

With the help of more than 300 volunteers, the American Red Cross of Eastern Massachusetts has supported hundreds of first responders, mourners, injured individuals and affected family members since the Boston Marathon bombings on April 15.

Our volunteers understand the emotional and mental toll this tragedy has taken on the community at large, and we ask you to share the following coping information:

It is normal to experience a wide range of emotions. Most of these reactions are temporary and will go away over time.

Spending more time with your family and friends can help the

coping process.

Stay informed, but limit exposure to media coverage of the tragedy.

Take care of yourself. Eat healthy and drink plenty of water.

Be patient with yourself and others.

If you still don't feel better, contact the SAMHSA Disaster Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990 or text 'TalkWithUs' to 66746.

We have dozens of trained disaster mental health volunteers. Please contact Communications Manager Ashley Studley if you wish to speak with one.

For more information about the American Red Cross, please visit redcross.org

Girls softball opens up for season



Players in the South Coast Girls Softball League line up in front of Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven on a perfect opening day, Sunday, 4/28. For information on schedules and teams, visit <http://www.scgsoftball.net/> or email scgsoftball13@gmail.com. Photos courtesy of David Roy of Fairhaven. See them in color at www.NeighbNews.com

Fairhaven trio publish book on Schooner “Coral”

Book launch!

The Last of the Fairhaven Coasters: The Story of Captain Claude S. Tucker & the Schooner “Coral” by Robert Demanche, Donald F. Tucker, and Caroline B. Tucker. A 20-minute talk featuring stories, vintage photographs, and artifacts followed by book signing. **Friday, March 17 at 7 pm; Sunday, March 19 at 2 pm, at Northeast Maritime Institute, 32 Washington Street, Fairhaven.**

For many years, the coasting schooner Coral’s two lofty masts were as familiar a sight on the Fairhaven waterfront as the architectural gifts of Henry Huttleston Rogers were in the center of town. Unlike the town hall, library, and church, though, the Coral was no match for the Hurricane of 1938.

A new book published by The History Press recalls this venerable wooden sailing vessel, one of the last of her kind, and the Tucker family of Fairhaven, who owned and operated her.

Come meet and hear Fairhaven authors Robert Demanche, Donald F. Tucker, and Caroline B. Tucker at two book launch events May 17 and 19 for *The Last of the Fairhaven Coasters: The Story of Captain Claude S. Tucker*

& the Schooner “Coral.” The book launch coincides with the 135th anniversary of the launching of the Coral in 1878.

From the early years of our nation, coasting schooners such as the Coral were the primary means of hauling the cargoes that fueled our country’s growth. They were the 18-wheelers of their day. Captain Tucker and the Coral hauled lumber, brick, oysters, gasoline, ice, and even cattle to ports throughout southern New England.

Transporting these cargoes helped keep the family afloat financially during the Great Depression. By the time of the Coral’s demise in 1938, though, relatively few of these once numerous sailing vessels still existed.

Claude Sinclair Tucker’s maritime years began in Portsmouth, RI, when the teenager traded a swarm of bees for a catboat. The Coral under Captain Tucker was first based in Newport and worked mostly in Long Island Sound and Narragansett Bay.

Captain Tucker and family moved to Fairhaven in the early 1920s when the captain found regular work carrying cordwood from Mattapoissett and gasoline from Fish Island in New Bedford.

All four of Captain Tucker’s young

sons — Bill, Frank, Claude, Jr., and Donald — helped aboard the vessel. Donald, the book’s co-author, remembers enjoying the trips he took with his father as a six-year-old during the Coral’s final season.

Among the people Captain Tucker frequently crossed paths with were nationally prominent marine architect and next-door neighbor William H. Hand, Jr.; artist and author Clifford Ashley; and legendary schooner men Zeb Tilton and Charlie Sayle. Even Dr. Seuss once stopped in for a quick visit.

Frank Taylor, owner of a Fairhaven marine construction firm, hired Captain Tucker as a consultant in 1941. The work consisted of removing the historic whaleship Charles W. Morgan from her berth in South Dartmouth and preparing the vessel for the trip from Fairhaven to her new home in Mystic, Connecticut. Captain Tucker was the only professional mariner aboard on that trip.

Each book launch event begins with a 20-minute talk featuring stories, vintage photographs, and artifacts followed by a book signing.

Copies will be available at \$19.99 each. For further information, please call Donald Tucker at 508-993-9667.

Skateboards, scooters, and bikes converge to save Livesey

By Beth David
Editor

Area skate-park users converged on Livesey Park in Fairhaven on Saturday, 4/27, to raise money to refurbish the equipment at the aging skate-park.

According to organizer Ann Richard, it will require \$80,000 to replace and repair the whole park.

They have \$2,500 from the last event. Figures were not available for this event.

“They need everything,” said Devin Cordeira, 21, who has been using the park since it was built. He said there are cracks in the cement and asphalt, and the “ramps are falling apart.”

Skateboards and scooters can get hung up on the cracks and riders can

get thrown to the ground.

On Saturday, the afternoon included contest for skateboards, scoots and BMXers of all ages. A couple of vendors, food and refreshments, music and a graffiti wall rounded out the festivities.

Ms. Richard is also pursuing grant money and will request Community Preservation funds for the project.



LEFT: Scooters line up as BMXers wait their turn on teh half pipe during the competitions at the Save Livesey event at Livesey Park in Fairhaven on Saturday, 4/27.

BELOW L-R: Devin Cordeira and Jarron Barboza warm up before the competitions begin.

BOTTOM LEFT: Justin Fall competes in the scooter competition. BOTTOM RIGHT: Domenic Cardoso gets airborne as he warms up before the competition.

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