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## FHS sends 124 off into the world



The brand new “big flag,” which is 30x50 feet, flutters in a strong breeze during graduation ceremonies at Fairhaven High School on Sunday, 6/8. The flag was a gift from the class of 2014. FHS graduated a small class of 124 students on a warm Sunday under bright skies amid high spirits. See page 16 for story. *Photo by Beth David.* See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com) Visit us at [www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews](http://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

Here we go again....pushing that last minute to the last second.

The kids are off!!! Fairhaven High School seniors graduated under sunny skies this Sunday (see page 16). A pretty small class, only 124, but a very animated group. It was a super-fun event and everyone, from the adult speakers, to the student speakers, to the nervous kids, to the sauntering kids, showed how much fun they were having.

Be sure to visit us on Facebook to see more of the photos I took that day.

We have lots of Flag Day events this week, on Saturday. See the Happenings pages (6, 7, & 8) for those. They are taking place all around the region, so look for one that you can attend. And if at all possible, get to Fairhaven High School to see the new "big flag" in front on the big flagpole. The Boy Scouts will raise it 9 a.m. and it will fly all day. If you've never seen the big flag fly in front of our spectacular high school building, then you have missed something awe-inspiring. So, this is your chance. Pull in across the Route 6 on Park Street where it's nice and safe and just sit for a minute and watch it. You will not be disappointed.

This weekend is jam-packed with stuff. It must be summer, although the weather on Tuesday and Wednesday seemed not to notice. Brrr...

But I digress.

Check out page 6 for happenings in Fairhaven, including the West Island Improvement Association's first breakfast of the season, which unfortunately is happening at the exact same time as the annual Father's Day Road Race. The farmer's market is starting up this weekend, too. So, there's plenty to do.

Okay, pet peeve of the week. Well, more than the week. It's been kind of bugging me lately and I'm not singling out any one board or chairperson. It seems, though, that some boards are not understanding the importance of starting appointments on time or later. Yes later. It's not okay to hold interviews or other public hearings even a couple of minutes early. Some of these appointments only take two or three minutes. The reason they are supposed to be on the agenda, with a time, is to give the public a chance to weigh in. Sometimes it's just feel-good stuff, so I guess it's okay to go early, but even then, some people might want to weigh in. Other times, however, it's serious; job interviews, especially. People have a right to go in and say 'hey, don't hire him (or her). Licensing is another one. People have a right to go in and tell their horror stories about a business owner. If you hold the hearing early and it goes fast, then....poof! The opportunity is gone.

Then again, my watch could've just been fast.

In any case, that's it for this week.

Please be sure to thumb through and find all the other good stuff in here this week.

Until next week then...

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Oh, no!! In our 5/29 issue, there was a picture of our esteemed editor firing a flintlock pistol and there was no photo credit. Alas, forgive us Emily Richard, who did a spectacular job of getting the shot. We humbly apologize for our oversight.

# New deli to open in a few weeks

By Beth David  
Editor

EJ's Restaurant and Deli, a new family-style restaurant and deli, with meat market and full butcher shop, is on track to open this summer. The owners are planning for an early July opening, although a walk-through of the building left owner Cathy Melanson wondering. She and her husband Kenneth Melanson are hoping to create a unique dining and shopping experience in Fairhaven.

The selections will lean heavily towards the organic, hormone-free and gluten-free. The restaurant will emphasize comfort foods: classic home-style mac & cheese, big deli sandwiches, big burgers.

"The stuff people make at home but don't have time to make," said Ms. Melanson. "So we're going to do the home cooking for them.

The site is at the former Huttleston House and EJ's bought their liquor license with the property. So the restaurant will have a full service bar, along with a brick pizza oven.

Ms. Melanson said lots of the desserts and breads will come from

Emma Jean's next door.

"It's all the Melanson family entities," she said. "We're going to cross a lot of things over from Emma Jean's to EJs."

In the full butcher shop, you'll be able to get your meats "cut your way," she said.

There will be a great selection of cheeses, domestic, imported and local.

"We're going to do as much with local vendors as we possibly can," said Ms. Melanson, including cheeses, sauces and spices from south coast farms.

She has spent months personally hand-picking the items that will be in the deli.

"We're really trying to pretty much



The new building, still under construction, at the former site of the Huttleston House on Route 6 in Fairhaven, will house EJ's Restaurant and Deli, a family-style restaurant and deli with a full butcher shop, featuring a large selection of hormone-free meats. Owners Cathy and Ken Melanson will add EJ's to the Melanson family of businesses that include Emma Jean's Cupcake and Ice Cream Shoppe across the parking lot. Photo by Beth David

give the people what they've been looking for," said Ms. Melanson.

She hopes it will be a destination for families with young children.

She has carefully chosen a general manager, Justin Braun, and an executive chef, Tim Koska, and has hired Jeff Antil as the butcher shop manager.



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# Task force recognizes Cox; Taylor withdraws expansion plans

By Beth David  
Editor

In a somewhat light-hearted meeting for most items, the Fairhaven Selectboard hired a part time administrative assistant for the Planning Department and heard accolades about Shellfish Warden/Assistant Harbormaster Timothy Cox on Monday, 6/9.

In a bit of a surprise, to Mr. Cox anyway, Lt. Brian Swintek of the US Coast Guard read a letter praising Mr. Cox's efforts in helping to coordinate and manage egos during the creation of the new Buzzards Bay Task Force. The BBTF held its first exercise on May 27.

Lt. Swintek said both Harbormaster David Darmofal and Mr. Cox were instrumental in getting personnel from the different municipalities to the table.

"In particular, Tim has been a huge voice in meetings," said Lt. Swintek.

He pointed to the incident on West Island on 12/31, when Dana Dourdeville was missing. Mr. Cox got on the New Bedford boat and guided them through "dangerous waters," because he knows the area.

"We put the best people on the best assets," said Lt. Swintek.

He then read the letter commending Mr. Cox for his dedication and devotion to his job.

Mr. Darmofal also commended Mr. Cox, saying that while he "stepped into the breach," when Mr. Darmofal was away during the winter.

He said Mr. Cox's willingness to learn, his knowledge of the local waters and his humility were assets.

"And as he [Lt. Swintek] said, ...there were a lot of egos in the room," said Mr. Darmofal.

Board members thanked Lt. Swintek for their kind words about the two town employees.

"These guys are leading the way," replied Lt. Swintek. They're well respected and they represent all of you really well."

"He's very serious about what he's doing," added Tim Cox's father Francis Cox. "And we are very proud of him."

The board also took the opportunity to extend their condolences to Mr. Darmofal on the death of his father, and noted that the funeral was the same day as the meeting.

The board also appointed Patricia Pacella to an administrative assistant

position in the Planning office. The Community Development Block Grant position is part time and temporary. Ms. Pacella was the only candidate interviewed. At the last selectboard meeting town planner Bill Roth recommended Ms. Pacella for the position after having reviewed resumes. At that meeting, Selectboard member Geoffrey Haworth asked that the board meet in person with Ms. Pacella before appointing her. It is customary for the board to interview three candidates in open session before hiring. Ironically, Mr. Haworth was not at the 6/9 meeting.

Ms. Pacella told the board she had been the recording secretary for three town boards, which is night work, and was a stay-at-home mom during the day.

"I want to stretch my wings," she

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These guys are leading the way. They're well respected and they represent all of you really well [Lt. Brian Swintek, USCG]

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said, about wanting the new job, and wanted daytime hours.

"I know of your work, I know your work ethic," said board member Charles Murphy.

Her pay was set at \$17.93/hour for the 19-hour-a-week position.

In another matter, the board read a letter from Rodman Taylor, president of Taylor Cultured Seafood, withdrawing his request to expand his aquaculture farm from 35 acres to 101 acres. The measure was greeted with vocal opposition from residents who use the waters he would be appropriating.

A town meeting article also passed asking to petition the legislature to give Fairhaven permission to charge up to \$200 acre for aquaculture farms. Mr. Taylor currently pays \$25/acre.

"While I am finally in a position to help increase the abundance of Fairhaven's shellfishery and thereby increase the number of people earning a living from harvesting shellfish, I feel that now is not the

time to increase our site size," wrote Mr. Taylor. "I will instead concentrate my energies on building a new shellfish hatchery on my Goulart Memorial Drive property.\* I hope to continue to donate my time [and] efforts to improve the towns [sic] shellfishery."

Mr. Taylor has also been served with an enforcement order by the Conservation Commission for dumping shells on the beach near his Goulart Memorial Drive property.

The board also discussed a request by two groups, one soccer and one football, that want to use Cushman Park for their organized activities. The groups charge a fee for participation.

Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch told the board that he believed parks are for the general public to use and it is a different matter when organizations start using them, whether they are non-profit or for-profit.

"When you get into organized efforts where fees are being charged, I think that's a different scenario," said Mr. Osuch.

He also said that the wear and tear on the parks from organized groups is different than when individuals use them.

The board decided to establish a policy with the Recreation Department and will take up the matter at its 6/23 meeting.

In other business, the board appointed Cathy Melanson to the Capital Planning Committee. The board is still looking for others to join the new committee.

In other matters the board

- Read a proclamation recognizing Gladys Correia on her 100th birthday.
- Chose Jay Kivowitz to handle the auction for 14 Grandview and 12 Diamond. Mr. Kivowitz has been handling auctions for the town for 10 years. The board decided to wait before auctioning of 124 Alden Road because Mr. Haworth was not present. They will use an auctioneer who specializes in commercial properties. "Unfortunately Selectman Haworth isn't here tonight, however the town still exists," said Mr. Murphy.

*\*Editor's Note: Editor/Publisher Beth David has a beneficial interest in the Cottage Realty Trust, which abuts the Taylor Seafood property on Goulart Memorial Drive.*

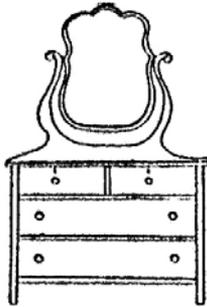


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# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## Fr. Day Road Race

The 40th annual Father's Day Road Race will be held this weekend in Fairhaven, beginning and ending at Hastings Middle School off Adams St. The route heads out to Fort Phoenix and back with both 5K & 10K races. Sanctioned 6.2 miles + 3.1 miles.

Sunday, 6/15, start time: 9 a.m. \$25 registration fee until June 14th. Register online at [www.jbrace.com](http://www.jbrace.com) or stop by Days' Healthy & Sports, 86 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven.

Commemorative medals to the first 2,500 finishers, T-shirts to the first 2,500 entries.

Numerous water stops throughout the course, refreshments at start and finish. For more information call 508-965-5064 or 608-965-2072

## WI Breakfast Buffet

*First of the Season!*

**Sun., 6/15, West Island Community Center, 41 Causeway Rd., West Island, Fairhaven, 8-11 a.m.**

By the West Island Improvement Association. \$6 adults, \$3 children under 12. Tickets are available at the door. Accessible.

## Flag Day Events

The Fairhaven Lions Club, Boy Scout Troops 52 and 55 will be raising the NEW 30 by 50 flag donated by the Class of 2014 at, **9:00 AM on Sat., 6/14, at the Fairhaven High School.** Ted Silva will MC the event, with Guest Speaker Selectboard chair Bob Espindola. Fairhaven High School Junior Marissa Rebello will sing the National Anthem.

**At 5:00 PM there will be a Flag Retirement Ceremony at Chushman Park.** The Scouts will present a solemn burning presentation for faded and worn out Flags. If you have one you can place it, on the fire, in memory of a friend or loved one. Fairhaven Lions Club can provide one if necessary. Please bring your chairs or blankets.

Our flag is the symbol of our country. Have you ever stopped to think what the flag really means? The Blue in our flag stands for valor which our ancestors fought and died for in the many battles that have been fought for our country and all for which it stands. The White stands for the purity in all of our hearts. It also

represents the honor that each of us should show in all that we do in our everyday lives. The Red stands for the courage of all of the men and women who have died in the service of our country, both as members of the armed forces and as everyday citizens. Our flag has gone into every battle into which there have been United States citizens, from the American Revolution to the Civil War, to WWI, to WWII, to the Korean Conflict to the Vietnam War to Desert Storm, Afghanistan and Iraq.

## Calling All Artists

Fairhavenites are invited to exhibit up to 10 of their original works at the art and photography exhibit at the Fairhaven Homecoming Fair on Saturday, June 28 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. For applications, contact Co-Chairs Barbara Acksen, 508-993-0317, or Cheryl Brownell, 508-207-6610; or download applications from [www.FairhavenHomecoming.org](http://www.FairhavenHomecoming.org)

**Deadline for submitting applications is Friday, 6/20.**

## All Class Breakfast

**On Sunday, 6/29, the Fairhaven High School Class of 1964** will host the annual "All Class Breakfast" buffet in the FHS Cafeteria from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Doors will open promptly at 8:30 a.m. **Tickets are \$10** and the breakfast will be catered by the Courtyard Restaurant. Tickets can be purchased at the Euro Store, corner of Main and Center streets or by contacting Donna (Sylvia) Gagnon ([tfootie@comcast.net](mailto:ttfootie@comcast.net), 857-753-5996. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Immediately following the breakfast, the Class of 1964 will unveil their class gift of a stained glass window in the rotunda of FHS.

## Farmers Market

The Fairhaven Farmers Market will open for its seventh season on **Sunday, June 15 and run from 1-4 p.m. on the lawn of Fairhaven High School.** We will have entertainment for opening day from our local favorite band **Pumpkin Head Ted.** Many of our regular vendors will be returning this year and we do have some new vendors that will be joining us this season.

We will have local produce, herbs,

vegetable plants, desserts, cookies, jams, honey, cheese, eggs, meat all from local farmers. As well as all the wonderful food there will be soap, local photography, rope crafts, face painting and henna.

We also have space available for non-profit groups to join us throughout the summer. For more information please contact Ann Richard the volunteer market manager at 508-991-8315 or [ann.richard@gmail.com](mailto:ann.richard@gmail.com)

## Fitness in the Park

FREE Yoga in the Park will take place **starting June 17 and continue for 10 weeks through August 19 every Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.** This is a gentle yoga series for all levels. **FREE Summer Bootcamp, begins June 19 and continues each Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. through August 21.** The Bootcamp class consists of various exercises that build functional strength and core stability.

Attendees to the classes should bring a mat for Yoga and a mat plus set of weights for Bootcamp. Classes take place weather permitting — cancellations will be posted on the FaceBook page: [www.facebook.com/fitnessincushmanpark](http://www.facebook.com/fitnessincushmanpark).

Fitness in Cushman Park is presented free to the public only because of generous support from community contributions. Last summer's classes were a resounding success and over fifty fitness enthusiasts attended each session.

For more information about the fitness program or to sponsor Fitness in Cushman Park call 508-287-2482

## Book Sale

Unitarian Church Book Sale, **Saturday June 21, & Saturday June 28, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.,** Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green Street, Fairhaven

Bring the family and pick out some great used books, CDs and DVDs. (Donations of books are being accepted until the day before the sale.) If you are a dealer or avid collector you might be interested in the **Early Bird Dealers Preview on Friday, June 20, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. There is a \$5 fee for the preview.** Admission to the regular sale is free. Handicap accessible. For more information, visit <http://uufairhaven>.

# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Clambake

Start Father's Day weekend off with a blast at the 20th Annual Clambake with Lobster to benefit the United Way of Greater New Bedford. Enjoy a full New England style clambake with lobster on **Friday, June 13 starting at 5 p.m. held under the big tent on the New Bedford waterfront's Pier 3.** Features music, dancing, silent auction and more.

A fun night for a great cause! Tickets are \$80 per person or \$750 for ten. Purchase in advance online at [www.unitedwayofgnb.org](http://www.unitedwayofgnb.org) or by calling 508-994-9625 ext. 15.

## Jazz Fest

The third annual New Bedford JazzFest will be held on **Saturday, June 14 from 2-7 p.m. on Pier 3 on New Bedford's historic waterfront.** Featured will be Shawnn Monteiro backed by the John Harrison Trio. Also performing will be the MonteiroBots, the SouthCoast Jazz Orchestra and UMass Dartmouth's Etymology. For the benefit of Your Theatre, Inc.

Tickets are \$15.00 in advance through the Your Theatre box office by calling 508-993-0772 or purchased on-line at [NewBedfordJazzFest.com](http://NewBedfordJazzFest.com), or in person at Bridgewater Credit Union, 41 Fairhaven Commons, Fairhaven, and the Symphony Shop, State Road in Dartmouth. The day of the festival, tickets are \$20 at the gate.

JazzFest 2014 is produced by Your Theatre, Inc. New Bedford's 68-year old community theatre and sponsored by Bridgewater Credit Union.

## Beach Passes Avail.

City of New Bedford 2014 seasonal beach parking passes are now available for purchase during normal business hours (8:00AM-4:00PM) at the Parks Recreation & Beaches Office at 181 Hillman St., Building 3, at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall at 133 William St, and at the Traffic Office at the Elm Street Garage downtown. Passes are now also available at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center, 181 Hillman St. on weekdays from 1:00PM-8:00PM and on Saturdays from 10:00AM-3:00PM.

Seasonal parking passes are **\$5 for city residents.** Residents must bring their vehicle registration to obtain a

resident seasonal parking pass. The City offers seasonal parking passes to non-residents from **surrounding communities for \$20.** Residents from Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Westport, Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester, Acushnet, Freetown, Lakeville and Taunton are eligible. Non-residents from communities other than these are able to purchase seasonal parking passes for \$50.

## Parking lot sale

Pilgrim United Church of Christ sponsors **Big Parking Lot Sale with free space to help the community. Sat. June 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.,** at Pilgrim U.C.C. parking lot, corner Pleasant & School Streets.

Call 508-996-1498 to reserve space, (bring own table.)

## Blood Drive

### With Miss NB Jillian Zucco

Reigning Miss New Bedford, Jillian Zucco, is hosting a blood drive on **World Blood Donor Day on Saturday, June 14.**

Teaming up with Southcoast Health and the New Bedford Bay Sox, the 21 year-old nursing student will be at the **Paul Walsh Field in New Bedford with the Southcoast Blood Donor Van from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.,** just before the start of the Bay Sox game against the Valley Blue Sox.

Blood donors must bring a photo ID and are encouraged to eat prior to donating. Each donor will receive a free pair of tickets to any New Bedford Bay Sox home game.

For more information, email [alegriac@southcoast.org](mailto:alegriac@southcoast.org).

## Art Reception

### Whaler artist

The New Bedford Whaling Museum invites the public to experience whaling through the art of Benjamin Russell (1804-1885). The Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford, will host the official opening reception and book release for the new *Benjamin Russell: Whaleman-Artist, Entrepreneur* exhibition on **Thursday, June 19, from 6 -8 p.m.** The evening will include a talk and book signing by guest curator and author of the exhibition catalogue, Keith W. Kauppila.

Benjamin Russell's lack of success

as a businessman required that he rely on his artistic skills to earn a living, honing these talents while at sea aboard the whaleship Kutusoff. Russell holds a significant place in the pantheon of nineteenth-century artists who practiced ship portraiture. Russell succeeded by directing his work to a specific audience: his hometown of New Bedford.

Support for the exhibition is provided by the Ladera Foundation. The Opening Reception and Book Release is a free event and is open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, visit <http://www.whalingmuseum.org/explore/exhibitions/benjamin-russell>.

## Art Workshops

Vacation time is almost here. Sign up today for Cool Arts Kids! Want to try sculpting in clay? Painting and drawing with real artists every day? How about making your very own paper then using that paper to create your own book? We've got a ton of fun art activities happening every day. Try out eco-fashion design, jewelry making and working on the potter's wheel. You can write your own script and make your own movie!

Check out this summer's workshops for age groups 6-9, 10-13, and 13-18 at <http://artworksforyou.org/programs/kids-programs/>.

**For adults:** UMass Dartmouth Star Store Summer Arts Workshop Series. One week adult learner workshops in Fiber, Metal or Ceramic arts

**Crafted Expression for the Body-June 16-20; The Useful Object - June 23-27.** All experience levels welcome. Visit [umassd.edu/cvpa/summerworkshops](http://umassd.edu/cvpa/summerworkshops) for info & registration

## Bay Swim Reg

With just a little more than a month left before the 21st **annual Buzzards Bay Swim on Sat., 6/28**, hundreds of swimmers across the SouthCoast and Cape Cod are signing up to take the plunge and show their support for clean water.

Swimmers can sign up at [www.savebuzzardsbay.org/swim](http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/swim).

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# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

## Farmers Market

The Acushnet Farmers Market is open for the season. Purchase eggs, beef, fruit, vegetables, cheese, goats milk soap, baked goods, garden decorations, coffee, preserves, herbs, and savory cheesecakes.

We will also host multiple classes and cooking demonstrations. Select highlights include: June 28th. Backyard Chicken Basics, June 28th. Wicked Kickin' Savory Cheesecake Demo, July 12th. New England Antique Truck and Tractor Association, July 19th. My Magical Emporium Herbal Class And many more!

**Every Saturday from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. through September, rain or shine, at Stone Bridge Farm 186 Leonard St., Acushnet.**

## Golf Tourney

The Women's Center (TWC) will hold its 19th Annual **Golf Tournament on Mon., 6/16 at the Fall River Country Club**, Fall River. Registration begins at 11:00am with a shotgun start of 12:30pm. All proceeds benefit programs and direct services for victims of domestic and sexual violence at The Women's Center.

For further information contact Anne Patacao, Marketing and Events Coordinator, at 508-996-3343, Ext. 38, email [apatacao@thewomenscentersc.com](mailto:apatacao@thewomenscentersc.com) or visit [www.thewomenscentersc.com](http://www.thewomenscentersc.com).

## Volunteers Needed

The Jimmy Fund/Variety Children's Charities Theatre Collections Program is seeking volunteers to pass collection canisters to guests in local movie theatres following a brief Jimmy Fund trailer that will be shown before a feature film.

**Volunteers are needed every day from June 13 to July 31 at participating theaters in Mass., Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and Ohio.** All contributions go directly to the Jimmy Fund, which supports lifesaving adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at Dana-Farber.

Now in its 65th year since the program launched in 1949, it is the Jimmy Fund's longest running fundraising effort. Volunteers receive exciting incentives depending on how much time they commit to the

program. Visit [www.jimmyfund.org/theatre](http://www.jimmyfund.org/theatre) or call 617-582-7724 for info.

## Road Race

Celebrate Independence Day by running the **44th annual 5 mile road race held in the scenic seaside town of Mattapoisett, MA!** The race begins at 9:00 am Friday, 4th of July. **Mail in registration \$20 by 22 June;** online registration \$15 by 24 June; register at Shipyard Park \$20 3 July (5-7:30); \$25 the day of the race. All proceeds from the race are awarded to graduating senior athletes from ORRHS. For more information and/or to register, log on to [www.mattapoisettroadrace.com](http://www.mattapoisettroadrace.com).

## Discovery Days

Looking for a meaningful, outdoor summer program for your child(ren), entering grades K-5? Then pack up the family and come join us for an open house on **Saturday, June 21st from 2-4pm at the Lyman Reserve, located at 1009 Head of the Bay Road in Buzzards Bay, MA.** During this two hour event, program staff will be on hand to offer guided trail walks and aid in program registration. The program will run July 21st – 24th and August 18th – 21st from 9:30am until 3:30pm This program, is FREE to youth from Wareham and Plymouth. The cost is \$50 per day for participants from other towns.

Space is limited for the program, so don't delay in getting your child(ren) registered. If you have any questions and/or cannot make the open house, please call the Reserve at (774) 302-0779.

## Flag Day Event

Two hundred years ago, Francis Scott Key, inspired by the sight of the flag's "broad stripes and bright stars," penned the lyrics that would become the national anthem.

To honor the Star Spangled Banner during its 200th Anniversary celebration, Boy Scout Troop 333 has partnered with hundreds of organizations around the world to gather as many people as possible to sing the Star Spangled Banner. Troop 333 is extending the invitation to the public and organizations from the area to participate in this special event.

**The 9:30 a.m. event scheduled for**

**Flag Day, Sat., 6/14, will be held at the flag pole on the festival grounds in Cathedral Camp in East Freetown, located at 157 Middleboro Road.** The ceremony will include a flag raising by the Scouts and other Flag related readings as well as the singing of "God Bless America," led by Olivia Marques, Miss New Bedford's 2014 Outstanding Teen and finally the "Star Spangled Banner" led by Jillian Zucco, Miss New Bedford 2014.

Attendees should bring a folding chair. Rain cancels the event.

Additional information about Troop 333 may be found at the Troop's web site: [www.CCTroop333.com](http://www.CCTroop333.com) or by calling Committee Chair, Mike McCormack at 508-965-1075.

## Time Exchange mtg

The Southeastern Mass. Time Exchange will join the Lower Highlands/Historic Downtown Neighborhood Association, at their Annual Meeting and Potluck, to hold a **Meet, Greet, and Share on Wed., 6/18, from 5:30-8:00pm, at the Unitarian Church of Fall River, 309 No. Main Street.**

All members, friends, and others interested in the Time Exchange are invited to share food, tell exchange stories, and get to know each other as we join the Lower Highlands group for their annual meeting followed by the story of the Southeastern Mass. Time Exchange. Titled, "Creating Wealth and Building Community through Time Exchange."

Please RSVP to 774-955-0551, or email Bob Bailey at [exchangetimesemass@gmail.com](mailto:exchangetimesemass@gmail.com) For further information on the Time Exchange, go to [exchangetime.org](http://exchangetime.org)

## Fish Meeting

The Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission (MFC) business meeting will be held on June 18 at the Hanover Public Library immediately following that morning's 11:00 AM public hearing at the same location. Please view the public hearing notice (<http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dfg/dmf/marinefisheriesnotices/pubhearings/public-hearing-notice-18june14.pdf>) for more specific information.

Find out more about the Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission at ([www.mass.gov/marinefisheries](http://www.mass.gov/marinefisheries)).



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## Apple Dump Cake

- 2 cans apple pie filling
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- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 2 sticks butter

Spread 2 cans of apple filling on bottom of 9x13 Pyrex dish (coated with cooking spray).

Sprinkle cinnamon over apples. Crumble cake mix over apples. Sprinkle pecans over cake mix.

Slice each stick of butter into 12 pats and place pats on top of cake & pecans.

Bake at 375° for 45 mins or until golden brown.

*By Janice Girard-Rose*

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# Little league highlights

## MAJOR LEAGUE DIVISION

### Superior Logos 11, Acush. Police 4

Superior Logos' offense was led by two hits each by Ryan Jones (double), Dominic Ramous (triple) and Jordan Soares. Dominic Ramous, Corey Saucier and Cameron Lynch limited Police to 5 hits. Ben Tyson had 2 hits for Acushnet Police.

### Superior Logos 8, Roland's Tire 2

Dominic Ramous led Superior with a HR and a single while striking out 5 in 3 innings. Ryan Jones helped the cause with a triple. For Roland's Tire, Peter Rocha and Peyton Demanche had 2 hits each.

### Costa's Ins. 5, Century House 3

Ethan Henriques pitched 2, David Lawrence 2-1/3 and Devin Champagne earned the save with 1-1/3 innings. The offense was led by Ethan Henriques with 3 hits and Will Benoit and David Lawrence with a hit and a walk. Century House was led by Brady Bennett and Bryce Duprey with 2 hits each.

### Costa's Insurance 6, Knox Electric 5

Ethan Henriques and David Lawrence each pitched 3 innings and Ben Davignon, David Lawrence and Griffin Henriques led the offense with a hit and walk each. Griffin's hit was a walk-off. Matthew Elliott and Will Benoit played terrific defense for Costa's. Noah Camacho had 3 hits and Justin Hankins had 2 hits for Knox Electric.

### Roland's Tire 3, Elf's Lands. 15

Logan Berube and Niko Tavares supplied the pitching for Elf's. Offensively for Elf's Boston Rodrigues, Logan Berube, Troy Lopes had multiple hits. Also for Elf's Ian Conte and Seth Cruz also had a hit and scored twice.

### Elf's Landscaping 11, Livesey Club 3

Boston Rodrigues had 3 scoreless innings on the mound for Elf's and 3 hits at bat. Seth Cruz, Troy Lopes, Logan Berube and Nathan Roderiques also had key hits for Elf's.

## JUNIOR LEAGUE DIVISION

### Atria 8, Fairhaven Police 4

Zac Genovezos pitched a great game for Atria with 8K's. Key hits for Atria were Michael Chang, Jason Camacho, Zac Genovezos, DJ Miranda, Kyle Dasilva, and Devon Amaro.

### Pro-Con 5, Fairhaven Police 2

Jake Mayer pitched six innings of one hit ball with 9 K's while Teagan Andre closed out the seventh. Jake DeTerra and Keeve Dias had two hits apiece and Nick Almeida had two RBI's. Preston Forcier and Nate Pinard also chipped in with singles.

### Pro-Con 7, SMCU 6

Nate Pinard drew three walks and scored two runs. Sean Ferreira had a key RBI single in the bottom of the sixth which turned out to be the winning run. Jake Mayer pitched six innings and had 7 K's while Keeve Dias closed out the seventh inning.

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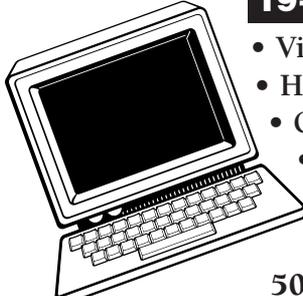


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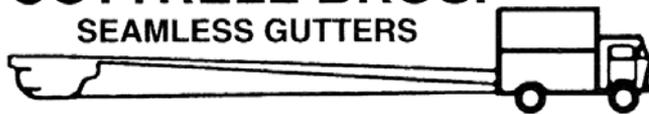
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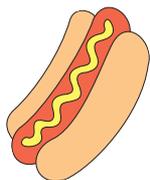
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### Special Activities

#### Nurse Practitioner

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#### Single Seniors

Single Seniors Supper Club first and third Tuesday of the month. If you are single senior 60 or older and would like to attend, please call the Senior Center by Monday at 508-979-4029.

#### COOKOUT

Tuesday, 6/17. Music, dancing, raffles. Please sign up at the Fairhaven COA, or call 508-979-4029.

#### South Coast LGBT Seniors

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender seniors meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 5-7 for supper and socialization. This is a nice opportunity to meet new friends. Please call Fairhaven senior center by the Thursday before to reserve.

#### LGBT Cookout

Join other South Coast Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender seniors at our 2nd Annual Cookout and DJ, June 22, 4:00-7:00 Fairhaven Council on Aging. Please RSVP by June 18 at 508-979-4029.

#### Need a Notary?

A Notary is available at the Fairhaven COA Monday though

Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If you are home bound and live in Fairhaven, the notary will be happy to go to your home. Call The COA for assistance at 508-979-4029.

#### Bocce Anyone?

The Bocce Court in the back yard of the Fairhaven Senior Center is open for one and all to use. So gather up some friends and let's play Bocce. For more info call 508-979-4029.

#### Senior Discount Day

Coming in August. Senior Discount Day Trip to Salvation Army in Wareham, Monday August 4th. Van leaves the Fairhaven COA. Seating for only 14 People. A \$2.00 donation is suggested. Please call The Fairhaven COA, 508-979-4029 for information.

#### Property Tax Work-off

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# FHS Graduation mixes pomp and fun under bright skies

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven High School's graduation on Sunday featured a fun, light-hearted group of speakers, along with all the seriousness of seniors moving onto the next phase of their lives, under bright skies on a warm day in the football stadium.

Salutatorian Sarah Dupont set the tone with her opening barb: Being a salutatorian means you didn't do well enough to be valedictorian, but you did do well enough not to get out of making a speech in front of hundreds of people.

She then embarked on a long list of private jokes that sent the whole class, and much of the staff into side-splitting laughter.

Valedictorian Allison Roderiques continued the humor, telling her classmates that her high honor was giving the speech that was written the night before. Calling out her many classmates and their chosen professions, including future "drug dealers" ("I mean pharmacists"), she said that their education is not just degree, but that an educated mind



ABOVE: Fairhaven High School graduate Ashlyn Ramos shows her excitement after getting her diploma on Sunday. MIDDLE: Humor abounded on Sunday, even with the motorboards as evidence by this one reading: "BSU because Hogwart's can't accept FAFSA." Hogwart's is the famous school of wizardry attended by Harry Potter, Hermione Granger and the whole Weasley clan. FAFSA is Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Well done, BSU Freshman, well done. Photos by Beth David.

takes what it has learned and applies it.

Superintendent of schools Robert N. Baldwin told students that they were a special class that singularly impressed the state inspectors as they roamed the school.

He said state officials passed the school with "flying colors," because of their "exceptionally respectful and safe environment" created by students.

He said the school hit an all-time of honor roll students during their time at FHS; added 25 banners to the gym; won two regional Emmy Awards; and reached several other first-time



accomplishments for the school; and that FHS has now become the first choice for many Acushnet residents.

"Your behavior, your actions, your success" have truly bred success, said Dr. Baldwin.

He also announced that FHS was on the "short list" of Newsweek's best schools in America, a distinction he said was due to their attitude throughout their four years.

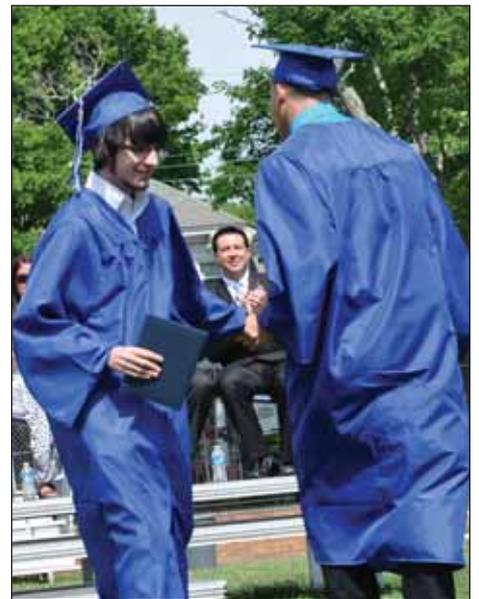
"It's all your behavior," he said.

He also light-heartedly made reference to a YouTube video of himself that students dubbed, getting 21,000 hits.

Dr. Baldwin told them that as they go out into the world, they should remember that it was not only them alone, but their families and the community that invested in them that helped give them solid foundation.

"Never, ever, ever forget," said Dr. Baldwin. "That is the foundation you can come back to."

He then told his favorite graduation story of the twin brothers. One was put in a room with lots of new toys, but he was not happy, and



Two Fairhaven High School graduates shake hands as they pass each other on the way to and from getting their diplomas in hand at the FHS graduation ceremony on Sunday, 6/8. Beth David photo.

had only complaints about what was not there, what was broken and after he played with them, they were not new anymore.

The other brother, the optimist, was put in a room with nothing but a huge pile of horse manure, yet he smiled the whole time as he dug away at the pile.

When asked why he was so happy, he said: With all this horse manure, there has to be a pony in here somewhere.

"I wish for you to find your pony," said Dr. Baldwin. "Thank you. Thank you for your behaviors and your actions that have put Fairhaven High School on the map."

"It's about the people in the building," said Principal Tara Quirk Kohler. "Although the building is gorgeous, if not for the people it wouldn't get done."

She continued the theme of the serious with the funny as she showed a miniature graduation gown that the gown company accidentally sent. It was for a Kindergarten graduation and caused quite the stir of laughter. But on a more serious note, it showed students how far they had come in the past 12 years.

"You earned this," Principal Kohler told the graduates, adding that for some the road was long, for some it

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# The Fairhaven High School graduates

Kevin L. Albano	Adam N. Croteau	Tessa E. Hart-Bonville	Ashlyn M. Ramos
Kiyana M. Alfaiate	<i>High Honors</i>	Tyler J. Hemingway	Zachary S. Robichaud
<i>High Honors</i>	Devin M. Cruz	<i>Honors</i>	Emma R. Robidoux
Aaron J. Alfredo	Justin T. Cruz	Daichelle L. Herbert	<i>Highest Honors</i>
Shaelyn E. Allaire	<i>Honors</i>	Stephanie J. Hernandez	Allison E. Roderiques
Taylor R. Allen	Zachary M. Cudmore	Ashlie C. Jiggins	<i>Valedictorian</i>
Kevin E. Almeida	Sara M. da Costa	Kimberlee E. Joseph	<i>Highest honors</i>
Nichole E. Amanzio	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Nicholas M. LaForest	McKensie L. Roderiques
<i>Honors</i>	Jaime J. DaPonte	Rachel M. Lincoln	Samantha P. Rose
Bethany L. Arbec	Brandyn W. Darcy	Spencer D. Lobo	Kellie L. Ruccolo
Nicole M. Avila	Jenna L. Dawson	Amanda A. Lopes	<i>Highest Honors</i>
Darius F. Barbosa	<i>Honors</i>	<i>High Honors</i>	Chainy J. Santos
Ryan A. Batista	Christopher deOliveira Jr.	Ashlyn G. Lynch	David R. Santos Jr.
Harleigh B. Becotte	Griffin A. Desmarais	<i>High Honors</i>	Laura E. Saucier
<i>Highest Honors</i>	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Jared P. Machado	<i>Highest Honors</i>
Alexandra J. Berntson	Monique D. Desnoyers	Madison N. Maniatis	William L. Shepardson
<i>High Honors</i>	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Zackary A. Martin	Marty J. Shurtleff
Brianne S. Bindas	Caroleann M. DeSouza	Nathan H. McGarvey	Alexander T. Silva
<i>Honors</i>	<i>Honors</i>	Cassandra L. McKane	Tayla M. Smith
Jacob P. Bolarinho	Brighana Desrosiers	<i>High Honors</i>	Dylan J. Soares
Isabel M. Bonilla Ramos	Rebecca J. Do Couto	Meagan L. Medeiros	Kayla J. Soares
Caitlyn S. Botelho	Jacob G. Duarte	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Marissa R. Souza
Arin E. Brackins	<i>High Honors</i>	Zachary P. Mendonca	Hailey M. Stevens
Kyle A. Bueno	Taylor A. Dubois	Janelle M. Mercer	Peyton J. Tanguay
<i>High Honors</i>	Sarah R. Dupont	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Courtney M. Tavares
Krystal M. Cabral	<i>Salutatorian</i>	Samantha L. Miller	Sadey R. Tavares
Andrew W. Casteel	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Julia Nguyen	Paige E. Teves
Max H. Charette	Michael A. Eckenreiter	Mariah L. Nicholas	<i>Highest Honors</i>
Alexandra H. Charette	Kayla M. Fournier	Molly S. Nunes	Dina N. Tichon
<i>High Honors</i>	Chad A. Francis	William L. Oliver V.	<i>High Honors</i>
Danielle H. Charette	Haley M. Furtado	Brenden M. Paquette	Anna E. Tremblay
Taylor R. Charles	Bay E. Gammans	Matthew J. Pendergast	Kayla M. Trombley
<i>Honors</i>	<i>High Honors</i>	Andrew J. Pereira	<i>Honors</i>
Danielle N. Coderre	Marissa E. Garcia	Darien C. Pereira	Scott M. Turner
<i>Highest Honors</i>	<i>Highest Honors</i>	Jillian M. Petitpas	Tony X. X. Wang
Delaney M. Corcoran	John G. Giacobbi	James M. Plummer	Adam J. Westgate
<i>Highest Honors</i>	Courtney L. Girouard	Hannah B. Powers	Kyle T. R. Whalen
Don W. Cosmo Jr.	<i>Highest Honors</i>	<i>Honors</i>	Matthew S. Winnett
Andre F. Costa	Heather M. Gonsalves	Muhammad J. Quraiishi	Alexandra B. Xifaras
Jacob A. Costa	Morgan L. Haaland	<i>Honors</i>	<i>Honors</i>
Zachary C. Couture	<i>High Honors</i>	Brittney M. Rainville	
		<i>Honors</i>	

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was easier, for some there were bumps and bruises along the way.

She said it has been a long road and wished them a longer road to come.

Ms. Kohler and Dr. Baldwin both pointed to Class President Kyle Bueno as an example of the class's special abilities. Mr. Bueno got the state secretary of education to visit the school, despite failed efforts by the superintendent to get even the commissioner there.

Ms. Kohler said the secretary was impressed by the "overwhelming kindness he felt from students here."

She quoted Maya Angelou who

said "I believe that the most important single thing, beyond discipline and creativity is daring to dare."

"So I hope you all dare to dare," said Ms. Kohler.

Ms. Kohler also called for a moment of silence for David Gonsalves, a long-time school committee member who died in office on March 31 of this year.

Senior Class President Kyle Bueno presented the class gifts, and pointed out the "big flag" flying on the large flag pole at the front of the building. The old 30x50-foot flag was getting pretty tattered and torn, so the class raised funds for a new one.



Fairhaven High School Class of 2014 Valedictorian Allison Roderiques struggles with her notes as she prepares to address graduating seniors on Sunday, 6/8. Photo by Beth David.

# Local students receive scholarships

## Dollars for Scholars recipients

*Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc.  
Awards 23 Scholarships*

On Thursday, May 29, 2014, Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc. held its annual awards ceremony at the Century House. In front of a large group of family, friends and special guests, sixteen students were presented with twenty-three local scholarships. Donor families, local organization board members and community partners participated in awarding scholarships to college bound seniors. Those students receiving scholarships included:

*Brianne Bindas:* Paul Powers Murphy Scholarship/M.O.L.I.F.E.

*Jacob Bolarinho:* Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship

*Kyle Bueno:* Fairhaven High Class of 1950 Scholarship, Fairhaven Road Race Scholarship, Rotary Club of Fairhaven Scholarship

*Alexandra Charette:* The Donald Martin Memorial Athletic Scholarship, FDS Scholarship Fund in Memory of Myra A. Lopes

*Danielle Charette:* Fort Phoenix 5k Road Race Scholarship in Memory of Curtis L. Lopes II, Paul Powers Murphy Scholarship/M.O.L.I.F.E.

*Taylor Charles:* Fairhaven Road Race Scholarship

*Zachary Cudmore:* Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship

*Sara da Costa:* Donald Dumont Memorial Scholarship, Carl Lee Pacheco Memorial Scholarship

*Jacob Duarte:* Carl Lee Pacheco Memorial Scholarship

*Sarah Dupont:* Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship Honoring Firefighters and Emergency Medical Responders

*Bay Gammans:* Barton B. Leach Memorial Scholarship, Fairhaven Improvement Association Scholarship in Memory of Ken Vining, Fairhaven Road Race Scholarship

*Tyler Hemingway:* Steven D. Howarth Memorial Scholarship

*Zackary Martin:* Ft Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship Honoring Firefighters & Emergency Medical Responders

*Hailey Stevens:* Fairhaven Improvement Association Scholarship in Memory of Malcolm M. Cummings, Jr.

*Emma Robidoux:* Rotary Club of Fairhaven Scholarship



The Fairhaven Dollars for Scholarship recipients, L-R, Sarah Dupont, Paige Teves, Tyler Hemingway, Sara daCosta, Kyle Bueno, Hailey Stevens, Jacob Duarte, Danielle Charette, Zachary Martin, Taylor Charles, Jacob Bolarinho, Alexandra Charette, Emma Robidoux, Zachary Cudmore. Missing from picture Bay Gammans, Brianne Bindas. *Submitted photo.*

*Paige Teves:* Rotary Club of Fairhaven Scholarship

Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc. became an affiliate of Scholarship America in 2008. As part of Scholarship America's® national network of locally based, volunteer-driven Dollars for Scholars affiliates, our mission is to mobilize our community on behalf of postsecondary education success for our students.

Dollars for Scholars affiliates help hometown students achieve their educational goals by raising scholarship funds, establishing endowments, providing assistance with college readiness and the financial aid process, and distributing scholarships each year.

Through its affiliation with Scholarship America, Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc. is a tax-exempt charitable organization under IRS ruling 501(c)(3) and is a publicly supported charity under IRS ruling 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

For more information about our local chapter on how to become a community partner with Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc. please visit our website at [www.fairhaven.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.fairhaven.dollarsforscholars.org) or contact Sherry Lopes at 508-991-2127/email [slopes417@aol.com](mailto:slopes417@aol.com)

## Yaeger Scholarship Recipients

In the 51st year of the Yaeger Music Scholarship, the committee is pleased to announce four awards to help talented music students majoring in music performance, music education or music therapy on the college and graduate level at an accredited institution.

*Cameron Souza,* a graduate of Fairhaven High School and a third

year student at Plymouth State University, is pursuing degrees in both music education and music with an option in voice performance and pedagogy, as well as a minor in mathematics. He plans to pursue both master and doctorate degrees.

*Michael Bliss,* from Mattapoisett and a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School, is a student attending the New York University Steinhardt School. He is enrolled in a five-year music education and performance degree program and will begin his second year.

*Benjamin Young* from Lakeville and a graduate of Apponequet Regional High School, will be a second year student at Berklee College of Music. He is pursuing a degree in double bass performance and plans to teach.

*Justin Smilan* is from Mattapoisett and a Class of 2014 graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School. In the fall, he will enter Williams College and pursue a double major in jazz voice and physics or physical science.

The alternate winner is *Lauren Hart,* from Dartmouth High School, who will attend the Crane School of Music, State University of New York, Potsdam. She will be majoring in both music performance and music education.

The scholarship is named for Mr. Clement L. Yaeger, an enthusiastic music lover. He was a resident of Fairhaven and worked as a librarian for the New Bedford Public Library for 51 years before retiring in 1945 as a Chief Assistant Librarian.

The scholarship was established in 1963 as a result of his will leaving money for scholarships to assist

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# Public Hearings/ Legal Notices

## Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 1, 2014, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petitions:

### CONTINUED HEARING:

- Petitioner: Old South Wharf Realty LLC**, RE: 24 Water Street, Plat 7, Lot 1, Book 9109 and Page 268; 198-22: Short 4' of the required 5' setback for an Accessory Structure.

### NEW HEARINGS:

- Petitioner: Max Isaksen for Gail Isaksen**, RE: 5 Widemarsh Beach Way, Plat 29, Lot 33I Certificate # 22201; 198-32.2: A Special Permit is required for a dock or pier in a RR District.
- Petitioner: Jose Cordeiro**, RE: 28 Fort Street, Plat 3 Lot 4, Book 9976 and Page 86; 198-32.2: A Special Permit is required for a dock or pier within a RA District.
- Petitioner: Michael LePage**, RE: 19 Point Street, Plat 28B, Lots 256, 257 Book 10987 and Page 267; 198-18: Short 20' on the west and north sides of the required 30' front setback on a corner lot and 6% over the maximum allowed building coverage of 15% in a RR District.
- Petitioner: Michael F. Cardoso**, RE: 54 Gilbert Street, Plat 29D, Lots 14A, 15, 28A, 29 Book 9720 and Page 170; 198-18: 3% over the maximum allowed building coverage of 15% in a RR District.
- Petitioner: Earl Rogers, Charlene R. Riggan**, 19 Ocean Avenue, Plat 29C, Lots 321-324, Book 5952 and Page 261; 198-18: Short 20' of the required 30' rear setback and 10% over the maximum allowed building coverage of 15% in a RR District.

*Peter DeTerra, Chairman*

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comprehensive support because too many still face hostility from their families.

To that end, the event was a fundraiser to hire a program coordinator who will focus on the needs of both the young and elderly LGBTQ people in the south coast.

Members of the network include New Bedford AGLY/A Perfect Place, a community center for LGBTQ youth from 14-24; SouthCoast Equality, a project of the Community Foundation of Mass., founded to empower all LGBTQ people and sponsors the annual pride celebrations; YWCA of SE Mass.; LGBT YES! (Youth, Education and Schools), which assists school districts in better supporting the needs of LGBTQ identified students; The Women's Center; Coastline/Fairhaven Council on Aging.

Contact the network at 63 Union St., New Bedford, 508-996-8252, or email [sclgbtqnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:sclgbtqnetwork@gmail.com), visit the Facebook page [www.facebook.com/SCLGBTQNETWORK](http://www.facebook.com/SCLGBTQNETWORK)

New Bedford's Gay Pride even will be held on Saturday, 6/28 in downtown New Bedford.

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Board member Kathleen Sturtevant pointed out that the department used to hire seven extra people in the summer. They now have the budget for only two.

"It takes all day to cut Livesey [Park] and it takes all day to cut Cushman [Park]," she said.

"We keep giving and giving and giving and we need to get. It's just not fair," said Mr. Hobson.

Mr. Furtado also told the board and announced to the public that there will be a delay in instituting the new cart system for trash and recycle pickup. The specialized trucks needed by ABC Disposal have simply not been available quickly enough. The current contract will stay in place until the new equipment is available, which may not be until the fall. Mr. Furtado said he would prefer not to start the program in the winter, so the program may not be implemented until next spring.

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### YARD SALE

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## Fairhaven Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Tues., 7/1, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Board of Public Works

Mon., 6/16, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

### Boat Ramps

Wed., 6/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

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

### Dog Park Committee

Mon., 6/16, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Finance Committee

Thurs., 6/12, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

### Government Study Comm.

Thurs., 6/12, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 7/8, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 6/25, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard: Hurricane Prepare Meeting

Mon., 6/23, West Island Community House, 41 Causeway Road, 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting at 6:00 at Hoppy's Landing for upweller dedication

## Acushnet Meetings

### Historical Commission

Wed., 6/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Planning Commission

Thurs., 6/26, Planning Office, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 6/16, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

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

	June 2014	HIGH a.m.	LOW p.m.	LOW a.m.	LOW p.m.
Thursday	12	0754	2015	0108*	1309*
Friday	13	0842	2105	0158*	1401*
Saturday	14	0934	2156	0252*	1458*
Sunday	15	1026	2248	0344*	1554*
Monday	16	1119	2341	0431*	1645*
Tuesday	17	----	1216	0517*	1737*
Wednesday	18	0038	1315	0608*	1841
Thursday	19	0138	1413	0713	2017
Friday	20	0235	1509	0830	2210
Saturday	21	0332	1607	0942	2334
Sunday	22	0434	1710	1120	----
Monday	23	0537	1806	0033	1223
Tuesday	24	0630	1852	0125	1308
Wednesday	25	0714	1933	0216	1336
Thursday	26	0756	2014	0306	1333
Friday	27	0837	2055	0345	1359
Saturday	28	0920	2137	0359	1435

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

# Bates house on Wilbur Point approved; Shipyard continued

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals approved a variance and a special permit for a scaled down version of a house, with conditions, for Sharon Bates on 4 Ruth Street on Wilbur Point. Ms. Bates has owned the property since 2001. The *Neighb News* reported, starting in 2008, her attempts to knock down the existing house and build a larger house on the property. She has clashed with neighbors over the size of the original proposal and over a fence she erected blocking access to Nelson Avenue, which resulted in a court case that Ms. Bates lost, and during her attempt to have Nelson Avenue discontinued altogether, which failed with the Fairhaven Planning Board in 2008.

In the current proposal, the house is 52 feet long (68'6" including the deck) by 24 feet wide (27' including deck/porch) and three stories high, with a garage at ground level and two floors of living space.

That is a significant scaling down from the last proposal in 2011 that was 90'x19'4" and 35 feet high. The original proposal in 2008 was for a house 109'6" long including the deck by 22' wide and 33' high.

The current proposal required a variance for the setbacks, short 4 feet in front and 10 feet in back, and also required a special permit for expansion on a non-conforming lot.

Architect Richard Burke of Stephen Kelleher Architects told the board that the roof on the front porch overhangs past the house requiring the setback variance.

Mr. Burke referred often to a new house owned by one of the Ristuccias at 24 Nelson Ave. He said that house is big on a small lot and the Bateses have a large lot.

"So we think this proposal compares very favorably to the Ristuccia property," said Mr. Burke.

He said his clients have agreed to conditions proposed by some abutters through their attorney John A. Markey, Jr., including that the ledge would not be disturbed and that the proposed decks would never be enclosed, a point reiterated at the meeting by attorney Andrew Ruff from Markey's office.

"We have no issue with that," said Mr. Burke.

After some discussion of what the

contractors may find when they start to dig, the board amended that condition to allow hand drilling for the purpose of pinning the foundation only.

"We believe this is a very fair and reasonable compromise," said Mr. Burke, adding that the project was FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) compliant, so there would be safety improvements.

The project also faces numerous conditions by the Conservation Commission and Mass. Department of Environmental Protection.

Stephen Kelleher told the board that the Bateses shortened the length of the house, but widened it to get the same square footage.

He showed an overlay of the Ristuccia house to prove that it would

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Stephen Kelleher told the board that the Bateses shortened the length of the house, but widened it to get the same square footage.

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not be out of character with the neighborhood.

He, too, said the variance was needed because of the overhang on the front door, a feature he said guests will appreciate.

The house will be elevated and will have a private septic system

Wilbur Point resident Jane Brayton told the board that she and others were concerned about any drilling into the ledge, which is visible on the Ruth Street property, but presumably spreads out widely under the ground.

"We are all part of this rock foundation," said Ms. Brayton.

Barbara Dean said her concern was a natural spring under the ledge.

Ms. Dean also took issue with the comparison to the Ristuccia house, saying it "looks bigger than it really is."

In the end the board approved the setback

variances and the special permit, with the restrictions on the ledge and the decks/porches.

In another matter garnering neighbor interest, the board again continued the petition by the Old South Wharf Realty, aka the Fairhaven Shipyard, which is planning to build a 30-foot-high fence around the property at 24 Water Street. Board member Rene Fleurent suggested that the board allow the shipyard to withdraw without prejudice so they can re-file, saying the abutters have had to attend meetings repeatedly for months and nothing has happened.

In other business the board:

- Approved a variance for David Gerber to build a 14x10 shed on his property at 18 Cottage Street.
- Approved a special permit for Jason Ferro of 14 School Street to raise up to 6 chickens; and for Lynn Connor of 8 Vincent Street to raise up to 6 chickens. Board member Rene Fleurent recused himself from the Connor discussion.
- Granted a variance for Tamzene Pedro-Fontanez to build a 22x22, two-story addition to his home at 41 Christian Street. He needed the variance because the construction is 8 feet short of the required 20-foot front setback.
- Granted a variance, which was an amendment to a previously granted variance for James & Elizabeth Hickox at 184 Dogwood Street. The amendment was to add a second floor to the previously approved detached garage.
- Granted a variance for John Lewis and Susan Kenney to build a garage with a second-floor workshop at 23 Nelson Avenue. The board had already granted the variance for a one-story structure. Board chairperson Peter DeTerra recused himself from the discussion.
- Agreed, at the urging of Mr. Fleurent, to hold elections for chair, vice chair and clerk, which apparently has not happened in three years, despite elections being held every April.

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# As seen on Route 6

## Jesus sighting



Malvin "Mel" Larsen has caused a bit of a stir in recent days by walking around dressed as Jesus Christ on the cross, complete with (fake) blood on his face and a crown of thorns. Mr. Larsen knows he is not Jesus, but wants to spread the word. He invites people to talk to him as he walks around town. He said he is not necessarily preaching the word but wants to let everyone know that it's about a personal relationship with Jesus. He has been dressing like Jesus for two years and has known Jesus since he was five years old. LEFT: Malvin "Mel" Larsen stops to chat and pose for a picture near Fairhaven High on 6/7/14. Photo by Glenn Silva, special to the Neighb News.

## Take me out to the ice cream shop... I don't care if I never get back



ABOVE: Rambunctious members of the Emma Jean's T-ball team try to settle down long enough to get a picture with all of them facing in the same direction (not happening). All this while waiting for ice cream at Emma Jean's Ice Cream Shoppe in Fairhaven on 5/31/14. Photo by Beth David. See it in color at [www.Neighb News.com](http://www.Neighb News.com)

# West Island Improvement Association is in season

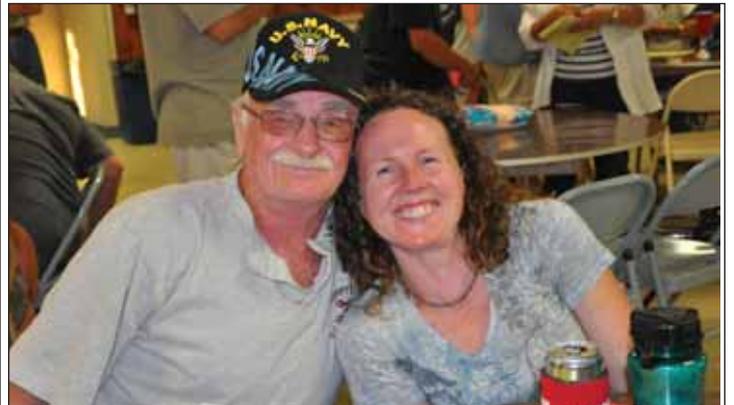
## Irish Night brings out the brogue in all



The West Island Improvement Association held its annual Irish Night on Sat., 5/24. The night featured the traditional boiled dinner of corned beef and cabbage, music by Alfie O'Shea and Eddie Dillon, and... hats of course. The

traditional St. Patrick's Day celebration is held a month later on the island to give the "snow birds" a chance to return from the southlands. Photos by Beth David. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com) Visit us at [www.Facebook.com/Neighb News](http://www.Facebook.com/Neighb News) to see more photos of this and other events.

## First surf 'n turf 'n politics



The West Island Improvement Association held its first Surf 'n Turf raffle to benefit the WIIA on June 6. The little hall on Causeway Road filled up with folks toting their own libations and ready to plunk down some cash to win a variety meat and fish. Nearly everyone walked away with something, so plentiful were the choices, including live lobster. The

WIIA will hold a meat raffle later this summer. TOP: Board of Public Works member Robert "Hoppy" Hobson and Government Study Committee member Siobhan Henebury put politics aside for a moment to pose for the local free sheet. LEFT: A sample of the fare. Photos by Beth David.

# LGBTQ Network celebrates 10 years of same sex marriage

By Beth David  
Editor

Six organizations have teamed up to become the South Coast LGBTQ Network to guild and maintain a comprehensive support network for LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning) individuals and families of all ages.

The network held its inaugural event on May 31 to celebrate 10 years of same sex marriage in Mass.

The room at the Waypoint Center filled up with people of all ages, from children to elders.

Speakers remembered a time when non-heterosexual people had to stay in the shadows. Then came the right to live and work without discrimination, and then the landmark case that made Massachusetts the first state in the country to legalize same-sex marriage, and then the beating back of an attempt to change the state constitution to outlaw gay marriage.

Andy Pollock told the crowd that he remembers how contentious the debate was 10 years ago, and now Utah has same-sex marriage, a turn of events that surprised many.

Liz DiCarlo reminded everyone that local legislators supported the movement early on and should be commended, along with “all our friends, who are straight as well.”

She said now it’s time to concentrate on helping young people and supporting gay elders.

“It’s about youth coming up and the elders coming out,” said Ms. DiCarlo. “There’s lots more to do.”

Christian DeMoranville, who works with LGBTQ youth, said he has seen first hand the change in teenagers when they find a place where they are accepted and not judged.

He said they walk in “white-knuckled” and tense and leave feeling accepted.

“Our goal is to teach these kids what it means to love themselves,” said Mr. DeMoranville. “It’s a family. You can’t put a price on the work we do.”

John Masson of LGBT YES! rattled off statistics about the risks LGBTQ



Andy Pollock and Liz DiCarlo share a laugh during the speech-making portion of the program at the inaugural event of the South Coast LGBTQ Network on May 31. The Network hopes to support LGBTQ youth and elders. Photo by Beth David.

teenagers face, including that 70% have attempted or seriously contemplated suicide.

“It is not enough to have the right to call your husband your husband or your wife your wife,” Bethany Toure told the crowd, adding that people, especially young people, need

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## Art on Center showcases work of three local photographers

By Beth David  
Editor

*Three Photographers: Three Perspectives*, is the aptly named exhibit at Art on Center in Fairhaven, on display through June 29. The three photographers each have a different eye for their subjects. The Center held an opening reception for the exhibit showcasing the work of local photographers Bernadette Costa, James Mahaney and Robert Smith on Saturday, 6/7.

Mr. Smith said he has been in the photography business as a film developer for 40 years.

“Photoshop put me out of business, but I can’t complain,” said Mr. Smith. “You can do stuff with Photoshop you could never do with film.”

He said he joined the gallery last year sold a few pieces last Christmas.

“I just do it because I love doing it,” he said.

Ms. Costa said she was very excited to be doing her first show.

“I’m with some very elite photographers,” she said. “So I

consider myself very fortunate.”

She has been a photographer for 10 years and said she just does what she feels like doing.

“I can’t really explain it,” she said about her eye for artistic value in a shot, and pointed to “Three dresses,” with colorful dresses filling the frame.

She pointed out one of Mr. Smith’s photos that was upside down, with the reflection of the tree on top instead of at the bottom.

“A different perspective,” said Ms. Costa.

Mr. Mahaney has entered contests before, and won, but this was his first exhibit. He was showcasing his local waterfront scenes and Fairhaven

shots.

“You put yourself out there with your work and you stand here and hope they like your stuff,” said the retired educator.

He said he has gotten mostly positive feedback.

“If you strike a person emotionally, they just connect,” said Mr. Mahaney.

He said joining the gallery has helped him.

“Each of us feeds off each other to become better at what we do.”

Art on Center is located at 15 Center Street in Fairhaven. Call 774-208-1709 or visit [www.artoncenter.org](http://www.artoncenter.org) for more information.



Three photographers, three perspectives showcases photography from L-R, Bernadette Costa, Jim Mahaney, and Robert Smith. The exhibit is at Art on Center in Fairhaven through June 29. Photos by Beth David.

# CW Morgan is already in town...sort of

By Beth David  
Editor

Ken Leblanc just couldn't wait for the last whaleship, the Charles W. Morgan to get to town, so he made his own. Created from a kit that he ordered from Mystic Seaport, the project took eight months of full time work to complete. The 1/64 scale replica is rife with extraordinary

detail and is made from wood, copper and brass. All wood pieces were blocks of wood that had to be hand-carved. Planks had to be cut and shaped; even the harpoons are handmade.

Working from a set of plans, Mr. Leblanc said he worked on the model for about 10 hours a day.

"It's a hobby," he said, adding that

he did the Cutty Sark years ago.

He is not sure what he'll do with the Morgan. He is building a display case for it before he decides.

"My goal was to get it done before the real Morgan came, and I did," said Mr. Leblanc.

He said the process is called "bread and butter construction."

But that sounds too plain for such an intricate and elaborate result.



LEFT: Ken Leblanc of Fairhaven poses with his hand-crafted replica of the Charles W. Morgan that he made. RIGHT: A front view of the model. Photos by Beth David. See them in color at [www.neighbnews.com](http://www.neighbnews.com)

## From our readers

### A message for fathers

Realizing that mere titles do not guarantee a credible perspective, I can only write from the heart and hope the following message reaches the intended audience. Initially, I am drawn to the story of a preacher whose plan it was to hit the streets of a city with good news only to be buffeted with the words, "Suppose no one listens?" Without batting an eye, he countered, "At least I'll get to hear it." That is the attitude I desire to share with the men of this Southcoast area and beyond who have the privilege to walk in the role of "father" and who strive to uphold the fullness of that vital position.

For all intents and purposes, fatherhood is the maturing blend of several responsibilities (which include being a provider, protector, teacher, priest, and friend). To be sure, these many hats demand the highest level of commitment and are most difficult to

fulfill. Any man having made an honest parenting effort has the reward of inner peace when looking into his son's or daughter's eyes.

Charles (Chuck) Colson, the late and former incarcerated counselor of President Richard Nixon, who eventually transformed to become an evangelist and faithful father figure in prison ministry, once shared a story that painted the other extreme. A prominent card company offered male inmates free Mother's Day cards. There was such a long line of takers that more cards needed to be ordered. In spite of their circumstances, the theme spoken through these wayward sons was, "Mom, I love you." When the card company decided to offer the same opportunity on Father's Day, there was no line... not one taker. The silence of these same sons shouted a sad and tragic message. "Dad, where were you when I needed you?"

Father's Day is a day that honors

those fathers who give their all (in love) to the position. Life's journey constantly reminds us that we are far from perfect, but one absolute is that every father has the opportunity to try his best to continually improve along the way.

Much like Chuck Colson, I have found practical guidance in accepting the plan of the Father of Heaven, who unconditionally loved us enough to send His Son Jesus to die for the imperfect things we've done. I'm grateful this day to know that He has forgiven my many shortcomings while at the same time continues to help equip me to be the father I need to be. What's more, I stand fully convinced that my Father in heaven will always be there when I need Him.

To the vast numbers of fathers who will read these words, please consider what I've shared. From my heart to yours, have a Happy Father's Day!

*Steven J. Bouley, Fairhaven*

# BPW hires new HMEO; Oliver Street woes continue

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Board of Public Works voted to hire a new Heavy Machinery Equipment Operator at its meeting on 6/2. After interviewing two candidates in open session (a third was not available), members voted to offer the job to Alessandro "Alex" dosSantos.

Mr. dosSantos was the clear favorite, with the two next candidates being at a virtual tie, according to Public Works Superintendent Vinnie Furtado and BPW vice-chair Robert "Hoppy" Hobson, who chose the three finalists after interviewing six candidates.

Mr. dosSantos told the board he has had a Class B Commercial Driver's License since 2003. He has experience in all aspects of the job and said he understood that it is not strictly a driving job, but involves a lot of laborer duties.

Board members were somewhat concerned that the deep cut in pay would be a shock compared to his high Boston-area pay, but Mr. dosSantos assured the board that he would get his health insurance through his wife's job and that he was tired of the long drive. He told them he was looking for a long-term commitment.

"I'm trying to get closer to home," said Mr. dosSantos. "I want to be here for 30 to 35 years."

Board member Brian Wotton said Mr. dosSantos was "over-qualified" for the job, but that was good for the town, if not necessarily good for Mr. dosSantos.

Mr. Wotton said he was familiar with some of the companies that Mr. dosSantos had worked for and that was good enough for him.

"I know they don't take any crap," said Mr. Wotton. "You obviously have the skills, or they would let you go."

BPW Chairperson Michael Ristuccia agreed, but disagreed with the "over-qualified" assessment.

"I think you'll advance here," said Mr. Ristuccia. "You won't be over-qualified in the future."

The board briefly discussed the other two candidates, saying that they would be good employees, but could not compare to Mr. dosSantos.

"I can't imagine anyone more qualified," said Mr. Ristuccia.

The board also interviewed Charles

Vera. He told members he was a hard worker.

The third candidate, Marco Carvalho, did not attend the meeting.

The board voted unanimously to offer the job to Mr. dosSantos.

The Oliver Street chicane also made another appearance on the BPW agenda. Tome Carreiro, speaking for himself and his neighbors, continued to try to find a solution to the existence of an island that neighbors say is more trouble than it is worth.

The Selectboard sent the matter back to the Planning Board, which refused to recommend having the chicane removed.

Neighbors have said it is dangerous the way it is configured and causes accidents, rather than prevents them. Mr. Carreiro said

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we want, but somebody  
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to ten thousand dollars  
[Robert "Hoppy" Hobson]

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people hit it and often end up driving on the wrong side of it.

Options include removing the chicane and replacing it with rumble strips or a speed table, or creating a crossover in the middle of it. All options cost thousands of dollars.

Mr. Furtado said that department employees and resources could be used for some of the work to cut costs, but it would still cost thousands.

"We can approve anything we want, but somebody has to come up with five to ten thousand dollars," said Mr. Hobson.

He told Mr. Carreiro that the only way to get it done was to go before town meeting and make his case directly to TM members.

Mr. Hobson also noted that if it does get taken out, people could very well start complaining that cars are speeding.

"It's just poorly designed," said Mr. Carreiro. He said although it does slow people down, it also prevents him from having access to his own

driveway, without making a three-point turn.

"I can't have a boat," he said, adding that even UPS sized delivery trucks can't deliver packages.

The board agreed to support the efforts of neighbors to get relief from Town Meeting.

"We're not unreasonable," said Mr. Carreiro. "We know finances are an issue."

The board also heard from John Kopaczewski about a violation at his house on 23 Point Street for using an unapproved driveway contractor.

Mr. Kopaczewski said he did not realize there were two separate lists for approved contractors. He told the board he never got the second list for the driveway and used a contractor on the drainlayer list. He was looking to get his refundable \$1000 back. The money is fully refundable if there is no violation.

Board members told him he did a wonderful job on his house and fairly gushed about the quality of the work. However, that did not change the fact that he had used an unapproved contractor.

They decided to keep \$300 of his \$1,000 deposit and return the rest.

"I'm not going to argue that," said Mr. Kopaczewski, but wanted it on the record that he never received the second list.

In another matter, Antone Medeiros received permission to add a driveway opening for property owner Vincent Manfredi. Mr. Manfredi told the board that the way his lot at 14 Houle Street is configured makes it hard for him to get out of his driveway if someone parks on the street. He said he wanted to be able to "pull through" and park his boat and car side by side. The board approved an opening on the Wilding Street side of the property.

The board also briefly discussed an issue with grass cutting at the now empty Oxford and Rogers schools. The board had decided to cut it once at the request of the Selectboard, which again asked that the BPW take on the task.

The board agreed to cut it, but said it was getting difficult and becoming unreasonable for the town to expect the department to maintain all town properties with current staffing.

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