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## Wind turbines shut down at night



Fairhaven Wind executives James Sweeney, Sumul Shah and Gordon Deane (L-R facing camera), face the Fairhaven Selectboard and the Fairhaven Board of Health to discuss results of a state noise test that found the Wind Turbines on Arsene Street were out of compliance with noise limits on some nights this winter. The Board of Health voted to shut the turbines down at night. The Selectboard put Fairhaven Wind on notice that they had violated the lease and have 30 days to come into compliance. See story on page 4. *Photo by Beth. See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*



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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Okay, what great profundities may I impart upon you this week?

We had a bit of First Amendment drama in the courtroom (page 4) during the election re-do hearing. The reporter from the conglomerate on the other side of the river was compelled to testify. The attorney argued that she should not testify because it might interfere with her ability to cover the story and it might scare off sources.

I suppose I should be outraged or something, but, I don't know. I don't think I would've hesitated to testify. If they asked me about sources, I would just not answer; I have that right. The trust that a source has that a reporter won't reveal who he or she is has nothing to do with being compelled to get on the stand; it has to do with if you are able to withstand the questioning.

Reporters are citizens, too, and we have the same obligations as anyone else. The Whitey Bulger trial is going on and two reporters from the Globe and one from the Herald are expected to testify. The big question there was whether they would be allowed to be in the room to cover the story for their papers while other people testified. No one ever said they wouldn't testify at all. They will, no doubt, be allowed to protect their sources. That should be a given, we shouldn't have to keep going over and over this.

On the other hand, Edward Snowden is in hiding, isn't he? So, we're still going over and over that one [heavy sigh]. That's despicable. He should NOT have to be worried about prosecution from the U.S. government. It's the government that should be prosecuted, by us, for what they are doing.

I find it terribly disturbing that young people see no difference between advertisers spying on them and the NSA. It is not the same, kids. Yes, you are growing up in a world that documents your every move. Yes, it does not disturb you that cameras are everywhere. Yes, it's more convenient and saves money that Stop & Shop knows what kind of meat you buy and Amazon can anticipate which gadget or book you'll want to buy next. None of those people are your government. Stop & Shop can't label you a terrorist and put you in prison because of what you bought. Amazon can't put you on a watch list to keep you from getting on a plane because of what book you bought.

Your government can do all that and more. Someone needs to make these guys back off. We are that someone.

Okay, next: If you see mistakes in this little weekly miracle of mine, please let us know. We want to fix our mistakes. We want the record to be right.

On the other hand, please let us know what you are talking about. To the (unnamed) woman who called and said we made "a number" of mistakes in the graduation story, I have no idea what you are talking about. You did say you wished we would've stuck with the program book. Now, at the risk of making an "assumption," I'm going to wonder out loud if the problem was that there were a few names in the program book that were not in our list of grads. Just so you know: The school department routinely sends us a few names of seniors who did not "meet graduation requirements." Did someone forget to tell grandma or Auntie Somebody that he didn't really graduate? Oops....

Last thing: Be sure to get to the Road Race this weekend. See page 6 for details. Until next week then, see ya...

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story on the emergency preparedness meeting last week, we mistakenly said the Fire Chief is responsible for opening the Command Center. It is the Selectboard that calls an emergency and opens the Command Center. The center is housed at the fire department.

Also Mr. Osuch clarified that NStar representatives will

attend preparation meetings; they will not, however, put a crew at the comman center during storms.

In our April 11 letter from the editor, we mistakenly identified someone who was in the town clerk's office for election results. It was Lorraine Medeiros, not Elaine Rocha. We apologize for any confusion our errors caused.

# Judge hears case on new election, decision due on Monday

By Beth David  
Editor

Judge Robert Kane heard testimony in Superior Court this week to decide if the problems with Fairhaven's 4/1/13 election were substantive enough to warrant a new election.

Arguing for challenger John Wethington, who lost by one vote after a recount, Attorney Ann Ponichtera DeNardis told Judge Kane that multiple problems with the election amounted to a violation of people's constitutional right to have their votes counted.

Problems with the election included that the number of voters who checked in does not match the number of voters who checked out, and the number of ballots does not match either of those numbers in some precincts. Because the election was decided by a single vote after the recount, Ms. DeNardis said the results cannot be trusted.

To further complicate matters, Judge Kane ruled previously that a disputed ballot that went for DeTerra should be disregarded, making the election a tie.

In any case, Ms. DeNardis said the public had no faith in the results.

"This is America," said Ms. DeNardis. "The foundation of our democracy depends on the election laws."

She faulted Town Clerk Eileen Lowney with the problems, and said Ms. Lowney's assertion that the mistakes were made at the precinct level, by the part time workers and volunteers, was not sufficient to shift the blame.

"The buck stops with her," said Ms. DeNardis, adding that Ms. Lowney hired the workers and gave them their instructions.

At issue specifically is that some ballots were not counted at the precinct level. The "hand counts," those ballots that the machine rejected; and the "write-ins," those ballots that the machine counted except for the written-in names, were counted by Ms. Lowney after the election. It was the inclusion of the hand counts that changed the election from a three-vote lead by Mr. Wethington on the night of the election to a one-vote lead by Mr. DeTerra.

Ms. DeNardis said that Ms. Lowney

"willfully disregarded election laws" by handling ballots over and over after the election, and by letting Selectboard Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch handle the ballots.

"She took the law into her own hands," said Ms. DeNardis, when Ms. Lowney continued to handle the ballots, which should have been sealed and locked in the vault immediately after the votes were counted.

The judge, however, seemed to empathize with Ms. Lowney's predicament.

"People are people, they are not machines," said Judge Kane. "Think for a minute, when she realized she had not counted seven ballots. One could say a panic swept into her. She acted desperately and in careless ways."

Ms. DeNardis countered that Ms. Lowney was not a "newbie." She has been town clerk for 18 years and was assistant clerk before that.

"No [election] case has so many irregularities," said Ms. DeNardis, adding that the same methods have been going on for years in Fairhaven. "Mr. Wethington stood up and said

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# BOH orders wind turbines shut down at night

By Jean Perry

## Neighb News Correspondent

Fairhaven's two wind turbines will be shut down from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. for three weeks, after a vote from the Fairhaven Board of Health on 6/10 during a joint meeting with the Selectboard and the Mass. Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) at noon. BOH chair Peter DeTerra made the motion, board member Barbara Acksen seconded the motion. The vote was two in favor, with board member Jeannine Lopes keeping silent during the vote.

In a follow-up interview, Ms. Lopes expressed dismay that there was no opportunity for discussion after the motion was made, and no opportunity for opposing votes. At their regular meeting later that evening, the BOH re-voted the matter, with the proper order, of: motion, discussion, vote for, against.

Ms. Lopes said she had a chance at the night meeting to explain why she was opposed to the motion.

"For the mere fact that we didn't even give the developer, who stated at a public meeting he would work with the DEP and town, we didn't give him the opportunity, which we legally should have," said Ms. Lopes. "We just went ahead and took a vote to shut them down. We should at least have given them the opportunity to rectify the situation."

Ms. Lopes said she had indicated that she wanted to hear what other people had to say before speaking at the afternoon meeting, expecting to have a chance to speak after the motion was made.

"It happened so fast, it was like a baseball bat. I couldn't get a word in," said Ms. Lopes.

She added that the vote did not take into consideration the process that got the turbines installed in the first place.

"We're not thinking about the two town meetings that were held," she said. "These turbines passed by a two-thirds vote both times. I think people have lost sight of that."

She said the board should be thinking about the whole town, not an "interest group."

"They're not thinking of the town as a whole," said Ms. Lopes. "It's very disheartening."

Whether legal or not, the vote in the afternoon was greeted with claps

and cheers by those in the room.

The Selectboard followed with a unanimous vote to allow developer Fairhaven Wind, LLC 30 days to come back into compliance with the lease of the land, which stipulates that the wind turbines must operate within noise limits.

Selectperson Geoff Haworth said the turbines have been an issue that has divided Fairhaven, and the turbines exceeding the noise limits is a "clear breach of the lease agreement."

Saying he was "a little offended" that the developer knew about the



Residents react to a vote at a joint meeting of the Fairhaven Selectboard and Board of Health on Monday, 6/10, at noon. The BOH voted to shut down the Arsene Street wind turbines at night and the Selectboard voted that Fairhaven Wind was in violation of its lease and had 30 days to come into compliance or eviction proceedings would begin. *Photo by Jean Perry.*

noise compliance problems, but took no action until the Board was forced to act, Mr. Haworth made the motion to declare Fairhaven Wind in violation of its lease. The motion specified that, if the developer is unable to prove compliance before the end of 30 days, the Town will move forward with an action to evict.

The Selectboard is empowered to enter into contracts and administers the lease. The vote of the BOH was based on the noise complaints and declared the turbines a nuisance.

The decision to shut down the turbines at night seemed to surprise people in attendance, evidenced by loud clapping, cheering, and tears.

Gordon Deane, Sumul Shah and James Sweeney of Fairhaven Wind were present at the meeting, but did not speak. They remained after the meeting to join the Selectboard and

representatives from the Mass DEP and the Mass. Clean Energy Center in executive session.

"Today things will change," said Selectboard Chairperson Charles Murphy. "Today our residents will work together to not only have a good night's sleep, but also work together to keep Fairhaven united versus Fairhaven divided...Today we come together as a team to work on a new beginning and begin our town's healing."

"We cannot go back and change the beginning," he added, "but we can start from here and create a new ending....our residents will not be test subjects any longer."

He encouraged neighborhoods to join together in support to begin a new phase in the Town's history he called "Fairhaven United."

BOH Chairperson Peter DeTerra stated that as of 6/6, the BOH had received 486 complaints from 56 households; 67% of those complaints noise-related.

"We must take action based on what we know today," said Selectperson Bob Espindola. "The time is now to make the decision and move forward."

Mr. Espindola proposed an amendment to add Fairhaven as a volunteer test subject for joint-effort testing between the Mass DEP and Mass CEC's own testing.

Mass DEP Deputy Regional Director Laurel Carlson specified, however, that the purpose of this particular testing is research and not about compliance. That testing will begin this coming winter.

Town Counsel Tom Crotty advised both boards that the motion to notify the tenant (developer) would give the developer 30 days to act, unless a judge allows for a longer time period.

"I was totally shocked," said Windwise member Ken Pottell. "I guess we have preconceived ideas. I guess we always tend to think of the negative...I hope the Town will eventually come together."

"Yay. I'm speechless," said Windwise member Louise Barteau. "I am really at a loss of words."

After a pause, she said, "I am really proud of our boards because they are up against agencies...and big money. My hat is off to (them)."

*Editor's Note: Beth David contributed to this report.*



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## EPA/Dredge mtg

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## WI Breakfast Buffet

*First of the Season!*

**Sun., 6/16, 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.

## Road Race

Father's Day 10K and 5K Road Races, **Sunday, June 16. Begins at Hastings Middle School, 30 School Street, Fairhaven. Start time, 9:00 a.m.**

The annual running of a 10K, TAC sanctioned course through the lovely, historical Fairhaven streets features some of New England's top runners. There is also a shorter 5K race. Sponsored by Fairhaven merchants. Registration fee is \$20. Registration deadline Saturday, June 15 at 4:00 p.m. No post entries. For registration, call 508-997-9460. Online at <http://jbrace.com> (See ad on page 9.)

## July 4 Parade

Fairhaven non-profit organizations, civic groups, Scout troops, clubs, sports teams and businesses are invited to participate in Fairhaven's annual Fourth of July Costume parade, sponsored by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism. The parade will be held on Thursday, July 4th.

If your group would like to enter a vehicle or a float call 508-979-4085.

No advance notice is needed. Simply show up at 9:00 a.m. on the east side of Cushman Park on 7/4.

## Farmer's Market

The Fairhaven Farmers Market will **start the season this coming Sunday** on the lawn of Fairhaven High School. It marks the start of the summer season in our community. Everyone attends and visits all the farmers and vendors that they haven't seen over

the winter. It is a wonderful event that will be sure to please you and help you support the local farmers and crafters. We are looking forward to a great season in Fairhaven.

The market runs from 1-4pm. Try and come out and support our community. This year we will also have the Fairhaven Solar Energy Challenge table set up for everyone to find out more about their exciting information for households. For more information about the market please contact [ann.richard@gmail.com](mailto:ann.richard@gmail.com)

## Used Book Sale

On Saturdays, June 22 and June 29, from 9 am to 1 pm, The Unitarian Memorial Church in Fairhaven will host its Fifth Annual Book Sale. Bring your family and spend a perfect summer morning getting some beach reading at our huge book sale. Don't forget June 29th is the Fairhaven Homecoming Day celebration, enjoy the festivities, food and crafts in Fairhaven Center in addition to the book sale. We are happy to receive donations of used books, CD's and DVD's up until the day before the sale begins, call the church for hours we will be open. Unitarian Memorial Church is at 102 Green St. Fairhaven.

If you are a dealer or avid collector you might be interested in the Early Bird Dealers Preview (\$5 admission fee), Friday June 21 from 6-7pm. For more information visit us on [www.uufairhaven.org](http://www.uufairhaven.org) or call 508-992-7081.

## 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.

## Give Blood, Get Tickets

During the month of June, the Southcoast Blood Bank will offer all blood donors **two free tickets to a New Bedford Bay Sox home game.**

Tickets are available to blood donors at all Southcoast blood donor locations, including the Southcoast Blood Bank located at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford and at all Southcoast Blood Drives. Tickets can be used at any home game during the regular season but are not redeemable for cash.

In addition, Southcoast Health System invites the public to attend **"Southcoast Night at the Bay Sox" on Thurs., June 27 at 6:30 p.m.** Athena Xifaras, MD, Associate Director of Southcoast Pediatric Services at St. Luke's Hospital will throw out the first pitch. Attendees will receive giveaways including beach balls, sunscreen and water bottles. The Southcoast Health Van will be onsite during the game to provide free health screenings to the community.

Southcoast Health System is the official health system of the New Bedford Bay Sox, a member of the New England Collegiate Baseball League since 1997. The Bay Sox play their home games at Paul Walsh Field in New Bedford. A complete schedule is available at [www.nbbaysox.com](http://www.nbbaysox.com).

**Blood Drive: Thursday, June 20, Fairhaven Fire and Police Department, 146 Washington St., Fairhaven, Blood Drive, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

## Bereavement Grp

Southcoast VNA, offers free bereavement programs for adults grieving the loss of a loved one.

**Tuesday, 6/18 from 4 to 5:15 pm, Fairhaven Council on Aging, 229 Huttleston Avenue.** Individual, short-term bereavement counseling is also available to adults grieving the loss of a loved one. Contact 800-698-6877.

# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Get Outdoors

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park is offering free fun in the sun as part of National Get Outdoors Day. Get a head start to a healthier, happier you with yoga in the park or “burn while you learn” by taking a guided or self-guided walking tour of the historic district.

HOPE Yoga Studio in Dartmouth will offer **free yoga in the park garden at 2:00 PM on Sat., 6/15**, 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford. Bring yoga mats, if you have one. The park has a limited supply of mats for those who don't have one. Please RSVP (for yoga only) by calling Emily Prigot at 508-996-4095 x 6105 or via email at emily\_prigot@nps.gov.

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## Clambake F-R

United Way of Greater New Bedford will host its premier annual fundraiser, the 19th Annual Clambake with Lobster. All proceeds will go to our local United Way, which funds over 60 health & human service agencies and also administers several of its own programs such as the Hunger Commission of Southeastern MA, the Community Building Mini-Grants Program, Summer Fund, Volunteer Solutions and Mass 2-1-1. Guests will feast on a traditional New England Clambake with Lobster and live music by Wired, dancing and an extensive silent auction.

Under a tent on **State Pier 3, downtown New Bedford, Friday, 6/14**. Limited open bar from 5-6 p.m. Clambake at 7. Music and dancing

until 11 p.m

**Tickets are \$80 each or \$750 for 10. Go online to purchase tickets at [www.unitedwayofgnb.org](http://www.unitedwayofgnb.org), or call 508-994-9625, ext. 15.**

Need to contact us on the day of the event? Call Victoria Grasela 774-526-9423 (cell phone).

## Meet the Artist

Meet the Artist at AHA! Night, Thursday, June 13 at 7pm. Marilyn Szabo will be at Crowell's on AHA! night to talk about her work and answer your questions. It will be a great time to meet the artist and really get to understand her work.. **Opening Reception, Saturday, June 15 from 5pm to 9pm.** Come to the opening reception for the “Uncomfortable Places” show at Crowell's in Downtown New Bedford. Food and Refreshments will be served. This will be a great opportunity to view and buy Szabo's work. Join us at 382 Acushnet Ave in Downtown New Bedford.

## Cookbook F-R

The Ladies' Branch of the New Bedford Port Society recently published a community cookbook, *Recipes from Land and Sea* to support the efforts of the Committee to Restore the Seamen's Bethel.

The 1831 building, renowned as the Whalemens' Chapel in Melville's “Moby-Dick,” and overseen by the New Bedford Port Society, is suffering from water and insect damage, and costly rehabilitation has been undertaken.

The cookbook, published by Morris Press Cookbooks in Kearney, Neb., contains almost 200 recipes gathered from more than 80 contributors.

Members of the Ladies' Branch will be at the **Seamen's Bethel on Johnny Cake Hill selling the cookbook as part of the June 13 AHA! activities in downtown New Bedford. Stop by their table between 6 and 8 p.m.**, enjoy a sample of baked goods from recipes in the book, and purchase copies of the book, **priced at \$12.**

*Recipes from Land and Sea* is also available at Euro Phoenix in Fairhaven, Baker Books in Dartmouth, and at the Seamen's Bethel during regular visiting hours. All of the proceeds from sales will go towards the restoration fund.

## Dinner F-R

Nick Claudio, 12, is known as the "Renaissance Man" from Mattapoisett because of what he has accomplished in spite of debilitating cancer treatments.

Nick's first tumor left him blind at the age of 9. He's currently undergoing treatment for a second round of brain tumors. With bills for non-reimbursable medical treatment, technology and travel expenses mounting daily, a group of friends and family have come together to help ensure that Nick has the opportunity to participate in outreach programs for the visually impaired along with obtaining the necessary equipment and technology to keep him connected with the world.

The Freedom Fund for Nick Claudio (FFFNC), with support from the Devin Laubi Foundation, is holding a fundraiser, emceed by Jim Mathes, at 6PM on **Sunday, June 23, at the Century House in Acushnet**. Tickets are \$30 each and \$20 each for children 13 and under. Tickets can be obtained by calling 508-996-3425.

## Donate Your Books

Are you getting your house ready for summer? Take some time to clean your shelves of your best used books to make way for the new ones you'll be buying at the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library's annual book sale. We're looking for good-quality hardcover and paperback books, audio books, DVDs, and children's books. Please, no periodicals, encyclopedias VHS tapes or textbooks. Donations can be left at Eastern Bank, Mayhew's Valet Cleaner's and Shepley Financial Services in Mattapoisett. Please note that the "Book Donation" container in town is not associated with the Friends or with the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

The book sale this year will be held at the library, 7 Barstow Street, July 17 through 20, with a Members-Only Preview the evening of the 17th.

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library is a non-profit, 501(c)3 corporation that serves the library's needs. We provide a number of museum passes annually; support the summer Children's Programs, and others by request; and serve to provide the library and its staff with

wants and needs as they arise. Our funding comes from our membership fees, our book sales, and our jewelry and accessories sales.

## Farmers Market

The **Acushnet Farmer's market** is preparing to open up for its fourth year this **Saturday June 15th**.

Acushnet Farmer's Market is operated by Scott and Joanne Harding, long-time Acushnet residents. As cranberry growers, they believe strongly in the value of providing fresh, locally grown food.

The market incorporates many local vendors who provide a variety of offerings: fruits and vegetables, baked goods, fruit, honey, eggs, and other local products. We also have a talented group of artisans with hand made knitted items, jewelry, and all natural goat's milk soap and lip balm.

The Acushnet Farmer's Market is located at **186 Leonard Street and is open each Saturday from 9-1, rain or shine**.

## Huge Yard Sale

More than 10 families on Brandt Island will host yard sales on June 15 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain date is June 16. Yard sales will take place throughout the neighborhood at homes on Brandt Island Road, Brandt Beach Avenue, Kerwin Avenue, Oceanview Avenue and Pinehurst Avenue. More families are expected to join the event. Updated information will be available on Craigslist.com.

## Call for Runners

Join the 4th annual MASS DASH Relay Race to support Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund: July 13-14. Runners are invited to join the 4th annual Mass Dash Relay team race in its **200-mile trek across the state of Massachusetts** to raise money for pediatric and adult cancer research and care at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund.

Teams of up to 12 runners each will begin the two-day, non-stop relay race of 36 legs across Mass. — from the foot of Mount Greylock in Adams, to the finish line at Carson Beach in Boston. Along the way, the teams will run through Massachusetts's beautiful state parks, forests and reservations and its many historic and

picturesque towns and villages. The finish line will feature a beachside barbeque and music for runners to enjoy and celebrate together at the end of the race. In the past three years, 1,500 runners and volunteers have joined in the Mass Dash and raised over \$325,000 for Dana-Farber.

**Registration is open until June 15.** For more information about Mass Dash or to register your team, please visit: <http://www.massdashrelay.org>.

## Free Yoga & Med.

Dartmouth Natural Resources Trust is happy to announce that Slocum's River Reserve on Horseneck Road in Dartmouth will be the home of free weekly yoga classes and meditation walks this summer, thanks to the sponsorship of Hawthorn Medical Associates.

**The yoga class**, instructed by yogi Jeff Costa RYT, certified instructor and graduate of the Kripalu School of Yoga and Health, will take place **every Wed., from 8:00-9:00 a.m., June 19 through August 21**.

**Meditation Walks** will be led by instructors from Yoga on Union of New Bedford. They will take place **every Sun. from 9:00-10:00 am, June 23 through August 25**.

Visit the DNRT Facebook page and website for details on what to take with you to class, cancellations, etc.: [www.dnrt.org](http://www.dnrt.org)

## Narwhal Whale talk

Join Mass Audubon and author Todd McLeish in a multimedia presentation as he recounts his adventures studying the elusive narwhal, the rare Arctic whale with the spiral tusk. He will take you high above the Arctic Circle with teams of narwhal researchers seeking to solve the mysteries of the animal's migrations and debating the purpose of its tusk.

**Narwhals: Arctic Whales in a Melting World** will be held on **Thursday, June 20, from 7:00-9:00 pm at Mass Audubon's Stone Barn Farm, located at 786 Horseneck Road, South Dartmouth, MA**. This program is suitable for families (children 8 and up encouraged to attend). **Cost is Adult \$10.00, Child \$6.00 for MAS members; and Adult \$12, Child \$8.00 for nonmembers**. Register online, <https://www.massaudubon.org>, or call 508-636-2437.



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# Recipe of the Week

## Cinnamon Graham Bars

- 1 stick softened butter
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsps milk
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 2 cups crushed cinnamon graham crackers (about 16 whole crackers)
- 1/2 cup sweetened coconut flakes
- 1/2 cup chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a 9-inch square pan. In a large bowl, beat butter and sugar until creamy; add egg, milk and vanilla, mix until well blended. Mixture will be grainy. Stir in graham cracker crumbs, coconut and chocolate chips; mix well.

Spread evenly into prepared pan and bake in 350° oven 25-27 minutes or until bars are lightly brown.

Cool completely and cut into bars.

By Andrea Moniz

# Little League weekly update

## MINOR LEAGUE DIVISION

### Acushnet Co. 17, Ocean's Fleet 8

Ocean's offense was led by red-hot Timmy Lawrence (2 hits & 2 runs), Sara Leclair (1B & 2 RBIs), Kyle St. Jean (1B, RS, RBI), "Junior" Joseph (1B, RBI) & Devaugh Goncalves-Barrett (1B, 2 RBIs). Acushnet Co.'s Brad Sumner & Tyler Chang each scored 3 Runs, and both pitched well for Acushnet Co.

### Ocean's Fleet 10, Elias Plastering 6

Mason Tolman pitched 4 innings, striking out 12 batters also contributed with a single. Aiden Hassey finished with a 1B & 2B, Evan Souza & "Junior" Joseph each had a single, while Blake Hougasian reached base 3 times and scored 2 runs. Timmy Lawrence had a 1B, 2B & 3B to continue his hot streak. Cam Sauve led Elias with 2 hits & 2 RBI's, Aidan Milton had 4 RBI's. While Sam Kaplan, Jacie Medeiros, Kyle Figueiredo, Kevin Moura, Baylen Brunelle, & Brian Poirer had one hit each.

### Acushnet Com. 7, J & R Plastics 4

For Acushnet Co. Dario St. James pitched 4 innings. striking out 8 and

giving up only 3 hits. Luke Morrison pitched the last two innings striking out 4 and only allowing one run. Tyler Chang and Brad Sumner had two hits each and scored two runs. For J & R Plastics, Owen Spangler pitched solid in relief striking out 5 in 4 innings and also had 2 hits. Nolan Santos and Mason Santos played really well defensively at short and 2nd.

## MAJOR LEAGUE DIVISION

### Knox Elec. 6, Steven's Home Imp. 4

Knox had solid pitching from Noah and Jay Camacho that lifted Knox Electric past Steven's Wednesday night. Noah Pertigo added one inning in middle relief. At the plate Colby O'Neil & Noah Camacho each doubled and combined for 4 RBI's. Also adding hits were Brendan DaSilva, Justin Hankins, Cameron O'Neil, Noah Pertigo & Jay Camacho to help seal the victory.

### Superior Logo 11, Lions Club 0

For Superior, Sven Tveit threw a 3 hit shutout and went 2-3 with a home run. Ryan Robichaud and Shane Freitas also contributed 2 hits each for Superior.

# Flag Day at the Whaling Park

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park will host a Flag Day concert featuring New Bedford elementary school students **on Friday, June 14 at 10:30 AM**. The band will play patriotic songs as well as other musical pieces. The concert will take place **in the national park garden at 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford**. Free.

The band brings together students from the Ashley, Pacheco and Winslow Elementary Schools. Bill Lacey and Dana Bernier direct the

band, which numbers 70 students.

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park was established by Congress in 1996 to help preserve and interpret America's nineteenth century whaling industry.

The visitor center is at 33 William Street, New Bedford. It is open seven days a week, from 9 AM-5 PM, and offers information, exhibits, and a free orientation movie every hour on the hour from 10 AM-4 PM. Accessible. Free. Visit [www.nps.gov/nebe](http://www.nps.gov/nebe) or call 508-996-4095.



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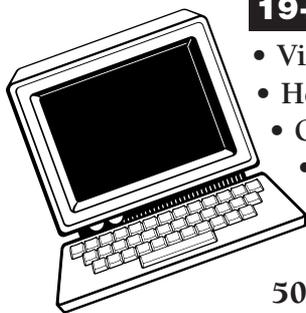
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# Rogers School holds final spring fling



The Rogers School is in its last year. In the fall its students will join the Wood School students at the new school being built on Scoticut Neck Road. So this year's Spring Fling on Sunday, 6/9 was the last one. The event was originally scheduled for Saturday, but got rained out. Heidi Winnett was on hand to get some shots of the festivities. The event included a bouncy slide, horse rides, games of skill, karaoke, water balloon baseball and putting area.

TOP LEFT & RIGHT: Two girls play water balloon baseball, whacking water-filled balloons with a bat. ABOVE LEFT: Sherry Tripanier serves cotton candy being sure to get some in her hair. ABOVE RIGHT: A girl plays a ring toss game. RIGHT: Boys playing golf at a makeshift green.

Photos by Heidi Winnett. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)



## West Island 5K awards Cross Country Scholarships



On Monday, May 27, after the Memorial Day Parade, Lyle Drew, Race Director for the West Island 5K, presented seven \$500 West Island 5K scholarship checks to the FHS Class of 2013 cross country seniors. All the cross country seniors are planning to attend colleges throughout New England. ABOVE, L-R: Craig Lewis, Molly Sylvia, Heather Shanks, Jackson Oliva, Kendal Armstrong, Lyle Drew (West Island 5K Race Director). *Submitted photo. See it in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

## West Island's Irish Night serves traditional fare



The West Island Improvement Association held its annual Irish Night on Saturday, 5/25, serving up a traditional meal of corned beef and cabbage. Irish music by the Mulligan Trio, raffles and door prizes rounded out the night. Proceeds benefit the WIIA. LEFT, L-R: Mary Heroux looks on while Louise Merrick mugs it up with John Belcher. RIGHT: Fairhaven's Eddie Dillon of the Mulligan Trio entertains on Irish Night at the West Island Community Center. *Photos by Beth David. See them 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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## Counselor in Training Program

Teens 13-16 learn to become summer counselors. Included is CPR, early education tips, job interview skills and much more, CIT's will plan and run a theme day for the summer Kool Kids program, run games, assist senior counselors with projects, etc. Field trips and a pizza lunch every Friday are included. Program runs for 2 week sessions. Cost per session \$200.00 for members \$230 for non Members. 13 min. age. Space limited

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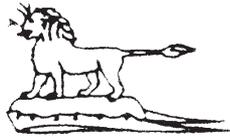
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# Planning discusses marijuana clinics, approves Teves subdivision

By Jean Perry

## Neighb News Correspondent

Medical marijuana facilities regulation and zoning is increasingly appearing on the radar of the Fairhaven Planning Board. On 6/11 Director of Planning and Economic Development Bill Roth gave the board a brief summary of state regulations in the works.

Although Mr. Roth suggested that the Board of Health should lead the way in addressing the concerns of town officials and residents alike, the Planning Board engaged in a brief discussion on dispensaries versus growing facilities, one-year moratoriums to allow for the drafting of zoning bylaws governing medical marijuana facilities, and the highly regulated nature of the design of the facilities themselves.

Chairperson Wayne Hayward commented on how lax the proposed language of the state regulations is written, with Board Member John Farrell concurring.

Mr. Farrell is already beginning to show his opposition to the possibility of dispensaries and growing facilities in Fairhaven, and Board Member Francis Budryk continues to ask if and when they will receive any free samples.

The matter will continue to appear on the agenda under long-range planning well into the future.

Also at the meeting, Mr. Roth briefed the board on the progress of Bill H. 1858, a zoning reform bill relative to municipal zoning, subdivision control and master planning.

Mr. Roth explained that the current

zoning legislation is "extremely antiquated," active for about 25 to 30 years.

He commented that Massachusetts's current zoning legislation is "probably the worst in the country."

Calling it a "compromise bill" that does not address all the issues in the planning community, Mr. Roth said there are a lot of opt-ins for communities, including incentives for the devising of master plans.

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The bill, according to Mr. Roth, already has 158 signatures which he said is unprecedented.

"This is the closest in thirty years zoning reform has ever gotten," said Mr. Roth. "Not everyone wins, but it makes dramatic improvements...It will help a lot."

Mr. Hayward commented that the bill looks like it was drafted by a Planning Board member, which pleased him somewhat. Although the bill would take away some grandfathering rights, he commented that it

would give new and better ones.

The bill is still in the committee review process, and Mr. Roth stated that it is undetermined when it will go before the House.

In other business, the board voted to approve a Form A for Roberta and William Martin of 10 Gilbert Street after a relatively brief discussion.

A portion of Torrington Road will be discontinued to add lot size to the existing under-sized lots, bringing them closer to conformance. Mr. Roth commented that there was no reason the board should not endorse the Form A, and it was approved.

Returning before the board after approval from The Zoning Board of Appeals, the Teves Subdivision on Judson Drive was approved by the Planning Board.

There was one public hearing for a Special Permit for Mill Bridge Holdings of 200 Mill Road, the old AT&T building.

The plan is to remove several underground fuel tanks that once fueled several generators that no longer exist on the property.

Once the tanks are removed, the area will be landscaped and the drive once used by trucks to refill the tanks will be converted into 55 additional parking spaces.

After a few suggested changes of landscaping details, the board gave its approval for the "pretty straightforward" plan, as Mr. Hayward put it.

A public hearing for a Definitive Subdivision Plan for Mary Vander Pol of Earle Street was scheduled for 7/9.

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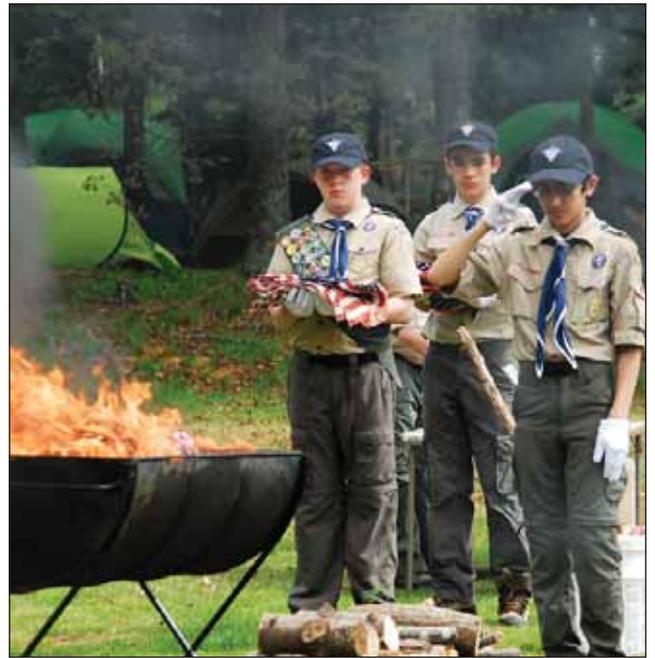
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# Boy Scouts retire old flags in solemn ceremony



Boy Scout Troop 333, East Freetown, Mass., recently performed a solemn ceremony during a weekend camp out at which over 1,500 worn and tired American flags were disposed of by honorable fire. The flags were collected from Lakeville, Freetown and other surrounding locales over a period of several months. They included nearly 1,200 flags removed from veterans' graves as new ones were placed for Memorial Day. The largest flag retired was a torn and tattered 30 by 50 foot American flag from a local banner and flag business. LEFT: Senior Patrol Leader, Eagle Scout Daniel Perry with his back to the camera, directs the Flag Retirement ceremony while (L-R) Jayme De Oliveira (New Bedford), Caleb Guerra (Acushnet), Jacob Correia (Acushnet) and Troop Guide, Eagle Scout Anthony Perry (New Bedford) salute the honorable fire. RIGHT: Scout Jayme De Oliveira holds his salute while Scouts Drew Benton (Dartmouth) and Jack Dompierre (Fairhaven) wait at attention. *Submitted photos. See them in color at [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com)*

## Cigarette ignites rubbing alcohol, woman gets 2nd degree burns

By Beth David  
Editor

A 49-year-old Fairhaven woman was flown by Med-Flight helicopter to Mass. General Hospital after accidentally setting herself on fire while applying rubbing alcohol to her body and smoking at the same time.

Firefighters and paramedics responded to 41 Bayview Avenue in Fairhaven on Monday, 6/10, at 7 a.m. after receiving a 911 call about a fire

in a closet with injuries, according to Fire Department Public Information Officer Wayne Oliveira.

Two engines and an ambulance responded to the home to find a fire in a closet had been extinguished but the woman received burns to her face, arms and legs.

Mr. Oliveira said the whole house could have become involved with the fire, "But the real concern was burns for the patient. She was evaluated on

scene by Fairhaven paramedics and flown from Macomber Field to MGH."

He had no word on her current condition, but said she was conscious and responding to emergency personnel at the scene.

The woman suffered second-degree burns over 30% of her body. Her name was withheld due to medical privacy regulations.

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# COA holds first BBQ for older gays

By Beth David  
Editor

June is Gay Pride month, so it seemed like a fitting time to hold the first local Elder Pride BBQ & Social. Coasline Elderly Services and the Fairhaven Council on Aging hosted the event at the Fairhaven Senior center on Sunday, 6/9.

The event was designed to help create a community atmosphere for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) individuals over 55. About 30 people showed up for food, entertainment and conversation.

A group of eight men who did not know each sat together talking up a storm, exactly what organizers had hoped would happen.

Tom Sheehan and Marvin Schell, a couple from New Jersey, had just moved to Fairhaven and said they were happy to meet other people in



the local gay community.

Many lamented the fact that the bars are the only local place to socialize.

Janice Cruz said she went on Sunday to get out and socialize with people.

"I don't want the bar scene," she said.

"There's no community that I know of in this area," said Carole Snow Keyes. "There's a complete lack of connection in the New Bedford area."

She said she lived in the Boston area for 13 years and it was very different.

"It's a good time, getting together with people," said Marge Baha, who was sitting next to Toabe Nigel-Massey, who said she was "a little bit kidnapped" by her friends to go there.

"I was hoping to see some people I haven't seen in awhile, and I have," said Pam Davis.



A group of men and women get to know each other at the first BBQ for LGBT people over 55 at the Fairhaven Senior Center on Sunday 6/9. L-R: Carole Snowe Keyes, Connie Mayer, Lewis Vamosi, Jim Coutinho, Joan Stratton and Christine Wood. BOTTOM LEFT: Tom Sheehan and Marvin Schell bought a house in Fairhaven two years ago and moved here from New Jersey recently. *Beth David photos.*

"And met new people, too," added Ms. Blaha.

Noberta Rebelo said she was there "to have fun and see the old timers."

She said she did not know anyone there, and "It's good to get together chit-chatting."

"I don't go to the bars anymore, so where am I going to meet people," said Cheryl Lheureux. "The younger days are gone."

For more information on future programs for LGBT seniors, including trips and cruises, contact the Fairhaven COA at 508-979-4029.

# Boston Pride Parade includes big names



National Basketball Association player Jason Collins was probably the biggest name at Boston's Gay Pride Parade on Saturday, 6/8. Mr. Collins caused quite the stir when he announced he was gay this year, becoming the first openly gay professional athlete actively playing in one of the four major professional sports leagues in the US. Mr. Collins marched with Rep. Joe Kennedy, his former college roommate; and with former Rep. Barney Frank. LEFT, L-R: Jason Collins, Rep. Joe Kennedy III and former Rep. Barney Frank are interviewed by Boston Neighborhood Network at the Boston Pride Parade on 6/8/13. RIGHT, L-R: US Senator from Mass. Elizabeth Warren and Rep. Ed Markey, who is running for US Senator in the special election on 6/25, are interviewed by Boston Neighborhood Network at the Boston Pride Parade on 6/8/13. *Photos by Beth David. See them in color at www.NeighbNews.com. See more photos on www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews. Individual photos are available for purchase.*

'this is wrong.' Mr. Wethington stood up for the people who voted for him."

Town Counsel Thomas Crotty argued that although the court had argued sufficient evidence to call for a new election based on the inability of the clerk to reconcile the numbers, the irregularities with the election did not rise to the level of misconduct on Ms. Lowney's part.

He said the town had hoped to be able to clear up the discrepancy with the numbers, thinking it was the absentee ballots, because three of them were considered "spoiled" by the machine. That means the names were checked off, but the machine did not count the ballots. However, the numbers still do not match.

He said that the town and Ms. Lowney feel a new election is warranted based on that, but on that alone, not on any malicious behavior by the clerk, her poll workers, or members of the public.

Ms. DeNardis has also claimed that Ms. Lowney was friends with Peter DeTerra, implying strongly that she tampered with the results to insure his victory.

Mr. Crotty argued that although it was possible someone tampered with the ballots, "there is not an iota of evidence that did happen," he said.

He said the laws are designed to prevent fraud and accidents, but just because there were irregularities does not mean there was any fraud.

He also said that the machine counts prove it was a close election "no matter what," and did not indicate tampering with ballots.

"The closeness of this election proves nothing," said Mr. Crotty.

Judge Kane however, said there were "serious problems" with the election and procedures, but the

question was if those problems were serious enough to order a new election.

John Markey, representing Peter DeTerra, made the point that Ms. Lowney's handling of the 4/1/13 election was no different than any other election.

"This is her practice. Everything she did," he said, was the same as she had done for 18 years.

He said her so-called friendship with Mr. DeTerra was simply a friendly relationship because he was a town official. He asked her when she testified if she could do her job if she were required to recuse herself for every person she had the same relationship with and she replied that she could not.

Mr. Markey made the point that very few times has a judge ordered a new election.

"It's not a favorite remedy," he said.

The judge agreed.

Mr. Markey pointed out that Mr. DeTerra won twice and even if it remains a tie after an appeal of the rejection of the disputed ballot, that a new election is not warranted.

During the course of the two-day hearing, John Methia, a Wethington

supporter, also testified, and supplied a video he took on voting night that also included some clips from the government access show.

Mr. Methia testified to support the claim that Mr. DeTerra was in a position to tamper with the ballots after the initial tally

that gave Mr. Wethington the win by three votes.

The video, however, did not show Mr. DeTerra in the clerk's office alone.

Ms. DeNardis also asked for Standard-Times reporter Ariel Wittenberg to take the stand after seeing her in the video.

The ST attorney, Matthew Mitchell, argued against letting her testify, saying it could interfere with her ability to cover the story and might also interfere with her ability to gain the trust of sources.

Judge Kane ruled that Ms. Wittenberg was only being asked to testify on what she saw with her own eyes and kept Ms. DeNardis's questioning very narrowly on point.

"This is a matter of substantial public interest," said Judge Kane, adding that the only other person identified on the video in the same place was Mr. DeTerra, and he could not be objective.

When asked what she observed during that portion of the video, Ms. Wittenberg simply stated, "I don't recall," and was let down from the stand.

Judge Kane will read his decision into the record on Monday at 3 p.m.

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# Public Hearings/ Legal Notices

## Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 2, 2013, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petitions:

1. **Petitioner: Daniel W Gibbs**, 58 Ocean Avenue, Plat 29C, Lots 249-250, Book 9563 and Page 17; Alter Special Conditions issued by the Board in March, 2013.
2. **Petitioner: Ronald Oliveira for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.**, 2 Meadow Lane, Plat 30, Lot 25, Book 10491 and Page 50; 198-28: Special Permit is required for construction in the NRB.

*Peter DeTerra, Chairman*

## DEATH NOTICE

Bill Machado, 58, of Fort Collins, CO, and formerly of West Island, died on May 30, 2013. He is survived by his wife, Roberta Snook Machado; son, Brad (Heather) Machado of Waipahu, Hawaii; son-in-law, Diego Trujillo of Loveland, Colorado; daughter, Bethany Macchietto of Fort Collins, Colorado; brother, John (Lil) Machado; sisters, Phyllis (Maury) Constant, Mary Jane (Dan) Roy, Joanne (Steve) Crossley; grandchildren, Brooke, Shadow, Eve, Julianna, Isabella.

Arrangements were by Allnutt Funeral Service: <http://allnutt.com/>

# Fhvn Cultural Council announces awards

## Press Release

Fairhaven Cultural Council has announced the award of 14 grants totaling \$6,522 for cultural programs in Fairhaven and surrounding towns. Grant recipients include programs for school age children to senior citizens in both visual and performing arts.

Funded projects for this year include Acushnet Classic Ensemble; Art on Center; Richard Clark — Atticus, To Kill a Mockingbird; Working Waterfront Festival; Greater New Bedford Choral Society; Greater New Bedford Summerfest; New Bedford Art Museum; New Bedford Ballet; New Bedford Festival Theatre; New Bedford Symphony Orchestra — Young People's Concert; Debbie O'Carroll — Dig Into Reading Magic Show; SouthCoast Children's Theatre, Inc.; St. Joseph School — field trip to Zeiterion Theatre; Tri-County Music Association — Senior Citizen Outreach.

The Fairhaven Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. Statewide, more than \$2.34 million will be distributed by local cultural councils in 2013. The LCC

Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

Decisions about which activities to support are made at the community level by a board of town appointed volunteers. The members of the Fairhaven Cultural Council are: Kristine Daniels, chair, Sharon Dorian, Willoughby Elliott, Laura Gardner, Julianne Kelly, Jacqueline Kenworthy, treasurer, Margaret McQuilkin, secretary, Maureen Sylvia, publicist and Don Wilkinson. The Council is currently looking for additional volunteers from the Town of Fairhaven. If interested in learning more contact Kristin Daniels at [artgirlkris@comcast.net](mailto:artgirlkris@comcast.net).

The Fairhaven Cultural Council will seek applications for the 2014 grant cycle again in the fall. Information and forms are available online at ([www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org)). Applications are due October 15, 2013.

# Governors bet on their home teams

## Losing Governor To Volunteer at Food Bank in Winning Governor's State

### Mass. Governor's Office Press Release

Governor Deval Patrick and Illinois Governor Pat Quinn announced on Tuesday a friendly wager in advance of this week's Stanley Cup final opener between the Boston Bruins and the Chicago Blackhawks. Under the terms of the wager, the governor of the losing team's state will volunteer at the food bank of the winning governor's choice. If the Bruins win,

Governor Quinn will volunteer at the Greater Boston Food Bank. If the Blackhawks win, Governor Patrick will volunteer at the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

"I look forward to seeing the Bruins circle the ice with the Stanley Cup above their heads," said Governor Patrick. "And I'm delighted to join with Governor Quinn to use the excitement of the playoffs to draw

attention to the important issue of food insecurity."

"Governor Patrick is skating on thin ice by betting against the mighty Chicago Blackhawks," said Governor Quinn. "But the Greater Chicago Food Depository can always use extra help, so after he works a shift there, I'm happy to take Governor Patrick to the United Center to see the Stanley Cup return home."



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## Fairhaven Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Tues., 7/2, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Board of Health

Mon., 6/10, Town hall, 12 noon with Selectboard

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 6/17, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Finance Committee

Thurs., 6/13, Arsene St., 7 p.m.  
Thurs., 6/27, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

### Harbor Dredging with EPA

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

### Personnel Board

Tues., 6/18, Town Hall, 2 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 7/9, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Thurs., 6/13, Town Hall, 5:30 p.m.  
(Harbor Dredging with EPA)  
Mon. 6/17, West Island Comm. Ctr., 6 p.m./Emergency Prep meeting

### Trust Commission

Mon., 6/17, Town Hall, 9 a.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Mon., 7/1, Commtty Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

### Board of Public Works

Thurs., 6/13, Parting Ways, 6 p.m.

### Conservation Comm

Wed., 6/26, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Historical Commission

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

### Planning Commission

Thurs., 6/13, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 6/17, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

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## Marine Fisheries website has moved

### Press Release

Our website has moved! This change is part of an ongoing statewide effort that results in a standard "look and feel" among all state government agency websites. You'll also see this new look on the websites for the Department of Fish and Game, Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Office of Fishing and Boating Access, and the Division of Ecological Restoration.

New and useful features for the new format include "breadcrumb" navigation, wider pages, and mobile phone/tablet viewing.

The MarineFisheries main web page address remains the same —

[www.mass.gov/marinefisheries](http://www.mass.gov/marinefisheries) — but all the information from the old site has been moved to the new site. You will need to update any favorites, bookmarked, or saved searches on specific MarineFisheries web pages.

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## From our readers

### **“Handful” of residents took on Goliath**

For a dedicated group of Fairhaven neighbors it's been a long and “crazy” road, a road that has led to a victory!

We are those who Gordon Deane of Fairhaven Wind has called a “handful of residents.” Apparently this handful was more than he and his men could handle. Along the way this “handful” has taken on the Goliath that is the big wind industry while providing a voice for those who were suffering.

We've pulled the shroud off of the green energy myth and exposed it for what it is. We've played a role in ousting long time political fixtures and in electing smart and compassionate leaders. We've been ridiculed and ostracized, called crazy and abrasive. We've made our case and we've supported it with facts. We've talked and we've listened, screamed and cried, clapped and hugged and now we've achieved historic success!

In the 1940s my father; a scrawny kid from New Bedford Vocational wearing taped and tattered shoes and against all odds ran to a national track championship. Sometimes it takes a while to realize your inheritance and often times it's more valuable than gold. For me that inheritance, that gold, was Paul Methia's fighting spirit and perseverance. And it was that spirit and perseverance along with the unwavering dedication of a “handful” of compassionate and caring friends that against the odds brought a win to this fight.

I am proud to call every one of my neighbors, those who worked and stood with me, who endured the ridicule, who wouldn't bow down or be silenced, who persevered, my friends. There is plenty of road ahead and rest assured this “handful” has plenty of race left in us. We are still strong, determined committed and will persevere until each and every one of our friends and neighbors are free of turbine torture all day and every day. And then together the race will be won and a truly united Fairhaven will be our medal!

*John Methia*

### **Writer of poison pen letter has distinctive style**

Just when you think you have witnessed the most tawdry, lowlife behavior imaginable, somebody in

Fairhaven goes out of their way to prove you wrong.

An anonymous letter was sent to businesses in Fairhaven, libeling the Fairhaven Neighborhood News and defaming its editor, Beth David. This has to be some kind of a record in the categories of nasty, disgusting, and hateful.

If you saw the letter (which I give David credit for publishing), you may have noticed how badly written this little rant was. Apparently, the irony of calling someone a bigot and a lesbian in the same breath was completely lost on the cretin who wrote it.

If you happen to be the person who wrote the letter, you should know that calling someone a lesbian isn't derogatory; it's just another kind of normal like being tall, or young, or redheaded. It isn't an insult unless the person saying it is a shameless bigot like you. In that case, it makes you a disgrace to the human race, a blight upon humanity.

Now, I myself have a very keen ear for writing style, even when it is poor and juvenile. I recognize a style of writing, the way most people recognize voices. It's especially obvious to me when the style is pompous and grating. Others write the same way that they speak, using the same signature catch phrases and words in both.

So ask yourself where you have heard frequent use of the imperial “We” from someone pretending to act as though they were empowered to speak for every business in Fairhaven. Haven't you heard someone routinely use phrases like “we have noted that,” “as any business will tell you,” “it is concerning,” and “more productive” (which appears twice in the same sentence)? If that is not enough, the dead giveaway is the expression “this weekly rag.” The author might as well have signed it.

If you are a regular reader of the Fairhaven Neighborhood News, hearing it called a “rag” must surely ring some bells for you. Who is capable of such a cowardly and dirty trick as sending a poisoned letter with the intent of damaging someone's professional reputation, or destroying that person's livelihood? To paraphrase Sir Isaac Newton, I recognize the hyena by its paw print.

If you are a detective trying to

solve a case, you need only ask the question of motive. Who could be so bitter, angry, and aggrieved by the Fairhaven Neighborhood News as to feel compelled to take such an underhanded and contemptible action? Surely someone comes to mind. Who would put themselves to such lengths to be so vindictive?

In an age when most newspapers are captives to large corporations and the predilections of their large corporate advertisers; small, privately owned papers like the Fairhaven Neighborhood News are increasingly a rarity. In the not too distant future, I suspect that the sanctity of a free press will be viewed as a quaint anachronism.

Fortunately, there are still many high minded people in Fairhaven who recognize and appreciate the importance of this little outpost of First Amendment freedom called the Fairhaven Neighborhood News. I hope that those of you who do, will continue to support it strenuously.

I rarely agree with Beth David's editorial comments. She has characterized me in ways that I think are completely inaccurate and undeserved, but I respect her right to speak her mind. Since she routinely publishes my editorial comments without change, despite our differences; she apparently respects my right to free speech, too. If she did not, you probably wouldn't be reading this opinion now. That much, at least, we definitely have in common. (I believe we also share a love of Lebanese food.) Beth David deserves a full measure of respect for the effort and contribution she makes to this town each week — whether you agree with her editorial perspective or not.

The choice is pretty stark. You can support the Fairhaven Neighborhood News and your own First Amendment liberty, or you can align yourself with the treacherous little maggot who is trying to destroy them both with hatred.

*Curt Devlin, Fairhaven*

I have decided to stick  
with love. Hate is too  
great a burden to bear.

*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

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