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A full train circles Cushman Park on Saturday, 7/14, during the Bicentennial's "Good Ole Fashioned Fun Day." The free event included entertainment, games, giveaways (including lots of free water) and food booths. 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) for 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

Okay, the uproar over where the USA's Olympic uniforms were made has totally obscured the fact that the uniforms suck. Who cares where they're made when they look like that? Hasn't anyone noticed that the women's uniform is a white pleated skirt? I mean, really, let's just all sit down and cross our legs just so and NOT move...don't move, don't sweat, because everyone knows that ladies do not exert themselves.

Ugh. What a throwback they are.

Let's not make them anywhere.

Now, a little closer to home. Fairhaven's Office of Tourism has new digs to move to....the Academy.. Tada!

Congratulations to Bob Espindola, who voted to move it where his buddies most decidedly do not want it. And congratulations to Charlie Murphy, too, who also bucked his buddies to vote for the move, although he did kind of whisper his support, I guess.

Did I mention that Brian Bowcock and I agree on this? Will wonders never cease...

Anyway, the fix is in. Tourism will move to the Academy (see page 4). There is some question as to whether the vote was to make it temporary or not, but that's just semantics. The board can revisit the issue anytime they see fit, no matter what the original motion said.

So, let's see what happens. If all the artifacts in the museum disintegrate at the mere presence of Chris Richard, we will all look so foolish, won't we.

What a waste of time this whole mess was. Phil Washko spoke for many of us when he said: "I'm a little dismayed that this issue is still unresolved."

Okay, finally resolved.

Our cover story was lots of fun to attend, although it was a bit hot, as usual this summer (see page 12). It's been brutally hot, hasn't it?. I'm so glad we have not had the power issues other places have had. Besides not being able to get a paper out without electricity, I just need that air conditioning on all the time these days. I just can't imagine how people without power are managing.

It also makes you wonder how it was in 1812 with no A/C anywhere. No cooling centers, just the beach.

Gotta love my Atlantic Ocean.

West Island is just hopping these days. So many people have discovered Hoppy's Landing now. It's great to see them enjoying all this little patch of paradise has to offer.

By the time September rolls around, though, I'm sure I'll be happy to say "see ya next year."

We've got a story on page 18 about some trees that were vandalized in the area that's been getting spruced up with CDBG Funds.

The person who did that should be required to plant 10 trees for every single branch he broke. That neighborhood has been getting spruced up and is looking good, and then you go and do that to the trees. What an ingrate, yup, an ingrate.

Well, there's lots of other good stuff in here this week. You just feel free to flip through and check it all out. It's time to get this baby to the printer. And, as soon as I do that I'm going to get those pictures up on Facebook as I've been promising. Honest....

Until next week then,

See ya,

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## CORRECTIONS

In last week's issue, we made a mistake in naming the group that grew beards for Fairhaven's sesquicentennial in 1962 and this year for the bicentennial. They are the Brothers of the Brush. We apologize for any confusion our error may have caused.

# ACE to perform Bicentennial Concerts

FANFARE FOR FAIRHAVEN is the theme of the Bicentennial Concerts to be presented by ACE (Acushnet Classic Ensemble), now in its 23rd summer season.

Eighty young musicians, more than half from Fairhaven, are joined by other outstanding music students from the surrounding communities of Acushnet (where it all began), Dartmouth, Easton, Lakeville, Mattapoisett, New Bedford, Rochester and Westport.

Conductors will be Douglas Anderson, directing the full orchestra and Advanced String Ensemble, Daniela Chirigotis, the

Combined String Ensembles, and Thomas Short, the Wind Ensemble.

These Pops Concerts will feature selections that audiences between 1812 and 2012 would have listened to: fiddle tunes, marches, ragtime, jazz, sea shanties and much more! A contemporary work by Soon Hee Newbold, written especially for ACE, will be a special highlight. Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture will be the dramatic conclusion to this concert.

**The performance schedule is Wed., 7/25, Dress Rehearsal at 1 PM; Thurs., 7/26, 7 PM, Performance with Reception**

**following; Fri., 7/27, 7 PM, Performance with Reception following**

All performances will be held at the Fairhaven High School Performing Arts Center, which is air-conditioned and wheelchair accessible. All events are FREE; donations are accepted.

Supported in part by the Fairhaven Public Schools, corporate and private donations, a grant from the Greater New Bedford Allies for Health and Wellness, and a Community Building Mini-Grant from the United Way of Greater New Bedford. •••

## Marsh driver's vehicle identified

By Beth David  
Editor

Andrew Jones, chairperson of the Fairhaven Conservation Commission, said he will discuss with fellow ConCom members the possibility of sending a letter asking for restoration of a marsh to Daniel DeNardis, a former Finance Committee member. The vehicle that was photographed on the marsh on Shawmut Street was not a pick-up truck as first reported, but an SUV. It was identified as Mr. DeNardis's by the license plate.

Fairhaven Conservation Agent Wayne

Fostin had prints of the original photographs taken by a neighbor whose identity has not been confirmed, and he took some of his own. Mr. Fostin said damage to the marsh is several hundred feet and, in his opinion, was caused by one vehicle, the one in the photographs.

Mr. DeNardis referred questions to his wife, Ann Ponichtera DeNardis.

Ms. DeNardis disputed Mr. Fostin's claim, saying that it was clear that many people have used that path to the water. She said she was always under the impression it was a road, and was public

access to the water. She said now that she knows it is not, she will not "follow others' tracks" anymore.

"This is a political witch hunt," said Ms. DeNardis. "They are singling me out because I have represented the community against the town. This is an abuse of power."

Ms. DeNardis has been representing members of Windwise and neighbors opposed to the two wind turbines on Arsene Street.

"Now that I'm aware, I won't go driving

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## Local Bands:

**Friday, 7/20:** MV Shark Tournament Weekend!!  
**Saturday, 7/21:** McCarthy Richards Band, 8-Mid.  
**Sunday, 7/22:** James Gagne, 3-7

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# Selectboard votes: Tourism will move to the Academy

By Jean Perry

## Neighb News Correspondent

The Fairhaven Office of Tourism has officially found a new home at the Academy Building, effective January 1, despite vigorous opposition to the move by Historical Society members.

The Fairhaven Selectboard put to rest the years-long dispute with a unanimous vote, after witnessing one last public battle between the Historical Society and the Historical Commission, which supported the relocation of the tourism office to the Academy Building.

The selectboard was intent on voting at its 7/16 meeting to settle the issue once and for all, and allowed opponents and proponents one last chance to argue before a decision was made.

Tourism Director Christopher Richard said there were two main issues that encumbered a move to his number one pick for a new location, the Academy Building: handicap accessibility, and "the unwillingness of another tenant at the building to share the space."

Mr. Richard called the installation of a simple wheelchair ramp a "quick fix," which the Town could install for under \$2,000.

"It's way less than the \$6,300 we're paying for rent," said Mr. Richard.

Historical Society members in attendance, including society President Dr. Barbara Acksen, who is also a member of the Fairhaven Board of Health, continued defending their turf, bringing up alternatives and giving reasons why sharing the space with the tourism office would be detrimental to the town.

HS Member Sharon Challingsworth spoke about an informal offer made by the owners of the old Fairhaven Bank building at the corner of Center and Middle Streets, that would allow Mr. Richard to occupy a small office inside the newly established Art on Center gallery located in the building.

According to Ms. Challingsworth, Mr. Richard was offered the space that is "within spitting distance" from his current location free of rent, including free Wi-Fi, and access to a bathroom and kitchen.

"I don't understand why he would want to put [the tourism office] so far...where no one could find it," said Ms. Challingsworth. "It just seems so obvious."

Ms. Challingsworth added that the parking at the Academy Building is

often dubious, with the high school right next door. She stated that high school students and staff often fill up the parking lot, leaving no spaces for visitors to the Academy.

"That's not true," said Historical Commission Member Deborah Charpentier.

Speaking "truthfully," Ms. Charpentier said, "The parking lot...we all use it...I've never had an issue with it."

She spoke out against the offer at Art on Center, saying, "I don't think we should be putting a town employee in a private building."

Selectboard member Charles Murphy asked Mr. Richard about liability issues involving the option of relocating to Art on Center.

Mr. Richard responded that his office would be "at the whim of a private business owner." He also said that he

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the same building  
[Christopher Richard]

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worried about liability with visitors of the tourism office entering the building outside of the gallery's hours of operation.

Mr. Richard and Ms. Challingsworth duked it out over facts and opinions about the appropriateness of the Academy Building location. Mr. Richard said the higher traffic volume and position of the Academy at the entrance to the town would attract more visitors to the tourism office, who otherwise would continue driving, oblivious that the center of Fairhaven even exists.

"People don't want to come to Fairhaven," stated Ms. Challingsworth.

Mr. Richard said, "I don't know why, as adults, people can't coexist in the same building."

"I trust his judgement," said former candidate for Selectboard Phil Washko about Mr. Richard. "I'm a little dismayed that this issue is still unresolved."

"Are we looking for the right building or are we just looking to pacify the Historical Society?" asked Historical

Commission Chairperson Wayne Oliveira.

Selectboard member Bob Espindola pointed out that no formal letter offering the space at Art on Center had been sent to the board, and the owners had still not responded to his phone calls. He said he went to the building to view the space, and met with the other occupants of the building, but has had no exchange with the owners. He said it would be impossible to vote on a hypothetical situation.

Selectboard Chairperson Brian Bowcock motioned to approve the relocation of the tourism office to the Academy Building, but both Mr. Murphy and Mr. Espindola sat silently, and no one seconded the motion. Mr. Espindola then said he would prefer to vote to allow the tourism office to relocate to the Academy for a one-year trial, with Mr. Richard agreeing to produce statistics that demonstrate an increase in visitors as a result of the new location.

Mr. Espindola then seconded Dr. Bowcock's motion; however, Mr. Espindola did not formally ask Dr. Bowcock if he could amend the original motion to specify a temporary one-year trial before the board voted.

In a follow-up interview, Selectboard Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch stated that it is routine to formally ask the board member who made the original motion if it could be amended. He said that, in his opinion, the motion that carried was the original motion to move Mr. Richard to the Academy, with no mention of it being only temporary.

Also on the agenda, the public hearing for Down the Hatch continued, with some West Island residents saying that, although the sound issue seemed to have diminished somewhat, the noise from the bar is still unacceptable.

DTH owner Matthew Hebert described changes and upgrades to the bar's sound-proofing, including canvas sound curtains which are hung on live entertainment nights.

"For me, it's quieter," said Robert Rizzo, a Dogwood Street resident. He stated, though, that he still wanted the music lowered more.

West Island resident and Finance Committee member Sid Martin summarized a letter he sent to the board with results from independent sound studies he conducted, which he said validate his claim that the music

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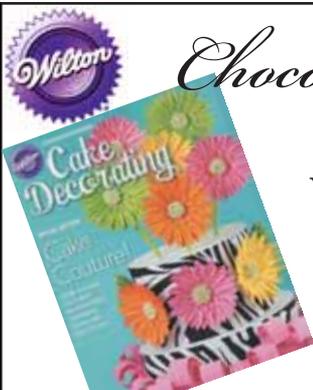
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# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## ACE concerts

See page 3 for details.

## Concerts in Center

The Fairhaven Improvement Association's FREE Summer Concert series has begun.

- **On July 19, the "Shenanigans"** will make Irish eyes smile.
- Back by popular demand, the happening horns of **"The Infractions"** are scheduled for **July 26.**
- **On August 2, "Captain Malibu,"** who played their debut with the series, will play a mix of rock, reggae, funk, and alternative music.
- The series will close with Fairhaven's Native Son, **Jim Gagne, and "Shipyard Wreck" on August 9.**

Concerts are front of the Town Hall on Center Street, for young and old alike. Bring your chairs or blankets and be prepared to spend a pleasant evening enjoying the music and relaxing in a beautiful historic setting. Rain or shine. In the case of rain, the performance is moved into the Town Hall auditorium.

## WIIA Dance

The West Island Improvement Association is sponsoring a dance, featuring **The Relics, on July 21, from 8-midnight.** BYOB/Snacks. Tickets: \$10/person, at the door. This WILL sell out, so get there early.

## Register for Tennis

We are now taking registrations for our Ten and Under Session Two clinics. The Fairhaven Tennis Association uses low impact balls and foam balls in an approach that brings success and fun to juniors. All Ten and Under Clinics are held at Cushman Park where the courts have blended lines that allow for those ten and under to play on courts that are smaller. To register go to [www.fairhaventennis.org](http://www.fairhaventennis.org) and download the registration form.

If you have any questions feel free to call 508-280-3150. **Session two starts on Sunday July 22nd.**

## Blood Drive

Sponsored by the George Taber Masonic Lodge in conjunction with the American Red Cross, on **Sat., 7/21, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.,** at the

Fairhaven Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Ave. (near Stop & Shop). Accessible. Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome.

To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (2767) or 774-263-5018, or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) Positive ID required. Free Friendly's ice cream (while supplies last).

## Antiques Appraisal

Do you have an attic, basement or garage filled with old items? Are you interested in knowing whether these items are valuable? Well now you can find out at the **Second Annual Antique Appraisal Day, Sunday, July 22, from 1PM-4PM** at the Fairhaven High School grounds in conjunction with the Fairhaven Farmers Market. Sponsored by the Fairhaven Business Association (FBA).

Anyone interested in an appraisal by an Antique Specialist may bring their item(s) to the FBA booth at the market. The cost to appraise each item is \$5.00.

The Fairhaven Business Association is a not-for-profit organization comprised of local businesses whose object is the collaboration of marketing, encouragement of local economic development, revitalization and tourism within the Town of Fairhaven.

For more information regarding the Fairhaven Business Association please contact Debra Perrin, President at 508-994-9971 or Sylvester Ingeme, Vice President and Membership Coordinator at 800-897-0343.

## Summer Jamboree

At American Legion Post 166, 54 Main St., Fairhaven, on **Sunday, 7/29, from 2-7 p.m.** Featuring four bands: Johnny Tate, Midnight Sun, Backroads Country, Dick Aranjó. Buffet. Tickets: \$12, at the bar. All proceeds benefit Post 166.

## Need Host Families

Want a free lesson in Japanese? Want to establish a personal contact with a significantly different culture? Two boys and three girls from Shimizu High School (in Tosashimizu, Manjiro's home town) will visit this area from July 28 to Aug. 5.

We are seeking host families from this area who are looking for an

international experience. This type of exchange is a true "win-win" for the hosts and the visitors.

If you are considering welcoming one of these youngsters to your home or need more information, contact Gerry Rooney, 508-995-1219, 508-858-5303, [Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org](mailto:Gerry@WMFriendshipHouse.org)

## Yard Sale Items

The Church of the Good Shepherd, 357 Main St., No. Fairhaven, is now accepting donations for its Annual Yard Sale which will be held on Saturday, August 18 from 9-3. Donations will be accepted on Saturday mornings from 9-1.

## Farmers Market

The Fairhaven Farmers Market is held on the **lawn of Fairhaven High School from 1-4pm Every Sunday.**

Sponsored by The Fairhaven Sustainability Committee. For more information: [ann.richard@gmail.com](mailto:ann.richard@gmail.com) or 508-991-8315.

## Golden Agers

The Fairhaven Golden Agers Club will hold an open house on **Wednesday, 7/25 in the Oxford Terrace Community Room, 275 Main St., Fairhaven,** from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Accessible. All ages, 18+ are welcome to the Open House. Do come by to see how to spend a pleasant Wednesday afternoon.

On Open House day, membership is not required to take part in club activities, including: Bingo, 25 cents/card; 10 different games including dogs (\$1/ball) and a chance to win \$5 if you're a dog winner.

Raffle of household items (tickets 4 for \$1), food, refreshments, coffee, cake and door prizes (free).

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## Lobster Roll Dine-Out

**Thursday, 7/26, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Our Lady's Haven, 71 Center St., Fairhaven.** Lobster roll dinner includes chowder, lobster roll, French fries, coleslaw, dessert and beverage; **\$14. Tickets must be purchased in advance.** Proceeds benefit the residents of Our Lady's Haven. For information, call 508-999-4561.

# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Youth Tennis Clinic

As part of an ongoing initiative to encourage exercise and physical fitness for Bristol County's youth population, District Attorney Sam Sutter will hold another round of free youth tennis clinics for the City of New Bedford.

This year's free youth tennis clinics will be held on **Sat., 7/21, and Sat., 7/28, at the new McCoy Field Tennis Courts** adjacent to New Bedford High School. New Bedford area children between 7 and 9 years old will take the court on both Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m., while children between the ages of 10 and 14 will be instructed from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. on both Saturdays.

Register for the clinic by logging on to [http://bristolda.com/DA/Events\\_files/NB\\_12\\_Tennis.pdf](http://bristolda.com/DA/Events_files/NB_12_Tennis.pdf), by calling Volunteer Coordinator Brian Rose at 508-961-1972 or by picking up a registration form at: District Attorney's Office, 888 Purchase St., 4th Floor; Boys & Girls Club, 166 Jenney St.; City Hall, 133 Williams Street.

Walk-ins permitted, although participants are asked to arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the clinic.

## YTI Auditions

Auditions for Peter Sagal's play "Denial," an engrossing drama examining moral and ethical dilemmas inherent in the First Amendment, are scheduled for **Tuesday, July 24 and Friday, July 27 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

Tryouts for two female and four male roles will be held in the handicap accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Performance Complex at St. Martin's Church, 136 Rivet St. at County St., New Bedford. Parking is free in the church lot on County St.

To be directed by Stephen Kay, prominent award-winning actor and director in Southeastern New England, the play's characters are:

**Abigail Gersten**, a Jewish civil liberties lawyer in her 40s; **Stefanie**, an African American secretary who is upward of 20 years old and assistant to Abby; **Bernard Cooper**, 39 or more, a professor whose records denying the Holocaust have been seized by federal agents; **Adam Ryberg**, a Jewish assistant district

attorney in his 20s at odds with Abby; **Noah Gomrowitz**, in his 80s, a prominent Jewish author and Holocaust survivor trying to stop Cooper from continuing to deny the Holocaust ever happened; **Nathan**, a Jewish retiree in his 80s and a Holocaust survivor.

Although ages for actors auditioning are somewhat flexible, the roles of Noah and Nathan require men capable of handling slight Jewish/Yiddish accents

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

## At Whaling Park

The New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park visitor center is located at 33 William Street in downtown 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-3 PM. The visitor center is wheelchair-accessible, and is free of charge. For more information call 508-996-4095, go to [www.nps.gov/nebe](http://www.nps.gov/nebe).

The following events are being held at the center.

**Hip-hop artist Tem Blessed** will be appearing in the garden area on Thursday evening, **July 19, from 6:30 to 7:15 PM** as part of its Thursday evening summer concert series. Then, on **Saturday, July 21, from 12 noon- 2 PM**, Charlie York will be demonstrating oar making in the garden the 1850s ladies offer hands-on crafts for children.

## Dock-U-Mentary

The Dock-U-Mentaries Film Series continues **Friday, July 20th at 7 PM** with three short seafood industry promotional films: *Sardines From Maine Down East Style*, *Live Lobster: Maine Lobstermen* and *Pearl of the Atlantic*. Dock-U-Mentaries is a co-production of the Whaling Park and the Working Waterfront Festival. Films about the working waterfront are screened on the third Friday of each month beginning at 7:00 PM in the theater of the Corson Maritime Learning Center. **Free.**

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the 1950s and 60s offer a wonderful glimpse into what for many was the heyday of New England's seafood industry. Take a trip back in time to the days when scallops were routinely served in school cafeterias, lobstermen fished out of wooden boats and Maine was home to hundreds of sardine canneries.

## Trolley Tours

The New Bedford Preservation Society will sponsor a trolley tour of many of New Bedford's historic mill sites on **Thurs., 7/26 (South End) and Thurs., 8/23 (North End)**. The trolley will leave from the William Rodman House parking lot, 388 County Street, at 6 p.m. Free parking in the lot.

New Bedford was one of the most important centers of textile production in the world at its peak in the early 1900s. The industry began in the city in 1846 and lasted until the 1980s. The legacy of this long and eventful history continues to affect the city today in profound ways.

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## Sunset Cruise

To benefit the Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity, an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, serving the towns of Acushnet, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Wareham, New Bedford and Dartmouth.

The Sunset Cruise, "Taste of Southcoast," features light fare, music by locals Grace Morrison, Ben Moniz and Marta Rymer. Cash bar available.

**Satu., 7/28, 6-8 p.m.** (boarding at 5:45). Tickets: **\$50 donation, \$15 per child's ticket with an adult ticket purchase.** Buy tickets online at [www.BuzzardsBayHabitat.org](http://www.BuzzardsBayHabitat.org) or by calling the office at 508-758-4517.

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# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

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Animal Advocates Huge Yard Sale for abandoned and homeless dogs and cats on **July 21 & 22, Sat. and Sun., from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.** On Sunday at 1:00 pm, everything is free.

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## Accessible kayaking & canoeing

The Mass. Dept of Conservation and Recreation's (DCR) Universal Access Program (UAP) is offering accessible kayaking and canoeing for individuals with disabilities, their families, and friends at several locations during the month of July. Pre-registration is required, please call today as spots may fill up quickly. This information can also be viewed on the DCR website by going to [www.mass.gov/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/dcr) and clicking on "Universal Access".

**Kayaking opportunities** will take place at different parks throughout the state. Adaptive equipment, teamwork and staff instruction will be provided by All Out Adventures, Boating in Boston, Waypoint Adventure and Stavros Outdoor Access. The Universal Access Program has worked in tandem with these partners to increase participation among persons with disabilities in outdoor recreational activities.

The **cost for most kayaking programs is \$5 per person**, inquire when pre-registering for a time slot.

### Schedule:

**Walden Pond, Concord, Mondays:** July 23, 30; (413) 527-8980 (All Out Adventures), 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Hopkinton State Park, Hopkinton,** Thursday: July 26, (508) 435-3965 (Boating in Boston), 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**D.A.R. State Forest, Goshen,** Wednesdays: July 18, 25, (413) 527-8980 (All Out Adventures), 9:45 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

**D.A.R. State Forest, Goshen,** Monday: 7/30, (413) 259-0009 (Stavros Outdoor Access), 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Canoeing Opportunities:** Participants have the opportunity to explore a shallow cove on a lazy day or challenge themselves to paddle around "Eagle" Island. The program is **one hour and costs \$5 per person.**

### Schedule:

**Barton's Cove, Gill, Tues.:** July 24, (413) 527-8980 (All Out Adventures), 9:45 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

## Harbor Days

The Mattapoisett Lions Club Harbor Days Festival Week continues with the **annual Crafts Fair with 100 artisan and crafts booths, on July 21-22** starting at 9:30am. Annual Seafood Roll & Chowder Dinner at **5:30pm on Friday, July 20**, with a silent auction starting at 4:30pm and a free Couto & Mulligan concert from 7-10pm. The popular **Lobsterfest is Saturday, July 21** from 5:30-7:30pm and the **Pancake and Sausage Breakfast is Sunday morning, July 22** from 8-11am.

The Lions Eye Mobile will be parked on the wharf with free eye, ear and blood sugar screenings on Saturday and Sunday from 10am -2 pm. The American Red Cross **Blood Drive will be held on Sat., July 21** from 9am-2pm at Center School (call 508-207-9251 for more information).

Harbor Days program booklets are available at area Tri-Town businesses with a full schedule of events and activities. For more information visit [www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org](http://www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org) and look for us on Facebook.

## Volunteers Needed

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity is in need of volunteers to help with the following event committee and festivals.

**Our "Raise the Roof" Annual Gala.** If you are interested in being part of the committee and would like to help with the planning of the event, please let the office know.

We also need volunteers to **staff our Habitat booth at the Harbor Days Fair.**

If you have any questions about our events or an upcoming festival, please email or call the office. We need your help!

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## Pan Mass Challenge

On August 4 and 5, 17 residents from Fairhaven, Acushnet, Dartmouth, Marion, Mattapoisett and New Bedford will pedal their way into fundraising history as participants in the 33rd annual Pan-Massachusetts Challenge (PMC), the nation's pioneer charity bike-a-thon that raises more money than any other athletic fundraising event in the country. They will be among 5,500 cyclists who will ride with the collective goal of raising \$36 million to support adult and pediatric cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute through the Jimmy Fund.

The PMC is presented by the Red Sox Foundation and the New Balance Foundation. To become a virtual rider, or make a financial contribution to a rider from your town, visit [www.pmc.org](http://www.pmc.org), or call (800) WE-CYCLE. Checks can be made payable to PMC, 77 Fourth Ave., Needham, Mass. 02494.

## Author Event

Huntley Fitzpatrick's beautifully written debut novel, *My Life Next Door*, is making quite a splash among reviewers as well as locally. Weaving a story about family, friendship, and first love, Fitzpatrick addresses how to be true to one person without betraying another.

Seventeen year old Samantha Reed is fascinated by the Garretts, the loud, numerous, affectionate family next door, and secretly watches them every day. Things get interesting, and very complicated, when Jase Garrett climbs her terrace one summer evening and changes everything.

Ms. Fitzpatrick will be at Barnes & Noble in Dartmouth for a reading and signing on **Thurs., 7/19, at 7 p.m.** Free. Accessible.

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## Recipes of the Week

### Yellow Squash Casserole

4 cups sliced yellow squash  
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1 cup shredded cheddar cheese  
2 eggs, beaten  
3/4 cup milk  
1/4 cup butter, melted  
1 teaspoon salt  
ground black pepper to taste  
2 tablespoons butter

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

Place squash and onion in a large skillet over medium heat. Pour in a small amount of water. Cover, and cook until squash is tender, about 5 minutes. Drain well, and place in a large bowl.

In a medium bowl, mix together cracker crumbs and cheese. Stir half of the cracker mixture into the cooked squash and onions. In a small bowl, mix together eggs and milk, then add to squash mixture. Stir in 1/4 cup melted butter, and season with salt and pepper. Spread into a 9x13 inch baking dish. Sprinkle with remaining cracker mixture, and dot with 2 tablespoons butter.

Bake in preheated oven for 25 minutes, or until lightly browned.

*From AllRecipes.com*

### To share a recipe with your neighbors

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## A Little Bit of Sports

*By Bob Hobbs*

### Special to the Neighb News

#### FHS Hall of Fame

The Fairhaven High School Hall of Fame had another super banquet with a full house on July 1.

The committee inducted **John Morgan**, FHS class of 1938, into the HoF. A three-sport star, Mr. Morgan died in 1962 at the age of 41, due to a blood clot after successful open heart surgery. He was elected to the Fairhaven School board in the early 1950s, serving as chair of the board that brought Linwood Harriman to town as the superintendent in 1958.

**John Everett**, a UMassD grad in engineering, with a master's from FL state was also inducted. Dr. Everett, FHS Class of 1961, worked for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He is now president of Ocean Associates, an oceans consulting business.

**Stephen Vining**, class of 1963, a four-sport letterman, earned his spot in the HoF this year. Steve earned a four-year scholarship to the University of Bridgeport as a tight end.

He played well enough in college to attract the interest of professional football's Chicago Bears until a knee injury his junior year.

**Armand "Mickey" Santos**, class of 1976, was an outstanding three-sport athlete at FHS for three years earning eight letters for football, basketball and track. He earned a full athletic scholarship to Boston University to play football. Mickey is a teacher at Dartmouth High School. He is the son of Fairhaven Varsity football legend Armand Santos.

**Tiffany Therrien**, Class of 2001, was a true "work horse" in Fairhaven athletics. In her four years at FHS she

earned 12 varsity letters and was the captain of six different teams. She set two course records in cross country track. She also set records that still stand in the 4x100m and the 4x200m relay teams with sister Crystal, Jen Nowak and Amy Furtado.

Tiffany is currently pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing at Rhode Island College.

Coach/Athletic Director inductee was **David Medeiros**, who had an illustrious career in Fairhaven spanning 34 years.

"Memorable Season" was **Boys Baseball, 1960-61**, which ended with an 18-2 record. Language teacher **Eileen Girouard** was awarded the Dave Medeiros Award.

The Hall of Fame scholarship went to **Meghan Dorian**, class of 2012. The program book was dedicated to the **Francis and Geraldine Cox of Cox Candies**.

Mark Sylvia was Emcee. Nomination papers for next year are available at the high school or by contacting Athletic Director Scott Francis.

#### Bicentennial Parade

Best parade ever on July 8. Committee did an excellent job.

Thought East Fairhaven's float was the best, followed by the Oxford School and Livesey Club.

Gil Santos looked good as parade grand marshal.

#### Prose on Pros

Red Sox will get better, but so will Yanks. USA Basketball national will make shambles of Olympics. Coach K is a sneaker salesman for Nike.

Nike sneakers everywhere, warm up and shirts. Can you believe Team USA with uniforms made in Indonesia, Vietnam? What a slap in the face to American companies.

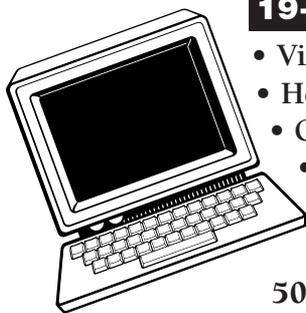
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# Fun Day gives a taste of old fashioned fun

Fairhaven's Bicentennial festivities continued on Saturday, 7/14, with a good old fashioned day in the park. Everything at Cushman Park in Fairhaven except the food was free, and even there, you could find some free ice cream from Friendly's and lots of free water to keep you hydrated on the hot and humid day.

Children and adults alike enjoyed train rides, games, giveaways, and entertainment by a variety of entertainers.

The speechmaking was kept to a

minimum, and tents were set up near the entertainment for those who wanted to get out of the sun. And a mist tent was available for people to cool off a bit. Booths included local businesses, non profits, and local agencies.

The Boy Scouts made cookies on the grill, and the animal shelter had a bunny for petting.

See page 3 for the next Bicentennial event. For more information on upcoming bicentennial events, call the Fairhaven office of tourism,

508-979-4085, visit [www.fairhaven200.org](http://www.fairhaven200.org) or find the Fairhaven Bicentennial Committee on Facebook.

## Bicentennial Hoop Challenge winners

The Fairhaven Recreation Center held a Hoop Challenge during the Good Ole Fashioned Fun Day on Saturday. The winners were: 12 and under — Gunner Berg, 10 years old, Fairhaven, total hoops 11; 13 and over — Markoneal St. Rose, 18 years old, New Bedford, total hoops 5.



LEFT: Kari Miller from AAA in Fairhaven gives a lift to Marissa Pacheco to play the game and win a stress ball at the Good Ole Fashioned Fun Day held at Cushman Park in Fairhaven on Saturday, 7/14, as part of the town's Bicentennial celebration. AAA's Fairhaven office was trying to build awareness for their discounted tickets to water parks and other venues for members. RIGHT: a group of enthusiastic riders waves to the camera as the free train rolled around Cushman Park. BELOW LEFT: Natalie Yochim takes a shot to make the ears pop up at a game at the Fairhaven Sustainability booth, while Ava Pacheco looks on. MIDDLE: Ava gets one! RIGHT: Daisy the Clown makes balloon animals. 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) for more photos of this and other events. Individual photos are available for purchase.



# BPW trying to draw the line on additional fund requests

By Jean Perry

## Neighb News Correspondent

After some harsh words from Fairhaven Board of Public Works members, representatives from Fay, Spofford and Thorndike, engineers involved in three separate projects for the town, rescinded their request for an amendment totaling \$3,950, the cost of changing the original plans and specs, at the BPW meeting on 7/10. Instead, FST will utilize left-over funds from the construction portion of the project budget to cover the cost.

Board members took turns expressing their frustration over the tendency for contractors to continuously appear before the board asking for amendments for more money.

"We're just getting killed by engineers...Every time we turn around, somebody's got their hand out," said board member Daniel Freitas. "It's just getting tiresome."

Mr. Freitas said he felt "jaded" and unwilling to deal with any further requests for additional funds.

"There is not an endless supply of money," stated Mr. Freitas. "Don't ask for anything else."

Representatives for FST said a shortfall in the ventilation capacity at the pump station on Taber Street could cause serious damage. There needs to be an increase in the capacity of the ventilation system to dissipate the heat. FST reps said they needed to work at "getting the design up to what you [the board] want to put up for bid," including the cost of modifying the plans and specs at \$100 per hour for 40 hours.

"You guys are engineers. You didn't see this coming?" asked board member Geoffrey Haworth.

FST representatives said that, due to the cut-back on the scope of the work, modifications and drawings would be necessary, and it would cost the town more money.

FST chose to negotiate with the

board, and took the value of the proposed amendment off the table in order to compromise and maintain a good relationship with the Town, they said.

"I think it shows good faith with this board," said BPW chairperson Steven Riley. "We will gladly, hopefully, accept that offer."

The board voted to pay \$79,000 for upgrades to the aeration tank at the main plant, \$75,000 for a wastewater management plan, and \$70,000 to FST for "Phase 1."

Also on the agenda, members of the Bike Path Committee appeared before the board to present the committee's three main concerns.

Committee member Ken Pottell brought up the crossing at Scoticut Neck Road as a major concern. He said the committee wants a brightly colored safety barrel at the crosswalk that would alert drivers of the crosswalk.

"We do feel like that is critical," said Mr. Pottell.

Second, Mr. Pottell spoke of repairing the sidewalk that extends from the corner of the Scoticut Neck Road crossing to the Wood School. He said some students that formerly attended Rogers School may bike to school and need to access the sidewalk which is currently in poor condition. Mr. Pottell said special events such as the annual "bike to school day" require safety considerations, including repairs to the corner sidewalk.

Third, Mr. Pottell proposed looking into linking the existing bike path with West Island by creating bike lanes on either side of Scoticut Neck Road, which would require some fundraising to cover the costs of the proposed project.

The idea of a "safety island" at the Scoticut Neck Road crossing was tossed around, but it led to a possible future endeavor to try installing yellow poles, like those presently on the New Bedford/Fairhaven Bridge, to see how

been filed yet.

"I just want it fixed," said Mr. Jones. "That's my ultimate goal, however that can easily get done."

He said his preference is not to issue an enforcement order, but he will ask for one if necessary. The first step is usually to send a letter asking for the person to appear in front of the commission to talk about restoration.

"We'll have it on the table for Monday

## Digester not online

The anaerobic digester is still not operational and Fairhaven Select-board members met in executive session with Board of Public Works members to discuss the problem and solutions. Executive sessions are not open to the public, but the problem stems from the digester pumps being unable to handle the sludge.

Both parties, engineers vs. construction company, are blaming each other for the problem.

The pumps work with water, but are unable to pump sludge.

According to Sewer/Wastewater Superintendent Linda Schick, the town had to get "seed sludge" from another town. There are only certain organisms that do anaerobic digestion and the town had to import them. To keep everything working, the town has been introducing sludge from the main plant using a portable pump owned by the town.

"We have kept it alive," said Ms. Schick. "It's just on a starvation diet right now."

traffic would move if both ways were streamlined into one distinguishable lane. However, no vote was made to undertake the project.

"Aside from line painting and reflectors...I don't know what else can be done," said Mr. Riley.

BPW Superintendent Vincent Furtado agreed to look into the costs of revamping the crosswalk, and the establishment of separate bike lanes on Scoticut Neck Road leading to West Island.

On another note, Mr. Furtado, during his report, announced that residents living around the Wood School area would receive a 48-hour notice before temporarily shutting water off for capping at the new school. He said some other locations, including the Stop & Shop plaza, might also need to have the water temporarily shut-off. ●●●

night," he said.

Ms. DeNardis said there is nothing to fix.

"When the tides come up, it washes it all away and it replants itself," she said. "There is no permanent harm. Since I've lived there, the marsh always takes itself back. A couple of high tides and it'll be gone."

The property is owned by the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust which has a policy of leaving properties open for passive recreation by the public. ●●●

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down there again," said Ms. DeNardis.

She said that the environmental police will soon issue a report supporting her claim that the area has been used historically by many people for water access.

Reggie Zimmerman, a spokesperson for the Mass. Environmental Police would only say that the department was still investigating and that the report had not

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# Acushnet Selectboard votes to pursue solar on town land

By Diane Kozak

## Neighb News Correspondent

The selectboard unanimously agreed to request the Alternative Energy Committee (AEC) to research the possibility of establishing a public/private power generation partnership on town owned land at their meeting on 7/16.

The request was made after selectboard and AEC chairperson David Wojnar reported that the committee is often approached about such business arrangements and, as a result of these contacts, has explored the matter by recently meeting with a consultant. He explained that the most likely project would be one where a solar farm would be developed on town owned property whereby the power generated would be used to offset electricity costs of the town.

Mr. Wojnar stated that properties that the town may consider for the purpose include the land it owns behind the quarry on South Main Street and the property that abuts the Carriage House in the northern section of the town. After reviewing a proposal to research the details on developing a solar farm on the town's quarry property from Tangent Energy Solutions of PA, both selectboard members Leslie Dakin and Kevin Gaspar stated they would not agree with an exclusivity agreement in any ocontract.

"The only concern I have with this particular packet that's here is the exclusivity. I'm totally against giving one company exclusivity towards a contract for solar power," said Mr. Gaspar. "And, as you just stated just now, the RFP process would open up many more doors and avenues for the Alternative Energy Committee to

explore."

The selectboard also discussed implementing a performance evaluation review process for non-union town employees who generally hold management level positions. Mr. Wojnar stated that he believes those employees deserve to get feedback on what the town expects from them as far as job performance, as well as where they stand as far as meeting these expectations. The idea has been debated at past meetings when Town Administrator, Alan Coutinho,

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**I'm totally against giving one company exclusivity towards a contract for solar power**  
[Kevin Gaspar]

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was asked to look into the matter.

Mr. Coutinho presented the board with a packet of information relating to such a process, including a sample review form for their consideration. He noted that because there are not a lot of communities that use performance evaluations he had to rely on forms from the private sector as he developed the prototype for the town.

Mr. Gaspar stated his concern was that employees are not rewarded monetarily on one annual review but rather on a two-to-three year review as he doesn't believe that one year's performance "makes the employee."

Mr. Dakin suggested that realistic,

attainable and mutually agreed upon action plans be included in the review process sometime in the future as these will increase the effectiveness of the process.

The selectboard voted to have Mr. Coutinho discuss the proposed review process with the staff that reports directly to him. The feedback gathered from employees will be reported to the board so discussion and debate on the matter can continue. Selectboard memers do not expect to implement a review process until possibly next year.

Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher reported that Captain Alfred Robichaud submitted his letter of retirement. After Mr. Wojnar expressed his gratitude to Mr. Robichaud for his thirty-eight years of service the board accepted the resignation and began to discuss plans to fill the job vacancy.

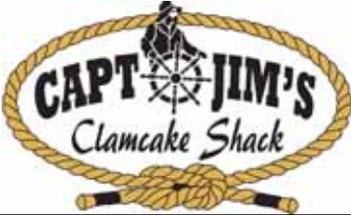
All three board members stated that they would like Captain Gallagher to consider ways to cut costs before hiring a new employee.

"I think it's an ideal opportunity through attrition to realize a cost savings to the town without hurting anyone," Mr. Dakin said.

In other matters:

- The board appointed Joseph Latimer as the fifth constable in town.
- The selectboard accepted a federal grant from the Department of Elder Affairs for the Council on Aging. This is an annual grant based on the number of elders served by the program. It will be between \$14,000 and \$16,000.
- Admiral Janitorial Services of New Bedford has been retained by the town to clean the town hall and the police station buildings.

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# USCG emphasizes dangers of hoax calls

## USCG Press Release

The Coast Guard is calling attention to the dangers and risks of hoax distress calls after launching air and boat crews to respond to a radio transition of a child's voice making a mayday call Saturday at approximately 6:46 p.m.

Watchstanders at Coast Guard Sector Southeastern New England's command center received the call. The call was made with no position or nature of distress and was received off a Rescue-21 communication tower. The R-21 is a system of radio towers and computer software along the coastline of the United States and helps determine the location of vessels by radio transmission. The location was narrowed down to potential areas in the vicinity of Narragansett Bay, Portsmouth, R.I.

An Air Station Cape Cod, Mass., MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter and a Station Castle Hill 45-foot Response Boat-Medium were launched to search for source of the call. Additionally, the Narragansett Bay strike force, a first-of-its-kind mutual aid program among all the fire depart-

ments on Narragansett Bay, were notified and launched boats from Warwick, Portsmouth and Providence fire departments. Each asset searched for more than one hour, investing a total of more than five hours of response time and found no vessels or people in distress.

The Coast Guard believes this call was a false distress caused by a child playing on the radio. This case is the fourth false distress call in the southeastern New England area in the last month.

False alerts and hoax calls are particularly frustrating cases for both the maritime emergency responders and taxpayers. These cases unnecessarily put first responders in danger and waste valuable operational hours and cost. The total search efforts associated with this call will be well over \$20,000, \$10,000 for one hour of helicopter search time and \$3,000 each hour per small boat.

"The Coast Guard is required to search for every distress call regardless of the assumed source," said Commander Jeannot Smith, Sector Southeastern New England chief of response operations. "Calls like this one can needlessly bur-

nout our crews and divert our attention from mariners who are

actually in distress." The Coast Guard urges mariners to educate their children on proper radio protocol and alert the Coast Guard if a false distress call is made or if they know identity of a suspected hoax caller.

Below are some past hoax and false distress cases.

- United States v. Flores, No. 09-00161 (N.D. Ohio Nov. 23, 2009) (defendant pled guilty, sentenced to thirty-six (36) months supervised release, and ordered to pay \$112,735.70 in restitution.
- United States v. Johnson, No. 04-00117 (W.D. Mich. Jan. 27, 2005) (defendant pled guilty, sentenced to twenty-four (24) months imprisonment, and ordered to pay \$56,958.30 in restitution.
- United States v. Baldwin, No. 03-05356 (W.D. Wash. Mar. 5, 2004) (defendant pled guilty, sentenced to twelve (12) months and one (1) day imprisonment followed by thirty-six (36) months of supervised release, and ordered to pay \$194,587.70 in restitution)
- In United States v. Feener, No. 05-10287 (D. Mass. July 26, 2005), the defendant was charged under 14 U.S.C. § 88 (c) for having radioed the Coast Guard from his home on two separate occasions, both times claiming to be the captain of a fishing vessel taking on water. Both

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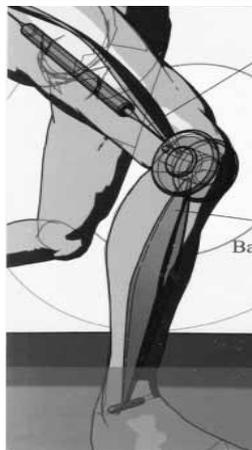
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# Trees vandalized in “senseless act”

By Beth David

Editor

Trees that were planted six years ago as part of the first Community Development Block Grant project were severely vandalized last week.

Fairhaven Town Planner and Economic Development Director Bill Roth said the every tree on Bridge Street that was planted as part of the program was damaged.

“They were using their bare hands and their weight and ripped every branch,” said Mr. Roth. “And went down Bridge Street and ripped off a branch or did something to every single tree.”

The CDBG money is used in to spruce up neighborhoods, both



These young trees on Bridge Street were vandalized last week. They were planted as part of the work done with the Community Development Block Grant to improve the neighborhood near Cushman Park. Anyone with information on who damaged the trees should call Fairhaven police, 508-997-7421. *Photos submitted by Fairhaven Planning Department.*

infrastructure and individual homes. Fairhaven has received over \$6.1 million over the past eight years.

“We’re making significant improvement on all the streets,” said Mr. Roth. “It’s just a senseless act of vandalism.”

He said neighbors had an idea who it was and if it is true, it is someone “damaging stuff in the neighborhood they live in. It’s just sad.”

Fairhaven police spokesperson Kevin Kobza said the investigating officer “does not have a named suspect at this point.”

He said there was not enough evidence to bring charges against anyone.

All the damaged trees were planted



This tree on Bridge Street lost so many branches due to vandalism that it had to be cut down. *Photo submitted by Fairhaven Planning Department.*

about six years ago so they had some good growth on them, said Mr. Roth.

“They’re nice size trees. They’re not inexpensive,” he said.

The tree warden immediately responded and trimmed the trees that were partially bent and had broken branches. One tree had to be cut down.

“I really want to thank the tree warden who came out immediately,” said Mr. Roth.

Anyone with information should call Fairhaven police at 508-997-7421.

## Middle Street/Main Street lot is vital to neighborhood project

Timothy Haggerty

Neighb News Correspondent

A Fairhaven planning board member has continued to complain about the staging area on Main Street that has been used for the past six years for Community Development Block Grant projects.

Planning board member Frank Budryk, who raised the issue at the 7/10 meeting, said that he has been working to get the staging area moved because it causes dust and dirt in the neighborhood.

William Roth, Director of Planning and Economic Development, said Mr. Budryk has been using the planning board meetings as a “bully pulpit” to personally attack him, and asked Mr. Budryk to drop the issue, saying, “It has nothing to do with the Planning Board.”

When asked about his argument

with Mr. Roth, Mr. Budryk said his comments were not personal, but that, “it has to do with the quality of life in this town, and people remembering what their positions are. They’re servants for the town, and we’re not their servants.”

Mr. Budryk said he does not mind being the only one speaking up about the issue because he believes it is important to neighborhood businesses.

“There’s some businesses there, there’s a food establishment; they’ve been upset about it,” said Mr. Budryk. “They can’t keep their windows open because the wind is blowing dirt.”

Mr. Budryk said he would like to see the staging area moved to the town dump, where he said, “There’s plenty of land there for a staging area.”

Mr. Roth, however said, “There is

no other property around here in the neighborhood that we could possibly use for staging the construction of these roads.”

He said that other suggested sites would be completely impractical.

“Having this site, and having the owner be very gracious and very nice to let us use this, has saved us a lot of time and a lot of money, and we’ve been able to improve this neighborhood,” said Mr. Roth.

He said that the Planning Board is now using the site for a project on Spring Street and that they were just awarded a project for Park and Main Streets.

“I will be talking with the property owner to allow us to use it for that project,” said Mr. Roth. “Other than that, I don’t know when and if we’re going to have any more projects in the neighborhood.” ●●●

# Lyme and EEE are ever-present threats

By Timothy Haggerty

## Neighb News Correspondent

It's that time of year again. As more and more people venture into the great outdoors to hike and camp, it is important to be on the lookout for those tiny blood-sucking, disease carrying insects.

### Lyme Disease

Fairhaven Board of Health Agent, Pat Fowle said that Lyme Disease is "far and widespread throughout the town and throughout southeastern Massachusetts." She said that with the large deer population and this year's warm winter, "there's been quite a large uptick in the number of cases."

Ms. Fowle offered several recommendations to prevent tick bites. The most up-to-date information about protection from ticks can be found on the mass.gov website.

"People have to be aware that if you're going to enjoy nature, you have to protect yourself," said Ms. Fowle.

First, wear long pants and insect repellent. These can be bought over the counter. Buy a repellent with DEET or use permethrin on clothing, shoes and camping equipment. Permethrin is a synthetic chemical based on a natural insecticide found in flowers that can repel and kill both ticks and mosquitoes when applied to clothing.

Ms. Fowle also said to "tuck your pants into your socks," for further protection.

Second, conduct thorough tick checks on yourself, children, and animals once you are indoors.

"People should check themselves carefully after going outside," said Ms. Fowle. She said thoroughness was important because of the size of the ticks, which can be as small as "the head of a sharp pencil."

The key to preventing Lyme disease is "Observation, Observation, Observation," she said.

Finally, if you are bitten by an insect and develop a rash in the vicinity of the bite or develop symptoms such as fever, headache, sore muscles, or fatigue, contact a doctor. Ms. Fowle said that a "red bull's-eye" rash is a "clear indication of a Lyme Disease bite," and that anyone who gets the rash should "see a physician immediately, because the sooner you get treated, the easier it is to stave off

those complications."

She added, however that the bull's-eye "only happens in about 70 percent of cases."

The standard treatment for Lyme Disease is oral antibiotics, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC). It can cause serious joint, heart, or central nervous system problems if not recognized and treated early on. A doctor may recommend antibiotics after a tick bite if it is recognized as a deer tick, has been attached for a full day, and has been removed for less than three days. Symptoms common to Lyme Disease are the bull's-eye rash around the bite, fatigue, headache, and fever or flu-like symptoms.

Patients treated early on with antibiotics usually recover rapidly and completely. Approximately 10-20 percent of patients treated with antibiotics may have recurrent symptoms, and are said to have Post-treatment Lyme Disease Syndrome, a

for 2012. This included 176 cases in Massachusetts.

### Eastern Equine Encephalitis

Mosquitoes are host to a number of viruses, such as the rare Eastern Equine Encephalitis or EEE Virus.

The EEEV is most common in and around freshwater hardwood swamps in the Atlantic and Gulf Coast states according to the CDC. Although it is a rare disease, Massachusetts has the second largest number of reported human cases in the U.S. An average of six human cases of EEE are reported in the U.S. per year.

One person was infected with EEE in 2008 in Massachusetts, two in 2010, and two more in 2011, according to the Cambridge Public Health Department.

Infection with the EEEV can result in one of two types of illness: systemic or encephalitic. The systemic infection has an abrupt onset and is characterized by chills, fever, malaise, and joint and muscle pain. Symptoms

associated with the encephalitic infection are fever, headache, irritability, restlessness, drowsiness, anorexia, vomiting, diarrhea, cyanosis, convulsions, and coma.

Unfortunately, there is no antiviral treatment for EEE. Patients with suspected EEE should be hospitalized, tested, and given supportive treatment.

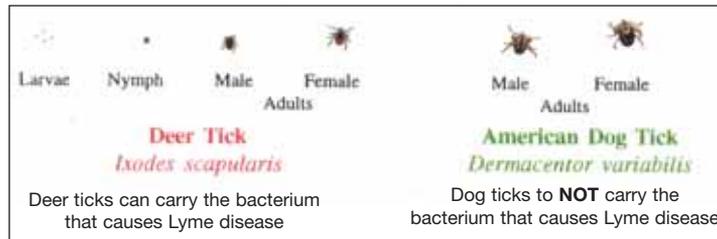
Ms. Fowle stressed that keeping the area around the home free of stagnant water is important for reducing the possibility of receiving mosquito-borne illnesses.

"Avoid damp marshy areas where they breed and pools of water," said Ms. Fowle. She added that "screens are a big thing on houses, make sure those are intact."

Insect repellents with DEET and permethrin, which work on ticks, can also be used for mosquitoes. The CDC also suggests using picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon eucalyptus on exposed skin and clothing to protect from mosquitoes.

Ms. Fowle said that the BOH purchases briquettes of mosquito larvicide that are placed in shallow basins of water to help control the mosquito population. The briquettes are placed in over 1,800 catch basins.

"This material dissipates over a matter of five months, and it kills



condition that requires further treatment with antibiotics.

There are also information sheets and identification cards available at Town Hall to help identify Lyme disease carrying ticks.

"There are other diseases that ticks carry that have been observed in our area," added Ms. Fowle. "Lyme is the prevalent one, but there have been some cases of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and a few others."

"The number of mosquitoes and ticks can boom with any kind of dampness or warmth," she said. "They far outnumber us. I have not seen a drop in the number of cases, and I don't expect that we will."

Despite this fact, she expressed optimism that the medical system was better prepared than ever to identify and treat these insect-borne diseases.

"Our hospitals and physicians offices are keenly aware of checking for Lyme disease and West Nile Virus," said Ms. Fowle.

As of July 7th, 9,023 cases of Lyme disease had been reported to the CDC

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## Obituary

### ANNE LAUBI

Anne Martin Withrow Laubi, 73, of Deltona, FL, passed away on October 28, 2011 after a battle with AML Leukemia. She was surrounded by her family. Anne was the wife of Paul K. Laubi for 55 years. Born in Providence, RI, she was the daughter of the late Stanley Withrow and the late Dora Martin Withrow. She resided in Fairhaven, MA, and Berlin, NH, before retiring to Deltona, FL.

She is survived by two sons, David S. Laubi of Deltona, FL and Andrew D. Laubi of Westport, MA and two daughters, Beth A. Pistone of E. Greenwich, RI, and Amy K. Newman of Germantown, MD. She had seven surviving grandchildren and was predeceased by grandson Devin P. Laubi.

She also leaves a brother, Stanley H. Withrow, and was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Ellen Marion, and has several nieces and nephews.

A grave side ceremony will be held at Beech Grove Cemetery in Westport, MA, on August 3, 2012, at 10:30 AM. Attendants are invited to the home of Andrew Laubi after the ceremony. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society P.O. Box 12268 Newport News, VA 12268 or Devin Laubi Foundation 504 Main Road Westport, MA 02790.

## Legal Notices/ Public Hearings Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petitions:

1. **Petitioner: Tasha Cordeiro**, 16 Central Avenue, Plat 23A, Lot 50, Book 10222 and Page 215; 198-19 (B): No boundary fence, wall or hedge shall exceed 6' in height, and no boundary fence, wall hedge or other landscape feature which obstructs vision shall exceed 42" in height within any required front yard area or within 20' of a street, whichever is the lesser requirement.
2. **Petitioner: Brian Patrick Dunn for Dana Morris**: 243 Scoticut Neck Road, Plat 29, Lot 6B, Book 4154 and Page 286; 198-18: Short 13' of the required 20' north side in a RR District.
3. **Petitioner: Matthew Burlinson**: 105 Howland Road, Plat 23, Lot 61, Book 9830 and Page 108; 198-21: Special Permit required for continuation of a pre-existing non-conforming use.
4. **Petitioner: Kelly & Shawn Dupe**: 4 Maple Avenue, Plat 3, Lot 126, Book 9102 and Page 200; 198-18: Short 6' of the required 10' side setback and 14% over the maximum allowed building coverage of 30% in a RA District.  
*Very Truly, Peter DeTerra, Chairman*

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trees, saved them from  
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and a thousand tempests  
and floods. But he cannot  
save them from fools.

*John Muir*

## DEP meets with town on WT study

Officials from the Department of Environmental Protection met with town officials and Sumul Shah of Fairhaven Wind LLC to discuss the protocol and procedures for conducting a sound study to measure the noise coming from two industrial wind turbines on Arsene Street.

According to Edmund Colletta, spokesperson for DEP, the meeting on Thursday, 7/12, was a "technical meeting to hammer out some of the procedure."

Board of Health chairperson Peter DeTerra and Selectboard Executive Secretary Jeff Osuch were also at the meeting.

According to Mr. Colletta, the details that need to be decided include where measuring devices will be. The developer will turn off the turbines when the study requires it and then turn them back on for measuring.

The details had not been finalized, but DEP officials hope to have the final information available for Monday's Board of Health meeting. The DEP's Laurel Carlson is on the agenda to update the board on the progress of the study.

The meeting will be in town hall at 6:30 p.m.

## Vietnam Moving Wall display was group effort

The Vietnam Moving Wall committee, made up of dedicated veterans from around the area, would like to thank all who donated funds; donated their time and energy in putting up and helping take down the Wall, and keeping a vigil while the Wall was at Cushman Park from July 5th through July 8th.

One of our main objectives in bringing the Moving Wall to Fairhaven was not only to honor the 58,277 names on the wall that represents those killed in Southeast Asia from July 1959 to January 1975, but also to honor the Vietnam Veterans who survived the most unpopular war in our history.

The following is a list of our sponsors who helped make this "labor of love" possible: Jim Kalife —

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We'd also like to thank the

following restaurants: Dunkin Donuts, Ninety Nine, End Zone, Cafe Roma, Simmy's, Davy's Locker, Captain's Place, Papa Ginos and Riccardi's.

And finally, I would like to end this letter with some of my remarks I had made at the closing ceremony on Sunday July 8th. "...The best way to honor those individuals represented on this Wall is not only to remember their ultimate sacrifice made to our nation, but to work to inspire others of the futility of war and its aftermath."

Together, we can make this happen.

*Gerry Payette, Fairhaven  
Fairhaven Vietnam Moving Wall  
Committee*

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defendant pled guilty to making a false distress call in violation of 14 U.S.C. § 88(c); he was sentenced to three (3) months imprisonment, to be followed by twenty-four (24) months supervised release, and was ordered to pay \$56,459.70 in restitution to the U.S. Coast Guard.

I frequently tramped  
eight or ten miles through  
the deepest snow to keep  
an appointment with a  
beech-tree, or a yellow  
birch, or an old  
acquaintance among  
the pines.

Henry David Thoreau

## Fairhaven Meetings

### Board of Appeals

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

### Board of Health

Mon. 7/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Board of Public Works

Tues., 7/23, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 7/23, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Espindola Office Hours

Wed., 8/1, Town Hall, 7-8 p.m.

### Fairhaven Cultural Council

Mon., 8/13, Nemasket Bldg., 6:30 p.

### Finance Committee

Tues., 7/19, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 8/14, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 7/30, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Mon., 8/6, Commtty Ctr, 6:30 p.m.

### Board of Health

Tues., 8/7, Parting Ways Sch., 6:30 p.

### Conservation Commission

Wed., 7/25, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Historical Commission

Thurs., 7/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Planning Commission

Thurs., 7/19, Parting Ways Bldg., 6:30

### School Committee

Tues., 8/7, Ford Middle Sch., 5 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

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

	July 2012	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Friday	20	0929	2139	0309	1457
Saturday	21	1011	2222	0341	1539
Sunday	22	1056	2309	0413	1622
Monday	23	1143	2358	0447	1707
Tuesday	24	----	1233	0525	1758
Wednesday	25	0049	1325	0609	1858
Thursday	26	0144	1422	0702	2015
Friday	27	0243	1523	0807	2148
Saturday	28	0346	1628	0918	2301
Sunday	29	0453	1733	1027	2359

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### USCG: cont'd from page 17

of the defendant's calls resulted in futile, hours-long searches and the deployment of Coast Guard air and marine assets. The defendant ultimately pled guilty to sending a false distress message in violation of 14 U.S.C. § 88(c); he was sentenced to eighteen (18) months imprisonment, to be followed by thirty-six (36) months supervised release, and was ordered to pay \$82,004.00 in restitution to the U.S. Coast Guard.

- The defendant in United States. v. D'Addieco, No. 09-10087 (D. Mass. Jan. 21, 2010), was charged under 14 U.S.C. § 88(c) for having called 911 to falsely report, under a pseudonym, that he was onboard a non-existent vessel that was sinking in Boston Harbor, Mass., with four passengers onboard. The

**DISEASE: cont'd from page 19**  
larvae," said Ms. Fowle. "So, the mosquito eggs hatch, but as they develop, this larvicide attacks the wing development."

Residents may also call mosquito control to request a free mosquito spraying. Steve Burns of Bristol County Mosquito Control said that they use a truck mounted, ultra low volume fogger that releases a spray that can travel up to 300 ft.

The fog is a synthetic pyrethroid known as Anvil. Pyrethroids are similar to the natural pesticide, pyrethrum, derived from chrysanthemum flowers. Pyrethroids are safely broken down and removed from the body in humans. Mr. Burns said that they have received over 6,000 calls so far this summer and received over 16,000 last year.

Contact BCC at 508-823-5253.

Mosquito Control will perform aerial sprays when the virus reaches a certain level of prevalence determined by the DPH. The level was recently altered in a decision prompted by the Southcoast community's reaction to the death of a Raynham man last fall who contracted the virus, and a report of a Missouri woman who contracted the virus while in the area.

The DPH released a new plan of action this June that is meant to increase the amount and specificity of spraying. The DPH will now consider

aerial spraying when the risk level in a town reaches "high," or level four, instead of the previously required "critical" or level five risk criterion.

The requirements for a level five risk have also been reduced. Previously there had to be at least two human cases for a town to be labeled critical. Towns will now be considered critical risk areas when a single human or animal case or sustained high mosquito infection rates are present.

As of July 3rd, there have been no reported cases of EEE in the U.S. On July 11 the Mass. Department of Health notified Fairhaven that a "positive pool" of EEE was found in Easton. According to Ms. Fowle, the reason the DPH reacted so quickly is that two of the four EEE mosquitoes were the mammal biting kind (as opposed to the bird biting kind).

The finding affects Easton, Taunton and Raynham, where DPH has advised the towns to restrict activity at dawn and dusk.

"Remind people to spray up, check screens, empty pools of water, etc.," Ms. Fowle wrote in an email.

Just before press time Ms. Fowle learned that aerial spraying had been ordered for 21 towns for Friday evening, 7/20, and Saturday morning. Fairhaven was not included, but might catch some of Acushnet's action. Although Acushnet had no positive EEE pools, the spraying is done to a 15

mile radius.

Ms. Fowle said spraying for EEE is unlikely in Fairhaven because "These triple-E mosquitoes are just not found in our type of salt water marsh."

She also said, however, that information changes rapidly and people should visit the DPH website at [www.mass.gov/dph](http://www.mass.gov/dph) for updates.

## West Nile Virus

The other serious mosquito-borne illness is West Nile Virus (WNV). Severe symptoms are similar to EEE and include high fever, stiff neck, disorientation, muscle weakness, numbness, and paralysis. Symptoms may last several weeks and neurological damage may be permanent. However, only one in 150 people infected with WNV will develop severe illness.

Ms. Fowle also said "we as individuals are building up an immunity to the disease. Many people now carry antibodies to it," meaning that many people may have had a mild case of WNV without realizing it.

As of July 10th, there have been 12 reported cases of WNV in the U.S., none in New England.

According to the DPH's Mosquito-Borne Illness Risk Map, Fairhaven has a low risk for EEE and WNV, while New Bedford has a moderate risk.

For more information visit [www.cdc.gov/lyme/](http://www.cdc.gov/lyme/); [www.cdc.gov/eee/](http://www.cdc.gov/eee/) and [www.mass.gov/dph/wnv](http://www.mass.gov/dph/wnv).

## SELECT: cont'd from page 4

and noise coming from DTH exceed legal limits.

Resident Linda Ferreira told the board that she finds it impossible to sleep at night and awaken by 5 a.m. to go to work.

"I need to sleep. I need to work," Ms. Ferreira told the board. "It isn't just a party island. People live there year round."

Mr. Hebert said that when weddings take place on Wilbur's Point, "half the time" the owners of the Hatch "take the rap" for the noise coming from the wedding parties.

"Half the time?" Mr. Rizzo said to Mr. Hebert. The two men stared at each other for an extended period of time until Mr. Hebert looked away to address the board.

"I thought we were doing pretty good, but apparently not," said Mr. Hebert.

Mr. Murphy recalled a recent visit he took to DTH during entertainment hours, and commended Mr. Hebert's diligence in lowering the sound when it

started getting louder.

Mr. Murphy suggested that the music be lowered considerably after 11 p.m., to which Mr. Hebert responded, "I'm willing to do that."

Dr. Bowcock motioned to grant Down the Hatch a Sunday entertainment license with the provisions that the bar lower the volume after 11 p.m. and more sound-proofing materials be added.

Also at the meeting, Matthew Loo and Ashley Kirkwood received their license to run an aquaculture farm in the waters off West Island, with Shellfish Warden Timothy Cox and Harbormaster David Darmofal attending to support the farm.

Mr. Darmofal requested to include an escrow account of \$200, just in case the two "win 100 million dollars in the lottery" and decide to bail on their project, leaving the town to clear the area. After a chuckle, Mr. Darmofal added that what he sought was consistency in the town's aquaculture farm permitting practices, and since Taylor Seafood was required to open an

escrow account, Mr. Loo and Ms. Kirkwood should be required to as well.

"I think it's great," said Mr. Darmofal of Loo's and Kirkwood's project. He said his only concern, though, was protecting recreational boaters, so he requested the board to include as requirements, a significant beacon light and smaller buoys every 30 to 50 feet, which Mr. Loo and Ms. Kirkwood had acquired already.

The board approved a three-year license for the aquaculture farm which will include Mr. Darmofal's provisions.

In other matters, the Staffon Greenhouse property located on Alden Road will soon undergo a solar array feasibility study, after the Town acquired the property back in 4/12 from back taxes owed. The board voted to appoint Cadmus to conduct the study using funds from a \$10,000 grant that will also help pay for a solar panel study for the roof of the new Wood School. On a side note, the Town of Fairhaven currently has no bylaws in place relative to solar energy production. ●●●

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