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

Hey...where ya going?



Ducks seem to be on their way to board the Steamship Authority's ferry "Island Home," docked in Fairhaven at dusk on Tuesday, 3/22/22, as spring tries to break through the last vestiges of winter at the end of March. The area will be facing some wet weather on Thursday, but the weekend should be in the 50s and dry, followed by some more cold weather at the beginning of next week. But don't worry, spring will break through eventually. *Photo by Beth David*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Honestly, these guys have no shame.

Headline should read: Board of Health Chair uses meeting time to run ad for fellow board member. Really. (See page 4)

Mr. Ristuccia asks Mr. DeTerra, who is in a contested race for his seat on the board, to list all his certifications because it's just oh-so-wonderful that he has them all and can conduct inspections. In Fairhaven. Where he is an elected official.

There's just no shame with these guys. No shame.

Is it really possible they have no clue why that's a conflict?

Nah...the aw-shucks-I-don't-know-nuthin' routine is pretty old with this guy now. When Mr. Gallagher, the sane one on the board, said no elected official should be doing inspections (God bless your little soul), Mr. Ristuccia said his brain doesn't go to all those places that the much more worldly Mr. Gallagher allows his brain to go.

Really. I couldn't make up this stuff if I tried.

Guess we can just forget that Mr. Ristuccia was on the Board of Public Works for...like FOREVER, and he was chairperson there for a bit, too. Thought you guys were supposed to take courses or something.

Thank you Mr. Gallagher.

I'd tell you to break out the popcorn, but it was only a few minutes. Just go for a drink. You'll need it.

There's other stuff in here, of course, including candidate statements for Planning Board, which is the last contested race to run statements for.

The election is in just two weeks, so...make sure you find out who's who so you know how to vote.

The West Island Improvement Association is having its candidates night next week (see page 5), and the other is available on FairhavenTV.com.

Our cover...oh well. I wanted a spring shot, but got out there too late. The crocuses had closed up, and the marinas were quiet. But I found ducks heading to the islands. That's a sign of spring, right?

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Until next week then...see ya,



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In last week's issue we inadvertently left out the name of one of the letter writers. It was John Pond who wrote about Ukraine.

In our story on Miss Freetown and Miss Freetown's Outstanding Teen, we mistakenly added Lakeville to the mix. Jaime St. Onge is Miss Freetown's Outstanding Teen. We apologize for any confusion our errors may have caused.

Police nab Fairhaven bank robber, HMS locked down

Press Release

FAIRHAVEN – Lt. Kevin Kobza reports that the Fairhaven Police Department arrested and charged a man following a bank robbery on Wednesday afternoon, 3/16.

Konstantin Gladysh, age 24, from Westfield, MA, was charged with:

Armed Robbery While Masked
Larceny Over \$1,200
Larceny from a Building

Gladysh also had an active warrant for larceny. He was arraigned Thursday, March 17, at New Bedford District Court.

At approximately 2 p.m., Fairhaven Police responded to Citizens Bank, located at 21 Fairhaven Commons Way, for a report of a bank robbery.

Upon arrival, officers spoke to bank employees who told them that a man walked into the bank and passed a note to a teller claiming to be armed and demanding cash. The man did not show a weapon.

The suspect, later identified as Gladysh, allegedly fled the area toward Bridge Street with an undisclosed amount of money.



Konstantin Gladysh, 24, of Westfield, Mass., has been charged with Armed Robbery While Masked, Larceny Over \$1,200.00, Larceny from a Building, in an incident at Citizens Bank in Fairhaven on 3/16/22. Photo from Fairhaven police Department.

Through the subsequent investigation, it was determined that Gladysh had fled into a wooded area on Bridge Street, near Elizabeth I. Hastings Middle School.

The school was placed into a lock-

down out of an abundance of caution.

Several officers soon arrived on scene to establish a perimeter of the wooded area and search for Gladysh, including officers from the Acushnet and Mattapoisett police departments, Bristol County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit, and Massachusetts State Police.

After approximately 30 minutes, Gladysh was located in the woods by the K9 unit and taken into custody without further incident.

Shortly after Gladysh was placed under arrest the lockdown at the middle school was lifted.

No injuries were reported in the incident.

Lt. Kobza would like to thank the responding agencies who helped to quickly locate and apprehend the suspect.

"Thank you to our law enforcement partners who quickly came to provide assistance," Lt. Kobza said. "Thankfully no one was hurt in this incident and we were able to place the suspect under arrest."

These are allegations. All suspects are innocent until proven guilty.

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Board of Health briefly addresses conflicts on inspections

By Beth David
Editor

The Fairhaven Board of Health spent a few minutes at the end of their 3/16/22 meeting discussing the oddity of one board member's ability and willingness to fill in as an inspector in a variety of areas.

BOH chairperson Mike Ristuccia used the standard item for "any other business" to praise fellow board member Peter DeTerra who is in a contested race for his seat in the April 4 election.

Mr. Ristuccia started by saying that the Fairhaven BOH is unique from a lot of other Boards of Health in "one specific way."

He said one member is licensed to do most, if not all, the duties that the department encounters.

"And we're fortunate in that," said Mr. Ristuccia, adding that if something happened to the health agent, Mr. DeTerra could step in. "Mr. DeTerra is licensed in all the areas that count."

He then turned to Mr. DeTerra and asked him to list his various licenses and certifications. He listed five or six and then added, "a whole bunch of stuff."

Mr. Ristuccia said they have been able to "move along" because of those certifications.

"We don't put enough emphasis on that in my opinion," said Mr. Ristuccia, adding that he did not have any of those licenses.

He then turned to board member Kevin Gallagher, who is the fire chief in Acushnet, and said "maybe the chief does and I don't know. But I know I do not."

"I do not, Mr. Chairman," said Mr. Gallagher. "I think we're walking the

line close to a campaign ad versus—"

"Oh no, no," interrupted Mr. Ristuccia. "That's wasn't. I wouldn't."

"But just let me say," said Mr. Gallagher.

"Please..," said Mr. Ristuccia.

"That my first meeting here, I made it very clear that I do not think an elected official in this town should be conducting any kind of inspections," said Mr. Gallagher. "None whatsoever."

He said he believed they should be training Jocelyn Bowers, the health

again and asking that it be a policy," he said, adding that he may go a step further and ask that it become a bylaw to make it as clear as possible that an elected official can not conduct inspections in town. "It brings us too many questions than actual benefits to the town."

"I'm glad to hear you say that because y'know, my mind doesn't quite go to all those different places," said Mr. Ristuccia. "You have the training and running the fire department and being involved with municipalities."

He added: "I just think pure and simply about the tasks at hand. And yes, that's a good idea. And that's probably something that we should be doing."

"We should discuss that down the road," said Mr. Gallagher.

"So there you go," said Mr. Ristuccia. "There you have it."

In other business, health agent David Flaherty told the board that all Fairhaven's COVID numbers were down. He said more than 11,000 people had been vaccinated.

Case counts, positivity rates, etc., have been updated since the meeting. For updated numbers, visit the health department's web page at <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/board-health> or call the department at 508-979-4023, Ext., 125 or 130.

Mr. Flaherty noted that Fairhaven and Acushnet are no longer testing weekly, but residents can get tests by mail or at local pharmacies.

The Community Nurse will vaccinate people at home. Call 833-983-0485.

Mr. Flaherty also announced that Southcoast Community Wellness will

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I think we're walking
the line close to a
campaign ad
[BOH member
Kevin Gallagher]

department administrative assistant, to conduct septic inspections. In the event that the health agent is out, Mr. Gallagher said they should ask neighboring communities to come in to help, which they will do at no charge.

"They have that license and they don't have the...being an elected official going out and conducting inspections on behalf of the board that you are a member of," said Mr. Gallagher.

Mr. Ristuccia nodded his head in agreement, saying it was a "good statement."

Mr. Gallagher took it a step further. "In April I will be bringing it up

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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Candidates Night

The Fairhaven Government Access Channel is hosting a "Meet the Candidates" night on Thursday, 3/24, at 6 p.m., Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven. All are welcome to attend. The event will also be live on Channel 18 and on at FairhavenTV.com

WIA Cand night

The West Island Improvement Association presents Candidates Night at the Community House, 41 Causeway Road, West Island, Fairhaven, on Thurs., 3/31, at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

OLOA Dinner

Our Lady of Angels Club annual Bifana/Chicken Dinner, Sat., 3/26, 5-8 p.m., \$12.00. Eat in or pick up. Call Joe Mello, 508-733-4608, or find him on Facebook.

FHS Drama Club

The Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present the musical "Into the Woods," its first production since the pandemic hit in 2020.

Thurs., 3/31-Sat., 4/2 at 7:30 p.m., and Sun., 4/3 at 2 p.m. This year's director is former FHS student Marisa Rebelo. For tickets, visit <https://fairhaven-public-schools.ticketleap.com/into-the-woods> \$15/adults, \$13/students, \$13/seniors.

"Into the Woods" is a musical fantasy that takes a twist on some classic fairy tales by the Brothers Grimm, complete with witches and curses. Music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim.

Fort Lot Closed

Beginning Monday, March 21, 2022, and continuing through Friday, April 1, 2022, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will implement a closure of the main parking lot at Fort Phoenix State Reservation at the corner of Green Street and Beacon Street in the Town of Fairhaven to accommodate resurfacing operations and curb installation work.

The smaller parking lot at the corner of Fort Street and Beacon Street, and the auxiliary parking lot on the east end of the property will remain open to the public. Traffic

patterns will be clearly marked, and a police detail will be on site.

Rabies Clinics

Town of Fairhaven will hold two Rabies clinics. \$15, cash only. All animals must be leashed or in a carrier.

April 3: Capeway Veterinary Hospital, 171 Bridge St., Fairhaven, 8-10 a.m.

April 10: New England Animal Hospital, 66 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven, 10 a.m.-Noon.

Sponsored by the Board of Health: 508-979-4023, Ext. 125 or BOH@Fairhaven-ma.gov

SAVE THE DATES:

Easter Egg Hunt

The North Fairhaven Improvement Association invites the public to join us for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Sat., 4/16, 9 a.m. SHARP, Livesey Park, Fairhaven/Glenhaven St., behind the Oxford School.

Children from toddler to age 12 are invited to participate. Categories are: Toddler to 4; 5-8; 9-12. Bring your Easter basket and come out to welcome the Easter Bunny! FREE.

Vax Clinic

Booster vaccine clinic, Wed., 4/13, 2-6 p.m., Fairhaven Council on Aging/Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven. Pfizer vaccine will be offered.

Sponsored by Fairhaven Health Department and Southcoast Community Wellness Program. Call the Fairhaven Health Department at 508-979-4023, Ext. 125, or visit <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/board-health>

5K Walk/Run

Register now for our 5K Walk/Run on Sat., 5/7/22, at Ft. Phoenix State Reservation, Fairhaven. Registration Begins 8:00 am Race Begins 9:00 am. \$15 Registration fee includes event T-shirt. T-shirts are limited, register early.

For more info and to register, visit our website at www.NemasketGroup.org Donations Appreciated.

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Homecoming Fair

After a two year hiatus due to Covid, the Fairhaven Improvement Association's 44th Annual Homecoming Fair is scheduled for Saturday 6/25/22. The Annual Homecoming Fair has long been Fairhaven's largest and most popular event with 175 craft and food vendors, an art show and all day live entertainment.

"We have missed our vendors, volunteers and the many town departments who help us put on the Fair," said Barbara Acksen Chairperson of the Homecoming Fair Committee. "Most of all we have missed the community. Everyone has missed the opportunity for connection with others in a fun and joyful atmosphere. The Fair has long provided that sense of community and all of us on the Committee are excited to be working on restoring it."

Applications for the Fair are currently available at the Town Hall, the Millicent Library, and the Tourism Office. Applications are also available at <https://www.facebook.com/FairhavenImprovementAssociation> or <http://fairhavenimprovement.org>

Scholarship Applications

Awarded by the Fairhaven Historical Society annually, The Enrique Goytizolo Scholarship recognizes a Fairhaven-resident graduating high school senior planning to pursue post-secondary education at an accredited institution of higher learning. The scholarship is given in honor of Enrique Goytizolo's dedication to preserving the history of the Town of Fairhaven and his vital role in leading the Fairhaven Historical Society for many years.

Deadline: 4/1/22.

Open to any graduating high school senior who resides in Fairhaven and plans to matriculate to an accredited institution of higher learning in the fall. Amount: \$1,000

For further info email: historical_societyfairhaven@gmail.com

Free Film

Immerse yourself in the world of movement! You're invited to gather on The Z Stage with friends for an hour-long experience featuring dance experts, video performances, and beverages on Wed., 3/30, at 7 p.m., at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center 684 Purchase St., New Bedford, 508-994-2900. Dance Barre inspires dance lovers, dancers and choreographers, as well as enriches the upcoming mainstage performance. Free!

For tickets visit <https://www.zeiterion.org/events/motion-state-film-s4>

Symphony on Tap

Symphony on Tap is Back!

Who do you know that has never attended a classical music concert? We're betting you know quite a few! (In 2017, The National Endowment for the Arts reported that only 8.6% of adults in the US attended a classical music performance.)

Please spread the word about Symphony on Tap - a unique concert experience at Kilburn Mill at Clarks Cove in New Bedford that's perfect for introducing people to the NBSO. The evening features a full symphony orchestra performing in a nightclub setting - no stage, no seats, just fun, including a cash bar and kitchen, 60 minutes of dazzling music, and time to mingle with friends before and after the concert.

Doors open at 7 pm for an hour of enjoying drinks and food, followed by live music from 8-9 pm, then more time to hang out with friends, musicians, and conductor Yaniv Dinur. The bar and kitchen will stay open until 9:30. The event concludes at 10 pm. Tickets are \$20. See website for COVID protocols.

Visit <https://nbsymphony.org/symphony-on-tap-2022/>

Scholarship Oppty

The Greater New Bedford Garden Club is offering two \$1,800 scholarships to residents of the Greater New Bedford area who are high school seniors graduating in June and who are planning to attend a four-year college and pursuing a degree in horticulture, landscape design or agriculture, forestry, conservation or environmental science.

The goals of the Greater New Bedford Garden Club are to offer educational and inspirational programs and to encourage the advancement of gardening, flower arranging, horticulture and the beautification of the community and the conservation of natural resources. Scholarships are given out each year as a way to encourage and support these objectives.

The scholarship applications are available for high school seniors in the guidances offices of the following high schools: New Bedford, Fairhaven, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical, Dartmouth, Westport, Old Rochester Regional, Old Colony Regional, Bishop Stang, Bristol County Agricultural, Global Learning Charter School.

The deadline for applications and required paperwork is April 23, 2022 and must be postmarked by that date.

For further information, contact VirginiaSheehan427@comcast.net

Azorean Art Exhibit

The New Bedford Whaling Museum announced that the first-ever American exhibition of the work of Domingos Rebêlo, one of the premier modernist painters of the 20th century, will be presented at the Whaling Museum beginning March 31, 2022 through September 22, 2022.

The Azorean Spirit: The Art of Domingos Rebêlo will be the seminal exhibition of the work of Domingos Rebêlo (1871-1971). Organized by his grandson, researcher and Guest Curator Jorge Rebêlo, the exhibition brings together over seventy paintings and works on paper from collections in continental Portugal and the Azores. Today, Rebêlo is regarded as the premiere modernist painter of Portuguese art. In a career spanning more than 60 years, Rebêlo created thousands of works of art that reflected his Portuguese identity and culture and honored his Azorean roots.

The museum will host a **special public viewing and reception followed by an hour-long roundtable exploring Rebêlo's legacy on Thursday, April 7, 2022**. Slipp will be joined by preeminent scholars of Azorean and Portuguese art, Memory Holloway, Onésimo Teotónio Almeida, and Jorge Rebêlo, to discuss

Rebêlo's life and body of work. The roundtable will be presented both in-person and in a virtual format. Pre-registration is required and may be done through the New Bedford Whaling Museum website: <https://www.whalingmuseum.org/exhibition/domingos-rebello/>

The exhibition will be accompanied by the publication of a 240-page, bi-lingual exhibition catalogue with scholarly essays by Portuguese and American scholars. The catalogue promises to introduce Rebêlo to English-speaking audiences and become the seminal scholarly publication on the artist in both languages.

This landmark exhibition has been made possible by major funding and logistical support from Massachusetts State Senator Michael J. Rodrigues, an anonymous donor, The Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, TAP Air Portugal, SATA-Azores Airlines, The Senator Rodrigues Arts and Culture Fund of the SouthCoast Community Foundation, and the Luso-American Development Foundation (FLAD). For more information on the exhibition and the surrounding events, please visit <https://www.whalingmuseum.org/exhibition/domingos-rebello/>

Pave the way to Steeple Playhouse

Support the final phase of the rehabilitation of the historic First Baptist Church, future home Your Theatre.

Visit <https://yourtheatre.org/yti/index.php?page=steelepaverorder>

Infrastructure Survey

New Bedford is using nature-based solutions to increase climate and community resiliency by reducing urban flooding, mitigating extreme heat, and improving neighborhood livability. In the Green Infrastructure Master Strategy, the City will prioritize these projects in neighborhoods where residents will get the most benefits.

Share your opinion at <https://live.metroquestsurvey.com/?u=dx6i6t#!/?p=web&pm=dynamic&s=1>

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April
4th

CATHY MELANSON

...to give back to the community that has given so much to my family and me. From the time I met and married the boy next door, to raising my four girls and eventually building my home and businesses here- I am Fairhaven strong.

In my retirement, I will continue to support Fairhaven as a great place to live, work, raise a family.

My extensive experience from serving on multiple town boards and committees will prove invaluable to our town's future challenges.

I believe moving to a 5-person board will give us the opportunity for more diverse ideas to move Fairhaven forward. Further, serving on the Select Board will give me a greater opportunity to focus on issues I am especially passionate about:

- Fiscal responsibility in spending our tax dollars & transparency in project funding.
- Keeping our town affordable for seniors & those on fixed incomes.
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for Fairhaven Board of Health

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hold a vaccination clinic on 4/13 at the senior center from 2-6 p.m. for Pfizer booster shots.

Mr. Gallagher noted that more than 11,000 vaccinated in a town of just over 16,000 is a "huge task that was met."

He thanked the 11,000 people who got vaccinated to "help get us where we are today."

The board also announced that the health department will place 13 dispensers with sunscreen in various places in town, including beaches and parks.

Mr. Gallagher said they found the old dispensers and cleaned them up and got them ready to go, but then discovered it would cost \$1,500.00 for batteries and inserts.

He said he contacted SouthCoast Health and they agreed to donate the \$1,500 for the materials.

Mr. Gallagher said SCH is involved in community activities and recognizes that if they invest funds in prevention, they will not be treating patients for the damage.

He said they should consider

adding the costs to their annual budget.

"It was a wonderful donation to receive," said Mr. Gallagher, adding that he has been "carved up" several times.

"If it can be avoided, which it can be, all the better for everyone involved," said Mr. Gallagher.

In another matter, Mr. DeTerra reminded residents of the dangers of mosquitoes and ticks and the diseases they can transmit to humans and pets.

There are educational materials, including pictures of different ticks and mosquitoes and the diseases they carry at town hall and the Millicent Library. The information is also on the website: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/board-health/pages/mosquito-tick-information>

Mr. DeTerra said they will be putting signage on the bike path. Bristol County Mosquito Control has taken over the task of putting insecticide in the catch basins.

Mr. Flaherty said residents need to

stay covered up, check themselves when they get inside, check their animals, and make sure pets are up to date on their flea and tick treatments.

It's important to wear long sleeves and pants, he said, and although you may look like a "dweeb," putting your socks over your pants prevents the ticks from getting to your skin.

He said home owners should drain water from toys and lawn ornaments, and change bird bath water every few days. It dries six days for mosquitoes to grow, he said.

Standing water, is a "mosquito's best friend," said Mr. Flaherty.

There is no getting rid of ticks or mosquitoes, he said, but maintaining good practices will avoid some of the illnesses they transmit.

Mr. Gallagher suggested they should get some of the local experts in to discuss some of the programs other towns are using.

Mr. Ristuccia said he knew first hand how severe some of the diseases can be. Lyme Disease, he said, is "minor" compared to some of the others.

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FHS Drama to present “Into the Woods”



The Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present the musical “Into the Woods,” its first production since the pandemic hit in 2020, Thurs., 3/31–Sat., 4/2 at 7:30 p.m., and Sun., 4/3 at 2 p.m. This year’s director is former FHS student Marisa Rebelo. For tickets, visit <https://fairhaven-public-schools.ticketleap.com/into-the-woods>. Tickets: \$15/adults, \$13/students, \$13/seniors. “Into the Woods” is a musical fantasy that takes a twist on some classic fairy tales by the Brothers Grimm, complete with witches and curses. Music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. ABOVE LEFT: Brooke Boucher as Little Red Riding Hood poses for a photo during rehearsal for “Into the Woods” which the Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present on 3/31/22 to 4/2. MIDDLE: Brenna Medeiros as Cinderella’s mother. RIGHT: in Wu (on ladder), and Summer Ramos (Cinderella) on the set. *Submitted photos.*

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Recipe of the Week

Chicken Scallopini

For the chicken:

- 1 pound linguine pasta
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 4 chicken breasts, skinless, boneless, and thinly sliced
- 2 cups Italian-seasoned or Panko breadcrumbs

For the lemon butter sauce:

- 4 ounces fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup butter, cubed
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- parsley, optional, for garnish

Cook pasta. Set aside. Heat the oil and butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Coat the chicken in the bread crumbs.

Sauté the chicken in the skillet until browned and cooked through, about 4-5 minutes per side. The chicken should be 165 degrees F in its thickest part.

Transfer the chicken from the skillet and set it aside.

In the same skillet, heat the lemon juice and chicken broth over medium heat, bringing it to a boil and scraping up any browned bits at the bottom with a wooden spoon. Reduce the heat to medium-low.

Add the cream and simmer until thickened, about 2-3 mins.

Add in the butter a few cubes at a time, slowly stirring until incorporated.

Add the pasta to the lemon butter sauce and season with salt and pepper. Add the chicken on top of the pasta.

Garnish with parsley and serve!

Dear Frankie



Will COVID

Dear Frankie,

My family is driving me nuts. All they ever talk about is how Covid has ruined their lives, and they can't take it anymore.

My Dad is upset because the golf trip was

canceled. My mom is depressed because her cousin canceled the wedding reception and it's too late to return the dress she bought for the occasion. My sister is hysterical because her school canceled the prom.

Don't get me started on the ongoing arguments about wearing or not wearing a mask or going or not going to an inside event with fifty people.

I could go on, but you get the idea.

Before Covid, our family had the best times at dinner; we talked about our day, shared news of friends and family, and had a few laughs.

Will these times ever come back? Or should I also stop griping and grin and bear it?

Lupo

Dear Lupo,

Covid has undoubtedly taken an emotional toll on everyone. How can your family not be disappointed about missing out on all the things that brought them so much pleasure?

That said, it is annoying to be with people who constantly complain about situations out of their control.

I'm no fortune teller, but I do think things will eventually get better.

Will they be like they were before Covid? Probably not, but is anything ever like it was in the old days?

For the moment, I suggest your best course of action is to take the high road and grin and bear it. If you genuinely can't take it, you might consider going to another room when the family has dinner or putting your paws over your ears when the complaining begins.

Best, Frankie

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Cape Verdean Gala

The 11th annual Cape Verdean Recognition Committee Gala Celebration in honor of JOHN B. Cruz III, Sun., 4/3, 3-7 p.m., White's of Westport, 66 State Road. Westport. Featuring Jackie Santos and Friends, Stran Strickland and Joel Hiller, along with Ponta d'Sol, The KG Express featuring Kevin Gomes and Angella Kronillis.

Donation: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. For tickets call Diane Gomes, 508-994-7625; or Celia's Boutique, 508-525-9490, 11 William St., New Bedford. Proceeds to benefit the Scholarship Fund and Annual Cape Verdean Parade.

Auditions

The Marion Art Center Theater announces open auditions for the upcoming production of select one acts from the humorous collection *All in the Timing* by playwright David Ives. Auditions will be held at the Marion Art Center on Sat., 4/2 from 10:00am-12:00pm and on Sun., 4/3 from 1:00-3:00pm, at The MAC, 80 Pleasant St., Marion, MA. Only fully vaccinated actors will be considered for roles. Please wear a mask while inside the Marion Art Center.

Selected one acts include *Words, Words, Words* (directed by Shelia McManus) which recalls the philosophical adage that three monkeys typing into infinity will sooner or later produce Hamlet and asks: What would monkeys talk about at their typewriters?; *The Philadelphia* (directed by Linda Costa), which presents two friends in a restaurant who have fallen into "a Philadelphia", a Twilight Zone-like state in which they cannot get anything they ask for; *Sure Thing* (directed by Donn Tyler), where two people meet in a café and find their way through a conversational minefield as an offstage bell interrupts their false starts, gaffes, and faux pas on the way to falling in

love; and *Variations on the Death of Trotsky* (directed by Kate Fishman), which shows us the Russian revolutionary on the day of his demise, desperately trying to cope with the mountain-climber's axe he's discovered in his head.

Directors will cast up to a total of eleven actors of any age or gender, and some doubling of parts may occur across one act plays. Rehearsal times and dates will be determined by directors (in collaboration with actors) after cast is selected.

Performances are scheduled outdoors in Bicentennial Park (across the street from the Marion Art Center) June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, and 18. For more information, visit marionartcenter.org/auditions.

Mattapoissett Mus.

Upcoming Events at Mattapoissett Museum, 5 Church St. Mattapoissett

March 24, 7 pm - Join us virtually, for a book lecture by Skip Finley, author of *Whaling Captains of Color: America's First Meritocracy*, co-sponsored with the Sippican Historical Society. Registration is required and can be completed at www.mattapoissettmuseum.org/events or by emailing info@sippicanhistoricalsociety.org FREE

March 27, 1 pm - Southcoast Lessons presents *Old Time Fiddle Session* Join us for a gathering of traditional string band musicians and music lovers. Bring an instrument if you play, a seat if you've got one you love, and yourself whether you play and own seating or not. FREE

April 1, 6 pm - *New Sounds of Silents* Southcoast Lessons' silent films set to live music series returns! Our fourth edition will feature the very real surreal documentary work of Jean Painlevé, amazing early animation, comedy, and drama. Come on out for an evening of short films set to both improvised and newly composed pieces brought to you by Southcoast Lessons performers. FREE

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What additional abstracts have been created for the southern New England states? What forms of these records are available online? What kind of records might take the place of a vital record? Improve your family history research today by maximizing your ability to locate the records that tie generations together. **There is a \$5 suggested donation.** Register at www.mattapoissettmuseum.org/events

Comedy Show FR

Comedy show to benefit Mercy Meals and More, Fri., 4/1. Doors open at 5 with raffle ticket sales and silent auction bidding. Buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m., who at 8 p.m., White's of Westport, 66 State Road, Westport, MA 02790. Silent auction and raffle. Featuring our "All You Can Eat / All You Can Laugh" Italian Buffet and some of Boston's hottest comics - Jessica Casciano, John Turco and Tony V. Tickets: \$40. Show only tickets (no buffet): \$25.

Art Contest NOAA

Contest for Kids K-12: **Entries Due Friday, April 22, 2022.** Teachers: Celebrate Endangered Species Day (May 20) by having your classroom participate in the 2022 Marine Endangered Species Art Contest!

Endangered and threatened species need our help. Students' artwork will showcase their knowledge and commitment to protecting these animals. We invite schools from Massachusetts and anywhere in the world to submit entries!

Artwork should highlight one or more marine endangered or threatened species from the New England/Mid-Atlantic region. Text highlighting why the animals are important and what people can do to protect them may also be included. Younger students, in grades K-2, who may not understand the threats to endangered species (e.g., pollution, vessel strikes, etc.) are encouraged to portray the animals in their natural habitat instead.

Get the details at https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/event/2022-greater-atlantic-regions-marine-endangered-species-art-contest?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

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Join us for our annual flashlight egg hunt. Children will search for their eggs on the Recreation Center grounds and return them to the Easter Bunny for a special treat. Don't forget to bring your flashlight & camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny. In the event of rain, it will be held indoors at the Center.

Date: April 8th, 7:30PM Fairhaven Recreation Center.

Ages: 10 and under \$7 due at registration. No Refunds Deadline to register is Tues., 4/5. No late registrations will be accepted. No walk-ins will be allowed on the night of the event.

Kool Kids April Vacation

This 4 day program is a great opportunity to make new friends while participating in fun group activities such as pillo polo, floor hockey, dodgeball, cooperative games, flag football, arts & crafts, etc. Kids will need to bring their own lunch for the first 3 days of the program. The last day is a pizza lunch. Come ready to have fun! Sneakers and active clothes must be worn each day. Kids will be grouped according to their current grade in school. Grades: K-5 Dates: 4/19/22 - 4/22/22. Drop off between 8-8:15, pick up by 3 p.m. \$100/Member, \$125/Non Member

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Southcoast VNA and Hospice Support Group, Widow and Widowers Grief Support Group: 2nd Thursday of the month, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

General Loss Grief Support: 3rd Thursday of the month 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Blood Pressure Clinics

Is back at the Fairhaven Senior Center from 1-3:00 p.m. every other Wednesday. Next Date: April 6.

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At the Fairhaven Council on Aging,

Wednesday, April 6th, 1:00 p.m. Know your Basic Consumer Rights. Call the Fairhaven Senior Center to reserve your seat (508-979-4029).

Computer Technology Classes

Starting April 25-May 2022 at The Fairhaven Council of Aging. Please call 508-979-4029 to sign up. All classes will be 90 Minutes, Monday and Wednesday only (maximum number of participants 10).

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Kevin Grant

My name is Kevin Grant and I'm running for a seat on the Planning Board. I grew up in Fall River and

lived in New Bedford for years before purchasing a home in Fairhaven with my wife in 2018. I am the East Coast Supply Chain Manager for Revolution Foods, which is based out of Oakland California.

My main reason for running is because at the time I pulled papers there were two open seats and no candidates for those positions. I am now one of three candidates in the running for the two seats. I have no greater political aspirations per se other than to serve the town and community. The fact that I know the seats will now be filled is in itself a victory.

My goals for the town are to support locally owned businesses as much as possible, ideally ones that hire locally and use local vendors as well. I also hope to see the vacant retail properties in town find occupants and to create an environment where our young entrepreneurs choose to start companies here rather than leaving to find their fortunes elsewhere.

I am committed to preserving our historic buildings as often as is possible until they can find tenants who agree to maintain the structural integrity and beauty of the property.

I believe that a healthy democracy is one based upon a collective effort, one which involves many voices and sometimes competing viewpoints. That being the case, I make no promises other than to stay true to my values and add my voice to the decisions made by the Planning Board as a group.

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to run and would be grateful for your vote on April 4th.

I would like to wish good luck to all the candidates and hope for a good turnout at the polls.

Thank you.



Andrew Romano

My name is Andrew Romano, and I am writing today to ask for your vote for one of the vacant seats on the

Fairhaven Planning Board.

Our community is entering an exciting time, with new voices eager to step up and represent the people of our quaint seaside town.

At the beginning of 2022, I decided to join the North Fairhaven Improvement Association. On April 4, I hope to become one of those new voices supporting positive change at the next level as well.

I am a lifelong Fairhaven resident and attended Fairhaven Public Schools from kindergarten through high school. My very first job was working for the Fairhaven Government Access Channel where I was introduced to the value of involvement in Town government. I am a local Realtor, and was even voted Best Realtor of 2021 by *SouthCoast Today* Readers. I often have clients vying to get into Fairhaven to enjoy the many and varied benefits of life in our town.

One of the highlights of my job is getting to brag about the community that raised me. And I believe that it is my time to give back. Working in real estate I will bring a unique perspective to the Planning Board. I know what makes a desirable town, and I look forward to being part of Fairhaven's continued evolution.

I would appreciate your vote on April 4, and pledge that you will not be disappointed.

Thank you.



Sharon Simmons

I'm a life-time resident of Fairhaven with a strong passion for my hometown, its people, its history, and

its buildings.

My family of four generations has resided here. We love our town.

Being raised here, I've attended St Joseph's School, Hastings Jr. High, and Fairhaven High School Class of 1979.

Not only was I raised here, I also work here, play here and know the community and people well.

I've been fortunate to introduce many people to Fairhaven to establish their place of residence.

When I was made aware of two seats open on the Planning board, I believed my 25 years of work experience and knowledge would be valuable to the town and its people. It is an opportunity for me to give back.

Removing obstacles and thinking out of the box, is what I do best.

I respectfully ask for your vote on April 4th, 2020.

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EFS students help out the animals

By Lori Richard

Neighb News Correspondent

Over the past three weeks, members of the East Fairhaven School student in grades 4 and 5 have been collecting dog and cat food, toys, cleaning supplies and more in their Fairhaven Animal Shelter Pet Drive.

The students conceived of, organized, and ran the fundraiser, including creating posters and flyers and reminding their fellow classmates in daily school announcements to give generously.

Based on the impressive number of bags and boxes that lined the hallway, it's clear they rose to the challenge.

The students also coordinated their efforts with the Fairhaven Animal Shelter to ensure they were providing much-needed products for the animals. By doing their part to help local strays, the students are living up to the famous words, which are oft-repeated at E.F.S.: "Be the change you wish to see in the world."



LEFT: Fourth and fifth grade student council members at East Fairhaven School pose with the items they have collected for the Fairhaven Animal Shelter on 3/21/22. (FRONT ROW, L-R: Wyatt Rotundo, Adam Perron, Kendall Soares, Rowan Donly, Danika Reynolds; BACK ROW, L-R: Emmalyn Pereira, Sydney Benevides, Layla Bettencourt, Isabel Borges, Gia Arruda, Alex Khintibidze. ABOVE RIGHT: EFS fifth graders check bags of donations. BELOW: Students and East Fairhaven School Principal Wendy Weidenfeller prepare donated items to go to the Fairhaven Animal Shelter. Photos by Lori Richard for the Neighb News.



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March is Women's History Month, when we try to focus on the contributions of women throughout history.

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Women's History Month began as Women's History Week in Santa Rosa, CA in 1978. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter Designated March 2-8 as National Women's History Week. In 1987 Congress passed a law extending it to a month.

Learn more at <https://womenshistorymonth.gov> and <https://www.womenshistory.org/>

Oral Histories with Westport Women

To mark Women's History Month, we highlight some wonderful interviews with women of Westport!

If you know of someone that we should interview, please contact Westport Historical Society, westporthistory@westporthistory.net. Visit www.wpthistory.org

Elsie Roylance Buess

Interviewed at the age of 98, she reflects on her life and the changes she has witnessed, her memories of school, Remington's Clambake, the 1938 hurricane, catching the trolley to New Bedford, and dances at the Grange and Lincoln Park. Visit <https://vimeo.com/683842896>

Florence Lees and Jean Hart

Florence Lees and Jean Hart with Russ Hart and Al Lees, interviewed by Betty Slade, reflect in growing up in Westport MA in the 1940s along Sanford Road.

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Agnes Russell and Muriel Petty

Agnes Russell and Muriel Petty interviewed by Norma Sears and Betty Slade Sept 27 2004

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Early Years in Westport

Early Years in Westport, Massachusetts with Betsy Acheson, Charlotte Fitch, Kathy Preston, Sally Yeomans, July 2005. Interviewed by Betty Slade.

Visit <https://vimeo.com/311765233>

Eleanor Donati

Eleanor Donati interviewed by Russ Hart and Betty Slade, November 2009

Visit <https://vimeo.com/312183729>
Ann Chandanais and Gloria Chester
Ann Chandanais and Gloria Chester, Westport Matters. No.98, 3-1-1998. Life long residents talk about their lives and remarkable events that affected local and national societies.

Visit <https://vimeo.com/168539751>
Grace DeAndrade

Grace DeAndrade Town Nurse Westport Matters No.107. 9-18-1998. Long retired former Town Nurse describes her duties and responsibilities during a career that started in mid 20th century.

Visit <https://vimeo.com/164270111>
Audrey Tripp, Jeanne Parsons

Teachers Audrey Tripp, Jeanne Parsons, Westport Matters No.30. 8-23-96. Two lifelong revered, dedicated Westport teachers recollect their lives and tenures. Westport Matters No. 30. 8-23-96.

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Mary Fields, America's First Black "Cowgirl"

Described as one of the toughest, most resilient residents of Cascade, Montana, Mary Fields traveled around the US after emancipation. She worked on steamboats and at a convent in Ohio. Fiercely independent, she refused to be bound by the stereotypes of her time, and eventually secured a contract as a Star Route Carrier, an independent contractor for the US Post Office. She was the first African American woman and the second woman to receive a Star Route. Visit <https://www.nps.gov/people/mary-fields.htm>

Eslanda Goode Robeson

Paul Robeson may have outshined his wife in the public eye, but he shouldn't have. She was his manager, and also an anthropologist and journalist.

Learn more at <https://www.paulrobesonhouse.org/shining-a-light-on-eslanda-goode-robeson/>

Aretha Franklin Queen of Soul

Singer, songwriter, pianist, she has been on Rolling Stone's 100 Greatest Artists of All time. Visit <https://www.arethafranklin.net>

Lynn Nottage, Playwright

"Lynn Nottage is a playwright and a screenwriter. She is the first, and remains the only, woman to have won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama twice.

Her plays have been produced widely in the United States and throughout the world," from <http://www.lynnnottage.com/about.html>

Charity Bailey The Lady Pied Piper

In 1928, Charity Baily, a gifted musician and graduate of Rhode Island College of Education, could not get a job because she was black. She moved to New York City, but did not teach. She did host a television show from 1954 to 1956, "Sing a Song," that was an interracial children's show.

Visit <https://rhodetour.org/items/show/422?tour=48&index=3>

Willa Beatrice Brown A Woman with Wings

Willa Brown was the first African American woman to get a pilot's license in the US and the first to run for the US Congress, and the first woman to have both a pilot's license and an aircraft mechanic's license.

She also co-founded the first private flight training academy owned and operated by African Americans in the US. Several of her trainees became Tuskegee Airmen.

Visit

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Willa_Brown,](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Willa_Brown)

<https://pioneersofflight.si.edu/content/willa-brown-0>

<https://www.nationalww2museum.org/war/articles/lieutenant-willa-brown>

Harriet Tubman

Harriet Tubman was an escaped slave who led slaves to freedom on the Underground Railroad. In her later years, after the Civil War, she became active in the women's suffrage movement and worked with Susan B. Anthony. Tubman opened a rest home for indigent people and moved there in her old age. Visit <https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/harriet-tubman>

Susan B. Anthony

A champion of temperance, abolition, the rights of labor and equal pay for equal work, she became one of the visible leaders of the women's suffrage movement (from website below). She spend her life working for women's right to vote. She died 14 years before the 19th Amendment passed in 1920.

Visit <https://www.womenshistory.org/education-resources/biographies/susan-b-anthony>

Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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TOWN OF ACUSHNET PUBLIC HEARING

This is to inform you that a hearing will be held by the Board of Selectmen at the Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street, Acushnet on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at 4:10 p.m. This hearing is on the petition of Verizon New England & Nstar d/b/a Eversource.

- To install one (1) FO pole 120/241.5, new location being approximately 73' southeast of pole 120/242. This pole placement is necessary for the installation to provide new electrical service to the customer at 1449 Main Street. Plan number 7186647.

Board of Selectmen
David Desroches, Chairman
David Wojnar, Member
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member
FNN 3/24/22

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street

Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Public Hearing In-Person in Banquet Room

or via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

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or call 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 941 1513 7952

Passcode: 361259

- CORRESPONDENCE:** Owner/Applicant of 108 Sycamore Street requests an extension of the previously granted Variance (granted May 4, 2021), in accordance with MGL, Chapter 40A, Section 10. The owner has requested the Board to consider granting a six (6) month extension.

HEARINGS

- REF#: ZBA-2022-022: 184 Balsam Street. Applicant & Owner: Robert and Karen Sullivan. Applicant seeks a Variance to construct a dock greater than 75 feet in length due to shallowness of docking area pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-32.2(3)(a). **Continued from December 2, 2021.**
- REF#: ZBA-022-023: 2 Elliot Lane, Map 12, Lots 196-198. Applicant & Owner: Sandra Gifford. Applicant seeks a Special Permit under the Fairhaven Bylaw 198-16, to construct a two-floor addition, for the purpose of an in-law suite of approximately 1,400

square feet. **Continued from December 2, 2021.**

- REF#: ZBA-022-008: 5 Billys Way, Map 29A, Lots 185-186. Applicant & Owner: Sharon Simmons. Applicant seeks (1) Variance to construct accessory structure greater than 20 feet in height, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-22 (2) and; (2) Variance to construct accessory structure in the front yard, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-22 (3). **Please note: The applicant will need a Variance from the Building Board of Regulations and Standards to construct a detached accessory structure in excess of 100 sq ft in the FEMA Velocity Zone.**
- REF#: ZBA-022-009: 55 Orchard Street, Map 28B, Lots 410 & 411. Applicant & Owner: Despina Moran-Devlin. Applicant seeks (1) an appeal of the Building Commissioner's Stop Work Order dated 11/15/21 and; (2) a finding from the Board under MGL 40A, Section 6, for expansion of an existing nonconforming use to construct a 22'.8"x 18'.7" carport and 37'.5"x9'.5" deck, and that the additions are not more substantially detrimental than the existing nonconforming use to the neighborhood. Please note: **The Board awaits the submittal of an instrument survey from a registered land surveyor to confirm that the proposed setbacks are conforming to the Zoning Bylaw 198-18: Intensity of Use Schedule.**
- REF#: ZBA-022-010: 3 Bass Creek Road, Map 43C, Lots 40-42, Applicant & Owner: Karen Cabral. Applicant seeks a Special Permit for a mobile home stored or occupied on the property, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-28.
- REF#: ZBA-022-011: 29 Winsegansett Avenue, Map 42A, Lot 148. Applicant: Taylor Bradford. Owner: Henry Bradford III. Applicant seeks a Special Permit for home occupation contractor services, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-23.
- REF#: ZBA-022-012: 89 Akin Street, Map 30B, Lot 54, Applicant & Owner: Daniel Pounds. Applicant seeks Variance from the minimum rear setback of 30 feet to the 21 feet proposed, for the construction of a single-family home, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18.
- REF#: ZBA-022-013: 481 Scotic Neck Road, Map 29, Lot 27. Applicant: Christopher Saunders. Owner: Antone Arruda. Applicant seeks (1) Variance to create two buildable lots, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-17B, which states no existing lot shall be changed in size or shape, except through a public taking or except where otherwise permitted herein, so as to result in violation of the requirements set forth and; (2) Variance from the minimum required frontage of 140 feet to the 77.5 feet pro-

- posed, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18.
- REF#: ZBA-022-014: 148 Main Street, Map 12, Lot 12A. Applicant & Owner: Diane Tomassetti. Applicant seeks Special Permit to construct a timber pile supported pier with a gangway and a float, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-32.2.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman, Fairhaven ZBA
FNN: 3/24/22, 3/31/22

Fairhaven Planning Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a public hearing at the above date and remote and physical locations.

To access remotely Log onto:

<https://zoom.us/j/93163358101?pwd=NXG5WnUxZ3ILK3drSVBBM2JPTXE0QT09>

or call 1-929-205-6099 - Meeting ID: 931 6335 8101 -
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- RZ 2022-02: 114 Scotic Neck Road Rezone from Business (B) to Mixed-Use (M-U)

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following Rezone application: RZ 2022-02: 114 Scotic Neck Road Rezone. The Applicant, Ronald Oliveira, is requesting a recommendation from the Planning Board to Town Meeting through the Rezoning public hearing review process to rezone their property located at 114 Scotic Neck Road from Business (B) to Mixed-use (MU) to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting on June 18, 2022. The proposed Rezone specifically includes the following described lot which is currently shown on the zoning map as in the Business District (B) to be rezoned to the Mixed-Use (MU) District and is comprised of the following Assessor's Map-Lot: Map 28a Lot 192.

A copy of the application is on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and all information is accessible at the Planning Board webpage: For information on the project go to: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-board/pages/current-permits-being-reviewed-special-permits-definitive-subdivisions>

To schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4023, Ext. 123.

John Farrell Jr., Chairman of the Planning Board
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Outdoor storytime returns to Millicent Library

Submitted

Read, sing, and get up and move on the Millicent Library Lawn, 45 Center St., Fairhaven.

Baby Outdoor Storytime (for babies and toddlers under 18

months) starts April 5th at 9:30am and meets every Tuesday morning.

Outdoor Storytime for all ages (preschool, school-age children and caregivers) starts April 6th at 10:30am and meets every Wednesday

morning.

Sign up for weekly Storytime sessions on our calendar by visiting www.millicentlibrary.org, or, contact Allie: 508-992-5342, athiel@sailsinc.org.



Children and their adults enjoy Baby Storytime outside at the Millicent Library in Fairhaven last summer. Submitted photos.

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HELP WANTED: Hiring FT and PT Landscapers and Landscape Laborers. Landscapers must have a minimum 2 years experience, laborers need none but must be motivated and punctual. Call JNS Landscaping office for application and interview details: 508-993-6897

Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven

Board of Appeals

Tues., 4/5, Town Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health

Wed., 3/30, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 4/4, Arsene St., 6:15 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 4/11, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee

Thurs., 3/24, Remote, 7 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 4/12, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 4/13, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

Select Board

Mon. 3/28, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Board of Assessors

Wed., 3/30, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Golf Committee

Thurs., 3/24, Town Hall, 4:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

Thurs., 3/24, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 3/29, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

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Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure... than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.

Theodore Roosevelt

TIDE TABLE

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

	Mar. 2022	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Wednesday	23	0022	1251	0548*	1756*
Thursday	24	0122	1353	0649	1859
Friday	25	0224	1454	0811	2020
Saturday	26	0326	1600	0944	2144
Sunday	27	0435	1713	1148	2352
Monday	28	0543	1814	----	1243*
Tuesday	29	0637	1902	0056	1327*
Wednesday	30	0723	1945	0147*	1407*
Thursday	31	0805	2027	0237*	1441*

	Apr. 2022	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Friday	1	0848	2109	0318*	1459*
Saturday	2	0930	2150	0342	1517*
Sunday	3	1012	2231	0355*	1542
Monday	4	1052	2312	0416	1610
Tuesday	5	1135	2356	0442	1641
Wednesday	6	----	1223	0514	1715
Thursday	7	0048	1318	0553	1756

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

Golden anniversary for Meals on Wheels in Acushnet

By Lori Richard

Neighb News Correspondent

The Meals on Wheels Program is turning 50, and Acushnet Select Board members David Desroches and David Wojnar, Interim Town Administrator Jamie Kelley, state representatives and others were on hand to help celebrate this milestone at the Acushnet Council on Aging on 3/22/2022.

Representative Chris Hendricks, State Representative Paul Schmid, and Kevin Hart representing Rep. Bill Straus joined Coastline Elderly Chief Operating Officer Sylvia Nobre-Hilton and town officials to recognize this important program, which falls under the federal Older Americans Act Nutrition Program.

The March for Meals celebration included brief statements by the aforementioned officials and a video

highlighting Acushnet's efforts to ensure its oldest residents stay connected and well fed through the program.

Acushnet COA Director Heather Chew noted that so many volunteers, including town officials, safety personnel and citizens, have given their time to this invaluable service.

"They all came together.... We never would have made it through the pandemic without them," she said

Mr. Desroches emphasized that Meals on Wheels offers more than just a hot lunch to older people, especially since the COVID pandemic caused many to be isolated.

"Eight out of 10 communities are serving more meals to homes than before the pandemic," said Mr. Desroches.

He pointed out that the recipients "feel less lonely" and "are better able to live independently."

More than half of them say they have no one else to check on them, he added.

Along with nutritional food, these seniors benefit from human contact. Ms. Nobre-Hilton said an average of 1400 meals is distributed every



day in Greater New Bedford, and the seniors, who are often unable to leave their houses, can suffer from depression and anxiety. Meals on Wheels personnel give them opportunities for socialization as well as safety checks.

In the near future, due to redistricting, Rep. Schmid will be replacing Rep. Hendricks representing Acushnet, and both men noted they will work to provide a seamless transition to protect the interests of the town. They praised the hard work of those who run the program five days a week.

Mr. Hart echoed their sentiments, adding, "As someone from an Italian family, I recognize the importance of shared community and a good meal."



TOP: L-R: Kevin Hart from Rep. Bill Straus's office, Rep. Paul Schmid, and Rep. Chris Hendricks attend a 50th anniversary celebration for Meals on Wheels at the Acushnet Council on Aging on Tuesday, 3/22/22. ABOVE LEFT L-R: Rep. Chris Hendricks, Mr. Hart, Acushnet Selectboard chairperson David Desroches, and SB member David Wojnar package up meals. ABOVE: L-R: Acushnet Selectboard Chairperson David Desroches, SB member David Wojnar, Kevin Hart from Rep. Bill Straus's office, Rep. Chris Hendricks, Acushnet Interim Town Administrator Jamie Kelley, and Rep. Paul Schmid don aprons to help dish out some meals to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Meals on Wheels at the Acushnet Council on Aging on Tuesday, 3/22/22. Photos by Lori Richard for the Neighb News.

From our readers

Hacking is Ideal Candidate

I am writing this letter in support of Fairhaven Board of Health candidate Heidi Hacking. In the last two years, we have witnessed how important the Board of Health's role is to the safety and wellbeing of our community. Heidi Hacking is the ideal candidate to serve in this capacity.

Heidi will bring a multifaceted clinical background and extensive managerial experience in healthcare to the board and its decision-making process. A registered nurse who has worked in a variety of health career roles including emergency care, geriatric psychiatry, chronic care, nursing education, and risk management, Heidi's range of experience and relevant professional knowledge can provide the board and our residents with informed perspectives on many aspects of public health.

Heidi has stated that her goal as a Board of Health member would be to work collaboratively and transparently with town boards and the community. After serving with her as a member of the Fairhaven Cultural Council, I believe that she can and will fulfill that goal. As chairperson of the council, Heidi was always well-prepared, organized, and managed meetings in a highly professional manner. She solicited and valued fellow members' expertise in the arts and culture sectors, and equitably delegated tasks based on members' strengths and skills.

Heidi also communicated effectively with our town offices and maintained communications with the Massachusetts Cultural Council on our town's behalf. Most importantly, she treated fellow council members and members of the public with respect and listened to all concerns and opinions.

The leadership and management skills modeled by Heidi were invaluable to me as a future chairperson, and I am sure that her skills will prove an asset to this Board of Health as well.

Heidi's outstanding qualifications, relevant career experiences, and professionalism make her the strongest candidate for the Fairhaven Board of Health, and I urge voters to support Heidi Hacking on April 4.

Kristine Daniels, Fairhaven

Support Leon Correy

I am submitting this letter to the voting public in Fairhaven to urge them to support and vote for Leon

Correy in this upcoming April election.

Fairhaven is undergoing a transformational political change. As a result of the recent political upheaval the Town will now be governed by five Select Persons, a change from three historically. Whether this change is beneficial, good or bad, only time will tell. I reference this issue due to the fact it represents a major change in governance and will require strong, skilled, dedicated leadership to "get it right."

I urge the voters to elect Leon Correy as he is a leader who will "get it right."

He brings to this community the skills and dedication required to be a Select Person. Having earned his MBA in Finance from the University of Chicago, he possesses particular skills that will be extremely valuable in dealing with the anticipated multi-million projects, i.e. water/sewage EPA issue and the projected Public Safety Complex

Given the current state of our economy, i.e. out of control inflation and its effect upon the unemployed, families and our growing senior population, the Town's ongoing fiscal responsibilities and resources are going to be impacted and we will benefit from someone with Leon's perspective and skills.

Leon Correy's commitment to Fairhaven is exemplified by his membership/involvement with a number of important Town committees and initiatives, including Fairhaven Forward, Belonging, the Town Administrator Screening Committee, and the Sustainability Committee

Leon Correy's commitment to Fairhaven is palpable. He lives in Fairhaven, his children are educated in Fairhaven, and he is involved in the community. He has made Fairhaven his home. He is one of us.

I strongly urge you to vote for Leon Correy in April, as it will be in your best interests as a citizen and it most certainly will be in the best interests of Fairhaven.

Bernard F. Roderick, Fairhaven

Hacking is Right and Qualified

Hi, I would like you to know a little about Heidi Hacking. I have known Heidi since high school.

She was one of the first to welcome the new kid! She has always been very caring, responsible, with a great

sense of duty and service. She went into nursing right out of high school and has continued her education and experience over the last 40 plus years.

She is very well respected in her field and at her job. She is also respected as the president of the Buzzards Bay Rowing Club which she has been since its beginning.

I feel Heidi is the right and qualified person to be on the Board of Health.

Maureen Magan, Fairhaven

DeTerra is Ready to Continue to Serve

I am writing about Peter DeTerra for re-election for Board of Health.

Peter is passionate and cares about this town. He will continue to serve and give it his all, he will continue training to serve the public health by taking the necessary courses or talking to anyone who has questions or concerns.

He will be sure that the Fairhaven's Community's needs are being met. He has put in many hours to serve the Town of Fairhaven and with his certification in inspections for septic and restaurants he will continue to do so. He will continue to take the necessary courses to make sure he is updated with new policies and regulations to keep Fairhaven moving forward. He will continue to work with the health agent and with others to hear what they have to say.

Peter owns his own and runs a successful business, has the knowledge and works hard and puts others first. I am a proud supporter of Peter DeTerra for Board of health.

John Thurber, Fairhaven

Washko Supports Hacking

I firmly support Heidi Hacking for Fairhaven's Board of Health. It's time to bring new ideas, accountability and forward thinking to our Board of Health, and I believe electing Heidi Hacking is the only way we'll achieve that.

Stasia Powers on the Select Board and Kevin Gallagher on the Board of Health have been excellent upgrades to their respective boards. They have brought much needed integrity, decency and professionalism to board seats that clearly lacked those qualities for years. They represent moving Fairhaven forward, not stuck in the past.

Electing Heidi Hacking is the next

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step on that bright path for our town. Heidi brings a wealth of qualifications, a solid medical background and I believe equally important: a new and refreshing perspective on meeting the needs of our town's ever changing health needs.

Like we've seen recently with a recalled Select Board member, a Select Board broadened from three to five and a charter committee: town government needs to evolve and grow to meet the needs of today's and tomorrow's challenges. Heidi is clearly the best suited and prepared for those challenges, and I highly respect her willingness to step up and serve. I will proudly cast my vote for Heidi Hacking for Board of Health, and I hope all my friends do the same.

Phil Washko, Fairhaven

Durant's Quiet Leadership Speaks Volumes

I write in support of Cameron Durant for Select Board. He may not be the loudest or most braggadocios at self-promotion but behind his calm demeanor he is extensively capable, immensely qualified, and a strong advocate for the betterment of Fairhaven. His quiet leadership speaks volumes, and he has demonstrated that he is worthy of your vote. Here's why:

Mr. Durant's professional background in Human Resources (certified by SHRM — the Society of Human Resources Management) is a great advantage in contributing people skills and diffusing situations before they escalate. For example, as a dedicated Board Member at the Board of Public Works for the last 5 years he navigated hot button issues with calm equanimity and undeniable reasonableness. This was no piece of cake as tempers are known to flare and his respectful approach both toward those that came before the board and within the board itself was masterful. It is this ability where his outreach and engagement skills could go a long way in helping unify Fairhaven.

Promoting civility and telegraphing understanding is critical for Fairhaven to wisely utilize all its resources — people, places, and finances. Proactively building consensus while managing multi million-dollar operating budgets and capital projects, as Mr. Durant has done at the BPW,

requires vision and communication skills which he has exemplified.

Moreover, he has identified and analyzed numerous areas of improvement in Fairhaven and is strongly advocating for them. For example, adding a social worker to assist the police department in dealing with disturbances where the police are perhaps stretched thin or not trained in mental health issues; adding a head count to the fire departments; and ensuring that the proposed Public Safety Facility site, adjacent to the land fill, complies with DEP's safety regulations.

The above qualifications coupled with the Mr. Durant's independent character and leadership style promoting respect and civility, should be modeled, and reinforced throughout Fairhaven.

Mr. Durant is not a showboat — he is the Real Deal: solid, sincere, and sensible — attributes we want in a leader.

It is my belief that Mr. Durant's addition to the Select Board will improve the quality of life in Fairhaven; help unify the various departments in town; and advance positive progress we all want in Fairhaven.

Cathy Delano, Fairhaven

Melanson Will Listen

Voting for Cathy Melanson on April 4 for select board will ensure that the residents' comments will be listened to and respected.

The election is right around the corner. Cathy Melanson is the candidate with a long history of commitment and knowledge in our town and government and she will serve us best.

I look towards the next months and years ahead as our new town administrator starts and works with a five member select board.

I have listened to each candidate and made my choice for Cathy Melanson. Her knowledge and experience shows she is the right choice.

Having a five member select board gives us the opportunity for three fresh candidates. Cathy Melanson is my choice for one of the seats.

Julie Costa, Fairhaven

Melanson is Fairhaven Strong

Throughout town, I have heard people say that they want to see

Fairhaven move ahead. Well, now is the time to elect our next three leaders for Select Board. For Fairhaven to move forward, the election cannot be based on popularity but by proven experience, leadership and an understanding of the workings of town government and business. There is a candidate that fits the bill and her name is Cathy Melanson.

I have known Cathy for more than 20 years. During that time, I have come to know her as a generous, dedicated friend. Those who know me, know I am a genuinely honest, down-to-earth person who would not align themselves with just anyone. That's why I accepted the role as her campaign manager.

Fairhaven — we need a fresh, new perspective. We need someone who has integrity, and will be your voice. Cathy listens first, then weighs all sides of the issues. She is not just going to vote with the crowd.

This election is about bringing positive change to our town. We have several big projects facing the town such as the new water treatment plant, the broadband set up, Rogers School and many more. We need experienced, fiscal responsible people to lead us.

That is Cathy Melanson.

Cathy is Fairhaven Strong!

I ask for your confidence in my choice and thank you for your consideration.

Please let your vote be your voice on April 4th!

Tracy Travers, Fairhaven

It's Time for New People

This election is different.

For years we have had the same candidates on the ballot because no one else was interested in the jobs. Now we have new faces, new ideas, and new people to vote for.

It's time to thank Peter DeTerra and Charlie Murphy for their years of devoted service and let them step aside.

We have several candidates for the Select Board, and all are highly qualified.

In Heidi Hacking, we have a woman who is made to order for the job on the Board of Health.

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- Anne Morton Smith, BPW Candidate

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER THE LAST 7 MONTHS

- Successfully hired a new Town Administrator.
- Revitalized the Rogers School Re-Use Committee resulting in a well written RFP and 4 strong development proposals.
- Moved the MA Department of Revenue Review forward, scheduled to begin in March.
- Set the example of how an atmosphere of respect and teamwork can move the Town forward.

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