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

Fairhaven's Green Side



They may not look very "green," but these tanks are part of the new anaerobic digester that will create electricity and reduce sewage sludge at Fairhaven's wastewater treatment plant. The new facility will digest the sludge, which will create methane gas that will be burned to create electricity to power the plant. The town has also installed solar panels on several buildings to generate electricity and is planning to install more. The town is also pursuing the construction of two industrial sized wind turbines that could generate enough electricity to power all town buildings at a lower rate. See page 12 for story. ABOVE: the new tanks for the anaerobic digester at the wastewater treatment plant on Arsene Street in Fairhaven. The tanks hold 140,000 gallons each. The town could save up to \$300,000 per year from reduced sludge removal costs and heat and electricity generation. The plant should be operational this summer. *Photo by Beth David. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com.*

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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Well, our cover story turned out to be so much bigger than I had planned. Just a little story on Fairhaven's greenie projects, that's all.

Yeah, right.

We're a small town, but do things in a big way. There are so many things going on in Fairhaven to save energy, make energy, save the town money and save the planet. I tried to get a handle on most of it. Hopefully, I didn't leave out too much of it.

The biggest news, though, is the digester. What a cool idea. We truck away 4.6 million gallons of sludge (that's sewage solids in official-speak). Eeeewww. But, hey, it's gotta go somewhere, right? Now, we're building a digester to literally digest the er... stuff, and in the process create electricity. See the story on page 12 for how it works. And then there are the solar panels. But you'll have to read the story to find out more.

We've got other stuff in here, of course. See page 4 for board of appeals and conservation meeting coverage.

The school building committee was supposed to pick their option and vote on it on Tuesday, but they postponed the vote until next week. We had a reporter there, but it was too late for us to make this week's deadline. So, it'll run next week, and we'll find out what the vote is, but probably too late to do a whole story on it. I'll probably just mention it in my editorial, again. It's one of the drawbacks of having a weekly, sometimes the news is a bit late. But we hope that the added detail our stories give makes up for the lag time.

Well, I had hoped to do something on the Super Bowl commercials, but I never got around to it. I will say there were far fewer offensive ads this year. This year had some fun ones, too. The cool (and weird) part is that I can go online to see them all and refresh my memory.

I also had a rant about the US Postal Service that will have to be abbreviated. Due to a nasty sickness I had for a few weeks, I never got to the post office to check my box. Well, my fee was due and I never got the notice, so they cancelled it, but they never changed the locks, so I didn't know for awhile. When I realized it, I asked if they could've sent a second notice (Oh no, we don't do that); or sent one to the house since the addresses are linked (we don't use that address for MAIL, they said).

Then they asked....are you ready...hold on, here it comes...they asked if I had an email address.

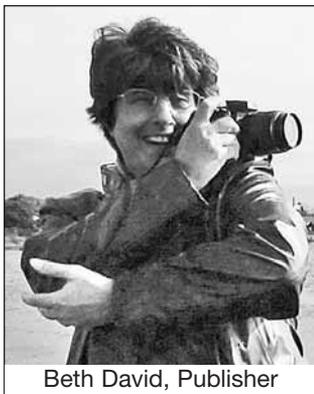
First I answered that I've had the box for 18 years. We didn't have email back then, so, no, it's not on the application.

Then, I said: "Do you get the irony of this? You know email is what's putting you people out of business, right?"

Whew....they both got red in the face then. And he said, with great emphasis and authority: that's the rule.

Then, they had to change the locks and give me a new key in order to give me the same box back. Yeah, I know. The computer told them to do it. Really. It's a rule.

Until next week then...



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CORRECTIONS

Nothing? Really? Are you sure you're
paying attention?

Hey, look at us!



The *Neighb News* crew met for dinner at the Huttleston House Restaurant a couple of weeks ago. For those of you who don't know the crew, starting left, clockwise around the table: Anne Masse, delivery; Jackie Hobson, delivery; Heidi Winnett, photographer; Beth David, editor; Michael Decicco, correspondent; John Garcia, correspondent. Not pictured: Mali Lim and Joyce Rowley, correspondents. *Thanks to Joanne Bobola for taking the picture. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com*

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Hi there!



Carolyn Longworth was enjoying the cool weather in North Cove on West Island the weekend of Jan. 29 & 30 when she happened upon this little guy (or gal). In an email to the *Neighb News*, Ms. Longworth writes: "I thought he would swim away when he saw me, but instead he rolled over and waved at me." So, how cool is that? The seal was on a floe just cruising along with the current. *Special thanks to Carolyn Longworth. See photo in color at www.NeighbNews.com*

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Conservation approves all at Bella Vista; continues Olde North

By John Garcia

Neighb News Correspondent

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission resolved an ongoing hearing regarding Bella Vista Island by approving applicant Heiam Alsawalhi's Notice of Intent at their meeting on Monday, February 7th.

The NOI had been filed for After the Fact work on the property. The work included road maintenance, safety improvements for a private bridge, landscape improvements, construction of walls, construction of a concrete stairway, clearing of vegetation, and restoration of filled wetland. Ms. Alsawalhi's husband, Anwar Faisal, and Engineer Rick Charon were present on her behalf.

Wetlands Scientist Lenore White helped the Commission draft an order of 21 conditions that would be placed upon the application. This included a condition requiring the applicant to submit a plan to address conditions on the property's Chapter 91 license regarding the dredging of the causeway. Other conditions pertained to Wetland Restoration and Erosion Control.

Chairperson Andrew Jones noted that the applicant had accepted the conditions, paving the way for the hearing to be resolved.

"I think we can proceed with a vote at this point," he said.

All members present voted in favor of approving the NOI. Vice Chairperson Carol Tyson and member Cora Peirce were absent.

In another matter, Shellfish Warden Timothy Cox was present to discuss a continued hearing regarding Olde North Wharf Fisheries' After the Fact Notice of Intent for their property on 4 Washington Street. The applicants had replaced a collapsed bulkhead.

Mr. Jones told Mr. Cox that the Commission did not want Olde North Wharf to have an easier application process as a result of filing After the Fact.

You can't just arbitrarily make up a number

[Andrew Jones]

"We want them to go through the same hoops as if they had gone the right way," he said.

Such projects often have conditions requiring the applicant to replace any shellfish habitat lost as a result of the work. However, the actual number of shellfish affected by the replacement of the bulkhead is unknown, and the town does not have a default figure to be used in such situations.

"You can't just arbitrarily make up a number," Mr. Jones said.

Mr. Cox will talk to Neil Churchill of the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries about figures that other

communities use for such situations in order to create a regulation for Fairhaven. Applicants who disagree with the figure can do their own habitat study in an attempt to come up with a different number.

"If the applicant doesn't like [the figure], then [they can] do a real survey," Commission member Steve Pereira said.

Olde North Wharf will have the option to suggest other ways it can make up for the habitat loss, which could include making donations to the town's shellfish propagation fund. Mr. Jones noted that the Commission could not mandate such an action, but could accept it if the applicant proposed it. All members present voted in favor of continuing the hearing until February 28th.

The Commission also heard an Abbreviated Notice of Intent Request by Sara and Bradley Schipper to verify a wetland line on their property at Doane Street. Mr. Charon, who represented this project as well, said that the applicants were considering building a house on the property.

Jim Dugan, a neighbor, told the Commission that the area lacked drainage.

"What we are very concerned about is the lack of drainage here on Doane Street," he said, adding that it has caused problems whenever there was a rain storm.

Mr. Dugan wanted the Commission to check whether there was a

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Appeals board allows two garages, special permit

By John Garcia

Neighb News Correspondent

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals approved variances for two garages at their meeting on Tues, 2/1.

Richard Nunes requested a variance and two Special Permits for a garage and breezeway he intended to build on his property at 260 Mill Road. The proposed structure is short 8' of the required rear setback. In addition, it requires a Special Permit allowing construction of over 500 square feet within the Nasketucket River Basin.

Mr. Nunes stated that the angle of his lot made it difficult to build a garage without the variance.

"I'm kind of limited," he said.

Mr. Nunes also requested a Special

Permit allowing him to operate a home office for his plumbing business within his home. He had been operating the business for 10 years before being notified that a Permit would be required.

Mr. Nunes promised that neighbors would not be able to tell that he was running a business out of his home. Chairperson Peter DeTerra stated that he had examined the site and determined that it was orderly.

"The yard's clean, there's no onsite storage," he said.

Shellfish Warden Timothy Cox was present to show support for Mr. Nunes, a friend of his. The Board voted unanimously in favor of granting the variance and both Special Permits. Members Joseph

Borelli and Daryl Manchester were absent.

Eric Britto requested a variance allowing him to build a garage on his property at 50 Manhattan Avenue. The proposed structure is short 6' on the west side of the required side setback, short 23' on the north side of the required rear setback, and 10 percent over the maximum allowed building coverage.

Board member Kenneth Kendall noted that the application did not contain a plan for the garage, and stated that the Board needed to be able to determine whether the structure was too big. Mr. Britto responded that the garage would be 18x19. The Board voted unanimously in favor of granting the variance. ●●●

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Softball Signups

At the Livesey Club. See ad on page 3

OLH Open House

Our Lady's Haven is pleased to announce the opening of their newly renovated Special Care Room. The setting allows residents and family members to experience a private room with accommodations and conveniences that provide medical services in a serene setting when end-of-life care is needed.

An Open House will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2011, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tours will be offered and refreshments served.

Our Lady's Haven is located at 71 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. Accessible. additional information is available by calling 508-999-4561 and asking for the Admissions Office.

Thrift Shop Sale

Heavenly Treasures is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Clothing for men, women and children, household goods, books, shoes and more. **Half price sale on WINTER clothing** for the month of February. At the First Congregational Church, Center and William Streets, Fairhaven. Accessible. Use William Street entrance.

Mother's Club

The Fairhaven Mother's Clug will hold its Valentine Bake Sale on **Saturday, Feb. 12, at 10 a.m. at the Fairhaven Fashion Bug**. Proceeds benefit the Mother's Club Scholarship Fund.

Fairhaven Democrats Caucus

On **Saturday, February 12**, members of the Democratic Party who are registered in Fairhaven will caucus to elect ten delegates and

three alternates to attend the party's state convention in June. The caucus will commence at 10 a.m. in the auditorium of the Millicent Library at 45 Center St. in Fairhaven. Participants should enter by the Walnut Street side entrance to the library. Accessible. Registration will begin 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the caucus. Elected delegates will be divided equally between men and women.

Individuals wishing to run as a delegate or vote at the Fairhaven caucus must be registered Democrats in town as of December 31, 2010. The purpose of the caucus is to select delegates to the Democratic State Convention at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell on Saturday, June 4.

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Fairhaven. All ballots will be written and secret. Those not elected as Delegate and/or Alternate, who meet the qualifications, may apply to be add-on delegates in the following categories: youth, minority and disabled.

Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, disability, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation or economic status in the conduct of the caucus is strictly prohibited. Challenges to the delegate selection process can be filled with the Massachusetts Democratic Part, 56 Roland Street, Suite 203, Boston, MA 02129 no later than ten days after the caucus. For caucus information please contact Rich Taber, Chair at 508-542-6748.

Bicentennial Committee

The Town of Fairhaven Bicentennial Committee will hold a public forum to update the public on the committee's plans for a town-wide celebration of Fairhaven's 200th Anniversary in 2012. The meeting will be held on **Saturday, February 12, in the Town Hall auditorium at 10:00 a.m. Accessible**. Members of the public and representatives of Fairhaven non-profit groups, clubs, churches, businesses and the press are invited to attend.

Members of the Bicentennial Committee will outline some of the activities that are being planned.

There are events already scheduled for February, 2012, and for the week of June 30 through July 8, 2012.

The committee welcomes ideas as well as the participation by any and all town organizations. There are plenty of volunteer opportunities available. Please plan to attend this public forum and share your ideas.

For more information, contact Bicentennial Committee Chairman Wayne Oliveira at waynev.oliveira@verizon.net or Christopher Richard at FairhavenTours@aol.com.

Sweetheart Serenade

Monday February 14, 2011 at 2:30pm at Atria Fairhaven, 391 Alden Road, Fairhaven. Accessible.

Join us for our Sweetheart Serenade with Sue Lainey. Enjoy a delightful afternoon with our residents. Refreshments will be served. For more information call 508-994-9238.

Fhvn Historical Presentation

Native Americans on Sconticut Neck — A summer migration from Fall River and surrounding areas, will be the topic of a lecture given by Cora Peirce for the Fairhaven Historical Society. The public is invited to the **Friday, February 18, 7:00 p.m lecture to be held at the Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven. Accessible**. Refreshments will be served.

We will discover if Martha Simon, as depicted in a painting by Bierstadt, was the last Native American living on Sconticut Neck. Artifacts may be taken to this event to establish their authenticity.

For more info, please call Barbara Acksen, President, at 508-993-0317.

Swing Dance

Join the Hepcats Swing Dancers on Saturday, Feb. 12 at the First Congregational Church, Fairhaven. Accessible. No partners necessary. Beginner lesson 7:30-8. Dancing till 11, \$8. All ages welcome. Free refreshments.

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Free Photo Exhibit

A new exhibit titled "**Changing Tides: The New Bedford Waterfront in Transition**," opens on AHA! Night, Thursday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford. Admission to the opening is free. Accessible.

Once as America's richest whaling port, to its current status as the nation's #1 commercial fishing port, the New Bedford waterfront and the work that goes on there have seen enormous transformation. Installed in the San Francisco Room, which overlooks the harbor, the exhibit explores the port's many changes with images selected from the Museum's immense photo collection. The photographs date from the 1870s to the 1980s, revealing the port's many transitions and the evolution of the vessels calling it home.

From the San Francisco Room, the exhibit overlooks New Bedford's famed commercial fishing fleet — a major economic engine for the region — and hailed by Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick as "a vital part of our history and economy" in his recent letter to President Obama seeking regulatory redress for the fishery.

This program is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Massachusetts Cultural Council. "Changing Tides" closes June 19, 2011.

The New Bedford Whaling Museum is the world's most comprehensive

museum devoted to the global story of whales and whaling. Visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

Diaper Drive

The Elaine Howland Mother and Child Center at Centre Trinity United Methodist Church has announced their first annual Diaper Drive in an effort to collect new, disposable diapers for both infants and toddlers to support the neediest families in the New Bedford area. The drive will take place **through Tuesday, March 1, with drop-off locations at Centre Trinity United Methodist Church and New Bedford City Hall.**

- Centre-Trinity United Methodist Church, 473 County Street, New Bedford. Tuesdays from 1–6 p.m. and Sat. from 10:00am to Noon
- New Bedford City Hall, 133 William Street. Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Accessible.

The Elaine Howland Mother and Child Center was established in May of 2010 as a resource for New Bedford's neediest families. It currently serves over 500 families which include over 850 children for which the Center provides diapers, clothing, toys and other baby items as needed. For more information on The Elaine Howland Mother and Child Center please contact Tammy Souza at 508-992-2224.

Cat Adoption Day

Habitat for Cats is holding a Cat/Kitten Adoption Day on Saturday **February 12 and 26, from 12 to 3 at 1322 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford.** This space is generously donated to us for our use by Michael Panagakos. Accessible.

All cats & kittens are spayed/neutered, are up-to-date on shots, and have tested negative for feline leukemia. Adoption fee is \$100 for adult cats, and \$120 for kittens five months & younger.

Adoption application and contract are required. Pets must travel in a pet carrier. Call 508-961-2287 for information or visit www.HabitatforCats.org

Ocean Wind Turbine Meetings

Officials of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and

Environmental Affairs (EEA) will host officials from the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE) and the U.S. Coast Guard at two public information sessions to discuss the BOEMRE-MA Request for Interest (RFI) for Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the Outer Continental Shelf Offshore Massachusetts.

The RFI is the first step in the multi-year federal leasing process for offshore wind energy development in approximately 3,000 square miles of federal waters off the Massachusetts coast. The meetings are designed to provide public officials, the fishing industry, local residents and others with information on the RFI process to date and outline next steps. The sessions will include presentations from EEA, BOEMRE, and representatives from the U. S. Coast Guard, followed by question and answer sessions. **Public comments may also be submitted to BOEMRE until February 28, 2011.**

Meetings are:

- Wednesday, February 16, 3–5 p.m., Waterfront Grille, 36 Homers Wharf in New Bedford
- Thursday, February 17, 3–4:30 p.m., Martha's Vineyard-Oak Bluffs Library, 56R School St., Oak Bluffs (*Discussion to focus on commercial fishing issues with the Dukes County Fishermen's Association)
- Thursday, February 17, 5–7 p.m., Martha's Vineyard-Oak Bluffs Library, 56R School Street, Oak Bluffs

Free Lecture: Marine Biologist

Karen Pryor, a marine biologist with an international reputation in marine mammal biology and behavioral psychology, will be the featured speaker at the **Buttonwood Park Zoo at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15, 425 Hawthorn Street, New Bedford.** Her talk on "Reaching the Animal Mind" will be of interest to all animal lovers.

Ms. Pryor, a founder and leading proponent of clicker training, is the author of seven books, including *Lads Before the Wind*, *Don't Shoot the Dog*, and her latest, *Reaching the Animal*

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Mind. Clicker training is a safe, effective way to modify behavior, and has become a worldwide movement involving new ways to communicate positively with pets and other animals. Positive reinforcement-based training is practiced in zoos, with wild animals and with a wide range of pets, such as dogs, cats and mice, and other animals, such as horses, parrots, reptiles, llamas, goats and cows.

Through her work with dolphins in the 1960s, she pioneered modern force-free animal training methods.

The February 15 presentation at the Zoo is sponsored by the Buttonwood Park Zoological Society and is free to the public. Please call 508-991-4556 x 10 for reservations as seating is limited.

Free Whale Lectures

Man and Whales: Changing Views Through Time, a free public lecture series returns to the New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford. **Wednesday, February 16 at 7:30 p.m.** Now in its third year, the series delves into a

variety of whaling and whale conservation topics through the juxtaposed viewpoints of the historical and the modern. Each night, expert presenters take turns at the podium sharing their knowledge of a specific aspect of whales and whaling, providing a broader understanding of these topics. The 2011 series will examine stranded whales, tagged whales, oiled whales and launch a new comprehensive book on sperm whales.

The four lectures will be held on Wednesday evenings in the Cook Memorial Theater: **February 16, March 16, April 20 and May 18, at 7:30 p.m.. Pre-lecture reception in the Jacobs Family Gallery at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free. Accessible.**

February 16: D-tag is D-thing: From Discovery Tags to DTAGS

Since whaling crews often worked in close proximity to other ships' crews, including those from other countries, they would avoid confusion by marking their gear and attaching flags to whales they captured. Whale researchers now attach satellite tags and acoustic recording tags to whales to learn

details of the lives of animals who spend most of their time below the water's surface.

Dr. Stuart Frank, Senior Curator, New Bedford Whaling Museum, will explain the methods, terminology, and protocols of marking whales and whaling implements in the Age of Sail to minimize disputes over commodities on the high seas. Stuart will bring examples of this hardware.

Dr. Peter Tyack, Senior Scientist, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, is co-creator of the DTAG (Digital Acoustic Recording Tag) technology that was developed to monitor the behavior of marine mammals, and their response to sound, continuously throughout the dive cycle. Peter will share some exciting insights gained about whales' lives using this non-invasive form of tagging.

This series is sponsored by ECHO (Education through Cultural and Historical Organizations) a program administered by the U.S. Dept. of Education. Offered in partnership with the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society.

Visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Pancake Breakfast

There will be a pancake breakfast at the **Acushnet-Wesley United Methodist Church, 67 Main St., Acushnet, on Saturday, February 12, from 7-11 a.m.** Sponsored by the Ways and Means Society (WAMS). Menu: Pancakes or French Toast, sausage, orange juice, coffee or tea. Adults: \$6; children 10 & under, \$3. For tickets call Debbie at 508-996-3101 or Sanday, 508-995-1668. Tickets will be available at the door. Not wheelchair accessible.

Author Event

On **Saturday, Feb. 12 at 2 p.m.**, author Kevin O'Hara will visit Baker Books in North Dartmouth to read from and sign copies of his memoir, *A LUCKY IRISH LAD*.

Kevin O'Hara recreates his boyhood with wonderful stories of growing up in Massachusetts in the 1950s and 60s as one of eight children. His family struggled against grinding poverty but they never gave

up and never lost their faith that God had a plan for them.

A LUCKY IRISH LAD is a story about the Irish-American experience but it is much more—it's the story of a generation growing up in the shadow of the Second World War and the start of a new age of hope and promise, a time when people believed that anything was possible as long as you dared to dream and had faith in yourself — and a little Irish luck couldn't hurt, either.

Kevin O'Hara is the author of *LAST OF THE DONKEY PILGRIMS*, an autobiographic telling of his travels around the coastland of Ireland with his beloved donkey Missy. A psychiatric nurse for more than 25 years, O'Hara resides in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, the place to which his parents emigrated.

Baker Books is an independent bookstore located at 69 State Rd. in North Dartmouth. For more information, visit www.bakerbooks.net or call 508-997-6700. Accessible.

Sustainability Film

The South Coast Sustainable Cinema will be presenting a FREE screening of the film "The Yes Men Fix the World" on **Thursday evening, February 17th, from 7:00-9:00pm.** The screening will take place at Tabor Academy on 85 Spring St. in Marion, MA and will be followed by a question and answer session. Accessible.

Doors open at 6:45pm and seating will be first come first served. For directions please visit www.marioninstitute.org.

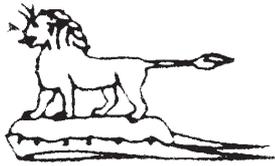
The Yes Men Fix the World is a screwball true story about two gonzo political activists who, posing as top executives of giant corporations, lie their way into big business conferences and pull off the world's most outrageous pranks. From New Orleans to India to New York City, armed with little more than cheap thrift-store suits, the Yes Men squeeze raucous comedy out of all the ways that corporate greed is destroying the planet.

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Recipe of the Week

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1/4 tsp each: black pepper, salt, marjoram, dill weed, basil, garlic powder

Have butter and cream cheese at room temperature. Blend together thoroughly. Combine all spices and add to cheese mixture.

Great hostess gift given in a crock with a knife, cheese, and a box of crackers (and the recipe).

Baked Onions with Dill

6 medium onions

6 slices bacon

1/4 cup tomato juice

2 tbsp bacon drippings

2 tbsp brown sugar

1/4 tsp pepper

1/4 tsp paprika

1/2 tsp dill weed

Peel onions and cut crosswise into halves. Place cut side up in oven-proof dish or baking pan. Fry bacon until crisp. Drain and crumble over onions. Combine tomato juice, sugar, pepper, paprika and dill weed. May top with fresh chopped parsley if desired. Cover with foil and bake at 325° about an hour, until tender.

Both by Louise Benoit

A Little Bit of Sports

By Bob Hobbs

Special to the Neighb News

FH Girls Basketball

Stalled a little in the first half, 22-21, the Lady Blues rolled to a 56-44 win over Dartmouth. Kara Charette, who was recognized for reaching 1000 point mark, led F.H.S. with 20 points and 20 rebounds.

Kay Mullen and Kelsey Perron-Sovik had super games. Sierra Santos and Darian Silver led Dartmouth.

Kara Charette, had 31 points as Lady Blues defeated D.R. 71-41 last friday.

F.H.S. Boys

Strong second-and third-quarter spurts gave Fairhaven 44-39 win over D.R. Adam Mullen had 23 points and Billy Lessa 14 points. Dylan Pietrascek and Roger Evans were big contributors.

FHS Track

At the freshman-sophomore track meet held at New Bedford Voke, FHS'S Ashley Pereira took first place in the six hundred, Ashley also has the FHS School record in six hundred with a 1:44.56.

UMD Hockey

Senior Jason Stahl scored two goals as Corsairs beat Fitchburg 3-1. UMD is now 13-5-1. On Saturday, Salem State rolled over UMD 7-1. Next game at home Saturday versus Plymouth State.

UMD Basketball

The Corsairs got 20 points from Brendon Stevens and Colin Burns. Enroute to victory over Southern

Maine 73-62. Tale on Eastern Conn Saturday at three p.m. at the Tripp Center.

UMD Swimming

Acushnet's Craig Johnson won two events in UMD swim meet with Colby-Sawyer 136-119. Craig won 50 butterfly and the 50 freestyle.

Prose on Pros

Super Bowl was a super game. I am glad that Green Bay won. Half time show of Black Eyed Peas set record for the longest song ever at a Super Bowl. Christine A. should learn words to the National Anthem.

The best commercial by far was Bud with the cowboys and the Clydsdale Horses. The rest leaves a lot to be desired.

Big Neighb News Super Bowl Winner

With Green Bay winning 31-25 over Pitts, Super Bowl winner of Mac's Soda Bar gift certificate is Sandie Demoranville, who had 51 total points. Pat O'Donnell and Donna and Scott were runner-ups.

The use of traveling is to regulate imagination by reality, and instead of thinking how things may be, to see them as they are.

Samuel Johnson

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Fairhaven Green projects save money, and the planet

By Beth David
Editor

Lots of people are talking about sustainable living. The idea is that humans should use the resources of the planet in a way that does not completely deplete them, so that the way of living can be sustained indefinitely. This means recycling and re-using, and making the most out of the resources we have. It's good old-fashioned Yankee pragmatism.

In the town of Fairhaven, that pragmatism seems to be coupled with a love of the environment that has propelled the town to invest in projects big and small, that have saved the town money and will reduce the town's "carbon footprint."

The carbon footprint is the term used to describe how much carbon dioxide (CO₂) is released into the atmosphere by the energy a person or organization consumes.

The use of "clean energy," such as solar and wind power, aims to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels, such as oil, coal and gas, to ultimately reduce CO₂ emissions.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

The first step in reducing the carbon footprint should be to become more efficient with what we have, according to people involved in the efforts.

"It's not as sexy," as building wind turbines and solar arrays, said Fairhaven's Public Works Superintendent Bill Fitzgerald. "But it's by far the most efficient thing you can do."

He said that when new energy is created, some gets lost as it travels from place to place. That's just a matter of physics: you lose some when you make some.

"But when you save one kilowatt hour, you save the whole hour," he said.

Fairhaven's recycling program has been in place for many years and is now hovering between 30 and 33%. According to Patricia Fowle, the town's Health Agent, the creation of the town's Sustainability Committee helped increase the numbers. She said the committee helped with awareness campaigns.

"I think since the sustainability committee came on board we saw an increase," she said, adding that they urged the Board of Health to apply for a grant to create a single recycling program for all the schools.

Right now, each school has its own program. She said if the individual principals agree, then the program could begin in the fall.

Although the town's recycling numbers have almost doubled over the years, Ms. Fowle is pushing for more.

"We can do better," she said. "Call me, get a bin, get a sticker [to mark extra bins]."

School Buildings

The school department has done its share saving energy and being innovative with its projects, too.

"The schools have done incredible stuff on efficiency," said Mr. Fitzgerald. "Fairhaven has done so much in the last ten years."

According to the school department's business manager Paul Kitchen, the department started an energy education program in 2007.

"It's more of changing people's habits," said Mr. Kitchen, such as turning off computers and lights, and shutting off the boilers during summer break. "That was a big educational push, the human side of it. It's almost like recycling."

The schools also received rebates from NSTAR to "re-lamp" some buildings. Simply put, it means to replace light fixtures and bulbs with newer, more efficient ones.

The school department also replaced the boilers at the Wood School and Hastings Middle school, and should be done replacing windows at HMS this summer.

"This current year is going to be the base year. So next year I'll be able to turn around and say I'm using this much less," said Mr. Kitchen. "I can't emphasize enough the support the staff has and even the kids have shown, the staff by shutting off the lights and taking steps to conserve."

He said the commitment of the custodians has made a difference for saving energy when school is not in session.

Rebate Program

According to figures provided by NSTAR, the town has saved 931,365



Out with the old, in with the new. The old solar panel that was used to heat water only on the Public Works building in Fairhaven has been replaced with new photovoltaic panels. Submitted photo. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com

kilowatt hours (kWh) since 2004 in efficiency projects affiliated with their rebate program. Almost 480,000 of those were saved in the school department. According to Mr. Fitzgerald, the total figure is well over 1 million kWh because the town has done a lot outside of the rebate program.

A kWh is 1,000 watt hours. To figure out how much something uses, multiply the wattage of the unit by hours used, then divide by 1000. A 100 watt light bulb burning for 168 hours (one week) uses 16.8 kWh. A 1,000 watt air conditioner uses 1 kWh per hour.

The Fairhaven Housing Authority also took advantage of NSTAR's rebate program, including 240,801 kWh in 2007.

This year, according to Executive Director Krissane Sheedy, NSTAR has weatherized and added insulation to some units. In the next week or two, NSTAR will begin relamping in common areas. They will change to more efficient lights and install dimmers and motion detectors, all at no cost to the Authority.

"We're going to save a ton of money," said Ms. Sheedy. "We haven't spent a cent and we're getting a lot of benefits."

Green Community Designation

The efficiency efforts are also part of a greater plan to get Fairhaven designated a "Green Community" by

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the state. There are five criteria to receive the designation and one is to reduce energy use by 20% in five years.

Bob Espindola of the Fairhaven Sustainability Committee is working with an intern to crunch the numbers from NSTAR.

Fairhaven has two of the five criteria, but failed to adopt the Stretch Code at last year's Town Meeting. The code is a more stringent building code that includes energy efficiency standards.

Getting the designation will open up a pool of grant money that the town can use to further increase energy efficiency.

Mr. Espindola and Mr. Fitzgerald both said that achieving the 20% is more difficult for municipalities that have already done a lot to cut waste.

"It's a good problem to have," said Mr. Fitzgerald.

The state does allow the town to go back a few years so it will not be penalized for its recent good work. But getting the grant money is not the point, according to Mr. Espindola.

"That pool of money is going to be stretched as more and more cities and towns become green communities," he said. "The benefit of doing all this is good sustainable practice. You don't do it for the money only."

Current work & next steps

Fairhaven is not stopping at saving and recycling. In addition to the efficiency efforts, the town is also proactively pursuing several projects to create alternative or renewable energy to power its buildings.

By the end of the month, three new solar projects should be generating

electricity for the town. One is at the wastewater treatment plant on West Island, one on the sludge building on Arsene Street, and one on the DPW building, also on Arsene Street.

The three projects together should produce around 100,000 kWh per year. These projects were fully funded by grant money and there is no broker or electric company involved. The power from the sun is converted to electricity with equipment the town now owns. So the town will only pay for any electricity it needs to buy from NSTAR.

All electricity produced by the units will go directly into the grid and be credited to the town*. When the units create more power than needed, the excess will be banked for use at a later date. Sometimes there will not be enough sun to power the buildings, so the town will have to use its excess credits or pay NSTAR for electricity.

Another array is scheduled to be built at the old land fill, with power to be used at Hastings Middle School.

The town is also pursuing the construction of two industrial sized wind turbines, approved at Town Meeting a couple of years ago, that will create enough electricity to power all municipal buildings.

Both the HMS project and the wind turbine project will work a different way. The town will buy the electricity, at a set rate, from the companies that are constructing the units. The town is paying no up-front costs for construction. Excess power will also go back to the grid. The new net metering law allows the town to designate where the excess power is credited, thereby possibly paying for all town electricity at the discounted rate from the wind turbines. The savings could be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Sludge removal

The biggest project, at a cost of \$7.2 million, is the creation of an anaerobic digester at the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP).**

Currently, Fairhaven trucks 4.6 million gallons, or 500 dry tons, of sludge to a disposal company in Rhode Island. That's ten trucks each week.

By the end of the summer, sewage will travel to the existing plant, where it will then be piped to one of three new tanks being built now. The first tank will hold the sludge briefly and some of the water will be removed and sent back to the existing plant for treatment. The effluent will then be discharged into the harbor as it is now. The remaining sludge will be piped to one of the two 140,000 gallon, glass lined, bolted steel tanks pictured on the cover.

That's where the new digester system will literally digest the sludge, creating methane gas that will then be burned to create electricity to power the WWTP. The heat generated from the methane will be used in a closed system to heat the sludge to keep it digesting. Not only will the town save by having half the amount of sludge to dispose of, it will generate electricity, and use the same system to heat the sludge in the first place.

The new digester should generate about 760,00 kWh per year.

Total savings to the town: \$300,000 per year. Total savings to the planet: 2.3 million gallons of sludge and 260 truck trips per year.

Energy security

In addition to saving the town money, the independent generating projects provide a bit of energy security. When the power goes down in a plant somewhere far away, it will not make as much difference if all the town's needs are being met by generators on-site.

We're a long way from that point, but, one step at a time.

All the officials agree that it is support from Fairhaven residents that makes the difference. Most projects required a vote at Town Meeting and some required a two-thirds vote.

"It's been great that the town has been so supportive," said Mr. Kitchen.

Mr. Fitzgerald said it is obvious to him that it is not just about the money here. He said people in Fairhaven seem to appreciate the environment in a very personal way.

"It's really in everybody's blood here," he said. ●●●

*Fixes error from previous versions. **Fixes typo.



A sea of solar panels on the roof of the Fairhaven public works building on Arsene Street. Panels have also been installed on the sludge building and at the West Island Treatment Plant. The three projects will generate 100,000 kWh of electricity. Photo submitted. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com

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Fairhaven student nominated for prestigious state award

Press Release

Jessica L. Collins, a senior at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, has been nominated for the prestigious Walter J. Markham award. This statewide award is given annually to only one vocational high school student in Massachusetts.

Miss Collins is currently ranked fifth in the senior class at GNB Voc-Tech, where she is majoring in Dental Assisting. She is a Fairhaven resident.

The Markham award is given to a student in a Massachusetts vocational technical high school who shows leadership, technical excellence and academic achievement.

Miss Collins is a member of the local chapter of the National Honor Society. She won a Trade Excellence Award for Dental Assisting and an Academic Excellence Award in Science from the school's Renaissance Program. She earned a gold medal in the school's SkillsUSA competition in Dental Assisting, a silver medal at the district competition, and a bronze medal at the state competition.

Jessica Collins is a standout athlete in three sports: Girls' Winter Track, Girls' Softball, and Girls' Volleyball. She was a South Coast Conference All-Star in all three sports. She received the MIAA Academic Excellence Team Award in Varsity Volleyball, in 2007 and in Varsity Softball in 2009. She was selected to attend the Captain's Leadership Conference in 2009. She was recognized at the 2010 Massachusetts Celebration of Girls and Women in Sport Day.

She is also a member of the Bears Against Risky Behaviors, a student safety club at GNB Voc-Tech.

She plans to attend college in the fall. Her career goal is to become an orthodontist.

A resident of Fairhaven, Miss Collins is a graduate of Holy Family-Holy Name School in New Bedford.

The Markham Award is named after the state's first Associate Commissioner of Occupational Education. It is sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators (MAVA) and the Massachusetts Vocational Association.



Jessica Collins of Fairhaven has been nominated for the Markham Award, given annually to one vocational high school student in Massachusetts. *Submitted photo. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com*

GNB Voc-Tech is an accredited member of the New England Association of Schools & Colleges (NEASC). It accepts students from Dartmouth, New Bedford and Fairhaven. •••

Huge heroin bust in Lawrence originated locally

Fairhaven Police Dept. Press Release

An investigation that was initiated by the Fairhaven and Barnstable Police Departments and the Bristol County Sheriff's Department led to the seizure of approximately five kilograms of heroin with an estimated street value of three quarters of a million dollars.

Detectives from the Fairhaven Police Department, along with investigators from the Bristol County Sheriff's Department South Coast Anticrime Task Force and agents from the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration New Bedford Field Office and Lawrence Police Department raided an apartment in downtown Lawrence Wednesday evening, 2/2/11. They were assisted by members of the Massachusetts

State Police assigned to the Essex County District Attorney's Office.

During the raid, investigators seized \$5000 in cash, approximately ten pounds of heroin and a heroin press. Six male parties were also placed under arrest and taken into custody.

Investigators described the enterprise as a heroin distribution and manufacturing operation. The operation was flooding the southeastern Massachusetts area with heroin on a daily basis. Each day, large quantities of heroin were being transported into New Bedford, Fairhaven, Dartmouth and other surrounding communities.

Police would provide not provide any details on the local connection, including if arrests of local users or

dealers are expected or if an investigation is ongoing.

The men that were arrested are currently being charged with trafficking in over 200 grams of a class A controlled substance which carries a minimum mandatory prison sentence of fifteen years. They could also face federal charges due to the amount of heroin they were trafficking. The suspects have been identified as: 32 year old Victor Santana, 40 year old Francisco Rosado Rivera and 18 year old Luis Gonzalez of 570 South Union Street, apartment 8, Lawrence, MA; 23 year old Oveido Lopez of 570 South Union St., apartment 12, Lawrence, MA; 30 year old Jose Cruz Pizarro of Hartford, Connecticut; 36 year old Elvis Ruiz Guerrero of Boston, MA.

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The following programs will air continuously throughout the month, specifically during school hours to allow New Bedford teachers the opportunity to incorporate the programs into their curriculum.

The programs include:

Frederick Douglass: An American Life is a documentary film that explores the life and times of a fugitive slave who becomes an eloquent orator and spokesman against slavery.

Longing to Learn: Booker T.

Washington's Story is based on his autobiography "Up From Slavery." The film draws on Washington's own words to describe his boyhood years in a Virginia slave hut.

Through narration and re-enactment, *Booker T. Washington: The Life and Legacy* traces Washington and the founding of Tuskegee Institute which was established to educate newly freed people after the Civil War.

The Maggie Lena Walker Story captures the spirit of a woman who became a prominent civic leader, financier, and business woman during the early 20th Century.

Never Lose Sight of Freedom is a presentation of the National Park Service and Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail and follows the footsteps of 1965 voting rights

marchers and the events that reshaped U.S. democracy forever.

Slavery at Mount Vernon examines the life of the 18th century enslaved community at Mount Vernon as well as George Washington's changing attitude toward slavery.

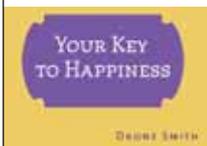
Shaping the Presidency takes a look back at how President George Washington had a profound impact on defining the Office of the President.

Forging Greatness: Lincoln in Indiana provides an overview of the 16th President's journey from a young boy to early adulthood in the wilderness of Indiana.

Abraham Lincoln: A Journey to Greatness looks at the 16th President's formative years in Springfield, Illinois. He arrived in Springfield alone, with no money, not even a

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Where were you?

The week of Feb 7th also marked the 33rd anniversary of The Blizzard of 1978. (Where were you?) Phil Paleologos and I reminisced and took some calls on WBSM. The underlying theme throughout the show from callers was how everything came to a standstill the day after. Privately owned vehicles were banned from the streets. The only way to get food and provisions was by snowmobile or foot, and that's if the store was even open.

The Blizzard caused over \$2 Billion (in today's dollars) in damages and killed over 100 and injured over 5,000. Winds reached 85 MPH and gusted to over 110 MPH in the blinding snow that seemed to go on and on for more than 30 hours straight. Locally, Fairhaven and New Bedford reported 26" to 30" of snow that was on top of a prior snow storm a couple of weeks before that dumped close to a foot.

The year that brought us a blizzard, also brought about some man-made disasters like the Ford Fairmont, the worst weather related

song of all time ("Someone Left The Cake Out In the Rain"), a failed attempt by a guy "buried alive" behind radio station WBSM to break a world record, John Travolta — Saturday Night Fever, and Animal House (which I liked). 1978 was just another year that helped bring the 1970's to a close, much to the relief of many.

Forecast

Friday: Hi: 31° Lo: 15° Partly cloudy. Lows around 15. Highs in the lower 30s. **Friday Night:** Lo: 20° Mostly cloudy. Lows around 20. Highs in the mid 30s.

Saturday: Hi: 35° Lo: 20° Mostly cloudy. Lows around 20. Highs in the mid 30s. **Saturday Night:** Lo: 25° Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Highs in the upper 30s.

Sunday: Mostly Cloudy. Hi: 39° Lo: 25° **Sun. Night:** Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 20s. Highs in upper 30s.

Monday: Partly Cloudy. High: 37° **Mon. Night:** Partly Cloudy. Low: 33°

Tuesday: Mostly Cloudy With Light Rain. High: 39° **Tuesday Night:** Mostly Cloudy. Low: 31°

Wednesday: Partly Cloudy. High: 34° **Wed. Night:** Partly Cloudy. Low: 23°

Thursday: Partly Cloudy. High: 37° **Thursday Night:** Overcast. Low: 37°

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place to stay. But when he left Springfield 24-years later, he was headed for the White House, and the pages of history.

Center of the World: Hyannis Port and the Presidency of John F. Kennedy looks at the life and times of President Kennedy and his family on Cape Cod.

New Bedford Cable Access videographer Ed Camara will also produce a documentary entitled *Hail to the Chief, President's Day*, which will take a look at some Presidents who have visited New Bedford.

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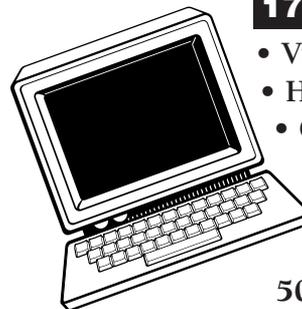
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Friday	18	0734	1959	0053**	1332*
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Sunday	20	0912	2139	0235**	1454**
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hydraulic connection to a nearby culvert. This would determine whether the property would be considered in a state regulated wetland area. Mr. Charon told the Commission that he did not feel that there was a hydraulic connection.

Mr. Jones stated that the Commission would bring in John Rockwell of the Buzzards Bay Project to examine the site.

"Clearly we're going to have to ask someone to review the line," he said. Mr. Rockwell will also check for the hydraulic connection. All members present voted in favor of continuing the hearing to February 28th.

Mr. Charon also represented two separate Notice of Intent applications to tear down an existing houses and replace them with new structures. The former request was made by Lawrence and Donna Gillis for 45 Alder Street, while the latter was made by Nancy Antin for her property on 91 Balsam Street.

Both properties were located within VE (high velocity) flood zones. All members present and eligible to

Fairhaven Meetings

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Board of Appeals

Tues., 3/1, Town Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health

Thurs., 2/17, Town Hall, 1:00 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 2/22, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.

Boat Ramps Comm.

Thurs., 2/17, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Community Preservation

Thurs., 2/17, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 2/28, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Council on Aging

Mon., 2/14, Senior Ctr., 9:30 a.m.

Finance Committee

Thurs., 2/17, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

Thurs., 2/24, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 2/8, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Building Committee

Tues., 2/8, East Fhvn School 6:30pm

School Committee

Wed., 2/9, FHS Library, 6:30

Selectboard

Tues., 2/14, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

vote were in favor. Member Jay Simmons abstained from the Alder Street vote, as he was late to the hearing. The Commission attached conditions to both Notices mandating that debris be cleaned up and that any concrete trucks used must wash out in the properties' footprints.

Mr. Jones noted that Ms. Tyson, who serves as the Commission's representative on the Community Preservation Committee, had been missing CPC meetings. He stated that it was important for the Commission to have a presence at those meetings, adding that he would be willing to take on that role.

"If she's willing to resign (her CPC post) then I'm willing to take it," he said.

The commission did not take any action on the proposal.

In other business, the Commission: • Discussed a request to modify an order of conditions placed upon a project on Washburn Avenue a year and a half ago. Ms. White, who served as a consultant on the original application, will review the order.

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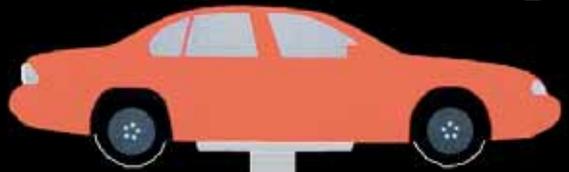
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