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

TM supports money for one school design



Fairhaven Town Meeting members voted to support the schematic design costs for a one-school option that would consolidate two elementary schools. The controversial measure created the most discussion of any of the 73 articles on the TM and Special TM warrants on Saturday, 5/7. See page 16 for story. *Photo by Beth David. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com. Find us on Facebook for more photos of this event.*

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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Well, Town Meeting has spoken. The process to get state money to build a new school in Fairhaven is going forward. There are still a couple of big hurdles left before it is a reality, but Saturday's vote by TM to authorize spending for a schematic design for the one-school option at the Wood School site, is a major step forward. See page 16 for details on that discussion and on the other \$45+ million that got spent.

One of the articles that passed is a new bylaw governing pawn shops. It got a lot of debate, but passed easily. The new law requires anyone dealing in used articles to post a \$5,000 bond with the town and submit to a background check and give the town the social security number, full name, address, driver's license number, car registration number for everyone selling in the store. It also requires the store to give a detailed description of anyone taking anything to the store. I mean details: complexion, height, weight (EXCUSE ME????), age, hair color, eye color, and presence of any distinguishing characteristics (my buck teeth?). This information has to go to the police department within 24 hours.

I understand that the police are trying to track down people's stolen stuff. And I'm sure that if my stuff got ripped off and was reported quickly and returned, I'd be grateful for the law, but...and it's a big but, I think this law is outrageous. I don't care if New Bedford and Fall River already do it. I think the people who own pawn shops in town are thrilled to keep the competition out, because that's probably what this law will do.

Instead of the police going to pawn shop and looking for stolen goods, the stolen goods will go to them via a photograph supplied by the pawn shop.

Fine, I get it. It's easier, it's quicker, it'll work.

But the thought that I can't just drop off an article at a pawn shop, get a little cash, and forget it is creepy. Very creepy. To think my name, and some dippy clerk's estimate of my weight (God help you, Buddy), will then be on file at the police station, is just creepy. Very creepy.

We can't do anything in this country anymore: our phones and cars track our every move; voices in the car ask us if we're okay and promise to send help after the damned thing skids a little; we're photographed going into buildings, while we're in buildings and when we leave buildings; the damned banks fingerprint us to cash a \$25 check.

It's all in the name of safety and protection of the public.

Do you feel any safer than before this crap was rampant?

I don't.

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CORRECTIONS

Nothing? Really?

\$11,000 in Japan relief funds sent

Press Release

As soon as the news of the devastating March 11th earthquake in Japan reached southeastern Massachusetts the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society knew that they had to convey to their Japanese friends their fervent desire to assist them in any way possible. "Our local community responded with an incredible dedication to showing our Japanese friends that they would not suffer alone", said Gerry Rooney, President of the Society. At first Gerry had to deal with the personal side of the matter as his wife, Ayako, had landed in Tokyo just 11 minutes after the earthquake.

As a result of the emergency meeting of the Society they launched an immediate fund-raising drive including an "Open House" at their museum on Cherry Street, Fairhaven. Groups and individuals took up the cause resulting in the following:

- Students of the Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven quickly had a donation campaign and contributed a super \$359 through their librarian, Ann Richard, a long-

time supporter of the US-Japan relationship.

- Nika Bernier (7 years old) put a decorated can in her parents' hardware store and encouraged the customers to donate and presented \$103 at the Open House. She continued her efforts ultimately reaching her goal of \$200.
- A 7th grader, Olivia Dube, of the area Montessori School of the Angels initiated a drive and presented the Society with \$520 at an assembly at the school organized by Principal Alice Levesque.
- Students at U-Mass Dartmouth were organized by MASSPIRG and the Civic Engagement Department and contributed \$1,000.50 by means of swiping their meal cards as a donation. Implementing the procedure were the University and Dining Services.
- People of this community rose to the occasion and remembered our friends in Japan based on the close bonds established by Capt. Whitfield and Manjiro 170 years ago. In total the Society will be

forwarding \$11,000 in donations to Japan through our sister city this week to insure them that we are one in spirit with them during this national crisis.

In a companion effort, the members of the local Shining Tides Quilt Guild have made many hand-made comfort quilts which will also be forwarded through our sister city affiliate group, Shoo Fly Quilters, to be donated to those who have lost everything including the many orphans whose parents were lost while the youngsters were at schools in higher locations.

The Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society will continue its fund-raising efforts to further assist our friends in need half way around the world. Donation may be made by check to the "WMFS" with "earthquake relief" in the memo and sent to WMFS, 11 Cherry Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

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Sun., 5/29: **Chris Richard solo**, 8-Mid.

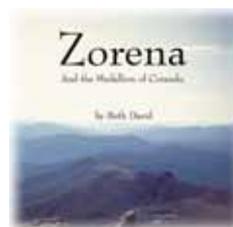
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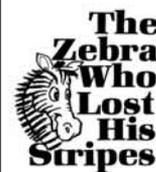
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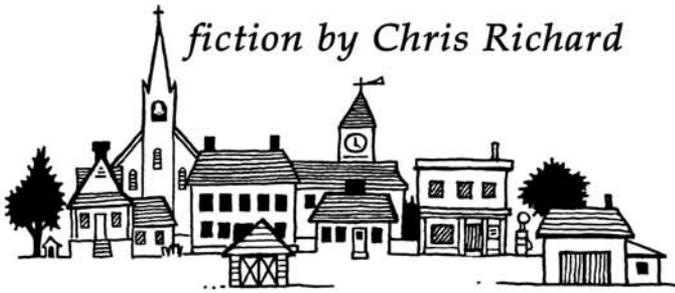
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The report from Potter's Point

fiction by Chris Richard



Well, not an awful lot went on in Potter's Point last month. There were, though, a few things reported in the newspaper or talked about at the Portside Pub and Stell's Styling Shack that are worth repeating.

Not unexpectedly, Skippy Alright defeated Prudence Worthy in the town election, regaining the seat that Prudence won from him three years ago. Prudence had brought naïve optimism and a bubbly, enthusiastic spirit to town government, but for lots of folks it had been a little too much like sing-along time at summer camp. Never before had contract negotiations with the Public Works Department employees opened with the Hokey Pokey.

Once he was sworn in, Skippy had to spend about half an hour removing the smiley face stickers from his mail slot in the Town Hall.

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Also on election day, Snuffy Boggs was named the winner of a vacant seat on the Zoning Board. This surprised at lot of folks considering Snuffy is a flea-bitten Welsh hound that Virgil Boggs employs to keep coyotes away from his chicken pen. Not only does Snuffy's species bring into question his eligibility for elected office, but Virgil refuses to produce papers to prove the dog's legal citizenship. An unnamed town official was quoted in the Potter's Point Press saying the Selectmen will appoint a human to serve until the next election.

In related news, Aggie Bristol was released from service after forty-seven years at Town Hall and is now resting comfortably in a private room at Halcyon House.

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The Potter's Point Theatrical Society

announced that its spring play will be "Life of a Salesman," a more upbeat revision of the Arthur Miller play leaving out the depressing parts and changing the car crash into a minor fender bender that Willie Loman survives. The play will be directed, with misgivings, by Wallace Slope, who took over the position of director following Reverend Sackcloth's retirement to his boyhood home in New Hampshire. In its last outing, the Society drew mixed reviews for Art Haskins' music-free adaptation of "Annie!"

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Alf Arbutus, in an unforeseen blossoming of environmental and civic activism, joined the newly established Save The Point organization, which was founded in an attempt to keep the natural, waterfront land on the west side of The Point out of the hands of real estate developers.

In particular, Save The Point wants to keep out Nik Koleslawczowicz, who is best known for the Hi-Way Plaza out by the four-way stop and for buildings around Hope Falls that house donut and fried chicken places. Rumor has it Koleslawczowicz is going to take advantage of lower real estate values and cheap construction labor to throw up some waterfront condominiums that will be ready when the economy bounces back.

Alf, who holds a Certificate of Study in Aquaculture from Hope Falls Community College, and who has always enjoyed messing about in boats, was upset to think that the marsh and shoreline woodlands on the undeveloped side of The Point could end up looking like Sandy Beach Resort in South Eastport with ugly battleship gray townhouses occupied by personal injury lawyers, chiropractors and Republicans.

Since it's well known in environmental circles that Republicans are not only responsible for global warming, but also serve grilled piping plovers at brunch, their encroach-

ment upon The Point must be headed off.

At the first meeting Alf attended at the library, he got so caught up in the enthusiasm of the group he wound up volunteering to help on the fund-raising committee. Save the Point will be setting up a booth during Sidewalk Sale Days in a few weeks. He also sent out notices to the local newspapers about the group's next meeting.

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As soon as Ellen Marie Spooner opened the email from Save The Point, the name at the bottom jumped out at her. It was Ellen Marie's first day at her new cubicle at her new job as the new reporter covering Potter's Point for the Hope Falls Daily Crier.

It was something she'd wanted to do ever since she graduated from Potter's Point High School and headed off to Boston to study journalism. For some reason she'll never understand, though, the summer after graduating from college while vacationing with her parents, she took a job with the weekly Moosilauke News in the White Mountains. She'd moved away from her family, from her hometown, and from the guy she had been on-again-off-again best friends with since fourth grade: Alf Arbutus.

There was a time she and Alf talked about marriage. Many times, actually. Yet when she'd finally decided that New Hampshire winters were just too long and cold and had moved back to take a job in Hope Falls, she didn't tell him she was coming home. For all she knew he might have married Jenny Willikers or that girl he had met at the community college. She hadn't known for sure what she might want to say to him if she ever ran into him.

And now, as the Potter's Point reporter for the newspaper, she was going to have to cover the meetings of Save The Point. It could get interesting. . . .

That's the Report from Potter's Point for this month. Hope to see you soon!

EDITORS'S NOTE: The imaginary town of Potter's Point is located in the southeastern part of Massachusetts, on the shore of Butler's Bay. Its primary industries are cranberry growing, boat building and quahogging.

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C4	Beef or Chicken with Broccoli	*NEW* 5.25
C5	Chicken Lo Mein (no rice)	*NEW* 5.25
C6	Beef or Chicken with Vegetables	*NEW* 5.25
C7	Chicken Pad Thai (no rice)	*NEW* 5.85
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The National Association of Letter Carriers food drive is **THIS SATURDAY, 5/14**. The NALC National Food Drive is the largest one day food drive in the world. Every year, millions of families, letter carriers, postal employees and volunteers do their part on this day to provide millions of pounds of food to those in need.

Please leave non-perishable food on your porches or near your mailbox by 8 AM on Sat. 5/14. The letter carriers and their helpers will do the rest.

The two organizations that will benefit from your generosity in the Fairhaven area will be the Shepherd's Pantry located in Acushnet and the Damien Pantry located in Wareham.

If you have any questions on the day of the food drive, call the Fairhaven Postal Annex at 508-997-5248

Blessing of Bikes

The 13th annual St. Joseph's School Blessing of the Bikes is this weekend, **Sunday, May 15 (rain date 5/22). Sign up at 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Run leaves sharply at noon from the Fort Phoenix rear parking lot. Donation: \$15 per bike.** Proceeds benefit St. Joseph's School.

Blessing takes place in front of St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome to watch. Run is about two hours ending at the Ice Chest Bar & Grille in Fairhaven.

Live music on the outdoor stage by The Relics and Todd's Day Off (featuring three original members of Bob's Day Off). Outside cash bar, \$5 biker barbeque selections, raffle prizes, vendors, Jewelry by Vicki, Minuteman Harley Davidson.

Sponsored by St. Joseph's School, Ice Chest and Griddles. For more information, call Liz at St. Joseph's School, 508-996-1983, or the Ice Chest, 508-992-BEER.

Book Bazaar

Families are invited to celebrate the love of reading and writing at the **Southcoast Children's Book Bazaar on Saturday, May 14, from 10am - 2pm, hosted by the East Fairhaven School, 2 New Boston Road, Fairhaven.** Authors and Illustrators for children of all ages will be in attendance.

Event includes storytime with the authors/illustrators, book signings, crafts, "Runaway Story" writing workshop. Also, FREE Title I resources for parents: Early Reading Strategies and Using the Newspaper for Reading. Admission is free.

Guests are encouraged to take a gently used book for donation to the East Fairhaven School Library.

Millicent exhibit

On display for May in the Rogers Room of the Millicent Library is a collection of artifacts loaned by Warren Parsons and Mary Ann Hawk.

These items are said to date from around the time of King Philip's War and include a stone head, a chopping stone, a pitcher, and a stone bowl. There are also books and a painting related to the artifacts.

The library is open Monday and Wednesday from 9 am to 8 pm; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 am to 6 pm; and Saturday from 9 am to 3 pm. We are located at 45 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719. Wheelchair accessible from the Walnut Street entrance.

PTO Yard Sale

The Leroy Wood School PTO is sponsoring a Community Yard Sale on **Saturday May 21st from 8am-2pm at 60 Sciticut Neck Road.** Purchase a Booth if you have Yard Sale Items, Large furniture to sell, Arts and Crafts, etc. \$20 pre-registration reserves your booth space. Sellers may begin taking their items to the Wood School lot at 7am.

There will be face painting, kids games and refreshments. This is a great fund-raising opportunity for non-profit groups and organizations! Contact Carrie Boule at beesmooch@yahoo.com or Ivey Winkler at 941-347-4472 if you are interested in purchasing booth space.

Proceeds benefit the Leroy Wood School PTO.

Tennis Block Party

Tennis enthusiasts and those interested in learning more about tennis on the South Coast are invited to enjoy a morning of making a racquet this weekend. The Fairhaven Tennis Association (FTA) is hosting their annual Tennis Block Party on

Saturday, May 14, 2011 from 9 a.m. to noon at Hastings Middle School tennis courts.

The FTA Block Party offers **free tennis matches**, including Quick Start, a smaller court geared towards introducing novices to the game in an easier to learn format.

Attendees will also be able to sign up for tennis lessons for junior and adult programs which will be held over the summer.

For more information, please visit the Fairhaven Tennis Association website www.fairhaventennis.org.

Concert Series

The Fairhaven Community Concert Series will conclude their eighth season by presenting **organist Richard Hill on Sun., May 15 at 2 p.m.** The program will take place in the main sanctuary at the **First Congregational Church of Fairhaven, Center and William Streets. Accessible.** General admission **tickets are \$10** and will be available at the door. Students free when accompanied by an adult.

Richard W. Hill, a retired school teacher has been an organist for over fifty years. For the last 28 years he has been Music Director and Organist at Unity Church in North Easton. A popular recitalist, he has performed on many recital series.

The pipe organ at the First Congregational Church of Fairhaven dates back to 1845. Originally removed from the basement of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church in Lowell, Mass., this two-manual instrument was rebuilt and installed at the Fairhaven church in 1979 by the Roche Organ Company.

The Fairhaven Community Concert Series was founded to celebrate a wide variety of musical styles experiences for the local community. For more information on the Fairhaven Community Concert series, visit <http://sites.google.com/site/fhvnccs/>

Benefit Concert

The Shepherd's Pantry Benefit Concert Featuring "Final Fire" on Saturday May 21, 7 PM, at the Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green St. Fairhaven, MA.

Admission by donation of \$5.00 or more at the door. Doors open at 6:30 PM; www.finalfire.net

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Scrimshaw weekend

Scrimshaw experts, collectors and fans from around the world have another reason to look forward to the 22nd Annual Scrimshaw Weekend at the **New Bedford Whaling Museum, May 13-15**. It features three days of new presentations and activities, including a first-ever public auction of consigned nautical antiques on Saturday, May 14 at 8:00 p.m. in the Cook Memorial Theater.

Registration: \$370 (Museum members \$330). Tickets to Saturday's banquet only: \$75 each.

Call visitor services at 508-997-0046, ext. 100 or email: frontdesk@whalingmuseum.org to register. For the full schedule visit www.whalingmuseum.org.

Grease

Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech Theatre Company presents "Grease," the best Rock & Roll Musical to hit Broadway since the 50s.

Performances on Thurs., Fri., Sat., 5/19-21 at 7 p.m. and 5/22, Sunday matinee, 2 p.m., at GNBVT High School, 1121 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford. Tickets: \$12 general; Seniors, \$10; Students, \$6. All seating reserved. Call the box office, 508-998-3321, Ext. 424 for more info.

Car Wash

The GNBVT Theatre Company is holding a car wash fund-raiser at the school on Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m.-noon. \$5/car.

Spring Concert

The Greater New Bedford Choral Society will present "Royalty & Roses," a spring concert, at 7:30 PM on May 15. Featured works include George Frideric Handel's "Coronation Anthem No. 2" (The King Shall Rejoice); a set of English Sacred Anthems by Howells, Williams and Shephard; and Morten Lauridsen's "Chanson des Roses" (Songs of the Roses), sung in French. Two new songs based on chorus members' poems will also be performed under the baton of director Gerald P. Dyck, accompanied by Christopher Ricci.

The concert will be at Grace Episcopal Church, corner of County and School Streets, New Bedford on Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$15 (12 & under: \$10)

available at the door. Accessible. For more information call 508-644-2419 or visit www.gnbcs.org

Hazelwood Run

The Greater New Bedford Track Club is excited to announce the running of its 32nd Annual Hazelwood Women's 5K Run/Walk on **Sunday, May 15, at 10 a.m. at Hazelwood Park (553 Brock Ave.) in New Bedford** to benefit The Women's Center. A fun run for children 10 and under will begin at 9:30. The 5K race will be professionally timed by 5K Sports Race Management. Prizes will be available for participants in the Kids' Run and to 5K runners and walkers, including mother/daughter teams.

Registration fee is \$20 per person. No fee for the Kids' Fun Run. For more information and to register, visit www.rungnbt.com or email questions to Hazelwood5k@rungnbt.com.

Cookbook signing and local scallops

Eat bay scallops from Fairhaven's Taylor Cultured Seafood in recipes from "A New England Coastal Cookbook" while the author signs copies just for you.

Taylor has been growing scallops off the shores of Fairhaven in Nasketucket Bay for more than 20 years. **On Sun., 5/15, from 4-6 p.m.,** mother-daughter team, Elaine & Karin Tammi will be signing books and joining you for dinner at **M&C Cafe, 436 Belleville Ave., New Bedford. Accessible.**

According to the website, from the Maine coast to Cape Cod, highlighting New Bedford, this cookbook provides delectable recipes. For more information about the cookbook, visit www.scallopcookbook.com. For more information about Taylor Cultured Seafood, call 508-993-9993, or visit <http://taylorbayscallops.com/>

Pet Fest

The Coalition for Animals is having it's 112th Annual Pet Fest and Walk for Animals on **Sunday, May 15th from 11-3pm at Buttonwood Park, New Bedford.** Great prizes, contests, demonstrations, food, music and more! Help raise money for injured, sick, abandoned and homeless animals. Walkers without dogs are

welcome.

Call 508 991-6366 or visit www.coalitionforanimals.com or www.nbaco.info for more info and where to get registration forms.

Cat Adoption Day

Habitat for Cats is holding a Cat/Kitten Adoption Day on Saturday May 14th and 28th, from 12:00 to 3:00 at 1322 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford.

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 or visit www.HabitatforCats.org.

Whales Tales

Moms and dads seeking free, engaging activities for their toddlers have an event to add to their weekly calendar: Whales, Tales and Sails, a free, one-hour story hour each Friday morning from 10:00-11:00 AM, with songs, books, music, crafts and free play at the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park's Corson Maritime Learning Center. This activity is geared for children ages 0-5. The center is located at 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford. Accessible.

Free Lecture

At the New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford, Wednesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. Accessible. "Stranded Whales: Commodity and Conservation."

Before the Marine Mammal Protection Act was created, a stranded whale was destined to become food, oil and a host of other products. Now, these animals are considered a source of information for whale/human interactions.

Michael P. Dyer, Maritime Curator, New Bedford Whaling Museum, will take us back in history to when littoral peoples (seaside dwellers) scanned the shorelines in hopes of finding a stranded whale or dolphin.

Katie Touhey Moore, Marine Mammal Rescue and Program Research Manager, International Fund

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STILL OVERTOWN

for Animal Welfare, has been actively involved in rescue and rehabilitation of stranded cetaceans, as well as investigating and documenting the reasons for the deaths of these animals. She will guide us through the process of assessment and attempted rescue and release. She will also elaborate on the knowledge gained from the necropsies.

Bicycle Ride

The New Bedford- Fall River Ride, "People on Bicycles Connecting Southcoast Communities" will take place on **Sunday, May 15th at 1:00 PM**. Bicycle riders will enjoy a scenic

ride through Fall River, Westport, Dartmouth, and New Bedford to raise awareness of the need for safe, multi-use paths for biking, walking, rollerblading, strollers and wheelchairs. Participants can register to leave from either Fall River or New Bedford for this 10-12 mile bicycle ride. The two teams will meet at UMass-Dartmouth (half way point from each start). Light refreshments will be served before the return ride.

For more information contact: Dr. Pauline Hamel, at phamel@bu.edu or 508-380-7775 Julianne Kelly, at jkelly@fallriverma.org, 508-324-2405

Asthma Fair

The Greater New Bedford Community Health Center is sponsoring an Asthma Fair for Adults and Children on **Thursday, May 19, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at its Wellness Connection, 874 Purchase Street, New Bedford**. Staff members from the Health Center will be available to check breathing and oxygen levels. They will also demonstrate the proper use of inhalers, spacers, nebulizers, and peak flow meters. Visitors will also be able to consult with representatives from insurance plans, Healthy Home Programs, and Respiratory Solutions. Translators will be available.

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

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Whether it is 1 hour of your time, a can donation of a nickel, purchasing from a bake sale, attending a dance, purchasing a drawing ticket — YOU can make a difference. How can you get connected? Join us on June 10-11, 2011 at ORRHS Track for the 6th annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Tri-Town event.

There will be celebration, sorrow, fun and laughter all connected! For more information please contact Heather, 508-758-8017 or tritownrelay@comcast.net or Melissa at 508-897-4324. Visit: http://relay.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY11NE?fr_id=31349&pg=entry

Gold Ball Drop

The Community Nurse and Hospice Care Helicopter Golf Ball Drop will be held on at 6:30 p.m. on **Friday, May 13th, at The Kittansett Club in Marion, Mass.** Join us for indulgent hors d'oeuvres, open bar, entertainment & silent auction!

Golf balls, which are assigned a number, are dropped from a helicopter hovering over a tee near the clubhouse at The Kittansett Club.

\$1,500 will be awarded for the ball that is the first in the hole; \$1,000 will be awarded for the ball closest to the

pin; \$500 will be awarded for the ball farthest from the pin

ANYONE can purchase a chance to win! Winners need not be present! You can choose to buy a chance to win in advance or at the Golf Ball Drop. Simply purchase **1 ball for \$10; 3 balls for \$25; 7 balls for \$50; or 15 balls for \$100.**

For a \$100 donation, you can also join us at The Kittansett Club following the Golf Ball Drop for indulgent hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, open bar and silent auction.

Get golf balls and tickets on-line at www.communitynurse.com, or call 508-992-6278 or drop in at 62 Center Street, Fairhaven

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Call For Artists

For Acushnet residents 16 years of age and older, call 508-995-4238 for information to participate in the FREE Annual Acushnet Arts & Craft Show May 21st & May 22nd.

Theatre Camp

Ocean State Theatre Company (OSTC), the not-for-profit producing entity at the historic Theatre By The Sea, is excited to introduce their new summer camp for musical theatre kids! Camp OSTC will be in residence at Sam's Studio (Theatre By The Sea's rehearsal space) in Wakefield, RI from July 18-29, 2011.

Applications are currently being accepted for the two-week musical theatre camp, which will include both

fun and learning with top quality theatre professionals culminating in a full scale musical production to be performed by the campers on the Theatre By The Sea stage.

Limited to 30 students entering grades 4-8. Spots will be filled on a first come/first served basis. Applications are available online by visiting www.theatrebythesea.com. Registration deadline is June 17. Partial scholarships are available for those in need. Call (401) 782-3800 x18 for scholarship information. For registration information call (401) 782-TKTS (8587), stop by the box office Mon.-Sat., 10 am-4 pm, or visit www.theatrebythesea.com.

Food Conference

Thursday, May 19, from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Hawthorne Country Club, 970 Tucker Road, Dartmouth

Join us at the SouthCoast Women's Forum while we discuss the *Business of Food*. We will focus on women run and owned businesses in all aspects of the local food business: growers, restaurants, distribution and processing. This program will feature four dynamic panelists sharing some of the many challenges they have overcome to succeed in their professions.

The cost is just \$37 for members and \$45 for non-members, with tables of 10 available. **Pre-registration required.** To register, visit the New Bedford Chamber of Commerce website: <http://members.newbedfordchamber.com/Events/details/southcoast-women-s-forum>

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- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 cup walnuts
- 1/2 chocolate chips

In mixer mash bananas; add sugar, egg, oil and vanilla. Mix well. Add all dry ingredients, mix well, add walnuts and chocolate chips (optional).

Bake in a loaf pan or individual muffin cups at 350F for 30 min.
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A Little Bit of Sports

By Bob Hobbs

Special to the Neighb News

Scholarship Winners Announced

The Thomas Livesey Memorial Club Scholarship Committee would like to announced the 2011 recipients of nine \$250 Scholarships, presented to area high school seniors.

Jessica Collins, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, will receive the *Matty Oliveira Athletic Scholarship*. She will attend the University of Mass. and major in Pre-Dental Studies.

Timothy DesRoches, Fairhaven High School, will receive the *Frank Motta Jr. Memorial Scholarship*. He will attend the US Air Force Academy in Colorado. He will major in Meteorology. He will graduate as a Second Lieutenant in the US Air Force.

Kelsey Duarte, Bishop Stang High School, will attend Marist College and major in Communications and Spanish.

Allison Johansen, Fairhaven High School, will attend Northeastern University. She will major in the medical field.

Amelia Katan, Fairhaven High School, will attend Brandeis University and major in International Relations and Foreign Languages.

Emma LeBlanc Medeiros, Fairhaven High School, will receive the *Gilbert Canastra Sr. Memorial Scholarship*. She will attend Boston

University and major in Art.

Amanda Meehan, Fairhaven High School, will attend UMass. Dartmouth and major in Writing.

Laurn Mort, Old Rochester Regional High School, will receive the *Armand Santos Memorial Scholarship*. She will attend UMass. Dartmouth and major in Biology.

Brittney Teixeira, Fairhaven High School, will attend Curry College in the Nursing Program.

FHS Softball

FHS 7, NBVocTech, 6

Kayli Moniz knocked in two runs with triple to lead the Lady Blues to big win over VocTech for second time this year. Courtney Girouard got her ninth win with super pitching effort.

Home Thursday against D-R.

NB VocTech bests FHS 9-2

In a game played at Pope Park in Acushnet at one of the best baseball fields in the area, the Blues lost to a super Voc Team under the lights. Adam Mullen was losing pitcher. Super sophomore Ryan Baldwin had wo run home for the Bluemen, his fourth of the year.

Tough luck pitcher Billy Lessa got his first win of the year with super effort, 8-1 win over Bourne. Bob Perry and Drew Wethington were big sticks for the Blues.

UMassD Tennis

The Tom Mendell coached tennis team went undefeated 10 and0 this year. They will go on to NCAA Div III Tournament.

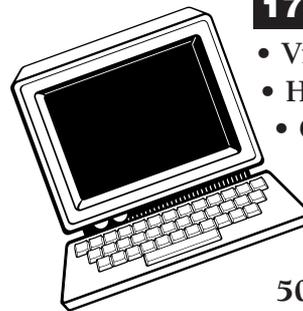
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Selectboard signs New Bedford water agreement

By Mali Lim

Neighb News Correspondent

After a fairly extended period of years and discussions that “took all kinds of twists and turns,” in the words of Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch, the Fairhaven selectboard signed a water and sewer agreement with the City of New Bedford, bringing several years of negotiations to a close.

Under the new agreement, signed at the Selectboard meeting on Monday, 5/9, businesses on Pope’s Island will be allowed to tie into the public sewer system, but at the same tie-in and sewer fees as the rest of Fairhaven.

“There was a little resistance to that because they pay lower fees in New Bedford, but we couldn’t charge less to the businesses on Pope’s Island,” said Brian Bowcock, the selectboard member who, together with Mr. Osuch, had taken over Fairhaven’s negotiations with the city. “We had to charge the same amount of water and sewer fees as the rest of the town.”

The town also reached an agreement with New Bedford regarding water back-up, replacing a previous agreement that had expired over seven years ago.

“The water agreement will cost the town nothing. There are no up-front fees associated with it,” said Mr. Osuch. “If Fairhaven does need water, there will be a \$750 initial fee which will be offset by the amount of water pumped. The language says the same thing for the City of New Bedford. It’s a reciprocal agreement in both directions.”

The selectboard praised the outcome of the negotiations, stating that it showed good collaboration between the town of Fairhaven and the City of New Bedford and was an agreement that benefitted both parties.

“We’re glad to see the Mayor and the City Council of New Bedford finally able to understand the benefits to both communities,” said Mr. Osuch.

The sewer agreement, approved by New Bedford’s City Council back in February, and signed by Mayor Scott W. Lang in March, still requires the Board of Public Works to sign the

wastewater agreement before it takes effect, but the water back up agreement, which was approved by New Bedford and signed by Mayor Lang last month, went into effect upon the selectboard’s signatures on behalf of the town.

The agreements will stay in force until December 31, 2020 and may be extended by one year increments an additional 20 years, until 2040, unless either party gives notice otherwise.

The selectboard also briefly discussed matters relating to the school building committee’s proposal for the new elementary school, as Mr. Osuch reported new commentary on the Mass. School Building Authority’s website that appeared over the weekend.

In an MSBA posting dated May 6,

I wish that this had been disseminated before the town meeting. If it had, we could have discussed the issue a little more intelligently [Jeff Osuch on the MSBA’s latest posting late Friday, 5/6]

2011, the agency specifically addressed the questions submitted by residents regarding the feasibility study and the recent article to approve funding for schematic designs for the new school. Town meeting voters on May 7th approved the funding for a new model school proposed for the Wood School site on Sciticut Neck Road. Had the article been defeated, the district would have jeopardized its funding for decades, said Mr. Osuch.

If the town had voted “no” for appropriation of funds for schematic designs, the school district would have had to submit a plan within 10 business days of the failed vote, presenting the vote results, an explanation of the reasons for the failed vote, and a plan to remedy the failed vote and a suggested timeline for such a remedy, said Mr. Osuch.

The MSBA would then review the plan and determine whether it could continue to set aside funds for the proposed project.

“The outcome of a failed vote will most likely be that the MSBA would require the District to submit a new Statement of Interest and begin anew the process for seeking funding, at which point the District would need to await a second invitation from the MSBA to return to the beginning feasibility study stage of the process,” said Mr. Osuch, quoting directly from the MSBA web update. “Pursuant to MSBA policy, districts who fail to approve funding for feasibility study and schematic design will be removed from the Capital Pipeline and will be asked to provide evidence of community support before their proposed project will be eligible for reconsideration by the MSBA’s Board of Directors. This policy is necessary to ensure that the MSBA’s limited capital program funds are not indefinitely tied up for projects that lack local support.”

“That’s what was being told to everyone in the town; that if you stop the process you will jeopardize the funding,” said Mr. Osuch. “This was right on the MSBA web page and people could have gone and read it for themselves. I wish that this had been disseminated before the town meeting. If it had, we could have discussed the issue a little more intelligently.”

“We followed the processes as the MSBA and the project manager dictated,” said Dr. Bowcock. “The problem is that people didn’t like the message and they didn’t like the messenger. But I think the town showed its wisdom in going forward with the project.”

“We certainly have work ahead of us with the school building committee,” he continued. “Considering the info that we received over the weekend from the MSBA, if we do fail to grasp this opportunity as it comes, it’ll be 30 to 40 years before we get back into the pipeline for funding.”

Town officials will meet with the MSBA to review the proposal, and hear a decision on state funding for the project this month.

The selectboard also accepted a

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ConCom approves walking trails work; looking for members

By Anne Fenton

Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Monday, 5/9, the Fairhaven Conservation Commission heard from abutters of the Winsegansett Marsh property, and from neighbors on Seaview Avenue and Doane Street, where work is being proposed.

The Fairhaven Acushnet Land Preservation Trust (FALPT) was represented by Allen Decker, Director of Land Protection at the Coalition for Buzzards Bay (CBB) for a determination to create wooden walkways within the 100' buffer zone to (BVW) Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and within flood zones off Sconticut Neck Road Plot 41 Lot 11.

The trail development project is intended to "encourage and provide public access from Sconticut Neck Road through to Winsegansett Marshes East property down to Nasketucket Bay," stated Mr. Decker.

The proposed trail layout was done by Jesse Ferreira, CBB Land Protection and Stewardship Specialist. A north side trail abutter, Linda Smith, from 551 Sconticut Neck Road, questioned the close proximity of the flags to her property line.

Mr. Ferreira assured her that the flags are not reflective of the location of the trail network, it will run further south. When plotting the trail he tried to stay on dry, high ground away from abutting property lines.

"We are really excited that there will be a trail there so that people can use the land," said Ms. Smith.

Her concerns were about parking and unleashed dogs. Mr. Ferreira said that there is enough room to offer shoulder parking closer to the existing western run that will allow people to go east or west on the trails. Mr. Decker will work with FALPT President John Darwin to create signage reminding pet owners of the existing leash law.

Committee Member Jeanne Van Orman said that if she were a neighbor she would want pet owners to clean up after their dogs and suggested that a waste bag dispenser be installed at the entrance to the trail. Mr. Decker said that they would take that under consideration during the development phase.

Another abutter, Austin Smith, asked how close the trail would come to his property. Mr. Ferreira replied that it would be over 100' from the

property line.

Mary Ellen Tunney and her husband Bob Thayer, from 565 Sconticut Neck Road, supported the new trails. They said they have enjoyed the trails on the western side and expressed desire to educate the public about wetland ticks.

Mr. Decker agreed and said they will include tick information in the signage. Ms. Tunney suggested that there be maintenance of the trails throughout the season. Mr. Decker assured her that they would work with the Land Trust regarding trail upkeep.

Mr. Thayer asked about the maintenance of the wooden portion of the trails stating that some of the existing planks are deteriorating. Mr. Ferreira said that he uses native cedar, locust, and oak woods for longevity. The new design will lessen destruction of the 100+ linear feet of planking.

There were no objections from the residents so committee member Cora Peirce, who is also a member of the FALPT, voted with the rest of the ConCom to approve the project without conditions.

Wetlands Consultant, Andrew Ashley, presented an after-the-fact filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) in response to a November enforcement order for land clearing on behalf of Wayne and Nancy Frye on Seaview Ave, Plot 29C Lot 172.

They also requested to do some grading and landscaping of the lot within an AE flood zone, an area inundated by 100-year flooding, for which Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) have been determined.

An anonymous abutter sent a letter stating that he or she asked the land owners

to stop work on the property; they did for the day, and then performed more work later on the lot. The ConCom sent an enforcement order requesting the owners to appear.

Previously, an adjacent paper street was purchased by an abutter, graded, and converted into lawn. The Fries would like to do something similar. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) comments on the NOI ask if the land is subject to flooding and if "6400 cubic feet of fill is really necessary for a garden."

Abutters Janice and Mike Martin, from 61 Seaview Avenue, opposed the filing of the lot. Ms. Martin said that there is a pile of brush, dirt, and rocks that were cleared with a bobcat last year causing water retention.

Mr. Martin said that the property used to be a pond before it was filled in years ago.

Consulting an outdated map, Mr. Ashley said he thought that the lot was not in a flood zone. Conservation Agent Wayne Fostin's latest map shows the lot is in a Velocity (V) zone, an area inundated by 100-year flood-

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In this new program teens 13-16 learn to become summer counselors. Included in this program is CPR, early education tips and job interview skills and much more. CITs will plan and run a theme day for the summer Kool Kids program, run games, assist senior counselors with projects, etc. Field trips and a pizza lunch every Friday are included. Program runs for two-week sessions. Cost per session \$200. You must be at least 13 to attend this program; no exceptions

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Town meeting says “yes” to schematic design for one school

Text and photos by Beth David

Editor

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After prolonged discussion on just a handful of articles, Fairhaven Town Meeting members made quick work of spending the rest of the \$45+ million budget on 5/7/11.

It was no surprise that the article allocating \$200,000 for a schematic design for a new model school at the Wood School site on Sconticut Neck Road got the most time. Still, there were at least nine people in line waiting to speak when the question was called and the vote was taken.

Arguments on both sides echoed arguments that have been voiced since the process started in earnest at the beginning of the year. The only significant change was a turnaround by the Finance Committee. At its 4/28 meeting, the FinCom voted to support the one-school option. On Thursday, just two days before TM, they reversed their vote, 6-5, and presented a majority and minority report to TM.

The FinCom Vice Chair Sid Martin delivered the majority report, which supported Indefinite Postponement of the article. He said members felt there were “no clear numbers,” and no justification for the numbers. He said members felt that the cost of the project kept changing and that information had not been made readily available to the public.

“It sounds like a used car sale, act in the next hour,” he said. “It’s like a shell



Anne Lacasse-Elliott addresses Fairhaven Town Meeting members in favor of not funding the schematic design for a one-school option on Sat., 5/7. Town Meeting voted to fund the design, which will start the process for a new model school on Sconticut Neck Road, and ultimately closing the Rogers School in the center of town. (Hey, that’s a Neighb News she’s holding! Yeah, we like that.)

game...but to me, it’s the same shell.”

FinCom chair John Roderiques gave the minority report, saying that 6-5 showed “significant” opposition.

He countered the claim that the information was not readily available and said that the one-school option with a model school at the Wood School site was the most fiscally responsible and the best option for students.

“I believe that in my head. I believe that in my heart. I believe that in my gut,” said Mr. Roderiques, adding that people may disagree, “but the information to base the decision on is out there.”

He said if members believed that the money would be available later on in the year, then “so be it,” but he believed that if it did not pass, “it’ll be years before we’ll be able to do anything on any school.”

In a presentation to town meeting members, School Building Chair Christopher Bunnell outlined the process

It is irresponsible to
create haves and
have-nots
[Superintendent of
Schools Robert Baldwin

from the start, including brief summaries of the 12 public hearings held since July of 2010.

In the end, the school district submitted nine proposals to the Mass. School Building Authority (MSBA), three of which were deemed eligible for state funding. The SBC chose, as its preferred option, to build a model school, based on the East Fairhaven School design, at the Wood School site. Cost of that project is estimated at \$24.4 million; cost to Fairhaven taxpayers is estimated at \$10 million after MSBA reimbursement. The cost of two schools that conform to MSBA guidelines is estimated at \$32 million with a reimbursement rate not yet set by the MSBA. A scaled down two-school option does not meet MSBA guidelines and would not be eligible for any reimbursement.

The one-school SBC preferred option would mean closing the Rogers School in the center of town and combining the two school populations. Rogers School parents have vehemently objected,



School Building Committee Chair Christopher Bunnell addresses Fairhaven Town Meeting members on Saturday, 5/7.

created a group called Fairhaven Save Our Schools (SOS), and created a Facebook page. A group of SOS members held signs in front of town meeting on Saturday.

In his presentation to TM members, Superintendent of Schools Robert Baldwin said “you will make an amazingly important decision.”

He outlined the process as it will continue. After a “yes” vote on the funding for the schematic design, town meeting will have to vote for a debt exclusion to pay for the project. Taxpayers will also have to pass a ballot question in a general election.

He said the project was one of 49 chosen from 422 submitted the MSBA.

“You have to understand that there are no do-overs,” said Dr. Baldwin.

He then addressed the arguments of the SOS group. He said class size was a function of annual funding by town meeting, not the building sizes. More teachers means smaller classes. He said projected enrollment figures were based on births now, which equals how many children will be in kindergarten in five years. Take actual births and divide by the number of teachers to get class size.

“It’s simple division,” he said. “Nobody likes change, but you have to move forward.”

Dr. Baldwin said the two school option would cost the town millions more and create a separate and unequal learning environment for students.

“All children should be provided with the same opportunities,” he said.

Dr. Baldwin showed pictures of the facilities at both the Rogers and Wood schools, and compared them with pictures of the new EFS building. He said children are afraid to use the bathrooms at the Rogers School because they have to

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walk by the boiler room.

At the Wood School staff uses a copy machine and a coffee maker while students are being seen by the nurse.

"It is irresponsible to create haves and have-nots," he said, adding that waiting two to five years is "indefensible."

The difference in actual funding between the model school option and a two-school option is still unclear, as the MSBA has not indicated how much it would reimburse for the larger project.

"Twenty dollars matters to many, many people," he said.

TM members lined up at the mikes to make their arguments on both sides of the issue.

A young man who identified himself as a senior at Fairhaven High School noted the picture of the nurse's office at Wood School.

"If you have a personal question, you can't ask that question," he said, adding that he had a "little sister at East Fairhaven," and it is "an awesome school."

Most of the arguments against the project centered on accusations that the process was not transparent, that the SBC was stacked with school department people and not enough community members; and that the MSBA had contradicted much of what SBC members had told the public.

"It's about fixing a process that needs fixing," said Trey Whalley, arguing for Indefinite Postponement to stop the process and start over.

"This is all about what we call educational equity," said long-time school committee member Louis Kruger, adding that the committee felt it was a "great project" that everyone in town will be proud of.

Ann Lacasse-Elliott, who has been a vocal opponent of the plan, reiterated the SOS group's concerns about a school that would be too big and traffic issues on Scoticut Neck Road.

North Fairhaven resident Lori Richard told members that she was at the Anthony School when it closed and her daughter was at the Oxford School when it closed. At first, she was hesitant about her daughter going to such a big school, out of the neighborhood.

She said she now feels "very fortunate" that her daughter is at the new EFS and "my daughter gets the best education."

She said all children in town should get the same. Her sentiment was supported by other parents who said they were happy their children were in the new building.

"The Rogers School is shabby because we made it happen," said Gail Isaksen.

She said the article to replace windows at Hastings Middle School was a prime example and that Rogers needed window replacement, too, but would not "see the light of day."

Amy Hartley-Matteson and Wendy Williams, principals of Wood and Rogers respectively, both spoke in favor of the one school option.

Ms. Hartley-Matteson said a one school option was the only solution that would provide equal educational opportunities for all students.

Newly elected school committee member Brian Monroe asked members to consider what Henry Huttleston Rogers would do, since his name was being invoked so often. He noted that HHR closed four schools when the Rogers School was built.

"Henry Huttleston Rogers was a visionary. He was a shrewd businessman," said Mr. Monroe. "He would build a new and modern state-of-the-art school, beyond a shadow of a doubt."

TM member Steven Ponte invoked the spirit of the town's founders when he said look at the town seal, which says 1812, making the town just about 200 years old. He said the sense of community is what makes Fairhaven special. He said the "building blocks" of a community "start with neighborhood schools."

"It's not about facts, people. It's about unity. It's about community," said Mr. Ponte, adding that members should be thinking about what it will mean 100 or 300 years from now.

A motion to require a secret ballot failed, and the main motion, to allocate \$200,000 for a schematic design for a new school on the Wood School site passed easily.

After the vote, Dr. Baldwin told members of the press that it was "overwhelming" to see how many members supported children.

"I trust the silent majority in town to do the right thing by our children," said Dr. Baldwin, and noted that the vote was only "one small step in a larger process."

"It showed the people in town want quality education, and a quality facility," said Selectboard Executive Secretary Jeffrey Osuch.



Fairhaven Town Meeting members line up to speak on the Special TM article allocating money for a schematic design to build a new model school at the Wood School site on Scoticut Neck Road. The new school would combine the Rogers and Wood School student populations. After much discussion, the measure passed easily.

Two other articles caused significant discussion. Article 7 on the Special TM would have added \$.012 to the water bill, up to \$.02 in 2016 to fund the Mattapoissett River Valley Water Protection Committee's efforts to buy land in Mattapoissett near the town's water supply. The agreement must also be passed by Mattapoissett and Marion to be implemented.

Mr. Osuch and Mark Rasmussen of the Buzzards Bay Coalition (formerly the Coalition for Buzzards Bay) spoke about the importance of protecting water resources.

"By far, the most effective way to protect water is to prevent contamination in the first place," said Mr. Rasmussen.

The FinCom, however recommended not passing the article. Mr. Roderiques said that the small amounts add up and that the legislature's passing of the law allowing the increase does not mean TM had to pass it.

"I'd like to get all the little bits back and given to me...It's got to stop somewhere," he said, adding that the water district is just saying they want more money. "We can't be all things to all people....No one here is going to get as much money as they like."

The measure failed by four votes to get the 2/3 vote required.

Members also did not fund a request by the Public Works Department to give sewer workers a raise and highway workers an extra day off for fiscal year 2011.

"It's wrong. It's wrong on a number of levels," said Mr. Roderiques, referring to the use of FY12 money for FY11 obligations. "This is not the way to do it, absolutely not."

A proposed bylaw to require pawn-

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It's gotta be Town Meeting because
it's a beautiful May day
[FinCom chair John Roderiques]

Turn the volume down a little
[Moderator Mark Sylvia]
...I love you, too, I really do.
[John Roderiques]

We can't be all things to all
people...There's a reason it
requires a two-thirds vote
[John Roderiques on a water rate
increase to buy land in Mattapoisett
to protect the town's water supply]

I'd like to get all the little bits back
and given to me
[John Roderiques]

No one here is going to get as much
money as they like
[John Roderiques]

In the second and third hours
of our presentation...
[School Building Committee
chair Christopher Bunnell]

I don't know why it took me this
process to learn this [Schools
Superintendent Robert Baldwin on
figuring out that births in one year
lead to kindergarten enrollment
estimates five years later]

This will increase class size — to
one of equity [Dr. Baldwin]

\$8,000 for the moderator
[Mark Sylvia giving himself a
1000% raise]

24, 29, 32, hut! I don't know...
It sounds like a used car sale,
act in the next hour...
[FinCom member Sid Martin]

I believe that in my head.
I believe that in my heart.
I believe that in my gut.
[John Roderiques]

Soldier on? Okay. This is your
town meeting [Mark Sylvia on
having the school building
discussion before lunch]

Let's see how quickly we can fly.
[Mark Sylvia]

I thought it was the voice of God
[Mark Sylvia]
It is the voice of God
[David Fortin, sound technician]

Some people here are as old
(as the seal) [Steven Ponte]
That's out of order.
[Mark Sylvia]

I don't want any hanging chads
[Mark Sylvia]

...and will try to verify who you are
[Mark Sylvia explaining the
secret ballot process for
members without IDs]

You might have good Girl Scouts
and bad Girl Scouts. Who knows?
[Chris Richard on a new bylaw
that seems to require background
checks on anyone going
door-to-door in town]

I can hear Bob Baldwin starting to
cry [Jeff Osuch after 17 thousand
was called out instead of 17 million
on the school department budget]

Yes, there's some talk about us
building a navy ...
The (shellfish) boat is basically a
bathtub with a motor on it
[Harbormaster David Darmofal]

That'll happen next year, trust me
[John Roderiques on departments
asking for more money for gas]

I'm not sure if that's a rhetorical
question [Mark Sylvia after a long
pause when a member asked how
many people use the bike path]

At some point you're going to hit
that wall...that wall is getting closer
and closer [Jeff Osuch]

Is that a technical term?
[Mark Sylvia, when the owner of
Griddles said late nights were
"a bit of a pain in the rear."]

You came at the right time [Mark
Sylvia to the owner of A Kitchen at
nearly 4 p.m. as Town Meeting
members were positively giddy with
laughter as they approved his liquor
license request easily]

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brokers to post a \$5,000 bond to the town clerk; give all their personal information to the clerk, including social security number; and to provide detailed information about every person who takes an item to the shop, including "complexion, height, weight, age, hair color, eye color, and the present of any distinguishing characteristics," passed after some discussion.

The law also requires all owners of pawn shops to have background checks and be approved by the police chief as "suitable persons."

Despite concerns about placing an undue burden on small shops, the wording of the bylaw which seemed to include any retail establishment selling used goods, and concerns about the subjective nature of "suitable," the bylaw passed.

The police chief called it a "tool of law enforcement" and said New Bedford and Fall River already have similar laws in place, which have led to arrests.

In other business TM members:

- Approved \$19,754,566 for the school department, including out of district costs.
- Voted to acquire two lots on Balsam street for \$1 each that will provide access to Round and Senior Coves.
- Voted to approved \$250,000 for repair/improvements to the Hurricane Barrier as required by the Army Corps of Engineers. Did not approve a measure that would allow betterment fees for Hurricane Barrier costs.
- Did not fund the Harbormaster's request for \$500 more than recommended by the FinCom.
- Did not fund a BPW request for \$136,314 for equipment purchases, choosing instead to adopt the \$109,751 recommended by FinCom. The difference was for equipment to plow the bike path.
- Approved \$84,000 for a new floor in the Recreation Center gym.
- Passed Article 10 on the Special TM warrant, rezoning three lots on Holcomb Street near the corner of Bridge Street to residential from business. According to Planning Board Chair Wayne Hayward, the lots already have houses on them. The new bylaw will help prevent a large strip mall type structure from being built there.
- Voted to allocate \$35,000 for restrooms at West Island town beach without using grant money, so the beach may continue to be for residents only.
- Voted to petition the legislature to grant liquor licenses to both Griddles and A Kitchen •••

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ing with velocity hazard (wave action) where no BFEs have been determined.

Mr. Jones suggested that Mr. Fostin contact the DEP to find out who wrote the NOI comments and what their opinions are about the flood zone.

Mr. Fostin will also contact John Rockwell to find out if there are any connections to other wetlands. Mr. Rockwell, a Wetlands Specialist with The Buzzards Bay Project, a National Estuary Program, provides technical assistance to Buzzards Bay area towns at no cost, as part of efforts to improve water quality in Buzzards Bay.

A vote was approved to hold a site inspection on May 22 and a continuation hearing on May 23rd. Because the continued hearing date was established during the May 9th meeting, notices will not be sent to abutters but they are welcome to attend.

Rick Charon, PE, of Charon Associates, presented a rescheduled Abbreviated Notice of Intent (ANOD) on behalf of Sara and Bradley Schipper to verify the wetland line for their property on Doane Street, Plot 3 Lot 200. ANOI's are filed for projects, which are likely to result in limited impacts to wetland resource areas.

A catch basin was discovered buried under piles of discarded yard waste that had been dumped on the

lot. Mr. Charon pointed out that the town might have added the catch basin when fill was added to extend Doane Street.

He said that the owners would like to have a determination for the boundaries and then they can "decide whether they would like to move forward with plans to try to get a house on this lot."

Abutters Jim and Karen Dugan, from 36 Doane Street, commented that the lot has had standing water on it with a skim of green algae since the process started.

There are other abandoned drains that have been found from the Henry Huttleston Rogers estate in the neighborhood. The Dugans said they are concerned about where the water is going to drain and that people are dumping on the lot.

Mr. Rockwell inspected the property and said that the line is accurate. A unanimous vote consented that the lines are accurately drawn for the plan as presented. There should be no work done on the lot unless an NOI is filed with the DEP. A new hearing would be conducted with notification to abutters.

The ConCom also held a hearing for a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA). Christopher and Kimberly Amaral would like to install a 6' wooden stockade fence and 33' x

15' above ground pool within the 100' buffer zone BVW at 8 Lincoln Drive, Plot 30B, Lots 85L and 85R.

The commission voted unanimously that a Negative Three RDA exists indicating that there will be work in a buffer zone but there will be no negative affects. A Notice of Intent does not need to be filed.

Mr. Jones noted that people are dumping yard clippings in a number of areas in Town. He said he wished that the ConCom could stop it by educating people and encouraged abutters to let Mr. Fostin know if anyone is dumping in their neighborhoods. They can remain anonymous.

"We want to know about things like that," stated Mr. Jones.

All members present signed a Planning Board agreement for the maintenance of the property purchased by the Town referred to as the "Mahoney Property" on New Boston Road. Carol Tyson, Logan Wood, and Joseph Taylor were absent.

Some members are no longer able attend all the ConCom meetings. Openings are available on the commission. The ConCom is accepting letters of interest from the public for a voting committee member or an associate member and urge interested parties to submit a letter to the Fairhaven Selectboard for consideration.

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letter from Frank E. Przybyszewski, the town's Sealer of Weights and Measures, announcing his retirement after 30 years of service.

Theodore Machado, New Bedford's Sealer of Weights and Measures met with the board, expressing an interest in taking over the position in Fairhaven.

"I used to work for Frank Przybyszewski, he was my boss and he was the one who trained me," said Mr. Machado. "His shoes are big ones to fill, but I would be honored to follow in his position."

The board agreed with Mr. Osuch's recommendation to appoint Mr. Machado, noting that his having trained under Mr. Przybyszewski and having substituted for him at times over the years would allow a fairly seamless transition.

The board also took the occasion to note that the last time Fairhaven

adjusted its rates for weights and measures was in 1999 and current fee structures don't cover the town's expenses.

Dr. Bowcock suggested that Fairhaven consider setting its rates to match those in New Bedford, a notion that the rest of the board supported.

Selectboard chair Michael Silvia gave the newly appointed Mr. Machado the task of submitting a list of rates changes he'd like to see for approval at the next board meeting.

In other business:

- The board accepted a request from the chief of police to call for a Sergeants' Civil Service Exam in October, making a motion to forward the request to the Mass. Division of Human Resources.
- Mr. Silvia announced he was stepping down as the Fairhaven representative to the SRPEDD Commission, nominating Town Planner

Bill Roth to fill the position. The board voted to appoint Mr. Roth to be town representative to SRPEDD and to also reappoint him as the town's representative to the Joint Transport Planning Group.

- The board accepted the resignation of Sue Moulton, director of sales for the Fairhaven/New Bedford Hampton Inn from the tourism committee, but appointed the Hampton Inn's general manager, Jennifer Hartley, to the committee, at Ms. Hartley's request.
- The board approved a request for a special permit to hold the Ft. Phoenix 11th Annual Road Race and Walk on Sept. 11th, 2011.
- The board reconvened in executive session to discuss ongoing issues between the Council on Aging board and COA director, and issues regarding abutter encroachments in Cushman Park.

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Rainbow Arced Over West Island

The unstable atmosphere last Thursday, 5/5, was getting more agitated all day with increased amounts of virga* that eventually reached the ground as scattered sheets of rain showers training east in a narrow corridor.

As a weather spotter I sensed that an interesting weather event was imminent. I waited for over three hours with a front row seat on the causeway before my intuition came true — a rainbow appeared over West Island. With the sun breaking through at the end of the day and light showers still active, the ingredients of a rainbow coalesced perfectly over West Island.

No two people ever see the exact same rainbow because of the precise angle, however many witnessed a double-rainbow from the causeway as it arced over the island looking east.

The phenomenon lasted less than two minutes.

For more photos visit westislandweather.com photo albums: <http://www.westislandweather.com/apps/photos/album?albumid=11517934>



Birth of A Rainbow, May 5, 2011. 5:58pm, Constant bands of showers formed over East Fairhaven moving from west to east. ABOVE: 6:12pm. If this was hot and humid in July, this towering cumulus cloud punching into the upper atmosphere would have meant business with a hefty thunderstorm getting organized. 7:06PM The sun peered through as it got lower in the sky while pockets of showers lingered. 7:11PM Showers moved in from the distance and created a foggy horizon. The sun continued to glare through the shower and thus a rainbow was about to be born! (Photos on website, www.westislandweather.com). BELOW: 7:12PM The setting sun was at the right angle as the haze of showers moved towards West Island a few hundred yards from Sconticut Neck. As I turned my back to the sun and away from the raindrops I saw a brilliant double rainbow form over West Island. Photos by ML Baron, see them in color at www.NeighbNews.com See more photos of this weather event at www.westislandweather.com).



For a video clip of the Rainbow: <http://www.westislandweather.com/apps/videos/videos/show/13569181-rainbow-over-west-island->
*Virga is pre-

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Friday	13	0437 1714	1030 2321*		
Saturday	14	0540 1812	1119* ----		
Sunday	15	0638 1907	0017* 1208*		
Monday	16	0732 1959	0111* 1256*		
Tuesday	17	0823 2049	0204* 1345*		
Wednesday	18	0914 2140	0254* 1434*		
Thursday	19	1005 2231	0342* 1523*		
Friday	20	1057 2323	0427* 1610		
Saturday	21	1150 ----	0510 1658		
Sunday	22	0015 1243	0553 1749		
Monday	23	0107 1335	0638 1848		
Tuesday	24	0159 1427	0730 2012		
Wednesday	25	0250 1520	0826 2144		
Thursday	26	0344 1612	0919 2238		

*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft

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Board of Public Works

Sat., 5/7, Middle School, 8:15 a.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 5/23 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Cultural Council

Mon. 5/23, Nemasket Bldg, 6:30 p.m.

Fairhaven Housing Auth.

Thurs., 5/12, Oxford Terr., 3 p.m.

Finance Committee

Thurs., 5/7, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

Sat., 5/7, Middle School, 8 a.m.

School Committee

Wed., 5/25, FHS Library, 6:30

Selectboard

Mon., 5/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearings/ Legal Notices

Conservation Commission

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on May 23, 2011, at 6:30 P.M. in the Fairhaven Town Hall East Room (2nd floor). Purpose is for the Request for Determination of the following matters as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40 as amended.

- Request for Determination Applicant Katherine Groh Location Girls Creek Plot 27 Lot 28 Purpose erect an Osprey nesting platform within a Saltmarsh.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Jones, Chairman

Fairhaven Conservation Commission

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Letters to the editor

More Scouts, more fun

Hello, my name is Cullen A. Tate and I live in Fairhaven. I am in the fourth grade at East Fairhaven School. I am a loyal member of The Cub Scouts of America. I am a member of the Webelos Cub Scouts Troup 52.

It is very fun to be a Scout; you learn all kinds of new, interesting things, and go to exciting places. I am in the troupe with some of my friends from school. I am now in my second year of Scouts and enjoy it very much.

One of the things I have learned is how to hold the American flag. We have also learned what we need to pack for an overnight trip. Another fun thing we learned is how to tie knots, like the square knot.

I have learned the proper way to handle a pocket knife and how to carve with it. We carved a bar of soap into the shape of a whale. At our blue and gold banquet, I received some Scout pins for what I have learned. As you can see, I have learned a lot with my friends from Scouts and look forward to learning more in the coming years.

Another great thing about the Scout is that I have been able to go to exciting places with my friends. We have gone out for pizza together. The troop went to the fire station to learn about safety and how things work at the fire department. It was very interesting and a lot of fun.

We also went on an overnight trip on the U.S.S. Salem with our troop, as well as with some Scouts from other troops. We saw a lot of interesting things on our overnight trip.

Our most recent trip as a troop was to one of the oldest buildings in Fairhaven, the Millicent Library. It was fun to learn how the library is

run. I can't wait to go on more trips with my troop.

Scouts meet in the winter, spring and fall. There is also an overnight summer camp if you are interested. Come have some fun and adventures with us. Come join Troop 52.

When and where? We meet at Saint Mary's Church on Main Street in Fairhaven on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m.

More people will mean more fun. Troop 52 is looking for Scouts. It's our motto to be prepared, do your best, and have fun.

Cullen Tate, Fairhaven

Fairhaven woman walking the Boston Three-day

Sixty miles in one direction can take you many places, but, I have joined thousands of breast cancer supporters in preparing for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Boston 3-Day for the Cure® because 60 miles can take us closer to finding a cure.

After months of training and fundraising, participants will walk 60 miles during three days to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research and community-based breast health and education programs.

This is my first year participating. Through my participation in this event I know I am making a personal impact on the breast cancer movement. The Komen 3-Day for the Cure is challenging, but the opportunity to have an impact is enormous.

I am participating in honor of a few friends of mine who have or have had breast cancer. Although my Mom, Claire Lemieux, died from cancer, it was not breast cancer. I walk in her honor.

Each walker is supported by

coaches and online assistance aiding in all aspects of training and fundraising. Additionally, clinics, meetings, training walks, teams and buddy walkers provide ongoing encouragement.

The Susan G. Komen Boston 3-Day for the Cure starts on Friday morning, July 22 and ends with the Closing Ceremony on Sunday afternoon, July 24. Walkers cover about 20 miles a day, traveling at their own pace. Hundreds of volunteer crew members support the walkers through the three-day journey providing meals, refreshments and snack stops, gear transport, hot showers, portable restrooms, safety on the streets and 24-hour medical services. The 3-Day for the Cure is the greatest distance you can go in the fight against breast cancer.

More than 1.4 million women will be diagnosed with breast cancer globally each year. You can help me reach my goal by making a donation or joining, visit www.The3Day.org. Click "Donate," and search for my personal fundraising webpage.

To learn how to participate or volunteer with the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure, visit The3Day.org or call 800-996-3DAY.

Nancy G. Brinker promised her dying sister, Susan G. Komen, she would do everything in her power to end breast cancer forever. Today, Komen for the Cure is the world's largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and activists fighting to save lives, empower people, ensure quality care for all and energize science to find the cures. For more information about Susan G. Komen for the Cure, breast health or breast cancer, visit www.komen.org or call 1-877 GO KOMEN.



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Wild Women of West Island run for a cause



A team from West Island, calling themselves "Wild Women of West Island," ran the Women's Fund Tiara 5k on Sunday, May 8, in Mattapoisett. The Wild Women won a prize for the most creatively attired team. "It was a great race. And the free ice cream after the race from Oxford Creamry was a great reward," wrote Lisa Esten in an email. LEFT: the team shirt for the Wild Women of West Island. RIGHT: The Wild Women of West Island team ran the Tiara 5K race on Mother's Day, benefiting the Women's Fund of Southeastern Mass. The women raised \$125 for the cause. BACK ROW, L-R: Stacey Martin, West Island (WI); Marianne Brodo, WI; Allison, Margie Joseph, WI; FRONT, L-R: Kelli; Shannon; Emily Esten, WI; Lisa Esten, WI; Katie Moulding. Submitted photo. See it in color at www.NeighbNews.com

Police nab home invasion suspects

Fairhaven Police Dept. Press Release

The Fairhaven Police Department arrested three men for numerous felonies, including committing home invasion while armed with a firearm, use of a firearm with obliterated serial numbers in the commission of a felony, conspiracy, and dangerous weapons violations. Police responded to 101 Windswept Drive on Tues., 5/3, after receiving a 911 call reporting a breaking and entering in progress.

The residence, which was occupied by three tenants, was located next door to its landlord. One of the tenants called the landlord while the other contacted police. The landlord observed three people dressed in dark clothing around the property. He then yelled at them, causing them to retreat to a waiting vehicle and begin to flee from the area. The vehicle, a 1999 Toyota Avalon, was intercepted and stopped by Officers James Bettencourt and Bachir Kouta on

Windswept Drive, just east of Scoticut Neck Road.

The vehicle was occupied by three men identified as Richard Swallow, 20, of 16 Spencer St., Providence; Michael Straight, 23, of 17 Ted Lane, Southborough, and Enrique Severino, 26, of 161 Sisson St., Providence.

After questioning the three men, officers conducted a search of the vehicle. Found during the search was a loaded .45 caliber handgun with obliterated serial numbers, an electronic stun gun, four spring-loaded switchblade knives, ski masks, gloves and a pair of handcuffs.

An occupant of the residence told police that he heard a door to the house being pushed open. The door had been left ajar with a bureau across it to allow ventilation into the house.

When he was investigating the noise, he observed three people walk around the yard toward the front of the house. He then alerted his room-

mates, one of whom called the landlord.

After interviewing the occupants of the house, police determined this incident appeared to be retaliation against them for a previous fight that occurred at a house party in Providence this past St. Patrick's Day.

Swallow, Straight and Severino have all been charged with unlicensed possession of a firearm, home invasion while armed with a firearm, conspiracy to commit home invasion, disturbing the peace while armed, committing a felony while in possession of a firearm, unlawful possession of ammunition, possession of a firearm with a defaced serial number while committing a felony, use of a motor vehicle while in the commission of a felony, and two counts of possession of a dangerous weapon due to the switchblades and the stun gun.

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