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Fairhaven honors veterans



Volunteers carry the Big Flag along Main Street in Fairhaven during the Veterans Day Parade on 11/11/22. See page 12 for story. Photo by Glenn C. Silva for the Fairhaven Neighborhood News.



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Oh, right, sure...have Town Meeting on a Tuesday night. UGH. At least they were quick! Town Meeting got through all the articles in record time. See page 4 to find out how your tax dollars were spent.

Veterans Day was last Saturday. The day to thank veterans was pretty warm and a decent showing of people came out to show support during the parade and the speechmaking. See page 12.

Dorothea Machado, 99, gave the keynote address. What a story she has. She joined the Navy when she was just 20 and hasn't stopped since. The town gave her a proclamation, which she seemed to be surprised about and seemed to be happy to get. But, I'm not sure, it was hard to hear, but I think she was pushing for another one next year when she'll be 100. I think we should accommodate that wish!

We have meeting coverage for you too, besides the TM. See page 17i for BPW.

Coming up, we have Thanksgiving next week. So if you haven't donated your food items or money to the food pantry, get on it. They'll need that stuff to give families a feast who otherwise could not afford it. Everyone should have a feast on Thanksgiving.

The bazaars and holiday happenings are starting to pick up. So, keep an eye out for them.

Turkey Trot next week, the bonfire (well, weather dependent), toy drives, all that and more. Just check out each page.

And while you're doing that, be sure to notice who our advertisers are so you can tell them you saw their ads in the Neighb News. Oh, that reminds me. Last chance to order your ad on the frequency buy to get in our annual shopping issue which is next week.

Until next week then...
see ya,

Glory to Ukraine!
Glory to the Heroes!



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Events this weekend

"Little Women"

The Fairhaven High School Theatre Company presents "Little Women," by Kate Hamill, adapted from the novel by Louisa May Alcott. Fri., Sat., 11/18 & 19 at 7 p.m.; and Sun., 11/20, at 2 p.m.

Based on the beloved novel by Louisa May Alcott, "Little Women" follows the adventures of the four March sisters as they journey into adulthood. Jo, Meg, Amy, and Beth work together to navigate the challenges of love, society, war, and growing up in this funny yet heartwarming classic.

"Little Women" was written by Louisa May Alcott in two volumes, in 1868 and 1869. It was an immediate success. It follows the four March sisters from childhood to adulthood, marriage, and children, poverty and financial success. It has been adapted for movies and television.

Directed by Marisa Rebelo, produced by Bryan Young. Costume design by Deb Roderick, set design by Shawn Elliot. Presented through special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

Adults/\$15, Senior/\$12. For tickets visit <https://fairhaven-public-schools.ticketleap.com>

Gridiron Pep Rally/Bonfire

Come on out and join the Fairhaven Blue Devils for our annual Thanksgiving Eve Bonfire & Pep Rally, on Wed., 11/23, at 6:30 p.m. at Cushman Park. This is a community event and all of Fairhaven is invited to attend and support FHS.

The Gridiron Club will be hosting this event with Hot Chocolate, Popcorn and a Blue Devil Gear table.

Join us in celebrating the accomplishments of the Football Team this season and FIRE UP the Blue Devils before their big Thanksgiving Day Game!

For more information or weather cancellation: find us on Facebook or Twitter at Fairhaven Gridiron Blue Devils or on Instagram at FHS Blue Devil Football.

GO BLUE!

The next day, 11/24, at 10 a.m., the Blue Devils will face their annual Thanksgiving Day Rival, Dartmouth High School, at Fairhaven High School. All are encouraged to attend.

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More happenings on pages 5, 8, 9

Old Time Holiday Fair

December 10, 2022

11:00–1:00 or until sold out

First Congregational Church

34 Center Street, Fairhaven

Lobster Luncheon!

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Fairhaven Special TM makes quick work of 19 articles

By Beth David
Editor

Fairhaven Town Meeting members quickly got through 19 articles at the Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, 11/15/22, with none of the anticipated controversy developing on some articles, and very little discussion on any articles.

In the very first article STM approved \$92,000 in spending for gasoline for eight departments from free cash to supplement their FY23 budgets passed at the June 18, 2022 Annual Town Meeting. TM approved another \$20,000 from the water (\$12K) and sewer (\$8K) enterprise funds, also for gasoline.

Other supplemental spending for the FY23 budget included \$31,252 for a variety of expenses, with the funds coming from free cash and enterprise funds. The article also transferred money in most departments for salaries and wages.

Article 8, which had seemed poised to garner some resistance, passed with little opposition. The article appropriated \$16,000 for new office furniture for the Town Administrator's office.

TA Angie Lopes Ellison showed in a video that the furniture in her office is damaged and insufficient.

She is using the window sill for storage and filing; the desk is broken; the shelving she does have is not adjustable and cannot accommodate some files. Ms. Ellison said the conference table is too small for the meetings she has in the room; and her desk is in two pieces, not an actual L shape, which creates challenges.

Her initial estimate was higher than the \$16,000 because she priced office furniture. After the Finance Committee asked her to get the price down, she priced home office furniture, which cut the price in half, although it is not ideal.

Ms. Ellison told TM that she meets with other town administrators, people and officials from other communities. Having the first impression of Fairhaven being a professional office would make a big difference in how the town is perceived, she said.

She said she is looking for furniture that will be durable and will be respective of the historic nature of the building.

Town Meeting member Barbara Acksen asked if Ms. Ellison had looked into using some of the old high school furniture that is in storage, calling them "quite elegant," and said they would be in keeping with the historic nature of the building.

Ms. Ellison said she had not looked at that furniture, but she was aware that the Alumni Association managed them.

In the end the article passed with some opposition.

Article 5 was passed over at the request of the petitioner. The Home Rule Petition from the Fairhaven Housing Authority, would have authorized the Select Board to petition the state legislature for a home rule petition that would allow the FHA to prioritize Fairhaven residents for FHA units. The current system is centralized and run by the state resulting in the "disproportionate housing of non-local

applicants."

Town Moderator Mark Sylvia said the article will be presented again at the annual TM in April.

The Safe Routes to Schools article passed, which will allow the Select Board to enter into easement agreements in order to construct the project that will narrow Sconticut Neck Road and create bike lanes from the 99 plaza to the southern end of the Leroy Wood School.

The project is being funded with \$2 million in federal and state grants.

Public works superintendent Vinnie Furtado explained, first in a video, and then at the microphone when the video went awry, that there are 16 permanent easements and 13 temporary easements necessary to complete the job.

The permanent easements are required to move telephone poles, which will put the wires outside of the original right of way.

The temporary easements are required to allow grading and construction of the road and sidewalks. The easements will have an "inconvenience fee" to home owners for the temporary loss of use or nuisance caused by the construction.

The project came about due to a dangerous traffic pattern at the intersection of the bike path and Sconticut Neck Road. Cars heading north on SNR tend to go around on the right of cars taking a left onto David Drown Boulevard causing people using the bike path to get "nearly clipped," said Mr. Furtado.

TM member Joseph Gruber said he

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Town Meeting Quotable Quotes

That's the computer telling you something
[Town Moderator Mark Sylvia when the video froze during Vinnie Furtado's presentation]

We love you Vinnie,
but we're done
[Mr. Sylvia after the video started three times]

I'm gonna have nightmares tonight [Mr. Sylvia after the video just kept going]

I'm 0 for three
[Mr. Furtado when his microphone would not turn on]

That's my own version of "Groundhog Day"
[Mr. Furtado referring to the recalcitrant video]

So, just the one question...
[Jeff Lucas after asking several questions in one]

Now they'll be able to stay till, 100 or something?
[Jeff Lucas about the special legislation increasing special officers age to 70]

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Fire Station Dedication

On Sat., 11/19, at 2 p.m., the historical Spring Street fire house, 6 Spring Street, Fairhaven, will be dedicated to long time volunteer and town official, John Rogers.

"Little Women"

The Fairhaven High School Theatre Company presents "Little Women" this weekend. See page 3.

Christmas Fair

Trinity Lutheran Church, 16 Temple Place, Fairhaven, Sat., 11/19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Creations by Women's Fellowship. Featuring a variety of gift giving items from hand made Christmas decorations to unique knitted hats, mittens, socks, baby and adult sweaters and more.

Come and enjoy a lunch featuring Norwegian open-faced sandwiches, as well as local scallops, chowder, chicken delicacies and delicious pastries. Seating is limited and takeout encouraged.

Turkey Trot

Fairhaven Thanksgiving Turkey Trot, Thurs., 11/24. Gather: 7:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m., Start Time: 8:00 a.m. Green Street side of Cushman Park near Bridge Street, Fairhaven

Annual Thanksgiving morning 5K race raises money for local food pantries. First 400 adult registrants receive a T-Shirt. Registration is \$20 online until November 13, then increases to \$25. Registration for children 10 and under is \$10 online.

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/2aycemz8>

You may also register in person the day before at the SMEC building, 56 Bridge Street, Fairhaven, and Thanksgiving morning before the race. For more details visit <http://www.fairhaventurkeytrot.com/> or email fairhaventurkeytrot17@gmail.com.

Styrofoam Use

The Fairhaven Board of Health and Sustainability Committee have partnered to explore the use and sale of single-use plastic and polystyrene

(Styrofoam) products. Surveys have been emailed to Fairhaven food establishments and retailers so we can consider the input of our town's respected merchants as we discuss the hazards these materials present and how they impact their business.

Single-use plastic and polystyrene products are hazardous to human and environmental health. Reducing and/or eliminating our use of these products is essential to protecting ourselves from microplastics accumulating in our agricultural soil, the seafood we eat, and our water supply. Plastics like polystyrene can leach carcinogenic chemicals and toxic additives into the environment and the human body, increasing the risks of developing illnesses like cancer. Numerous cities and towns have banned polystyrene and enacted bylaws to reduce single-use plastics.

If you are a business owner who would like to participate in this survey and have not received the email, please contact: fairhavenplasticreduction@gmail.com and request one. We would like to have as many responses as possible by November 27, 2022.

Damien Dollars

Damien Dollars 2023 building fundraiser, for St. Joseph Church. A \$150 winner every week, Jan.-April, with larger drawings in June, 2023. Send \$120, or sign up for \$20 monthly payments. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Church" and write "Damien's Dollars" in subject line. Mail to 74 Spring St., Fairhaven, MA 02719.

For more information, call the church office at 508-994-9714, or email secretary@stjosephparish.comcastbiz.net

When Disaster Strikes

When disaster strikes, will Fairhaven be ready, will you be ready?

When local resources are overwhelmed, it's up to trained volunteers to help avert and combat disaster in Fairhaven. Learn basic first aid, CPR, and shelter management from Fairhaven Fire-EMS.

To learn more and register, visit: www.fairhavenfire.org/ema.

See our video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vG2Zvc7UFxw> for more details.

Town Hall CLOSED

ALL Fairhaven town offices, including Town Hall will be closed on Thursday, 12/8, for staff development. Please be patient and understanding while staff receives training to better serve you.

Open Water Swim

Coldwater Swimmers Meetup, Sundays 11:30 a.m. at West Island Town Beach. No experience necessary. come learn with a team how to safely extend the swimming season.

Leaf pickup

Fairhaven curbside leaf collection will take place for four weeks only: 11/1 through 11/26. Pick up will be one day after your regular trash pickup day.

Place leaves in boxes, open barrels or paper leaf bags. NO PLASTIC BAGS. Limit 25 per stop. Brush and vines NOT accepted.

You may also take leaves and grass to the compost area at the Fairhaven Recycling Center on Arsene St.

Contact Board of Public Health, 508-979-4031 for more info.

SAVE THE DATE:

Old Time Holiday

Fairhaven Old-Time Holiday, St., 12/10, various locations. First organized by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism in 1998, the Old-Time Holiday is a cooperative effort among many of the town's non-profit, school, and church groups.

Fairs and marketplaces and other activities are held in the Town Hall, the First Congregational Church, the Unitarian Memorial Church, the Millicent Library, and the Northeast Maritime Institute in the historical center of town. Visitors can shop for arts and crafts, gifts, candy and sweets, food items, and enjoy holiday luncheons, musical entertainment, a visit with Santa and more.

For a list of events, visit [https://fairhaventours.com/old-time-holiday/](http://fairhaventours.com/old-time-holiday/)

Lions hold successful spaghetti dinner

The Fairhaven Lions Club thanked all involved for the "huge success" of their spaghetti dinner fund-raiser on Wednesday, 11/9.

"Thank you to all of our guests, thank you to St. Mary's Church for allowing us to hold our event in their basement, thank you to all of the local businesses and community members

who donated raffle items or made monetary donations and lastly thank you to all of our dedicated Lions who are always willing to help out with all of our events and activities throughout the year," the club posted on its Facebook page.

The club is always looking for new members who are looking for a way to

serve the community.

The time commitment is what you make it as a Lions. For more information, find them on Facebook or email FairhavenMALionsClub@gmail.com, or find a member at any of the events happening around town. You'll know them by their bright yellow shirts.



ABOVE LEFT: Members of the Fairhaven Lions Club get ready to start serving up a spaghetti dinner at St. Mary's Church on 11/9/22.
ABOVE RIGHT: Lions Club members work in the kitchen getting ready to serve it up. BELOW LEFT: Lions Club members serve the dinner. BELOW RIGHT: The salads are ready to go. Photos courtesy of Laurie Kigel.



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Fairhaven COA hosts veterans for lunch

The Fairhaven Council on Aging held its annual Veterans Luncheon at the Senior Center on Wednesday, 11/9/22, to honor local veterans.

"We had an AMAZING time today Honoring our Veterans at our luncheon," posted the Senior Center on its Facebook page. "We would like to thank the sponsors, Alltrust Bank, Vitra Health, and Coastline Elderly

Services. Thank you to Judy and Barry DeRossi for their entertainment today as well."

The COA also thanked the Fairhaven Lions Club for presenting a friendship flag to Brad Fish, Fairhaven's Veterans Services Officer.

The club also presented a flag to the COA, and a flag that was originally from the Oxford School.

"As always, thank you too all veterans for your service!" they wrote.

For more information about the senior center and the services it provides, see page 14, or call them at 508-979-4029.

A video of the presentations is on the center's Facebook page. The event will soon be available on FairhavenTV.com



ABOVE LEFT: Fairhaven Lions Club president Bill Kigel (center) holds up the friendship flag he is about to present to Brad Fish (RIGHT), Fairhaven's Veterans Services Officer, during the annual veterans lunch on 11/9/22 at the Fairhaven Council on Aging/Senior Center. ABOVE RIGHT: Mr. Fish (CENTER) receives a flag originally from the Oxford School from Fairhaven Lions Club member Bill Moniz, while COA director Martha Reed waits to accept it. BELOW RIGHT: Fairhaven Select Board member Bob Espindola (CENTER) holds up the friendship flag he is about to present to Ms. Reed (RIGHT) on behalf of the Fairhaven Lions Club. BELOW RIGHT: Ms. Reed (LEFT) and Mr. Fish (RIGHT), pose for a photo with sponsors, veterans, Lions Club members, and volunteers. *Photos from the Fairhaven COA/Senior Center Facebook page.*



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HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Crèche Festival

We often hear the thought that we should "reflect on the true meaning of Christmas..."

The Ladies' Guild of the Whaling City Catholic Collaborative, in New Bedford has announced their first Annual Crèche Festival to take place on December 3rd and 4th.

Parishioners of the collaborative, made up of St. Lawrence, Martyr, St. Francis of Assisi and Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus churches, have been invited to set up their family Crèche or Nativity scenes for viewing. The festival will be open to the public on Saturday, December 3rd from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm in the Holy Name Parish Center, 121 Mt. Pleasant Street, New Bedford.

Pastor Reverend Michael Racine said "This is a family event that everyone is welcomed to, no matter what denomination or faith they belong to. We will have a number of large and small nativity sets set up all over the Parish Center Hall. In addition the public will have the opportunity to use our two photo backdrops for seasonal type pictures and the flame of the Bethlehem Peace Light will be available for anyone to take home with them."

Ladies' Guild President, Cheryl McCormack pointed out "Saint Francis of Assisi in 1223 sought permission from the Pope to do something "for the kindling of devotion" to the birth of Christ. As part of his preparations, Francis "made ready a manger and hay, together with an ox and an ass" in the small Italian town of Greccio. Crèche really means a nativity scene, and so it was decided to use that word so people would learn what it truly means."

Come Follow His Star and view the special nativities from all over the area.

Fish Tunes

On Thurs., 11/17, at 7:00 p.m., the Rum Soaked Crooks will serve up a Ffisly musical stew: at the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, 38 Bethel Street in downtown New Bedford, performing nautical and maritime songs related to fish. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and free for FHC members. Tickets

available on Eventbrite at <https://bit.ly/rumsoakedcrooks2022>

For the last three decades, the Rum Soaked Crooks have inflicted much musical and poetic damage with a pungent mix of sailors' chanteys, ballads and ditties. There is often irrefutable evidence left in their wake: victims leaving the scene with toes tapping and choruses ringing in their heads, as they happily hum and whistle all the way home. Their repertoire spans three centuries of seafaring melody and verse.

The Crooks have shared their songs and stories at festivals and maritime events across the country and in Europe, and have recorded on the Smithsonian-Folkways and Whaling City Sound labels.

Visit fishingheritagecenter.org or email programs@fishingheritagecenter.org.

YTI Production

Your Theatre presents "Second Samuel" by Pamela Parker, directed by Bob Gillet.

It was a simpler time in the late 1940s, especially in South Georgia and specifically in a sleepy little town called Second Samuel. What had been called the Great Depression was quickly fading into memory. The war had been won, the election was now over, and "Give 'em Hell Harry" was still president. It had been an exciting time for sure, but the folks in Second Samuel were ready for things to settle down and get back to normal. Except, this was the summer Miss Gertrude passed away, and deep dark secrets were about to be revealed. Nobody could have imagined how the death of one sweet little old lady would turn the entire town upside down, leaving everybody wondering if anything would ever be normal again!

Remaining dates: Fri. & Sat., 11/18, 11/19 at 7:30 p.m.; Sat. & Sun., 11/19, 11/20 at 2 p.m. Now TWO matinees each weekend. Tickets: Gen. admission, \$20; military, seniors, students, \$16.

All shows at Your Theatre at St. Martin's, 136 Rivet St. (County Street entrance), New Bedford.

To reserve your seat, call 508-993-0772, or email info@yourtheatre.org. Visit www.yourtheatre.org for updated information.

NBAM/Artworks!

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Open Studios

Hatch Street Studios, New Bedford's most comprehensive group of artists, are pleased to announce Open Studios 88 /90 Hatch Street on Fri., 11/18 from 5pm-8pm, Sat. 7 Sun., 11/19 & 20 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit: <http://www.hatchstreetstudios.com>

SAVE THE DATE:

Try Transit for FREE

The Southeastern Regional Transit Authority (SRTA) announced that from November 25th through December 31st SRTA's bus and paratransit services would be free to all thanks to a grant included in the state budget and awarded by the Mass. Department of Transportation. The program is designed to encourage new customers to "Try Transit" by offering no cost trips to shop or dine at local businesses, visit with friends and family, and commute to work during the holiday season.

SRTA applied in partnership with all the Regional Transit Authorities in the Commonwealth to expand access to transportation this holiday season.

Although primarily designed to attract new customers by easing access to services, "Try Transit" will of course also offer a financial reprieve to current riders during these times of high inflation. It is expected that the savings and increased mobility offered by SRTA's services will translate into increased spending at local shops and restaurants.

Questions regarding the "Try Transit" program should be directed to the Southeastern Regional Transit Authority at 508-999-5211 or info@srtabus.com. Happy Holidays!

HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

Plymouth Parade

America's Hometown Thanksgiving Celebration includes a weekend of activities, including its famous parade. Visit <https://usathanksgiving.com>.

The weekend of festivities has become a beloved holiday occasion as well as an important link to our nation's history and heritage.

For 25 years, hundreds of thousands of people from all walks of life have traveled to the historic Plymouth Harbor and Waterfront to experience a bounty of authentic Americana. The celebration of Thanksgiving becomes history-brought-to-life as Pilgrims, Native Americans, Soldiers, Patriots, and Pioneers proudly climb out of the history books and onto the streets of Plymouth.

PARADE

Sat., 11/19, 10 a.m. to noon. Parade steps off at the Plymouth Rock at 10am Opening Ceremonies at 9:30 am. Will be televised live on WCVB Channel 5 and streaming online. Encore presentation Thanksgiving morning, 11/24 at 9 a.m.

Free parking and shuttle bus to and from the waterfront, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., running every 15 minutes.

Other events

- Fri., 11/18: America's Hometown Thanksgiving VIP Event- Memorial Hall; Plymouth Philharmonic Concert- Memorial Hall
- Sat. 11/19: America's Hometown Thanksgiving Parade- Waterfront; Portal To The Past- Brewster Garden; Children's Pavilion- Waterfront; Beer and Wine Tent- Waterfront; Drum and Bugle Corp Alumni Concert- Memorial Hall
- Sun. 11/20: Plymouth Farmers Market

Visit <https://usathanksgiving.com> for details.

Bike Run/Toy Drive

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Starts at 10 a.m. at the River's End Cafe. Kickstands up at noon for ride to the Shepherd's Pantry in Acushnet. Then back to the Rivers End.

Caregivers

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To sign-up for this event or for more information, please contact: Pim LeSeure, College of Nursing and Health Science, (508) 910-6511, Email: plesure@umassd.edu

Artist Meet & Greet

Mattapoisett resident Liz LaValley, whose multi-media work is on exhibit at the Mattapoisett Library from Nov 15 -Dec 14, will be at the Library on Wed, Nov 30 from 6:30-7:30 to show all the components that she uses to create her multi-layered handmade books. Drop by and she'll answer questions, particularly those on book construction. 7 Barstow St., Mattapoisett.

Hub Production

Filled with love, laughter and Shakespearean shenanigans, *Into The Breeches!* is a heartfelt comedy about the importance of making art and finding joy even in the darkest of times.

The show runs through Sunday, November 20 (Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm and Sundays at 2:00 pm) at The Boston Center for the Arts, 539 Tremont St. in Boston's Back Bay. All tickets to all performances are Pay-What-You-Can and donations of new and gently loved children's toys and books will be collected at each show for local charities.

It's 1942 and there's trouble brewing at Boston's Oberon Play House! With the men overseas, it appears that the season must be

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Bird Club

Sandhill Crane Migration Alicia Crabbe will take us on a journey to discover what it is like to volunteer at the Rowe Audubon Sanctuary on the Platte River in Nebraska to experience the greatest crane migration in the world. We explore the river, the prairie and the elegant Sandhill Cranes.

Thursday, 11/17, at 7:00 PM at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow Street, and online. Free, all are welcome. For the Zoom link contact Justin Barrett at jmbarrett426@gmail.com

A Christmas Carol

The Marion Art Center, 80 Pleasant St., Marion, announces its upcoming production of the holiday classic A Christmas Carol, adapted for radio from Charles Dickens' novella by Anthony Palermo, directed by Rick Sherburne. Audience members will enjoy the storytelling nature of this production through performance of the voice featuring all the familiar characters: Scrooge, the Cratchits, Jacob Marley, the spirits of Christmas, and more.

Performances in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater are scheduled December 2, 3, 4, 9, and 10, with Friday and Saturday shows scheduled at 7:30pm and the Sunday matinee scheduled at 2:00pm. Tickets go on sale to MAC members on Friday, November 4 and to nonmembers on Friday, November 11 at marionartcenter.org/events.

Recipe of the Week

Granny's Hash Brown Bake

1 (30-ounce) package frozen shredded hash brown potatoes, thawed
2 (10.75-ounce) cans condensed cream of potato soup, undiluted
2 cups sour cream
2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded and divided
Preheat the oven to 350
Grease a 3-quart baking dish.
In a large bowl, combine the hash browns, the soup, the sour cream, 1 3/4 cups of the cheddar cheese, and the parmesan cheese.
Place the mixture in the prepared baking dish.
Sprinkle the top with the remaining cheddar cheese.
Bake, uncovered, until the cheese is melted and bubbly, about 40-45 minutes.
Allow it to cool for 5 minutes before serving.

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Dear Frankie

Human Kindness

Dear Frankie,

My human sister Mandy took me to the dog park last week. While she was waiting by the fence, two boys approached her and began pointing their fingers and calling her names.

Mandy has Tourette Syndrome, which causes her hands to jerk and causes her to make chirping sounds. When she has a Tourette fit, there is nothing she can do to stop it. When I saw what was going on, I ran to the fence and began growling and showing my teeth. Those boys knew I meant business and took off.

What upsets me is that those boys had no idea that Mandy is so much more than jerking hands and chirping sounds. Mandy is not only kind, funny, and smart, she is also a fantastic artist. Last year two of the children's books she illustrated for my mom's friend were published, and she's only 12.

I can't understand why anyone would feel they had the right to be mean to anyone they don't know and who had a problem.

Teddy

Dear Teddy,

I cringe when I see what humans say and do to one another. It amuses me when I hear them say that someone was "treated like a dog," meaning that the person was treated with disrespect and contempt.

I can tell you I have never seen a dog treat another dog with a disability respectfully. Some humans have problems with anyone that doesn't look, think, or act like them. They feel they have the right to call these people out and make fun of them. You can understand why boys who have never seen a person with Tourette might be curious. But this doesn't give them a license to be mean and cruel.

I think the incident with Mandy shows how important it is to teach young children about people with disabilities and their right to be treated with respect. They should also be taught that you can't tell a book by its cover.

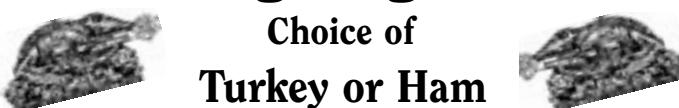
Best, Frankie

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Fairhaven holds annual Veterans Day parade

By Beth David
Editor

Fairhaven held its annual Veterans Day parade on 11/11/22, with marchers traveling along Main Street from Benoit Square to Fairhaven High School for a short ceremony.

At FHS, keynote speaker, veteran Dorothea Machado, 99, told the story of her entry into the military with humor and heart. She said she wanted to be a stewardess (the old word for flight attendant), but she was too short, by one inch.

She said she left one room and walked into another and saw a poster of Uncle Sam pointing right at her saying he wanted HER.

It turns out that Uncle Sam wanted women to serve stateside so men could go overseas. It was 1942 and

WWII was raging. However, Ms. Machado was only 20, and she needed to be 21 or get a parent's signature. She said her mother was from the Azores and never learned to read and write, so, Dorothea simply wrote her mother's name in for her.

Before she knew it, she was in boot camp.

Ms. Machado called her rejection by the airlines the

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TOP: L-R: Fairhaven Select Board chairperson Stasia Powers presents a proclamation to Dorothea Machado, 99, for her service in the Navy during WWII, and for her civic engagement in Fairhaven, during the Veterans Day ceremony at Fairhaven High School on 11/11/22. ABOVE LEFT: Veterans who gathered at the VFW in Fairhaven for a free lunch buffet after the parade, pose for a shot for the local free sheet. ABOVE RIGHT: Dorothea Machado delivers the keynote address. BELOW LEFT: L-R John Koska, a WWII veteran, poses after the parade with Vietnam Veterans Rick Kowalczyk and Bob Silva, who went through basic training and served together in Vietnam from 1964-1970. BELOW RIGHT: Siblings Hunter and Leah Dillon of Acushnet are among the many flag wavers lining Main Street. Photos by Glenn C. Silva for the Fairhaven Neighborhood News.



Acushnet holds Veterans Day ceremony

By Beth David
Editor

The town of Acushnet held a Veterans Day ceremony at its Veterans Memorial on 11/11/22. The event featured remarks by Selectboard chairperson David Wojnar, several musical selections, the reading of the famous letter by Civil War Union Soldier Sullivan Ballou, the national anthem, and the raising of the flag by seven veterans representing all five branches of the US military.

Mr. Wojnar told the crowd that the day was about those who served in the military. He said he gets nervous about speaking for Veterans Day



because he is in the presence of "some pretty amazing people and amazing families."

"The only thing I can say is, 'thank you,'" he said.

Mr. Wojnar introduced seven veterans representing five branches of the military, as they took the wreath to the flag pole and then raised the flag: Joe Costa and James Long, Army; Bob Ferreira, Air Force; Elvin Bramos, Coast Guard; Cliff Hathaway, Marines; Tom Mello and Bill Perry, Navy.

Mr. Wojnar asked for the school aged children to approach the podium. He then told them to shake the hands of the veterans standing behind him.

"If it wasn't for these folks, you



ABOVE: Seven veterans representing five branches of the US military raise the flag during the town of Acushnet's Veterans Day ceremony on 11/11/22: Tom Mello/Navy, James Long/Army, Bob Ferreira/Air Force, Bill Perry/Navy watch as Cliff Hathaway/Marines (center), Elvin Bramos/Coast Guard (left), and Joe Costa/Army (center) raise the flag. LEFT: The veterans salute after raising the flag. Screen shots from Town of Acushnet cable YouTube Channel

guys wouldn't have the opportunity to live the life that you have now," said Mr. Wojnar.

The ceremony is available on the town's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FU-S7bDhXT8>

Highway overpass flag raised in honor of John J. Conway

Members of the Fairhaven Lions Club raised the flag of PFC John J. Conway on Veterans Day, 11/11/22, at the Charles F. Albaugh Memorial, at the 195 overpass on Main Street. The US flag there is surrounded by the flags of each branch of the military.

PFC Conway was killed in action in Vietnam on 3/17/67. He was a member of the 3rd Marine Division, 3rd Battalion, 4th Regiment.

The Lions held a short ceremony attended by PFC Conway's sisters, Fairhaven Lion Louise Quintin, and

Kathleen Conway Hickman.

"John, on behalf of the Fairhaven Lions Club, we thank you for your service and for paying the ultimate sacrifice," posted the Lions on their Facebook page.



LEFT, L-R: Fairhaven Lions Club members Louise Quintin, Bill Kigel, Jack Daly, John Medeiros, and Bill Moniz get ready to raise a special flag in honor of PFC John J. Conway on 11/11/22, at the Charles F. Arbaugh Memorial on the overpass on Main Street. RIGHT: Sisters Louise Quintin and Kathleen Conway Hickman pause to pose for a photo as the flag is raised. Photos courtesy of Lisa Forcier

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Fairhaven Council on Aging

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Mall Trips

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BPW hires for multiple departments, raises contractor fees

By Mary Chasse

Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Monday 11/7 the Fairhaven Board of Public Works hired for Park, Sewer, and Water departments. The board also settled a grievance with the Highway Department and discussed 2023 annual fees.

The board started the meeting by interviewing for a new position, Working Foreman, for Park Maintenance. BPW Superintendent Vinnie Furtado explained that at some point the BPW will be taking over the responsibilities of the Tree Warden.

The new position will help with that down the road. Mr. Furtado said at some point they will need to hire an arborist and someone to run the bucket truck. The job now will be to manage a crew in the summertime with cutting grass and landscaping.

Mr. Furtado said they had one interview for the position, Manny Souza, who has worked for the town for 22 years and has worked as a Foreman and a Superintendent when the Highway Superintendent has been absent.

Mr. Souza said he knows how to run all the equipment and that he has his pest and mosquito spraying licenses. He said he also has experience as a groundskeeper.

BPW Vice Chairperson Robert "Hoppy" Hobson said Mr. Souza was a good candidate for the job and would be great at managing a crew.

Board members Marcus Ferro and Anne Morton-Smith agreed.

Mr. Souza asked about the possibility of getting paid on the top step. Mr. Furtado said the maximum step allowable would be an 8.7.

The board voted unanimously to

hire Mr. Souza as Working Foreman for Park Maintenance at the maximum step allowed.

In another matter the board interviewed two candidates for Sewer Treatment Plant Operator. The first candidate to be interviewed was Matt Manzone.

Mr. Furtado explained that Mr. Manzone met all the job requirements and has worked 18 years with the town and is currently a craftsman.

Mr. Manzone said he enjoys working for the town,

Mr. Hobson said Mr. Manzone is one the best and he is a good employee.

The board also interviewed Nick Parker for the position. He told the board he has a grade 6 license, which the new sewer plant they are building will require. Mr. Parker also said he has been working for the town for about six years.

Mr. Furtado said Mr. Parker is a good employee and is currently working as an outside Foreman, but due to the union contract they are required to hire the senior most qualified candidate which would be Mr. Manzone.

The board voted unanimously to hire Mr. Manzone as Sewer Treatment Plant Operator.

In another matter the board also interviewed Joshua Chase for Water System Maintenance Craftsman. Mr. Chase said he has a grade 1 water license and he would be moving from the Highway Department.

Mr. Furtado said he recommends Mr. Chase for the position. The board voted unanimously to hire him.

The board also met with employees from the Highway Depart-

ment about a grievance.

Mr. Furtado explained that two employees have filed a grievance in regards to a recent employee, Jimmy Lawrence, getting paid the top step in a junior position. One of the employees who filed a grievance, Matt Gerard, said he is senior in the position and is currently making less than Mr. Lawrence.

Mr. Hobson suggested that the board vote to give the same pay to the two employees that Mr. Lawrence is getting.

Mr. Furtado said he would love to, but it could open up a can of worms. He explained that the board did not violate the contract by giving Mr. Lawrence top step pay. Mr. Furtado said he would love to give everyone a raise, but it would be skipping steps in the contract to give both employees the top step.

Mr. Furtado said when it comes time for union negotiations they need to attend and give their opinions on new hires and if there should be limits on the maximum step they can be hired at.

He suggested they give both employees a raise, but not all the way to the top step. Mr. Furtado suggested step 7.5.

Mr. Hobson made a motion to give both employees a raise to step 7.5 and to give them retro pay.

The board also briefly discussed 2023 annual fees. They voted to keep the recycling center fees the same as last year.

The board voted to change contractor fees, increasing driveway contractors to \$200, and the combined water and sewer drainlayer fee to \$450.

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FHS loses to Stang 14-13



Fairhaven High School lost a hard-fought game against Bishop Stang on 11/4/22 with the FHS Blue Devils falling to the Spartans 14-13. ABOVE LEFT: Fairhaven High School's Aaron Lague dives forward for extra yardage while Bishop Stang defensive back Gavin DeMoura trips him up from behind. ABOVE RIGHT: Bishop Stang running back Michael Golden is tackled by a gang of Blue Devil defenders led by Colby Correia #5 and Julian Ryan #70. BELOW LEFT: Fairhaven High School Head Football Coach Derek Almeida talks with his team prior to kick off. BELOW RIGHT: While the rains poured down, Fairhaven High School punter Jason Perry booms a punt during the fourth quarter. BOTTOM LEFT: Fairhaven High School quarterback Jayce Duarte attempts to break out of the grasp of Bishop Stang linebacker Colin McCarthy. BOTTOM RIGHT: Fairhaven High School Blue Devil Justin Marques (#25) is led downfield by teammate Colby Correia (#5) who is looking to block Bishop Stang's Jackson Tingley Prince. *Photos courtesy of Bruce David.*



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was pretty sure everybody in town was familiar with the "fiasco that is Sconticut Neck Road and the bike path."

He noted, however, that although the \$2 million was not coming from Fairhaven, it was still tax money.

"I'm still gonna pay for that," said Mr. Gruber.

He asked if a simple push button crosswalk would fix the problem.

Mr. Furtado said the new crosswalk will be "video recognizable," so people will not even have to push the button. He also noted that there is a light system at the spot that has not alleviated the danger.

We all pay state taxes, said Mr. Furtado, but the money is not out of "town coffers."

Ms. Acksen asked how many trees would be cut down, because whenever the town takes state money for a road project, she said, it seems a lot of trees get cut down, adding that is why she wanted a tree bylaw.

Mr. Furtado said he did not know how many, if any, would be cut down.

The tree bylaw that Ms. Acksen referred to did not get discussed.

When it came up, no one made the motion to adopt the article. The Select Board had made it clear in their meetings that they did not support the article. No one from the Planning Board, which created the bylaw, spoke up to make the motion. And no TM members spoke up to make the motion.

Hearing no motion, there is no action, said Mr. Sylvia.

The article passed.

Article 17, to reduce the TA's salary to \$1, also received no motion and therefore died.

Mr. Sylvia explained that the TA

has a contract with her salary defined. Reducing the salary would be a breach of contract, and is "beyond the scope" of TM, according to a letter from the Select Board to TM.

A citizens petition to accept Alves Way as a public street also did not move forward as the developers did not engage in the process required for a street acceptance.

A citizens petition to hard surface Sandra Lane also received no motion, and therefore no action was taken.

One article (15) that did get some discussion, allows for special police officers to serve until 70 years old instead of 65.

TM member Jeff Lucas asked a series of questions, including why the change came about. Fairhaven Police chief Michael Myers said that when the town adopted the special legisla-



Barbara Acksen

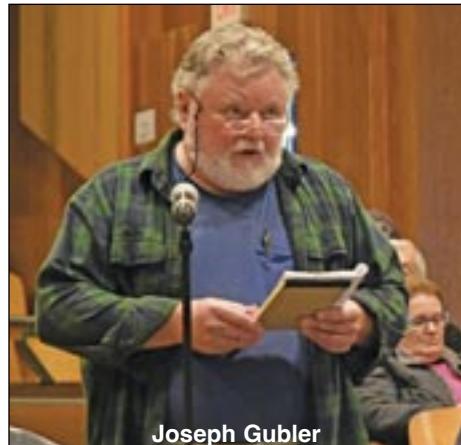
retirement payoff;

- \$58,000 from free cash for the school department's Special Education Reserve Fund;
- \$50,000 to replace a valve at the South Street Pumping station, from the sewer enterprise fund;
- \$8,250 for repairs to the town hall elevator;
- \$75,000 in additional funds from ambulance receipts for an ambulance that was approved at the June 18 TM;
- \$9,020 to replace the Harbormaster Thermal Camera System;
- Transferred a range of amounts to fund labor contracts for all departments, except Fire and Sewer;
- \$53,100 from free cash to repair Fire Engine 4, which needs a complete engine rebuild;
- \$18,558 for repairs to the police boat.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55.

"So, I think we're all a little shocked," said Mr. Sylvia, looking at his watch.

The meeting is available on FairhavenTV.com



Joseph Gubler

tion in 2003, the state placed the age limit as 65. The state has since changed it to 70.

Chief Myers said that special officers are retired officers from the Fairhaven Police Department and only work details. The money they are paid comes from third parties, such as the construction company performing road work.

Mr. Gruber asked if the town was having trouble filling details and suggested giving the work to the younger guys who can probably use the money more than the others.

Chief Myers said active duty officers always get the first chance at details, then it goes to the retired officers, then to other communities as needed.

The article passed.

Other spending articles included:

- \$15,000 from the Water fund for a



Michael Myers

Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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TOWN OF ACUSHNET SNOW STORM - PARKING BAN

By vote of Town Meeting, parking is restricted, as follows: in water district parking allowed opposite side of hydrants, out of water district parking allowed north side of street running east and west and parking allowed on west side of streets running north and south. Violators subject to being towed away at owner's expense. (Authority, Article 17, March 11, 1970 Annual Town Meeting, which adopted Chapter 40, Section 22D of the General Laws.) Parking restriction is from November 19, 2022 to April 15, 2023.

David Wojnar, Chairman

Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

Robert Hinckley

ACUSHNET BOARD OF SELECTMEN
11/17/22

FAIRHAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

The Fairhaven Public Schools hereafter referred to as the "Awarding Authority," invites sealed bids for the Fairhaven High School Historic Wood Window Restoration for the Fairhaven School District until 11:00 a.m. EST on Friday, December 9, 2022. To request electronic copies of the bid documents, please email bill@spencerpreservationgroup.com or susan@spencerpreservationgroup.com.

The Fairhaven School Department seeks to engage an experienced and qualified contractor to accomplish restoration of designated historic wood window sashes, sills, and adjacent interior surfaces at the Fairhaven High School, located at 12 Huttleston Avenue. The work will be confined to the existing high school library. Removal and reinstallation of window sashes will need to be coordinated with school administration during school hours. The contractor must provide evidence of similar projects available for inspection. These projects should have similar conditions to those required for this project. A non-mandatory exterior and interior site visit will be held at the school on Friday, November 18, 2022, at 10:00 am. Work is to commence on January 23rd, 2023, and must be completed on or before May 31, 2023.

Bids must be sealed and plainly marked "FHS Wood Window Restoration." Bids will be received at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools up to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 9, 2022*, and will be opened and read aloud at 11:00 a.m.

Office of the Superintendent of Schools

Nicole Potter, School Business Manager,
128 Washington Street, Fairhaven, MA, 02719

Email: npotter@fairhavenps.net;

Phone: 508- 979-4000

Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

*If at the deadline for receipt of responses, the School Department is closed due to inclement weather or other unforeseeable events, the deadline will be postponed until 11:00 a.m. the next normal business day.

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waive any or all informalities in the process and to reject any or all proposals if it is considered to be in the best interest of the Fairhaven Public Schools to do so.

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Walkway and Bench (\$67,068 request);

9. Fairhaven Housing Authority – Dana Court Brick & Balcony work (\$75,000 request).

Copies of the Applications and Plans may be viewed at the Office of Planning & Economic Development in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA, and on the Town's CPC website: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/community-preservation-committee/pages/applications-fy24-cpc-applications-received-9302022>

Paul H. Foley, Director of Planning & Economic Development
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ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

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Hope and remembrance for transgender violence

Press Release

In an election cycle marked by vicious attacks against the LGBTQ+ community, last week's midterm election results offered a glimmer of hope. Some LGBTQ+ advocacy groups have called the results a "rainbow wave," as 340 out LGBTQ+ candidates won their midterm elections, surpassing the previous record of 336 candidates set in 2020.

"Bigots tried their best to undermine our political power, but

their hate backfired and motivated more LGBTQ people to run and win than ever before," said Annise Parker of the LGBTQ Victory Fund. "With so much at stake this election, from the future of marriage equality to abortion, LGBTQ candidates' grit and exceptional grassroots support is paying off."

Massachusetts' own Maura Healey made history as the first lesbian governor ever elected. In her first post-election interview on CNN,

Healey said, "Representation matters and seeing is believing, and I hope that my election will affirm in those young people this idea, so important, that they can be anything they want to be."

While the long-term impact of this week's elections remains to be seen, the day-to-day reality for LGBTQ+ individuals in our region and in our country is that their rights remain under assault. More than 300 bills

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Board of Public Works

Mon., 11/28, Arsene St., 5:15 p.m.

Board of Registrars

Mon., 11/21, Town Hall, 10 a.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 11/21, Remote, 6 p.m.

Cultural Council

Thurs., 11/17, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Planning Board

Thurs., 11/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 12/14, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

Select Board

Mon., 11/21, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Committee

Tues., 11/22, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Cultural Council

Mon., 11/28, Acush Library, 6 p.m.

Golf Committee

Thurs., 11/17, Town Hall, 4:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 11/22, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

Nov 2022		HIGH	LOW		
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	17	0210	1429	0725	1957
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Tuesday	22	0614	1836	1155*	2351*
Wednesday	23	0656	1920	----	1240*
Thursday	24	0741	2008	0037*	1331*
Friday	25	0831	2100	0128*	1423*
Saturday	26	0923	2153	0223*	1512*
Sunday	27	1017	2250	0315*	1559*
Monday	28	1115	2352	0406*	1650*
Tuesday	29	----	1218	0504	1758
Wednesday	30	0055	1318	0633	1935

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

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"biggest break I ever got."

She wanted to travel, so she chose the Navy. Boot camp was tough.

"But I was quite happy I was releasing a man who had a desk job," said Ms. Machado, achieved the rank of Seaman 1st Class and then Yeoman 3rd Class.

She did clerical work at stateside bases, but also achieved a security clearance necessary for her work.

"I'm no hero," said Ms. Machado, noting she never went overseas, and was never in "harm's way."

But, she noted, a man was able to go overseas because she worked at a desk job.

"I did the right thing at the right time," said Ms. Machado. "I love the Navy. And I'm very proud to be a veteran."

Ms. Machado took advantage of the GI Bill to get her BA in English from Suffolk University.

Select Board Chairperson Stasia Powers presented Ms. Machado with a proclamation from the town, a surprise to her.

The proclamation recounts her military service and says she paved the way for women in the service by "her stellar example in WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Services) long before women were allowed to go to war zones."

The proclamation notes that Ms. Machado traveled extensively through Europe to see first hand the war's aftermath and the rebuilding

effort.

"She brought the skills she acquire and an expansive worldview back to her hometown of Fairhaven where she continues to be a positive influence on her community," reads the proclamation.

At age 99, she walks almost daily at the Council on Aging and "inspires those much younger than herself with her self-sufficient, can-do spirit," it reads.

All five Select Board members signed the proclamation that proclaims "our sincere appreciation to Dorothea Machado for her civic engagement and for the example she has consistently modeled to all our citizens by championing a better world for her country and her community."

Ms. Machado seemed surprised to receive the proclamation from Ms. Powers. As she was away from the microphone, it was little hard to hear her, but something about being 100 years old did come through.

Mr. Fish let the crowd know that she said she is excited for 2023, when she will be 100.

Ms. Powers also delivered remarks, thanking veterans for their service and thanking organizers for planning and creating an "amazing event."

She also thanked the families of veterans for their sacrifice, "for ensuring the freedoms we enjoy every day," and wished them a "peaceful Veterans Day."



Emily holds a sign thanking veterans, especially her grandfather who is a Marine, during the Fairhaven Veterans Day Parade on 11/11/22. Photo by Glenn C. Silva for the Fairhaven Neighborhood News.

The program also included music by the Fairhaven High School band; the Veterans Prayer read by US Navy Senior Chief Larry Jones, firing of the small cannon by the Fairhaven Village Militia, and the reading of the Governor's proclamation for this year's holiday read by Mr. Fish. Due to the threat of rain, organizers did not raise the "Big Flag" this year.

LGBTQ: cont'd from page 20

have been introduced in the last year targeting access to gender-affirming care, queer identity in schools and other areas impacting LGBTQ+ people in education, healthcare, and sports, according to the ACLU.

Transgender and gender non-confirming individuals, in particular, are the target of severe discrimination, stigma and systemic inequality.

Transgender Day of Remembrance
November 20, 2022
5:00 p.m.
The First Parish Church
76 Church Green
Taunton, Massachusetts

The South Coast LGBTQ+ Network will host a special event on National Transgender Day of Remembrance, November 20, to commemorate the more than 32 transgender individuals murdered in the United States in 2022. The event highlights the mounting obstacles many trans individuals in our country face, including extreme levels of ridicule, discrimination, violence, and greater difficulty finding employment and adequate healthcare. It will be hosted by South Coast trans activist, the Reverend Donnie Anderson (she/her), with remarks by the First Parish Church's new minister, the Reverend Dr. Michelle Walsh (she/her).

Finally, on Veterans Day, we remember and salute all the LGBTQ+ members who have bravely served our country and paved the way for a more inclusive force. Thank you for your service.

The South Coast LGBTQ+ Network is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All donations are tax-deductible. Proceeds support programs and advocacy for LGBTQ+ residents of all ages on Massachusetts' South Coast. To learn more or donate, visit <https://www.sclgbtqnetwork.org>. Thank you for your support!

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3. Put your garden and yard to bed for the winter
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5. Make sure generator is serviced and operational
6. Caulk around doors and windows
7. Have chimney inspected whether you have a fireplace or not
8. Check trees around your home for overhanging branches
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10. Check your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors



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