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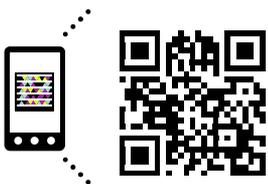
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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

So, it happened again, just in time to hurt the holiday season. A hateful person took an assault rifle and shot up a bar, a gay bar, a place designed to be a safe space for people who are not safe in a lot of places. He killed five, injured 18. Some of the patrons managed to take him down before he killed more people.

The hateful rhetoric needs to stop, but I don't see that happening anytime soon. The Big Buffoon is running for president again and demonizing anyone he can along the way. And making tons of money doing it. Maybe he didn't create the cesspool, but he sure made it bigger. And he's making tons of money along the way. He made it okay for people to hate their neighbors instead of just leaving them the hell alone. And he made a ton of money while he did it. The lies about Jews, about LGBTQI+ people, about immigrants, about anyone who doesn't fit some mold or other, are out of control. But, you know what? People, especially the Big Buffoon, are making a lot of money with those lies.

They send out their emails saying our country is ruined by... pick your group...hell, you may be next, so, see yourself there. And all the little buffoons send their money to the Big Buffoon so he can send more emails and go to rallies where everyone tells him how great he is.

I was heartened by the midterms more than I thought I'd be. The Big Lie lost everywhere, but not all the liars got tossed out. And now we will be subjected to endless foolishness in the House of Representatives, spreading more lies, more hate, so the Big Buffoon will look favorably on groveling little toadies.

I don't know when it will end, if ever, but we can at least tone it down by not supporting and amplifying these buffoons. We're supposed to be neighbors. Lets act like it. I do not care what you do in your personal life. Why should I? Why should you? Don't like gay people, stay the f out of their bars.

No one, no one, is "running the world," especially in this country. We do our own thing, until some nutball chases us down with an assault rifle. Really, people, tone it down. Just tone it down.

Until next week then...
see ya,

*Glory to Ukraine!
Glory to the Heroes!*



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Fhvn Select Board sets tax rate

By Beth David
Editor

The Fairhaven Select Board set the tax rate for next year, choosing to stick with the maximum rate shift between residential and commercial properties, at its meeting on 11/21/22. Board of Assessors member Pamela Davis explained that the tax shift is the differential between the residential rate and the CIP (Commercial, Industrial and Persona Property) rates. The town has traditionally used the maximum allowed shift of 1.75%. The differential shifts some of the burden to commercial properties.

Ms. Davis told the board that the Board of Assessors recommended continuing with the same differential as previous years, making the new tax rate \$9.95 per \$1,000 valuation for residential properties, and \$19.78 for commercial properties. FY22 rates were \$10.22 for residential, and \$20.39 for CIP.

The state regulates the maximum amount a municipality can raise in property taxes, limiting the town to 2.5% of total valuation from the previous year. The rate will go down, but because property values have increased, the end result is an increase in property taxes for most households and businesses.

The average single-family home value for FY22 was \$366,206, resulting in an average tax bill of \$3,742.63. Average home value for FY23 is \$394,058, resulting in an average tax bill of \$3,920.88. If the town eliminated the shift and had a single tax rate of \$11.30, the average bill for FY23 would be \$4,452.85.

The board voted to adopt the new tax rate of \$9.95 for residential properties, and \$10.22 for CIP.

In another matter, Finance Director/Treasurer/Collector Wendy Graves presented a financial summary to the board, outlining the town's certified free cash, stabilization fund, pension liability, and income sources.

The town is meeting its goals for the amount of money it puts in the stabilization fund, said Ms. Graves, which is a minimum of 7% of the general operating budget. The town has \$11+ million in the stabilization fund.

The town is also meeting its goal of having at least 5% of the town's operating budget in certified free cash. The town has \$6.4 million in that account. That money is from turnbacks from departments (money from their budgets they did not spend), and local receipts that came in over estimates, such as excise tax bills, permit fees; and state appropriation that came in higher than expected.

SB member Leon Correy asked why the free cash figure was so high. One of the reasons is that the town is consistently conservative in estimating local receipts. Also, in FY22 the town held a tax possession sale that netted \$1.4 million.

Education, including Fairhaven Public Schools and tuition paid to other schools, such as NB Vocational, took up 42.94% of the budget in FY21. The percentage is on par with most other communities, said Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison.

Public safety and public works are next with around 15% each. General government is 6.26%.

SB member Bob Espindola noted to the board and to the public that the Mass. Department of Revenue has tools on its website that make it easy to compare Fairhaven to other cities and towns.

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Old Time Holiday Fair

December 10, 2022

11:00-1:00 or until sold out

First Congregational Church

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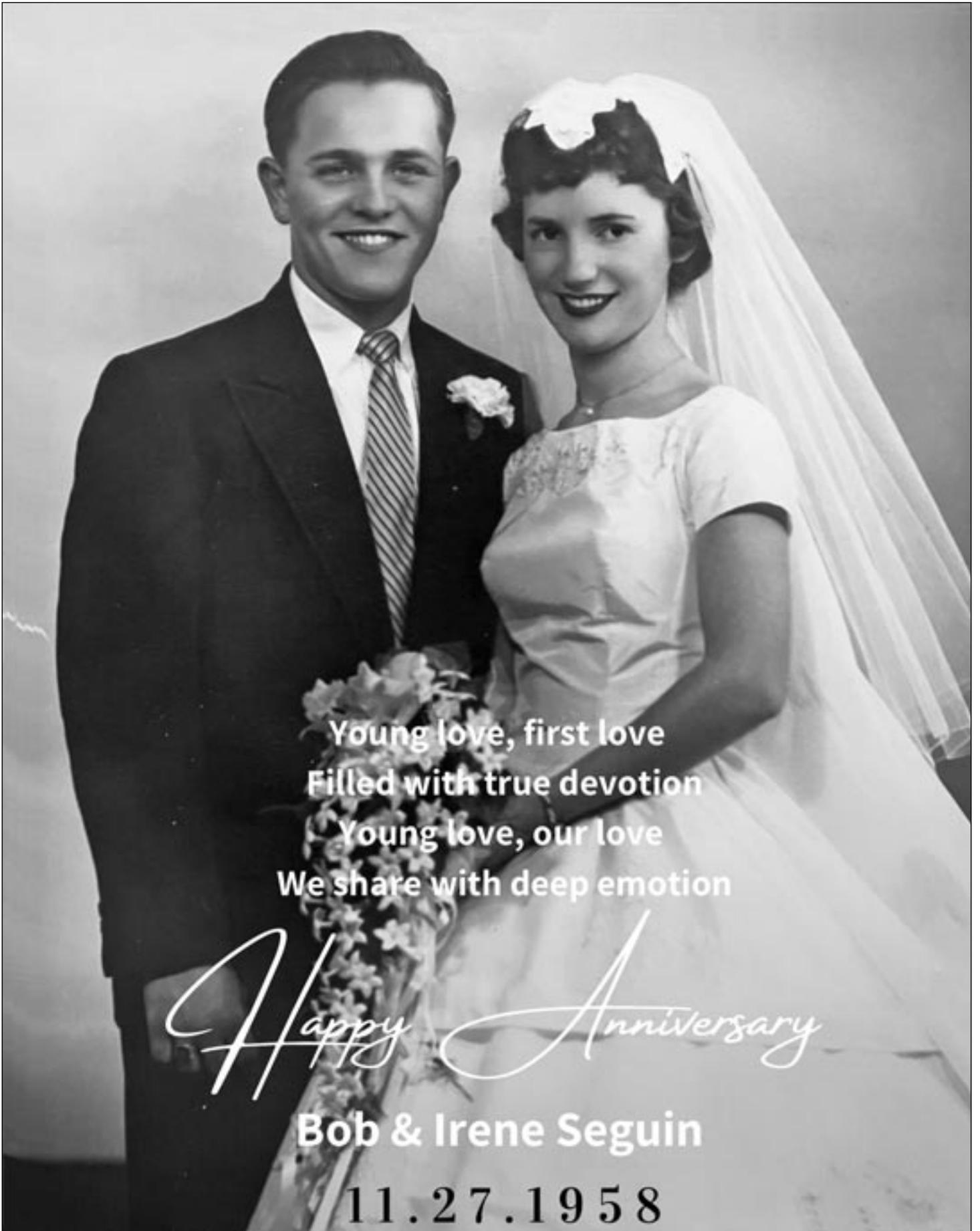
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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

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.

Help Decorate Benoit Square Volunteers Needed!

It's that time of year again!! The North Fairhaven Improvement Association will be decorating our wonderful Benoit Square this coming Saturday, 11/26, at 9:00 a.m., 267 Adams St. (at the merger of Adams and Main Street at Howland Road).

If you have the following, please bring them with you: drill, step ladder, mallet.

Many hands make light work. Please join us.

The official lighting of the square will be on Friday, 12/2.

Church Cookbook

St. Joseph Church in Fairhaven is selling their parish cookbook, \$12.00 each, with proceeds going to the building fund. Books may be purchased at the Church office, 74 Spring St., Fairhaven, and at the Old Time Holiday event on 12/10, when the church will have a table in the Town Hall Shops.

Call 508-994-9714 for more info.

Mothers' Club

Continuing a 108-year tradition, the Fairhaven Mothers' Club is working with the Family Center of the Fairhaven Public Schools to help Fairhaven's children and families.

The Family Center's activities include helping families dealing with food insecurity, housing problems, and other issues by helping them access available resources and by providing direct assistance.

This year the Mothers' Club has provided toiletries and personal care items as well as school supplies. As it does each year, it will provide \$1,000 in gift cards — this year, to families at East Fairhaven Elementary School.

One of the ways the Mothers' Club raises money for these efforts is by raffling off themed gift baskets at the Old Time Holiday Fair, when we will have a table in the Town Hall Shops. All proceeds go to the donations to families or to one of two \$1,000 scholarships given annually.

Snow Parking Ban

No vehicles shall be permitted to remain on the hydrant side of all streets in Fairhaven from December 1 to March 31 from midnight to 8:00 am and also during the time of any snowfall or snow removal operations. On streets with no hydrants, NO vehicles shall be permitted to remain either on the east side of streets running north and south or on the north side of streets running east and west.

The BPW is authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, to some convenient place, including a public garage, any vehicle interfering with the work of removing or plowing snow or ice from any way, and the cost of such removal with all storage charges resulting there from shall be paid by the owner of such vehicle.

The Fairhaven Police Department will strictly enforce this Parking Ban. Violators will be towed and/or ticketed. By Order of: FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Spirituality Series

St. Mary's Parish in Fairhaven is conducting "seminars/discussions" on topics their parishioners said are important to them. The first "seminar" was on Divorce and Annulment in the Church.

The next "seminar/discussion" will be on "Catholic Teachings on Sexuality." The goal is to make everyone feel welcome in our Parish community, by gaining a better understanding of Church doctrine.

Wednesday, December 7, 6:00 PM - Church Hall, 440 Main St. Fairhaven.

SAVE THE DATES: Unitarian Memorial Church Holiday Marketplace

December 10: Holiday Marketplace 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Church Auditorium, 102 Green Street, Fairhaven. Handicap access from the lot off Center Street.

Shift your holiday shopping into high gear! Many craft vendors; gift basket raffle; home-baked treats. Part of Fairhaven's festive Olde Time Holiday Weekend. Masks required & available — thank you for helping to keep vulnerable members of our community safe!

Candlelight Servict

December 24: Candlelight Service 7:00 pm, 102 Green Street, Fairhaven. Handicap access from the lot off Center Street.

A traditional Christmas Eve service honoring the spirit of the season. Candles are distributed and carefully lit while the choir leads the hymn, *Silent Night*, at the end of the service. The church lights are dimmed while those who are able lift their candles up high and join the choir. Masks required & available — thank you for helping to keep vulnerable members of our community safe!

Special Storytime

Backstage at the Nutcracker, Special Storytime with Dance Educator Kay Alden. Come away with Kay as we experience the music and magic of the *Nutcracker!* Little ones will explore dance while learning movement based skills and playing with props from this holiday classic. Recommended for ages 4-6 (siblings welcome!), feel free to wear a special holiday outfit on this fun day!

Join us Wed., 12/7, at 10:30am in the Auditorium of the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fhvn. Please visit millicentlibrary.org to register or call 508.992.5342.

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.

Acushnet Fire Department holds open house

The Acushnet Fire Department held an open house last month, welcoming the public to a day of demonstrations and hands on activities. The public was invited to check out the fire apparatus, the station, and watch safety presentations.

“We all had an amazing time hosting our Open House,” wrote the department on its Facebook page. “We loved getting to meet so many of our wonderful residents and give them a chance to see the equipment and apparatus we use, show off our Station, and even give demonstra-

tions of some of what we do.”

The department thanked Sanford and Son LTD for providing the car that was used in the Jaws of Life demonstration, and Shanna with K9 “Hero” from the Bristol County Sheriff’s Office for attending.



LEFT: Paramedic Laurie Gonsalves helps put out the "fire cone" (a traffic cone to symbolize fire) during an open house at the Acushnet Fire Department in October. MIDDLE: Career FF/EMT Nate Correia teaching Miss Mya (Daughter of Career FF/P Paul and Becky Frysinger) how to use the extinguisher. RIGHT: Career Firefighter Paramedic Mike Leger teaches the next generation about the proper P.A.S.S. (Pull, Aim, Squeeze, and Sweep) method of extinguisher use. *Photo from Acushnet Fire & EMS Department's Facebook Page.*

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Fire station dedicated to John Rogers

By Beth David
Editor

The Fairhaven Historical Commission, town officials, and fire department personnel welcomed the family of John Rogers, Jr. to an unveiling of a sign renaming the Spring Street Fire Station the “John Rogers Jr., Memorial Fire House,” on a cold Saturday, 11/19/22.

Wayne Oliveira, chairperson of the Historical Commission and a retired Fairhaven firefighter/paramedic, said it was appropriate to name one of their “beloved buildings” after John.

“This was John’s second home,” said Mr. Oliveira, and Mr. Rogers’s wife Peggy, said “yes.”

The building is where the 1937 antique fire truck, that many see in parades, is housed and cared for. Mr. Rogers took care of all the old apparatus, sometimes using his own money to keep them running, said Mr. Oliveira.

Mr. Rogers was a call Firefighter for more than 40 years, was former director of the Emergency Management Agency, was a member of the Fairhaven Fire Apparatus Committee,

a member of the Fairhaven Protecting Society.

Mr. Oliveira said that when he started as a Call Firefighter, he would ride his bike to the scenes, and Mr. Rogers often picked him up and gave him a ride.

As a member of the Protecting Society, Mr. Rogers oversaw maintenance and care of the antique apparatus and museum. Mr. Oliveira explained

that the Protecting Society started out as the group that would try to protect the contents of buildings when there was a fire for the owners.

But it was the antique fire trucks that were Mr. Rogers’s passion. He kept them running, which took a lot of time and effort. Imagine trying to find

a part for a 1937 Maxim fire truck, but he did.

Mr. Oliveira said he had fond memories of Mr. Rogers telling him how important it was to get younger people involved, and he worked to do that, bringing his grandson Alex

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L-R: Alison and Alexander Kuecher, the grandchildren of John Roger Jr., unveil the sign designating the Spring Street Fire Station in Fairhaven after their grandfather on Saturday, 11/19/22. Photo by Beth David.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



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HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Creche 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.

Book Signing

Tues., 11/29, 6:30–7:30 p.m., New Bedford Free Public Library, 3rd floor meeting room, 613 Pleasant St., NB.

For author Dawn Blake Souza, writing “From the Islands They Came”, the story of her mother’s Cape Verdean immigrant family, was a labor of love.

“It was my life’s passion to record

these stories so they wouldn’t be lost to future generations. My mother was my greatest role model, and I owe all that I am to her. She taught me the importance of family and understanding where I came from and the appreciation of all those who came before me,” said Ms. Souza.

White Christmas

New Bedford Festival Theatre and Executive Producer Wendy Hall have announced the casting for their production of Irving Berlin’s White Christmas which will be presented Nov. 26–Dec. 4, at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center at 684 Purchase Street New Bedford, MA.

Singers Bob Wallace and Phil Davis join sister act Betty and Judy Haynes to perform a Christmas show in rural Vermont. There, they run into Gen. Waverly, the boys’ commander in World War II, who, they learn, is having financial difficulties; his quaint country inn is failing. So what’s the foursome to do but plan a yuletide miracle: a fun-filled musical extravaganza that’s sure to put Waverly and his business in the black!

Leading the cast will be David Elder (Broadway “42nd Street”/“Titanic”) as Bob, and Kelly Sheehan (Broadway and National Tour of “White Christmas”) as Judy.

Tickets are available from \$39-\$65, and can be purchased online at www.zeiterion.org/events/nbft-white-christmas by phone (508) 994-2900, or in person at the Zeiterion Box Office 684 Purchase Street New Bedford, MA 02740.

Vax Clinic

Free, walk-up COVID-19 clinics in New Bedford offer all CDC-approved vaccine doses and boosters, for adults and youth. Bringing your vaccination card when getting a booster shot is helpful, but not required. Clinics provided by Seven Hills Behavioral Health, unless otherwise marked.

- Monday, Nov. 28 Former Fire Station 11 (754 Brock Ave.) – 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Pfizer, Moderna, J&J, vaccines and boosters for adults, and children 5 years and older

Free Test Kits

Building on the successful prior rounds of test kit distribution, the

City of New Bedford is continuing to make available free, at-home COVID-19 test kits at public libraries across the city.

The free distribution coincides with the start of the holiday season and the approach of potential increases in COVID-19 cases. Test kits are available at New Bedford public libraries as part of the current (fourth) round of free test distribution over the past year.

Parents with vulnerable children are encouraged to obtain kits even if there is no immediate exposure risk or active case in their household. Likewise, even as overall COVID-19 transmission levels remain modest, small business owners (provided they are residents) may wish to consider obtaining kits to help protect vulnerable employees in the event of a future workplace exposure.

Women on the Water

New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, 38 Bethel St., NB, will host panel on Fri., 12/2, at 7:00 PM. Women from Long Island and New Bedford who are involved in fishing will give a panel talk about their experiences. Panelists include bayman Flo Sharkey (Patchogue, NY) and Shinnecock tradition bearers Josephine Smith and Shavonne Smith (Shinnecock Nation, Southampton, NY), in addition to other women from New Bedford who are also involved in the fishing industry. Free tickets available through Eventbrite, <https://tinyurl.com/32zdb7et>

For more information, visit fishingheritagecenter.org or email programs@fishingheritagecenter.org.

Yard Waste

City of New Bedford Yard Waste Pick-Up: Fri., 12/16, is the last collection day for yard waste.

If your trash day is Friday the 16th your last pick-up will be Monday the 12th.

Yard waste, brush & branches can also be brought to the Recycling Center at 1103 Shawmut Ave anytime during normal business hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., noon–5; Sat., 7:30–3.

Arts Community

The Fall River Arts & Culture

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HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

Bike Run/Toy Drive

The Acushnet Lions Club and the Rivers' End Cafe, proudly sponsor their annual **Toy & Food Drive/Motorcycle Run on Sun., 11/27. \$10 or unwrapped toy donation** (no stuffed animals please), **or non-perishable food donation** gets you in. Now accepting food and toys at the Rivers End Cafe, 7 Tarkiln Hill Road, Acushnet.

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

Help us learn about your health and needs! We are looking for Residents of Acushnet, who are caregivers, to participate in a focus group to discuss issues and concerns of health in the community. Meet with us on your choice of Tuesdays: November 29th or December 6th or December 13th for one hour, time to be determined when your date is selected at the Acushnet Council of Aging, 59 1/2 South Main Street, Acushnet.

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

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 g at marionartcenter.org/events.

Padanaram Stroll

Padanaram Village, Fri., 12/2, buoy tree lighting from 5-7 p.m.; Sat., 12/3, kids activities from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Santa Paws

Humane Society & Shelter-SouthCoast announces Santa Paws Photo Shoot. Join us Sat., 12/3, 11 am-2 pm at the Humane Society & Shelter SouthCoast, 31 Ventura Drive, Dartmouth. Pets and family members are invited to have a photo taken with "Santa Paws" We ask that you keep your pets safe. Please be sure all animals are on leash or in carriers!

Donations gratefully accepted! All proceeds benefit the Humane Society & Shelter SouthCoast. For more information please call HSSSC at 508.995.6661.

SAVE THE DATES:

Christmas by the Sea

Please join us at the 55th Annual "Christmas by the Sea Bazaar" on Sat., 12/3, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at St. Anthony's Parish, 26 Hammond St., Mattapoisett.

New this year, over 50 pieces of original painted artwork by Sandy McIlmail, a Mattapoisett artist, will be available for purchase. Her beautiful pieces include holiday decor, wall hangings, trays, birdhouses, furniture, wooden chests, storage boxes, etc.

In addition, many handcrafted gift products will be offered by local vendors including soaps, crocheted mitten, hat & scarf sets, lap blankets, resin keychains, honey, candles, knot bags, seashell trees, ornaments, sea shell window art, quilted items, driftwood creations, hand spun scarves and so much more!

When you arrive, you'll be greeted with live holiday music and as always, the Bazaar will offer a huge assortment of decorated wreaths and

greens arrangements, gift basket and art raffles, a grand raffle (1st prize: \$1,000, 2nd prize: \$500, 3rd prize: \$250), Gift Boutique (in addition to vendors), a Toy Shoppe with toys, cookie decorating, and games, a visit by Santa and refreshments.

All proceeds will benefit St. Anthony's and St. Rita's Book Awards for high school seniors. For more information, please contact Linda Quinn at 508-207-5564.

Author Event

Wed., 12/7, Acushnet Public Library, 232 Middle Road, Acushnet.

The Acushnet Public Library is pleased to welcome local author and pickleball enthusiast Erin McHugh on Wed., 12/7 at 6 pm for a fun event featuring all things pickleball.

Her latest book *Pickleball Is Life: The Complete Guide to Feeding Your Obsession* is the first book of its kind celebrating the weird and wonderful world of pickleball. It takes readers on a journey from the sport's quirky origins to its modern-day cult following. Along the way, visual info graphs and illustrations share even more pickleball knowledge, including etiquette tips, a DIY court, obscure rules, and pointers for (good-natured) trash talk.

Time magazine recently named it one of 10 Perfect Gifts for Pickleball Lovers in their The Best of Culture 2022. It's a great guide for a seasoned pickleball player or someone new to the sport. A book signing will follow.

Erin McHugh is a former publishing industry executive and the author of many books of humor, inspiration, history, and more.

Art Exhibit

Small Works + Holiday Shop 2022

The Marion Art Center, 80 Pleasant St, Marion, announces its annual exhibit Small Works + Holiday Shop. The show runs through December 16. The exhibit will feature original works of art, all under fourteen inches plus a curated selection of handmade goods such as jewelry, textiles, ceramics, woodworks, gifts, and more.

Shop for yourself or find the perfect gifts for others! All pieces may be removed from the galleries upon purchase for this cash and carry show. Learn more at <https://www.marionartcenter.org/on-exhibit/>

Recipe of the Week

Sweet Potato Casserole

For Base:

- 5 sweet potatoes, peeled, cooked, and mashed
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup butter
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 2 tablespoons heavy cream

For the topping:

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 3/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup pecans, chopped

Preheat the oven to 350°

Lightly grease 9x13-inch casserole dish. In a large bowl, combine the mashed sweet potatoes, salt, 1/4 cup butter, eggs, vanilla, ground cinnamon, sugar, and heavy cream. Mix until well incorporated.

Pour the mixture into your prepared casserole dish.

In a medium-sized bowl, combine the remaining 1/4 cup butter, flour, light brown sugar, and chopped pecans. Mix until coarse using a pastry blender or your fingers.

Sprinkle the pecan brown sugar topping over the top of the sweet potato mixture.

Bake in the oven until the pecans turn toasty-brown in color, for about 30 minutes. Serve warm!

From commandcooking.com



Dear Frankie

A Rose by any Other Name

Dear Frankie,

Can you explain why the humans in my life keep calling me by different names?

My name is Charlie, and it has been my name for the 16

years I've lived with this family. I first lived with one momma and now with her daughter who is my present momma. My first Momma often called me "Sunshine," but she was up there in years and sometimes mistook me for our other dog.

My present momma isn't old, so I don't know why she says, "Wake up, Little Suzie," to me when it's time for me to go for a walk or "Ready, Freddy?" when she opens the door.

I do know she is talking to me, and it's not a big deal. I just don't understand why she doesn't use my name. I mean, who the heck are Suzie and Freddy?

I asked the other dogs in the neighborhood, and they said their humans do the same thing. Are we missing something?

Confused, Charlie

Dear Charlie,

I can understand your confusion. I

can't speak for your first momma, but I'm sure your present momma knows your name.

She is calling you Freddy and Suzie to be charming. She is using an expression as an endearing and humorous way to say time for a walk, here we go.

It seems to be something she likes to do and finds amusing.

Would you prefer, "Hey Charlie, ready to parlay?"

You said it's no big deal. So, I would leave it at that. Remember a rose is a rose by any other name.

Best, Frankie

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Shopping with the *Neighb News*

A decidedly biased piece by
Beth David
Editor

It's time for one our favorite annual stories: Shopping with the *Neighb News*!

After the Thanksgiving Day feast is over and you're looking for a way to work off some of it, it's time to buy gifts for your precious loved ones, whether you want to or not!

No need to get all stressed out, the *Neighb News* is here to take some of the anxiety out of your Christmas and holiday shopping journey. You need only to look within these pages to find all you need for even the hardest-to-buy-for relative.

Here, you will learn how you can find gifts for everyone on your list, a few things for yourself, and spend some fun time exploring all that *Neighb News* advertisers have to offer.

First, you'll want to call **Cyclone Cleaning** to get the house spruced up. The drop-off center is open, so you can swing by with your area carpets. While you're there, grab a gift certificate for your parents' place.

Don't forget the outside. Decorate with flags and banners with all kinds of fun stuff on them. Take a peek at the selection of old favorites and original designs from **Brewer Banner Designs**. It's the simplest way to dress up the outside to match the inside, and show your holiday spirit to the world. And don't forget a banner or two for the indoors of that young'un who just got an apartment.

This Friday is the big shopping day, of course. So, you'll want to start as early as possible. At just about the crack of dawn, you'll want to start with a hearty breakfast and we've got a great spot for you.

Mac's Soda Bar is our go-to place for breakfast anytime. And lunch, too (but let's not get ahead of ourselves).

They also cater, and you can get great holiday meals, so you have the special dinner without all the hassle.

And they have gift certificates, too. So, while you're planning your own party, check a couple of people off your list.

Right about the time you're done with breakfast, the banks will be opening. We've got just the hometown spot for you. Visit **Alltrust Credit Union**. They offer car loans and CDs. Now *that's* a great gift!

Speaking of cars....

A&A Auto has a great selection of used cars to fit any budget. I'll bet Alex will even put one of those big red bows on it, too, if you ask. Of course, they also do repairs, and have gift certificates. An oil change or A/C recharge is a great gift for the person who has everything.

Looking for that home-town New-Englandy village experience? Well, Fairhaven's got it all here, as New England as it gets in the center of town. Park the car and walk around.

Nothing says Christmas better than a stroll among quaint shops for village-style shopping. Your best bet is **Euro Phoenix** where you'll find gifts for every pocketbook, from dollar doodads to imported Norwegian sweaters. Take the kids with

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you. Their allowances will go far at this Fairhaven gem.

While you're still in the vicinity, take a stroll by our magnificent town hall, Millicent Library, and Unitarian Church. These spectacular buildings were gifts from town benefactor Henry Huttleston Rogers. Hmm...what about a picture in front of one of them for your annual Christmas card?

In any case, be sure to have your camera with you to get some great shots of our architectural wonders.

Now you've worked up an appetite with all that walking and oohing and aahing over our town center, so mosey on over to **Wah May's Restaurant** while you're in the neighborhood. Have some tea to warm you up, and grab a couple of gift certificates to hand out on the big day.

Or head on over to **Subway/Mama DeLuca's** for a fresh sandwich or a pizza. Did I mention gift certificates yet? Perfect spot for the young'uns and those on the go to grab a bite that's healthy and fresh.

Now it's time to take care of that young couple who just bought their first house — a real fixer-upper, and they need all the help they can get.

Maybe the old place just needs some TLC? Well, check out our **classifieds**. They are loaded with people who can help out with those little jobs, and cool stuff for sale — cheap.

For electrical work, you'll want Eric from **Eric Sylvia**. He can do it all, big or small.

And now that they've got all upgraded electrical, they can plug in all their gadgets. New house, new electric, they definitely need new gadgets too, or at least an upgrade. But it's such a hassle to update and reconnect and make sure the security software is up to date and all the other stuff that makes you just want to scream. Call Glenn at **Fairhaven Computer Repair**. He can fix what you've got, or fix you up with new stuff.

Maybe the old place should have an alarm, huh? Yeah, I thought so, now that you've got all those new, shiny gadgets. Call **Wayne Electric**. They do alarms, and that's a cool gift!

You'll want **Robert Furtado** to do those other projects, from cabinet making to the new bathroom.

Do the kids have their hearts set on a new kitchen? No one does kitchens like **Koopman Lumber**. And they have cabinets, flooring and other products and services, like windows, to keep that big old wooden wonder cozy and warm.

We have other choices for the exterior work and for that combo interior/exterior work that the old house is bound to need.

Check out **Marc Gadbois**, whether it's time to replace the siding, roof, or fix what's there. He does everything, no matter how big the job seems to be.

Just be sure to check out **Shawn Fitzgerald**, too. He can replace those gutters and windows, and he can repair instead of replace a whole

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bunch of stuff.

I'm willing to bet that big old monster has a big old monster of a heating system, too. If so, they'll be using up a little more fuel than they like for a year or two until they can replace that antique. Send **Luzo Fuel** over to fill up the oil tank. Now *that's* a gift!

Now that all the repairing and fixing up and patching and replacing are done, you'll want to make sure that space does just what you want it to do. You'll need **Chaisson Interior Design** to make sure that place is decorated just the way they want so it's all comfy and cozy, or classy and glamorous...whatever suits their fancy.

That old yard will definitely need some clearing out. Check out **Fitzgerald Tree Service** to see what they can do about clearing out the neglected spaces and trimming back those bushes that are wildly out of control. Of course that wood won't be ready for burning just yet, and an old house like that is sure to have a wood stove or fireplace. So grab a cord of seasoned wood from them to make Christmas morning nice and toasty.

Before you burn it, though, call **Lenny Fleurent & Sons** to make sure the chimney is in tip top shape, and while he's there, have him work on that old stone wall, or have him waterproof the basement.

That should do it for stuff. What about protecting it all now? Call **Vieira Insurance Agency** for that. They specialize in insuring houses in seashore towns. Does it get any better than that?

Still don't have something for the person who has everything?

Maybe you're looking for an experience. Look no farther than the **Fairhaven Office of Tourism**. You'll get info on all kinds of stuff and places to go.

Now, I know that no one wants to think of the bad stuff during the holidays, but then you watch some sappy old Christmas movie with the obligatory hospital scene. And then you realize no one has updated the will in forever. Time to call **Surprenant & Beneski**, which specializes in elder law. It'll be a load off your mind and you'll be happy you did it.

While we're on the subject, you

know you're thinking of all those who have gone before us, and the last time you visited, you noticed the gravestones getting pretty yucky looking. Give John at **J&L Cemetery Plot Maintenance** a call. He'll clean up the stone and plant something really nice for the holidays there, too.

Still have a few people on the list? Perhaps a boater? Maybe you're thinking of Uncle Johnny and that old boat of his and how he always has such a devil of a time finding a place to put it for the winter? Check out **Marina at Slocum Cove** and give Uncle Johnny a safe place to store his boat for the winter. You know he'll love that!

Let's see, boats, electronic gadgets, food, what did we forget? Oh, right, houses and apartments. You know what happens: People

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come "home" for the holidays and they think, shoot...why did I ever leave? Call **Howe Allen Real Estate** and they'll find the perfect house or apartment for your prodigal relatives. **Jane Paul** can also help you and yours find a spot to call home.

Maybe you've decided to buy that house next to the kids? (*My Big Fat Greek Wedding* anyone?) Well, both of them can help you make the purchase and make sure it goes smoothly.'

Maybe your wayward relatives want to move back but are getting up there in age and don't want the hassle of home ownership. Take 'em on over to **Fairhaven Village**. It's right on the bus route to shopping or heading out of town.

Or, quite possibly, they need a little help in their day-to-day lives. Check

out **Atria Senior Living**. They have elegant accommodations for seniors who just need a little help to live independently.

And don't forget, the *Neighb News* sells pictures of events we've covered, to decorate those new walls.

Okay, now you're done. Time to sit with a drink and some friendly faces.

The **Bayside Lounge** is the place to see someone you know, like the old jingle...where they know your name. You can eat, drink, maybe dance or sing, even, all while you brag about how you got almost all your shopping done at all local places. They have gift certificates, too. So don't just feed yourself, check someone off your list.

Hmmm...I think that's everybody.

No, we didn't forget about one of our favorite Yuletide traditions. What's Christmas without a heart-warming and fun tale? Snuggle up with a good story about Christmas magic on a small island. If you have a Nook or Kindle, you can get my short story, *Who Makes the Magic?* with a shorter, bedtime version for younger children.

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And then there's the one on my trip to Lebanon available for Kindles and Nooks. If you don't want to read my ramblings about my summer vacation, there are about 200 photos that make it worth the \$2.99.

Be sure to keep an eye on my Amazon author page because I've been working on some other stories that I hope will be ready soon. And I'm working on turning a couple of those ebooks into hardcovers.

Yeah, I know, would've been perfect for Christmas, but, well, that seems rather ambitious. However, keep your eye on these pages. You never know, a little Christmas magic might just happen to make it all so.

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Reservations accepted for mall trips at beginning the 15th of the prior month. There is a \$6 charge unless otherwise noted. The van leaves the Fairhaven Senior Center promptly at 9 a.m.: 11/30, South Shore Plaza; 12/7, Tiverton Casino; 12/14, Hyannis Mall, Christmas Tree Shop, Trader Joe's; 12/21, Warwick Mall; 12/28, Prov. Place Mall, Whole Foods.

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Holiday Stroll returns to New Bedford

Press Release

Downtown New Bedford Inc is excited to announce the return of dNB Holiday Stroll! Events are scheduled from 12pm-5pm on Saturday, December 3rd with a rain date of Saturday, December 10th. With the support of NB Creative, the City of New Bedford and the New Bedford Local Cultural Council, Downtown New Bedford Inc is ready to kick off the holiday season with this much-loved annual event!

Strollers will be met with the sounds of the Seaglass Theater Company Carolers and the Southcoast Brass Band while walking the historic cobblestone streets of downtown New Bedford. Be sure to keep an eye out for the Winter Fairy — and of course, Santa Claus!

Take in the sights of downtown with antique fire truck rides provided by the New Bedford Fire Museum and be sure to support local at the numerous shops, restaurants and galleries.

“Holiday Stroll is a great opportunity to support downtown’s small

businesses, as well as local artists and artisans,” says Elissa Paquette, owner of Calico on Union Street and President of local non-profit, Downtown New Bedford Inc.

Calico will be hosting a “Mini Makers’ Market” featuring local designers, artists, and crafters. The market will be located at the Bristol Building, in the spacious common area, adjoining businesses Calico, Hewn, The Greenbean, 1st Edition Collectibles, and dNB Craft Kitchen.

Calico has invited several local vendors, as well as DJ Anj Kepenski to fill the space with a festive holiday vibe

“I love the concept of using our common area as a platform for creative local vendors who don’t have a permanent retail location,” says Paquette. “It’s great exposure for them, as well as an innovative way to increase foot traffic to our existing business. Last year, Bristol Hall hosted BuyBlackNB’s holiday market, which was a great success!”

This year, the Buy Black NB Holiday Market will be located at The

New Bedford Holiday Stroll

Sat., 12/3 (rain date 12/10),
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Parade at 4:30 p.m.,
starting at North Water Street,
and ending at the Library,
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William Streets, for the
tree lighting at 5 p.m.

New Bedford Whaling Museum. Justina Perry is the founder and director of local non-profit, Buy Black NB, a free community platform dedicated to discovering, highlighting and promoting Black-owned businesses in the South Coast of Massachusetts.

“We’ve been able to double the number of vendors for this year’s market,” says Perry. “And we’ve also

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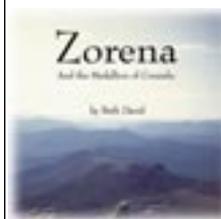
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Ms. Ellison said some of the numbers were more up to date than other because of the way the state processes the data that the town sends to it. Some numbers require the tax rate to be set.

In a related matter, Ms. Ellison informed the board of the budget schedule for next year.

She also said she wanted departments to tie their budget requests to the goals that the board has set. For example, she said, if the highway department wants more money for wheelchair accessible sidewalks, that would tie into the Diversity Equity and Inclusion goals.

Mr. Espindola asked her to clarify that the goals would be tied to unfixed expenses and not salaries.

Ms. Ellison agreed, saying things like the electric bill are not what she had in mind. Any aspects outside of the basics would be the target.

"I just want to make sure the community doesn't misinterpret what we're saying," said Mr. Espindola.

Ms. Ellison also announced that the report on the results of the actuarial valuation of the town's

contributory retirement is available and is a public document. Members of the public may request a copy from the Town Administrator's office.

Ms. Ellison also told the board that the town is expecting its new electric vehicle next week or the beginning of December. It will be available for town employees to use. There is a charging station at the BPW, but Ms. Ellison said they need to add one.

Near town hall is a typical place to have one, she said.

The point is to have charging stations were there are activities, so people can plug in their cars and then go shopping or to lunch, or the library.

The BPW is near the bike path, she noted, so maybe people could use that station and then use the bike path. There are two charging stations there, one for town employees only, and one for the public.

The board also discussed the evaluation process for Ms. Ellison, with Labor Counsel John Clifford of Clifford and Kenny.

Mr. Clifford told the board that the process is "complicated by open

meeting law."

He sent a letter and explained the process for the evaluation. Ms. Ellison will complete a self-assessment and give it to board members. Each board member will fill out a performance review form.

Mr. Clifford stressed that the assessments are not public records, they should be part of Ms. Ellison's personnel records.

The board member documents will go to the Human Resources Director who will compile a the results into one document.

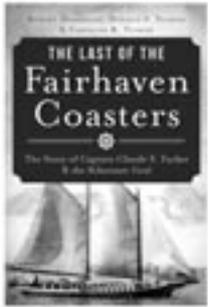
Then Ms. Ellison will be evaluated in open session, but no public comment will be allowed.

Resident John Medeiros asked, during the public comment period, how the public could weigh in on Ms. Ellison's performance.

The board said he should contact board members directly.

"It's not like anybody has any problem reaching out to any of us to tell us how they feel about Ms. Ellison," said Mr. Correy.

The board hopes to conduct the evaluation at its 12/19 meeting.



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New Bedford parishes to hold first Creche Festival

Press Release

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.

Start Advent and the Christmas season with an all new tradition!

Pastor Reverend Michael Racine said, “This is a family event that everyone is welcome 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 M c C o r m a c k

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.”

“We are hoping that this will become a tradition for the parish. This is the very first time anything like



this has been brought to the Southcoast area and it’s a great way to start a new holiday tradition with the family at this free event. Something we want to be able to expand next year. The famous Ladies’ Guild Kitchen will be open for food purchases both days and while admission is free, in the spirit of the Advent Season we ask that everyone donate one non-perishable food item for the St. Vincent de Paul food bank.”

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along. Alex drives the old fire truck in his grandfather's place now. Mr. Oliveira said when you heard the fire truck, you looked for John, now you

look for Alex.

Select Board chairperson Stasia Powers also said a few words, saying the Rogers family is "very dear" to her, so she was happy to be part of the ceremony.

And, she agreed: "You hear that truck, you're looking for Mr. Rogers," she said.

"John did it with love," said Ms. Powers.

"It's a small, but meaningful gesture," said Mr. Oliveira as Mr. Rogers's grandchildren, Alison and Alex Kuechler, pulled the rope to unveil the sign.

And Peggy agreed, "nice, nice, nice."

"My dad loved all of this, all of you," said Pam Kuechler. "We really appreciate it.

I feel very proud of him," said Peggy. "He was always with the Fire Department. Sometimes he was gone more than I wanted him to be, but he loved it."



ABOVE: Members of John Rogers' family pose under the sign renaming the Spring Street Fire Station the John Rogers Jr. Memorial Fire House, after the unveiling on 11/19/22, L-R: Martha Rogers, Pam Kuechler, Peggy Rogers (John's wife), Alison Kuechler Alex Kuechler, Doug Kuechler, Jasmine. RIGHT, L-R: Wayne Oliveira, Chairperson of the Fairhaven Historical Society, listens as Select Board chairperson Stasia Powers. *Photos by Beth David*



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Acushnet Planning Commission

Notice of Public Hearing
Request for a Finding Relative to a Denial of a ZBA Application Lot 24
15 Katherine Street, Acushnet MA

Notice is hereby given that the Acushnet Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on **December 1, 2022 @ 6:30pm** in the Board of Selectmen's meeting room at Town Hall, 122 Main Street, Acushnet MA 02743. This will be a Hybrid meeting with a Zoom option:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89751393203?pwd=d1Z0NWlkYXJCTE5ZemJ2TDJ1Y2dMQT09>
Meeting ID: 897 5139 3203
Passcode: 157086

This hybrid meeting is being held to process a Request for a Finding Relative to a Denial of a ZBA Application, Lot 24, Taylor Martin, Applicant. The engineer is Schneider, Davignon & Leone Inc. The plans and accompanying documentation are available for inspection at the Town Clerk's Office, Parting Ways Building, 130 Main St. 1st Floor, during regular business hours.

Mark Francois, Chairman,
Acushnet Planning Commission
FNN: 11/24/22

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts
Public Hearing In-Person in Banquet Room
or via Zoom

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1. REF#: ZBA-022-031: 85 Howland Road, Map 23, Lot 035. Applicant and owner: George Hills. Applicant seeks a Special Permit for a Home Occupation, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-23. B. (4)

Building trades.
2. REF#: ZBA-022-032: 7 Saint Mary Street, Map 20, Lot 217, 221, & 222. Applicant and owner: Steven Pinhancos. Applicant seeks (1) a use Variance to convert a two-family dwelling into a three-family dwelling in a RA district, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-15 and (2) applicant seeks a finding from the Board under M.G.L. 40A, § 6 to alter a pre-existing nonconforming structure, thereby increasing the nonconformity.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman, Fairhaven ZBA
FNN: 11/24/22, 12/2/22

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REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR CPA FUNDING
The Fairhaven Community Preservation Committee will conduct Public Hearings to review nine (9) applications for FY24 CPA funds that the CPC is reviewing for eligibility and whether to recommend to the Annual Town Meeting in 2023. The following applications will be reviewed on **Wednesday, December 7, 2022 (Note: if required due to time constraints, the public hearings may be continued to the following night, December 8):**

1. Fairhaven High School – Southeast Gable Repairs - Phase I Work Scope to deconstruct and restore the existing southeast gable at the south side of the High School (\$200,000 request);
2. Fairhaven Historical Commission – Town Hall Street Lamps to install 6 LED gas lamp style street lights around Town Hall (\$ 50,000 request).
3. Town Hall – Town Hall Repairs Windows & Granite Stairs to restore the windows in the historic Town Hall (\$350,000 request);
4. BPW – Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Resilience Project to permanently protect 241 acres of land along tributaries of Mattapoisett River where

5. BBC – Salt Winds (732 SNR) Conservation Project to purchase a conservation restriction on a 5.6 acre portion of the approximately 9-acre Salt Winds Farm at 732 Sconticut Neck Road (\$50,000 request);
6. BPW – Livesey SkatePark – Phase 3 request to replace the previously removed concrete ramps with Custom built and designed pressure treated wooden ramps finished in weather resistant "Skatelite" (\$150,000 request);
7. BPW – Bike Path Resurfacing - Phase 1 of 3 (\$109,000 – \$140,775 request);
8. BPW/Unitarian Church – Repair of Memorial Park 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
FNN: 11/17/22, 11/24/22

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 Hincckley
ACUSHNET BOARD OF SELECTMEN
11/17/22

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brought in some great local musicians and dancers to create an immersive cultural experience!"

"The Stroll is the most impactful event of the year to our local small businesses. Downtown is lucky to have a loyal following that comes out year after year to show support and it really sets the tone for the rest of the season," says Katherine Lowe, owner of Shimmer Clean & Ethical Beauty on Union Street. "I'm also really proud of the efforts so many of our small businesses are making to give back."

Lowe says Shimmer will be accepting pet supply donations for

Lighthouse Animal Shelter, while dNB Inc has partnered with the Star-chasers to collect non-perishables for TakeBackNB and the Southcoast LGBTQ+ Network at three drop spots throughout dNB. Just look for the blue bins at the Whaling Museum, Bristol Hall, and CoCreative Center!

This year's event has an extensive list of programming. Play Arcade is hosting celebrity puppeteer and muppet designer, Bill Diamond; Festival Theatre will perform a preview of their holiday musical, *White Christmas*, at the Zeiterion; and a variety of kids' arts & crafts are

happening at the New Bedford Art Museum, Bristol CC, and the New Bedford Public Library to name a few!

Strollers will also find sales, pop-up shops, and food and drink offered at businesses throughout dNB.

It wouldn't be the Holiday Stroll without the tree lighting at City Hall! Stop by William Street at 5PM to listen to Mayor Jon Mitchell address the crowd and watch as the city tree shines bright once again!

For full list of events, visit <https://downtownnb.org/downtown-new-bedford-holiday-stroll-2022/>

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Board of Appeals

Tues., 12/6, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Board of Public Works

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

Comm. Preservation

Wed., 12/7, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 12/12, Remote, 6 p.m.

School Committee

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

Select Board

Mon., 12/5, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Committee

Tues., 12/6, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Board of Assessors

Wed., 12/7, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Wed., 11/30, Town Hall, 6 p.m.s

Council on Aging

Wed., 12/14, Senior Ctr., 10 a.m.

Cultural Council

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

Selectboard

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

TIDE TABLE

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From our readers

A silent real estate warfare lies in wait to be recognized.

This letter is being written to "Awaken to Action" the people of Fairhaven, before it's too late.

May we not fall asleep too, as our Cape Cod neighboring towns have, and are now scrambling frantically to shelter not just the poor and unemployed, but also, and more so, their Vital Workforce who serve their communities with essential services, that make their communities thrive.

Vital services that are necessary for every community to have for the safety and well-being of the people. Services to include healthcare, police, firefighters, ambulance drivers, etc.

Many of these listed essential workers are now finding themselves displaced and homeless. And are literally being pushed out of Cape Cod to no fault of their own.

Both my daughter and I, employed full time in the emergency department at the Cape Cod hospital, found ourselves in the very same position. We too would have been displaced and homeless had we not found our home in Fairhaven.

We could actually afford a home in Cape Cod, but there just weren't any to buy. Every time we would try to purchase a home, an investor would come along and pay cash well over asking price. The cottage we were renting in a residential zoned area had switched from long-term to short term, and was being bought by an out-of-state investor. We were among many, including some of our coworkers, who also experienced this abrupt push out of our home and off of Cape Cod.

My daughter and I were very fortunate because we found a place and had enough money to purchase a home here in Fairhaven, where I grew up as a young child. But many other hard-working people who offer vital services to their community were not able to find a home, and many of them are still displaced and left homeless. And this is happening across the nation. And it's only going to get worse.

Now the town governments are trying to build units to push the essential workforce into, many of which will be owned by the same type of investors.

However, the problem with this severe housing shortage could be

eased greatly, and thousands of homes could become available again, if places like Airbnb were banned in residential zoned areas, (areas not zoned for business). Also, if town officials would appropriate and uphold the zoning laws and bylaws in a humanitarian format that simply doesn't allow family homes being used exclusively for profits.

Profit making, at the expense of creating homelessness and displacement for a community's vital workforce should be a crime.

We need humanitarian laws put into place to guard against this nationwide manipulation caused by big investor groups, as mentioned in a "60 Minutes" segment aired last March 2022.

I asked the readers to look up this segment and review it. If you haven't seen it, you need to learn and know about it. And/or review it again. It may be a time that we have to fight to keep Fairhaven the peaceful beautiful town that it is, and has been for many many years.

Why are we in a severe housing shortage, that has dominoed into a workforce shortage?

Home is one of the most basic needs we have as people. The need for home is in line with food and water. The government on all levels must start paying attention to this severe housing crisis and live up to their fiduciary responsibilities. And we the people who live and provide essential services in our communities must let them know that. The people in the town of Fairhaven need to become a unified force field that demands Action & Protection not only from Wall Street investors, but also the drug cartel that are buying homes on Cape Cod cash, and running their drug businesses.

We do not want them here in Fairhaven, period.

Why are we in a severe housing shortage, that has dominoed into a workforce shortage?

Because we have an infiltration of greedy investors sweeping the nation, who are rudely uprooting our family neighborhood residential zoned areas, and turning family homes into

mini hotels for profit. And the town, state and federal governments are letting this happen, and not protecting the immediate needs of the people and/or respecting our zoning rights.

I will say this not once but I'll say it again. We are in this mess due to greed both on the side of investors, and on the side of many of our elected ones.

I ask, does "greed" have a right to stampede our family neighborhoods and kick to the curb our essential workforce and the people who live and serve our communities?

Zoning was created for the purpose of order and protection for all people, not just the wealthy. Investors who live out of town have absolutely no business gobbling up our family homes in residential areas not zoned for business.

Currently we have bylaws here in Fairhaven, and a cap on how many Airbnb and other short term rentals are allowed here. Unfortunately no one in town hall is enforcing these laws. And we are currently without a building commissioner.

Do you realize how many investors can come in and sweep up every house that comes for sale and pay cash for it, while dismantling and destabilizing our family residential neighborhoods? Essential workers who have lived here all their lives and have served this community do not deserve this. We will have less and less homes for rent and less and less homes that we can afford to buy and be taken over by these greedy investors if we do not do something about it now.

I am asking the people of Fairhaven to join me and to help me find a way to enforce the bylaws and to even work on creating a ban against short term rentals in our family neighborhoods that are not zoned for business.

Let's stand together and be a Mighty Force against such intrusions that would cause our people of Fairhaven to be displaced and homeless.

And may our town government cater more to the people who have served this community and have lived here all their lives, than they do with these big investor groups from Wall Street.

Michelle Costen. Fairhaven

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Coalition (FRACC) is proud to cohost MASSCreative's 2022 Arts and Culture Policy Input Gatherings — a series of in-person and virtual meetings for the creative community to connect and provide input into the advocacy priorities for the sector moving forward.

In January 2023, with the start of the new legislative session there will be plenty of opportunities to advocate for the investments and policies we need to ensure the creative sector not only survives but thrives!

MASSCreative is eager to get started - but before they do they need OUR help: What are the biggest challenges you face as an artist, creative worker or cultural organization? Where do you think Federal, State and local governments can make a difference? How can MASSCreative support advocacy throughout the creative community?

On Wed., 11/30, at 4:30 PM, FRACC and New Bedford Creative will cohost the SouthCoast meeting at The Co-Creative Center located at 137 Union St. RSVP today. mass-creative.org/

fallmeetings

GNBVTHS Craft

Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech Craft Fair, Sat., 11/26, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m.; Sun., 11/27, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m. At GNB Voc-Tech, 1121 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford. \$1.00 donation, Benefits the Scholarship Fund. Over 150 Vendors

100 Years At the Z

We're celebrating The Z's 100th birthday and long history as a movie house with films throughout the century and matching "vintage" ticket prices!

1940s

Miracle on 34th Street, Sat., 12/17, at 2 p.m. 40¢ General Admission Run time: 1 hour and 36 minutes Tickets: <https://www.zeiterion.org/events/miracle-on-34th-street>

1950s

In Cooperation with the New Bedford Whaling Museum's Moby Dick Marathon! *Moby Dick*, Sun., 1/8, at 3 p.m. 50¢ General Admission. Tickets: <https://www.zeiterion.org/>

events/ moby-dick

1950s

North by Northwest, Sat., 1/21, at 2 p.m. 50¢ General Admission. Tickets: <https://www.zeiterion.org/events/north-by-northwest>

1960s

Breakfast at Tiffany's, Sun., 2/26, at 2 p.m. 60¢ General Admission. Tickets: <https://www.zeiterion.org/events/breakfast-at-tiffanys>

1970s

Enter the Dragon, Sun., 4/19, at 2 p.m. 70¢ General Admission. Tickets: <https://www.zeiterion.org/events/enter-the-dragon>

1980s

Community Choice, Sun., 4/16, at 2 p.m., 80¢ General Admission. Cast your vote at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MJYGVSP>

SAVE THE DATE:

Science Cafe

Tues., 12/6, 6–8 p.m., Last Round Bar & Grille, 908 Purchase St., NB. Open to everyone. Free, save for the beer.



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FAIRHAVEN, MA
Old-Time Holiday



Saturday, December 10, 2022
HISTORICAL FAIRHAVEN CENTER

Millicent's Holiday Fun & Book Sale

Book sale, children's craft activity, music, treats
45 Center St., 9 am - 3 pm (crafting 11 am - 2 pm)

Town Hall Shops

*Booths by non-profit groups in the auditorium,
NFIA Cafe in banquet room: meat pies, spinach pies,
chowder, kale soup*
Town Hall, 40 Center St., 10 am - 3 pm

Congregational Church Holiday Fair

Craft booths, baked goods, thrift shop & more
Congregational Church, 34 Center St., 10 am - 3 pm.

Lobster Roll Luncheon

Lobster rolls, stuffed quahogs, chowder, hot dogs.
Congregational Church, 34 Center St., 11 am - ?

Unitarian Church Holiday Marketplace

Craft booths, holiday greens & more
Unitarian Church, 102 Green St., 10 am- 3 pm

Unitarian Church Tours

Unitarian Church, 102 Green St. 10 am- 3 pm

Holiday Soup & Sandwich Luncheon

Harrop Center, 47 Center St., 11:30 am -2:00 pm

**Santa's Sweet Shop at
Northeast Maritime Institute
with Dorothy Cox's**

*Open for candy, fudge, hot chocolate, music.
Visit and take photos with Santa 11 am - 2 pm.*
Northeast Maritime Institute
32 Washington St., 10 am- 3 pm

Town Hall Sing-along

Town Hall, 40 Center St., 6:00 p.m.
Sponsored by Fairhaven Improvement Association.

The Old-Time Holiday is sponsored by Fairhaven non-profit and church groups and is coordinated and promoted by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism. Complete program listings are available from <https://Fairhaventours.com>. For more information, contact the Fairhaven Office of Tourism, phone: 508-979-4085, email: FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov. The Visitors Center will not be open on Saturday, December 10, during the Old-Time Holiday.