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Egghunt fun not dampened by the cold



Children in the 5-8 age group run towards eggs in the skate park at Livesey Park in Fairhaven for the annual egg hunt sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association on 4/8/23. See story on page 12. *Photo by Beth David.*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND — A day late and many dollars short.

Well, that's embarrassing (see correction). I got it exactly wrong. Geesh.

Okay, on that note, we're still in budgetnumbers-crunch mode (see page 3).



Publisher Beth David with Charlie, aka Evil Dog

Fairhaven is grappling with a \$450,000 deficit. It can get confusing with all the different ideas on how to cut that \$450,00 from the budget.

Town Meeting is in three weeks (5/6), so there's still some time to learn more about how a Proposition 2/12 override really happens, works, and what it means for the future. The reality is that there is no such thing as a painless budget cut, especially when it's \$450K.

We'll be writing more on this in the next few weeks so you can be informed before Town Meeting. Find out who your TM reps are and let them know how you feel.

Our cover story is one of my absolute favorites. It was cold out there, but hot chocolate helped and, of course, the kids were just jumping up and down, so they stayed warm. See page 12 for some fun pictures.

Acushnet is moving along with the PJ Keating permit application process. See page 14 for that.

And, while we're on Acushnet, candidates can get free publicity (see page14) to let voters know what you're about. Of course, we happily take paid ads, too. Ahem

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our Fairhaven Select Board/budget story last week we mischaracterized what SB member Bob Espindola presented. He does not support using stabilization funds (one time money) for the operating budget. He proposed that the town use the money in the Capital Stabilization Fund, including funds set aside for the public safety complex, for other capital projects that are slated to be funded by borrowing. This will save the town more than \$1.5 million in interest over the course of the loan(s).

We apologize for any confusion our error may have caused.

Fairhaven Select Board, FinCom struggle with \$450k deficit

By Beth David Editor

The Fairhaven Select Board reorganized at its first meeting after the election, choosing Leon Correy as Chairperson, Charlie Murphy as Vice Chair, and Stasia Powers as Clerk.

At that meeting, on Tuesday, 4/11/23, the SB also met jointly with the Finance Committee to discuss the budget, getting the Town Meeting warrant finalized to go to print the next day. FinCom also met separately after the joint meeting to continue discussing the budget articles on the TM warrant.

The Select Board voted to submit two budgets to Town Meeting, one that would require a \$450,000 override of Proposition 2 1/2, and one that cuts \$450,000 in spending to balance the budget.

The two boards were working from updated materials that were not available online, so it was difficult to follow exactly what cuts they were talking about. But a budget of \$58,086,901 million will fund the two firefighters that have been in question, not cut the school department, and better fund salary reserves and

retirement accounts. It will require the \$450,000 override.

In previous plans, cuts included \$200K from the School Department, \$150K from the Fire Department to lay off two firefighters, and \$100K from salary reserves, which is used for promotions, raises, etc. In a change from that, the non-override budget still funds the new firefighters, using \$150,000 from salary reserves. It still includes a \$200,000 cut to the School Department budget. It was unclear by press time where the other \$100K would come from.

The Select Board also voted to fund the Middle School roof at \$2,397,3420, with a combination of free cash and money from the capital stabilization fund instead of borrowing.

The boards discussed a variety of cuts, including dropping the salary reserve item from \$850,000 to \$600,000. Select Board member Bob Espindola actually made that motion, but it failed. The board funded the line item at \$850,000.

Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison said the town could cut some line items to try to avoid the override, but then there would be a shortfall later in the fiscal year. That means departments would run out of money, and the town would have to transfer money from the stabilization fund, which is the town's savings account. That is using one-time money for ongoing expenses, and will only compound the problem.

The \$450,000 will "right the ship," at least for this year.

Town officials acknowledged that the town may need another override in the next few years. The \$450K will add about \$50 a year to the property taxes of the average home. Ms. Ellison said it was better to be incremental and be sure the override was necessary. Budget consultant Rich Bienvenue said some towns pass an override every year, in small amounts, instead of a large one.

School Superintendent Tara Kohler also addressed the boards, saying the \$200,000 was a "significant hit."

She said the cuts could include a number of positions, services such as the family center, and/or unified sports. The district was nationally recognized for that program.

"It's kind of embarrassing to me," she said.

VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE Wednesday, April 19 ~ 5pm - 7pm Sunday, April 23 ~ 1pm - 3pm Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum 396 County Street, New Bedford We are seeking volunteers! Learn more about volunteer opportunities at the Museum, tour the historic mansion and grounds, & enjoy refreshments. For more information, visit www.rjdmuseum.org/volunteer. RJD Volunteer Open House Days are supported in part by: **MASSACHUSETTS** SERVICE ALLIANCE



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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Comedy Night
Wicked Funny Productions presents Comedy Night to benefit Elizabeth Hastings Middle School enrichment programs and end of year fun events. Fri., 4/14, at Seaport Inn, 110 Middle St., Fairhaven. Doors open at 6 p.m., showtime 7. Happy hour, light appetizers, cash bar, basket and 50/50 raffle. Tickets: \$35 via venmo. Contact Jenny Burr: jennymburr@ yahoo.com or text 508-265-1272.

Meat Raffle

Every Thursday, 7 p.m., Fairhaven VFW Post 2892, 109 Middle St., Fairhaven. Win meat, eggs, breakfast, and a variety of other specials we have every week. Play some Keno, have a drink or two. You will not be disappointed.

Shrubbery Program **Fairhaven Residents Only!**

Fairhaven Improvement Association is excited to announce its 2023 annual Shrubbery Voucher Program.

To take advantage of this offer send a check for \$20.00 with a selfaddressed stamped envelope to Fairhaven Improvement Association, P.O. Box 404, Fairhaven, MA 02719. You will receive a voucher for double the amount — \$40.00 — to purchase any combination of eligible shrubs at Kenny's Farm Stand, 325 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven.

The voucher is valid from May 1st till September 30th 2023. If you use your voucher before July 1st, Kenny will add another \$10.00 to your doubled voucher giving you a total of \$50.00 in buying power at his nursery. One voucher per family is allowed.

For more information and application go to our website: fairhaven improvement.org or the FIA Facebook page. The application is also available at Kenny's.

Contact Monika Whalley, 508-758-8223 or monikawhalley@hotmail.com

SAVE THE DATES

Pancake Breakfast

Join the Fairhaven Lions Club to support our Scholarship fund at a Pancake Breakfast on Sun., 4/23, from 8 a.m. to noon, at St. Mary's Church, 440 Main Street, Fairhaven. \$10.00. Children 10 and under \$5.00. Includes

pancakes, sausage, fruit cup, coffee, and juice.

For tickets, see any Fairhaven Lions Club member or call Bill at 508-996-3420.

West Island 5k Run/Walk

Sun., 4/23, 41 Causeway Road, West Island, Fairhaven. 5K race at 11 a.m., Kids Mile Fun Run, 10 a.m.

Come out and run to benefit good causes on a US Track and Field certified course. Entry fees for the 5K range from \$15 to \$25. There is also a Kids Mile Fun Run at 10:00 a.m. with an entry fee of \$5. Race shirt or beach towel to first 300 5k registrants. Cash prizes. You may now register online at https://tinyurl.com/mrx5wpah

more information visit http://westisland5k.org. email westisland5k@yahoo.com.

Nemasket Walk

Join us in celebration of our 10th year as we walk or run through the town of Fairhaven with family, friends and neighbors while raising awareness and support for The Nemasket Group.

Sat., 5/6, Fort Phoenix State Reservation, 8 a.m. registration, 8 a.m. walk/run.

Visit our website for more information and to register: www.NemasketGroup.org

Event T-shirts are limited, so please register early to ensure you receive a T-shirt

Mem. Day Parade

Mon., 5/29, meet at 9:30 a.m., step off at 10 a.m. All veterans are invited to march.

Parade route: From Union and Main Streets north along Main to Fairhaven High School for the raising of the big flag, and continue to Riverside Cemetery for a short ceremony.

Proudly sponsored by VFW Post 2892, Fairhaven Lions Club, and Fairhaven Veterans Service Office.

For info contact Brad or Jane at VSO, 508-979-4023, Ext. 114, 115

At the Millicent

The following events will be held at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven. Accessible. To register, or learn more call the library at 508-992-5342, email athiel@sailsinc.org, or visit http://www.millicentlibrary.org/events

Baby and Toddler Storytime, **Spring Session.** Tuesdays at 9:30 to 10:30am, April 4th-May 23rd. Bond with your baby over books! Each weekly Baby Storytime includes Early Literacy fun with board books, songs, play, and lots of love. Recommended for ages 0-36 months, meets outside.

Storytime, Spring Session Wednesdays at 10:30 to 11:30am, April 5th-May 24th. Read, sing, and get up and move at storytime sessions with Allie. For families, recommended for kids age 3+. Siblings are welcome! Meets outside.

Crafternoon, Spring Session Thursdays at 3:00 to 5:00pm, April 6th-May 25th Crafts for all ages and skill levels with something new to do each week! Options for all ages. Young Children should be accompanied and assisted by an adult. Drop in on these weekly sessions at any time during

Brick Club Friday, April 14th from 4:00 to 5:30pm New monthly club at the Millicent Library, in partnership with BeSpoke Speech Therapy! This is a child-led, play-based social group for neurodivergent and neurotypical kids — all are welcome! Come together to build community and connection through a shared interest in LEGOs. Register on: millicent library.org/events

FHS Class of 1973

The FHS Class of 1973 will hold its 50th reunion on Sat., 6/24. Reunion events start on Friday and run right through Sunday.

Please join and follow our Facebook group, FHS Class of 1973. Any questions, reach out in the group or contact Debbie Honohan Soares at dktsoares@comcast.net.

Please send name, address, phont number, email address; note if you will attend the flag raising ceremony.

Breakfast tickets: \$13 each. Reunion tickets: \$65 each.

Send check or money order by 05/01/2023 to Debbie Soares, 88 Acushnet Rd, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Make checks payable to: Fairhaven High School Class of 1973. We welcome and greatly appreciate early pre-purchase of tickets to help cover deposits. (If you don't plan to attend, please update your contact info and send it to us by mail or email)

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

AHA night

The Next AHA Night Themed "Sustainable Southcoast" Is Coming up on Thursday, April 13th Presented by Domino's Pizza and Vineyard Wind AHA! (Art, History, Architecture) provides platform for New Bedford's creative community to showcase their talents collectively; making arts, culture, and creative expression accessible to all. AHA! Night offers a meeting place for community partners on the 2nd Thursday of the month, when artistic expression is everywhere and open to encouraging everyone: provoking-thought and nurturing the soul. Join us downtown to shop in various galleries, relax in downtown restaurants, and participate in all the fun events AHA! Night has to offer!

Earth Eve Parade

5:00pm New Bedford Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street. Spring is here and the streets will be filled with music, hands-on activities and ways to appreciate the earth and our environment. The People Powered Procession is Massachusetts' only Eco-float Procession with anything a person or group can wear, roll or carry. Starts at the Library at 613 Pleasant Street.

Sound in Space, Sound in Place

5:00-7:00pm New Bedford Art Museum/ArtWorks, 608 Pleasant Street Stop by the NBAM for the exciting opening reception of their contemporary sound art exhibition: Sound in Space, Sound in Place. The exhibition features a collaborative work by established sound artists John Driscoll and Phil Edelstein—the richly exploratory sound installation Cluster Fields (2018–2023)—as well as New Bedford Soundscape, a crowdsourced collection of audio recordings by New Bedford residents, Sonic Textures of Place, experimental sound works by UMass Dartmouth in Professor Walker students Downey's Spring 2023 sound art seminar, NBWaves, an EP Scapeghost, and Whirly Chorus by Tess Oldfield. It will be a sensory experience like no other!

Hip Hop Cypher!

7:00pm CO+ Creative Center, 137 Union Street The AHA! Cyphers will be happening from April – September at the Co-Creative Center from 7:00 – 9:00pm. The Cyphers will feature a local emcee and producer who will be highlighted and featured during the cyphers. The featured emcee will improvisationally rhyme over instrumentals in a rap cypher that will also include the emcees from the public. The featured producer will be highlighted with a 30 minute segment of their instrumental that the emcees will rhyme over. The featured emcee will also have a 30 minute performance set at the end of the cypher.

Free at RJD

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) presents a new "Behind the Scenes" series of tours and talks during New Bedford's AHA! Nights. Visitors will get a glimpse of Museum areas and objects in the collection not normally on view.

On Thursday, April 13, Manager of Collections and Interpretation Lauren Prescott will give a talk about undergarments from the collection in a presentation entitled "Under Where?"

The programs run from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. during AHA! Nights, the 2nd Thursday of each month. Visitors may drop in any time. Admission is free during AHA! Nights, and no registration is necessary. For more information, visit the Museum's website, rjdmuseum.org or call 508-997-1401.

Movie Night

Join New Bedford Art Museum, 608 Pleasant St., NB, for the inaugural Monday Movie Night w/ Mocha, part of the Enchanted Evenings programs.

Film media professor and filmmaker MJ Herrup (aka Mocha) presents Ukiyo-e Onscreen, a film series inspired by the Ukiyo-e Blues exhibition on view in the City Gallery.

The series begins with MISS HOKUSAI, a beautiful anime film about the daughter of Hokusai, one of the Ukiyo-e era's most famous artists. O-Ei Hokusai is widely believed to be the uncredited artist of many of her father's well known works, especially in his later years. MISS HOKUSAI explores the life, artistry, and mystery of this famous daughter, and is based on the manga comic, "Sarusberi," which achieved cult status for its vividly portrayal of O-Ei's life.

Visit https://newbedfordart.org/

public-programs/ for info and \$5 tickets. Admission includes movie-themed snacks. Film starts at 6pm.

Earth Day Cleanup

Join Operation Clean Sweep for an Earth Day Cleanup on Sat., 4/22, in the north end of New Bedford, from 9 ≥m. to noon. Meet at the public parking lot behind Cotali Mar Restaurante, corner of Acushnet Avenue and Sawyer Street. Free T-shirts to all participants. Gloves and tools provided. Preregistering at Operation CleanSweep.net helps us to plan our event, but walk-ins WELCOME.

Find us on Facebook or email newbedfordclean@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATES: Future cleanups planned for May 20, June 10, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16.

SAVE THE DATES

Voc-Tech Theatre

NB Voc-Tech Theatre Company presents "9 to 5" based on the 20th Century Fox Picture originally produced on Broadway by Robert Greenblatt, April 2009. Music and Lyrics by Dolly Parten; book by Patricia Resnick.

Fri. and Sat., 5/5 & 5/6, 7 p.m.; Sun., 5/7 matinee at 2 p .m.

General admission, all seats \$15.00 Directed by Marianne Morrissey Choreographed by Beth A. Methia Musical Director Andrea Rodrigues GNB Voe-Tech High School

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"The Wiz"

New Bedford Festival Theatre and Executive Producer Wendy Hall present "The Wiz," April 27 - May 6, 2023 at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center at 684 Purchase St., NB. This will be the last professional production of The Wiz before the Broadway revival next Spring.

Tickets are available from \$35 - \$65. Get tickets at www.zeiterion.org/events/nbft-the-wiz, by phone (508) 994-2900, or in person at the Zeiterion Box Office 684 Purchase St. New Bedford, MA 02740.

HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

Boston Marathon

The 127th Boston Marathon will take place on Monday, April 17, 2023, featuring nearly 30,000 athletes from more than 100 countries. Visit https://www.baa.org/

With more than 26 miles of race course, there are lots of viewing options. Visit https://www.baa.org/races/boston-marathon/watch/along-course

Starts in Hopkinton, ends on Boylston Street near Copley Square.

Job Fair

Thurs., 4/20, 9:00AM – 2:00PM at of White's of Westport. 66 State Road, Westport, MA 02790 (Main Ballroom) FREE. The SouthCoast Chamber, Lifestream, Lafrance Hospitality, MassHire Greater New Bedford Career Center and the Bristol Workforce Board present the 2023 SouthCoast Job Fair, which will showcase over one-hundred of the area's most dynamic firms and businesses, looking to hire you.

Come dressed for success! Admission and professional headshots are free.

Oh and don't forget your résumés!

Cyclists Needed Attention Cyclists: Volunteers Needed!

The Tour de Creme is seeking experienced cyclists to volunteer for this year's event on Sunday May 21st. Volunteer cyclists help keep the other cyclists safe, acting as ride ambassadors and ride sweeps. These volunteers help to make sure all riders stay on course and that nobody gets left behind.

If you are a cyclist interested in riding in this year's Tour de Creme at no cost, sign up today to become a volunteer rider. Cycling experience and safe riding techniques are mandatory. Please go online to tourdecreme.org and sign up for the Ride Team on the volunteer page.

Cookbook Author

Join the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow St., on Sunday, April 16 from 2:00pm – 3:00pm in welcoming award-winning cookbook author, Terry Walters, as she shares her easy-to-grasp approach to healthy home cooking with an educational presentation, a cooking demonstration, and a tasting from her newest cookbook, *Nourish*.

The cookbook includes easy homefermented foods, superfoods, and abundant information and tips to support sustainable good health and nourishment. Bring your appetite, your questions, and a desire to learn, and leave inspired and empowered to make your physical and mental health a top priority.

The program will include sales of Terry's latest cookbook, *Nourish*, as well as a book signing. Walters, a best-selling cookbook author and recipient of national book awards, is an educator, consultant, and speaker who has taught cooking and wellness worldwide for twenty years. This program, sponsored by the Mattapoisett Library Trust, is open to the public and the library is accessible to all

Nature Walks

Discover Vernal Pools with the Mattapoisett Land Trust Vernal pools are a vital breeding habitat for resident amphibians and invertebrates such as wood frogs, spotted and blue-spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp. The MLT is once again offering an introduction to vernal pools, this year through a field trip into the Woodcock Preserve!

On Saturday, April 15th, at 1:00 p.m., we'll meet at the Tinkhamtown Woodlands parking area on Long Plain Road. We'll then proceed a short distance on the MLT Woodcock trail to the vernal pool. Together we will have fun learning about vernal pools and exploring a beautiful one.

The exploration is free and open to all, including residents of other towns. Please wear appropriate clothing, including rubber boots. The exploration will take place rain or shine. See MLT's online event calendar, https://mattlandtrust.org/events/, to RSVP, and follow on social media for more info and updates.

April "Staycation" Scavenger Hunts in Mattapoisett 4/17 week

This April vacation, try out Mattapoisett Land Trust's Staycation Scavenger Hunts to get outdoors and have some fun. Created by MLT's Education Committee, there are three scavenger hunt locations to choose from: Dunseith Gardens, Tub Mill, and Grace Meadow. See the Family Activities page, https://mattlandtrust.org/family-activities/ to download the instructions and checklists for printing. Good luck!

Insect ID Nature Walk with Entomologist Blake Dinius is an experienced entomologist with the Plymouth County Extension Office who has spent years researching insects. Blake joined the Mattapoisett Land Trust last year for an informational presentation on ticks and mosquitos. This year, Blake and MLT are taking it outside and getting closer to the subject matter: bugs!

Join Blake and MLT on Thursday April 20th at 10:30am at the Grace Meadow Preserve for an Insect ID Nature Walk. Blake will be teaching us all about the bugs we find on our walk through the meadow. Park at the kiosk at the end of Bowman Road and please dress for the outdoors; long pants and close-toed shoes are recommended. This program is for people of all ages. Please see the MLT's online events calendar, https://mattlandtrust.org/events/ for more details and to RSVP.

Call for Auction Items

The Marion Art Center is seeking art contributions for the MAC's annual summer fundraiser, Cocktails by the Sea. The fundraising committee will collect a limited number of high quality items including original artwork, fine reproductions (must be framed), ceramics, glass, jewelry, and more. Experience packages are also welcome for the silent auction. Those who wish to contribute should email auction coordinators Joanne Petrie and Errin Chapin at auction@marionartcenter.org.

Save the date for this popular event scheduled on Friday, July 28 from 5:30-8:30pm at the home of Trevor and Ann Hatton located at 183 Front Street in Marion. Members of the Marion Art Center may purchase tickets in advance beginning May 1, while general ticket sales will begin May 15. Be sure to join or renew your MAC membership in order to get your tickets before they sell out! Register online at marionartcenter.org/join.

Recipe of the Week **Pork Chops With Cornbread** Stuffina

2 tbs roughly chopped fresh parsley 2 scallions, thinly sliced

1 jalapeno pepper, finely chopped

1 heaping cup crumbled cornbread

1 large egg, lightly beaten

Kosher salt & freshly ground pepper 4 bone-in pork chops (1 inch thick;

about 10 ounces each) 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 1/4 pounds green beans, trimmed

3 tablespoons unsalted butter

1 tablespoon all-purpose flour 3/4 cup low-sodium chicken broth

Preheat oven to 400°. Combine parsley, scallions, jalapeno, cornbread, egg, 1/2 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper in a bowl. Cut a deep 2-inch-wide pocket into the side of each pork chop. Stuff the cornbread mixture into the pockets.

Heat vegetable oil in large skillet over med-high heat. Season pork with salt and pepper. Add to the skillet in batches and cook until golden brown, about 2 mins per side. Transfer to a rimmed baking sheet; reserve the skillet. Bake until cooked through, 8-10 mins.

Meanwhile, bring a medium pot of salted water to a boil; add the green beans and cook until crisp-tender, 3 mins. Drain; return to the pot. Add 2 tbs butter. Season w/salt & pepper; toss.

Remove the pork from the baking sheet and pour the juices on the baking sheet into the skillet. Sprinkle the flour over the juices; cook over medium heat, whisking, 1 minute. Whisk in the broth, scraping up any browned bits, until smooth and thickened, 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from the heat; whisk in the remaining 1 tablespoon butter and 3/4 teaspoon pepper and drizzle over the pork chops. Serve with the green beans.

Dear Frankie

Dear rankie

Troubled **Waters**

Dear Frankie.

Our new neighbors have big parties on their back porch and play loud music late into the night. I have tried barking to tell them how much the noise and the comings

and goings, upset me, but they don't seem to understand or care.

My dad explained the situation to the husband and asked if he could turn the music down. He told my father if he didn't like the music, he should wear ear plugs. Then he said if that mutt of yours doesn't stop barking I'm going to call the cops and have him locked up in the pound.

When my dad came home, he told my mom that the next time he saw that guy he was going to punch him in the face. My mom said are you nuts, you will be charged with assault and

battery and arrested.

Is it true my dad and I could get locked up?

Marvin

Dear Marvin. This situation has definitely taken on a life of its own. Everyone needs to calm down and take a moment — you

The next time they blast music at a party, go to a room on the farthest side of the house and get under a piece of furniture or a pillow to block out the sound.

It sounds like your mom is a sane person. Perhaps she could call the wife and ask if she would be willing to meet to discuss ways to calm things down between the two men and come to an amicable solution.

Women tend to be more collaborative and less hot headed. If this doesn't work, get back to me and I'll go back to the drawing board.

Best. Frankie

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Comments and letters can be sent to Frankie at dearfrankiecolumn@gmail. com. The Fairhaven Neighborhood News publishes the Dear Frankie column. To receive a free online subscription. readers can email neighbnews@comcast. net, request their name be added to the email list or visit www.neighbnews. com to read the paper online or to download the latest issue.







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Grades: K-5 Dates: 4/18/22—4/21/22. Time: Drop off between 8 & 8:15, pick up by 3PM. Cost: Member \$120/Non Member \$145

"HIP-HOP" Dance Class

Come take class with a dancer from the Celtics games! Join in on the fun of learning the latest dance moves to the most popular music out right now! Students will learn various dances to popular songs. This class incorporates choreography different forms of freestyle movement. At the end of the 6 week session, the children will have a short performance of their hard work. Different dances are taught every session. No experience necessary. AGE: 5yrs.-13yrs. DAY: Wednesdays TIME: 3-3:45PM

Annie Musical Theatre Class

Come join in on the fun of learning how to take part in a musical theatre performance. Children will learn the basics of putting together a production. In this class, boys and girls will audition for a role in the musical "Annie's Medley Excerpts." This play has been rewritten along the theme of the original "Annie." Children will sing, dance, and act their way into a world of excitement. Costumes are encouraged, but not necessary. No experience needed. Everyone receives a speaking role of some kind.

AGE: 5yrs.-13yrs. DAY: Wed. TIME: 3:45-4:45 PM; DATES:April 12-May 24, 2023 (No Class 4/19)

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Fairhaven Council on Aging

Culture *Park Theatre Presents

The Uncommon Lunch Presents *Spring Shorts 2023* at the Fairhaven Council on Aging, Tuesday, April 18, 1 p.m. Presenting Staged Reading of Comedic and Playfully Dramatic Plays! Please call The Fairhaven Senior Center to reserve your seat (508-979-4029). If you would like to attend the lunch before the play please let the Senior Center know before April 16th, (Chicken and Rice paella, Chickpeas blend veg. Oatmeal Roll, mix fruit)

Music at the Sr Ctr

Jordan Paiva coming to the COA on April 27, 12-2:00 p.m. Lots of fun and good music please call 508-979-4029 to reserve a spot.

Waking Trip

Pilgrim Memorial State Park, April 20, Walking Trip with Patsy. The bus will leave promptly at 8:30 a.m. (\$10.00) please call to reserve your seat.

Social Day Program

The Fairhaven Social Day Program provides a fun day of activities for seniors who are in need of supervision or just want to spend the day socializing with others. The program is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-3:00. Lunch is provided and transportation can be arranged at an additional fee.

For more information, please call 508-993-9455 and ask for Sally Bourke.

Join Us for Lunch

We serve lunch every weekday at 11:30 a.m. To schedule a lunch, call the day before by 10 a.m. Voluntary donation of \$2. To let us know you want to join us, and to arrange for a ride, call 508-979-4029.

Technology Classes

The Fairhaven Senior Center will host a series of technology classes from basic/novice to expert. All classes will be 90 minutes long, Monday and Wednesday only. Each class will be rated as to how much computer skill the participate should have: (maximum number of participants 10) All participants must preregister for the classes they want to take by either the phone or at the main desk. Next classes:

• Mon, & Wed., 4/24 & 26: How to use YouTube Creator. Class will learn how to create their own YouTube channel and how to navigate the YouTube Creator. Participants must have a Google Gmail Account and at least one video saved on their smartphone or their personal laptop.

Mall Trips

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.: 4/19, Hyannis Mall, Xmas Shop, Trader Joe's, Whole Foods; 4/26, Garden City, Cranston, RI; 5/3, Plain Ridge Park Casino.

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Ferro says "Thank You"

Dear people of Fairhaven,

For the past three years, I had the privilege of serving you in elected office as one of the five commissioners on the Board of Public Works.

However, due to the growing responsibilities in my professional career as a talk radio host on WBSM, as well as working in the nonprofit sector, I have decided to resign from my position on the BPW.

The public works department in any town or city provides the most fundamental services that people expect from their municipal government: water, sewer, trash collection, and the maintenance of roads and public spaces.

During my time on the BPW we were able to oversee major projects that will save ratepayers money such as upgrades to the treatment plants and an overhaul of the water meter systems.

We also made key personnel decisions that ensure our Department of Public Works is in capable hands for the foreseeable future.

Most importantly, we were able to

From our readers

add accessibility mats for the Town Beach on West Island and purchase a new beach wheelchair that will allow those who use assisted mobility devices the ability to enjoy the most pristine shores in the Commonwealth.

I want to thank the hard working employees of the BPW, as well as Superintendent Vinnie Furtado, Office Manager Rebecca Vento and BPW Chair Brian Wotton for their experienced and steady-handed leadership.

Thanks to my fellow commissioners who I had the honor of serving with: Anne Smith, Cameron Durant, Frank Coelho, Travis Rapoza, Steve Riley and Hoppy. And most of all, I want to thank the people of Fairhaven for the opportunity to serve them in elected office as a Board of Public Works Commissioner.

Marcus D. Ferro, Esq., Fairhaven

Government, Mystics and Mushrooms...

Mr Grossman, seeing that you brought up mystics and mushrooms in last week's letter...

To the mystic heart, left and right are the identical, in that they are both

directions.

Blue and red are the same, in that, they are both colorful.

They are not good or bad colors, unless we think they are.

And what we think individually and collectively, is what we paint with our colors.

Activity is self perception.

The light of the mystics paint with rainbow colors on their clear canvas.

Blue and red are essential primary colors to the rainbow palate of life.

Both colors have value. By blending and mixing colors harmoniously, mystics can bring more value to the canvas, and paint beautiful pictures.

Individuality and the common good are to the mystic, the microcosm and the macrocosm, which of course includes the entire cosmos and beyond.

"No one is too small to make a difference" [quote from the IRA].

"And no one is too big to help out" [from the WeForum].

Both of these ideas blend well to the mystic.

No man is an island and no man is

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Cold weather doesn't dampen egg hunt fun

By Beth David Editor

The North Fairhaven Improvement Association's annual egg hunt saw hundreds of participants despite a very chilly Saturday morning 4/8/23.

This year, organizers managed to send off each age group separately (well, mostly). Hunters of all ages participated, although the adults managed to let the kids pick up the eggs (well, mostly).

Michelle was there wit her children. She said it was her favorite part of Easter growing up.

"Introducing my kids to it is awesome, it's so much fun," she said.

Young Zachary was excited that he found a wooden, numbered egg, so he got a special gift, a Teddy Bear.

"When I go to bed, I'm going to sleep with him," he said.

Participants hunted for plastic eggs that had goodies in them. They also collected wooden numbered eggs for special prizes. And everyone got a raffle ticket for a chance to win an Easter basket. Free hot chocolate was also a big hit, to help take the chill out.

NFIA President Pauline Parker emceed the event, Fairhaven's Emergency Management Agency provided the sound system and helped with other logistics. Ms. Parker thanked NFIA family and friends; Barry Parker; Miss New Bedford, Tori Kalisz; Miss New Bedford Outstanding Teen, Jaime St. Onge; Vila Verde restaurant; Dorothy Cox Chocolates; Davis and Sawyer Jones; Fred and Peggy Raphael; Deb Davis; Dr. Brian Bowcock; Sara Sturtevant; Boy Scout Troop 52; EMA Larry, Stephanie, Nick.





ABOVE LEFT: Children in the 5-8 age group gather up eggs in the skate park at Livesey Park in Fairhaven during the annual egg hunt sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association on 4/8/23. ABOVE RIGHT L-R FRONT: Gabby, Layla, and Kori pose with Miss New Bedford Tori Kalisz (LEFT), and Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen Jaime St. Onge. BELOW LEFT: Rilynn poses with the Easter Bunny. BELOW MIDDLE: Autumn Santos carries her treasure. BELOW RIGHT: Sadie shows the two gifts she received because she found two numbered eggs. *Photos by Beth David*.



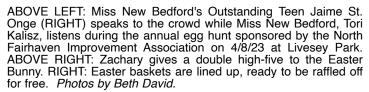




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More pictures from the egg hunt









Fairhaven Lions Club donates to Hungry Heroes event



On March 25th members of the Fairhaven Lions Club District 33S donated food to the "Hunger Heroes" event sponsored by United Way at Aldis in Dartmouth, MA. All food collected was to be packaged into kid-friendly food packs by Hunger Hero volunteers and donated to local school districts to be distributed in time for April vacation. ABOVE: Boxes are lined up and food sorted. ABOVE RIGHT: Fairhaven Lions Club District 33S members pose for a group photo with items they donated. L-R: Fairhaven Lions Club President Bill Moniz, members Rebecca Harrison, Lisa Forcier, Karen Pratt, Lauren Pratt, Louise Quintin, Don Clattenburg. RIGHT: Fairhaven Lions Club members unload food. *Photos by Glenn C. Silva*.





Acushnet continues PJK permit hearing

By Beth David Editor

In a joint meeting of the Acushnet Selectboard and Soil Board 4/11/23, the town met with a representative of PJ Keating to choose a peer review consultant to review the Soil Removal Permit Application filed by PJK. The hearing on 4/11 was a continuation of a public hearing that last opened on 3/7. The Soil Board is comprised of Selectboard members, with David Wojnar the chair of the Selectboard and Kevin Gaspar the chair of the Soil Board.

At the 3/7 meeting, the board and company went over the application in some detail and continued the hearing while both sides came up with names of peer review consultants.

The town submitted three names and an alternate, and the company submitted three names. No one chose the same company.

The town said its preference was for Weston and Sampson because they are local. They also submitted Wilcox & Barton, Geosyntec, and GDA.

Attorney Luke Legere, representing PJK, said they had concerns that Weston & Sampson did not have the geotechnical level of expertise required.

He said Geosyntec and GDA would probably be the best fit.

Mr. Gaspar said that W&S said they have a geologist and hydrologist on staff, so he believed they could do the job.

Mr. Wojnar asked if PJK had any business with any of the firms mentioned, saying he did not want to get into any conflicts of interest.

Mr. Legere said he believed they did not, but had only gotten the names just before the meeting. He said he is "certainly" aware of the companies, but has no experience working with them.

The board also discussed the possibility of logistical problems, if the firms are too busy to take on the job immediately.

Mr. Legere also noted that someone mentioned Tighe & Bond as possibility.

"I'm very confident they would be qualified as well," said Mr. Legere.

After more discussion, Mr. Gaspar

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said that Town Administrator Jaime Kelley had chosen the firms and is familiar with them, so he would be comfortable using Geosyntec or GDA.

The two boards voted in a join motion to contact Geosyntec, and GDA as an alternate.

Mr. Gaspar stressed that the company should notify the town immediately if they find a conflict.

Mr. Legere assured the down board that it is in the best interest of PJK to get the work done as quickly as possible. In a related matter, Mr. Gaspar asked for plans on existing conditions at the quarry. He said the plans they got were outdated.

Mr. Legere said those plans were in the process of being drawn up.

"We heard that request loud and clear," he said.

Mr. Gaspar also asked if PJK had any recommendations or suggestions on any of the conditions of the permit that they "just can't meet," such as the sloping of the quarry walls.

Mr. Legere said they had nothing to add but they have "not lost sight of it"

Only one member of the public commented.

David Desroches said the permit application asks for a number of variances, but the soil bylaw does not have a variance paragraph. He said they need to go to Town Meeting to change a bylaw and get a 2/3 vote.

Mr. Gaspar noted that most bylaws have a variance provision, but it was left out of that one.

"That's a discussion we may have to have," he said.

The board continued the hearing to Wednesday, 4/26, at 4 p.m. at the Council on Aging/Senior Center.

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Acushnet **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven** Conservation Commission

Monday, March 13, 2023 at 6:00pm Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts
Pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022

(extension), public bodies will continue holding meetings remotely without a quorum of the public body physically present at a meeting location, but will now provide "adequate/alternative" access to members of the public. Access the meeting via remote means in

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Passcode: 633695 In-person attendance is permitted for the public at Town Hall at 40 Center Street

The meeting can also be viewed on Channel 18 or on FairhavenTV.com.

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold

the following Public Hearing pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter Wetlands

1. CON 023-343: 6 Camel Street, Assessor's Map 29, Lot 63 Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Eric Moniz for the construction of a detached garage with associated driveway. The proposed garage falls within the 100-foot buffer zone to a wetland resource area with most of the proposed building and driveway falling outside the buffer zone. This property is located at Assessor's Map 29, Lot 63.

In sproperty is located at Assessor's Map 29, Lot ob.
2. SE 023-1408, CON 023-344: 481 Sconticut Neck
Road, Assessor's Map 29, Lot 027 Abbreviated
Notice of Resource Area Delineation filed by Antono
Arruda to review and verify the delineated wetlands.
The location includes Bordering Vegetated Wetlands
(DVM) and is leaved at Assessor's Map 20. (BVW) and is located at Assessor's Map 29, Lot 27.

Information regarding remote meeting access, listed above, will also be provided on the Conservation Agenda posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be viewed at the Conservation Office in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. Geoff Haworth, Chair, Fairhaven Conservation Commission

FNN: 4/13/23

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby giving notice that a meeting will be held by the Board on Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street.

- The following public hearings will be held

 1. Case #2023.04.18A A case of Thomas & Julie Bosworth, of 105 Rockland Street in Dartmouth, who are petitioning the Board to be able to convert a single family house into a two-family dwelling on a lot with minimum 30,000 square foot area at 188 Middle Road. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.4.B.5.
- Case #2023.04.18B A case of Frank Simmons, of 835R Middle Road, who is petitioning the Board to be able to convert a non-conforming lot and structure Street. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1.E.2. from a garage into a single-family home at 46 Victor

**** Plans are available for public view in the Town Clerk's office, 130 Main St., Acushnet, during their normal business hours ***

FNN, 4/6/23, 4/13/23

FAIRHAVEN SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 6:30 pm Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Select Board will conduct a Public Hearing at **6:30 P.M. on Tuesday April 18, 2023**, in the Town Hall, 40 Center

Street, Fairhaven, MA.

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the discontinuance of an accepted street, Shirley Street. The location is Shirley Street (formerly Old Alden Road) south of Jason Terrace and north of 4 Shirley Street (Map 26 Lot 13M).

Stasia Powers Leon Correy III Robert Espindola Keith Silvia Charles Murphy FNN: 4/6/23, 4/13/23

FAIRHAVEN PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING**

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 6:30 pm Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Notice is nereby given that the Fairnaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday April 25, 2023 at Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. The Planning Board Meeting will be conducted in Town Hall and remotely and will be televised live on Fairhaven TV Channel 18 and fairhaventv. com. To Join the Meeting from home Log on to: https://zoom.us/j/93163358101?pwd=NXg5WnUxZ3ILK3drsVBBM2JPTXEQQT09 or call 1-929-205-6099 - Meeting ID: 931 6335 8101 -

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The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following Definitive Subdivision application: 1) DS 2023-01-Seaport Homes Subdivision, a 2-Lot Subdivision. The applicants, Seaport Homes LLC, represented by Farland Corporation Inc., are requesting approval through the Definitive Subdivision review process to create a 2-lot subdivision and create a road standard for Map 30A Lots 85M and 85N. The location is near the terminus of Route 240 north of Route 6 at the end of Lincoln Drive (an accepted street) and Jason Terrace (an unaccepted street). The northerly lot currently has 40' of frontage on an accepted street and the other lot has none. The plan shows a 16-foot wide gravel road connecting Lincoln Drive and Jason Terrace that is currently a paper street.

A copy of the application is on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall by appointment and on the Town website. To schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4023, Ext. 8122 or go to: https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-board/pages/current-permits-being-reviewed-special-permits-definitive-. subdivisions

Cathy Melanson, Chairperson of the Fairhaven Planning Board FNN: 4/6/23, 4/13/23

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The 2023 Annual Meeting of the Proprietors of the Riverside Cemetery Corporation will be held starting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 29, 2023 in the Crematorium Office, River Avenue, Fairhaven. The meeting's business will include the presentation of annual reports and the election of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees of the Corporation will meet immediately after the 2023 Annual Meeting. The business of the first organizational meeting of trustees will include the election of officers, the formation of committees, the approval of an auditor and considera-tion of the Budget of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024

Riverside Cemetery Corporation Frederic D. Grant, Jr., Presid Rhet DeNault, Clerk FNN 4/13/23

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS** REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Sealed bids for Construction of: FORCE MAIN ACCESS MANHOLES -PHASE 1 - CONTRACT 29 for the Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts, acting by its Board of Public Works will

be received at the Office of the Board of Public Works, be received at the Office of the board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts, until 1:00 o'clock P.M., prevailing time, on Thursday, May 11, 2023 and at that time opened publicly and read aloud in the adjacent meeting room. A Pre-bid meeting will be held on Friday April 28, 2023 1 o'clock P.M. on Microsoft

The proposed work to be done under this contract includes installing six access manholes, four on the South Street force main system and two on the Taber Street force main system and ancillary work including wastewater bypass pumping, environmental protection, and traffic management.

It is the intention of the Owner to award the Contract to the lowest qualified responsive bidder. The bidder must submit a bid on all items in the Schedule of Prices. The Owner reserves the right to award the Contract based on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Bidders are responsible for assessing the actual field conditions at all the areas in which the work will take place prior to preparing and submitting a bid on this contract.

The Contract Documents, including Specifications and Drawings, may be examined at the Office of the Board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts, and at the office of Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 45 Blue Sky Drive, 3rd Floor, Burlington, Massachusetts, on and after Wednesday, April 12, 2023, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded as a Portable Document Format (PDF) file free of charge at www. accentblueprints.com. Copies may be obtained for a fee accentifiliperints.com. Copies may be obtained for a fee by completing an order online or by calling 978-362-8038 for each set. Completed orders may be picked up at the office of Accent Printing located at 99 Chelmsford Road, North Billerica, MA 01862 (978-362-8038), from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Copies may also be shipped to prospective bidders for an additional charge to cover handling and mailing fees. All payments for printing and shipping are nonrefundable. For addition to the project plan holder's list to quarantee receipt of addenda, it is plan holder's list to guarantee receipt of addenda, it is recommended interested bidders obtain the Contract Documents directly from Accent. Interested bidders will be prompted to register an email address with Accent to access the documents.

Each Bid must be accompanied by bid security in the form of a bid bond, certified check, treasurer's check, or cashier's check drawn on or issued by a responsible bank or trust company made payable to the Town of Fairhaven. The amount of such bid security shall be five percent of the value of the bid.

No bid may be withdrawn within sixty (60) days (not including Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays), after

the date of opening thereof.

Contracts for work under this Proposal will obligate the Contractor and subcontractors not to discriminate in employment practices.

Attention of bidders is called particularly to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum rates to be paid under the

All bidders shall comply with the requirements set h in "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Modified Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity
Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program,"
"The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program Contract Compliance Procedure," and the "Town of Fairhaven Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise Program.

A Performance Bond, and a Labor and Material Payment Bond, each in an amount equal to 100 percent of the Contract price will be required.

Prevailing Wage Rates as determined by the Deputy Director of Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Department of Labor Standards, under the provision of the M.G.L. Ch149, ss. 26 to 27H, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Contractor, before bid opening, to request, if necessary, any additional information on Prevailing Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed work under this Contract.

Liquidated damages in the amount of *One Thousand Dollars* (\$1,000.00) per calendar day shall be affixed in accordance with the liquidated damages requirements stipulated in the Agreement.

The Contractor shall complete all work called for under the Contract Agreement in all parts and requirements within 360 calendar days as specified in the

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participatory to the grand scheme of

things.

We all have a valuable part to play. And may we all keep striving towards active participation for the good of not just ourselves, but for the whole of human life. The world is beautiful when there is not so much noise and bickering going on.

And may some of your ideas mushroom. God knows, we need a million more affordable mushrooms.

Michelle Costen, Fairhaven

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Proposal.

The successful bidder shall be required to submit documentation that all employees to be employed in the work subject to this bid have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration. Any employee found on a worksite subject to this section without documentation of successful completion of a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least 10 hours in duration shall be subject to immediate removal.

Bids for this contract are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30, Section 39M.

The right is reserved to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids received and to award the Contract to any of the contractors bidding on the work if, in the Town's opinion, the best interests of the Town will thereby be promoted.

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Board of Public Works for Fairhaven, MA
FNN 4/1323

Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven

Board of Appeals Tues., 5/2, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 4/24, Arsene St., 5:30 p.m.

Community Preservation Wed., 4/19, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 4/24, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Finance Committee

Thurs., 4/20, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 4/25, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 5/10, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

Select Board

Tues., 4/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Committee

Tues., 4/18, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Board of Appeals

Tues., 4/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Assessors

Wed., 4/26, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Select Board

Mon., 4/24, Town Hall, Time TBA

TIDE TABLE

US Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal/Piney Point

April 2023		HIGH a.m. p.m.		LOW a.m. p.m.	
Thursday	13	0220	1453	0759	2015
Friday	14	0321	1557	0916	2136
Saturday	15	0428	1706	1038	2314
Sunday	16	0535	1806	1153	
Monday	17	0630	1854	0030*	1239*
Tuesday	18	0716	1939	0122*	1317*
Wednesday	19	0801	2022	0211*	1354*
Thursday	20	0846	2107	0300*	1433*
Friday	21	0931	2152	0337*	1510*
Saturday	22	1016	2236	0404*	1545
Sunday	23	1101	2321	0429	1618
Monday	24	1148		0457	1652

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

Don't forget to tell our advertisers you saw their ads in the Neighb News!

Tree planting season has begun

From the Fairhaven Tree Warden
On the 4th and 5th of April we
planted 20 service berry trees which
are native and grow to about 20 feet.
Good underwire trees!

The trees are purchased from a nursery in upstate New York and shipped to the City of Newton where we have a relationship with the tree department to receive them for us.

The trees are "bare root stock" and must be planted within three days of receiving. They are less expensive to buy that way and are easier to plant. They also take hold and develop roots faster than bagged and wired trees.

We have planted 206 trees to date.

We hope to plant 100 per year for 10 years. We lose about 50 trees per year to storm, vehicle damage, disease, bugs and structural issues related to age.

The average life expectancy of a street tree is 9-27 years according to arbor experts at Umass.





LEFT: Fairhaven High School students Andi Dextraze and Lexi Davignon help the Fairhaven Tree Department crew plant a tree on Chestnut Street earlier this month. RIGHT: Loren and Joanna Weeks with their new street tree on Raymond Street. *Photos courtesy of the Fairhaven Tree Department.*

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