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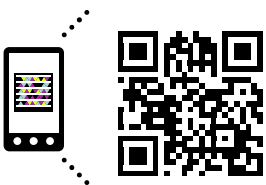
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Teeming with information you need.
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

Concerts in the Center gets 'em dancing



Children draw on the street with chalk while Michelle Senna dances with Penny during a free concert in front of Fairhaven Town Hall featuring Truue on Thursday, 7/20/23, and sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association. See page 12. Photo by Beth David.



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Oh no...the dog days of summer are seriously interfering with my brilliant journalism. And, to add insult to injury, the water flushing has been in the neighborhood.

But, we muddled through.

We have a positively eye-opening story about former Fairhaven elected official Michael Ristuccia (Michael P, not to be confused with Michael J) on page 3. For those of you who revel in the detilas, there are more than 60 documents online that you can delve into. Enjoy!

The Concerts Under the Stars continue (page 12), but there aren't that many left. What fun it is on a Thursday night in the center of Fairhaven! Hundreds of people find a spot on the lawn of the Millicent Library, or around the town hall and listen to free music, while kids play outside and people literally dance in the street. There are oly three left, so be sure to get there soon.

Lots of happenings this weekend and beyond, including the annual Teddy Bear parade on Saturday (see page 13).

Two new events are also happening this weekend. The Firefighters Association is having a Foam Day at Cushman Park (see page 13). Doesn't that sound like fun? Oh, calm down, it's not fire suppressant foam (although it might work for that). It's just Dawn soap and water. Be sure to take your bathing suit.

And the Belonging Committee's DisABILITY Pride event is on Sunday at the Senior Center (see page 13). That's in a nice air conditioned space, too.

Both events will help keep you cool on what is supposed to be a really, really (really) hot weekend.

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Until next week then, see ya

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Glory to the Heroes!*



Publisher Beth David with Charlie, aka Evil Dog

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

\$424K judgment for shoddy work against former elected official

By Beth David
Editor

Michael P. Ristuccia, 75, a former member of the Fairhaven Board of Health and Board of Public Works, both elected positions, lost a lawsuit in Superior Court accusing him of shoddy work. The court awarded \$424,69.98 to Megan Bruce of Dogwood Street, West Island, Fairhaven, for an addition to her house that Mr. Ristuccia built, but is unusable due to its poor construction.

The word "egregious" appeared more than once in court documents describing the violations.

In the default judgment, Justice Thomas F. McGuire, Jr. writes: "While these allegations of fact are deemed admitted due to the defendant's default...they are also well-established by the credible evidence."

A default judgment means the defendant did not show up or did not put on a defense. In this case, Mr. Ristuccia did show up for all the court proceedings, according to Ms. Bruce and Justin Tonnessen, her live-in partner at the time. The court documents show that Mr. Ristuccia

did not produce the necessary discovery and other documents as ordered by the court, nor did he provide a defense.

"The court finds that the defendant's violations of G.L. c. 93A were willful and knowing," reads the judgment, which means the plaintiffs can be awarded multiple damages. "Actual damages amount to \$120,000, as the parties agreed. Due to the egregious nature of the violations, the court awards treble damages, together with reasonable attorney's fees."

The court also added interest to the award.

During the course of the proceedings, which have been going on for several years, the two parties agreed to a settlement of \$120,000, and the matter was put on hold. When Mr. Ristuccia failed to pay the \$120,000, the matter was placed back on the docket, went before a judge, and, ultimately, triple damages plus attorney's fees and interest were awarded to Ms. Bruce.

Both Ms. Bruce and Mr. Tonnessen said that Mr. Ristuccia often told the court he could not remember, saying

he was an old man and it was a long time ago.

"It's disheartening," said Ms. Bruce. "When we bought this house, we were so hopeful."

She and Mr. Tonnessen both said they will have to sell it, and at a loss, because they do not have the money to fix the mess created by Mr. Ristuccia. Neither one of them is hopeful that they will get their money.

Bank records, that are cited in the court documents, show that Mr. Ristuccia likely used their money to pay off others who had disputes with them. He clearly did not use that money to pay for materials, as he was supposed to.

So what did he use to build the addition?

Mr. Tonnessen said they used "stuff he had laying around."

"We have lumber in there that's old and gray and rotten," said Mr. Tonnessen who is an offshore fisherman, and was not able to inspect the work as it progressed.

He said the whole addition needs to be re-engineered. It has to be

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jacked up, it needs support columns, all the windows and door frames need to be replaced.

Mr. Ristuccia also forged Ms. Bruce's name on the building permit. His name does not appear anywhere. He told the court that he gave the permit to Mr. Tonnessen who had Ms. Bruce sign it. But Mr. Tonnessen said he had documented proof that he was at sea when it was signed.

Mr. Ristuccia also did not have any of the work inspected, not the foundation, not the framing, none of it. Then he sheetrocked over all the flaws. The couple did not realize how bad it was until the addition started leaking. They got another contractor in and he noticed some problems.

Mr. Tonnessen said he opened up a wall and found a nightmare: the insulation was the wrong kind for the construction; the construction was not to code for a place so close to the water; there were literally gaps in the framing; no metal strapping.

"It's just a nightmare, the whole thing from top to bottom is just a nightmare," said Mr. Tonnessen.

In a deposition, former Building Commissioner Wayne Fostin states that he was never contacted to perform an inspection on the property. He said the building permit was issued five days before his last day of work when he retired.

"I understand that Mr. Ristuccia testified at this deposition that I was present at 182 Dogwood at his request to conduct a rough framing inspection. This is not true," reads Mr. Fostin's deposition. "I never inspected the premises on any occasion for any reason, either at his request or on my own accord."

Mr. Fostin also states that he reviewed correspondence from his successor that cited "numerous building code and related violations."

"In my capacity as a Building Commissioner for over thirty (30) years, I find that the violations cited on this job are completely egregious and raise grave concerns about the safety and structural integrity of the structure," writes Mr. Fostin.

The judgment includes 10 bullet points detailing specific violations, including:

- The defendant deceived the plaintiff into believing that he was a licensed home improvement contractor who possessed the knowl-

edge and skill to perform the work for which he was hired i.e., construction of an addition to the plaintiff's home, in violation of 940 CMR 3.16 (2).

- The defendant forged the plaintiff's signature on an application for a building permit.
- The defendant failed to obtain necessary building permits and to request necessary inspections by the building inspector for the town of Fairhaven
- The defendant constructed the addition using substandard framing and with other structural defects and concealed those defects from the plaintiff
- The defendant misrepresented to the plaintiff that he paid subcontractors.
- The defendant misappropriated payments given to him by the

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plaintiff for the purpose of paying expenses related to the plaintiff's project.

The court found that the allegations constitute "unfair and deceptive acts" entitling Ms. Bruce to actual damages and attorney's fees. In order to award multiple damages, the defendant's actions need to be willful or knowing, notes the court.

"The court finds the affidavits submitted by the plaintiff to be credible," reads the judgment. "For the reasons set out in detail in those affidavits and the plaintiff's memorandum of law, the court finds that the defendant's violations of G.L. c 93A were willful and knowing."

As the case was proceeding, the couple's attorney put a lien or stop sale on properties owned by Mr. Ristuccia. Mostly, though, they found

that the properties were always owned by someone else: his wife, son, or daughter.

In a more bizarre twist, the original complaint was against Michael J. Ristuccia, who is Mr. Ristuccia's son, and he had no idea his properties were being attached. That mixup took several months to clear up.

Mr. Tonnessen said that at one point, the bank records show that Mr. Ristuccia took their money and deposited it into an LLC. Mr. Ristuccia's grandson withdrew that money, "and it was gone."

"And he hasn't been able to produce any documents to contradict that," said Mr. Tonnessen.

Both Ms. Bruce and Mr. Tonnessen said that Mr. Ristuccia never produced any receipts at all to show where he got the materials or what he spent their money on. Court documents back up their claim.

"He basically pleaded guilty by signing off on the agreement of the \$120,000," said Mr. Tonnessen. "That was him taking culpability for it."

That agreement, however, gave the couple false hope that they would get paid.

"I could go on for days," said Mr. Tonnessen. "If one person doesn't hire him because of this case, it would save a whole heap of trouble."

Both Ms. Bruce and Mr. Tonnessen said they found out too late that Mr. Ristuccia had done the same thing to other people, some with a paper trail in the court system, some that were handled outside the courts.

"I wish others had done it," he added. "I had people say they wish they had, but that doesn't do me any good. Those are just words."

"I just want to make sure he's never able to do this to anyone else again," said Ms. Bruce. "People will read it and come to their own conclusions of what a dirtbag he is."

Mr. Ristuccia did not return a phone call by press time to comment on this story.

All superior court cases and documents are available to the public on the state's website, www.mass.gov. Follow the links for judicial branch and then superior court, then case search. This case can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/5dsr7rcw>

The judgment document is on our website at www.neighbnews.com under archives and the 7/27/23 issue.

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Climate Webinars

The August Climate Reality Massachusetts Southcoast meeting will feature Envision Resilience! The Envision Resilience Challenge is a semester-long design studio, developed by ReMain Nantucket, that connects interdisciplinary teams from university partners with coastal communities to envision adaptive and creative solutions to sea level rise. New Bedford/Fairhaven is the location for the 2023 Envision Resilience challenge. Come learn and find out how you can be involved! Register at <https://bit.ly/3DfPr4Y>

Next Meeting Date

Aug 7, 2023 07:30 PM

Free Concerts

Join us for Concerts Under the Stars, in front of Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven, at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, featuring: James Taylor tribute band, October Road, 7/27; rock & roll, funk & soul by Mojo Kings, 8/3; jazz, pop, rock, blues by G and Friends, 8/10.

Sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association. Held rain or shine.

Teddy Bear Parade

Sat., 7/29. See page 13 for details!

Foam Day

Sat., 7/29. See page 13 for details!

DisABILITY Pride

Sat., 7/29. See page 13 for details!

Huttleston Mktplace

Saturdays, through September 30,, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Fairhaven Visitors Center Lawn/Fairhaven High School Lawn, 141 Main Street, at Route 6, Fairhaven

An outdoor bazaar featuring as many as 76 vendors selling select hand made arts and crafts, quality antiques and vintage collectibles, upcycled items, fresh farm produce, and locally prepared foods. It is a MDAR certified farmers market, allowing certified farm vendors to accept WIC and Senior FMNP coupons. It is held rain or shine.

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Farmer's Market

Opens for the season every Sunday through Oct. 29, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 151 Alden Road. Parking available on premises, 508-496-9209, Allnaturalbeef@comcast.net

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.

Pirates & Privateers

Fridays, 10:00 a.m., through September. WEATHER PERMITTING. Fort Phoenix, south end of Fort St., Fairhaven, MA. Presentation held near fort flagpole and cannons. Also presented by appointment for groups

Hear tales of pirates, Revolutionary War era privateers, and historical Fort Phoenix, presented by Greybeard, an 18th century gunner from the privateer sloop Broome, Abigail Black, a ship's doctor who grows herbal remedies in her village garden when she's not at sea, and Caleb the Powder Monkey, a lad who knows how to load and fire a cannon.

Learn which pirate lore is really just myth based on fiction and what stories are true. This fun interactive presentation includes a demonstration firing of a black powder swivel cannon, a demonstration of early medical practices and more.

For more information, call or email the Office of Tourism, 508-979-4085, FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov.

Dreadful Medicine

Thursday afternoons between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., through September. Weather permitting. At Fort Phoenix, south end of Fort St., Fairhaven, MA Display and discussion near fort flagpole and cannons

Visit with Ezekiel Hale Boggs, a barber-dentist-surgeon from Oxford Village in the 1770s, to learn about tooth pulling, amputation, blood letting, and other scary medical practices in the days before anesthesia and clean tools were the norm. During the American Revolution the village barber-surgeon often provided medical aid on the

battlefield. Mr. Boggs has an extensive collection of medical instruments that were the daily tools of his profession.

On many afternoons Mr. Boggs will be joined by Oxford village midwife Lucy Daggett who cares for village women during childbirth and treats her neighbors' illnesses with useful herbs she grows or collects in the woods. She performs these important duties while still attending to her household duties, making clothing, watching over grandchildren, and keeping the garden and livestock.

Find out where the expression "bite the bullet" comes from or what might be prescribed to cure the "bloody flux." No people will be harmed (we hope) during these entertaining and informative demonstrations. The program is ongoing from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., so spectators may come and go as they please.

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SAVE THE DATES:

WIIA Breakfast

Join the West Island Improvement Association for buffet breakfast on **Sun., 8/6, from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., WI Community Center, 41 Causeway Rd., West Island, Fairhaven.** Includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit, cereal, coffee and juice. **\$10/adults, \$5/children under 12.** Tickets at door. Accessible.

Nautical Yard Sale

Acushnet River Safe Boating Club will hold its second nautical yard sale of the year on Sat., 8/12 (rain date 8/13), from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at ARSBC, 80 Middle St., Fairhaven.

Featuring electronics, fishing equipment, line, cleats, hardware dinghies, motors, services, boats (pix only).

Music Night

The North Fairhaven Improvement Association brings you Music Night, featuring Eddie and the Exciters, on Sun., 8/13, from 4:30-7:30 p.m., at Benoit Square, Fairhaven (intersection of Main and Howland). Free and open to all.

Bring a lawn chair, dancing shoes, and your friends to enjoy some great LIVE music. Malasadas, grilled items, soda, water, and more will be available for purchase.

Summer Concerts

The Summer Sound Series presented by Mayor Jon Mitchell runs through September 15, offering a free concert every other Friday. Alternating between lower Union Street and Purchase Street, these block party events feature high-energy danceable varieties of musical genres and participation from local restaurants and organizations.

The Summer Sound Series will be in the heart of it all, with streets blocked off for the Friday concerts from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Concertgoers can purchase a beverage from participating establishments and experience great live music in a fun, festive atmosphere. This summer's lineup features an eclectic mix of artists.

UNION STREET (between N. Water St. and Route 18):

Aug. 4: Mo Bounce

PURCHASE STREET (between Union and William streets):

Aug. 18: JAMMIN': A Tribute to Bob Marley

Learn more at: destinationnewbedford.org

Hetty's Children

Hetty Green's children were as different as night and day. He, Ned, affable, popular, another generation family of financial leaders. She, Sylvia, was a private, shy introvert who always avoided crowds and the limelight, preferring the quiet and calm of nature.

Colone Ned Green, well known in Padanaram where is \$1,500,000 mansion is located, is noted for his varied spendthrift life style, like his father, Edward Green, believing that money was there to use. Gaining his fame as a railroad trailblazer, Ned also left an impressive record of funding scientific research, and numerous eccentricity projects and hobbies.

Syvia Green Wilks, much like her mother but not as focused on money, spent her time enjoying her home and gardens. Occasionally, she could be seen escaping the city at her Connecticut mansion, attending the opera and enjoying vacations in Newport or Bar Harbor with her husband, Matthew. In later life, Sylvia, then a widower, enjoyed her Lincoln car, always driven by her chauffeur.

The New Bedford Whaling Historical National Park, 33 William Street, New Bedford, continues its summer series of presentations of the city's native, Hetty Green. The last monthly Sunday in July, the topic will focus on Hetty's children, Ned and Sylvia.

Three presentations are scheduled: July 30, Bro and Sis; August 27, "Where is Hetty's Money Now?"; and Sept. 26, Hetty Trivia, when audience members may win famous Hetty nickels. All programs are held at 1 p.m., and free admission.

New Public Art

Acushnet Avenue, the north end's historic international commercial corridor, will soon be adorned at the Nye Street Pocket Park with a captivating contemporary artwork created by activist artist Keith M. Francis. This site-specific sculpture aims to stimulate conversations around the concept of community while celebrating the love for Acushnet Avenue and New Bedford – and adding immense visual appeal to the neighborhood.

How immense? The metal sculpture weighs 3,000 pounds and is 12 feet high by 10 feet wide. It joins a select cadre of public art in the city like James Surls' "Seaflower" and John Magnan's "Habitat" that is site-specific and fully contemporary.

"Love Locks" will be shielded from public view until an unveiling celebration on Wednesday, July 26 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the park – across from the St. Anthony of Padua rectory beside the historic church.

Visit newbedfordcreative.org

SAVE THE DATES:

The Feast

10th annual celebration of the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament, Madeira Field, 50 Madeira Ave., NB, Aug. 3-6. Four days and four stages of free live entertainment.

Thurs., 8/3, 6-11:45 p.m.; Fri., 8/4, 5-11:45; Sat. & Sun., 8/5 & 6, noon to 11:45.

The Feast features continuous live Portuguese & American entertainment at five performance locations. The 2023 Entertainment Committee has been hard at work to continue the

tradition of top-quality, "FREE" Entertainment for folks of all ages!

Featuring traditional Madeiran Portuguese dinner with numerous menu choices for full dinners in the main pavilion. Cook-your-own barbecue beef (carne d'espeto), sweet malassadas (fried dough) plus linguica (sausage) and baccalau (codfish) sandwiches. Hamburgers, hot dogs and French fries. Madeira wine imported in giant casks by special agreement with the Madeiran Government.

Visit <http://feastoftheblessedsacramentcom.ning.com> for schedule of entertainment, kids activities, family fun day, procession, etc.

Mural Installation

The Pilgrim United Church of Christ is celebrating the installation of a mural of Booker T. Washington at its Church Home, 634 Purchase Street, New Bedford, on Thursday, August 10, 2023, at 5:00 pm.

The mural, painted by New Bedford artist Eden Soares, commemorates Washington's visit to this site in 1895 to raise funds for Tuskegee Institute, a historically black college in Tuskegee, Alabama.

The celebration will be part of August's AHA! events. It will include an introduction to the artist; readings by Elliott Talley from Booker T. Washington's autobiography, *Up from Slavery*; and music by City Councilor Shane Burgo. The mural is being installed by Fernandes Masonry.

Refreshments will be offered in the Church Home following the ceremony.

If you have questions, please feel free to write to: pucnbcouncil@gmail.com.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the New Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

This project also received a Wicked Cool Places grant, facilitated by New Bedford Creative at the NBEDC, and funded by the City of New Bedford's Arts, Culture and Tourism Fund, with additional support from Bristol County Savings Bank, Barr Foundation, Mass Cultural Council, and MassDevelopment's TDI Creative Cities Initiative.

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Coin Show

Coin Club of Greater New Bedford 2023 Coin Show, Sun., 7/30, 9-2, at Westport Town Hall Annex, 856 Main St. Free admission.

Bullard Book Avail

Fomer NB mayor John Bullard's book, "Hometown," is now available, published by Spinner Publications. Visit <http://spinnerpub.com/> to order your copy, or pick one up at Davoll's General Store, Dartmouth; The Drawing Room, New Bedford; Eight Cousins, Falmouth; New Bedford Whaling Museum; Partners Village Store, Westport

Meet the author at:

Thurs., 7/27, 3 p.m., Woods Hole Public Library, 581 Woods Hole Rd., Woods Hole, MA.

Grange Fair Vendors Wanted

Acushnet Grange is looking for crafters and people who have jellies, jams, eggs, produce, meats, flowers, herbs and baked goods for sale.

The fair will be Sat., 9/30, from 10am to 3pm at the Grange Hall, 1121 Main St., Acushnet.

All items must be made, grown, baked, etc by vendor. Vendors will need to bring their their own canopies, tables and chairs. Spaces (10x10) are \$25 each and must be paid when application is returned. The Grange is located 1121 Main St, Acushnet. Email grangemac@comcast.net or phone Caroline at 508-

Community Picnic Last Call for Tickets

Don't forget to reserve tickets to the Mattapoissett Community Picnic happening Thurs., 8/3, at 5:30pm. Enjoy scenic harbor views on the waterfront at the Munro Preserve, adjacent to the Mattapoissett wharf, while dining on "buck a shuck" local oysters and your self-catered picnic meal. This is a BYOB event and beer is also available for purchase on site. Music, raffles, and awards.

The Community Picnic raises funds to support the ongoing activities of the Mattapoissett Land Trust and the Mattapoissett Museum. Tables of 4-10 people or individual tickets are available until July 31st at: <https://givebutter.com/GCP> or through the Mattapoissett Museum website. Tickets are \$40/person and include tables, chairs, linens, a great location, one raffle ticket and live music.

Visit Mattapoissettmuseum.org or mattlandtrust.org or call: 774-377-9191.

SAVE THE DATES:

Art Drive

The Art Drive is back for its 15th year! On August 4, 5, and 6, thirty-one artists will share their work in an open studio tour event throughout Dartmouth and Westport. This event, free and open to the public, is intended to be a unique opportunity to visit working artists in their unusual and dramatic studio settings spotted among the area's villages, lovely farm land and sea coast. The Art Drive showcases professional works created by some of the area's premier painters, ceramic artists, photographers, jewelers, fiber artists, woodworkers, and metal artists. Each year members endeavor to improve and enhance the quality and diversity of work offered to visitors.

Art lovers and collectors alike will enjoy a great day trip or weekend escape while touring the historic South Coast towns of Dartmouth and Westport, MA. With only fifteen miles separating the studios, visitors will enjoy a scenic drive through this picturesque area with ample time for a picnic lunch at the beach or dinner at one of the many area restaurants.

Visit us online at www.the-art-drive.com for a list of this year's

participating artists. A list of artist presentations scheduled for the weekend can be found in the "Events" page on the website.

Email theartdrivema@gmail.com with any questions.

Chicken BBQ

By TAZZ. Sat., 8/12, 4-6 p.m., VFW Post 6643, VFW POST 6643, 89 Middleboro Road, East Freetown, MA

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FAYA Registration

Register for Fairhaven Acushnet Youth Athletics Football & Cheerleading now. Fee is \$225, and goes up to \$150 after August 1. Early bird registration ends 6/30 (\$200). To register, visit <https://www.fayabluedevils.org/registration-2015>. Registration fee includes equipment, uniforms.

If you have any questions, please email Sonia Chisholm at romao_s@yahoo.com.

For cheerleading please contact Jen Hassey at fayacheerleading@gmail.com

Auditions

The Marion Art Center announces open auditions for its October production of *These Shining Lives*, written by Melanie Marnich and directed by Pippa Asker on Sat., 8/5, from 10:00am-12:00pm and Sun., 8/6, 5:00-7:00pm at the MAC, 80 Pleasant Street in Marion, MA.

These Shining Lives chronicles the strength and determination of four women considered expendable in their day.

The director will be casting the following main roles: 4 females (various age ranges, 20-40), 2 males (age range 25-35 and 25-65); secondary roles: several small (male) roles for may be filled by main cast, or the director may cast 1-2 additional actors to play multiple small parts. To learn more about character roles and schedule, visit marionartcenter.org/auditions. Please contact director Pippa Asker at pasker@comcast.net with any questions.

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Register early! Our summer program is popular and fills quickly Sign up for 1 week or all 9. Do not miss out, join us! A \$50 deposit is required each week. Multi-child discounts are offered. All staff are CPR certified. Parents must sign their children in and out each day. Children must wear sneakers everyday and bring a refillable water bottle, lunch (Mon-Thu) and snacks.

Each Friday we have a pizza party. Addition information including an informational packet is available on our website

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Ages 13-16. Recreation Staff. Fairhaven Recreation Center. Mon-Fri (2 Weeks), 7:45 AM - 3:30 PM

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CIT Session 4: Jul 31-Aug 11. CIT Session 5: Aug 14-25

In the Counselor In Training (CIT) program, teens will learn to become summer counselors. Included in this program is CPR, early education tips, job interview skills and much more. CIT's will plan and run a theme day for the summer Kool Kids program, run games, assist senior counselors with projects, etc. Field trips and a pizza lunch every Friday are included. Program runs for 2 week sessions. Children who apply to attend a CIT session must interview with the Director and Program Coordinator before being accepted into the program.

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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.

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: 7/26: Wrentham Village; 8/2, Plain Ridge Park Casino; 8/9, Hyannis Mall, XMas Shop, Trader Joe's, Whole Foods.

Monday Movie Matinee

July 24, 12:15 p.m. featuring "The Full Monty!" After losing his job at a steel factory, Gaz (Robert Carlyle) learns that his wife wants to sue him for missed child support payments. Desperate for money, Gaz and his friend Dave (Mark Addy) decide to create their own male striptease act.

The two friends recruit four more men, including their former foreman (Tom Wilkinson) and security guard (Steve Huison). The group promises that their show will succeed because they are willing to go "the Full Monty."

Lunch this day will be Veggie Chili. If you would like to come for lunch prior to the movie, lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. \$2 donation for the lunch. Call 508-979-4029.

Summer Walking Schedule

Summer walking is available in the Recreation Center on Thursdays while the children at the Rec. Summer Camp are away on their field trip. Indoor walking is subject to change if the field trip is outdoors and it is raining.

Scheduled: Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m., July 20, 27, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24.

Memory Cafe

July 27, noon-2 p.m. **Please call to reserve a spot by 7/24, 508-979-4029. Space is limited. Reserve today.**

A Memory Cafe is a gathering that individuals with early to moderate Alzheimer's or other memory loss and their care partner, family or friends can attend. It's a time and place where everyone can interact, find support, establish friendships and share concerns without feeling embarrassed or misunderstood.

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Recipe of the Week

Cherry Delight Dessert

- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs (or crushed Oreo cookies or gingersnaps)
- 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted

Filling

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 carton (8 oz) frozen whipped topping, thawed (3 cups)
- 1 can (21 oz) cherry pie filling

In a bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, confectioners' sugar and butter. Press onto the bottom of a greased 8-in. square pan.

In a large bowl, beat cream cheese and confectioners' sugar until smooth; fold in whipped topping. Spread over crust. Spoon pie filling over top. Refrigerate until set, about 1 hour.

From tasteofhome.com



The nurse wrote my parents a note about my behavior and suggested I see a vet to see if my problem was physical. The vet I saw recommended an assessment for hyperactivity. When the test results came back, I scored off the charts for attention and hyperactivity problems.

The specialist I saw told my mom I had ADHD, which means I have an attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder. I now take a pill that helps me focus and concentrate on what I am doing. I am also being coached by a canine therapist on how to be more organized. I used to, for example, lose

my leash or forget where I buried a bone because I wasn't paying attention.

One of the dogs at the park asked me why I wasn't as

Dear Frankie

The Twins

Dear Frankie,
For years my friend's parents, the bus driver, the lady in the library, and the dogs at doggie daycare have been telling me to lower my bark, calm down, and stop jumping around.

loopy anymore. I told him I have ADHD, take pills, and see a therapist. Since then, he and a few other dogs have been saying I'm a druggie and a psycho.

I should have never told him the truth; now everyone knows I'm a weirdo.

Figaro

Dear Figaro,

You are hardly a weirdo. You are, however, buying into those dogs' bad behavior. Cool it: you have a physical disorder. It's no different than having diabetes and taking insulin.

Speak to your therapist and ask her how other dogs have handled being called names.

Some say, "Sticks and stones will break your bones, but names will never harm you."

That is not bad advice. Don't give these jerks the power to hurt your feelings, and never allow yourself to be defined by dogs who don't know what they are barking about.

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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Lobsters are on ice waiting to be sold at Frye Fish's new fish stand on Alden Road in Fairhaven, where they sell locally caught seafood directly to the public. *Submitted photo.*

Press Release

Introducing Frye Fish Co. — your go-to for Fairhaven's finest seafood! Frye Fish Co. sells fresh, off-the-boat lobsters, scallops and catch of the day weekly at 126 Alden Rd in Fairhaven.

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Concert in the Center has 'em dancing in the street

By Beth David
Editor

Approximately 300 people showed up in the center of Fairhaven with lawn chairs and blankets to listen to some free music in front of town hall by Truue on Thursday, 7/20.

The free Concerts Under the Stars series is sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association (FIA) and features a different band every Thursday at 7 p.m.

The series ends on 8/10, so there are only three left.

Joyce Sykes, who was enjoying the music with three former classmates from the class of 1966, said it was

“beautiful.”

“It’s like sitting in Europe,” said Ms. Sykes, pointing to the Millicent Library and Town Hall.

Her friends agreed, saying the architecture in Fairhaven Center made it special.

Sandra Doucette said England has nothing on Fairhaven.

“It’s not as pretty,” she said. “IT’s like a black and white movie.”

Sharon Dearing and Gary Alegre made their way to the center from New Bedford. They said they try to get to most of the concerts, the genre of music does not matter to them.

“It’s just to get out there,” said Mr.

Alegre.

Children drew on the street with chalk, people danced in the street, and a few booths were set up, too, some with freebies, some with items for sale, including popcorn, water, and Fairhaven wear by the FIA.

Michelle Senna said she dances with her dog Penny every chance they get. And Thursday night was no exception. They danced in the street, with Penny in Ms. Senna’s arm, while the children played with chalk on the street, and other children played lawn games on the lawn of town hall.

There are three more concerts left. See page 5 for details.



ABOVE LEFT: Michelle Senna is quite serious as she dances with Penny while Truue performs in front of Fairhaven Town Hall to about 300 people on Thursday, 7/20/23, as part of the “Concert Under the Stars” series sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association. ABOVE right: Kendyl gets a laugh as Charlie does a somersault in the street during the concert. BELOW LEFT: L-R: Classmates from Fairhaven High School class of 1966, Joyce Sykes, Frank Faria, Sandra Doucette, and Gary Sykes, pose for the local free sheet. BELOW RIGHT: L-R; Sharon Dearing and Gary Alegre of New Bedford, who traveled across the river from New Bedford to listen to the music, pose for a picture during the concert. *Photos by Beth David.*



From the center



Truie, a band that plays rock with a shot of country, performs in front of Fairhaven Town Hall to about 300 people on Thursday, 7/20/23, as part of the "Concert Under the Stars" series sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association. *Photo by Beth David.*

Weekend's events include fun, foam, Teddy bears

Teddy Bear Parade

Join the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven, for the 38th Annual Teddy Bear Parade, Sat., 7/29, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Bring your favorite teddy bear (or any stuffed animal), and enjoy the fun! Bring your bears to the Unitarian Church Lawn, Walnut Street side of the Library. We'll march down to Our Lady's Haven and back. When we return, Daisy D. Dots will be performing and painting faces.

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DisABILITY Pride

To Mark Disability Pride Month and the 33rd Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, The Fairhaven Belonging Committee and M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. are hosting a DisABILITY Pride Event on July 30th from 11am-2pm at the Fairhaven Council on Aging. In case of rain, we will use the Rec Center next door.

July is an occasion to celebrate people with disabilities, honor their inherent and inalienable rights, promote their visibility, and applaud their achievements. While the passage of the ADA opened doors of opportunity for people with disabilities, more work remains to realize its full promise.

The Fairhaven Belonging Committee and M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. are using this opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to support the rights of individuals with disabilities.

July is also a powerful reminder about the importance of disability rights and why we fight for them.

DisABILITY Pride is an expression of the art, advocacy, and resilience that are hallmarks of South Coast's vibrant disability community.

We invite you to this celebration where we will have vendors, resources, a dunk tank, decoration stations for wheelchairs and prosthetics, health and wellness activities, food, and so much more.

For more information please contact: Jessica Fidalgo, Fairhaven Belonging Committee, belonging@fairhaven-ma.gov; or Traci Welch, M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. twelch@molifeinc.com 774-634-7066 774-208-7037

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Alltrust awards scholarships to five

Press Release

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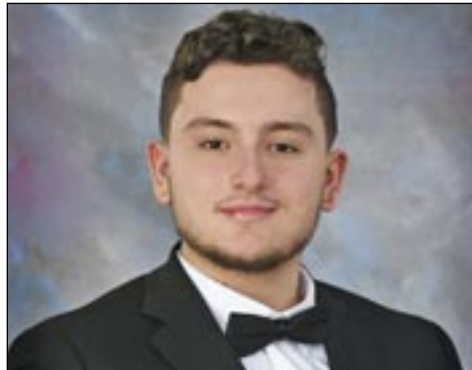
The 2023 Scholarship recipients are: Mikayla Brightman, Bishop Stang

High School; Kate Flannery, Fairhaven High School; Colleen McCarthy, Bristol County Agricultural High School; Emily Santos, Bristol County Agricultural High School; and Adriano Silva, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School.

"We would like to congratulate these graduating seniors as they start their college endeavors." stated

Carmen Sylvester, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Alltrust is proud to reward these hard-working students and assist in guiding them to success as their financial partner while they go through different life milestones."

Alltrust Credit Union congratulates our scholarship recipients and wishes all our student members the best in their future endeavors.



Alltrust Credit Union has awarded \$1,000 scholarships to five graduating high school credit union members entering college as freshmen this fall.

ABOVE LEFT: Mikayla Brightman.
 ABOVE MIDDLE: Kate Flannery.
 ABOVE RIGHT: Colleen McCarthy.
 FAR LEFT: Emily Santos.
 LEFT: Adriano Silva.
Photos submitted.

Fairhaven Mothers' Club awards scholarships

Press Release

The Fairhaven Mothers' Club is pleased to announce the Fairhaven students who have been awarded \$1,000 college scholarships for 2023. The winners are Kaylei Joseph, Fairhaven High School, who will be

studying biology at Bridgewater State University; Collin Johnson, Tabor Academy, attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute; and Brooke Bolger, Fairhaven High School, who will attend the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. All three have

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Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits Project,
Jerusalem Road, Fairhaven, MA

Location of Work: Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Sealed Bids for construction of the Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits Project, Jerusalem Road will be received by the Public Works Department in Fairhaven, Massachusetts until 10:00 a.m., August 10, 2023 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and bids read aloud. Bids submitted after this time will not be accepted. The work involves the following major item(s): The project consists of the construction of Stormwater Retrofits that include both soft and hard edged bioretention areas at four sites along a 1,350 linear foot section of Jerusalem Road.

Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded as a Portable Document Format (PDF) file free of charge on or after Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at www.accentblueprints.com. Printed copies may be obtained for fee by completing an order online or calling 978-362-8038 for each set. Completed orders may be picked up at the office of Accent Blueprints located at 99 Chelmsford Road, (Rear#13) North Billerica, MA 01862 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Printed 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 non-refundable. To be added to the project plan holder's list to guarantee receipt of addenda, it is recommended interested bidders obtain the Contract Documents directly from Accent Blueprints. Interested bidders will be prompted to register an email address with Accent Blueprints to access the documents.

Each bidder must be prequalified in accordance with 720 CMR 5.00, "Prequalification of Contractors" by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division (MassDOT Highway Division) with the class of work as "Drainage" prior to the award of the project with an estimated value of \$351,000 is required.

BID SECURITIES shall be in amount of 5% of the bid and in the form of a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of Massachusetts or a bid bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Massachusetts, made payable to the OWNER.

The successful bidder must furnish a 100% PERFORMANCE and PAYMENT BOND and will be required to execute the Contract Agreement within five (5) days following notification of the acceptance of his Bid. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept any bid, to waive any informality on bids received, and to omit any item or items deemed advisable for the best interests of the OWNER. Bids are subject to Massachusetts-M.G.L. Chapter 30-Section 39M, and to Massachusetts minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. Chapter 149- Sections 26 to 27H inclusive. All costs associated with the preparation of the bids shall be the responsibility of the bidder, regardless of whether or not the Contract is awarded.

In accordance with Article 9 of the General Conditions, the work to be performed under this Contract shall be commenced on the date designated in the Notice to Proceed. All work related to the construction of Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits

Project shall be completed within 60 calendar days.
Board of Public Works for Fairhaven, MA
FNN 7/27/23

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven

Conservation Commission

Monday, August 7, 2023 at 6:00pm
Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be conducted in person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. This means that members of the public body as well as members of the public may access this meeting in person, or via virtual means. In person attendance will be at 40 Center Street, and it is possible that any or all members of the public body may attend remotely, with in-person attendance consisting of members of the public. MGL, Ch. 30a, § 20(f) requires anyone that intends to record any portions of a public meeting, either by audio or video, or both, to notify the Chair at the beginning of the meeting.

Anyone wishing to access the meeting via remote means may do so in the following manner:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86953155076?pwd=VFdUQkhzdVYrNzJlQktlVl9XSGppZz09>
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The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold the following Public Hearings pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands:

1. CON 023-360: 30 Cherry Street, Map 15, Lot 047 Request for Determination filed by Kathy Morin to install a 9-foot wide by 70' long concrete driveway, including driveway entrance at town property and walkway at the end of driveway to the back stairs. The work to take place within Buffer Zone and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (LSCSF) at Assessor's Map 15, Lot 047.

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.

Karen F. Isherwood, Acting Chair
Fairhaven Conservation Commission
FNN: 7/27/23

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice, is hereby given, under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws that, OEA Restaurant Group, Corp., d/b/a Olivia's Restaurant, 1 Middle Street, Fairhaven, MA, Brandon Roderick, Manager, has applied for A Transfer of Restaurant/All Alcoholic Beverages License.

The described premise consists of, 1,477 Sq. Ft., 2 floors. The main floor includes a bar, dining room, open kitchen, 2 bathrooms, dish area with prep and walk-in cooler, with egress on the west, north and south sides of the building. The basement layout includes general

storage, a walk-in cooler, locked liquor storage and a bulk head for deliveries.

A hearing will be held at a Select Board's Meeting, Fairhaven Town Hall, Banquet Room, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

FAIRHAVEN SELECT BOARD
Leon Correy III
Charles Murphy
Stasia Powers
Robert Espindola
Keith Silvia
FNN: 7/27/23

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday August 1, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts
Public Hearing In-Person in Banquet Room or via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/94115137952?pwd=MXpoVWpKTFBEUmluT1pWScTlVzJCQT09>
or call 1-929-205-6099
Meeting ID: 941 1513 7952
Passcode: 361259

1. REF#: ZBA-023-025: 23 Milton Street, Map 20, Lot 145. Applicant and Owner: Jaslyn Sweetman. Applicant seeks a Variance to build a 26' x 26' garage and 12' x 21' 3" breezeway attached to the existing dwelling 5.4 ft. from the front property line as compared to the minimum 20 ft. front setback and 22.5 ft. from the rear property line as compared to the minimum 30 ft. rear setback, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
2. REF#: ZBA-023-026: 174 Dogwood Street, Map 43B, Lots 178, 179, and 182. Applicant and owner: Dean Agius. Applicant seeks a 4 ft. Variance to build a 10 ft. x 29 ft. deck 26.1 ft. from the rear property line as compared to the minimum 30 ft. rear setback, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
3. REF#: ZBA-023-027: Bridge Street, Map 36, Lot 15J. Applicant and owner: Fairhaven Properties, LLC. Applicant seeks an Administrative Appeal of the Building Commissioner's April 4, 2023 determination that a self-storage facility is not an allowed use on the Applicant's property in the Industrial Zoning District and his determination that a self-storage facility is not considered to be a warehouse, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-33 Definitions and word use.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman, Fairhaven ZBA
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Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven

Board of Appeals

Tues., 8/1, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 8/7, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 8/7, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Select Board

Mon., 8/21, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Committee

Tues., 8/15, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Board of Assessors

Thurs., 8/2, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 8/8, Town Hall, 4:30 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

	July 2023		HIGH a.m.	LOW p.m.		LOW a.m.	
Thursday	27	0329	1603	0841	2137		
Friday	28	0431	1707	0937	2242		
Saturday	29	0537	1806	1038	2348		
Sunday	30	0631	1856	1142	----		
Monday	31	0720	1943	0044	1241*		
	Aug. 2023		HIGH a.m.	LOW p.m.		LOW a.m.	
Tuesday	1	0809	2033	0137*	1338*		
Wednesday	2	0901	2125	0232*	1440*		
Thursday	3	0954	2216	0325*	1540*		
Friday	4	1045	2306	0410*	1630*		
Saturday	5	1137	2359	0451*	1717*		
Sunday	6	----	1232	0532*	1809		
Monday	7	0055	1329	0619	1933		
Tuesday	8	0152	1424	0723	2131		
Wednesday	9	0247	1519	0840	2257		
Thursday	10	0344	1619	1017	----		
Friday	11	0451	1725	0004	----		
				1158	----		
Saturday	12	0554	1819	0057	1251		

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Cameron Shave is the bandleader and a South Shore Massachusetts native trumpet player who currently studies at the Manhattan School of Music in New York City. Shave has

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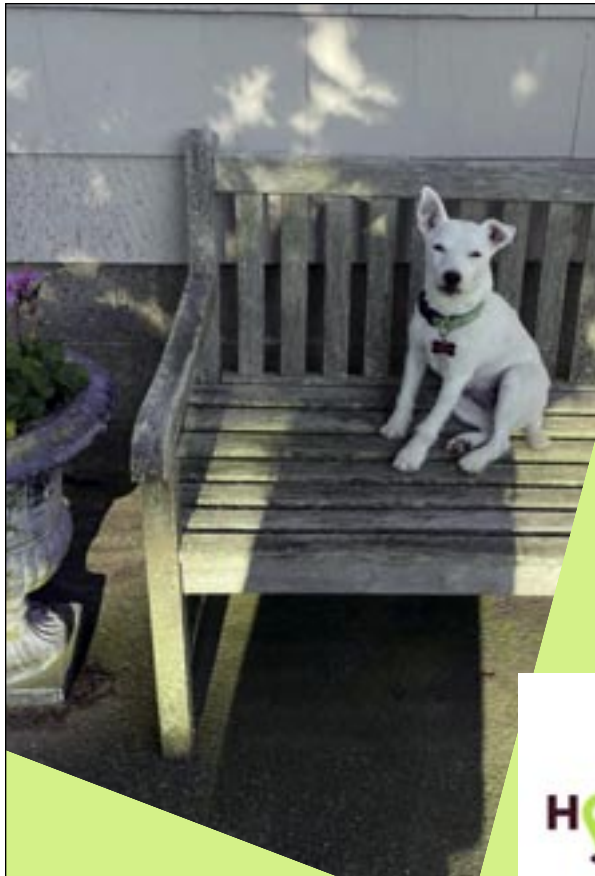
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