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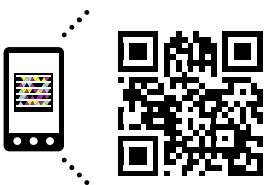
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Teeming with information you need.
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

Apple-Peach Festival heralds change of season



Two children listen as Temporary Phase performs sound checks before their performance at the Apple-Peach Festival in Acushnet on Sunday, 9/10/23. The festival has been held for more than 40 years and heralds the end of the summer, and the beginning of the harvest. See page 12. Photo by Beth David.



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Judge Murray Gurfein, Pentagon Papers case, June 17, 1971:

"The security of the Nation is not at the ramparts alone. Security also lies in the value of our free institutions. A cantankerous press, an obstinate press, a ubiquitous press must be suffered by those in authority in order to preserve the even greater values of freedom of expression and the right of the people to know."

From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

It's hard to believe it's been 22 years since the 9-11 terrorist attacks.

I didn't realize that Acushnet commemorated the day with a short ceremony on Monday. I only realized it now when I just checked. You can see the ceremony on the town's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cCLNcWu1aiQ>

Acushnet's 9-11 memorial is at the Fire Station, 24 Russell St., at Parting Ways near town hall. The memorial features a six-foot steel beam recovered from the World Trade Center site, a piece of the Pentagon building damaged in the attacks, and a stone from the field in Pennsylvania in which Flight 93 crashed.

The public is invited to visit the memorial any time of day or night. It was dedicated on 9/11/11.

Hurricane Lee can't make up its mind. We are in the "cone of uncertainty" (see page 3). It appears it might veer off to the east and leave us with some dangerous rip currents, but not the big winds and rain. But, we won't know until we know. See page 4 for a hurricane checklist. If not Lee, maybe another.

Apple-Peach is back, with parade and pageant. See page 12 for that.

Conrad Roy III's family held the second annual 5k in his memory and to raise money and awareness for Conrad's Law, that would make it illegal to coerce suicide in Mass. See page 13 for that.

There's other stuff in here, of course. As you look through, be sure to notice who our advertisers are so you can tell them you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*.

Until next week then, see ya

*Glory to Ukraine!
Glory to the Heroes!*




Publisher Beth David with Charlie, aka Evil Dog

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Fairhaven annual auction this Saturday

The annual Town of Fairhaven auction is scheduled for Saturday, September 16, at 9:00 a.m. at the Board of Public Works garage, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven.

Cash Only. No Credit or Debit accepted.

Items are from a variety of departments in Fairhaven, including Schools, Fire, Harbormaster. Items include office equipment, tools, furniture, and more.

Some of the items available are:

Town Hall

- 1 large wooden desk
- 1 copy machine
- 1 laserdisc
- 1 credenza
- 1 three-piece couch
- 3 office chairs
- large book holder
- Assorted 3-ring binders

Harbormaster

- 2002 Mercury 50HP boat motor

The Fairhaven Fire Department

- 1 -16' roof ladder
- 1 - 16- roof ladder wood
- 1 - 24' aluminum extension ladder
- 1 Goulds Submersible Pump Electric
- 1 - Homelite 385 gpm gas pump

Recreation Department

- 1 book shelf
- 1 box of assorted VHS and DVD movies
- 1 lawn chair
- 1 vacuum cleaner

Highway Department

- Quincy Compressor Climate Control Unit

School Department

- Laptops (Acer, Asus, HP, Macbook, Microsoft Surface)
- Desktop computers (Dell, iMac)
- Desktop all-in ones
- iPad Mini, iPad
- Phones
- Workstations
- Monitors
- Sound system
- Printers
- Computer tables
- File cabinets
- Furniture (chairs, tables, stools)
- Laptop cart
- Plexiglass desk barriers
- File cabinets
- TV cart
- VCR cart
- Whiteboard
- Refrigerator

Region is in “cone of uncertainty” for Hurricane Lee

Hurricane Lee still can't go which way to go. As of press time, the massive storm is still not quite headed in this direction, but we are not out of danger, either.

It has been as powerful as a category 5, has been downgraded and then upgraded more than once.

It is a large storm, so even if it tracks west, which is looking more likely as time goes on, this area will still get some residual effects from it.

At the very least, the south-facing shores will have swells and waves.

Tropical storm-force winds could extend over 300 miles from Lee's center.

The storm's impact could hit this area on Friday night. Depending on how much it turns east, that could mean big winds, lots of rain, and dangerous rip currents.

At the very least, big waves are predicted for this area. The track of the storm should be better defined around Wednesday afternoon when it turns north.



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Public Notice from the
Friends of the Millicent Library

Friends of the Millicent Library Annual Membership meeting will be at the Millicent Library
45 Center St, Fairhaven (Walnut Street entrance) Library Meeting Room, Wed., 9/27, 6:15 p.m.

We will vote on a slate of officers and format changes made to the bylaws. You may see the revised bylaws on the Friends website or posted on the Friends bulletin board across from the used books for sale.



Following this brief membership meeting at 6:30 p.m., true crime writer and author, Professor Maureen Boyle, will talk about her 2021 book, *The Ghost: The Murder of Police Chief Greg Adams and The Hunt for His Killer*. The award-winning journalist is the author of three true-crime books, including *Shallow Graves: The Hunt for the New Bedford Highway Serial Killer*. She was named New England Journalist of the Year three times and has been honored for her work both regionally and nationally.

Please register for this FREE author talk at www.friendsofthemillicentlibrary.com

Hurricane Checklist

Prepare ahead of time before a hurricane hits. The weather service and local meteorologists will most likely give you a few days notice as storms form in the tropics and make their way up the coast, as is the case with Hurricane Lee right now.

Here is a check list from the American Red Cross on how to prepare for a hurricane. Visit www.redcross.org/prepare.

What to do: Before Make Plans to Stay Safe

Determine your best protection from high winds and flooding. Have a plan to evacuate and a plan to shelter safely.

If advised to evacuate, do so immediately

- You may have to leave your home quickly and go to a safe place.
- Know where you will go, how you will get there and where you will stay.
- Plan well in advance if you will need help leaving or use public transportation.
- Mobile, manufactured, trailer homes and recreational vehicles (RVs) are not safe in high wind events. Plan ahead by preparing to

evacuate to a safe location.

Plan to shelter safely

- Be ready to live without power, water, gas, phone and internet for a long time. Plan for your electrical needs, including cell phones and medical equipment. Talk to your doctor. Plan for backup power.
- Practice going to a designated safe shelter for high winds. The next best protection is a small room with no windows on the lowest level of a sturdy building that is not likely to flood.
- Be aware that flooding can happen quickly. Have a plan to evacuate fast before floodwaters reach you.
- Create a personal support team of people you may assist and who can assist you.

Plan to stay connected

- Sign up for free emergency alerts from your local government. Fairhaven and Acushnet residents can sign up through their fire departments. In Fairhaven, call 508-994-1428, or visit <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/fire-department-ems-ema>; in Acushnet, visit <https://www.acushnet.ma.us/subscribe> or

call 508-998-0250

- Plan to monitor local weather and news.
- Have a backup battery or a way to charge your cell phone.
- Have a battery-powered radio during a power outage.
- Understand the types of alerts that you may receive and have a plan to respond when you receive them.
 - A WATCH means Be Prepared!
 - A WARNING means Take Action!
- Alerts you may receive include: Hurricane Watch & Warning, Tropical Storm Watch & Warning, Extreme Wind Warning, Storm Surge Watch & Warning, Flash Flood Watch & Warning, Flood Watch & Warning.

Gather emergency supplies

Gather food, water and medicine. Stores and pharmacies might be closed. Organize supplies into a Go-Kit and a Stay-at-Home Kit.

- Go-Kit: at least three days of supplies that you can carry with you. Include backup batteries and chargers for your devices
- Stay-at-Home Kit: at least two

CHECKLIST: cont'd on page 17

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Thurs.: 7 a.m.–7 p.m. • Fri.–Sat.: 7 a.m.–8 p.m.

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Millicent Closed

The Millicent Library will be closed all day on Friday, September 15, 2023 for a renovation project at the Walnut Street entrance and public restroom. During this temporary closure, our dedicated staff will engage in professional development activities to further enhance our commitment to providing outstanding services to our valued community.

The project will include the replacement of floor tiles, ensuring a safer and more aesthetically pleasing environment for all library users.

While we understand that this brief closure may cause inconvenience, we sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding as we work diligently to improve our facilities for you. Please note that hold dates and due dates will be extended.

Footsteps for Hunger

St. Joseph Parish is sponsoring a family fun, community event to benefit the Damien and Shepherds Food Pantries. Footsteps for Hunger is a three mile charity walk to be held at the Cushman Park Track on October 1, 2023. The walk is a rain or shine event that will kick off at 11:30am.

So dust off those sneakers and get your team assembled. Teams are encouraged to register on the St. Joseph website, www.saintjosephfairhaven.org/walk

Reach out to family, coworkers and friends for donations. and a plaque will be awarded to the team that raises the most money.

Water and snacks will be provided for all participants.

For those unable to join us at Cushman Park, donations for this event may be placed in the white boxes at the entrances of the church.

Help us raise as much money as possible for these Food Pantries that make such a difference in the lives of so many families.

True to the Blue Author Event

The Fairhaven High School Hall of Fame Committee announces the publication of Buddy Thomas's first book, "True to the Blue." In this

unique publication Buddy Thomas has used his 40+ years of experience covering local high school sports for the Standard-Times to produce a decade-by-decade chronicle of Fairhaven High School sports.

Buddy relied on the archives of the ST to research the first half of the 20th century, including some historic photos of some of the legends of the high school's sports teams. Buddy relies on his experiences of covering local high school sports since 1966 to examine the highlights of the Fairhaven Blue Devils teams in the latter part of the 20th century and the first decade of this century.

Buddy Thomas will be conducting a book signing on Saturday, September 30, at 10:30 am in the auditorium on the ground floor of the Millicent Library. Copies of "True to the Blue" will be on sale for \$25, and the book can also be purchased at the Euro Store at the corner of Center and Main Streets, as well as at the FHS football game vs NB Voc-Tech on Friday, 9/21 at the Concession Stand. The book can also be purchased online at Store.BookBaby.com for the same price plus shipping.

Buddy serves as a consultant to the FHS Hall of Fame Committee and he has asked that all proceeds from the sale of his book go to that committee to assist them in carrying out their mission.

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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, fresh farm produce, and locally prepared foods. Rain or shine.

Sponsored by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism. Learn more at <https://fairhaventours.com/huttleston-marketplace/>.

Old Stone Schoolhouse

After a brief hiatus, The Old Stone Schoolhouse, located at 40 North Street in Fairhaven, MA, will reopen to the public on select Saturdays

through the rest of 2023. Opening hours will be 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on the following dates: September 16th, and 30th; October 21st, November 4th & 18th, and December 2nd, 2023.

"We are extremely pleased to be able to once again open The Old Stone Schoolhouse to the public," said Michael Kelly, a member of the Fairhaven Historical Commission. "This is a hidden gem that made a remarkable contribution to the history of the region, and we look forward to welcoming visitors from near and far."

The Old Stone Schoolhouse is a one-room schoolhouse built in 1828 at a cost of \$520.01, and served as the first public School in Fairhaven, operating until 1896 when the nearby, and much larger, Oxford School opened.

Manjiro Nakahama, a fourteen-year-old Japanese boy who was rescued by a New Bedford whaleship after being shipwrecked on a small island in the Pacific Ocean, attended classes at the Old Stone Schoolhouse. Upon returning to Japan many years later, Manjiro Nakahama would play a role in the negotiations between Commodore Matthew Perry and the Empire of Japan.

For additional information, please contact The Fairhaven Office of Tourism at 508-979-4085.

SAVE THE DATES: Encampment

Saturday and Sunday, 9/30 & 10/1, 10:00 a.m. to sunset Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to Noon on Sunday. Fort Phoenix, Fort Street, Fairhaven, MA

Manjiro Festival

Sat., 10/7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Center and Walnut streets, Fairhaven. A Japanese-American festival commemorating Manjiro Nakahama, the first Japanese person to live in America, and the town's Sister City connection with Tosashimizu, Japan, established in 1987.

Pickleball Clinic

The Fairhaven Pickleball Association will be holding a beginners clinic on Sat., 9/16 & 9/23, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Cushman Park. Email Fairhavenpickleball@gmail.com. Cost is \$30. For more info visit <https://www.fairhavenpickleball.com/>

Palmers Isl Cleanup

Sept. 16, 1–4 p.m. Meet at bottom of Gifford St., New Bedford.

We need lots of volunteers to clean up this 6-acre Palmer's island. Pre-register at operationcleansweep.net (not required). Gloves, pickers and bags provided. Wear close-toed shoes. Sponsored by Operation Cleansweep, Coast Sweep, World Oceans Day.

Author Event

In commemoration of International Underground Railroad Month in September, The New Bedford Historical Society is holding a reading with author Ilyon Woo author of *Master Slave Husband Wife* on Monday, 9/18 at 6:30 at Gallery X., 169 William St., New Bedford.

Master Slave Husband Wife is the remarkable true story of Ellen and William Craft, who escaped slavery through daring, determination, and disguise, with Ellen passing as a wealthy, disabled White man and William posing as "his" slave. The Crafts followed the Underground Railroad to freedom.

In 1848, a young, enslaved couple, Ellen and William Craft, achieved one of the boldest feats of self-emancipation in American history. Posing as master and slave, while sustained by their love as husband and wife, they made their escape together across more than 1,000 miles, riding out in the open on steamboats, carriages, and trains that took them from bondage in Georgia to the free states of the North.

Along the way, they dodged slave traders, military officers, and even friends of their enslavers, who might have revealed their true identities. The tale of their adventure soon made them celebrities, and generated headlines around the country. Americans could not get enough of this charismatic young couple, who traveled another 1,000 miles criss-crossing New England, drawing thunderous applause as they spoke alongside some of the greatest abolitionist luminaries of the day—among them Frederick Douglass and William Wells Brown. The Crafts visited Nathan and Polly Johnson in New Bedford and their courage was celebrated by the New Bedford abolitionists.

But even then, they were not out of danger. With the passage of an infamous new Fugitive Slave Act in 1850, all Americans became accountable for returning refugees like the Crafts to slavery. Then yet another adventure began, as slave hunters came up from Georgia, forcing the Crafts to flee once again—this time from the United States, their lives and thousands more on the line and the stakes never higher.

Ilyon Woo is a New York Times bestselling author. Books will be available with an opportunity for Ms. Woo's signature.

For additional information contact the New Bedford Historical Society at 508-979-8828 or by email at info@nbhistoricalsociety.org

Free Concert

The Summer Sound Series presented by Mayor Jon Mitchell runs through September 15 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. The last concert of the season is this Friday.

PURCHASE STREET (between Union and William streets):

September 15: East Coast Soul

Learn more at: destinationnewbedford.org

Outdoor Concert

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) presents a concert in the garden on Sun., 9/17, at 1 p.m., 396 County St. Broadway in New Bedford includes selections from the great Broadway musicals, including *My Fair Lady*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Phantom of the Opera* and many more. Tenor Austin Burns and pianist Elliott Talley return to the Museum for this performance on the tented patio.

The show will take place rain or shine. In addition to seats under the tent, attendees are welcome to bring lawn chairs to listen from the Museum's historic garden. Picnickers are also welcome. Tickets may be purchased at the door and cost \$15 for general seating on the patio or on the lawn. Student tickets are \$10 with I.D. For more information, contact the Museum at 508-997-1401 or visit the website: rjdmuseum.org.

RJD Annual Mtg

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) Board of Trustees invites the community to the Museum's Annual Meeting on Thurs., 9/21, at 5:30 p.m., 396 County St. The meeting will include a review of the highlights of the past year, recognition of volunteers, and a presentation by Jan DaSilva from the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

Da Silva, the Park's Program Manager for Visitor Experience and Resource Stewardship, will provide a history and overview of the new Abolition Row Local Historic District. In addition, she will present information on New Bedford's Community Preservation Committee and how that program impacts New Bedford. Museum members, donors, and supporters as well as the general public are encouraged to attend the meeting and bring their questions for DaSilva.

Admission to the Annual Meeting and talk is free; a RSVP is requested by phone or email: 508-997-1401; HFortin@rjdmuseum.org.

SAVE THE DATES

Author Event/Bullard

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) and Waterfront Historic Area League (WHALE) will co-present "Hometown: An Author's Talk and Book-signing" with John K. Bullard on Tues., 9/26, 396 County St. Attendees are invited to join the author at 5 p.m. at a reception. The reading will begin at 5:30

Books will be available for purchase (\$34 plus tax) and signing. The event is free and open to the public; a RSVP is requested by phone or email: 508-997-1401; HFortin@rjdmuseum.org. For more information, visit the Museum's website, rjdmuseum.org.

Chowderfest

The 18th annual Blount Fine Foods New Bedford Seaport Chowder Festival, Sat., 9/30, noon to 5 p.m., Pier 3, New Bedford waterfront, featuring local restaurants and caterers competing for your vote.

For tickets visit <http://tinyurl.com/2kkmhrah>: \$15 pre-sale; \$20 day of event; \$75 VIP presale only; \$5 for children 6-12; children under 5, free.

HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

GOP Meeting

Mattapoissett Republican Party Monthly Town Meeting. Working Together to Build a Mattapoissett Majority

The Mattapoissett Republican Party invites everyone interested to join us on Thurs., 9/14, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. This month's guest speaker you don't want to miss is John Milligan, Executive Director MassGOP. Topic: Current State of the MassGOP

Other topics for discussion: Local initiatives; Upcoming events; Sharing ideas with like-minded neighbors Support of candidates in future elections

If interested, please attend or contact Bill Reidy, Chairperson, ChairMattGOP@gmail.com. Visit MattapoissettGOP.com

Family Festival

Seventh annual Lakeville Fall Family Festival, Sat., 9/16 (rain date 9/17), 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., 170, Main St., Lakeville

Free admission. A fun time for all ages, featuring: craft beer by Berkley Beer, live music, face painting, small animal area, local craft vendors, dunk tank, free bounce house and games, food, soda, popcorn,

Sponsored by the Lakeville Lions Clubs.

Auditions

The Marion Art Center announces open auditions for its December production of *Miracle on South Division Street*, written by Tom Dudzick and directed by Donn Tyler and Maura Van Voris. Auditions will take place on Saturday, September 16, 12:00-2:00pm and Sunday, September 17, 1:00-3:00pm in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater, 80 Pleasant Street in Marion. Performance dates are December 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 15, and 16, 2023.

Vendor Fair

The Fairhaven Rotary is holding a vendor fair on Sat., 9/23, at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road (Route 6), Mattapoissett, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Calling all vendors to join us, whether it's handmade, homemade,

or something else. Cost: \$30 per 10x10 table space. Reservations with your payment will secure your spot.

Contact Jeannine, ruby0918@comcast.net; or Pattie, pmederios67@comcast.net

Artisan Fair DATE CHANGE

Sun., 9/17, (change from Sat. due to weather forecast) 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Handy House Artisan Fair and Vintage Market, 202 Hix Bridge Road, Westport MA, 10 AM - 3 PM (Rain date Sep 17)

The Handy House Artisan Fair, organized by the Westport Historical Society, showcases local craftspeople who specialize in skills and traditional crafts commonly practiced in the 18th and 19th century.

Traditional craftsmanship is still very much alive in Westport. The Artisan Fair offers a rare opportunity to meet these craftspeople and learn about their skills through hands on demonstrations. Some artisans will have their work for sale, so it will also be a chance to get a jumpstart on holiday shopping!

Bird Walk

Join the Mattapoissett Land Trust and the Nasketucket Bird Club for a fun and educational beginner's level birding walk! This birding walk will be led by Mike LaBossiere of the Nasketucket Bird Club. It will be a lovely, relaxed morning in nature and an opportunity to learn about local wildlife. Mike will lead us through meadow and a section of woods trail to look for birds.

Sun., 9/17, from 8:00-9:00am, starting from the MLT kiosk at the end of Bowman Rd at the Grace Meadow Preserve. Bring your binoculars and dress appropriately for the outdoors, including sturdy footwear and long pants. This is a free event open to all, no matter your birding ability. Hope to see you there! Email manager@mattlandtrust.org with any questions.

Bike Run

Saint Vincent's Services (SVS) will hold its 18th Annual Motorcycle Run and Raffle presented by Preferred Concrete Corp. on Sun., 9/17k, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The signature event will start rain or shine at 2425 Highland Avenue in Fall River with

kick-stands up promptly at 10:00 a.m. The Massachusetts State Police will escort riders along the scenic back roads of Fall River, Assonet, Berkley, Lakeville, and Somerset and end at the Fall River Elks Lodge on North Main Street.

Tickets for riders, passengers, and attendees are available at www.SaintVincentServices.org or can be purchased on the morning of the Bike Run. To donate a raffle item, please contact Katie Dawkins, at (508) 235-3228 or email kdawkins@saintvincentsservices.org.

Flower Show

Autumn Joy Flower Show, Tues., 9/19, 1-4 p.m.; Wed., 9/20, 9 a.m. to noon, at Round the Bend Farm, 92 Allens Neck Road, South Dartmouth MA. Hosted by The Garden Club of Buzzards Bay and The Little Compton Garden Club. Free and open to the public

The Garden Club of Buzzards Bay and The Little Compton Garden Club and are excited to invite gardening enthusiasts, flower lovers, photographers, and all who appreciate the beauty of nature to attend Autumn Joy, a flower show sanctioned by the Garden Club of America.

This exhibit of gorgeous floral arrangements, plant and flower specimens, conservation initiatives, and photographs of nature will be certain to nourish your soul with nature's bounty. As you view the abundance of floral designs, our hope is you will leave feeling joyful, serene, inspired to garden, and supportive of sustainable agriculture.

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Monday Movie Matinee

Setp. 25, 12:15 p.m. Featuring "Pitch
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group. Injecting some much needed
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Lunch available before the movie,
served at 11:30. If you would like
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Mall Trips

Reservations accepted for mall
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Recipe of the Week

Fresh Rhubarb Pie

- 1 1/3 cups white sugar
- 6 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 double-crust pie pastry
- 4 cups chopped rhubarb
- 1 tablespoon butter

Preheat oven to 450°. Place an oven rack in the lowest position.

Line the bottom and sides of a 9-inch pie plate with one pie crust. Combine sugar and flour in a bowl; sprinkle 1/4 of the sugar mixture over the prepared bottom crust.

Heap rhubarb on top and sprinkle with remaining sugar mixture. Dot with butter and cover with top crust.

Bake pie in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. Reduce temperature to 350° and continue baking until filling is bubbly and crust is golden brown, 40 to 45 minutes. Serve warm or cold.

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that Casey will be 21 years old when he graduates, which is when humans become adults. Human adults, he went on to say, are expected to support themselves and live away from home.

I will turn five in October and will be a canine adult. Does that mean I will have to find a job and live alone? It never occurred to me that I wouldn't always live with my mom, dad, and Casey.

I don't know how to make money, shop for food and leashes, and make vet appointments. Why wasn't I told this earlier so I could have better

Dear Frankie

Adulthood

Dear Frankie,

I heard my parents talking about where my brother Casey might live and work after he graduates from college next year. I asked why he wouldn't live with us. My dad explained

prepared for my adult years?

Claude

Dear Claude,

Hold on. Don't get ahead of yourself. Turning five for most canines means they will switch to adult dog food, regular vet appointments, and a spoonful of castor oil now and then to keep things moving.

You may not be as physically agile or remember as much as you did in your earlier years. So, I suggest you start working on activities to keep mentally sharp, such as puzzles and documentaries that make you think.

Have you thought about taking up a hobby? Spotty learned to make paw print cards and mugs. Now, he sells them for a few bucks a week to support his Modern Dog and Bark Box subscriptions.

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,

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Azorean Whaleboats race in New Bedford waters

By Beth David
Editor

New Bedford hosted the 12th International Azorean Whaleboat Regatta this weekend. Three teams, Faial, Pico and USA competed. All three teams race in all three boats to test their skills.

Races included men's and women's rowing on Friday, and men's and women's sailing on Saturday.

This year, Team Pico took the top spot in all four races, which was a bit of an upset, according to organizer Sarah Quintal. In past years Team Pico excelled at rowing, while Team

Faial excelled at sailing.

So for Team Pico to take all four trophies is "really, really amazing," said Ms. Quintal.

The event was sponsored by the Azorean Maritime Heritage Society. Visit www.azoreanmaritime.org to learn more, or find them on Facebook.



The USA women's sailing team (LEFT) and the Faial women's sailing team (RIGHT) compete in the 12th International Azorean Whaleboat Regatta in New Bedford on Saturday, 9/9/23. Photo by Margie Green Joseph.

Meet Author Regina Mouradian of Buried Treasure Series based in Fairhaven, MA

Stop by my booth at the Huttleston Marketplace, Rte. 6 and Main St., next to Fairhaven High School, on Saturday, Sept. 26 & Sept. 30, to pick up the first two books in the mystery trilogy, *Buried Treasure*, based in Fairhaven. The third book in the series, *Sanctuary*, will be out soon!



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Apple-Peach Festival brings back parade, pageant

By *Beth David*
Editor

The Apple-Peach Festival in Acushnet is back in full swing. The parade is back, after a pandemic related hiatus, and the pageant also returned for the first time since 2019.

Kelsey Peters and Kailey Peters made history as the first siblings to win Miss Apple Peach (Kelsey) and

Junior Miss Apple Peach (Kailey).

Tori Kalisz was finally able to pass the baton after serving since 2019.

The festival has been held for more than 40 years and heralds the end of the summer and the beginning of the harvest.

Hundreds of people packed the grounds at the Long Plain Museum on Main Street to enjoy food, music, and

a variety of vendors selling hand crafted items and other fun stuff.

The parade, organized by Andrew Cioper and the Acushnet Lions Club featured floats, tractors, trucks, and the pageant winners riding in convertibles (of course).

The event is held every year on the weekend after Labor Day.



ABOVE LEFT: L-R: Cathy, Mayla, Marc, and Cara pose for the local free sheet while enjoying the Apple-Peach Festival in Acushnet on Sunday, 9/10/23. Mayla said her favorite part was the food. ABOVE RIGHT: L-R: Authors, Theresa Mackiewicz and Pat Perry, staff the Authors Without Borders booth. BELOW LEFT: Beckham gets a ride from his grandfather, Paul. *Photos by Beth David.* BELOW RIGHT: Kailey Peters, Jr. Miss Apple Peach, rides in a convertible during the parade on Sunday, 9/10. BOTTOM LEFT: The Acushnet Youth Soccer league joins the parade. BOTTOM RIGHT: Tractors are part of the parade on Sunday. *Photos courtesy of the Acushnet Lions Club.*



Conrad Memorial Walk raises money for new law

By Beth David
Editor

The family of Conrad Roy III held the second annual Conrad's Law 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, 9/9/23, at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven. The untimed walk/run raised money to support an effort to pass Conrad's Law, which would make it illegal to coerce suicide in Massachusetts.

Organizers said about 120 people registered to walk/run in the race,

plus volunteers and spectators.

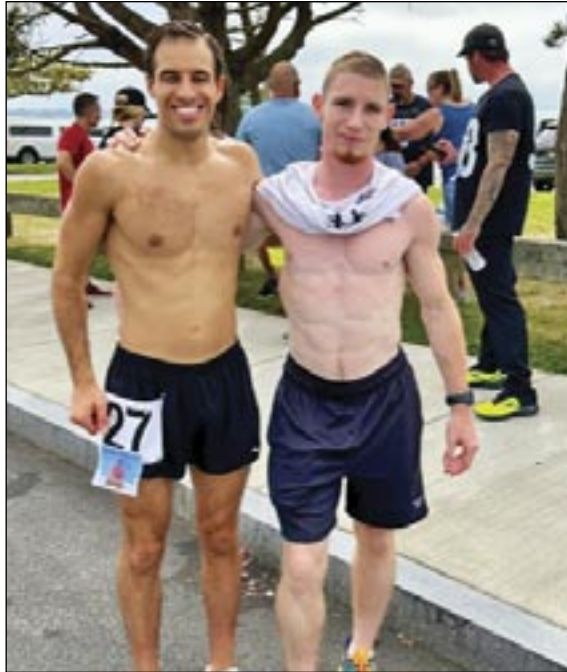
"There were also a ton of younger kids, which was great to see," said Conrad's aunt, Kim Bozzi, who organized the event.

Mr. Roy, 18, was found on July 13, 2014, in his pickup truck with a spent gas-powered water pump in the back seat of the crew-cab. His friend Michelle Carter was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in his death for constantly goading him via

text messages and phone calls to kill himself. The prosecution charged that she did it for attention and sympathy for herself.

Conrad's Law, Bill S.2382, would set a maximum sentences of five years in prison for coercing suicide.

To learn more, find "Conrad's Law" on Facebook, or email conradslawS.2382@gmail.com



The family of Conrad Roy III held the second annual Conrad's Law 5K on Saturday, 9/9/23, at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven. Approximately 120 walkers/runners registered and raised money to pass Conrad's Law, S.2382, which would make it illegal to coerce suicide in Massachusetts. ABOVE : Overall winner Corey Hebert runs in the Conrad's Law 5K on 9/9/23 at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven. RIGHT: Mr. Hebert poses with his friend Peter Rebello after the race. ABOVE RIGHT: Michael Coffey runs in the race. BELOW: Runners and walkers participate. *Photos courtesy of Robert Pina.*



St. Joseph School holds “Hollympic” opening

Press Release

On September 7, 2023, St. Joseph School in Fairhaven, MA, held its Official Kick-off for the “Hollympics-Training to be Champions for Christ.”

All students, holding team-colored pennants, gathered around the flag-pole for the raising of the American flag and for reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The “Hollympic Fire” was lit from the Christ Candle and then passed down the line to each class representative from Pre-School through Grade 8.

Principal Heidi Kuliga, along with the assistant superintendent, Denise Pexeito, cut the ribbons leading into the “Hollympic Stadium.” Students entered while the “Hornpipe” from “Water Music” was playing.

Eighth grader, Grant Sullivan, carried the Hollympic Flame and from its fire the “Hollympic Torch” was lit by Sr. Muriel.

“Let the Torch be a reminder of how we are to be lights for Jesus as we begin the race of our educational

year here at St. Joseph’s School.”

Mrs. Kuliga’s called out the Hollympics Team colors, encouraging the students to wave their pennants and cheer, “Go Team, Go!”

A PowerPoint was shown explaining the meaning of the Olympic rings. A challenge was given to the students to train hard and to play every game with their BEST EFFORT and with EXCELLENCE!

So...Go Teams, Go!

Let the Games Begin!



LEFT: Students of St. Joseph School in Fairhaven gather around the flag pole holding team-colored pennants while reciting the Pledge of Allegiance as part of the official kick-off for the Hollympics Training to be Champions for Christ, which challenges all students to train hard and give their best effort during the educational year. RIGHT: Students wave their team pennants during the assembly, which was part of the kick-off event. *Submitted photos.*

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From our readers

They are Public Servants, Not Serfs.

In response to the letter to the editor entitled "The Role of Municipal Employees" in your September 7, 2023, edition, I would offer the following: The writer says our municipal employees have a "sacred duty" to ensure "the well being and safety of the citizens they serve". However, he goes on to write that our municipal employees "in the quest to protect municipal jobs and secure salaries and pensions there may be a risk of losing sight of the town's greater purpose..."

In the writer's world the term "public servant" would be changed to "public serf".

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- Provide lifesaving emergency medical treatment at a horrendous automobile accident.
- Enter an open-ended ditch in freezing temperatures to repair a broken water or sewer line.
- Politely work with a self-entitled property owner who believes the life safety code applies to everyone

but him (fortunately these are few and far between)

- Venture out in extreme weather conditions to assist boaters in distress

Fairhaven's employees do this work, day in and day out, without complaint. We should recognize their unheralded service to our community by at least paying them a fair and equitable wage because without them Fairhaven would not be the great town we all enjoy today.

However, I do agree with the writer that the solution to keeping property taxes low in Fairhaven (318th lowest average single family house tax bill out of 351 municipalities), we need to focus on economic development to broaden and expand our tax base.

Mark Rees, Fairhaven



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Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 6:30 pm
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Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday September 26, 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:

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The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following applications: 1) **SD23-03** – Sharon Simmons, the owner of 5 Billy's Way, seeks to discontinue the area of a paper road, Torrington Road, that abuts the east side of her property. The property is located at Map 29A Lots 185 & 186. 2) **SP23-06** – 54 Main Street. The applicant, Julio Barbosa, is requesting approval through the Special Permit review process to renovate the existing building to include 12 single bedroom apartments. The

proposal includes Fairhaven Map 9 Lot 78. 3) **SP23-07** – 350 Main Street. The applicant, Julio Barbosa, is requesting approval through the Special Permit review process to renovate the existing theater into a commercial space. The proposal includes Fairhaven Map 19 Lots 257 & 259.

Copies of the applications are 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. 8126 or go to: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-board/pages/current-permits-being-reviewed-special-permits-definitive-subdivisions>

Cathy Melanson, Chair, Planning Board
FNN: 9/7/23, 9/14/23

Acushnet Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby giving notice that a meeting will be held by the Board on Tuesday, September 26th, 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 #2022.11.15A** A case of A&M Family Limited Partnership, of 150 South Main Street, who petitioned the Board on November 15, 2022, regarding an existing Special Permit granted in October 2002 to allow the travel way of an existing drive-thru to exit onto Hope Street. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3 (Use Regulations) of

Zoning Bylaws – 3.1 Applicability. They are requesting a 180-day extension from the current expiration date of December 5, 2023, for the option to exercise the decision made by the Board.

2. **Case #2023.09.26A** A case of Ryan Boyer, of 14 Oliveira Avenue, who is petitioning the Board for a variance to construct a 360 square foot addition. The proposed floor area ratio is 20.25%, which is 5.25% over the maximum allowable percentage. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1. E (5).

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

FNN, 9/14/23, 9/21/23

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

The Fairhaven Select Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 18, 2023 at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall, Banquet Room, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. Purpose for this hearing is to consider approval for an application submitted for a repair license at 164 Sconticut Neck Rd. Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Applicant: Brian Westgate Jr.
New Proposed name: Sconticut Neck Auto LLC

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weeks of supplies.

- Have a one-month supply of medication in a child-proof container and medical supplies or equipment.
- Keep personal, financial and medical records safe and easy to access (hard copies or securely backed up). Consider keeping a list of your medications and dosages on a small card to carry with you.

Protect Your Home/Wind

- Secure or bring inside outdoor items, such as lawn furniture and trash cans, that could be picked up by high winds and hurt someone.
- Anchor objects that would be unsafe to bring inside, such as gas grills and propane tanks.
- Trim or remove trees close enough to fall on your home.
- Protect windows with permanent storm shutters or sheeting.

Protect Your Home/Flood

- Clean out drains, gutters and downspouts.
- Stockpile protective materials such as plastic sheeting and sandbags.
- Consider installing a sump pump with battery backup.
- Consider elevating the heating system, water heater and electric panel.
- Review insurance policies with your agency.

What to do: During

If local authorities advise you to evacuate, go right away.

- Bring your Go-Kit.
- Follow evacuation routes and do

not try to take shortcuts because they may be blocked.

- Check with local officials for shelter locations. Download the Red Cross Emergency App to find shelters near you.

Determine your best protection for high winds and flooding.

- Take shelter in a designated storm shelter or an interior room for high winds.
- Stay away from glass windows and doors.
- Move to higher ground before flooding begins.
- Never walk, swim, or drive through floodwater. Remember, Turn Around! Don't Drown!

What to do: After

Stay Safe

- Wait for officials to say it is safe before going back home.
- Avoid damaged or fallen power lines, poles and downed wires. They can electrocute you.
- Do not touch floodwaters because they may contain sewage, bacteria and chemicals that can make you ill.
- If power is out, use flashlights or battery-powered lanterns to reduce fire risk.
- Be aware of carbon monoxide poisoning. Gasoline, propane, natural gas or charcoal-burning devices should never be used inside a home, basement, garage, tent or camper, or even outside near an open window. Carbon

monoxide can't be seen or smelled, but it can kill you fast. If you start to feel sick, dizzy or weak, get to fresh air right away, do not delay.

Stay Healthy

- When in doubt, throw it out! Throw out food that got wet or warm.
- Ask your healthcare provider about refrigerated medicines.
- Hurricanes and flooding can make drinking water unsafe. Monitor your local health department for information about drinking water safety.

Clean up Safely

- Wear appropriate protective equipment including gloves, goggles and boots.
- Clean and disinfect everything that got wet.
- When cleaning heavy debris, work with a partner.
- Make sure that you have proper training before using equipment, such as chainsaws.
- Heart attacks are a leading cause of deaths after a hurricane. Be mindful of overworking.
- Cleaning up is a big job. Take breaks and take care of yourself.

Take Care of Yourself

- It's normal to have a lot of bad feelings, stress or anxiety.
- Eat healthy food and get enough sleep to help you deal with stress.
- You can contact the Disaster Distress Helpline for free if you need to talk to someone. Call or text 1-800-985-5990.

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Board of Appeals

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Board of Public Works

Mon., 9/11, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

Commission on Disability

Thurs., 9/14, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Conservation Comm

Mon., 9/18, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Economic Development

Thurs., 8/24, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Marine Resources

Thurs., 9/28, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 9/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Select Board

Mon., 9/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sustainability Comm.

Tues., 9/19, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Board of Appeals

Tues., 9/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Historical Commission

Tues., 9/19, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 9/26, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

	Sept. 2023	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	14	0812	2029	0158	1349
Friday	15	0848	2106	0202	1419
Saturday	16	0926	2144	0230	1455
Sunday	17	1004	2223	0304	1533
Monday	18	1042	2303	0340	1610
Tuesday	19	1124	2347	0416	1649
Wednesday	20	----	1213	0454	1731
Thursday	21	0041	1311	0538	1824
Friday	22	0141	1411	0633	1935
Saturday	23	0240	1510	0747	2050
Sunday	24	0342	1615	0902	2202
Monday	25	0452	1724	1016	2317
Tuesday	26	0555	1821	1135	----
Wednesday	27	0646	1909	0016	1238*
Thursday	28	0732	1955	0101*	1332*
Friday	29	0818	2042	0145*	1426*
Saturday	30	0906	2130	0231*	1518*

*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
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Indian restaurant opens in Fairhaven



Press Release

We are proud to announce that we are the first Indian restaurant in Fairhaven.

Our menu showcases authentic regional cuisine, featuring dishes from various parts of the country.

We take pride in our innovative fusion creations, where Indian spices meet international cuisines, offering a unique dining experience. Vegetarian and vegan options abound, while our street food delights and tasting menus allow you to savor a wide range of Indian flavors in one visit. Complement your meal with our special Indian-inspired cocktails and immerse yourself in our culturally-rich ambiance.

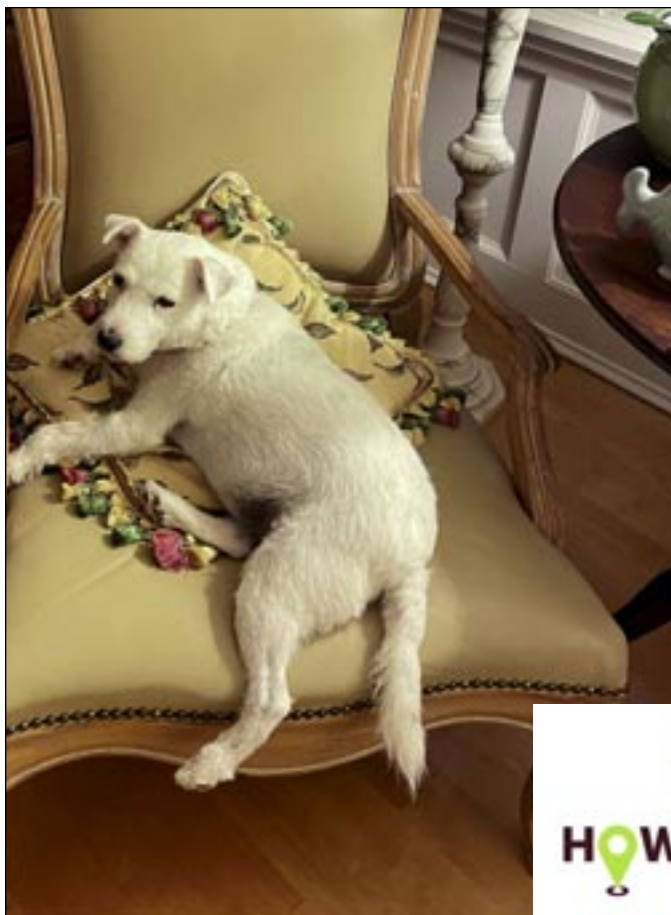
We're not just a restaurant; we're a celebration of Indian culture and cuisine, committed to sustainability and community engagement.

Hours: Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9 p.m.; Thursday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9 p.m.; Friday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9:30 p.m.;

Saturday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 11:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9 p.m.; Monday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., 4:30–9 p.m.; Tuesday, Closed



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