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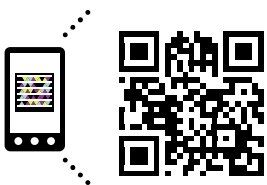
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Teeming with information you need.
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

100 and going strong!



Dorothea Machado of Fairhaven poses with family members, some who traveled from North Carolina, to celebrate her 100th birthday on 9/16/23. See page 12. Photo by Beth David.



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Oh, Acushnet, what fun! Your turn to entertain. (See page 3).

Seriously, though, politicians should have thicker skins. The deal is that a former Select Board member submitted a town meeting article to make the three-member board a five-member board. And the current board chair went kind of batty over it. Hee hee, methinks they little feelings got hurted.

Moving on.

Dorothea is 100 years old! How cool is that? She kind of burst on the scene a couple of years ago speaking at the Veterans Day parade and other events. See page 12 for her words of wisdom. Do I love this job, or do I love this job?

And, now...to some people who almost didn't make it anywhere NEAR 100. A couple of adults took a kid in a canoe during the storm. For real. Honestly, people, have more respect for my Atlantic Ocean or it will swallow you up, literally. See page 14 for that.

Fairhaven had a Select Board meeting, too. Rasputin's is in trouble again, and we have a successor to the police chief, who is retiring in just under a year. See page 4 to hear what Sgt. Daniel Dorgan had to say.

Oh, one more thing...let me preface it with, I love my readers, I really do. But, some of you guys...c'mon! You never made a mistake before (see correction this page)? A few people called and just asked for the address... that's cool. Thank you for reading the *Neighb News*. But a couple of you guys got pretty nasty about it. My favorite (I guess) is the woman who did not leave her name and just gave me what-for in a nasty, smug tone. Well, I guess she's one of the ones who just loves to see me mess up. I'm so glad I was able to give you a little happiness that day.

There's other stuff in here, of course. Be sure to tell our advertisers 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

In our story about Saffron by the Sea, the new Indian restaurant in Fairhaven, we neglected to include the address. It is 110 Middle Street, Fairhaven. We apologize for any confusion our error may have caused.

Acushnet considers five member board...briefly

By Beth David
Editor

Acushnet's Special Town Meeting warrant on November 6, may (or may not) have an article proposing that the Selectboard become a five-member board instead of three. Former Selectboard member, David Desroches, submitted the article with the required number of signatures.

Acushnet Town Clerk Pamela Labonte notified the SB that the article met the legal standard and had to be included in the warrant.

At the 9/12/23 SB meeting, chairperson Kevin Gaspar blasted the proposal, saying that Mr. Desroches was a "sore loser," only proposing the change to make it easier for him to "walk in" to a seat.

Mr. Gaspar also blasted Mr. Desroches for not showing up to the SB meeting that night, and said the article is basically a no-confidence vote of the sitting board.

"It's quite honestly, it's appalling to me," said Mr. Gaspar, adding all members should be appalled, that it would cost taxpayers more money, and add confusion to the board. "I don't see any upside to this."

"The people voted you out, Mr. Desroches, for a reason," said Mr. Gaspar,

adding that now he is petitioning to make the board larger. "I think it's extremely dangerous what we're being asked to do."

He said for Mr. Desroches not to even show up was an "embarrassment" to himself.

"Basically Mickey Mouse and Goofy can now be elected to the Board of Selectmen in this first time around," said Mr. Gaspar, criticizing how the first three vote-getters get in with the candidate receiving the most votes serving three years, the next vote-getter serving two, and the third place winner serving one.

He reiterated his accusation that Mr. Desroches only submitted the article because he lost.

"Disgusting, in my opinion," said Mr. Gaspar. "It's not in the best interests of the town."

He said it was dangerous because it is difficult to get people to run. If there is a vacancy, the SB and town moderator will fill the vacancy, so board members can appoint one of their "buddies" and push an agenda.

He also said it is "bigger government," just the opposite of what state and national trends are.

"What this is demonstrating is that you're a sore loser," said Mr. Gaspar. "No

other selectman has lost an election, and I know much better people than you that have lost an election off this board and maybe they didn't deserve to be knocked off this board but they were by the people just as you were."

And they did not try to increase the size of the board, he added.

"It's an embarrassment," said Mr. Gaspar. "Quite honestly it's a reflection of your character. And I would ask the people to come to Town Meeting on November sixth and shoot this petition down and shoot it down hard."

"I don't know how I can follow that," said SB member David Wojnar. "I will say this. If we do anything at all, it should be an overall examination of town government and how it operates in general."

For example, should the town have elected TM members, elected boards, elected town clerk, etc. But not cherry pick, he said, calling it a "disservice" to the town.

SB member Bob Hinckley said his main reason for being against it was the Open Meeting Law.

"We all make our own individual decisions based off our own research,"

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ACUSHNET GRANGE FAIR

Sat., Sept. 30th 10-3
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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

Rasputin's faces allegations again; TA names new PD chief

By Beth David
Editor

At the Fairhaven Select Board meeting in 9/18/23, Rasputin's Tavern defended itself against allegations it violated laws or regulations in five categories: serving alcohol to underage persons; serving alcohol to intoxicated persons; selling alcohol after hours; disturbances of the peace; failure to comply with an agreement the town and bar came to in 2019 as a way to settle similar complaints.

Fairhaven Police Chief Michael Myers said officers have been called to the establishment more often, they were written up for violations, and the owner, Matthew Cebula, was defiant. Chief Myers said officers fear for their safety when responding to the bar. The PD submitted a series of reports dating back to 2021.

"As you saw, there's a lot there," Chief Myers told the board.

Lt. David Sobral presented a summary to the board, outlining four main incidents from 2021 to 2023.

On September 6, 2021, an officer was driving by and saw a

disturbance, which led to a woman being taken into custody for assault.

On 12/18/21, an officer saw vehicles after hours and looked inside the building where drinking was still going on. This led to an altercation between Mr. Cebula and the officer. Mr. Cebula reportedly said he could serve anyone he wanted to in his bar.

One 5/7/23, charges were filed for assault when the doorman got into an altercation with a police officer who was there to stop after hours drinking.

On 6/11/23, police allege that underage patrons were drinking.

Attorney Tyler Henseler represented Rasputin's and objected to all the submitted reports, calling them "triple hearsay."

He went through each allegation and asked questions of police officers present at the meeting.

For one incident, Mr. Henseler said the underage "drinker" was actually an employee who was not drinking.

Mr. Henseler also disputed that all the cars on the street after 2 a.m. belong to the bar. He even had a car

owner testify that he was dropped off at his car and left without ever going into the bar, even though his name was mentioned in the report. He said he had left his car there because he thought he would go to Rasputin's, but then changed his mind and just left.

Mr. Henseler also said that Mr. Cebula believed he could entertain guests and family members after hours as long as he was not charging them for drinks. Mr. Cebula now knows he cannot do that.

Mr. Henseler told the board that Rasputin's is a Fairhaven "staple" and noted it was used in the movie, "FinestKind."

"This is not the place it was six or seven years ago," said Mr. Henseler.

He said it is a place to get a "quiet drink" and is not "overly rambunctious."

Mr. Henseler also said the board should disregard the older complaints because they were "stale." He said it was a violation of due process.

Town Counsel Heather White reminded the board that the hearing

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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

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, 9/22 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.

Author Event

True crime writer Maureen Boyle will talk about her 2021 book *The Ghost: The Murder of Police Chief Greg Adams and The Hunt for His Killer*, after the Millicent Library's annual meeting on Wed., 9/27, at 6:15 p.m., in the library meeting room, 45 Center St., Walnut Street entrance.

See ad on page 3 for more details.

Fairhaven CPC Accepting Apps

The Fairhaven Community Preservation Committee is accepting applications for the FY25 funding round. The FY25 Community Preservation Submission Guidelines and Application Forms are available on the

Town's Community Preservation Committee Webpage - <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/community-preservation-committee>.

The public hearing for the FY25 Community Preservation Plan will be held on Wednesday 9/20/23. Since 2006, the Fairhaven CPC has appropriated over \$8,400,000 that have created 126 affordable housing units, supported another 362 affordable housing units, protected over 750 acres, created and maintained several recreation facilities, and restored 60 historic preservation projects.

Activities that can be funded are:

- Acquisition, creation, and preservation of Open Space.
 - Creation, preservation, and support of Community Housing.
 - Acquisition, creation, and preservation of Historic Resources.
 - Acquisition, creation, and preservation of land for Recreational Use.
- The Deadline for CPC applications is Friday, 9/29/23 by 12:00 PM.

Further information is available from the Planning and Economic Development Department at (508) 979-4023, Ext. 9109 or email recording secretary@fairhaven-ma.gov.

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From the tree warden

Press Release

Greetings from the Fairhaven Tree Department. What is it you love most about our town? I know I could list so many things, but somewhere near the top I would put the tree lined streets and the character those streets have. Our trees do so much to make our town what it is. The list of benefits are too many to list here, I only get 500 words, but a few big ones are, they cool us, provide storm water mitigation, suck up air pollution and beautify our town.

I just placed our fall tree order for 60 trees we will be planting in November. We hope to plant 40 more next spring. This is to replace the 50 to 70 we have to remove each year due to disease, death, and structural decline. The average life span of a street tree is 7-29 years according to Umass Forestry. The small patch of ground we give them is meager and not what they would get in a natural forest environment.

The 60 trees I just ordered need homes. Believe it or not the most time

consuming part of planting a tree is finding a place for it. I could really use your help finding homes for these trees. If you don't want one maybe your neighbor does. Spread the word and reach out to me if you know of a place. My number is 508-922-1222.

My budget has \$5000 for new trees. This order alone is \$7200. I have made up the difference with donations from some very generous local businesses and private citizens. Koopman Lumber, Bask, and Harvey Industries are some of the companies I need to thank for their generosity. Thanks so much for caring enough about our town to do something.

There are plenty ways to help our tree canopy other than donating. You can be trained to find proper locations for planting trees, learn how to prune the 222 new young trees we have planted in the last few years, install string trimmer guards, weed around trees, water trees, etc. Every person has a skill that can be utilized to make our town more beautiful and

climate resilient. Studies have shown that folks who get out and do things for others live longer happier lives.

An 1870 quote by French theologian Hyacinthe Loysen goes: "These trees which he plants, and under whose shade he shall never sit, he loves them for themselves, and for the sake of his children and his children's children, who are to sit beneath the shadow of their spreading boughs."

So come help for your sake, your kids' sake, and your grandkids' sake.

There is nothing we can do to prevent trees from getting older.

There is little we can do to mitigate the effects of their aging.

But we can build a stronger more vibrant tree canopy by replanting. Please come help.

Donations or inquiries can be sent to the Tree Memorial Gift Fund, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. 02719.

Thank you

Don C. Collasius, Fairhaven Tree Warden, <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/tree-department>

STILL IN TOWN

Huttleston Mktplace Only 2 more

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/>.

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.

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.

Halloween Swap

Drop off clean, used Halloween costumes and decorations in the bin at Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven, from now to October 13th.

On October 14th at Kids Fest, you can pick out items you might want yourself at the Sustainability Committee's Halloween Swap booth!

Costumes should be clean, and non-violent (no gore). Don't limit yourself to just costumes. Jewelry, scarves, crazy hats, anything that can be used for a costume as well as decorations will be accepted.

Drop off Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven. A large bin is located in the entrance.

Contact Ann Richard, with questions: fairhavensustainability@gmail.com

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Author Event

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@rdjmuseum.org. For more information, visit the Museum's website, rdjmuseum.org.

Sonata Saturdays

This free outdoor concert series, now in its third season, is a partnership between New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra (NBSO), and The Drawing Room. The fourth Saturday of each month, small groups of NBSO musicians will delight the neighborhood and summer

visitors with a variety of classical and popular music.

Sonata Saturdays will be held in the garden of the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park Visitor Center, located at 33 William Street, on the 4th Saturday of June, July, August, and September from 4-6pm. Musicians will perform twice each day, with programs beginning at 4-4:45 pm and repeating at 5-5:45 pm. Some chairs provided, but you may also bring your own to secure a seat

September 23: Timothy Macri, flute and Luis Avila, guitar Timothy Macri and Luis Avila have worked as a duo for 10 years. Their programs often include multi-cultural music, classical, show tunes and, occasionally, a vocal or two by Mr. Macri! Impromptu sing-alongs have even been known to break out from time to time! Audiences always find their programs fun and engaging.

Visit www.nbsymphony.org today and shop.anthif.com.

Abolition Row Tour

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House &

Garden Museum (RJD), in partnership with the New Bedford Preservation Society, will offer a walking tour of Abolition Row on Wednesday, September 27, at 6 p.m. This free tour will explore the structures and people connected to the story of abolitionism in New Bedford. The tour will start at the Friends Meeting House which is located at 83 Spring Street near the recently opened Abolition Row Park, proceed down 7th Street, and conclude at the RJD garden with light refreshments.

Jan Da Silva will lead the tour. Da Silva is a member of the Board of Directors of the New Bedford Preservation Society and the Program Manager for Visitor Experience and Resource Stewardship at the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. For more information, visit the Museum's website, rdjmuseum.org.

Hetty Trivia

On Sun., 9/24, Hetty Green fans will have the chance to make some \$\$\$! The richest woman in America, a

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STILL OVERTOWN

century ago, she believed people should work for money, not beg for alms. Now it's time for "Hetty Trivia." Here's your chance.

When the Green family lived in Bellows Falls, VT, Hetty made a habit of giving a nickel in a piggy bank on each child's birthday to teach to be frugal and save. And he son, Colonel Ned Green, always kept a pocket of nickels to toss to groups of neighborhood youngsters. The New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, 33 Williams St., NB, will (almost) continue this tradition, on Sun., 9/24, at 1 p.m.

Each May to September, Mrs. Green escapes from the heat and

humidity of Wall Street to come to Bedford Village for the cool breezes and brawny ocean essence. Her visits include a monthly talk sharing her life as a wizard (not a witch).

All are welcome to join "Hetty Trivia" and, of course, win a nickel, at 1 p.m., with free admission when Dr. Irene Gutierrez, 26-year National Park volunteer and Hetty interpreter, will wrap up Hetty's annual visit.

SAVE THE DATES

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.

Come sample delicious chowders and soups, and cast your vote for your favorite one. Tastings end at 3 p.m. Live music for all ages. Free shuttle rides from The Whale's Tooth parking lot provided by SRTA from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

Vendor Fair

The Fairhaven Rotary is holding a vendor fair on Sat., 9/23, at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett, 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

Bicycle Drive

Bikes for All has continued with its mission to make sure that everyone who wants a bike can get one. Throughout the past two and a half years, generous donations from our community members have enabled our volunteers to refurbish over 150 bicycles. With the help of school counselors and local non-profits, the bikes have been distributed to children and adults throughout Mattapoisett, Rochester, Marion, Fairhaven and New Bedford.

Our Fall Bikes for All bike drive is this Saturday, September 23rd from 9 to 11 am. Please bring your donation to Center School, Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. We are in need of gently used bikes, particularly children's bikes, that you would like to donate.

The next step is refurbishing the donated bikes. A welcome addition to the refurbishing efforts this past

Spring was made by students from Tabor Academy who helped refurbish bikes as part of their community service,

Once again, the Bikes for All team is seeking gently used bikes. Please, none with excessive rust or damage. Interested in helping our repair efforts? Contact Jane Finnerty at JANE.MATTRAIL@gmail.com or call 508-758-4548. Cash donations for parts and safety accessories are welcome. Donations can be made at <https://go-fund.me/fdd10fb2> Please note that your donation is for Bikes for All. Thank you.

Bird Club

Nasketucket Bird Club meeting on Wed., 9/27, at 6:30 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow St. Free and open to all. Featuring *Nasketucket, The Beginnings with Mike Labossiere*. Learn about the history of the Nasketucket Bird Club and how it was founded by the first president of the club Mike Labossiere. Visit <http://nbcbirdclub.com/>

Author Event

Come to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow St., on Sunday September 24 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm to hear Mattapoisett resident and author Kimberly J. Ward talk about her newly released book *Crew of Three: How Bold Dreams and Detailed Plans Launched Our Family's Sailing Adventure*.

Not a sailor but an avid adventurer,

gardener, journal writer, and traveler, learn how Ward's bold dreams and detailed plans launched her family's sailing adventures as she, her husband, and their 10-year-old daughter moved aboard their 34-foot boat for two years and sailed from Massachusetts to Grenada and back.

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Fairhaven Council on Aging

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

Monday Movie Matinee

Sept. 25, 12:15 p.m. Featuring "Pitch Perfect." Beca, a freshman at Barden University, is cajoled into joining The Bellas, her school's all-girl singing group. Injecting some much needed energy into their repertoire, the Bellas take on their male rivals in a campus competition.

Lunch available before the movie, served at 11:30. If you would like lunch before the movie, please mention you would like lunch when you sign up for the movie. A \$2.00 donation towards your meal is greatly appreciated.

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: 9/27, Wrentham Village; 10/4, Twin River Casino; 10/11, Prov. Place & Whole Foods; 10/18, So. Shore Plaza; 10/25, Warwick Mall.

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Killer Shrimp

- 1 tbsp fresh or dried rosemary
- 2 teaspoons thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon fennel seed
- 4 ounces butter
- 3 ounces tomato paste
- 1 teaspoon celery seed
- 2 cloves garlic, peeled & chopped
- 1 tsp crushed red pepper flakes
- 2 quarts clam broth
- 2 pounds shrimp, raw, peeled, deveined

Add the rosemary, the thyme, and the fennel seed to a mortar bowl and use the pestle to break them up until they are partially ground, but still recognizable.

Melt the butter in a large stockpot over low heat.

Add the tomato paste to the butter and cook until it loosens.

Add the spice mixture, the celery seed, the garlic, the crushed red pepper flakes, and the clam broth to the tomato paste mixture and cook, about 1 hour.

Add the shrimp to the broth mixture and simmer, stirring regularly, until they are plump and cooked through, about 2 minutes.

Serve the shrimp in bowls with enough of the broth to completely cover them.

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Dear Frankie

The Perils of Barking

Dear Frankie,
My mom has a hearing impairment. So, I have been trained to bark to let her know when someone comes to the door or walks into our driveway.

The other day, a lady walked by my house when I was sunning myself in the driveway, so I barked at her. She began screaming and ran into the street in front of an approaching car. The driver slammed on his brakes and missed her by inches. My mom came out to see what was going on.

Before my mom could say anything, the lady said she intended to report me to the police and the dog officer because I was a danger to society. My mom tried to explain that I barked because of her handicap. She then apologized for my barking and promised that she would keep me on

the back porch. The lady said it was a little late for that and intended to register a complaint.

Am I going to be arrested, Frankie?
Caroline

Dear Caroline,

What an unfortunate event for all involved. What started with an innocent bark ended with a frightened woman, a terrified driver, a misunderstood mother, and an anxious dog.

If you are reported, I don't think you have much to worry about from a legal point of view. You were on your property when you barked; you didn't growl, rush at her, or bite her. The lady chose to run in the street without looking. She could have caused some serious damage to herself physically and to the driver emotionally.

I suggest your mom call the dog officer and provide your side of the story before the lady files her complaint.

Best, Frankie

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Slim pickin's at Town Auction

By Beth David
Editor

This year's annual town auction to sell surplus property for Fairhaven only netted \$118 on Saturday, 9/16/23. There were no vehicles, and nothing from the Police Department, which usually has at least a few bicycles, which always gets some interest.

Most items went for a few dollars, with only a bout 20 people in the public works garage bidding on items, which were mostly old furniture and useless office equipment. The bulk of the items had no bids at all, including 10 wooden chairs and some cushion chairs, and a few desks.

Select Board chairperson Leon

Correy played auctioneer this year.

Young Jaxon Lussier, 11, and his father got a small water pump for \$1. Young Mr. Lussier said he will clean it up and sell it on Facebook Marketplace. He said he thinks he can get \$20 or \$25 for it. Not a bad rate of return.



LEFT L-R: Fairhaven public works employee Kim Nogueira keeps notes, while Kristen Russell gets three plexiglass partitions for her \$1 bid during Fairhaven's annual surplus property auction on 9/16/23. RIGHT L-R: Fairhaven Select Board chairperson Leon Correy talks up the merits of some old pumps while Jason and Jaxon Lussier contemplate a bid. Photos by Beth David.

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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Dorothea hits three digits!

By Beth David
Editor

Fairhaven's Dorothea Machado, World War II veteran, local speaker, and all-around positive person, celebrated her 100th birthday this weekend. Ms. Machado has been a sought after speaker at veterans events in the past couple of years, talking about her experiences in the Navy, which she joined to be able to travel. She served stateside in WWII and is proud of her desk job that allowed a soldier to fight, she said once or twice when speaking.

On Saturday, 9/16/23, Ms. Machado was joined by about 30 friends and relatives at the Century House (get it?), to celebrate her milestone.

Lots of other people appeared on video to wish her well on her milestone, tell a story or two, and talk about her positive nature.

"I'm getting used to speaking," said Ms. Machado when she got to the microphone with just a handful of notes.

She talked about many people, some in the room, some not, some not alive anymore. She told a story or two, all punctuated with lots of humor.

She said her life is full of love from friends and family, including lots of cousins and their kids, and their kids.'

Her talk was filled with humor and a little gentle teasing here and there.

"I'm laughing at my own jokes," she said at one point with a chuckle.

"She's a realist, I'm a dreamer," she noted of one old friend or relative.

"She laughs at movies, and I like to cry."

She said they get along great, despite the 19 year age difference.

"Everyone's younger than I, my goodness," she said.

She talked about many of her oldest friends, but did not fail to mention one of her newest friends, John Koska, who is going to be 99 in a couple of weeks.

She told him they would be back next year for his 100th.

"Because I don't want to be the only one with three digits," said Ms. Machado.

Ms. Machado's great niece Sonya Bourget traveled from North Carolina for the occasion, along with her mother and brother, Maria Machado, and Michael Machado.

They all said that Dorothea either took them on trips, or helped them make trips somehow so they could see the world beyond their homes.

Dorothea has such a "positive attitude," said Sonya.

"She wants to live," said Maria.



Dorothea Machado of Fairhaven poses near the Century House sign as she celebrates her 100th birthday (get it?) at a party on 9/16/23. Submitted photo. BELOW: Ms. Machado celebrates with John Koska, who is a couple of weeks shy of his 99th birthday. Photo by Beth David.

same place.

Sonya said she went to Portugal and found the ancestral home, and Dorothea sent her off to find it herself.

Ms. Machado, who clearly has all her marbles (and can find them), attributes her long life and good health to keeping engaged with the world.

"I hang around young people," said Ms. Machado. "I'm very active at the Senior Center. I used to be a great walker."

She said everything in moderation. She never smoked, never drank.

"Young people will keep you young," said Ms. Machado. "All my friends are in their seventies and eighties, except John."

And she looks forward to the future and spending time with people.

"I have faith in the next generation coming. There's hope for this world," said Ms. Machado. "I'm not ready to leave it."

She never got married, she said, but had many chances.

"I was too ambitious," she said, adding she had wanted to be a writer, but "procrastination is the thief of time."

Ms. Machado's good friends Kristen and Peter Mathieu also presented a proclamation from the Mass. State Senate recognizing her milestone.



"She's amazing, the life she's led," said Michael. "I feel very blessed that I'm part of it."

Dorothea gave them that gift of travel when they were young, usually around 12.

Maria said Dorothea took them all to different places, including national parks, so they could talk to each other about them and learn about them, instead of talking about the

More from Dorothea's bash



LEFT: Dorothea Machado of Fairhaven speaks to a group of family and friends gathered at the Century House for her 100th birthday celebration on 9/16/23. RIGHT: Ms. Machado reads a citation from the Mass. State Senate, held open for her by her friend Kristen Mathieu. Photos by Beth David.

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was not a court of law so the rules of evidence were not the same. She said they can accept any evidence that they deem credible.

In any case, both sides agree that the alleged violations should be taken as a first offense.

Select Board chairperson Leon Correy questioned how a bar owner who has been in business for 14 years did not know he could have people consuming alcohol after hours.

Mr. Henseler said that Mr. Cebula was misinformed about the rules, but had since had the rules explained to him.

Lt. Sobral said the intent was not to shut the bar down, but just to get them to comply. He said the department did not want things to get out of control as they were a few years ago. He said the department wants to work with them.

"But we need compliance," said Lt. Sobral.

He also said that the older complaint from 2021 was supposed to be submitted, but somehow "fell through the cracks," and they did not realize it until the new allegations surfaced.

In the end, the board voted to continue the hearing until the next meeting.

Also at the meeting, Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison announced that Sergeant Daniel

Dorgan will be the next police chief. Chief Michael Myers is retiring in about 11 months, and will work with Sgt. Dorgan as part of a succession plan.

Ms. Ellison said she chose Sgt. Dorgan because of his calm demeanor.

Sgt. Dorgan told the board the "magnitude of the appointment" was not lost on him and he realized the responsibility that he was stepping into.

"I just hope to make the department proud, the town proud, and my family proud," said Sgt. Dorgan.

In another matter, the board held a public hearing to grant a repair license to Brian Westgate of Sciticut Neck Auto, LLC, to repair cars at 164 Sciticut Neck Road, the former location of Auto Diagnostics.

The board denied the request on the grounds that the property requires the parking lot to be paved, and installation of an MDC trap, which collects spilled hazardous liquids and drains them into an underground tank.

Mr. Westgate and the owner's son said they were getting quotes on the project, but wanted to have a license granted in the meantime.

"I already put everything I had into this," said Mr. Westgate, explaining all the renovations he did to the building.

There was also some question as to why he was operating at all. Mr.

Westgate said he thought he had permission to finish up the cars on the property, while town officials, including the building commissioner, said he only had permission to finish the cars he was actively working on when he was told to stop.

Mr. Westgate said it was a misunderstanding and that he did not take new cars in after that point.

SB member Keith Silvia took objection to that assertion. He said Mr. Westgate should have gotten the license first, before opening up.

Mr. Silvia, who lives on the neck, said he drives by there four times a day and has been seeing new cars come and go.

"So don't lie to me," said Mr. Silvia. "That insulted me."

In the end, the vote was 3-2, with Bob Espindola and Stasia Powers voting to allow Mr. Westgate to operate while he waited for the MDC trap, and Leon Correy, Keith Silvia, and Charlie Murphy voting no.

Mr. Westgate looked a bit confused after the vote.

"It means you don't get the license," said Ms. Ellison.

She recommended he work with the Building Commissioner to figure out what he needed to open and then apply for the license again. Meanwhile, no car repairs can be done at the property.

Storm Watchers



Although Hurricane Lee was pretty much a dud in these parts, it was still a real storm with some impressive gusts. The water by the shore was a stormy gray and active and, well, kind of cool to look at.

Tom and Jane Reardon were visiting from Michigan to attend a wedding in Dartmouth. They rented a place on West island and took a walk along Dogwood Street near Bella Vista Island to check out the surf.

"It's a bit of a dud," said Mr. Reardon. But they did realize how lucky we were to get that dud.

Canoers get in some trouble during storm

By Beth David
Editor

Two adults and one 10-year-old boy took a canoe out on Saturday, 9/15/23, while the remnants of Hurricane Lee, which was a bit of a dud as far as hurricanes go, but caused enough weather to be dangerous for small craft.

The canoers went to Angelica Island off Wilbur Point to dig around with metal detectors. There were four to five foot waves by the time the trio

tried to get back to shore around 4:40 p.m. A resident could see they were in trouble and alerted Fairhaven Harbor-master, Tim Cox.

"They were struggling to get in," said Mr. Cox, until they reached the lee side of Angelica Island.

A rescue boat directed them, but the canoers were able to get back to shore on their own. Fairhaven Fire, Fairhaven Police and New Bedford Police all went to the scene.

"We just assisted them to where

they could make it," said Mr. Cox.

He said they did not have any proper equipment with them. He gave them a booklet on the rules and regulations and what they need for safety equipment. He said he did not get their names, but that they were from North Fairhaven.

Information from the West Island Weather Station Facebook Page, courtesy of ML Baron, was used in this report.

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 said Mr. Hinckley. "With a five member board you can skirt open meeting law competely."

He explained that two members can come to an agreement and "really push an agenda."

"I do not support it," said Mr. Hinckley.

In a phone interview, Mr. Desroches denied that he created the petition because he lost the election. He said he did it after conversations with people who think a five member board should be considered.

He said he is a citizen who has a right

to file a petition, and should not have been so disrespected by the board. He had no obligation to go to the meeting, the matter was strictly a routine vote by the board.

"And for Kevin to take it from that to what it was, and to have the other two guys sit there and let him do that, I feel is a disgrace of the leadership of the town of Acushnet," said Mr. Desroches. "It's small town politics."

He called Mr. Gaspar a "crybully," who antagonizes, intimidates, and then claims he is the victim.

He also said he withdrew the article "due to the overwhelming negative

response" that he received.

"I don't need that shit in my life. I'm not fighting this fight," said Mr. Desroches. "I'm a citizen now. I'm not a politician anymore."

Town Clerk Pamela Labonte said she was not sure if the article needs to legally be on the printed warrant, but she believes it does. At press tim she still had not heard back from the state. If it is on the warrant, it will most likely not be voted on, but will simply be announced as withdrawn by the petitioner.

The meeting is available on demand on the town's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@AcushnetCable>

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Knollmere Beach Association, Inc., Fairhaven, MA will close its private roads to public traffic on Thursday, September 28, 2023

Board of Directors
Knollmere Beach Association, Inc.
9/21/23

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Fairhaven invites sealed proposals for **Digitization of Records**. The Town seeks to contract with a qualified vendor for the purpose of digitizing various records located within Town Hall.

Invitation for Bid documents may be obtained as of Thursday, September 21, 2023. Detailed specifications will be available by emailing ktournier@fairhaven-ma.gov

Bids will be received at the Town of Fairhaven, Town Hall, Selectboard Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 on or before **Thursday, October 12, 2023 @12:00PM**.

Sealed envelopes containing the proposals shall be clearly marked "IFB Digitization of Records"

NOTE: One original copy of each bid shall be submitted. NO faxed or emailed bids will be accepted.

The Town of Fairhaven reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive any informality contained therein, and to award the contract as decided to be in the best interest of the Town.

All proposals for this project are subject to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B as amended.

FNN: 9/21/23

Invitation for Bids

Millicent Library-Terracotta repairs to three (3) chimneys at 45 Center St. Fairhaven, MA.

Bid Documents prepared by Stephen Kelleher Architects, Inc., for the Town of Fairhaven.

Millicent Library Board of Directors the awarding authority. Kyle DeCicco-Carey, Library Director.

Bidding procedures are in accordance with Chapter 149 Section 44A Thru 44L inclusive of the General Laws of Massachusetts. Electronic documents will be available after Sept. 20th, 2023 from the Library Director. A pre-bid conference will be held on Sept. 27th, 2023 at the Millicent Library, 10:00 AM. General Bids are due Oct. 6th, 2023, 2:00 PM at the Library's Director office for an open reading aloud. This is a prevailing wage project with a full performance and labor bond required along with a DECAM certification.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

PROJECT: Park Drive Solar Arrays
LOCATION: 41-47 Park Drive, Acushnet, MA 02743
PROPOSER: Syncarpha Park Drive, LLC

The undersigned is submitting an Environmental Notification Form ("ENF") to the Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs on or before October 31, 2023.

This will initiate review of the above project pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act ("MEPA," M.G.L. c. 30, ss. 61-62L). Copies of the ENF may be obtained from: Rob Bukowski (Weston & Sampson) at 978-532-1900 or by email Bukowski.rob@wseinc.com between the hours of 9:00AM and 5:00PM Monday through Friday.

Electronic copies of the ENF are also being sent to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board of Acushnet.

The Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs will publish notice of the ENF in the Environmental Monitor, receive public comments on the project, and then decide if an Environmental Impact Report is required. A site visit and/or remote consultation session on the project may also be scheduled. All persons wishing to comment on the project, or to be notified of a site visit and/or remote consultation session, should email MEPA@mass.gov or the MEPA analyst listed in the Environmental Monitor. Requests for language translation or other accommodations should be directed to the same email address. Mail correspondence should be directed to the Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, Attention: MEPA Office, referencing the above project.

By Syncarpha Park Drive, LLC
FNN 9/21/23

AVISO PÚBLICO DE REVISÃO AMBIENTAL

PROJETO: Park Drive Solar Arrays
LOCAL: 41-47 Park Drive, Acushnet, MA 02743
PROPOSANTE: Syncarpha Park Drive, LLC

De acordo com os requisitos de envio do Formulário de Notificação Ambiental da Lei de Política Ambiental de Massachusetts para o projeto acima mencionado, todas as comunidades de justiça ambiental devem ser notificadas dentro de uma milha da área do projeto adjacente a Park Drive. Aproximadamente 23 acres de desenvolvimento solar fotovoltaico e aproximadamente 72 acres de parcela. O projeto incluirá uma instalação solar de 7,5 MW (DC) com um sistema de armazenamento de energia de bateria. Não há edifícios propostos. Além das fundações e estantes solares fotovoltaicas, as únicas estruturas serão os blocos dos equipamentos elétricos.

O(A) signatário(a) está enviando, pelo presente documento, um Formulário de notificação ambiental ("ENF") a(o) Secretário(a) de Energy & Environmental Affairs (Questões Ambientais e de Energia) no dia 31 de Outubro, 2023.

Isso iniciará a revisão do projeto mencionado acima de acordo com a Lei de Política Ambiental de Massachusetts ("MEPA", L.G.M. c. 30, ss. 61-62L). Cópias do ENF podem ser obtidas como: Para perguntas sobre este projeto, entre em contato com Rob Bukowski pelo telefone 978-532-1900 ou por e-mail: Bukowski.rob@wseinc.com entre segunda e sexta, das 8h às 16h.

Por Syncarpha Park Drive, LLC
Cópias eletrônicas do ENF também estão sendo enviadas à Comissão de Conservação e ao Conselho de Acushnet, MA.

O(A) Secretário(a) de Energy & Environmental Affairs publicará o aviso do ENF no Monitor ambiental, receberá os comentários públicos sobre o projeto e, depois, decidirá se um Relatório de impacto ambiental é necessário. Uma visita ao local e/ou sessão de consulta remota sobre o projeto também poderá ser agendada. Todas as pessoas que desejem comentar sobre o projeto, ou serem avisadas de uma visita ao local e/ou sessão de consulta remota, devem enviar um e-mail para: MEPA@mass.gov ou para o(a) analista do MEPA listado(a) no Monitor ambiental. Solicitações de interpretação ou outras acomodações devem ser direcionadas para o mesmo endereço de e-mail. A correspondência postal deve ser direcionada para: Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, Atenção: MEPA Office, referenciando o projeto acima.

Por Syncarpha Park Drive, LLC
FNN 9/21/23

Notice of Public Hearings Acushnet Planning Board

Notice is hereby given that the Acushnet Planning Board will conduct public hearings on **October 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm** in the Board of Selectmen's meeting room at Town Hall, 122 Main Street, Acushnet MA 02743. This will be a Hybrid meeting with a Zoom option:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83964971527?pwd=MWIKNm5YNDhwQ0RXY3o5eEZBZmF1QT09>

Meeting ID: 839 6497 1527

Passcode: 108277

- This meeting is held in accordance with Chapter 40A, Section 5, to consider the following warrant article: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Acushnet Zoning Bylaws, Section 3.4, Special Permit Requirements; Article VIII Zoning of the General Code; accepted by Town Meeting, April 22, 1996 and most recently amended December 28, 2022; by inserting the following text after the second sentence, "A special permit elapses if not exercised within two years from the date of the decision, including time for determination of any appeal.", or take any other action relative thereto.
- This meeting is held in accordance with Chapter 40A, Section 5, to consider the following warrant article: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article VIII, Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Acushnet, General Bylaws, by adding to Section 3 – Use Regulations, a new subsection 3.3.7 – Special Residential Development-Over 55 Housing. The purposes of the Special Residential Development Special Permit are to grant relief in the form of increased density to encourage housing needed in the Town of Acushnet such as providing

alternative housing for a maturing population; providing a type of housing which reduces residents' burdens of property maintenance and which reduces demands on municipal services. For the purpose of this By-Law, the term Special Residential Development is defined as a residential development of multiple dwelling units configured as attached or detached single-family dwellings on a tract of land in single ownership.

This meeting is held in accordance with Chapter 40A, Section 5, to consider the following warrant article: To see if the Town will vote to delete all present language of Article IX, Stormwater Management Bylaw of the Town of Acushnet, General Bylaws, and replacing said Article in its entirety with new language.

The accompanying documentation for all hearings is available for inspection at the Town Clerk's Office, Parting Ways Building, 130 Main St. 1st Floor, during regular business hours.

Mark Francois, Chairman, Acushnet Planning Board
FNN 9/21/23, 9/28/23

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

- 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.
- 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

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday October 3, 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

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<https://zoom.us/j/94115137952?pwd=MXpoVWpKTFBEUmluT1pWScUvZjJCQT09>

or call 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 941 1513 7952

Passcode: 361259

- REF#: ZBA-023-033: 23 Summer Street, Map 10, Lot 166. Applicant and owner: Robert Leidhold. Applicant seeks a Variance for the conversion of the rear building into an Accessory Dwelling Unit on a 12,539 sq. ft. lot as compared to the minimum 22,500 sq. ft. lot size requirement, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-32.1 Accessory Dwelling Units, A.
- REF#: ZBA-023-034: 8 Grandview Avenue, Map 29C, Lot 410. Applicant: Hammer To Nail. Owner: Jean Murray. Applicant seeks a 12 ft. Variance to replace the existing back door and carport with an 8 ft. by 15.3 ft. mudroom 8 ft. from the side property line as compared to the minimum 20 ft. side setback, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
- REF#: ZBA-023-035: 24 Hathaway Road, Map 28B, Lot 16. Applicant: Dana Pickup. Owner: Karen Diggins. Applicant seeks 1.A 2.4 ft. Variance to replace the existing deck with a 14 ft. x 14 ft. sunroom 7.6 ft. from the east side property line as compared to the minimum 10 ft. side setback, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule, and

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2. A 2.7 ft. Variance for the stairs coming off the sunroom to be 7.3 ft. from the west side property line as compared to the minimum 10 ft. side setback, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
4. REF#: ZBA-023-036: 54 Adams Street, Map 10, Lots 28. Applicant and owner: Claudio Costa. Applicant seeks 1. A Variance to create an 8,200 sq. ft. lot with 80 ft. of frontage from a non-conforming lot, as compared to the minimum 15,000 sq. ft. and 100 ft. of frontage, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-17 Intensity of Use Regulations, B. and Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule and 2. A Variance to create a 3,400 sq. ft. lot with 40 ft. of frontage from a non-conforming lot with a pre-existing two-family house as compared to the minimum 22,500 sq. ft. and 100 ft. of frontage, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-17 Intensity of Use Regulations, B. and Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
5. REF#: ZBA-023-037: 8 Sunset Beach Road, Map 29, Lot 2B. Applicant and owner: James T. Wing. Applicant seeks a Variance to have the 27,728 sq. ft. lot, which is under the minimum 30,000 sq. ft. lot size requirement, to be considered to be buildable, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18 Intensity of Use Schedule.
6. REF#: ZBA-023-038: 19 Atlas Street, Map 6, Lot 47. Applicant and owner: Scott & Kristen Henriques. Applicant seeks 1. A 22 ft. Variance to construct a 1,088 sq. ft. addition to the house 8 ft. from the rear property line as compared to the minimum 30 ft. rear

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Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven

Board of Appeals

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Board of Public Works

Mon., 9/25, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

Conservation Comm

Mon., 9/25, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Economic Development

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

Finance Committee With Select Board

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

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., 10/2, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Select Board With Finance Committee

Thurs., 9/28, 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.

Planning Commission

Thurs., 9/21, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Selectboard

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

Town Meeting

Mon., 11/6, Ford MS, 7 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	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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From our readers

No One is a Servant

In response to Mr. Rees's letter to the editor on Public Servants (9/14/23 issue). Being employed both in the private and public arenas one thing is clear, whatever position you signed up for it's your job to get done what is expected in the short or long term by the people you work for.

Your job as an employee is to assist customers at your business public or private. You have a choice of who you work for in either public or private.

But no one is a servant in that employment capacity.

Steve Riley, Fairhaven

Bueno Says Farewell to School Committee

I resigned from the School Committee as I'm relocating to Washington, D.C. for work.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve on the School Committee these past 4 years. It's an honor to give back to our students and schools as a fellow Blue Devil alumna.

Thank you for welcoming me into

your homes during campaign seasons, saying hello at events, and sharing your ideas about how to move our schools and community forward.

I also want to thank Beth David for her exceptional coverage of all events in Fairhaven. We must do all we can to support Beth and her *Fairhaven Neighborhood News* work. Local journalism is important to ensure we hold local leaders accountable and know what is going on in town.

We have accomplished so much together. Some of these accomplishments include developing a K-2 literacy program, enhancing our social and emotional programs, cultivating strong relationships with our Police and Fire departments, creating a Family Center for families to access wraparound services, installing a state-of-the-art Turf field at the High School, initiating a Charter Committee, displaying the Pride Banner at Town Hall every June, and coming out of a global pandemic stronger than ever before.

I'm confident our Fairhaven Public School system is stronger than ever before thanks to our amazing leader-

ship. Fairhaven is so fortunate to have Superintendent Tara Kohler, Assistant Superintendent Mark Balestracci, Business Manager Nicole Potter, Executive Assistant Sheri Souza, leading the helm. Their passion for all students shows through their programs, thoughtful ideas, and kindness.

If you want to stay in touch, please continue following me on my Facebook page: Kyle Bueno.

Fairhaven will always hold a special place in my heart.

Thank you!

Kyle Bueno, Fairhaven

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