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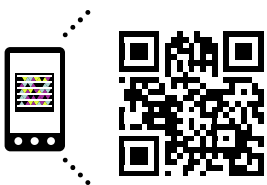
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Teeming with information you need.  
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

## Quick storm puts DPW through its paces



Special Machine Equipment Operator Dave Farland of the Fairhaven public works department drops the salt/sand mixture into a sander truck on Monday, 2/12/24, getting ready for the storm that hit early Tuesday morning. See page 19. *Photo by Beth David.*



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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.

That storm was fun, right? Some good white stuff, a snow day for the kids and government workers (wow, did I pick the wrong profession), a little money for the plow drivers, but quick and GONE! (See page 19.)

The Select Board was busy this week...raising fees. Okay, they had a long agenda. I'm sure they'll be thrilled to know I focused in on the fee increases. Shellfish license from \$35 to \$50. Ouch. I know the town is broke, guys, but so are we. See page 4 for the other increases they voted on. More on the way.

The town is facing an even larger shortfall than last year. We'll be writing about that in the next weeks as the Finance Committee and Select Board hold their joint budget meetings and things firm up a bit. All the fees are going up. We'll try to stay on top of that.

Claire Carter will be turning 100 years old in just a few weeks! Pretty cool, huh? Her family is wishing her a happy birthday on page 11. Check it out.

There's other stuff in here of course, including a couple of letters to the editor (page 14), a boat fire and a garage fire (page 12), and some Black History Month events (3, 5, 6, 7).

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*Glory to the Heroes!*



Publisher Beth David with Charlie, aka Evil Dog

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story about the Recycling Center in last week's issue, we made a mistake about residents who live in apartment buildings/condos. The center does not accept any items that are accepted in the curbside bins. The department is working on an option for those who do not have curbside recycling, but has not finalized any options yet. We apologize for our error.

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# State celebrates Frederick Douglass Day

## Press Release

This Wednesday, February 14th, will be marked in the state with the proclamation of Frederick Douglass Day. Celebrated on Douglass' chosen birthday, Senator Mark Montigny was the one who championed legislation to honor the important abolitionist. His law now calls for an annual proclamation in honor of Douglass.

The New Bedford Senator has long been a proponent of memorializing the impact of Douglass, both in the State House and in New Bedford. When the Senate chamber in the State House was under repair, Senator Montigny was one of the senators who pushed for Douglass's words to be placed in the chamber to offer inspiration and guidance to the deliberations.

The quote "Truth, justice, liberty, and humanity will ultimately prevail", from Douglass, now graces the ceiling of the chamber. He is also appreciative to the Senate President for her efforts to have a bust of Douglass placed in the chamber.

"The life and work of Frederick

Douglass is an inspiration to anyone who works to better the world. His impassioned arguments for the cause of freedom and against slavery are an important part of our nation's history that deserves to be recognized", said Senator Montigny. "We are fortunate to be able to look back at his life for wisdom and leadership."

On September 17, 1838, Frederick Douglass arrived in New Bedford, Massachusetts alongside his wife Anna. Douglass had escaped slavery in Maryland and had already changed his surname twice to evade capture. At the time of his arrival, New Bedford was home to more black residents than anywhere in Massachusetts outside of Boston. At about 20 years old, Douglass had no formal education, yet he could read and write. New Bedford was a wealthy town where one could buy an array of "Free Labor Goods" like sugar, coffee, and candy produced without slave labor. A fact that expanded and energized his ideas of what might be possible.

Here Douglass encountered

thriving businesses owned by people of color and was able to earn his first-ever income. He was introduced to other influential abolitionists and their ideas, New Bedford's involvement in the Underground Railroad making it a hotspot for like-minded individuals.

The profound impact of New Bedford is evident in his life work, even as he moved away and travelled around the country and the world speaking out against slavery. It is where he became an avid reader and powerful speaker, launching his famed, life-long abolitionist work.

Montigny has also secured significant funding for the New Bedford Historical Society to promote Douglass' life and legacy. In turn, the Society has preserved the Nathan and Polly Johnson House and enabled the development of the new Abolition Row Park just across the street from the Johnson Home.

To learn more about the New Bedford Historical Society, the Nathan and Polly Johnson House, and Abolition Row Park, visit <https://nbhistoricalsociety.org>

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# Select Board raises fees; transfers liquor license for Olivia's

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Select Board voted to raise shellfishing and parking fees at boat ramps at its meeting on Monday, 2/13/23, going with the recommendations of the Town Administrator and not the lower amounts recommended by the Marine Resource Committee.

Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison reminded the board that she has asked all departments to review their fees with the goal to increase them to help generate more revenue for the town.

She and Harbormaster Timothy Cox reviewed the license and permits administered by his department, which include shellfish fees, parking at town boat ramps, and other boating related fees.

Mr. Cox told the board that most fees had not been raised at all in the 17 years he has been with the department. He said he got the prices from other towns and, working with Ms. Ellison, came up with some numbers.

The Marine Resources Committee,

however, felt that all the increases were excessive, and voted to recommend different amounts (see 1/18/24 issue).

MRC Chairperson Mike McNamara advocated for the recommendations his board made, saying that the board opted to go up "a fair percentage, ranging from 10-30%, which is significantly less than some of the town's recommendations, but still a "pretty large leap."

"Fees is always a spirited debate," said Mr. McNamara, adding that the board is pretty well informed about some of the increase in expenses that the department faces.

"We're in tough times right now," said Mr. Cox.

He told the board that everything the department buys is three or four times more than just a few years ago.

SB member Bob Espindola asked if anyone had calculated what the difference, in real dollars, would be with the changes.

Mr. Cox said they did not "run the numbers," but "any little more is going to help."

SB member Stasia Powers agreed

that she would like to see the numbers before voting.

Mr. Cox said the shellfish license and the parking permits were time sensitive because they expired on 12/31. People are anxious to get their new ones.

"People are pounding the door," he said to buy 2024 licenses.

Mr. Cox said the town only sold six commercial shellfish licenses last year because the shellfish beds are mostly closed in other areas. The one or two coves that Fairhaven opens are picked out pretty quickly.

"It's getting harder and harder for them to go out and earn a living," said Mr. Cox.

The board discussed the differences with the various towns used for comparison.

Mr. McNamara said his board focused on what the town offers compared to other towns.

Mr. Cox said only Westport transplants more quahogs than Fairhaven. He transplanted 800 bushels in North Cove, and will put 600 in Round Cove. The cost has gone

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## Bingo!

Community Nurse Home Care Presents BINGO! Featuring DJ Gazelle from FUN107, Thurs., 2/29. from 9 p.m., at Seaport Inn, 110 Middle Street, Fairhaven. Space is limited – get your tickets now!

Bingo, Raffle & Sweet Treats. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Dinner will not be served. Suggested donation of \$35 per player

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For questions or raffle prize donation, email: [donate@communitynurse.com](mailto:donate@communitynurse.com)

## Beach Cleanup

Be The Solution to Pollution is sponsoring a neighborhood cleanup on Hedge St., in Fairhaven, on Sun., 2/25, from 1–4 p.m. (Use 2 Hedge Street for GPS). All ages welcome. Wear appropriate clothing. Email [bethesolutiontopollution@gmail.com](mailto:bethesolutiontopollution@gmail.com) for more information.

## Black History at Millicent

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

Celebrate Black History month with events for all ages. This series is a collaboration between Millicent Library and the Fairhaven Belonging Committee.

**Community Read: *Invisible Generals*** Feb. 1st - Feb. 29th. Join us for a community read: pick up a copy of *Invisible Generals* by Doug Melville during the month of February. There will be multiple copies of the book available for check out on display near the circulation desk. No meetings to attend or deadlines to finish the book by - just a chance to read and learn in community!

**Hidden Figures Storytime** Wed., 2/21, 10:30am This storytime will feature *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly, featuring related crafts and activities. For families, all ages in the auditorium.

**Movie Screening - *Hidden Figures*** Wed., 2/21, February 21st at 6pm Join us for a screening of “Hidden Figures” (2016, PG) in the auditorium. “Hidden Figures” is based on the true events that unfolded during the early days of the U.S. space program. The story revolves around three brilliant African-American women mathematicians — Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan, and Mary Jackson — who played pivotal roles at NASA, contributing to the success of the historic space missions. All ages welcome, light refreshments served.

**Ekua Holmes Crafternoon** Thurs., 2/22 from 3-4pm In this special edition crafternoon, we will create collages inspired by the work of award-winning artist and illustrator Ekua Holmes. Ekua Holmes, a prominent African American artist and MA native, has left a mark in children's book illustration with her distinctive and vibrant collage style. Options for all ages - young children may need assistance.

**Movie Screening - *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse*** Fri., 2/23 at 2pm Join us for a screening of “Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse” (2018, PG) in the auditorium, an award winning animated movie, featuring Miles Morales, the first black Spider-Man in the comic book's universe (introduced in 2011). All ages welcome, light refreshments served.

To register for any of these events, visit: [millicentlibrary.org/events](http://millicentlibrary.org/events).

## Free at RJD

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) is welcoming visitation from Fairhaven residents by offering free admission for the month of February 2024. Must have proof of residency with a piece of current mail, or I.D. For more information about hours of operation and current exhibitions, visit the Museum's website, [rjdmuseum.org](http://rjdmuseum.org).

The historic house, now the site of The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum, was built in 1834 for whaling merchant William Rotch Jr. This Greek Revival mansion, located on a full city block of formal gardens, is a National Historic Landmark, one of only 2,500 in the nation. The period rooms of the house chronicle 150 years of the economic and social

evolution of the City of New Bedford, as reflected in the residencies of the Rotch, Jones, and Duff families and their domestic staff.

The Museum is located at 396 County Street, New Bedford. It is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Advance booking for admission is encouraged, but not required. Admission is \$8 for adults; \$6 for AAA members, seniors and students; and \$3 for children (age 7–17). The Museum is free for RJD members, as well as for EBT, Connector-Care, WIC, and Wunderfund cardholders.

The RJD gardens are open to the public at no cost and available to visit from sunrise to sunset, seven days a week. Visitors are urged to go to [rjdmuseum.org](http://rjdmuseum.org) to book their Museum visit and to review the most current information on hours and programs.

## Internet Survey

The Town of Fairhaven is pleased to collaborate with the Mass. Broadband Institute (MBI) on a residential survey which is intended to assess internet accessibility, device and technical support availability, service affordability, and digital education needs within the community.

To participate in the online survey visit <https://made.civilspace.io/en/projects/ma-digital-equity/engagements/ma-sdep-public-survey/sections/1>.

Printed surveys can be picked up and returned to the Fairhaven Select Board Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719

## SAVE THE DATES:

### OLOA Dinner

Our Lady of Angel Annual Dinner, Sun., 4/27, 5–8 p.m., at OLOA, 7 Jesse St., Fairhaven, MA 02719. Tickets: \$15.

Call Joe Mell, 508-733-4608, and leave a message for tickets.

### WI 5K

The 11th Annual West Island 5K will be held on Sunday, April 21, 2024 with the Kids Mile at 10am and 5K at 11am (more information at [westisland5k.org](http://westisland5k.org)).

Registration is open and can be completed online at <https://my.racewire.com/event/7782>.

## Civil War's Effects on New Bedford

The American Civil War and its impact on New Bedford's whaling economy will be explored at a free program at 2 p.m. Sunday Feb. 18 at the Fort Taber-Fort Rodman Military Museum, 1000 Rodney French Blvd., New Bedford

Mark Mello, park ranger at the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park, will discuss "A Compact with the Whale, The American Civil War and New Bedford's whaling industry."

With the outbreak of the American Civil War the whaling industry quickly became a target of the Confederate Navy. With the CSS Shenandoah and CSS Alabama prowling the world's oceans, the New Bedford whaling industry suffered an economic setback.

Or did it?

In this talk, part of the museum's winter speaker series, Mr. Mello will discuss the complex history of war, destruction, insurance, international diplomacy and how the American Civil War transformed New Bedford from the home of whalers to weavers.

Mr. Mello has a master's degree in U.S. history from Providence College and a bachelor's degree in history from Bridgewater State University. He is a lifelong historian with a special dedication to studying the American Civil War. He works for the National Park Service at Blackstone River Valley National Park as a park ranger, specializing in early industrialization and labor history. He is president of the New Bedford Civil War Roundtable.

## Dock-U-Mentary

New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center (FHC) and New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park will be hosting a free screening of the documentary *Sustaining Sea Scallops* on Fri., 2/16, at 7:00pm as part of Dock-u-mentaries. Free, at the National Park auditorium at 33 William Street, New Bedford at 7:00pm. The film series runs through March. Past films have explored a variety of issues related to the commercial fishing industry, including regulations, environmental concerns, sustainable seafood, economics, ethnicity, gender, and more.

*Sustaining Sea Scallops* is a 2016 documentary produced by the Coonamessett Farm Foundation (CFF) that explores how fishermen and scientists along the East Coast – from New Bedford, MA to Seaford, VA – have worked together to ensure the survival of Atlantic sea scallops. The film runs 35 minutes. CFF staff will be on-hand to answer questions from the audience and discuss current projects. Register for free tickets here: <https://bit.ly/3vGbSjP>

Visit FHC's calendar of events at [fishingheritagecenter.org/calendar/](https://fishingheritagecenter.org/calendar/) to learn more about this and other upcoming programs. For questions, contact FHC staff at (508) 993-8894.

## Stories of the Z

Celebrating 100 years of the Zeiterion (and the State Theatre). We're sharing stories about the building and those who cared for it throughout the century. For a century, our beautiful theater has entertained and delighted scores of patrons with its gilded architectural details and inspiring performances. The Stories of The Zeiterion series spotlights the many features that make this historic theater such a gem: the Wurlitzer organ; stars who've graced its stage; the décor, like its muses, chandelier, and frieze; marquees that have illuminated its exterior; the iconic red seats; and the box office, where it all begins. Plus, some of the people who've made it all happen: the Zeitz family; John Bullard; Armand Marchand and George Charbonneau, and our volunteer ushers, to name a few.

The Mighty Wurlitzer. In September of 1923, a Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ – Style F Orchestra Unit to be exact – was delivered to New Bedford's newest theater, The State Theatre, now the Zeiterion. In its heyday of the 1920s, this unique and elaborate instrument was an economic alternative to orchestras - accompanying silent films, solo performances, and sing-along events. Learn more about The Mighty Wurlitzer at <https://www.zeiterion.org/visit/theater>

## Black History at the Whaling Park

New Bedford Whaling National

Historical Park, 33 William St., New Bedford, has announced its programming commemorating Black History Month in February 2024. This year's theme chosen by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH®) is African Americans and the Arts. New Bedford is known for its rich culture and historical artistic significance, and we celebrate today's artists of the African diaspora who come from every corner of the globe. Two of New Bedford's own, Iva Brito and Eden Soares will be telling the stories of their art and inspiration. In addition, the 1850s Ladies will explore New Bedford and Boston anti-slavery societies and how crafts became a part of the abolitionist cause. Finally, the park will show the movie, *12 Years A Slave*, directed by African Brit Steve McQueen which tells the story of Solomon Northup, who was kidnapped and sold into enslavement from freedom.

**Sat., Feb. 17 at 1:00 PM:** Join the 1850 Ladies, aka Ruth and Abby as they explore both Boston and New Bedford anti-slavery societies on how they used crafting to raise money to support the abolitionist cause. What kinds of handcrafts or quilts were on display for sale? Do they have stories? Do they preserve history the community memories as well as for empowerment? The Ladies will display some of the arts and crafts sold and how New Bedford contributed to the cause. They will also tell stories of New Bedford's women, who held abolitionist fairs here in the city.

**Sat. Feb. 24 at 1:00 PM:** Join us for the screening and discussion of the movie *12 Years A Slave* – an incredible true story of one man's fight for survival and freedom directed by Steve McQueen. It is 1841 and Solomon Northup (Chiwetel Ejiofor), a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery. Stripped of his identity and deprived of all dignity, Northup is purchased by ruthless plantation owner Edwin Epps (Michael Fassbender) and must find the strength within to survive. In his twelfth year in captivity, a chance encounter with a Canadian abolitionist (Brad Pitt) forever alters his life.

## Black History Art Contest

Tri-Town Against Racism (TTAR) is thrilled to announce the 4th Annual Black History Month Creative Expressions Contest, open to all Jr. and Sr. High School students attending or residing in the Tri-Town area during the 2024 school year. This year's theme is African Americans and the Arts.

"African American art is infused with African, Caribbean, and the Black American lived experiences. In the fields of visual and performing arts, literature, fashion, folklore, language, film, music, architecture, culinary and other forms of cultural expression, the African American influence has been paramount. African American artists have used art to preserve history and community memory as well as for empowerment. Artistic and cultural movements such as the New Negro, Black Arts, Black Renaissance, hip-hop, and Afrofuturism, have been led by people of African descent and set the standard for popular trends around the world. In 2024, we examine the varied history and life of African American arts and artisans."

The contest welcomes entries from any medium, encouraging students to express their creativity in diverse ways. Participants must be Jr. or Sr. High School students living or attending school in the Tri-Town area during the 2024 school year.

The deadline for submission is February 22 at 4:00 pm. Late entries cannot be considered.

Winners will be announced at the opening reception in the Mattapoisett Library Community Room on Saturday, February 24, at 2:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served.

For a full list of contest details, please visit <https://www.tritownagainstracism.org/contest-2024>

## Author Talk

The following events are at the Acushnet Free Public Library, 232 Middle Road.

**Author Talk:** Wed., 2/28, 6 pm with Rachel Slade. The Acushnet Public Library welcomes back author Rachel Slade to share her latest book *Making It in America: The Almost Impossible Quest to Manufacture in the U.S.A.*

(*And How It Got That Way*). Books will be available for purchase and signing.

A moving and eye-opening look at the story of manufacturing in America, whether it can ever successfully return to our shores, and why our nation depends on it, told through the experience of one young couple in Maine as they attempt to rebuild a lost industry, ethically. From the best-selling author of *Into the Raging Sea*

Contact the library for more information, <https://acupl.org>, 508-998-0270 or [smedeiros@sailsinc.org](mailto:smedeiros@sailsinc.org) \*Registration required.

## GOP Meeting

The Mattapoisett Republican Party and the Fairhaven Republican Party Committee are co-hosting this month's meeting. All are welcome to join them on Thurs., 2/22, from 6 to 7:00 PM for our monthly scheduled meeting. Be a part of the discussion on local initiatives, support of candidates in future elections and share ideas with like-minded neighbors.

We are honored to host Tim Cruz, Plymouth District Attorney (2001-present) as our guest speaker at 7 PM. Tim Cruz has worked to protect and promote the public safety of nearly 500,000 residents in Plymouth County.

Topics to be discussed, Updates on the District Attorney Office; Crime Stats; Impact on new gun restrictions; Immigration impact; Q & A

Join us at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. There is always good food, good people, and a cash bar. A \$10 attendance fee is appreciated.

For additional information contact Paul Criscuolo, Chairperson, Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee, [PCMattyGOP@proton.me](mailto:PCMattyGOP@proton.me), 82 County Road PMB #17, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Visit [MattapoisettGOP.com](https://www.MattapoisettGOP.com) or find us on Facebook [Facebook.com/MattapoisettGOP](https://www.facebook.com/MattapoisettGOP) or Twitter: [@MattyMAGOP](https://twitter.com/MattyMAGOP)

## Feb Vaca at MAC

The Marion Art Center (the MAC) announces three February School vacation workshops for children led by Benares Angeley. The programs will be held in the downstairs MAC studio at the Marion Art Center. The

cost for each workshop is \$35 for MAC members, \$40 for nonmembers. More information can be found at [marionartcenter.org/events](https://marionartcenter.org/events).

**Cat Camp!** will take place on Tues., 2/20, 10:00am-12:00pm. This program is geared to children ages 5-10 years old and will feature cats across mediums. The children will paint portraits of cats, sew a mini cat, make printed cat paper and more.

**Sew Fun!** will run Thurs., 2/22, 1:00-3:00pm. The Sew Fun! Program is perfect for ages 8-10 years old. The children will learn simple sewing techniques to create their own stuffed penguin. They will also create a fabric collage and a tiny pillow, perfect for a special stuffed animal.

**Painted Houses & Homes** is scheduled Fri., 2/23, 2:00-4:00pm. This program welcomes children between the ages of 5-10 years old. Students will design and create cardboard houses and embellish them with paint, glitter, markers, yarn and more! They will also create tiny clay animals and people to go along with these magical abodes.

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This is a 4 day program Tues-Fri 8am-3pm. Pizza lunch on Friday.

Feb 20-23 \$160. for members \$175. for Non-members Please register soon, this program fills up quickly

## 23rd Annual Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

(pre-registration is required by  
March 19th)

Join us for the 23rd annual flashlight egg hunt. Children will search for their eggs on the Recreation center grounds. They will keep the treats inside and return the eggs to the Easter bunny for a special treat.

Don't forget to bring a camera (for Easter Bunny pictures) and a flashlight!! In the event of rain, our event will be held in the gym.

Date March 22nd Time 7:30pm  
Ages 10 and under. No registrations accepted after March 19 and no registrations at the door.

## Kool Kid Summer Program

Fairhaven Rec's popular summer program is now taking registrations online at [www.fairhavenactivityreg.com](http://www.fairhavenactivityreg.com) or at the center, 227 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven.

This series of summer fun fills up quickly, so don't delay!!

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## Fairhaven Council on Aging

### Social Day Program

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

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

### Join Us for Lunch

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

### Mall Trips

Reservations accepted for mall trips at beginning the 15th of the prior month. There is a \$6 charge unless otherwise noted. Please bring exact amount. The van leaves the Fairhaven Senior Center promptly at 9: 2/14, Warwick Mall; 2/21, Hyannis Mall, Trader Joe's, Whole Foods; 2/28, So. Shore Plaza; 3/6, Tiverton Casino; 3/13, Warwick Mall; 3/20, Providence Place & Whole Foods.

### Memory Cafe

Feb. 22 11:30-1:30. Please call to reserve a spot by 1/23.

A Memory Cafe is a gathering that individuals with early to moderate Alzheimer's or other memory loss and their care partner, family or friends

can attend. It's a time and place where everyone can interact, find support, establish friendships and share concerns without feeling embarrassed or misunderstood.

Entertainment will be Tony & Pat. Lunch will be pork loin with gravy.

Space is limited. Please sign up by Feb. 20 at 508-979-4029.

### Monday Movie Matinee

Free. Mon., 2/26 12:15 p.m. If you would like lunch before the movie at 11:30 a.m., please call the center the day before to reserve a meal. \$2 donation towards the meal. The movie is free.

Featurng *You've Got Mail*. Book superstore magnate Joe Fox and independent book shsop owner Kathleen Kelly fall in love in the anonymity of the internet, both blissfully unaware that he's trying to put her out of business.

### Walking Schedule

Walk with friends at the Rec Center gym next door from 12:30-1 p.m., Monday-Friday. FREE

### Volunteers Wanted

The Fairhaven Senior Center is looking for volunteers to assist with various positions, including front desk, serving/cleaning at Supper Clubs, food box deliery, newsletter delivery.

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# Recipe of the Week

## Football Wings

For the wings:

- 1 1/2 cups Buffalo sauce, store-bought or homemade, plus more, to taste
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 onion, diced
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 lbs chicken wings, fresh or frozen
- carrot sticks, to taste
- celery sticks, to taste
- ranch dressing or dip, to taste
- chives, to taste, for garnish

In a bowl, add 1 1/2 cups of the Buffalo sauce, the brown sugar, the onion, and the garlic, and stir to combine.

In a 6-quart slow cooker, add the wings and the Buffalo sauce mixture, stirring to ensure the wings are covered.

Cover and cook until the wings reach an internal temperature of 165°, about 2 hours 30 minutes on high for frozen wings or 3 hours on low for fresh wings.

Transfer the wings to a foil-lined pan. Discard the cooking liquid.

Preheat the broiler on high.

Brush the wings with the extra Buffalo sauce.

Broil the wings until lightly browned and crisp, about 5 minutes per side.

Serve the wings with the carrots, the celery, and the ranch dressing, then garnish with the chives.

*From CommandCooking.com*



town looking for food.

Sky asked what mating season was, and the principal said it was when the coyotes found a partner to have kits in the spring. Baby coyotes are called kits.

Since this announcement, I have been having terrible dreams about being chased by a pack of coyotes, and just before they pounce on me, I wake up shaking.

I told several of my classmates about my dreams, and Henry said that he heard that dreams predict what will happen.

Is that true, Frankie? Am I going to

# Dear Frankie

## The Coyotes

*Dear Frankie,*

The principal called an emergency assembly to tell us that a dog had been killed by the coyotes last week. She said it was mating season, and the coyotes were coming into

be eaten up by the coyotes?

*Laramy*

*Dear Laramy,*

Don't listen to Henry. Dreams don't predict the future. He doesn't know what he is talking about.

Dreams are based on one's thoughts or worries. It's pretty scary to hear that one of your own lost their life in such a violent way. So now that you have been forewarned, which is a good thing, you can do some things to protect yourself.

First and foremost, check your surroundings whenever you are outside to ensure the coast is clear. Also, never go out alone or if you can help it when it is dark.

Whenever you are out, day or night, walk on a short leash close to a human, preferably one who carries a big stick. If you have to go out at night, make it a quick trip and be sure your human has a flashlight and carries a can full of pennies to shake. Coyotes are timid creatures and don't like bright lights or loud noises.

If you do all I have suggested, you will be fine. You might also have the

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# Happy 100th to Claire Carter

*Submitted*

Claire A. Duval was born March 15th, 1924 to Arsene and Anna Duval. She was the second oldest of seven. She grew up in North Fairhaven, living with her family in the apartment above the Duval business, Oxford Pharmacy.

After graduating from Sacred Hearts School, she went on to Fairhaven High School where she was a dedicated class officer, spirited and enthusiastic cheerleader and received her senior class superlative for "best looking." She was affectionately called "Penny" by many.

After high school, Claire met the equally "good looking" Bernard F. Carter. They married and Claire followed Bernard to Paris Island, South Carolina, where he trained as a Navy pilot. Service completed, Claire followed him again to Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

After he earned his D.D.S., doctor



of dental surgery, they returned to Fairhaven, purchasing their first and only home at 121 Green Street. The closing was on Valentine's Day, 1953, one month before the birth of their

second child. There were five children in all: Mark, Susan, Ann, Meg, and Ned. The large house allowed room for the young doctor's practice. It remained for three decades. Dr. Carter was well known for his pro bono dental care to the town's elementary school students.

Unfortunately Dr. Carter passed at the young age of 55 in 1979, one year before the birth of his first grandchild. With two young children still at home, Claire returned to the work force. Many remember Claire when she was employed at the Fairhaven Savings Bank. All of Claire's children successfully graduated from Fairhaven High and Claire was able to retire to her beloved home.

As she celebrates her 100th birthday in relative good health, still in the beloved home purchased on Valentine's Day, let's wish Mrs. Carter many more trips around the sun.

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# Fishing boat catches fire in Fairhaven

## Press Release

At about 6:30 a.m., on Thursday, 2/8/24, the Fairhaven Fire Department responded to a report of a fishing vessel fire at 4 Washington Street in Fairhaven, formally known as Blue Harvest Fisheries.

Engine 2, Engine 4, Ladder 1 initially responded. Upon arrival, heavy fire was coming from the pilot house on the 82 foot fishing vessel. Fire suppression on the F/V Carrabassett began initially with the use of water and then changed to environmentally compatible foam.

Personnel operated for approximately one hour before the fire was considered under control. It was determined that welders were inside

the bow of the fishing vessel utilizing a cutting torch and attempted to use a fire extinguisher to extinguish the fire with no success. Mutual aid companies from New Bedford and Mattapoisett fire departments responded to the scene and Acushnet Fire Department provided station coverage.

The owner of the fishing vessel was present and stated that the vessel had recently been retired from service. Mitigation of environmental issues in the harbor were managed by the Fairhaven Harbor Master, MA DEP, and USCG.

No injuries are being reported at this time. Estimated Damage: Appears to be a total loss



Smoke billows up into the sky as firefighters battle a blaze on the Fishing Vessel Carrabassett, which was tied up at the former Blue Harvest Fisheries in Fairhaven on 2/8/24. Photos courtesy of Fairhaven Fire Department.

# Fairhaven Fire Department fights garage fire

## Press Release

On Sunday, 2/11/24, at 3:51 a.m., the Fairhaven Fire Department responded to a reported garage fire at 40 Christian Street.

Engine 2, Engine 4, Ladder 1, Chief, & Deputy Chief responded. Upon arrival, firefighters encountered

heavy fire coming from a single story, 15x20 concrete block garage detached from the residence.

Firefighters conducted fire suppression operations and exposure protection of three surrounding residences. Firefighters remained on scene for approximately three hours. The office

of Animal Control and the electrical inspector were requested to respond.

There are no injuries reported, however one pet rabbit was deceased and one survived but is in serious condition.

The cause of the fire is determined to be accidental.



ABOVE: Fairhaven Firefighters battle a blaze in a garage at 40 Christian Street in Fairhaven on 2/8/24. Photos courtesy of Fairhaven Fire Department.

# Election field is set (probably)

By Beth David  
Editor

Unless there's a last minute withdrawal from someone, the Fairhaven election field is set, and it promises to be a spirited election season, with contested races in five contests: Select Board, School Committee, Board of Health, and two races for Planning Board.

Six people will be on the ballot for the two open Select Board seats. Neither incumbent is running for reelection on that board. The six who are running for Select Board are Patrick Carr, JP Lemieux, Donna McKenna, Cathy Melanson, Andrew Romano, and Andrew Saunders.

For School Committee, there are three candidates who will be on the ballot for two full term seats: incumbent Colin Veitch, Erik W. Baumann, Nicole Marie Pacheco.

School Committee also has a one-year unexpired term to fill that Ms. Pacheco was appointed to fill. She, however, opted to run for the full seat, so the unexpired term only has one candidate, Brendalee Smith.

Board of Health will also have a

contested race, with two people running for one open seat. The incumbent did not see reelection. Barbara Acksen, who has served on that board in the past, and Sheila Dolan will vie for that spot.

The Planning Board has two seats up for reelection, with incumbents Jessica Fidalgo and Jeff Lucas both running for reelection. Diane Tomassetti, who had been appointed to fill a vacated seat, opted to run for a full term spot, so there are three people running for two full time seats on PB.

The PB also has a one year unexpired term to fill, with three people running for that: Karyn Lyn Ferreira, Despina Longinidis, Richard Trapilo.

There are also some uncontested races on the ballot, including: Board of Public Works, with incumbent Robert "Hoppy" Hobson, and newcomer Hillary Kesner Rotondo, running for those seats; Commission of Trust Funds, with incumbent Coleen Silvia running for her seat; Fairhaven Housing Authority, with Jay Simmons, who used to serve on the

board, poised to be back, since incumbent Anne Silveira opted not to run for reelection; Town Moderator, with incumbent Mark Sylvia running for reelection.

Candidates have until 2/28 to change their minds and withdraw from the election.

The election will be held on Monday, 4/1/24. Polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. All six precincts vote at the Fairhaven Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Ave. (near Stop & Shop).

You may register to vote Monday-Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The last day to register to vote for the town election is Friday, 3/22/24. The Town Clerk's Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on that day.

Mail-in Voter Registration Forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office, the Millicent Library and State and Federal offices. Monday, 3/25, is the last day to submit vote-by-mail applications to the Town Clerk.

Call the town clerk's office, 508-979-4023, ext. 3, if you have any questions, or go by town hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven.

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from \$6 a bushel when he started, to more than \$20 now.

Mr. Cox said the town sells 400-500 recreational shellfishing licenses each year. He also said there are more than 1000 senior buttons out. Seniors, 62+, get a lifetime button that is free. Fairhaven veterans also get free licenses. Other Mass. veterans pay the resident rate.

Mr. McNamara also noted that since they started charging for parking again at Hoppy's Landing, that fund has "grown significantly," and will easily pay for the maintenance of the property. He did not give a number. Any fees collected at Hoppy's Landing can only be spent on the property. Other fees go into the general fund.

In the end, the board decided to vote on shellfish licenses, lobster boat basin fee, and parking fees. They will vote on the other fees after getting more information on the actual numbers.

Recreational shellfish licenses for residents are now \$50 (up from \$35); for non-residents, \$275. Parking for Hoppy's Landing or Seaview/Pease boat ramps is \$10 daily; \$70 for a

season pass. The lobster basin fee will be \$2305.

Other categories will be voted on at a future meeting. In another matter, the board also held a public hearing to transfer the liquor license from the former Margaret's Restaurant to the new restaurant, Olivia's.

In a bit of an awkward process, the board had to first transfer the license from Ferry Station LLP to Cullen North Walker Street LLC, then to OEA Restaurant Group, DBA (Doing Business As) Olivia's Restaurant.

A spokesperson for owner Brandon Roderick said that the two-step process was requested by the Mass. Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC).

SB member Bob Espindola asked why the board did not have the documentation that usually accompanies transfer requests.

Ms. Ellison said the town had all the proper

documentation, and that it was simply an oversight that it was not included in the evenings information packet.

Mr. Espindola said that "typically," there is not much for the board to question. He said as long as the town's internal requirements were complete and everyone signed off on it, he would be in favor of approving the transfer.

There was no public comment, and the board voted unanimously to approve the transfers.

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## From our readers

### Recycle Fee is a Tax

To the residents of Fairhaven. By now some if not all have heard the Town Administrator is imposing a new Recycle Fee on the 7000 homes in Town of a \$100.00. This new TAX which forever was covered by the general fund to pay for recycle is to cover some of the deficit looming in the budget. The TA has put pressure on either the Board of Health or Board of Public Works boards to vote for this. Clearly she does not want to be the bad guy here and using others as the scape goat.

Last year was a \$400k override that failed. Now the new \$700k TAX on recycle. I am hearing the budget shortfall is close to 1.4 million!!!! Obviously the TA'S operating skills in a fiscal budget are lacking putting it politely. However, this is clearly typical of a manager who does not know how to balance a budget except by raising TAXES.

The current Select Board is spineless in making difficult decisions and frankly is worse now that there are 5 of them. They could easily step in and say this is the wrong approach to covering the deficit. Here are just a

few ideas that should be implemented immediately as difficult as they are until the decision makers can control spending. Surely the Town does not have an income problem just a spending one.

1) Suspend all capital expenditures for fiscal 2025

2) Have each department head come up with a plan to streamline each department for expense savings.

3) Review all expenses with vendors across the board to find savings.

Difficult decisions that will challenge everyone to think outside the box but it's doable with an effective leader. What I have seen on the financial side of the equation the current TA lacks this skill set.

*Steve Riley, Fairhaven*

### Lopes Supports Romano

I write this letter in support of Andrew Romano for Fairhaven Selectperson. Our beautiful Town needs leaders that are not afraid to investigate issues, follow through with their words and ideas and get the job done. We need leaders who are not afraid of confrontation! We need leaders who will not cower down and stay quiet.

In my belief, Andrew Romano has

these qualities. He is very involved in our community. He is President of the North Fairhaven Improvement Association, a member of the Fairhaven Rotary Club and multiple realty/realtor organizations. Andrew is also a current member of the ZBA. He has had seats on many different organizations in Fairhaven and surrounding towns and has been a lifelong Fairhaven resident.

His passion for serving the community goes above and beyond and exceeds expectations. I'm asking everyone to please consider giving Andrew your support. I am sure a majority of you would agree that we are tired and fed up with the backdoor deals and tactics as well as the sneaky goings on. We are tired and fed up with the spewing of I promise this and I will do that.

You will get nothing but truth, honesty and integrity from Mr. Romano. Positivity is what Andrew lives by and 100% positivity is what you will get from him as your next Selectperson.

Please consider Andrew Romano as your next Selectperson on April 1st!

*Jeannine Lopes, Fairhaven*

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## JP Lemieux for Select Board

Hello Fairhaven neighbors. My name is JeanPaul Lemieux (JP). I'm married to my beautiful wife Holly for 22 plus years. I have five children now because of the recent adoption of my two great nieces: Janay, 15, and Bria, almost 9.

I'm a retired Union Pipefitter from local #51, a member for the past 38 years. I served my Country as a minute man in the Army Reserve. In my Union I held positions as Recording Secretary, Sergeant of Arms and Foreman on some jobs.

I served on the BPW in Acushnet in the 1990s.

I am also a member of the West island community and helped bring back the neighborhood watch from years past.

I'm not your only choice but a different perspective. As like the other candidates I want to get involved with our town, a town I didn't grow up in, but a town I plan to spend the rest of my life and die in.

This will NOT be an easy task for anyone who wins the two open Select Board spots. For me it's not a stepping stone or a position of influence but to say, "Hey, do we need this, and why?"

There will be some very tough decisions ahead for the new members so please bear with them.

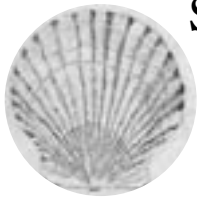
In closing, I want you to know that I don't have an agenda or an axe grind. I just want to be part of the town I love.

Please vote April 1, 2024

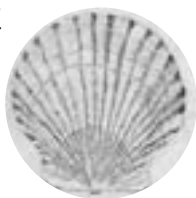
*Thank you, JP*

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# Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Town of Fairhaven**  
**Pamela J Bettencourt, Collector of Taxes**  
**Office of the Collector of Taxes**

**Notice of Tax Taking**  
**To the owners of the hereinafter described land and to all others concerned**

You are hereby notified that on Thursday the 29th day of February, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. at the Tax Collector's Office, 40 Center Street, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of Fairhaven the following parcels of land for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

Assessed to AANENSEN JOHN E. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.156 Acres located and known as 32 HUTTLESTON AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 12-087 and being part of the premises recorded in book 14583 on page 49 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.

Supposed Present Owner CHIBANTE PAULO A & FLAVIA  
 2023 Tax.....\$939.05

Assessed to ARONOVA MARGARITA. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.162 Acres located and known as SILVER SHELL BEACH DR shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 41-043 and being part of the premises recorded in book 14077 on page 67 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$414.92

Assessed to AVILA MICHAEL R & SANDRA L. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.551 Acres located and known as 46 GLENHAVEN AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 22B-148 and being part of the premises recorded in book 6052 on page 129 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$52.58  
 2023 Tax.....\$3,623.79

Assessed to BEADLE BARBARA A and AKA HILLER BARBARA A. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.166 Acres located and known as 265 GREEN ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 14-020N and being part of the premises recorded in book 2404 on page 164 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$11.22  
 2023 Tax.....\$1,060.74

Assessed to BORGES JIMMIE W and SARAIVA SHANON B. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.097 Acres located and known as 240 MAIN ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 16-053 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12498 on page 146 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$15.25  
 2023 IE Lien.....\$125.00  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$3.08  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$25.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$62.03  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$230.55  
 2023 Tax.....\$657.66  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$51.39  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$155.08

Assessed to CABRAL DAVID L & CHERYL A. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.181 Acres located and known as 3 MARK DR shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 32-019F and being part of the premises recorded in book 3542 on page 36 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$1,232.76

Assessed to CHILMARK FARRAGUT LLC. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.228 Acres located and known as 5 SEABREEZE AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43-147 and being part of the premises recorded in book 11174 on page 51 in the Bristol Registry of

Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$44.73  
 2023 Tax.....\$2,975.89

Assessed to CHILMARK FARRAGUT LLC. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.208 Acres located and known as 7 SEABREEZE AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43-143 and being part of the premises recorded in book 11174 on page 51 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$17.12

Assessed to COLOMB FAMILY REALTY TRUST and BEATRICE M BRAGA TRUSTEE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.096 Acres located and known as 75 SYCAMORE ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 19-277 and being part of the premises recorded in book 4739 on page 182 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$34.42  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$5.27  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$64.50  
 2023 Tax.....\$2,475.08

Assessed to CONSTANTINO MANUEL. A parcel of registered land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.278 Acres located and known as 12-14 ROY ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 26-118-119 and being part of the premises recorded in book on page on document number 16573 and certificate of title number 16573 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$14.88  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$1.12  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$12.50  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$71.72  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$365.45  
 2023 Tax.....\$986.16

Assessed to COSTEIRA JOAQUIM I & LUCY M. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.414 Acres located and known as 18 BRYANT LN shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 25-065 and being part of the premises recorded in book 4693 on page 342 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$59.42  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$6.16  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$50.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$124.35  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$532.65  
 2023 Tax.....\$3,966.07  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$299.39  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$1,222.35

Assessed to DUPRAS MARK A & TAMMY. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.378 Acres located and known as 27 TIMOTHY ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 28C-071E and being part of the premises recorded in book 12888 on page 207 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$12.54  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$3.08  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$25.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$88.76  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$467.46  
 2023 Tax.....\$546.52  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$76.78  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$97.22

Assessed to ECKENREITER SANDRA A. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.172 Acres located and known as 8 SHARON ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23A-117-120 and being part of the premises recorded in book 7488 on page 165 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$10.37  
 2023 Tax.....\$1,506.66

Assessed to EIRES ANTONIO C & CHRISTY. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.187 Acres located and known as 34 ADAMS ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 10-103 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12616 on page 269 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.

2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$2.24  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$25.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$0.30  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$3.41  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$45.16  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$168.94

Assessed to ESTRELA JESSE M & HEATHER L. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.181 Acres located and known as 12 MORGAN ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 19-293 and being part of the premises recorded in book 8588 on page 99 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$409.35

Assessed to FALL DAVID T & MICHELLE L. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.232 Acres located and known as 6 COVE ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 28B-048 and being part of the premises recorded in book 7172 on page 337 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$1,307.80

Assessed to FENO CATHERINE ROSE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.201 Acres located and known as 64 HOWLAND RD shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 18-011 and 012 and being part of the premises recorded in book 10500 on page 244 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$143.10

Assessed to FITTS ROBERT J & BONNIE L. A parcel of registered land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.56 Acres located and known as 448 MAIN ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 21-003 and being part of the premises recorded in book on page on document number 18746 and certificate of title number 18746 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$42.70

Assessed to FLEURENT RENE J JR. A parcel of registered land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.276 Acres located and known as 109 EBONY ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43A-318 and being part of the premises recorded in book on page on document number 19729 and certificate of title number 19729 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$10.59  
 2023 Sewer Bett.....\$136.87  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$1.12  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$12.50  
 2023 Sewer Int Bett.....\$13.69  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$16.77  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$19.79  
 2023 Tax.....\$692.98  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$17.78  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$31.02

Assessed to FRATES THOMAS MICHAEL and FRATES MELALNIE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.093 Acres located and known as 5 CHRISTIAN ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 11-092 and being part of the premises recorded in book 13297 on page 9 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax.....\$16.22

Assessed to GONET MARJAN J & IRENE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.344 Acres located and known as 53 HOWLAND RD shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 18-017-18 and 35 and being part of the premises recorded in book 1633 on page 863 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA.....\$48.46  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int.....\$2.24  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien.....\$25.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien.....\$33.72  
 2023 Sewer Lien.....\$41.04  
 2023 Tax.....\$3,417.83  
 2023 Water Int Lien.....\$35.58  
 2023 Water Lien.....\$62.10

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Assessed to JIMENEZ ANTHONYFEL A & JENNIFE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.103 Acres located and known as CLIFFE AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 19-113-114 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12249 on page 67 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$748.24

Assessed to JOHANSEN JON BENJAMON. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.078 Acres located and known as WHISPER LN shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 42A-188 and being part of the premises recorded in book 14125 on page 18 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$628.18

Assessed to JOHNSON WILLIE LEE. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.597 Acres located and known as 71 WEEDEEN RD shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 32-019A and being part of the premises recorded in book 1912 on page 1176 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$61.33  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int .....\$6.16  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien .....\$50.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien .....\$90.30  
 2023 Sewer Lien .....\$254.40  
 2023 Tax .....\$4,061.59  
 2023 Water Int Lien .....\$81.55  
 2023 Water Lien .....\$177.44

Assessed to MEDEIROS ALAN DAVID. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.224 Acres cated and known as 28 ACADEMY AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 14-066 and 067 and being part of the premises recorded in book 8080 on page 123 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$470.25

Assessed to NOVO VICTOR JR. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.165 Acres located and known as 11 SEAVIEW AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 29C-106-109 and being part of the premises recorded in book

10589 on page 79 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$24.72  
 2023 Sewer Bett.....\$587.88  
 2023 Sewer Int Bett.....\$117.58  
 2023 Tax .....\$2,233.40

Assessed to OLIVEIRA INVESTMENTS INC. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.123 Acres located and known as 109-111 SPRING ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 25-063 and being part of the premises recorded in book 13246 on page 137 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$11.86  
 2023 Tax .....\$835.50

Assessed to PARK GUI-OK. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.679 Acres located and known as COPELAND ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 34A-027 and being part of the premises recorded in book 13891 on page 124 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$606.65

Assessed to PARK GUI-OK. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 19.957 Acres located and known as COPELAND ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 34A-008 and being part of the premises recorded in book 13891 on page 124 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$37.97  
 2023 Tax .....\$2,638.06

Assessed to REIS-COSTA FATIMA G. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.13 Acres located and known as 49 FARMFIELD ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 05-141 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5348 on page 245 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$40.52  
 2023 Sewer Capital Int .....\$6.16  
 Lien  
 2023 Sewer Capital Lien .....\$50.00  
 2023 Sewer Int Lien .....\$73.36  
 2023 Sewer Lien .....\$95.40  
 2023 Tax .....\$3,020.82  
 2023 Water Int Lien .....\$76.40  
 2023 Water Lien .....\$129.04

Assessed to SHEERIN JOHN P. A parcel of land with

any buildings thereon, approximately 0.206 Acres located and known as SHORE DR shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 29C-606-608 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12880 on page 283 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$118.32

Assessed to SILVA IRENE C. parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.065 Acres located and known as THOMPSON ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 02-094 and being part of the premises recorded in book 411 on page 257 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$59.70

Assessed to SOUZA BLANCHE J. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.165 Acres located and known as 35 SEAVIEW AVE shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 29C-134 and being part of the premises recorded in book 1833 on page 198 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 CPA .....\$25.93  
 2023 Sewer Bett.....\$587.88  
 2023 Sewer Int Bett.....\$117.58  
 2023 Tax .....\$1,325.55

Assessed to SULLIVAN JEFFREY C. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.464 Acres located and known as BROOK DR shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 31-156A and being part of the premises recorded in book 12027 on page 140 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$177.11

Assessed to SWAIN JEFFREY. A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.603 Acres located and known as CHERRY PLAIN shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 30-034E and being part of the premises recorded in book 9926 on page 175 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$331.34

Assessed to TROTT LESLIE A and TROTT THOMAS J. A parcel of registered land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.277 Acres located and known as CAMEL ST shown on the Town of Fairhaven Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 29-054 and 071 and being part of the premises recorded in book on page on document number 25751 and certificate of title number 25751 in the Bristol Registry of Deeds.  
 2023 Tax .....\$307.46

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of Chapter 130, Section 60 of MGL as amended and Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Fairhaven Select Board, That Blue Stream Shellfish LLC, Dale Leavitt of 56 Goulart Memorial Drive, Fairhaven, MA 02719 and John Mills of 20 Bridge St., Fairhaven, MA 02719 have both requested to renew their Aquaculture Licenses for a term of five years. Public hearing with the Selectboard to be held on March 11, 2024 at 6:30 PM. Meeting agenda can be found on the Town of Fairhaven website (<https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/select-board>)

Town of Fairhaven, Selectboard/Town Administrator's Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719  
 FNN: 2/15/24

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of Chapter 130, Section 60 of MGL as amended by Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Fairhaven Select Board, that Blue Stream Shellfish LLC has filed an application to install a shellfish nursery installation in Jack's Cove within the municipal waters of the Town of Fairhaven. The application, including a plan showing the specific location of the proposed site, can be viewed at the Marine Resources Department at Town Hall. The current application will be addressed in a meeting with the Select Board, to be held on March 11 at 7:00 PM. Meeting information can be found on the Town of Fairhaven website (<https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/select-board>).

Town of Fairhaven, Select Board/Town Administrator's Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719  
 FNN: 2/15/24

**Town of Fairhaven  
 Notice of Public Hearing  
 FY 24 Community  
 Development Block Grant  
 Application**

Town of Fairhaven will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30

P.M. on February 26, 2024, Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. The purpose of the hearing is to seek public comment on the Town's FY2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application, which will request funding for reconstruction of Hedge Street (Phase 4), from Adams Street to approximately House #70. The Town intends to apply for up to \$950,000 for this project and general administration. The grant will be administered with private consultants. The performance of prior years' CDBG Awards may be discussed.

Any persons or organizations will be allowed to be heard. The public may attend in person or via Zoom. Written comments may be submitted to Paul DiGiuseppe, Director of Planning & Economic Development, pdigiuseppe@fairhaven-ma.gov, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719. The meeting room is handicap accessible and the Town will make reasonable accommodations for the disabled with prior notice to the Select Board's Office. Remote access is available per below:

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 or call 1-929-205-6099  
 Meeting ID: 894 8599 3911  
 Passcode: 330130  
 Leon Corey III, Chair, Fairhaven Select Board  
 FNN 2/15/24

**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, February 20th, 2024, 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 #2024.02.20A** A case of Andrew and Aryana Gomes, of 1561 Main Street, who is petitioning the Board for a special permit for an accessory apartment to be included in the construction of a single-family dwelling located on Tripp's Way (assessor's plat 8, lot 25F). This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.4B.

2. **Case #2024.02.20B** A case of Justin Lawrence, of 23 Birch Street, who is petitioning the Board for a variance to construct a single-family dwelling on Lambert Street (assessor's plat 18, lot 4G). This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1E.

3. **Case #2024.02.20C** A case of James Killackey, of 20 Quaker Lane, who is petitioning the Board to expand current living space by finishing 900 square feet of basement.

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

FNN, 2/8/24, 2/15/24

**Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings**

Wednesday, March 6, at 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street  
 Fairhaven, Massachusetts  
 Public Hearing In-Person in Banquet Room or via Zoom

**Join Zoom Meeting**  
<https://zoom.us/j/94115137952?pwd=MXpoVWpKTFBEUmluT1pWScTtVzJjCQT09>  
 or call 1-929-205-6099  
 Meeting ID: 941 1513 7952  
 Passcode: 361259

1. REF#: ZBA-024-005: 11 Fishermans Road, Map 43A, Lots 186, 187, and 188. Applicant: Lev Bronstein Owner: Lev Bronstein and David A. Hirsh. Applicant seeks a finding from the Board under MGL 40A, § 6, to allow an increase of area of a nonconforming use by replacing the existing single-family residence and shed with a new 2,188 sq. ft. two-story single-family residence with the addition of a 810 sq. ft. semi-detached garage, and that the addition is not more substantially detrimental than the existing nonconforming use to the neighborhood.

2. REF#: ZBA-024-006: 5 Gilbert Street, Map 29A, Lots 236 and 238 - 242. Applicant: Bruce Penn Owner: Bruce H. & Deborah J. Penn. Applicant seeks a finding from the Board under MGL 40A, § 6, to allow

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good fortune to get a glimpse of a litter of kits in the spring.

*Best, Frankie*

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an increase of area of a nonconforming use and replace the existing rear porch with a 135 sq. ft. three season room and adjoining stairs, and that the addition is not more substantially detrimental than the existing nonconforming use to the neighborhood.  
3. REF#: ZBA-024-007: 227-229 Huttleston Avenue, Map 28, Lot 1. Applicant: Kevin Fournier Owner: Town of Fairhaven. Applicant seeks a Variance to build a 20 ft. x 20 ft. shed in the front parking lot of the property as opposed to the rear, pursuant to 198-22 Accessory Buildings A (3).  
Kenneth Kendall, Chair, Fairhaven ZBA  
FNN: 2/15/24, 2/22/24

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thawing, but wind will make it feel colder.

Winter is not quite done with us yet, folks. Hang in there.

In Fairhaven, Public Works Superintendent Vinnie Furtado said the salt shed was filled up with 300 cubic yards of a salt/sand mix (about 400 tons). They planned on deploying 17 plows and three sanders. The sanders each use 8-10 cubic yards and will go out four times, using up a total of about 120 cubic yards.

The truck drivers started before dawn to pretreat the roads with magnesium chloride before the snow started; and then plowed and sanded throughout the storm and after. Fairhaven only uses town employees, not contractors, for plowing.

## Upcoming Meetings

### Fairhaven

**Board of Appeals**

Tues., 3/5, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Commission on Disability**

Thurs., 2/8, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Conservation Commission**

Mon., 3/4, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**School Committee**

Wed., 3/13, Media Ctr/Lib., 6:30 p.m.

**Select Board**

Mon., 2/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Acushnet

**Board of Appeals**

Tues., 2/20, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

**Conservation Commission**

Thurs., 2/15, PD conf. rm, 6 p.m.

**Selectboard**

Tues., 2/20, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

## TIDE TABLE

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

	Feb. 2024	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	15	---	1218	0530*	1735*
Friday	16	0051	1315	0702	1845
Saturday	17	0148	1413	0910	2005
Sunday	18	0247	1518	1035	2231
Monday	19	0356	1630	1135	2336
Tuesday	20	0500	1727	---	1226
Wednesday	21	0548	1810	0026	1313
Thursday	22	0628	1849	0113	1357
Friday	23	0705	1927	0154	1429
Saturday	24	0743	2005	0208	1430
Sunday	25	0821	2043	0148	1406
Monday	26	0859	2120	0215	1428*
Tuesday	27	0936	2157	0247	1457*
Wednesday	28	1014	2237	0320*	1528*
Thursday	29	1056	2323	0355*	1602*

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

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# Quick moving storm packs a wallop with heavy, wet snow

By Beth David  
Editor

There may not have been a whole lot of it, but the snow that fell on Tuesday, 2/13, was very wet and heavy. Scituate hit the jackpot with more than 10 inches; Burrillville, RI got socked with 9", TF Green got 6, and both Providence, RI, and Fall River, MA got 7. New Bedford got 3 to 4 inches, depending on which part of

the city you're talking about. West Island in Fairhaven got 4 inches, and Acushnet escaped with just an inch.

Temperatures were slated to drop into the 20s overnight and stay cold enough for a few days to cause serious headaches for anyone who did not shovel.

The forecast shows a couple of chances for some snow showers, but nothing that will need shoveling.

This storm was the biggest one we've had in all year, and it turned to rain in the late afternoon.

School was out, though, across the region, giving the kids a chance to make snow figures and go sledding in the nice wet snow.

Later in the week temperatures will be in the 30s allowing for some

**STORM: cont'd on page 18**



The gate and snowy field at Salt Winds (LEFT) and the field and tree at Shipyard Farms, both on Sciticut Neck Road in Fairhaven, make picturesque images with snow still coming down on the afternoon of 2/13/24, after Fairhaven got about four inches before it all got slushy. RIGHT: The "Share the Road" sign on Sciticut Neck Road has snow stuck to its north facing side as snow continues to fall, which would normally make it a good bet no bicyclists will be going by soon, however, with our own Will Gardner in the mix, we wouldn't bet the mortgage money on that. *Photos by Beth David.*

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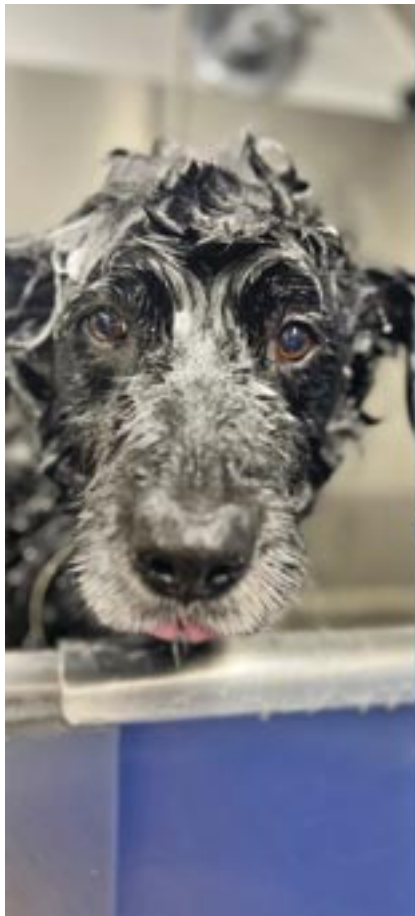
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