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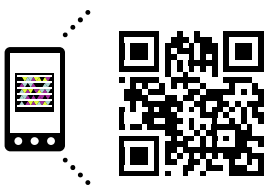
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Teeming with information you need.  
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

## Causeway Road sidewalk closed



A cement barricade and plastic cones block the sidewalk on Causeway Road on 3/5/24 along the causeway to West Island to keep people off after the Fairhaven Public Works department discovered sink holes and cracks that are a safety hazard. See page 3. *Photo by Beth David.*



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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.

Let the games begin!  
Local election season is  
officially upon us.

See page 12 for candi-  
date statements from the  
five candidates running  
for Select Board in  
Fairhaven. For the next three weeks we will have more  
statements from different races.

We also have lots of letters from our readers, most of  
them about the election. See page 4 for that.

And, we have preliminary numbers for the Primary  
Election on page 22. No surprises there.

The causeway sidewalk is falling apart. I'm sorry I  
don't have enough room to put a few more pictures in,  
but trust me, that baby needs some help. See page 3 for  
a short...very short story. This came in last minute, so  
details are rather sparse. We'll be running a follow-up,  
though as soon as the town gets an update from the  
engineer.

We did manage to squeeze in a little meeting  
coverage. See page 3 for BPW, which instituted a trash  
fee in a split vote.

There's other stuff in here, of course, including lots of  
happenings, like Hansel & Gretel in our own town hall  
this weekend (see page 20).

Things are definitely picking up with the turn of the  
season. See a bunch of happenings on pages 20, 21, 22.

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Publisher Beth David with  
Charlie, aka Evil Dog

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## Fairhaven BPW institutes trash fee

By Beth David  
Editor

After a discussion lasting about 1 1/2 hours, the Fairhaven Board of Public Works voted 3-2 at its 3/4/24 meeting to institute a \$100 trash fee to be collected \$25 per quarter. Robert "Hoppy" Hobson, Anne Morton Smith, and Travis Rapoza voted "yes," while BPW Chairperson Brian Wotton, and BPW member Daniel Lopes voted "no."

At its last meeting, the board heard from many residents on both sides of the issue.

Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison said the town is facing a \$2.2 million deficit. Instituting the \$100 fee on the approximately 700 properties that have trash pickup by the town, will generate approximately \$700,000 in revenue that can be used to close the gap.

BPW Chairperson Brian Wotton reminded people that at the last meeting he promised to find another way to save at least some of the \$700,000 that the town was asking public works to generate. But, he

explained, those savings would come from money slated for capital expenditures, such as equipment and road work. It will not help with the deficit, which is an ongoing revenue problem. The money needs to come from a recurring revenue source.

Ms. Ellison explained that she has asked all departments to raise fees to help with the deficit. If there is still a shortfall, all departments will be asked to cut their budgets to make up the difference, with the "big four" taking the biggest hits: Schools, Police, Fire, and Public Works.

Discussion mostly focused around who would pay the new trash fee and how much it would be.

For the fee to completely cover the cost of the sanitation contract, the fee would have to be around \$140 per household, but the board never seriously considered that number.

Those who have a trash bin will have to pay the fee. Commercial properties and apartment complexes that use a private service for trash will not pay the fee.

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## Causeway Road Sidewalk Closed

The sidewalk along Causeway Road from Hoppy's Landing to the other side of the opening is closed due to the discovery of several large sinkholes and breaks in the asphalt.

Fairhaven Highway Superintendent Josh Crabb said a resident called on Monday, 3/4, to report a hole in the sidewalk. Mr. Crabb found that the sidewalk was "severely undermined," with "significant voids under the asphalt," posing an imminent threat to public safety.

He said an engineer needs to inspect the sidewalk to decide what kind of repair needs to be made. If it is simply a matter of filling in the holes, then the job can be done by his department rather quickly. If the underlying structure has been compromised, the town could be looking at significant and expensive repairs.

He was scheduled to meet with the engineer later this week.

Mr. Crabb said the recent storms may have played a role in the damage, but he can not be sure without consulting with the engineer.

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# Donna McKenna Fairhaven Select Board

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- Involved in our Town and Community volunteering for over 25 years
- Fair to all in Fairhaven
- Strategic Planning and Decision Making skills
- Open Transparency



**I ask for your vote April 1st.**

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"Fair for All"**

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## From our readers

### **Espindola Endorses Romano**

I write this letter to enthusiastically support Andrew Romano for Select Board. If you have been following Andrew, you know that he is already on top of the issues Fairhaven is facing. He has been proactive in getting his message out to us from the moment he first committed to running.

I first met Andrew when he was a teenager and he was recording meetings for the Government Access Channel. He is dedicated to open and transparent government. He understands the importance of ensuring the community is able to observe the proceedings at all meetings and has access to all meeting materials. Moreover, he has the integrity required to ensure that only things allowed by State Open Meeting Law will be discussed when meetings go into Executive Session (when things are not open and transparent to the community).

Andrew sees that the only way for the Town to truly understand the financial circumstances ahead of us is to build a comprehensive financial forecasting model using tools, templates and guidance that are readily available to the town, at no cost, through state agencies. This type of model would take into account every single facet of Town Government and allow Town Administration to run "what-if" scenarios when it comes to critical decisions about union contracts, staffing needs, revenue sources, capital projects, etc. It would allow for leaders and policy makers to fully and clearly understand the long term implications of changes BEFORE they are made.

The Town's current circumstances demonstrate why having this type of analysis in place is so critical. It is encouraging that Andrew understands that this type of analysis is required to make good, informed policy decisions.

I know these things about Andrew to be true because several months ago, before anyone pulled papers for Select Board, Andrew reached out to me to better understand what is involved in being a Select Board member.

I shared my experiences with him and, at his request, I have met with

him prior to each Select Board meeting since to explain what my thought process is in preparing for a meeting, what resources I turn to in preparation, etc. I have enjoyed working with Andrew because he is very eager to learn. He has the type of energy it takes to do the job the right way. Andrew has already begun to delve into the wealth of guidance available from the Department of Revenue, Mass Municipal Association, etc.

Without any assurances that he will be elected, he has already spent considerable time over the past several months learning the job so he will be ready to hit the ground running. Now that's dedication.

Andrew will bring the type of work ethic, critical thinking and vision required to help the Town navigate through the challenging times ahead and he will not be afraid to challenge the process when he feels things are not being done correctly.

I urge you to vote for Andrew Romano, Select Board.

*Bob Espindola, Fairhaven*

### **McKenna Will Be Independent Voice**

I am writing to strongly endorse the candidacy of Donna McKenna for Fairhaven Select Board.

In my over 30 years as a Town employee, Department Head and Police Chief, I have never seen the Town so polarized and suffering from a lack of leadership as it is today.

Donna has served the Town exceptionally well as an independent voice on the School Committee and is the type of person to begin the reformation of the Select Board into one that leads not follows and listens to the concerns of constituents.

She will be an independent voice unintimidated by contrary opinions or name calling when she knows she is right.

Now is the time for people like her to step up and provide competent leadership. I strongly commend her for being willing to put herself up front and face the slings and arrows that come with Town politics.

I have never written an endorsement like this for any candidate for public office. I do this at a critical time for the welfare of the Town of Fairhaven and encourage all of you

who are similarly concerned to come out and vote for Donna McKenna on April 1st.

*Gary F. Souza, Fairhaven*

### **Melanson Pulls Out of Select Board Race**

Hello, my name is Cathy Melanson and I would like to take this opportunity to speak with you regarding the upcoming election and the two open positions on the select board.

I am a businesswoman and have lived in Fairhaven my entire life along with my husband of 47 years. I am a mother of 4 daughters, 13 grandchildren and one great grandchild expected next month.

As a businesswoman, I have dedicated myself, my years of experience and knowledge to serve the town in various capacities.

I am currently the chair of the planning board, chair of the Economic Development Committee, member of the Charter Committee, Capital Planning Committee and a representative on the Rogers School Reuse Committee.

During the interim of four months when the town did not have a planning director, I stepped up and volunteered my time and service to ensure the daily business of the department would continue without interruptions until a new Planning director was hired. During this time the planning office, along with the building Commissioner Randy Bassett, successfully created a streamlined permitting process for those wanting to do business in town. We instituted a program of a pre-meeting with the applicant and the various town department heads. The pre-meeting enabled the applicant to know exactly what plans and permits are required for their project. This common-sense streamlining approach saves the applicant and town months of unneeded expenses and valuable time.

For example, the Starbucks project went through the streamlined process and was able to obtain all needed permits in just 2 meetings.

Instituting this seamless process benefited the applicant and the town in revenue. We are seeing our few vacant store fronts now coming to life.

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## Letters from previous

With the many new projects being planned, along with the pursuit of the 40R project, we need to ensure responsible town growth which will be a win-win for all. Our successes exemplify Fairhaven as the place to establish and do business. We must never accept complacency and always seek to continue forward in all our town endeavors.

In my current positions, I still have much work to be done in helping steer our town forward. I am dedicated to see all planned projects and future ones to completion. I have decided not to continue my campaign for Select Board at this time. But not ruling out the future possibilities.

I wish to thank all those who continue to encourage, support and work with me in my current capacities as together we continue to make Fairhaven a great place to live.

*Cathy Melanson, Fairhaven*

### **Romano's Dedication is Evident**

I am writing to enthusiastically endorse Andrew Romano for Select Board. Andrew's dedication to our community is evident through his active involvement in various boards, community groups, and professional organizations. His drive, curiosity, and eagerness to learn make him an ideal candidate.

Andrew's commitment to asking questions and seeking diverse perspectives ensures that the opinions of all residents are considered in decision-making processes. His collaborative approach will undoubtedly foster a more inclusive and cohesive community, aligning with the goals outlined in our Master Plan.

I urge you to join me in supporting Andrew Romano for Selectboard. With Andrew, we can continue to build a community where every voice matters and where progress is made with the collective input of all residents.

*Christopher Fidalgo, Fairhaven*

### **Pacheco: Thoughtful Approach to Policy**

I am writing to endorse Nicole Pacheco to the School Committee.

Nicole exemplifies the qualities we should seek in our elected officials. Nicole demonstrates a thoughtful approach to policy, taking the time to research and understand the issues

at hand. Her leadership qualities shine through in decisions she makes, prioritizing the well-being of our students and community above all else.

What sets Nicole apart are her actions. She shows up ready to listen, learn, and lead. Even before assuming her current School Committee role, Nicole was actively involved attending meetings, seeking guidance from established leaders and preparing herself to serve effectively.

In an age where trust in elected officials is often questioned, Nicole restores faith through her dedication and thoughtfulness. She embodies citizen-leadership who approaches governance with integrity, compassion, and a genuine desire to make a positive difference. Together, let's continue to champion leaders who prioritize the needs of our community and strive to create a better future for all.

*Jess Fidalgo, Fairhaven*

### **Correy Owes Apology**

It appears that Mr. Correy's time on the Select Board has been most egregious for him. In reading the various articles in the recent *Fairhaven Neighborhood News*, it is most troubling to learn that 1. Mr. Espindola knew nothing of the lawsuit currently underway in town. I wonder, are the other members also ignorant of this and, if so, why?

2. We have all just taken the ethics and open meeting training course mandated by the state and I would hope that our Board members and the Town Administrator would be fully informed of the content, and

3. To show such utter disdain and disrespect for one member by another is unforgivable and I believe that Mr. Correy owes the town and Mr Espindola an apology.

I recall in an earlier issue of NN, Mr. Correy showed an unexpected delight in his welcome by the town population. Not a hint of racism then, in his opinion — might be that chip on the shoulder looking for somewhere to land. Sigh.

*Susan Spooner, Fairhaven*

### **Stop Talking About Racism**

Racism in Fairhaven. Really?

Recently I watched an interview with the great actor Morgan Freeman. He was asked: "How do we stop

racism in America?"

Freeman eyed his interviewer with a steely stare and replied, "Stop talking about it."

And that's when it hit me. We as a society are always talking about it. I think it's time we stop.

Don't misunderstand me. Racism is a very important issue, not to be trivialized or marginalized. It needs to be discussed, but in the right forum or in its proper time and place.

This leads me to the curious case of Selectman Leon E. Correy III. He's talking about racism in Fairhaven, so hence we are now talking about racism. Again. Apparently racism at such a high degree that he will not seek re-election. Relentless racism. In Fairhaven. Really?

Is this the same racist Fairhaven that elected him? How could that happen? If we are so "relentless" in our inherent racism, then how is voting in a black man even remotely possible?

The answer is somewhat simple. In a town of 16,000 residents, 95% of which are white, it would be impossible for us to vote him in and be racist at the same time. Are there a few racists in town that aren't comfortable with a black elected official? Of course, but that's true in any predominantly white town.

If you think we're done talking about racism in Fairhaven, think again. This leads to a second curious case, the one of Angie Lopes Ellison. She's another town official, in her case appointed as Town Administrator. She checks two boxes. She's a woman and she's a woman of color. And if you lose sight of this...don't worry. She's more than ready to remind you.

Again, how could such a racist town be able to appoint a person of color? (If you've lost count, we're now at two people of color holding high positions.)

Did it ever occur to her that the reason people give her a hard time is not because of gender or race? It could simply be 1) she's not from Fairhaven and 2) she's not very likable and brings hostility and tension to the workplace at the Town Hall and not the other way around.

If a few ignorant people seem racist, both Mr. Correy and Ms. Lopes Ellison need to look away and

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# NB Port Society/Seamen's Bethel announces new president

## Press Release

Fred Toomey, long time President of the New Bedford Port Society, retires. During his tenure, Fred completed major renovations of the Seamen's Bethel and Mariner's Home resulting in the beautiful facilities of today.

Phil Oliveira has been elected as President to continue the mission of the New Bedford Port Society, which includes the Seamen's Bethel and Mariner's Home.

Phil was born in New Bedford and works at Southcoast Health as Vice President of Supply Chain Strategy and Logistics.

He and his wife, Olivia, have two children and are lifelong residents of the Southcoast.

"I am honored to be a part of the living history of the New Bedford Port Society, to continue the 194th year and its mission to support the fishing community of the waterfront."



Phil Oliveira has been elected President of the New Bedford Port Society, which includes the Seamen's Bethel and Mariner's Home. *Submitted photo.*

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# March is Mass. Maple Month

## Press Release

To celebrate a new agricultural season in Massachusetts, Governor Maura Healey is declaring March as Massachusetts Maple Month. Mass. Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) Commissioner Ashley Randle joined state and local officials and representatives from the Mass. Maple Producers Association at Severance Maple Products in Northfield to raise awareness of the state's maple sugar industry and to encourage residents to visit their local sugar house and purchase locally made maple products.

The to Severance Maple Products included a tour of their operations and retail store, along with a reading of a Governor's Proclamation and ceremonial tapping of a maple tree to commemorate the official start of the sugaring season. Owners Milt and Robin Severance have been sugaring since 1976. Their first year yielded a couple of gallons of maple syrup, but today, they produce a couple thousand gallons annually. All of their products are produced locally in Northfield at their sugarhouse kitchen, with availability online, in local stores, and at craft and agricultural fairs in the area.

Massachusetts is one of the top maple-producing states in the country, home to over 300 maple producers that produce more than 70,000 gallons per year. The sector employs over a thousand people, contributing over \$15 million to the local economy. Maple sugaring profits allow many Massachusetts farms to stay in business year-round by diversifying their offerings, serving as a supplemental source of income to their other crops.

"We are tapping into this maple

month with more support and appreciation for our sugarmakers than ever. The maple industry is not only economically, culturally, and historically important for the region but also plays a vital role in our environmental and climate resilience efforts," said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Rebecca Tepper. "The industry maintains and preserves more than 15,000 acres of land and is working to modernize equipment and install renewable energy sources. We are proud to see this sector transition to one of the state's most energy efficient and sustainable in agriculture."

Since 2018, MDAR has awarded over half a million dollars in Climate Smart Agriculture Program Grants to maple producers throughout the state. These grants have been used to offset the costs of installing updated, environmentally friendly equipment, including high-efficiency evaporators, heat recovery and reverse osmosis equipment, and photovoltaic solar arrays, lowering carbon footprints and environmental impacts.

All month long, maple sugarhouses around the state will open their doors to host visitors with fun, family-friendly interactive activities, as well as serving stacks of pancakes,



Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) Commissioner Ashley Randle with state and local officials alongside Milt and Robin Severance (far right), owners of Severance Maple Products in Northfield. Submitted photo.

waffles, and French toast covered in local maple syrup. Maple sugaring is one of the few agritourism activities available during the early months of the year. Over 60,000 visitors spend more than \$2 million during the sugaring season. Farms, restaurants, bed and breakfasts, country inns, and other tourist businesses share in this income, which primarily flows into small towns and farm communities.

"We expect a great maple syrup harvest this spring as many sugarmakers across the state are off to an early start," said Massachusetts Maple Producers Association Coordinator Missy Leab. "As the sweet steam rises from our local sugarhouses this spring, we encourage everyone to take the opportunity and visit one or more of the 300+ Massachusetts maple producers where you can talk with a sugarmaker, ask all your maple

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(pre-registration is required by  
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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. \$7 per child

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This program has 2 sessions that are 3 hours long on May 4th and May 11. Member \$130. Non-Member \$145.

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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: 3/13, Warwick Mall; 3/20, Providence Place & Whole Foods; 3/27, Hyannis Mall, Trader Joe's & Whole Foods; 4/3, Twin River Casino.

### Monday Movie Matinee

Free. Mon., 3/11 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.

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### Easter Dinner

Sun., 3/31. Join us for a lovely Easter Dinner at the Fairhaven Senior Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Menu is salad, baked ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls & butter, assorted desserts.

Please call to sign up by Wednesday, 3/22, 508-979-4029.

### Memory Cafe

March 28, 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 Turkey with gravy.

Space is limited. Please sign up by March 25 at 508-979-4029.

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# Recipe of the Week

## Dutch Baby Pancake

- 4 tbps butter
- 6 large eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Maple syrup, optional, to taste, for topping
- Whipped cream, optional, to taste, for topping
- Yogurt, optional, to taste, for topping
- Peanut butter, optional, to taste, for topping
- Powdered sugar, optional, to taste, for topping
- Fresh berries, optional, to taste, for topping

Preheat ven to 425°.

In a glass 9x13-inch baking dish, add the butter.

Place the baking dish in the oven to melt the butter while it preheats, about 2 minutes. Make sure to remove the baking dish once the butter is melted.

In a blender, combine the eggs, milk, flour, salt, and vanilla, blending well and scraping down the sides of the blender as needed.

Pour the batter into the hot baking dish over the melted butter.

Bake until the pancake has lifted up and turned golden brown, about 20-25 minutes.

Remove the Dutch Baby from the oven and cut it into serving sizes. Top with your favorite toppings. Serve.

From [commandcooking.com](http://commandcooking.com)



# Dear Frankie

## Valentine's Day Review

Dear Frankie,

At Mahjong last week, Violette asked the group how they had celebrated Valentine's Day.

Martha said her husband sent her a dozen red roses, which

was unusual for him. She said she hasn't stopped thinking about it and wondering if she should be concerned. Cindy said she hates Valentine's Day because it reminds her of all the jerks she dated. Miranda is newly married and said it was the best Valentine's Day she had ever spent. She surprised her husband with a candlelight dinner and champagne, and he surprised her with a certificate for a couple's day at a fancy spa. Anne said everyone at her house was sick with the flu, so they took a pass.

I was grateful that no one asked me how I celebrated the day because no one called, texted, or sent me a Valentine. I couldn't send any Valentines this year because I have an executive position in my company, and it's our busiest time of the year.

My "friend" from work recently called about the executive retreat, and my cousin texted about bringing a salad for a family potluck dinner. Both of them work part-time and have low-level jobs. Neither apologized for not remembering me on Valentine's Day. I haven't responded to either message and don't intend to do so for quite some time. Let them see how it

feels to be ignored.

Lisbeth

Dear Lisbeth,

Let me get this straight. You are mad at your friend and cousin because they didn't send you a valentine, and you are punishing them by not responding to their messages. You explain that they can't use work as an excuse because they both have part-time and low-level positions that don't demand much of their time or energy. At the same time, you have an excuse because you have a demanding executive position requiring much of your time and energy.

Has it occurred to you that the reason they didn't send you a valentine is not work-related and has to do with how they define their relationship with you: one as a colleague and the other as a relative and not a friend and a close relative?

If that is the case, there would be no reason for them to send you a loving and endearing message or to apologize for being remiss. If Valentine's Day is so important to you, send cards out early next year, which will give the recipients, if they so desire, time to send you one back.

Best, Frankie

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People are upset about \$100, said Ms. Smith because they believe their tax dollars pay for trash collection. She asked Ms. Ellison if that is no longer true.

"I'm saying we have a 2.2 million dollar deficit," said Ms. Ellison.

Officials explained that there are several contributing factors to the deficit: The Proposition 2 1/2 override failed last year, which would have added \$450K to the budget; money from the cannabis facility that was part of the host community agreement has been taken away, about \$300K; inflation is up making everything more expensive.

The town also has a lot of excess capacity at the SEMASS waste-to-energy facility. The town was able to sell that extra capacity to ABC, the town's former trash removal company. However, ABC was bought out by a larger company, Harvey's Waste Removal, and they do not need to use the town's excess capacity. They are able to ship the town's trash to one of their other facilities.

"So they found other ways that are cheaper than what we were offering,"

said Mr. Wotton.

Carolyn Lopes said she appreciated the effort the board made to find other cuts, but at some point the costs need to stop.

"It's got to stop somewhere because the taxpayers can't keep paying and paying and paying," said Ms. Lopes.

In the end, a rather convoluted motion got passed stating that the town would institute the \$100 fee starting in the next Fiscal Year (July), to be billed quarterly. They will revisit the fee next year and decide if they want to continue it or change the amount.

Senior citizens who meet income requirements will be able to receive an abatement of half the amount.

Apartment complexes and others that do not have trash collection will also receive an abatement.

Anyone can opt out of the system, but their bins will be taken away and they will have to arrange for another way to dispose of their trash.

Mr. Wotton cautioned that using a private service will undoubtedly be more expensive.

## Ellison is finalist in Bloomfield, CT

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison has been named one of four finalists in the Town Manager search in Bloomfield, CT.

Ms. Ellison told the *Neighb News* that the town reached out to her. She had previously interviewed with them before being hired by Fairhaven in 2022.

"It's an opportunity," she said, and noted that it is a "very diverse community."

Fairhaven is 95% white. Ms. Ellison is a Woman of Color and has said publicly that she has experienced both subtle and overt racism and sexism since becoming the TA. She is also in negotiations with the Select Board to renew her contract which expires in April of 2025.

Bloomfield is a town with a population of about 21,500 and a \$100+ million budget.

It is "majority-minority" community with 56% of the population identifying as Black, 30% white, 7%

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# Candidate Statements: Select Board



## Patrick J. Carr

Hello Fairhaven!  
My name is Patrick J. Carr and I'm seeking a position on the Fairhaven Select

Board.

Currently, I serve as a voting member on the Fairhaven Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals, as well as the Economic Development Committee. I serve on the 40R Zoning Work Study Group and am a Town Meeting member. Through my experience serving on these boards and committees, I have been exposed to and developed a strong comprehension of the town's by-laws.

The Select Board is charged with applying, governing, and overseeing policies and procedures within our town government. I've discovered that certain restrictions within some of our by-laws are antiquated and, in turn,

**CARR:** cont'd on page 13 column 1



## Jean Paul "JP" Lemieux

Hello family, friends, and neighbors of Fairhaven, My name is Jean Paul (JP) Lemieux,

and I'm a candidate for one of the two open seats on the SelectBoard

As a retired member of Local 51, I served as a recording secretary for a few of those years, I know how a meeting runs and how to respect other members you're serving with.

Fairhaven is facing many issues from trash to the TA's lawsuit, including taxes, water & sewer, and the 2.17 million dollar deficit all on the rise. We a calm, cool, and collected decision maker to get through all these issues.

If elected, I promise nothing to anyone, but my 100% attention of where our money is going.

I want you to know why the current

**LEMIEUX:** cont'd page 13 column 3 (bottom)



## Donna McKenna

Hi, My Name is Donna McKenna, thank you for this opportunity to announce my running

for Select-board on April 1st.

I am currently a member of the Fairhaven School Committee for the past 12 years and (SMEC) South-eastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative board member. I have been volunteering in Fairhaven for over 25+ years with many different organizations. I have decided to now give back to the Town of Fairhaven and give opportunities to others to run for a Great School Committee Board in Fairhaven.

I am eager to continue to listen (Open Transparency) to the concerns of our Citizens and implement an action plan wherever needed in assisting our Community.

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## Andrew Romano

"In his TED Talk, Simon Sinek said "Every single organization knows WHAT they do, 100%. Some know HOW they do it... but very very few people or organizations know WHY they do what they do."

Why did I decide to enter the race for the Fairhaven Select Board? This can be answered in one word: Community. The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines community as "a group of people with a common characteristic or interest living together within a larger society."

I was fortunate to be embraced by the Fairhaven community at a young age. My first job at the age of 14 was in sound design and videography for the Town's Government Access Channel, where I got the chance to meet all the board and committee members. I was lucky to sit in the room, listen to the conversations and watch many great leaders that I looked up to, because they truly cared about making our town the best it could be. I am ready to be a part of those conversations.

We are facing a challenging time of divide that is being driven by a tightening budget. We all share a common goal of keeping Fairhaven affordable, without having to cut services we need and have grown accustomed to. Hard decisions are going to have to be made, and long term financial planning will need to be put in place. I am committed to working with the town to assure the BEST

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## Andrew Saunders

Just over 9 months ago, the Town faced a budget deficit of \$450,000. An override question was put to the voters which would have added another \$43.00 to the average tax bill. Right or wrong, those who voted gave a loud message when the override question was defeated by a 2-to-1 margin. The School Department budget was then cut by \$200,000 and the Town budget by \$250,000.

The proposed FY 2025 Town budget exceeds \$62mm which is a 16% reduction from last year. Even with this reduction, the Town still reportedly faces a funding shortfall of \$2.1mm. Another override question would likely not succeed, so the town is faced with either imposing more cuts, figuring out ways to increase revenue (other than a property tax increase), or a combination of both. The Select Board will have a significant say in these decisions which will impact critical town services such as education, fire, police protection and the overall financial health of our town for years to come.

Fairhaven also must address the lack of affordable housing stock. It is real and creative solutions are needed. The state government will mandate solutions, so the town needs to be out-in-front early on to design the most reasonable local solution. Again, the Selectboard will have a significant impact on these policies.

Picking the right Select Board candidate is essential.

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contradict the present laws of the State of Massachusetts. As a Select Board Member, one of my focuses is to propose revisions and updates to the town's by-laws so that our boards and committees can more effectively and lawfully serve the people of Fairhaven.

Another major priority is to reverse the deficit our town now finds itself in. I've been a business owner in Fairhaven for over 25 years. The skills and experience I have compiled throughout my career are transferable to serve on The Fairhaven Select Board and contribute to the deficit reversal. I am routinely tasked with estimating costs, creating proposals, developing and adhering to budgets, negotiating the sales and purchases of equipment and property, and ensuring customer satisfaction. I lead my team through effective communication, delegation, and cooperation. I regularly negotiate terms with and work alongside a vast array of personalities and people of various backgrounds, race, ethnicities and socioeconomic statuses.

I am straightforward with a common sense approach and pride myself on being open and honest in my business and local government dealings.

If you notice, The Fairhaven Town Seal reads: "Town of Fairhaven -

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Incorporated stands out to me. Although the town's structure may differ from a private corporation, the premise is the same. Both entities generate income and incur expenses. The question I would ask is, do those expenses lead to further revenue? If not, what value do they add to our town and how can we creatively cut costs while providing the services and infrastructure that support this community?

Throughout my career, I've demonstrated ingenuity, resourcefulness, and flexibility, allowing me to remain fluid and viable amongst the ebbs and flows inherent within business and economics, most notably during the Great Recession and The Covid-19 Pandemic.

I've resided in Fairhaven for over 40 years and have a vested interest in our community. I believe Fairhaven is a good town with good people living here that deserve a government that leads with experience and common sense. I enjoy helping people and I believe there is always room for improvement.

With that said, if you are looking for an honest, straight-shooter, with practical experience as your representative, please consider voting for me for the Fairhaven Select Board on April 1.

Thank you for your consideration, Patrick J. Carr

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Professionally Speaking, I am employed with Stonegate Mortgage Associates as a Mortgage Broker/Senior Advisor/Team Leader. My Financial Background and Expertise is my Biggest Strength.

I have been in the Financial/Banking industry business world since 1986. I currently have a team of 13 individuals working with me. I work with my clients daily with budgeting their housing expense, since Investing/purchasing a home is the biggest purchase of their lives.

I do have a strong investment in the Town of Fairhaven and worked very hard to assist other committees associated with the Fairhaven School Committee and exceeding their goals in the past and would continue to do so when needed. My responsibility on the School Committee is Budget, Policies and our Superintendent. I have enjoyed my time and will truly miss them all, but I know I can bring My expertise to the Select Board if I am elected.

We need Fairhaven to be Fair to All in our Great Town. I am committed to this Town and will take this position and its impact on people very seriously. My family stands behind me and knows that I will continue to help make Fairhaven stronger and better for all. We can all work together, through all departments, we can accomplish this goal! Looking forward to serving our Town.

I respectfully ask for your Vote on Monday April 1s.

Sincerely yours,  
Donna LS McKenna  
dmckenna5055@yahoo.com

**LEMIEUX: cont'd from page 12**

Board is trying to push a contract extension now, when it's not up until April of 2025.

The time of complaining from your couch is over. It's time to vote.

Please consider me on April 1, 2024, for SelectBoard.

## Questions for candidates wanted

### Candidates Night

The Town of Fairhaven Public Access TV is sponsoring a Meet the Candidates night on Thurs., 3/21, at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center St., Fairhaven. The event is open to the public, and will run live on Channel 18 and will run live and be available on demand on FairhavenTV.com.

### Submit Your Questions

The public is invited to sub-

mit questions to candidates. Please submit your questions to FairhavenTV@gmasil.com by March 17. Please specify which position the question is intended for.

Residents are asked to submit questions in advance to be asked anonymously to candidates. Each candidate for a particular seat will have the opportunity to answer the same question, with a rotation of who answers first.



**Bad officials  
are the ones elected  
by good citizens  
who do not vote.**  
*George Jean Nathan*

# Candidate statements: cont'd from page 12

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decisions for the entire community are being made.

At 26 years old, I represent a new generation of community members excited to have the chance to give back and be a part of Town Government. I look to bring a new level of communication and transparency to the town. I am a Small Business Owner, Award Winning Real Estate Broker, a member of the Board of Directors to the Local REALTOR Association, and a Director of Business Development at BOLD Real Estate. I am also involved in the community as President of the North Fairhaven Improvement Association, a member of Fairhaven Rotary, a Town Meeting Member and a board member of the Zoning Board of Appeals and Cable Advisory Committee. When I commit to something, I truly commit and I promise to approach the role of Select Board member with that same level of enthusiasm and commitment.

I look forward to the chance to meet you and encourage you to reach out to me to learn more about me and my ideas about the many aspects in the town. I will work hard to earn your vote. Please consider voting ROMANO for Select Board on April 1."

Best, Andrew Romano  
Candidate for Fairhaven Select Board  
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Experience, practical knowledge, problem solving skills, and a reasonable temperament are what is needed to effectively craft solutions to these critically important issues. I believe I am that candidate and I ask for your vote.

My wife and I have lived in Fairhaven for over 28 years. We have 2 daughters who attended Fairhaven Schools who themselves have gone on to successful careers. I am one of eight children. My father was a local funeral director and my mother a local pediatrician.

I received a bachelor's degree in finance from U-Mass Dartmouth and a law degree from Suffolk University. I have practiced law since 1992 with a concentration in the offshore commercial maritime industry. In 1997, I founded Saunders & Saunders where I practice with my wife, Attorney Sandra G. Saunders. I have also served as General Counsel to the New Bedford Harbor Development Commission and a large US based international offshore oil & gas service and marine construction company with over 120 vessels globally.

Aside from the practice of law, I have held 2 separate appointments to the Fairhaven Conservation Commission. I am currently undertaking a project in New Bedford to transform a former power generation station into an offshore wind shore base facility. I have been part of numerous commercial ventures and during law school, worked full time in the Massachusetts State Senate where I worked on Fairhaven related municipal issues including the preservation of 282 acres of land on West Island.

All these experiences help shape my candidacy and again I ask for your vote.

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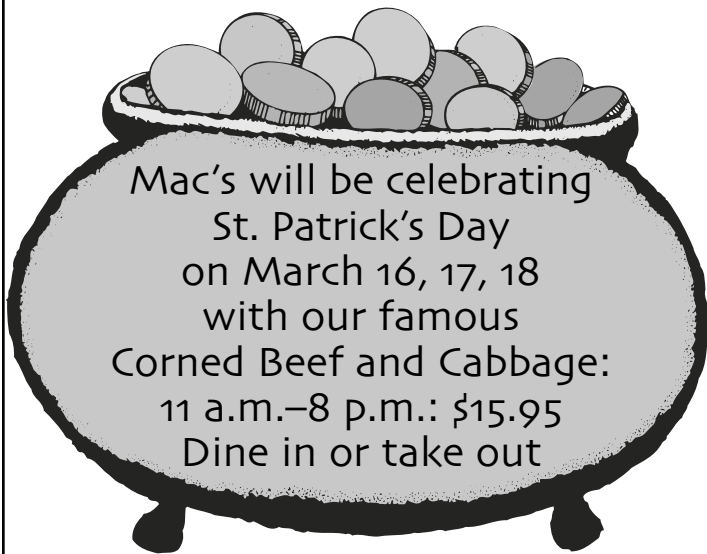
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# Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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## ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Acushnet Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Police Station Conference Room located at 64 Middle Road, Acushnet, Massachusetts.

Public Hearing – RDA – Paul Boucher / 7 Morton Lane, Map 14, Lots 15H & 17. A Request for Determination was filed by Paul Boucher for property located at 7 Morton Lane, Map 14, Lots 15H & 17. The applicant proposes to construct an 8 ft. X 12 ft. shed within the 100 ft. buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. Plan name is "Topographic As-Built Plan" dated March 25, 2023.

Ryan Rezendes, Chairman of Acushnet Conservation Commission  
FNN: 3/7/24

## INVITATION TO BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Fairhaven ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Proposal

The Town of Fairhaven is accepting bids/proposals for an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) self-evaluation and transition plan. The Town will accept the offer that is, in the Town's sole discretion, determined to be in the best interest of the Town. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive minor informalities.

Sealed Bid envelopes must be labeled "ADA Evaluation and Transition Plan" and received by Noon (12:00 PM), Monday, April 1, 2024 at the Town Administrator's Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. All bids will be date and time stamped. One (1) original and two (2) exact copies of the bid/proposal (including required certifications and forms) must be submitted. Proposals should be addressed to Angie Lopes Ellison, Town Administrator c/o Martha Reed, Executive Director-Fairhaven Council on Aging, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

To obtain a copy of the Invitation to Bid/Request for Proposal, please contact Martha Reed at [mreed@fairhaven-ma.gov](mailto:mreed@fairhaven-ma.gov) or call 508-979-4029. The IFB/RFP can also be found on the Town website [www.fairhaven-ma.gov](http://www.fairhaven-ma.gov) or on COMMBUYS [www.commbuys.com](http://www.commbuys.com).  
FNN: 3/7/24

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven Conservation Commission

Monday, March 18, 2024 at 6:00pm  
Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center Street  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

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

Anyone wishing to access the meeting via remote means may do so in the following manner:  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86953155076?pwd=VFdUQkhdVYrNzJlQktlVi9XSzGppZz09>  
or CALL 1-929-205-6099  
Meeting ID: 869 5315 5076  
Passcode: 633695

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold the following Public Hearings pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands:

a. SE 023 - , CON 023-408: 29 Nakata Avenue, Map 43, Lot 119 Notice of Intent filed by Omar Halabi for demolition and removal of an existing dwelling and construction of a new flood zone compliant single-family dwelling, along with an after-the-fact filing for a concrete patio. The project is located within Buffer

Zone to a Salt Marsh, Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, and FEMA Flood Zone VE (EI.20) at Assessors' Map 43, Lot 119.

b. CON 023-409: 2 West Street, Map 13, Lot 22 & 24 Request for Determination filed by Lars Olson to add a 16' x 5' addition to an existing dwelling, with a 16' x 10' walkout basement area under the addition, and to include a set of stairs to the existing patio. Work to take place within 100 feet of a river at Assessors' Map 13, Lot 22 & 24.

c. SE 023-1398, CON 023-315: Starboard Drive, Map 42, Lot 9 Request for an Amended Order of Conditions filed by Starboard Drive Nominee Trust, John P. Mathieu, Trustee to revise the language of Special Condition No. 40 to be changed from Subdivision Lot #3 to Subdivision Lot #1 (relative to the bedroom restriction). Lot falls within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (LSCSF), Flood Zone VE (EI. 19' & 20'), and a portion of the southwesterly corner falls within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of a Salt Marsh at Assessor's Map 42, Lot 9.

d. SE 023-1451, CON 023-411: Cove Street, Map 28B, Cove Street Right-of-Way Notice of Intent filed by Vincent Furtado (Fairhaven Board of Public Works) to install two new catch basins, convert an existing drop inlet structure for drainage improvement, install a new water main to loop into the existing water network, along with a new hydrant with associated water services. Project located within Flood Zone VE (EI.16') and a portion within Coastal Dune & Coastal Beach at Assessor's Map 28B, Cove Street Right-of-Way.

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

Copies of the applications and site plans listed in this hearing notice may be viewed at the Conservation Office in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA and links to the applications are on the Town Website.

Jay Simmons, Chair  
Fairhaven Conservation Commission  
FNN: 3/7/24

## FAIRHAVEN PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 6:30 pm  
Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

In accordance with MGL c. 40A, § 11, notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday March 26, 2024, at Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. The Planning Board Meeting will be conducted in Town Hall and remotely and will be televised live on Fairhaven TV Channel 18 and [fairhaventv.com](http://fairhaventv.com). To Join the Meeting from home Log on to:

<https://zoom.us/j/93163358101?pwd=NXG5WnUxZ3lLK3drSVBBM2JPTXE0QT09or>  
call 1-929-205-6099 - Meeting ID: 931 6335 8101 -  
Passcode: 740257

Live on Fairhaven TV Channel 18 and  
[fairhaventv.com](http://fairhaventv.com)

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on proposed revisions to the Town of Fairhaven Bylaws:

Make administrative changes, clarifications and corrections to §65-1 & 65-3 (Planning Board), §198-15.C.(2) (Use Regulations), §198-19.B (Fences), §198-29.A(5) and B (Special Permit for Certain intensive nonresidential & multifamily site developments), §198-29.6.F and G(8) (Solar facilities), §198-33 (Definition and word use); §316 (Procedural Rules); §322 (Subdivision of Land)

Revise §198-16 (Use Regulations) and §198-32.1 (Accessory dwelling units) to make accessory dwelling units by-right. Revise §198-16 by adding health care, shipping containers, and storage units as uses and allowing body art establishments, artist studio/gallery, accessory apartment to a business, and semi detached dwelling by right in certain zoning districts. Revise §198-27.C(1) to allow parking in a setback in certain zoning districts. Revise §198-16 (Use Regulations) and §198-32.2 (Docks and Piers) to allow docks and piers by-right. Delete §306-1 (Fee schedule of Planning Board charges). Repeal and Replace § 198-31.1 and

§322-26 with an amended §194 Stormwater Management Bylaw.

Copies of the revisions are on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall, by appointment and on the Town website. To schedule an appointment to review the revisions call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4023, Ext. 8122 or go to: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-economic-development/pages/zoning-by-law-update>

Cathy Melanson, Chair, Planning Board  
FNN: 3/7/24 & 3/14/24

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L.

Chapter 91

Waterways License Amendment Application No.

23-WW14-0001-APP

Applicant: Chanda Kale

Project Location: 23 Goulart Memorial Drive,

Fairhaven, Bristol County

Notification Date: March 7, 2024

Public Hearing: March 14, 2024

Public Comments Deadline: April 8, 2024

Public Notice is hereby given of the Waterways Application by Chanda Kale requesting a Variance to seek relief from various provisions of 310 CMR 9.00 pertaining to a Nonwater-Dependent Facility of Private Tenancy, in order to maintain an existing residential dwelling and associated deck partially located within Flowed Tidelands of Buzzards Bay at 23 Goulart Memorial Drive in the Town of Fairhaven, Bristol County. The Department has determined that said project is Nonwater-Dependent.

The Public Hearing for this Waterways Application will be conducted remotely via Zoom on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 2:00pm. Prior to the meeting you can download and sign up for an account for this free software at <https://zoom.us> on your phone, tablet, desktop, or laptop computer.

Advance registration is required to participate in this remote Public Hearing, please register using the following link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86953155076?pwd=VFdUQkhdVYrNzJlQktlVi9XSzGppZz09> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with the information needed to join the meeting from your device. MassDEP Waterways Program will conduct this hearing in order to receive information to be used in its decision on whether to grant a Waterways License pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways Application received by Monday, April 8, 2024 (Public Comments Deadline). Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten (10) citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include at least five (5) citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located.

Project plans and documents for this Waterways Application are on file for public viewing electronically at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/> (enter 23-WW14-0001-APP in the Search Page in the "Record ID" field). If you need assistance, please contact [frank.taormina@mass.gov](mailto:frank.taormina@mass.gov) or if you do not have access to email, please call (617) 571-1516 for alternative options.

It is recommended that documents and correspondence be filed electronically with the email address specified above when possible. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to Frank Taormina at MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

FNN 3/7/24

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questions, and see, smell, and taste spring! Watch the fascinating process of turning fresh maple sap into pure maple syrup. Don't forget to bring home a jug of Massachusetts sweetest crop: pure maple syrup!"

Maple syrup has been produced and consumed for centuries in North America. Its initial availability during the tail end of the winter season signals the start of the agricultural awakening in Massachusetts and is a sure sign that spring is around the corner. Tree tapping in Massachusetts can start as early as late January and continue through April, though March is officially Maple Month. Most importantly, the temperatures must be below freezing at night and above freezing during the days for the tree sap to flow. Furthermore, weather, soil, and genetics of the tree can affect maple syrup flavor.

Please visit the Massachusetts Maple Producers Association (MMPA) to learn more about the maple sugaring process. For a complete listing of maple sugar houses in the Commonwealth, visit the MassGrown website.

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Unit A073  
Carol Taber  
Household Furniture

**LETTERS: cont'd from page 5**

embrace the rest of the citizens who have embraced them. They both need to toughen up. They'd be surprised that racism subsides when you don't continually bring it up. If they perpetuate the racism narrative they end up stoking the fire and the few racists have them beat. The racists live rent free in both their heads.

To Mr. Correy: please stay and run again. To Ms. Lopes Ellison: please lay down your sword. You both ultimately will be judged on merit, not race. Stop living in a constant state of victimhood. Put away your race cards, stop talking about it. Heed the advice of Morgan Freeman.

*Robert Costa, Fairhaven*

## Upcoming Meetings

### Fairhaven

#### Board of Public Works

Mon., 3/4, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

#### Charter Committee

Thurs., 2/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

#### Conservation Commission

Mon., 3/18, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

#### Finance Committee

Wed., 3/6, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.

#### School Committee

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

#### Select Board

Mon., 3/11, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Acushnet

#### Council On Aging

Wed., 3/13, Senior Ctr., 10 a.m.

#### Housing Authority

Wed., 3/20, Nate Gomes Ctr., 9:30 a.m.

#### Planning Commission

Thurs., 3/7, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

#### Selectboard

Tues., 3/12, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

### TIDE TABLE

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

March 2024		HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	7	0515	1741	1102*	2310*
Friday	8	0603	1827	1152*	---
Saturday	9	0650	1914	0008*	1238*
Sunday	10	0837	2103	0104*	1427*
Monday	11	0926	2152	0301*	1515*
Tuesday	12	1015	2241	0352*	1558*
Wednesday	13	1104	2331	0435*	1638*
Thursday	14	1155	---	0516*	1718*
Friday	15	0025	1252	0602	1802*
Saturday	16	0123	1352	0714	1903
Sunday	17	0222	1450	0953	2052
Monday	18	0320	1551	1113	2323
Tuesday	19	0425	1702	---	1212
Wednesday	20	0532	1803	0023	1259
Thursday	21	0624	1847	0110	1340

\*= 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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Hispanic or Latino/a, 4% Asian, and 3% other. Median Household income is \$81,354.

Bloomfield is holding a meet the finalists community forum on 3/7 that will be open to the public and streamed live on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/c/AccessBloomfieldCT>

To the voting residents of Fairhaven  
You are invited to *MEET and GREET*  
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PLEASE TELL US THE TYPES OF NEW BUSINESSES YOU'D LIKE IN FAIRHAVEN

You can name a specific brand or just the business type you would like, i.e., clothing store, jewelry shop etc...

A link for the survey question will be embedded on a banner on the home page of the town website, <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov> or visit <https://tinyurl.com/EDCFairhaven>

If you don't have access to a computer, a survey card will be available for you next to a box outside the Town Clerk's office, in the Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven.

The survey ends March 31, 2024.

Thank you for participating.

## Shellfish Closed

Shellfishing in all of Buzzards Bay is closed until further notice due to the City of New Bedford's wastewater treatment plant releasing raw sewage into the outer harbor, again. This time the city emptied 20 million gallons into the water. This is the second time in this year the bay was closed to shellfishing. January, the city dumped more than 40 million gallons into the bay.

## Free Gov't Class

The Millicent Library is pleased to announce a free class, "Understanding American Government," Federal and State Governments, Elections, and Democracy. This class is designed to provide citizens with a comprehensive understanding of State and Federal Governments and how they interact with one another. This informative and engaging course will cover fundamental topics including separation of powers, political parties, electoral process, and more.

This course will be led by local attorney and Fairhaven resident, Ellen Nelson. Ellen was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1985 and practiced law as a courtroom litigator for 25 years mainly as a solo practitioner working in the Probate and Family Courts with an emphasis on child protective work and rights of the disabled. Her work consisted of

day to day litigation including two cases before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court.

Ellen has a Bachelors of Arts degree in History and Political Science from the University of Massachusetts and a Juris Doctor from the Cardozo School of Law in New York. She has taught classes on government and introduction to law at community colleges and privately.

The course will be held on Saturdays, 1:30 to 2:30 from March 16 through March 30, at the Millicent, 45 Center St., Walnut Street entrance.

FREE, but registration for the course is strongly recommended. To register go to [MillicentLibrary.org/Registration](https://www.millicentlibrary.org/Registration), Email [Millicent@SailsInc.org](mailto:Millicent@SailsInc.org) or call 508-992-5342.

## Fhvn GOP

Please consider joining the Fairhaven Republican Town Committee. March 21st at 6pm at 32 Abbey Street, Fairhaven.

We will have a lot of post election news to discuss and exciting new campaign news to announce. Call Chair Bob McConnell at 508-863-0416 or email us [fairhavenrtc@gmail.com](mailto:fairhavenrtc@gmail.com)

## Food Drive

The Fairhaven Belonging Committee and Rotary Club are supporting a community food drive ending on April 6. This year donations will go to the school department's Family Resource Center, Council on Aging in Fairhaven, and the First Congregational Church food pantry in Fairhaven. Looking for non-perishables ONLY. Nut butters, jelly, pasta, pasta sauces, mac & cheese, cereals are frequent needs. Toiletries welcome.

Look for donation boxes and drives around town or drop off at the COA, 229 Huttleston Ave., on April 6th 9a-1p. For more information or to join with a box or drive of your own contact [belonging@fairhaven.gov](mailto:belonging@fairhaven.gov) or [Ruby0918@comcast.net](mailto:Ruby0918@comcast.net).

Volunteers are welcome to help sort items on 4/6.

## Hansel & Gretel

The New Bedford Ballet and Seaglass Theater Company announce performances of Hansel and Gretel on Sunday, March 10 at 2:00pm and 4:00pm at the Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center St. The

performance features the New Bedford Youth Ballet bringing the story of Hansel & Gretel to life through dance, while Seaglass Theater Company artists perform the musical score.

Tickets: Adults \$20, Seniors, Students, and Children \$15. Purchase online through New Bedford Ballet's website at [newbedfordballet.org](https://www.newbedfordballet.org) or through Seaglass Theater's website at [seaglasstheater.com](https://www.seaglasstheater.com). Please contact New Bedford Ballet at 508-993-1387 or Seaglass Theater Company at 508-951-7187 for more information.

Eventbrite ticket link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hansel-gretel-tickets-820146689827>.

## Nominate a Crossing Guard

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), through its Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program, is encouraging the public to nominate a crossing guard for recognition for the 2024 Crossing Guard Appreciation Campaign.

The nomination period opened on March 1, 2024, and all submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, Crossing Guard Appreciation Day, when schools and students are encouraged to show in their own way how much they appreciate their Crossing Guards.

The nomination form, a printable Thank You Card, and promotional flyers are all available on the SRTS website (<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/safe-routes-to-school-crossing-guard-resources#crossing-guard-appreciation>) in the Engagement section. Schools must be SRTS partners in order for their Crossing Guards to be eligible.

## SAVE THE DATES:

### Fhvn Village Militia

Come and meet the Fairhaven Village Militia at our meet and greet event on Sat., 3/23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Fairhaven EMA Building, 150 Sconticut Neck Road, Fairhaven.

A free indoor educational event outlining Fairhaven's history during the Revolutionary War era. Meet our re-enactors, and see demonstrations of colonial life including midwifery,

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## STILL IN TOWN

colonial clothing and sewing, tin smithing, and other period happenings. There will be a children's area where kids can try out colonial toys and games that children enjoyed at that time. If the weather permits, we may have an outside encampment and drilling. This is a great event for the young and old alike. Come see this living history event.

### Beach Cleanup

Be The Solution to Pollution is sponsoring a cleanup on Hacker Street in Fairhaven on 3/23, from 9 a.m. to noon. Wear closed-toe waterproof shoes or boots. Meet at the end of Hacker Street Fairhaven

Gloves, bags tools provided. Contact: Instagram: marylou4oceans, or bethesolutiontopollution@gmail.com

### Coffehouse

The Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Universalist Society of

Fairhaven invites you to a concert by SloGrass, one of Central Massachusetts' longest-performing bluegrass bands, from 7 to 9 p.m. March 23.

SloGrass plays an eclectic mix of instrumental and vocal bluegrass songs. Besides bluegrass, the musicians draw on a repertoire of blues, jazz, folk, American Songbook, Americana, world music, and originals.

Bob Dick on bass, Mark Whiting Davis on steel-string guitar, David DiBiasio on banjo, dobro and nylon-string guitar, and Fran McConville on mandolin make up the band. To learn more, visit [www.slograss.com](http://www.slograss.com).

All seats are first-come, first-served. Doors open at 6. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$7 for kids under 15. Coffee, tea, and sweets will be available for purchase. To buy tickets, text a request to 717-462-0411.

The parish house at 102 Green St. is handicapped accessible via a ramp

off the Center Street driveway. For more information about the church, call 508-992-7081 or visit [uufairhaven.org](http://uufairhaven.org).

### FHS Drama Musical

The Fairhaven High School Theatre Company is excited to be presenting this year's spring musical, *The Prom*, where four eccentric Broadway stars are in desperate need of a new stage.

*The Prom* will be performed at Fairhaven High School on April 4th, 5th and 6th at 7PM, with a matinee on April 7th at 2PM. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors/students, and \$10 for FHS students (ID will be required at the door). Tickets are assigned seating and can be purchased at the link below, as well as in person before each performance. For more information, please email [mrebello@fairhavenps.net](mailto:mrebello@fairhavenps.net). Visit <https://fairhaven-public-schools.ticketleap.com/the-prom>

## HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

### Free At RJD

The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) will offer a "behind the scenes" glimpse into museum collections and archives from an insider's perspective on Thurs., 3/14, at 5:30 p.m. Former Collections Manager Lauren Prescott returns to the RJD to demonstrate how the Museum's historic objects are cataloged and photographed. The presentation is part of the Museum's Behind the Scenes series and New Bedford's AHA Night programming. Attendees will have an opportunity to learn how to photograph a museum piece. The RJD is located at 396 County Street, New Bedford.

Admission to this event is free as a part of New Bedford's AHA Night. For more information, contact the RJD at 508-997-1401, visit [rjdmuseum.org](http://rjdmuseum.org), or [ahanewbedford.org](http://ahanewbedford.org).

### YTI Production

Your Theatre Presents CRIMES OF THE HEART. by Beth Henley, Directed by Brienne Riccio. This show will not be your grandmother's CRIMES OF THE HEART but it will certainly be one to remember. The play we all remember from college will feature actors performing roles in drag to echo what Roger Ebert referred to as the line that "exists somewhere

between parody and melodrama." This "love letter to the South" will satisfy your nostalgia, tug at your heartstrings, and tickle your funny bone.

For the first time in a decade, the three Magrath sisters are back together in their hometown of Hazelhurst, Mississippi. Lenny, the eldest, never left Hazelhurst; she is the caretaker of the sisters' cantankerous Old Granddaddy. Meg, the middle sister, left home to pursue stardom as a singer in Los Angeles, but so far has found happiness only at the bottom of a bottle. And Babe, the youngest, has just been arrested for the murder of her abusive husband, Zackery Bottrelle. Under the scorching heat of the Mississippi sun, past resentments bubble to the surface in this Pulitzer Prize-winning tragicomedy, and each sister must confront the consequences of her own "crimes of the heart."

Fri. & Sat., 3/1, 3/2, 3/8, 3/9 at 7:30 p.m.; Sat. & Sun., 3/2, 3/3, 3/9, 3/10, at 2 p.m. at Your Theatre @ Steeple Playhouse, 159 William Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

Ample parking is available in the city lot at 6th and William Streets. and metered street parking is free evenings and weekends. Entrance, including wheelchair access, is on the 6th St. side of the building, facing city hall.

Tickets: General Admission, \$25.00; Military, Seniors and Students, \$22.00

No Assigned Seating. Open Seating at All Performances. Payment at the door Day of Performance

## SAVE THE DATES

### Bunny Shoot

Food, fun prizes! The New Bedford Rifle and Revolver Club, 246 Bolton St., New Bedford, will sponsor a Bunny Shoot on Sun., 3/24 from noon to 4 p.m. No...no actual bunnies are harmed in this event, honest.

All ages are accepted, no license required. Door prizes, caravan auction, 50/50 raffle.

All profits benefit Troop 3 for camp scholarships.

Cost: \$1 per target; 3 shots/target.

Visit <http://www.nbrcc.com/clubevents.html> or email [secretary@nbrcc.com](mailto:secretary@nbrcc.com); 508-990-2523.

### One Night Only

New Bedford Festival Theatre (NBFT) is thrilled to announce its upcoming show, "Jesse Luttrell Showstopper" direct from NYC for one night only.

March 23, 7 p.m., at NB Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford. Tickets: \$40 & \$50. Available for purchase at [www.zeierion.org/events/nbft-showstopper](http://www.zeierion.org/events/nbft-showstopper) or at [nbfestivaltheatre.com](http://nbfestivaltheatre.com)

# HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

## Free Movie

Monday, 3/11 Movie Matinee - The Holdovers Nominated for an Oscar! Some scenes were filmed at FHS. At Acushnet Public Library, 232 Middle Road, Acushnet. 508-998-0270; Visit [acupl.org](http://acupl.org)

## Arsenic & Old Lace

The Marion Art Center is pleased to present *Arsenic & Old Lace*, written by Joseph Kesserling and directed by Donn Tyler. Performance dates are March 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 2024. Friday and Saturday shows will start at 7:30pm, while the Sunday matinee will begin at 2:00pm. At the MAC, 80 Pleasant St., Marion.

The cast includes Kiah Allaire, Ron Bieber, Jack Boesen, Chris Clark, Tom Conway, Ann-Marie Foley, Bethany Lamoureux, Susan Salvesen, Jacqueline Sophia, Aidan Weaver, Jess Wilson, and Harvey Ussach. Kiah Allaire is Assistant Director, Sound and Lighting tech is Steven McManus, and set construction is by Dick Sullivan and Connor Sullivan.

Synopsis: Drama critic Mortimer Brewster's engagement announcement is upended when he discovers a corpse in his elderly aunts' window seat. Mortimer rushes to tell Abby and Martha before they stumble upon the body themselves, only to learn that the two old women aren't just aware of the dead man in their parlor, they killed him! Between his aunts' penchant for poisoning wine, a brother who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt, and another brother using plastic surgery to hide from the police — not to mention Mortimer's own hesitancy about marriage — it'll be a miracle if Mortimer makes it to

his wedding. *Arsenic and Old Lace* is a classic black comedy about the only thing more deadly than poison: family

Tickets are on sale now for MAC members (\$20) and go on sale to nonmembers (\$23) on February 15; tickets can be purchased online at [marionartcenter.org/events](http://marionartcenter.org/events). The MAC is a participant in Mass Cultural Council's Card to Culture program, in collaboration with the Department of Transitional Assistance, the Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Nutrition Program, and the Massachusetts Health Connector, by broadening accessibility to cultural programming. Learn more about the MAC's free or low cost ticket offerings at [marionartcenter.org/about](http://marionartcenter.org/about).

## Benefit Dinner

Join us at a benefit dinner for Ashlin and her family as she battles colon cancer. Sat., 3/16, 5:30–10 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road (Rte 6), Mattapoisett. Please consider donating, going or grabbing a meal. Featuring DJ, raffles, cash bar.

Sponsored by St. Joseph School.

## Job Fair

Thurs., 3/14, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., at White's of Westport, 66 State Road (Route 6), Westport.

Free for attendees/job seekers.

Sponsored by One SouthCoast Chamber of Commerce.

## Women of Westport

Join us for a conversation about The Women of Westport Point Research Project, 10 AM Sat., 3/9. Via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84094168922> Meeting ID: 840 9416 8922

Join us for a conversation about this research project. A special invitation to those with suggestions and stories relating to women at the Point. This will be an informal session via Zoom, and your active participation is encouraged! We would love to know more about women who lived on Cape Bial Lane, Main Road, and Scotch Pine Lane.

This list is a work in progress: <https://wpthistory.org/2023/12/women-of-westport-point/>

## SAVE THE DATES:

### Clothing & Toy Sale!

Gently used clothing for the entire family, toys & jigsaw puzzles. All at bargain prices.

Fri., March 15, 1-7 pm Sat., March 16, 9 am-1 pm fill a bag for \$3.

St. Julie Billiard Church Hall, 494 Slocum Rd., Dartmouth. Sponsored by the Ladies Guild

## Leprechaun Loot Hike

Mattapoisett Land Trust is leading a Leprechaun Loot Hike again this year! After school on Friday March 15th, join MLT at the Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. parking area (Angelica Ave.) from 3:00-4:00pm. We're setting off to find where the leprechauns have hidden their loot ahead of this St. Patrick's Day. We'll take a short hike through the woods searching for gold (of the chocolate variety). Please RSVP on our events page so the leprechauns know how much gold to hide: [mattlandtrust.org/events](http://mattlandtrust.org/events). Dress accordingly for the weather and join us for some fun. Email [manager@mattlandtrust.org](mailto:manager@mattlandtrust.org) with any questions.

## Region goes for Biden, Trump in primary; Correy Loses

Voters in Acushnet and Fairhaven voted for Democratic President Joseph Biden, and Republican Donald Trump (R) in the primary election on Tuesday, 3/5.\*

In Acushnet 504 voters chose Biden, 62 voted no preference, 45 for Marianne Williamson, and 41 for Dean Phillips. In the Committee Man race for the 2nd Bristol District, which includes Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, and New Bedford, incumbent Charles Motta received 402 votes in Acushnet to 190

for Leon E. Correy III, the current Fairhaven Select Board Chair.

On the Republican side, Acushnet voters chose Trump 979, to Nikki Haley's 218, with other candidates in the single digits.

Twelve voters chose the Libertarian Ballot in Acushnet.

In Fairhaven, 1252 voters chose Biden; 146 voted no preference; 85 chose Phillips, 62 chose Williamson.

For Republicans, 1280 voted for Turmp; 454 voted for Haley.

Motta received 714 votes; Correy

received 710.

Forty four voters chose the Libertarian Ballot in Fairhaven.

In Dartmouth, Motta received 1721 votes to Correy's 689. In Mattapoisett, Motta received 313 to Correy's 90.

Lisa Lemieux, The Democratic State Committee Woman, was unopposed. Robert S. McConnell of Fairhaven was unopposed for Republican State Committee Man; JoAnne Mello Hodgson was unopposed for Republican State Committee Woman.

\*Results were unofficial at press time.



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March 10: *'The Baby Boomer Legacy,'* Larry DeSalvatore in the pulpit

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