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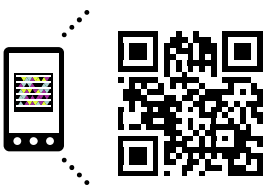
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Teeming with information you need.  
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

## Homecoming Day Fair packs the streets



Vendors line the streets near town hall while people roam around looking for food and deals during the Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair on 6/27/26 held in the center of town. See page 12 for story. Photo by Beth David.



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### First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*

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

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

# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.

It is TIME! Time for our two-week break. WOW...I need this one.

Just in time for July 4 and associated fun stuff. See page 3 and the Happenings pages (5, 11, 22) for all kinds of other happenings in the next couple of weeks, like fireworks and tall ships and concerts and a other free stuff to do. There's way more in surrounding towns, too, but...I crammed in as much as I could

We've got a brutal heat wave coming up, they say. Most towns will have cooling centers. The Senior Centers and libraries in most towns.

In New Bedford all the library branches are designated as cooling stations.

Not so in Fairhaven. Our glorious old Millicent Library building is just not equipped. So, see page 18 for how you can help them get air conditioning. C'mon, Fairhaven, we can DO this.

Last weekend was festival weekend in Fairhaven: Homecoming (see page 12) was a blast. The streets were filled, and there was a great breeze. It looked like all the vendors did well. At least it was obvious that the food vendors did.

And the very next day was Fairhaven's Got Pride (see page 13), a bit smaller, but still lots of fun. It was an upbeat, affirming space with music and speechmaking.

And a few blocks away was the Full Bloom Festival (see page 6), with all kinds of activities for kids..

We have other news in here of course. Acushnet held its annual Town Meeting (see page 4). They took advantage of a provision in the state's new gun law to loosen it up a bit. I am definitely pro 2nd Amendment, but I'm also open to some restrictions. But, geesh... Massachusetts, calm down. Honestly, I don't think this law will stay in place. Meanwhile, Acushnet said, "hold my beer," while we take care of this.

Meanwhile, the Big Buffoon keeps getting his power expanded by the even more buffoonish Supreme Court. Dear GAWD how did they find these people? They gave Dozy Don the right to fire just about everyone. No more independent agencies. The only one they saved was the Fed, because...can ou gues? Duh...it's about the F'G stock market. I...just...CAN'T with these people. What's the point of a regulatory agency if the Big Buffoon can just fill it with hacks?

And, the scariest one of all: Birthright Citizenship. The court should not have even looked at this. The language of the amendment could NOT be clearer. And the history of the amendment with associated debates of the time are also very very clear what it is intended to do. And it was reaffirmed in another case. All the lower courts struck down the stupid executive order as obviously unconstitutional. But they tried anyway. Technically it was a 6-3 decision, but the beer-drinker's concurring opinion is really a dissent in disguise.

These people do not even know what it means to be an American. It's heartbreaking what they are doing to this country. We are no longer the gold standard for anything. Anything. Not a damned thing.

At least Birthright Citizenship is safe for now.

There's other stuff in here, of course. Thumb through to find it all, and while you do that, be sure to notice who our advertisers are so you can tell them you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*.

Until the 23rd... see ya,

Glory to Ukraine!  
Glory to the Heroes!



Publisher Beth David...  
VROOM VROOM!

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

# Region celebrates July 4 with parades, fireworks

The public can enjoy parades, fireworks, reenactments this weekend as the nation celebrates its 250th Independence Day.

## Fairhaven Parade, Car Cruise, Cannon Fire

The Fairhaven Village Militia will officially participate in the town's annual Independence Day Parade and Ceremony on Saturday, July 4, 2026, bringing living history to life as part of a landmark community celebration commemorating the nation's 250th birthday.

Dressed in authentic Revolutionary War period attire, the militia will march along the parade route, culminating in a traditional demonstration where members will fire their muskets in unison down Green Street.

Following the parade, the public is invited to gather for an Independence Day Ceremony at historic Fort Phoenix — celebrated as the site of the first naval engagement of the American Revolution — where the militia will officially conclude the Semi-Quincentennial festivities by firing the fort's five large seacoast cannons over the harbor. **The musket and cannon fire will be exceptionally loud.** Spectators, especially those with small children or pets, are advised to take appropriate precautions for loud noises.

All are welcome to attend this free, public celebration of American history. Come out to celebrate our nation's independence and experience the sights and sounds of authentic early American history right here in Fairhaven! The parade begins at 9am, and marches down Green Street to Fort Phoenix, the ceremony will begin approximately at 10am with the **cannon firing around 10:30am**

## SCHEDULE

- **8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Flag Raising Ceremony** Kick off Independence Day with the traditional raising of the "Big Flag" at Fairhaven High School.
- **8:45 a.m. Antique Car Cruise** Vintage vehicles will depart from the high school, cruising through the streets of Fairhaven to join the parade procession.
- **9:00 a.m. Independence Day Parade Steps Off** The main parade officially departs from the corner of Washington Street and Green Street, marching down Green Street toward historic Fort Phoenix.
- **10:00 a.m. Fort Phoenix Ceremony** The festivities conclude at Fort Phoenix with our annual ceremony, featuring special musical selections by the Shepherd Center for Performing Arts and the traditional cannon salute fired by the Fairhaven Village Militia at **approximately 10:30.**

## PARTICIPATE

- Registration is free and simple.
- **Parade Marchers, Groups, and Floats:** Sign up (<https://tinyurl.com/34pas3nj>) your business, group, or organization online via our official event page; Register Online for the July 4th Parade (<https://tinyurl.com/bdzm95vw>)
  - **Antique Car Cruise Participants:** If you own a vintage vehicle and would like to roll or ride in the pre-parade car cruise, please contact coordinator John Medeiros directly at (508) 990-0000 for registration and staging details. Learn more at <https://tinyurl.com/bdzm95vw>

## New Bedford Fireworks

The City is marking America's

250th anniversary on July 3 with a special edition of Summer Sound Series featuring two bands and fireworks over the harbor.

Produced by AHA! New Bedford and sponsored by WPRI Channel 12, The Black Whale, Candela Cucina, National Club Mexican Cantina, The Whale's Tail, New Bedford Light and Explore New Bedford, the NB250 Summer Sound Series fun begins Friday, July 3, at 6 p.m. with Morrissey Boulevard and Autumn Drive taking the stage on Purchase Street for a free concert double-header. Cirque de Light circus entertainers will delight the crowd during the performances with their eye-catching juggling and hula hoop tricks, and families can also visit the New Bedford Art Museum's artmobile. Local restaurants and bars will be offering refreshments. Free parking is available at the YMCA, Elm Street and Zeiterion parking garages.

The concerts will end at 8:30 p.m. to give attendees plenty of time to head to lower Union Street, the best viewing spot for the annual fireworks display. **This year's fireworks celebration begins at 9 p.m.** and is synchronized to a soundtrack of patriotic songs that will play on speakers throughout Downtown. Those watching the fireworks from other locations around New Bedford can turn their radios to WBSM 1420AM or 99.5 FM to hear the soundtrack.

## Marion Parade & Fireworks FIREWORKS

The Marion Fireworks Committee has announced the return of the Town's Independence Day weekend fireworks display to Silvershell Beach

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**UU Society of Fairhaven welcomes all!**

*Services resume Aug. 2 with our new minister, Rev. CJ McGregor*

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# Acushnet Town Meeting passes budget, gun rights bylaw

By Beth David  
Editor

Acushnet voters approved a \$38+ million budget with almost no discussion at the Annual Town Meeting on 6/29/26. TM also approved a bylaw that would allow licensed gun owners to carry concealed weapons into certain town buildings, as an exception to the state's new restrictive gun law.

At the beginning of the meeting, Town Moderator, Les Dakin, recognized outgoing Town Administrator, James "Jamie" Kelley, who is retiring.

Mr. Dakin credited Mr. Kelley with streamlining the TM process, and praised his demeanor and professionalism.

Selectboard chairperson, Kevin Gaspar, then took the opportunity to thank Mr. Dakin for taking on the moderator role this year. He had planned to retire, but no one ran for the position.

Mr. Dakin also introduced the new TA, Adam Lamontagne, and new Selectboard member, Ryan Rezendes, and recognized long time Finance Committee member Eric Chew, who resigned after moving out of town.

The only budget item that garnered any discussion was the School Department.

"What's really going on here," asked Timothy Mason, mostly referring to the spike in spending for Old Colony.

"I don't know if we have all night, my friend, to go over the Old Colony situation," said Mr. Gaspar.

He said the town can not control the per student cost at Old Colony.

He told the school they have a spending problem, the town does not have a revenue problem. He also gave a quick run-through of the constraints of Proposition 2 1/2.

"I feel we're being held hostage," said Mr. Mason.

School Committee Chair, Ronald Houde, said the department has cut 28 positions in the last three years.

Between the increase in costs and the limited increase in revenues, the town is in a "detrimental situation," said Mr. Gaspar.

He said the state needs to send more tax dollars back to the municipalities.

Finance Committee chairperson, Mike Boucher agreed, taking an opportunity to slam the state's "irresponsible" spending, a familiar

refrain. He said something has to change.

"The math won't work without more state aid," said Mr. Boucher.

In the end, the budget passed as hammered out by the Selectboard and Finance Committee.

In addition to the operating budget, TM approved \$285,250 in capital expenditures, including new gear for both fire and police; a new police cruiser (\$65,000); and \$95K for boiler repairs for both schools.

TM also approved all Community Preservation Act funds requested totalling \$125,294, including \$10K for a 250 National Anniversary Parade; and \$49,794 for three maintenance projects at the Long Plain Museum; and \$47,500 for repairs to the Town Hall and Parting Ways roofs.

TM also passed a bylaw taking advantage of an exception allowed to municipalities in the state's new gun law, which bars any firearms from

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town properties, including town halls. Schools are still prohibited areas.

The bylaw would allow citizens with valid Licenses to Carry (LTC) to carry handguns on municipal properties.

Alex Knox, who petitioned the bylaw, said the bylaw is consistent with the practice in Acushnet for more than 150 years.

The change means that residents can go about their business with becoming criminals.

Mr. Knox said the state law is a "direct strike against our Constitutional right to bear arms."

He also said premise creates a false sense security. Prohibiting firearms does not stop threats, he said, it merely creates soft targets.

Mr. Knox also outlined the logistical problems with the state law, requiring a person who carries to unholster their gun and lock it up in the car when the go inside. That can cause accidents.

"Keeping a firearm holstered is the gold standard of safety," said Mr. Knox.

John Howcroft spoke against the bylaw, citing language about acceptable behavior in a town policy, and apparently implying that carrying a weapon could be seen as intimidating behavior. Advocates clarified that the laws in question are for concealed carry.

Nathan Polhemus also spoke against the change, saying that statistics clearly show that the more firearms in a space, the less safe that space is.

"It's just a delusional fantasy for people who think they will be the good guy with a gun," said Mr. Polhemus. "That doesn't play out in real life."

He also asked if anyone has been arrested for carrying a gun into town buildings.

"What is being solved," by the change, he asked.

SB member Bob Hinckley stressed that the article was a citizen petition and his board had nothing to do with it.

FinCom chair Mike Boucher, said his committee meets in a locked room, but anyone can shoot through the glass door. He said he would be more comfortable if he had his firearm with him, "just in case."

He said he disagreed about the "fantasy."

"It's a reality," said Mr. Boucher.

Thomas Orłowski said he was a licensed firearms instructor. He went through the steps that people have to go through to get a License to Carry and then to buy a firearm, which include background checks and approval by the local police chief.

He said after going through all that and following all the rules, the LTC holder could be a felon just for engaging in town business.

He said many government buildings have a lot of security, but town hall does not. People are free to walk in and out.

"You need to be able to protect yourself," he said.

Mr. Knox spoke again and noted that just a few weeks ago a man started shooting into cars in Cambridge on Memorial Drive.

"That man was stopped by a civilian and a state trooper," said Mr. Knox.

In the end, the measure passed overwhelmingly, with just a handful of votes in opposition.

The meeting is available on the town's YouTube Channel through a link on the town's website.

# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## Cooling Center

A heat wave is expected to bring record-breaking temperatures and oppressive humidity this week.

The Fairhaven Council on Aging, 229 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven (508-979-4029), is a designated cooling center for the town of Fairhaven. If you need a safe, air-conditioned place to escape the heat, we welcome you during the following hours: Thurs., 7/2, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Fri., 7/3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (The center will be closed for regular programming on Friday but will remain open as a Cooling Center.)

Cold water, movies, free wi-fi will be available throughout the day.

Please stay hydrated. Limit outdoor activity during the hottest parts of the day. Check on friends, family, and neighbors who may be more vulnerable to the heat.

## Concerts in Center

Concerts Under the Stars at Town Hall is back! Spend your Thursday nights this summer enjoying live music beneath the evening sky! Bring your blanket or lawn chair and gather with friends and neighbors on the lawn outside Fairhaven Town Hall (40 Center Street) for this beloved free concert series. All shows begin at 7 PM, weather permitting.

- July 9 – Blu Lobsta
- July 16 – Pete Lagrange & The Ghost Riders
- July 23 – Butch McCarthy & The Gentlemen of Leisure
- July 30 – Last Day O. Earth
- August 6 – G and Friends

This community program is supported in part by a grant from the Fairhaven Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Come enjoy the music and make the most of summer nights in Fairhaven!

## Cultural Council Survey

The Fairhaven Cultural Council's 2026 Community Survey is open! Here is your chance to share your opinions, needs, and ideas about Fairhaven's cultural scene. Your feedback helps the Council better understand how to serve our community. We want our funding decisions and the resulting programs to reflect what matters

most to you.

The Fairhaven Cultural Council supports and promotes cultural activities that enrich our town. Annually we award grants to cultural project proposals that best demonstrate a clear benefit to Fairhaven's residents. By state mandate, we fund programs within the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences that have a public benefit. The majority of our funding comes from the Mass Cultural Council, and the Town of Fairhaven provides additional funding.

Our community survey will remain open through Saturday, August 1, 2026. To access the survey, please visit this link: <https://forms.gle/z92mV9ugDQttfBpP6>

If you have questions about the survey or the Fairhaven Cultural Council, please email Chair Beth Ann Gallagher at: [culturalcouncil@fairhaven-ma.gov](mailto:culturalcouncil@fairhaven-ma.gov)

## WIIA Breakfasts

Join the West Island Improvement Association for a buffet breakfast on Sun., 7/5, from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., WI Community Center, 41 Causeway Rd., West Island, Fairhaven. Includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit, cereal, coffee and juice. \$10/adults, \$5/children under 12. Tickets at door. Accessible.

Next Dates: 8/2, 9/6

## Outdoor Markets

**Fairhaven Farmers Market** At the Bright Yellow Farm Stand, 151 Alden Rd, Fairhaven, Sundays, 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. through Oct. Visit [www.fairhavenfarmersmarket.com](http://www.fairhavenfarmersmarket.com) or email [allnaturalbeef@comcast.net](mailto:allnaturalbeef@comcast.net).

**Farmers Market/Roxann's Garden Center** 189 Alden Rd, Sundays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Local produce, baked goods, crafters, organic soap, and more.

**North Fairhaven Open Air Market** Weekly on Saturdays through September from 10 AM to 3 PM at Livesey Park, corner Glenhaven and Parker, under the trees. This vibrant market features arts, crafts, farmers, antiques vendors, and food. The Open Air Market does not accept vendors of brand name, commercially made direct sales products.

To learn more, email market manager Myles, [NorthFairhavenMarket@gmail.com](mailto:NorthFairhavenMarket@gmail.com). Visit [Facebook.com/NorthFairhavenMarket](https://www.facebook.com/NorthFairhavenMarket).

## FHS Tours

Fairhaven High School Alumni President Bob Foster '66 has been leading guided tours through the 1906 building since 2009. The tours are FREE and start in the Rotunda of the main entrance on the Huttleston Ave side of the building and last between 90 - 120 minutes. Admission is free and we ask that you arrive 10-15 minutes before the start time. Remaining dates are:

Thur July 09, 2026 10:00 am

Wed July 15, 2026 10:00 am

(NOTE CHANGES IN DATES)

## Free Movie

Get out of the summer's heat to enjoy a thrilling chiller!

In **THE WHITE REINDEER/VALKOINEN PEURA** (1952), a newly wed Sámi woman cannot cope with the loneliness life to a nomadic, reindeer herder brings. When her longed for husband returns exhausted and inattentive, she thinks a love spell is the solution. Her visit to the local shaman backfires and turns her into a bloodthirsty monster. This is a rare public screening of the Finnish, folk horror classic, so don't miss it!

The program starts on Monday, July 13 at 5:30 PM at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven. All are welcome, and the event is free! Use the Walnut St. entrance to access the auditorium.

South Coast Cinemaniacs meets the second Monday of the month, excluding holidays, to watch and discuss classic movies. For more information, email club president Beth Ann Gallagher at: [southcoastcinemaniacs@gmail.com](mailto:southcoastcinemaniacs@gmail.com)

## Disability Pride

John the Fairhaven Commission on Disability at our third annual Disability Pride Celebration, Sun., 7/19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Fairhaven Recreation Center/Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven.

Featuring vendors, music, lunch, activities and more. Rain or shine.

## SAVE THE DATES:

### Inclusive Beach Day

Come join the Fairhaven Commission on Disability for our Second

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# Full Bloom Fest has plenty for kids

By Beth David  
Editor

The 6th annual Full Bloom Fest took over Cushman Park with music and fun activities for kids on 6/28/26. Vendors and information booths lined the perimeter of the field near the

bandstand while performers took to the stage all day, right through to 8 p.m. Activities included a training/fitness course, bounce house, water slide, and other hands on activities.

"It's been such a great turnout today," said organizer, Samantha

Dungca.

The counted 200 by 12:30, she said, then they lost track.

Learn more at <https://www.soulfloweryogaandwellness.com/fullbloom2026>



ABOVE: Eliza and Violet cool off in the mister, courtesy of South Coast Mobile Fitness, during the sixth annual Full Bloom Festival on 6/28/26 at Cushman Park in Fairhaven. ABOVE RIGHT: Kids enjoy the water slide RIGHT: People relax in the shade of the big tent while listening to music. *Photos by Beth David.*

## Shakespeare for Scaredy Cats

The Mattapoissett Council on Aging's Shakespeare for Scaredy Cats members recently attended a fast-moving and more contemporary rendition of Shakespeare's play, *Measure for Measure*, at the Burbage Theatre in Pawtucket, RI.

Director and Artistic Director Jeff Church and his very skilled actors opened this dark and tragic comedy with a fast-moving party and closed it with many of the characters having learned their lessons, at least for the moment. But not all problems were resolved; a lone character remained on the stage perplexed by another character's inappropriate proposition.

Shakespeare for Scaredy Cats meets on Thursdays at 6:00 at the Mattapoissett COA, 17i Barstow St. The next play, *All's Well That Ends Well*, has just started. All are welcome.

Call 508-758-4110 to register.



Members of Shakespeare for Scaredy Cats pose for a photo during their last outing to see *Measure for Measure* at the Burbage Theatre in Pawtucket, RI, recently. The group meets weekly at the Mattapoissett Council on Aging. *Submitted photo.*

# Alltrust awards scholarships to five area students

## Press Release

Alltrust Credit Union is pleased to announce this year's scholarship recipients. Scholarships were awarded to five graduating high school credit union members entering college as freshmen this fall.

The 2026 Scholarship recipients are: Chase Almeida, Old Rochester Regional High School; Ethan Cleveland, Bishop Stang High School; Sophia Duphily, Dartmouth High School (not pictured); Elaine Monroe, Fairhaven High School; and Jayden Nunes-Medeiros, Dartmouth High School.

Nunes-Medeiros, Dartmouth High School.

"Congratulations to the Class of 2026," stated Kim Trahan, Chief Human Resource Officer. "Your commitment to your goals and community is truly inspiring. We are proud to support your educational journey and know you will continue to make a positive impact wherever life leads you."

Alltrust Credit Union congratulates the Class of 2026 and wishes all our student members the best in their

future endeavors.

Established in 1922, Alltrust Credit Union is a full-service, member-owned credit union. The credit union has assets of over \$275 million and provides banking services to more than 11,000 members. The main office is in Fairhaven, Massachusetts, with branch offices in Fall River, New Bedford, and Seekonk, Massachusetts. Follow Alltrust on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and LinkedIn. For more information, call 508.994.9971 or visit [alltrustcu.org](http://alltrustcu.org).



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## From our readers

### A Super Message

Plastic fruit has its place, but give me fresh fruit any day! Play money works in the Monopoly board game, but I will take the real dinero, thank you very much! Big clothes may help to make me look thinner, but being fit is a far better option!

If you are old enough, you remember the famous television show whose hero was introduced with this inimitable description: "Faster than a speeding bullet, more powerful than a locomotive, and able to leap tall buildings in a single bound."

Of course, it was none other than.....SUPERMAN! Well, that entertaining and fictional show, like every other, eventually found its way into a vault of archives, where its only exposure to the light of day now would come in the form of a re-run.

As captivating as that series was, there's something far greater and more enduring that comes from Isaiah 40:31 in the Bible!

This verse says: "Those who wait upon the Lord (who expect, look for, and hope in Him) shall change and renew their strength and power; they

shall lift their wings and mount up (close to God) as eagles (mount up to the sun); they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint or become tired."

A reference like this is so uplifting and encouraging that only a supernatural Spirit can boast. If the living God says we can have an intimate relationship and perspective that comes from and in Him, that we can endure the marathon of life with His inspired energy, and that we can take on the details of daily activity with a confident diligence and excellence, then... give me what God's prophet said in Isaiah 40:31!

No plastic, no games, no imaging, no science fiction. Friends, the truth and freshness of this short note come straight from the script of Almighty God and will never qualify as a re-run...Please accept it, and take it with you this day!

*Steven J. Bouley, Fairhaven*

### Independence Day... From Political Control

On July 4, Celebrate Independence From Political Control Of Man's Mind Day.

Celebrate man's independent mind. Celebrate four centuries (400 years) of basic cultural change from Christianity to reason. From the unfocused, misintegrated, faith-based Christian mind to the 18th century Enlightenment, focused, integrated, rational mind as the moral guide to life and politics. Celebrate the American morality of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, not the Christian morality of sacrifice, suffering and death.

"It has previously been a crime to think [but now man has escaped] the long and sorrowful night [of Christian tyranny], with its frenzy, religious fanaticism and mad enthusiasm. Reason, which is the glory of our nature. Man must feel confident in his own energies." [Elihu Palmer, militant spokesman].

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## Be Part of Our Community Cookbook

We are creating a Community Cookbook filled with the delicious recipes that make your kitchen — and your heart — happy. From secret family desserts to comfort-food classics, there is nothing sweeter than passing your favorite recipes down for generations to come.

All submitted recipes will be lovingly gathered and turned into the very first Community Cookbook at the Fairhaven Council on Aging! Fresh off the press just in time for Christmas, these cookbooks will be available for purchase right here at the COA. Whether you share a recipe or take one home, you will be part of something warm, meaningful, and made with our wonderful community in mind.

Let's fill these pages — and our hearts — with something delicious!

You may drop off your recipes handwritten, or typed. You can also include a photo. To submit by email: [JBowers@Fairhaven-ma.gov](mailto:JBowers@Fairhaven-ma.gov).

Deadline is September 25th.

## 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: 7/8, Wrentham Outlets; 7/15, Plymouth Shopping; 7/22, Thames St, Newport, RI; 7/29, Mashpee Commons; 8/5, Twin River Casino.

## 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 \$3 (Please note price chance). To let us know you want to join us, and to arrange for a ride, call 508-979-4029.

## Supportive Social Day Program

Supportive Social day Program is a structured and supervised program for seniors in need of socialization or for those who may have cognitive disabilities. Persons who are 60 and older, who are independent with eating, ambulation, medication administration, continent, are not an elopement risk, Please contact Sally Bourke or Debra Chmiel at 508-993-9455 for further information.

## Movie Mondays

Popcorn, pretzels and candy are

part of the movie experience. If you would like a drink other than water, please feel free to bring your own. No alcohol. Thank you. All shows at 12:15.

Would you like to have lunch before the movie? Please call us the Thursday before the movie to reserve yourself a lunch. \$3 donation for the meal. Call 508-979-4029. The movie is free.

**July 6, 12:15 p.m. *Office Romance*.** Romantic Comedy (R). Jackie, President and CEO of Air Cruz, runs a tight ship in her business, including a rigid anti-fraternization policy for all her employees, which is severely tested when a sexy new lawyer begins working for her.

**July 13, 12:15 p.m. *Voicemails for Isabelle*.** Romantic Comedy (PG13) about a young woman named Hill who copes with her sister Isabelle's death by leaving her heartfelt, confessional voicemails about her chaotic life. The messages are unknowingly rerouted to a stranger, a real estate agent who inadvertently falls in love with her from afar.

**July 20, 12:15 p.m. *Death Becomes Her*.** Comedy (PG13) Meryl Streep, Goldie Hawn and Bruce Willis star in Robert Zemeckis' outrageously entertaining comedy about greed, vanity, sex and immortality.

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## Outdoor Movie

**Willy Wonka Movie Under the Stars** Join us for a magical outdoor movie night under the stars as we celebrate the 55th anniversary showing of \*Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory\*! Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy a fun-filled evening with family and

friends at Fairhaven Recreation. The movie begins at 7:00 PM on August 28, 2026, and admission is just \$10 per family. Popcorn and a sweet treat will be provided, making this a deliciously fun night you will not want to miss. Register your family today!! In case of bad weather, the movie will be shown in the gym

Fairhaven Recreation Center/Back field Aug. 28, 7pm-9pm \$10 per family

## Open Gym

Open Gym Times for Summer: June 29th-August 21st

Mon-Thursday 4pm-5pm; Friday 4-6pm; Saturday 10am-2pm; Sunday Closed

# Recipe of the Week

## Dreamy Apple Pie

### FOR THE PIE:

1 unbaked pie crust  
3 large (or 4 or 5 small) Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored, and sliced thin  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 Tbsp. all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup heavy cream  
2 tsp. vanilla extract  
1/8 tsp. cinnamon  
Ice cream, whipped cream, or hard sauce, for serving

### FOR THE TOPPING:

7 Tbsp. butter  
3/4 cup all purpose flour  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1/4 cup pecans (more to taste)  
Dash of salt

#### For the pie

Preheat oven to 375°

Roll out pie dough and place it in a pie pan. Decorate the edges as desired.

Add apple slices to a large bowl. In a separate bowl, mix together cream, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tablespoon flour, vanilla, and cinnamon. Pour over apples. Pour apples into pie shell.

#### For the topping:

In the bowl of a food processor (or you can mix by hand) combine butter, flour, sugar, pecans (chop if you're not using a food processor), and salt. Mix until everything comes together in clumps. Pour topping over apples.

Attach foil to the edges and lay a piece of flat foil loosely over the top of the pie. Place pie pan on top of a rimmed cookie sheet and bake for 1 hour. At the end, remove foil and allow to finish baking and browning. Can bake for up to 15 or 20 minutes more if necessary.

Remove from oven when pie is bubbly and golden brown.

Serve warm with hard sauce, whipped cream, or ice cream.

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



# Dear Frankie

Dear Frankie has expanded to videos. Find her on Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok. Search for dearfrankie dogtodogadvice.

## Turning Myself into the Shelter

Dear Frankie, I have been in the dumps since my human sister Beth's wedding a couple of weeks ago. When Beth asked me to be the ring bearer, I wasn't surprised because we are close.

At the reception, when she told me how much she would miss me and hoped my parents and I would visit often, I became distraught. It never occurred to me until then that I wouldn't live with Beth for the rest of my life.

She always told me, and others, that I was hers. If I was hers, why wouldn't she take me with her?

Sage

Dear Sage,

I can imagine how devastating it

must have been when you realized you would not be living with Beth. When Beth said you were hers, she was expressing her love for you and her spiritual bond to you. Those feelings haven't changed. Beth still loves you and wants to spend time with you.

What has changed is your understanding of what Beth meant — and I understand how painful it has been for you to discover. But what hasn't changed: the bed you sleep in, the bowl you eat from, and parents who care for you.

Knowing how Beth feels about you, I wouldn't be surprised if there were many sleep-overs in your future.

Best, Frankie

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Comments and letters can be sent to Frankie at [dearfrankiecolumn@gmail.com](mailto:dearfrankiecolumn@gmail.com). The Fairhaven Neighborhood News publishes the Dear Frankie column. To receive a free online subscription, readers can email [neighbnews@comcast.net](mailto:neighbnews@comcast.net), request their name be added to the email list or visit [www.neighbnews.com](http://www.neighbnews.com) to read the paper online or to download the latest issue.

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## STILL IN TOWN (FROM PAGE 5)

Annual Inclusive Beach Day, Fri., 8/7, Noon-3 p.m., at West Island Town Beach, Fir St., Fairhaven. (Rain date, 8/21.) Beach passes are available through the Fairhaven Recreation Center.

We look forward to bringing our community together for a fun, accessible, and inclusive day at the beach for individuals of all abilities and their families.

Join us for an afternoon of beach

fun and community connection. Good vibes in a welcoming and inclusive environment. Accessible beach mats and facilities will be available.

All are welcome: come celebrate Disability Pride with us!

## HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

### Cooling Stations

In response to the extreme weather, the City of New Bedford will continue its practice of designating public libraries as cooling centers. All library locations have air conditioning and staff on hand to assist residents. Operating hours for City libraries during the NWS Heat Watch are: Main library, 613 Pleasant St. - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday; Casa da Saudade, 58 Crapo St. - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, 12-8 p.m. Thursday, closed Friday; Howland-Green, 3 Rodney French Blvd. - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, 12-8 p.m. on Thursday; Lawler - 745 Rockdale Ave. - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, 12-8 p.m. Thursday; Wilks - 1119 Acushnet Ave. - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

Several City parks have splash pads that offer a break from the heat for children.

Seniors are welcome to stop by the Buttonwood Park Senior Center, which is open Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is air conditioned and features different programs and special events.

### Tall Ship in NB

One of the tall ships visiting Boston for MA250 shares a cultural history with New Bedford. For the first time since 2015, NRP (Navio da República Portuguesa, ship of the Portuguese Republic) Sagres will enter New Bedford's harbor and spend five days with the community.

Sagres arrives in New Bedford on Sunday, July 19, at 10 a.m. and will dock at the Marine Commerce Terminal. New Bedford's authentic Azorean Whaleboats and the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey will escort the tall ship into the harbor. The Azorean Maritime Heritage Society stewards New Bedford's whaleboats. These are three of the only sixty-three authentic Azorean

Whaleboats in the world. Furthermore, they are the only three in the United States. The Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey is a gift of the Republic of Cabo Verde, a National Historical Landmark, and the official vessel of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

An arrival ceremony will greet Sagres at the terminal berth, during which the Grupo Folklórico do Clube Madeirense S. S. Sacramento will perform. Afterwards, the ship invites the public aboard for tours from 4 to 8 PM. Monday, July 20, tours will be offered from 10 AM to 2 PM. On Tuesday, July 21, the ship is open to visitors from 10 AM to 8 PM. Wednesday, July 22, the ship will offer tours from 10 AM to 5 PM.

The New Bedford Whaling Museum and Azorean Maritime Heritage Society are co-presenting a special program at the museum on July 21. António Manuel Maurício Camilo, Lieutenant Commander of Sagres, will give a presentation on the ship's history, its voyages over the years, and its role as a cultural ambassador for Portugal. Following his talk, Francisco António Duarte Lopes, Ambassador of Portugal, will deliver remarks on the momentous occasion of Sagres's visit to New Bedford. Purchase your tickets for the event at the museum today.

Don't miss this historic visitation and, specifically, the ceremonial arrival on July 19 and departure on July 23, both scheduled for 10 AM.

### CV Parade

July 5 marks the 54th annual Cape Verdean Recognition Parade starting at Buttonwood Park on Sunday, July 5, at 11:00 AM, which is immediately followed by Kultura Fest.

The procession parade begins at Buttonwood Park (Union Street), ending at the Cape Verdean-American Veterans Hall (561 Purchase St). The Parade will be followed with Kultura Festa: Live music performances, cultural food, clothing and craft

vendors, and community togetherness celebrating 51 years of Cape Verdean Independence.

In New Bedford, July has been designated as Cabo Verdean Heritage Month. For more events, visit <https://explorenewbedford.org>

### Free Concerts

The Summer Sound Series of weekly concerts returns to Downtown New Bedford on June 26, bringing crowds and free entertainment on Friday nights through the beginning of September.

All concerts run from 6:30-8:30 p.m. except July 3, which begins at 6 p.m. The 2026 Summer Sound Series Schedule is:

#### JULY 3: AUTUMN DRIVE AND MORRISSEY BLVD

Location: Purchase Street. Genre: Indie. Note: The concert will start at 6 p.m. and finish at 8:30 p.m. in time for the fireworks over the harbor at 9 p.m.

#### JULY 17: GROOVALOTTOS

Location: Lower Union Street, Genre: Funk. Note: Kicks off the NB Roots and Branches Festival

### Manjiro at RJD

On Wednesday, July 22, from 5pm to 6pm, The Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum, 396 County St., New Bedford, will host the Whitfield Manjiro Friendship Society for a presentation on the legacy of the house that they steward.

The Whitfield Manjiro Friendship House is located in Fairhaven, MA, and tells the story of Captain William Whitfield of Fairhaven and Manjiro Nakahama, a Japanese fisherman rescued at sea in 1841 who became the first Japanese person to live in America.

Restored in the early 2000s, the house was Whitfield's home and where young Manjiro spent his first night in the United States. Interested guests are invited to join the Society's program director Debra Almeida, CEO

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# Homecoming packs 'em in

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven's 49th Homecoming Day Fair, sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association, drew in a crowd that packed the streets around Town Hall on Saturday 6/27/26. The fair is best known for connecting people who have not seen each other in a long time, often since the previous year's Homecoming.

Parking was tight for blocks around and the streets filled up with people happy to spend some money at the vendor and food booths.

Marcia Voccio of Marcia Makes it said she was "very happy with sales." She makes paper flower arrangements, hand cutting each paper flower herself.

Across the street, Fairhaven resident, Dakota DeForge said she was also making some sales of her pyrographic (wood burning) creations at Seaside Sirens," where she uses driftwood for many of her

creations.

It was her first time selling at Homecoming.

"I've been a patron my entire life," she said.

Author and artist, Len Sandler, who is a regular, said he did well selling his books and his artwork.

The food vendors mostly had healthy lines, and the kids area had some fun stuff going on. Live music started at noon and continued throughout the day by different artists.

The event also included an art show on the lawn of the Unitarian church.

No rides in the antique fire trucks this year, though, due to maintenance issues on the two trucks.

Volunteers from the Fairhaven



Protecting Society, which takes care of the trucks, said the group is actively raising money to repair them.

To learn about them and what they do, visit <https://fairhavenprotectingsociety.blogspot.com> or email [FairhavenProtectingSociety@gmail.com](mailto:FairhavenProtectingSociety@gmail.com).

Learn more about the Fairhaven Improvement Association and the Homecoming Day Fair by visiting <https://www.fairhavenimprovement.org> or finding them on Facebook.



TOP: Two of the town's antique fire trucks are on display, but unable to give rides due to maintenance issues, during the Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair on 6/27/26 held in the center of town. ABOVE LEFT: Elaine Rocha (seated) catches up with Tracy Travers while Diane Rocha (LEFT) gives a smile to the camera. ABOVE RIGHT: Members of the VFW Auxiliary sell baked goods and give a big welcome to the local free sheet BELOW LEFT: Dakota DeForge of Seaside Siren, works on a piece of her artwork BELOW RIGHT: Author and artist, Len Sandler, who is a regular, gives a big smile for the local free sheet as he sells his books and artwork. *Photos by Beth David*



# Fairhaven holds annual Pride celebration

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Belonging Committee sponsored the annual Fairhaven's Got Pride event in support of the LGBTQ+ community in front of town hall on 6/28/26. The event celebrates everyone and welcomes everyone.

The event included vendor and food booths, live performances, beer garden, and some open mic time for people to tell their stories.

This year's featured guest was Stonewall Rebellion Veteran, David Velasco Bermudez, 86, and his husband Bob Isadore, 84.

Stonewall is the name of the bar that was raided in 1969 by New York Police to break up and brutalize gay patrons. It was a rather routine occurrence, but this time the patrons fought back, resulting in days of riots and the birth of the gay rights movement.

Anyone who has been to a large Gay Pride parade has undoubtedly seen a sign reading: "The first gay pride was a riot," or something similar. It harkens back to the original

Stonewall Rebellion.

Mr. Bermudez said he was in the bar that night.

"I was in the mess," said Mr. Bermudez, who speaks at events and is a member of Stonewall Veterans Association. "I'm not a book. I'm a person."

He said most of what people have heard or read about Stonewall is wrong; he speaks to set the record straight.

Mr. Isadore said he runs workshops for first responders, and started the first bereavement program for Gays. Sadly, both men have lost many of their friends to AIDS.

Learn more about the Stonewall riots and the Stonewall Veterans Association at [www.stonewall.org](http://www.stonewall.org)

ToniAnne Wong, aka Toni Lopreno, spoke told her coming out story and how her mother needed a lot of time to accept her daughter's life style, eventually using the name she wants.

"I never really left. I might look a little different. But I'm still her kid. And she's still my mom," said Ms.

Wong. "With love and patience everybody is able to connect to one another."

Free Mom Hugs also had a booth, giving away some free hugs to anyone needed one: young people rejected by their families, parents trying to connect with their kids. The group started in 2014 when a self-described "midwestern Christian mom" did not handle her son's coming out very well. She heard heartbreaking stories from young people rejected by their families. The group now has chapters in all 50 states.

Visit <https://freemomhugs.org/>

Although the crowd was not as big as Homecoming it was engaged and having fun.

Tabitha Bowman of Mama's Cozies, said she was "doing okay," with sales. The food trucks seemed to be busy, and the kids kept busy with chalking the streets.

The Belonging Committee is a Town of Fairhaven committee that meets the third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are open to the public and volunteers are welcome.



ABOVE LEFT: David Velasco Bermudez (SEATED), a Stonewall Rebellion Veteran, poses for the local free sheet with his husband, Bob Isadore, at Fairhaven's Got Pride in the center of town on 6/28/26. ABOVE RIGHT: Logan Ponte is dressed up in classic rainbow style for her very first Pride event with mom, Katie BELOW LEFT: Miss Academia gives the heart sign during her performance BELOW RIGHT: ToniAnne Wong, aka Toni Lopreno, tells her story. Photos by Beth David.



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on Friday, July 3, at 9:15 p.m., as part of Marion's celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

Organizers encourage attendees to bring a blanket, a picnic and their patriotic spirit as the Marion Concert Band kicks off the evening with a selection of patriotic favorites before the fireworks light up the harbor.

Those planning to attend the fireworks event at Silvershell Beach are encouraged to arrive early, and residents of the Marion Village area should ask expected guests to arrive no later than 7 p.m. that evening.

## PARADE

Visit <https://www.marionma.gov/509/Independence-Day-Parade>

The Parade will be on Saturday, July 4, 2026, beginning at 9 am sharp.

The Parade will form beginning at 8 am on Saturday, July 4, 2026, in the ball field behind the Marion Town House and adjacent to the Sippican School. Parade organizers will be on-site to check participants in and to line up the parade. Trophies will be awarded for First, Second, and Third place in each category listed on the application. There is also a Best in

Parade award.

The parade will start promptly at 9 am and proceed as follows:

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East on Route 6 to Front Street

South on Front Street to Main St.

West on Main Street to the ball field for disbanding

For questions please contact the Parade Committee at 508-748-3520 or email Donna Hemphill at [dhemphill@marionma.gov](mailto:dhemphill@marionma.gov)

## Plymouth

Visit <https://july4plymouth.com>

## PARADE

Sat., 7/4, 9 a.m. start.

From Mayflower Business Park, 428 Court Street. Water Street from Union Street to Brewster Street will be closed beginning at 6:00 am and will remain closed until the conclusion of the parade

Roads will re-close at 6pm for the concert and will remain closed through the end of the fireworks.

Please plan to be parked in the area you will be watching the parade no later than 8:00 am to ensure you can get to your location before the

roads are closed.

## FIREWORKS

9:15 pm / Dusk - DCR Pilgrim Memorial State Park

There are several viewing spots available throughout town in addition to DCR Pilgrim Memorial State Park including Burial Hill and Nelson Park.

Rain date: Sat., 7/4, 9:15pm

## Across MA

Visit <https://massachusetts250.org> for Independence Day events across the Commonwealth.

## Boston Fireworks

Led by legendary conductor Keith Lockhart, this year's free concert on the Charles River Esplanade will feature Grammy-winning country music superstar Lainey Wilson, Grammy-winning artist Chance the Rapper, and New Orleans music icon Trombone Shorty, each making their first appearance at the Fireworks Spectacular. See more at <https://www.bso.org>

As the signatureMA250 event, this year's Fireworks Spectacular is expected to welcome hundreds of

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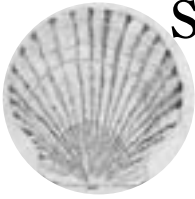
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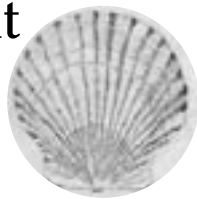
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	July 2026	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	2	1022	2235	0334	1531
Friday	3	1103	2317	0407	1613
Saturday	4	1147	---	0442	1655
Sunday	5	0002	1236	0519	1740
Monday	6	0053	1328	0601	1836
Tuesday	7	0146	1419	0655	1944
Wednesday	8	0238	1511	0755	2050
Thursday	9	0333	1610	0854	2153
Friday	10	0438	1715	0953	2304
Saturday	11	0545	1815	1057	---
Sunday	12	0641	1906	0013	1201
Monday	13	0732	1956	0111	1300*
Tuesday	14	0823	2047	0211*	1401*
Wednesday	15	0917	2139	0312*	1506*
Thursday	16	1009	2230	0358*	1602
Friday	17	1059	2319	0434*	1646
Saturday	18	1150	---	0507*	1728
Sunday	19	0009	1243	0542	1816
Monday	20	0103	1336	0624	2010
Tuesday	21	0156	1427	0720	2148

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

## Upcoming Meetings

### Fairhaven

**Atlas Tack Working Group**  
Thurs., 7/9, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

**Board of Appeals**  
Tues., 7/7, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Board of Health**  
Wed., 7/15, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

**Board of Public Works**  
Mon. 7/13, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

**Commission on Disability**  
Thurs., 7/9, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Conservation Commission**  
Mon. 7/20, Town Hall, 6:00 p.m.

**Council on Aging**  
Tues., 7/14, Senior Ctr., 9 a.m.

**Cultural Council**  
Wed., 7/15, Town Hall 6:30 p.m.

**Economic Development**  
Thurs., 7/16, Town Hall, 5:30 p.m.

**Finance Committee**  
Thurs., 7/9, Arsene St., 6:30 p.m.

**Historical Commission**  
Tues., 7/7, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

**Livable Streets**  
Thurs., 7/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

**Open Space & Rec**  
Mon., 7/20, Town Hall, 11:30 a.m.

**Planning Board**  
Tues., 7/14, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

**Public Safety Complex**  
Tues., 7/7, Town Hall, 4:00 p.m.

**Select Board**  
Mon., 7/13, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Acushnet

**Board of Appeals**  
Thurs., 7/16, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Housing Authority**  
Wed., 7/15, AHA, 23 Main St., 11:30 a

**Conservation Commission**  
Wed., 7/22, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

**Housing Authority**  
Wed., 7/15, 23 Main St./Communit Room, 11:30 a.m.

**Planning Board**  
Thurs., 7/16, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

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# Millicent Library raising funds for air conditioning

Due to the historic nature of the building, the Millicent Library does not currently have air conditioning. High heat and humidity have become an ongoing problem throughout the hotter and more humid months of the year. In 2022, the library was closed 7 days, in 2023 the library was closed 3 days, in 2024 the library closed for 5 days, and in 2025 the library was closed for 7 days due to the intolerable and, in some instances, unsafe conditions for staff and patrons. These conditions are also detrimental to the library's resources and invaluable archives.

The library uses a climate monitoring subscription service, which records the library's interior climate conditions. In 2025, the highest temperature recorded was 86.5 degrees Fahrenheit and the highest humidity was 83.2%.

Such conditions create extremely uncomfortable and unsafe work environment for staff and library patrons per OSHA's guidelines. High heat and humidity also damage library materials.

For over 130 years, the Millicent Library has stood as Fairhaven's symbol of learning, imagination, and

heritage. It is more than just a repository of books. It is a place where families find sanctuary within the library's walls, with infants and children delighting in enchanting story times. Nestled within the library's walls lies a treasure trove of local history, with archival collections preserving the history of Fairhaven through photographs, maps, and memorabilia. It is a place where generations gather to explore and dream.

To preserve this historic landmark for future generations, the Millicent Library seeks to raise \$2 million to create a safe, comfortable, and climate-controlled environment that protects the library's priceless collections and welcomes all who come to learn, imagine, and connect.

The Town of Fairhaven's Community Preservation Committee generously funded a large portion of the costs of the electrical upgrade and is funding the current schematic design phase of the HVAC upgrade. The schematic design will guide the next phase of detailed engineering and construction planning.

The Millicent Library Capital

Campaign represents the next step in preserving one of Fairhaven's most cherished landmarks. With your support, we can ensure that this historic building continues to serve as a welcoming, climate-controlled space where history, culture, learning, and community thrive for generations to come.

We are graciously asking you to donate, investing in the preservation and long-term sustainability of the Millicent Library which encompasses heating, air conditioning, and ventilation.

Visit the library at 45 Center St., Fairhaven or donate at <https://givebutter.com/MillicentLibrary>

Learn more about the Millicent, its history, collections, and events, at <https://millicentlibrary.org>

The Millicent Library is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Our federal tax identification number (EIN) is 04-2121363. To contribute by check, make checks payable to The Millicent Library and mail them to The Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719

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## Obituary: Frederick William Rothwell Jr.



**Frederick William Rothwell Jr.**

Frederick William Rothwell Jr., 91, of Kiln, Mississippi, passed away on June 10, 2026. He was born on February 28, 1935, in San Diego, CA, to Frederick (U.S.N.) and Mildred (Clapp) Rothwell. He grew up in Acushnet, MA, attending Acushnet public schools and the Acushnet

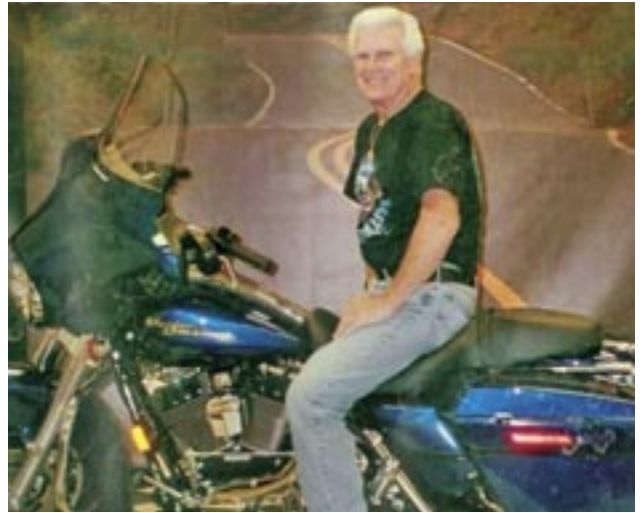
Methodist Church.

He honorably served his country in the U.S. Armed Forces, six years in the Marine Corps and three years in the Air Force. Frederick was a hard worker, both in his career in the U.S. Armed Forces and as a mechanic. He also loved to tinker around the house and the yard. But his real passion was for riding his Harley Davidson, which will proudly be kept by the family.

Frederick was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Larry Rothwell; grandson, Evan Rothwell; brothers Kenneth and Franklin; and sisters Sheila, Jennie May, Dorothy and Noel.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 38 years, Dorothy Rothwell; four sons, Marty Tate (Jody), Frederick Rothwell III (Ramona), Kenneth

Rothwell (Nora), and Randy Rothwell (Janice); daughter, Debra Johnson (Mark); step-daughters, Terri Bucher (Steve), and Tammy Cortez (John); and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister, Shirley R. Cabral; half-sister Donna Bergeron (Paul); and brothers, Danny and Richard (Josie).



## Obituary: James Patrick Sylvia



**James Patrick Sylvia**

James "Jim" Patrick Sylvia, 90, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2026, after a long illness.

He was

born in New Bedford to the late Domingo and Margaret (Maloney) Sylvia. After graduating from Fairhaven High in 1953, Jim served in the Army and started a family in Indiana. He returned to Fairhaven 26 years later, where he would remain.

A duct tape and WD-40 aficionado with a soft spot for dogs, Jim didn't suffer fools. He was a dad, through and through.

Jim took guardianship of his

grandson, Ryan, at age 2 and raised him like a son. Decades later, Ryan returned home to be there for Jim, taking on the role of primary caregiver when his health declined.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Joseph Sylvia.

He is survived by his children, Jeanne, Cathlene, Patricia, and Karin; his sister, Faith Hunsinger; his grandchildren, Tera, Ryan, Edward, April, Stephanie, Ashley, and Thomas.

## LETTERS: from page 8

Guided by the new respect for reason, people wanted a new politics for man the independent thinker. They wanted political protection, not of blood-drenched, misery-creating, religious tradition, but of man the individual. Man was no longer a lost fragment of God but a real, independent individual. Not a divine soul imprisoned in an evil body, but a real individual, a soul/body unity.

Man the individual needed political protection from religion and from other people. He needed individual rights to protect his individual freedom in society. He needed political protection of his mind's guidance of

his actions for his life.

"And to secure these rights governments are instituted among men." [Thomas Jefferson].

"The grand end of government is for the support, protection, and defense of these rights." [John Adams].

The state's new function is as the servant of the individual. It's not a sovereign possessing primary authority, but an agent possessing only delegated authority. And it can and should be destroyed and replaced if it fails to protect individual rights.

The Founders recognized that democracy, as well as religion and

aristocracy, is an enemy of individual rights.

"The will of the majority, to be rightful, must be reasonable, the minority possess their equal rights, which equal laws must protect." [Thomas Jefferson].

"The rich are people as well as the poor, they have rights as well as the others, they have as clear and sacred a right to their large property as others have to theirs which is smaller; that oppression to them is as possible and wicked as to others." [John Adams].

*Stephen Grossman, Fairhaven*

# Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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## NOTICE TO FAIRHAVEN RESIDENTS FIRE FLOW TEST

On Thursday July 9th, 2026 at 8:30pm, Platinum Fire Protection will be conducting a Fire Pump Test at 7 Plaza Way. This test may temporarily cause discolored water and/or low pressure in areas adjacent to the test location as well as areas serviced by the same water distribution mains. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconvenience to the consumers. On the test day, consumers should check the water prior to use.

If you would like any additional information, please call our office at 508-979-4032. Your understanding and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

THE FAIRHAVEN WATER DEPARTMENT  
FNN 7/2/26

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven Conservation Commission

Monday, July 20, 2026 at 6:00pm  
Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center Street  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Conservation Commission will conduct a Public Hearing pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, § 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands Bylaw. The meeting will be located at Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

In-person attendance is permitted for the public and will be televised live on Fairhaven TV Channel 97 and [fairhaventv.com](http://fairhaventv.com). To join the meeting remotely Log on to the following:

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8695315076?pwd=VFdUQkhdVYrNzJlQktlVl9XSzppZz09>

Meeting ID: 869 5315 5076 Passcode: 633695

Or call: 1-929-205-6099

The agenda will be posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Copies of the applications and site plans 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 under current filings.

a. CON 023-579, SE 023-\_\_\_: 27 Silver Shell, Beach Drive, Map 41, Lot 54 Notice of Intent filed by Nancy Blouin for the relocation of a public utility waterline. Property falls within Land Subject to Coastal Storm

Flowage (LSCSF), FEMA Flood Zone VE (EI.19), Buffer Zone to Coastal Beach & Coastal Dune.

b. CON 023-581, SE 023-\_\_\_: 0 Huttleston Avenue, Map 34A, Lot 21 Notice of Intent filed by Barton Bruffee for the construction of a single-family dwelling, associated driveway and utilities within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to the Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW).

Brandon J. Estrella, Chair,  
Fairhaven Conservation Commission  
FNN: 7/2/26

## ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR AN AFTER THE FACT NOTICE OF INTENT

The Acushnet Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Meeting Room, 122 Main Street, Acushnet, MA 02743 for an After The Fact Notice of Intent submitted by Doug & Lauren Lemieux, 35 Hathaway Road, Assessors Map 12, Lot 9J, Acushnet, MA. The applicant proposes to construct a drainage ditch in the wetland resource area to mitigate water away from the dwelling.

James Souza, Chair  
FNN, 7/2/26

## TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Fairhaven invites sealed bids for CLEANING AND REDEVELOPMENT OF MUNICIPAL GRAVEL PACKED PITLESS WELL"

Interested parties may view the list of services by requesting the documents free of charge in Portable Document Format (PDF) by visiting the Town of Fairhaven website at the following link:

<https://fairhaven-ma.gov/beacon/>

Sealed bids will be received in accordance with the instructions outlined in the bid documents. All bids must be submitted by the specified deadline and in the manner prescribed.

The Board of Public Works reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if it is in the Town's best interest to do so.

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## Notice of Public Hearing

The Fairhaven Board of Health is hosting a public

hearing at 5 p.m. on July 15, 2026 to review, hear comments, and vote relative to proposed regulation regarding Restriction of the Manufacturing, Sale and Distribution of Kratom.

The Public Hearing will be held in-person at 40 Center St. Fairhaven, MA 02719, and via Zoom (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/95313326052?pwd=UEFVZVKUDA5eExrTDN6RXBWMzYVUT09> or call 1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 953 1332 6052 Passcode: 118417).

A copy of these draft regulations is available for pickup at the Fairhaven Board of Health (40 Center St., Fairhaven, MA 02719) or on the Fairhaven Board of Health website: [www.fairhaven-ma.gov/board-health](http://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/board-health)

You are welcome to attend the Public Hearing in person (40 Center St. Fairhaven, MA 02719) or virtually via Zoom. You also may submit written comment to the Fairhaven Board of Health by mail: 40 Center St. Fairhaven, MA 02719.

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## ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

ANRAD – James Sabra-1212 Main St Map 6 Lot 2

An Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) was filed by James Sabra for property located at 1212 Main Street, Map 6 Lot 2. The applicant proposes to determine resource areas located on a portion of the property.

The public hearing will be scheduled for 6pm on July 22, 2026 at the Acushnet Town Hall Meeting Room at 122 Main Street, Acushnet, MA 02743.

James Souza, Chair  
FNN, 7/2/26

## TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids marked for work listed below, will be received at the Board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 not later than 2:00 p.m., July 23, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read on July 23, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

FY27 On-Call Tree Services

The BPW reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

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## EVENTS2: cont'd from page 14

thousands of attendees to Boston and millions of viewers nationwide for one of the country's largest Independence Day celebrations. The program will celebrate Massachusetts' central role in the American Revolution while showcasing the creativity, culture and community that continue to define the state today.

Featuring a revolutionary-themed drone show during the performance of the "1812 Overture", a fireworks display choreographed to live music performed by the Pops, and the world premieres of two new works by contemporary American composers commissioned in honor of America 250. The concert will also feature performances by the Boston Children's Chorus, Boston Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corps, Middlesex County Volunteers Fifes and Drums, Tanglewood Festival Chorus and the

U.S.S. Constitution Color Guard.

The event will conclude with a fireworks display over the Charles River beginning at approximately 9:15 p.m.

The concert and fireworks will be broadcast locally on WHDH-TV Channel 7 and streamed on the CNN app and CNN.com (7:00-9:30 p.m. ET).

Public access to the Oval lawn in front of the Hatch Shell will open at 12 p.m. on July 4. Throughout the afternoon, the Esplanade will feature family-friendly activities, concessions, and public programming connected to the MA250 celebration.

Since 1929, the Boston Pops has performed its free Independence Day concert on the Esplanade, continuing a beloved Boston tradition first established by conductor Arthur Fiedler and carried on today by Keith Lockhart. The Fireworks Spectacular has become one of the nation's most iconic July 4 celebrations, drawing

audiences from across Massachusetts and around the world.

Also Featuring:

- Block Party: July 3 & 4
- Boston Harborfest: July 2-4

Visit <https://massachusetts250.org>

## Sail Boston/Tall Ships

July 11-16. Visit <https://www.sailboston.com>

Parade of Sail: July 11, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Boston Harbor.. Vessels parade in flotillas from Broad Sound into the main harbor channel,

Sail Boston Festival 7/11 to 7/15. 302 Northern Avenue, Boston. Live entertainment and Ferris Wheel.

Boarding of Ships, 7/11, 12, 15. Visit <https://www.sailboston.com/events/> for locations and times.

Fireworks: 7/11 & 7/15, 9:15 p.m. Fan Pier

Crew & Cadet Street Parade, 7/13, Noon, Leader Bank Pavillion to Christopher Columbus Park (110 Atlantic Ave.)

# Alyssa Botelho says farewell as office closes

*Submitte by Alyssa Botelho*  
**Discover Fairhaven Director**

Fairhaven invested in me, and because of that, I became someone who wanted to invest back in Fairhaven.

It's been a privilege to serve my hometown for the past ten years. First, behind the camera in cable access television (before it was even called "Fairhaven TV"), and most recently as Fairhaven's Director of Tourism, Community & Economic Development.

When I first walked through the doors of Town Hall in 2016, I was a shy Blue Devil teen with a passion for video creation, just hoping to land a job to buy my own cell phone. And so began years of filming government meetings that, with Derek Frates' leadership, grew into parades, community events, resident shows, and original short films with our small yet mighty team — Erick Sa, Nick Doyle, and Todd Migliacci. Writing, directing, acting, producing, and editing together, we brought Fairhaven stories to audiences far beyond our town.

Our work took us across the country to accept awards, proudly putting Fairhaven on the map while building my own confidence as a filmmaker. As we traveled, worked, had "Festivus", and collaborated on personal projects, we became bonded for life.

Then, I became a department head. Creating "Discover Fairhaven" became one of the greatest challenges of my career, giving a municipal office an aspirational identity, built upon decades of passionate work by my predecessor, Chris Richard.

I hit the ground running, despite sometimes feeling like a kid with a cartoon lunchbox in department head meetings alongside folks with decades of experience in life and career.

With the help of my Fairhaven TV team and other star Town employees (Anne Carreiro, Jocelyn Bowers, Kevin Fournier) who went way above and beyond their job descriptions,

volunteers who stepped in with gusto (Keith Silvia, Cathy Melanson, Todd Correia, Nils Isaksen, Mark Badwey, Steve & Jen Botelho), we pulled off the impossible. Through late nights, early mornings, sore muscles, and tired brains, we revitalized a dormant space at Grimshaw Park, bringing thousands into Fairhaven with new blowout waterfront events. If you went to JAWS 50th Anniversary or the Medieval Faire last year — or even just tried to drive around in the vicinity — you know what I'm talking about (sorry 'bout that!).

My office was many, many, many things more than party planning. But it was at our events that I saw the tangible impact of my work.

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I watched neighbors who rarely saw eye to eye laugh together. People who hadn't seen each other in years reconnect with big hugs. Strangers helping one another and families making memories. For a few hours, everyone stopped worrying about who was on what side and simply enjoyed being part of Fairhaven.

Like many, I was saddened by the outcome of this year's election and the elimination of this office. But what saddens me even more is how divided we have become.

After spending eight months abroad as a Fulbright Scholar while continuing to lead the office remotely (only possible with Todd Migliacci's incredible leadership on the ground),

I returned to Fairhaven just before the election with a fresh perspective.

The phrase that kept coming to mind was, "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks."

Our words reveal what fills us. Returning home, I found myself hearing more frustration than hope, more skepticism than curiosity. Too often, new ideas are met with reasons they can't work, and face-to-face conversations are replaced by arguments in comment sections. Somewhere along the way, we've become quicker to assume the worst of one another than the best.

I don't believe that's who Fairhaven truly is.

The financial challenges facing Fairhaven are real, and difficult decisions lie ahead. If there's one thing I hope people take away from Discover Fairhaven, it's that showing up with a positive attitude matters. Volunteer for a nonprofit. Organize a block party in your neighborhood. Support a local event. Introduce yourself to a new neighbor. Open your mind to different ideas before saying no because "that's not how we've always done it."

Discover Fairhaven is going away. But community doesn't have to.

To everyone who shaped me these past ten years — my coworkers, mentors, volunteers, local businesses, Town employees, elected officials, residents, and friends — thank you.

You gave a shy teenager confidence.

You taught me how to lead.

You challenged me.

Trusted me.

You showed me what it means to care deeply about the place you call home.

No matter where filmmaking takes me next, a piece of Fairhaven will always travel with me.

*If you'd like to follow along with future projects and behind-the-scenes stories, I'd love to stay connected. You can subscribe at [alyssabotelho.net/newsletter](http://alyssabotelho.net/newsletter).*

## Support the Food Pantry

The Shepherd's Food Pantry at the Long Plain United Methodist Church in Acushnet spends more than \$5,500 each month to keep the shelves stocked. It serves more than 120 families each week and has seen a sharp increase in families seeking food.

Tax deductible donations may be sent to Shepherd's Pantry, PO Box 760, Fairhaven, MA 02719. Visit [https://food-banks.org/detail/the\\_shepherds\\_pantry\\_acushnet\\_ma.html](https://food-banks.org/detail/the_shepherds_pantry_acushnet_ma.html)



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## STILL OVERTOWN (FROM PAGE 11)

Gerry Rooney, and cultural advisor Ayako Rooney on the patio of the RJD for a presentation about the remarkable true story of friendship, cultural connection, and preservation. This event is free and open to the public, and invites friends of the RJD to learn more about a neighboring historic house museum.

Visit [rjdmuseum.org](http://rjdmuseum.org)

### Roots & Branches

On Friday July 17 & Saturday July 18, the 4th annual NB Roots&Branches Fest returns to downtown New Bedford under the sponsorship of Gallery X, Inc. with local music and arts for all.

Our festival remains committed to featuring both the deep roots of Greater New Bedford's many commu-

nities, as well as the many "branches" that have grown from that rich cultural foothold. The festival is proud to present Portuguese, Cape Verdean, Wampanoag, Irish, Quebecois, African American, Cajun, Manouche, and Early New England acts among our many traditional music and dance performers.

Beyond our musical programming NB Roots&Branches is proud to present a huge range of activities and other arts. A full schedule including performance times is available at [www.nbrootsandbranches.com](http://www.nbrootsandbranches.com)

### AHA!

Kids Rule during our next AHA! Night (but don't worry, the adults do too) on Thursday, July 9th.

In and around Custom House Square you can dance in the streets with the Big Nazo Puppets, see the acrobatics of Aerialicious Entertainment, interact with the Smile Factory Clowns, and get your face painted!

Touch a firetruck with the New Bedford Fire Department, celebrate 5 years of the New Bedford Light with a craft for kids, free Sorbae Frozen Treats for the first 250 people, and a 21+ wine tasting poured by Coastal Bubbles (first 50 pours).

Try out rowing on land with New Bedford Rowing Center, get a tasty snack from Tamani's Lemonade Stand, play with bubbles courtesy of Little People's College, and so much more.

Full schedule at <https://ahanewbedford.org/next-aha/>

## HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

### Comedy Fundraiser

SE Mass. Vets celebrate Independence, Sat., 7/18, Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Rd., Mattapoisett. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner served at 7 p.m. Show to follow. Tickets: \$60, includes dinner by On the Go Catering, cash bar, raffles, 50/50 drawing, silent/live auctions. PG-13 18+

Sponsors: Dr. D.E. Burt, Disabled American Veterans Chapter #7, New Bedford; American Legion Post 265 Acushnet; Thomas E. Tuttle VFW Post 7239, Acushnet.

For tickets, to donate or sponsor, please visit [www.funny4funds.com/events](http://www.funny4funds.com/events). For more information, please contact Bill Comeau, 508-315-7139.

### River Clean Up

Join the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust for a cleanup of the Acushnet River creating clear pathways along the river to support the herring's migration next season. Bring your water shoes, bathing suits, waders, and towels and deepen your connection with the Acushnet River.

Meet on Sat., 7/11, at White's Factory, Hamlin St., Acushnet, 8 a.m.-noon. Rain or Shine.

To RSVP and for more info, contact the FALPT Land Manager, 774-521-8489.

### Harbor Days

Harbor Days is the Mattapoisett Lions way of celebrating our community and raising valuable dollars for

our charitable endeavors. Events include Painting classes, a triathlon, a band concert, Entertainment, Food including our world famous strawberry shortcakes, a fish fry, a Saturday lobster dinner, grilled foods, & a Sunday Pancake Breakfast. This is a big weekend!

From July 15 to 19; crafters at Shipyard Park on 7/18 & 19.

Visit <https://www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org/harbor-days> or find them on Facebook for more info.

### Book Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library invite book lovers of all ages to their upcoming Harbor Days Book Sale on Friday, July 17th and Saturday July 18th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Library Community Room at 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. This event is a great opportunity to find gently used books at affordable prices while supporting the library's valuable programs and activities.

In preparation for the sale, the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library will also be accepting book donations on Wednesday, July 15th through Thursday, July 16th, from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Community members are encouraged to donate gently used books to help make the event a success. In addition we will be accepting Jewelry donations for our December Jewelry Sale. Jewelry donations can be dropped off any time at the Front Desk.

All proceeds from the sale directly

benefit the library, funding programs, events, and resources that enrich the Mattapoisett community.

For more information, please contact the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library at [friendsofmattapoisettlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmattapoisettlibrary@gmail.com).

### Marion Horse Show

79th anniversary Marion Horse Show, July 5, 8 a.m., Charles R. Washburn Park, 1 Washburn Park Road, Marion, MA. Open horse show, visit <https://marionhorseshow.com> to enter. Volunteers always welcome. Call 774-404-1877

Family friendly all day event.

### Declaration of Independence

This July 18, at 10:00 am, the Mattapoisett Museum, the Public Library and the Lions Club will host a reading of the Declaration of Independence as part of Harbor Days and the town's 250th Celebration. It will take place on the waterfront at the Gazebo in Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett.

Readers are Rep. Mark Silvia, State Representative for the 10th Bristol District, Frances Feliz-Kearns, Select Board of Mattapoisett, Jenny Martin, Director of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library and Connor Gaudet, Curator, Mattapoisett Museum.

Together the citizens of the SouthCoast will "rend the air" with their own three cheers!

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