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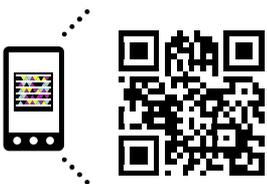
The Acushnet River Safe Boating Club, home of the Coast Guard Auxiliary on Middle Street in Fairhaven, puts the floating docks in on Saturday, 4/6/19, a sure sign of spring in these parts. *Photo by Glenn C. Silva.*

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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.

Happy Spring everyone...oh, wait. It's barely broken into the 40s all day. BRRR.

But, spring's coming. The boat yards are dropping the floating docks into the water, the boats are getting uncovered all around town, and the motorcycles are starting to VROOM VROOM.

So, you guys all voted Dan Freitas back in. He is promising fun times ahead. See page 4 for all that big load of .... well, nuthin' really. He was so vague and so ....what's the word...vague, I guess, that we don't have a clue what he's talking about. I'm kind of chuckling, because, here's a guy who railed against my paper for being "fake news," and he starts ranting about something that's not on the agenda and rambles about "rumor" and "innuendo."

I think I'll start a section called "Rumor and Innuendo" just for the fun of it. Wouldn't that be fun.

Anyway, Mary Macedo did a pretty good job of capturing the moment, but you should still watch it. He saved the fun stuff for last.

Acushnet's last TWO Selectboard meetings were lots of fun, too (see page 16). They had a change of characters, so that's why there's got fun.

Fairhaven had a return candidate, and he promises not to be quite anymore...hmmm...so that's what that was?

Heaven help us all.

And, for the record, if any town hall employees find that hit list or the axe that's about to fall, please take a picture and send it to me. I promise you can be anonymous.

Another Fairhaven icon is facing some changes. Pumpnickel's got sold. Steve and Sue are still there for a couple of weeks, though, so if you want to swing by and say "bye" and order up any favorites, you'd better get there soon. Glenn did a great job handling that story for us. See page 18 for that.

There's other good stuff in here, of course. Please take your time looking through each page, and try to note who our advertisers are so you can tell them you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*.

Until next week then...see ya,



Beth David, Publisher

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Our Elizabeth Hastings Middle School Learning Community in Fairhaven recognizes World Autism Awareness Day, an internationally recognized day on April 2 every year, encouraging Member States of the United Nations to take measures to raise awareness about people with Autism Spectrum Disorder throughout the world. It was designated by the United Nations General Assembly resolution 62/139. We support and advocate to raise awareness about people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). We will continue throughout the month of April to spread awareness. *Submitted photo.*

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# Selectboard continues comp time for Wellness Committee

By Mary Macedo

## Neighb News Correspondent

At their meeting on Monday 4/8/19 Fairhaven Selectboard members discussed the appointment of some committee members, as well as compensation issues regarding the Wellness Committee.

Before starting their appointments the members reorganized the board after the election. Daniel Freitas, who was chairperson, nominated Charles K. Murphy, Sr., for chairperson, and Robert Espindola seconded.

"You have the power now," Mr. Freitas said handing over the gavel.

The board also voted to make Mr. Espindola the Vice-Chairperson and Mr. Freitas clerk.

Towards the end of the meeting, Mr. Freitas addressed the board stating that he wanted to discuss an issue regarding the Wellness Committee charge.

He explained that he had no idea that the WC members receive comp time for their volunteer work on the committee. He said he believed it was the only committee that gets comp time for volunteering and that he did

not know how it got past him when the committee's charge was created.

"It's not fair to the other committees," Mr. Freitas said, adding that he would like to see the minutes from the Wellness Committee meetings because he looked online and there were no meeting minutes for six to eight months.

Mr. Freitas also explained that six or seven of the nine committee members are from Town Hall. He questioned if that creates a coverage issue when they all leave work for an hour for the committee meeting. He said he believed that there should be fairness for all the committees.

Mr. Espindola said he understood what Mr. Freitas was saying, but added that he has been with the WC since it started and it has been positive in the community.

Mr. Espindola said it is different than other committees because it is made up of entirely of town employees who volunteer, and it has the goals to financially help the town.

He said that the private company he works for invests a lot into wellness programs because they have

so many benefits. He said some communities hire people to fill the role that the volunteers in Fairhaven do. He also said that the health, wellness, and financial benefits of the WC take time to achieve.

Mr. Espindola explained that no one was receiving overtime and no one was getting compensated; volunteers are simply taking an hour out of their work day to go to WC meetings.

Mr. Espindola said he has not heard of any coverage issues at Town Hall due to the committee schedule and has not heard about any financial issues, either.

"I support the people who volunteer to do this," Mr. Espindola said.

Mr. Freitas said he agreed that the committee does a fantastic job, but by having an hour of paid work when they are not working makes the comp time costly.

He explained that the volunteers are being paid through their regular jobs for the hour that they attend the WCs meeting.

"I'm not going to fight about it," Mr. Freitas said. "I just want to address it

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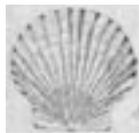
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### Thrift Shop Sale

Heavenly Treasures Thrift Shop at the First Congregational Church in Fairhaven is having a half price sale on everything from April 3-27. Store hours are Wednesday and Saturday, from 10:00 to 1:00. Please enter through the William Street entrance.

### Ladder Truck Dedication

The public is invited to attend the dedication of our new ladder truck in memory of Lt. Earl M. Faunce (Deceased). A ceremony to dedicate the truck will take place on **Fri., 4/12, at 10 a.m., at Fairhaven Fire Department Headquarters., 146 Washington St. Fairhaven.**

Ladder 1 is a 2018 E-One Aerial Ladder Truck placed in service on January 16, 2019 after two weeks of training. Ladder 1 is a 110 ft aerial with a built-in waterway capable of flowing 1500 gpm of water. The unit also contains a full cascade system and a 20kW PTO generator. In addition, the truck has two 35ft, one 28ft, one 24ft, one attic, one 20ft roof, and one 16ft roof ladders.

### April Vaca Prog

The following programs will be held at The Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven, MA 02719, 508-992-5342 [jmurphy@sailsinc.org](mailto:jmurphy@sailsinc.org). Accessible.

**Tues., 4/16, Big Ryan's Tall Tales. 10:30 a.m.** Join us as we welcome back Big Ryan, who is a favorite of children everywhere. No registration required. We'll meet in the downstairs auditorium.

**Wed., 4/17, two Space programs** presented by Pat Monteith, an official NASA Solar System Ambassador who visits local schools and libraries. The morning program is for children ages 7-12, while the afternoon program is intended for grade 5 through adult. Downstairs. At 10:30, "The Sky is Falling!" Learn about Asteroids, the different types of asteroids and where they come from, the difference between asteroids and comets and whether or not an asteroid really killed the dinosaurs! Several hands-on activities include making impact craters and a model of the Asteroid Bennu. Discover how to look for pieces of asteroids in your backyard.

For ages 7-12. Please call or email Ms. Jane to sign up so we have an idea of how many are coming

**Wed., 4/17, 2 p.m. we will learn about the International Space Station** in "Discover the Universe with the International Space Station." Information and hands-on activities about the Station (ISS): what it's like living in a floating laboratory 240 miles above the Earth for 6 months or more and the challenges of living without gravity in outer space. How do the ISS astronauts perform daily tasks? What scientific experiments do the astronauts perform? A family event! Ms. Monteith will return during the summer for another program to accompany the theme for Summer 2019, "A Universe of Stories."

**Thurs., 4/18, 2:30-4:30 p.m.** Join us for Spring/Easter/Passover/Earth Day crafts and fun. We'll also set up some board games. (Bring some of your own if you like, as well as Legos, Pokemon, etc.) Downstairs. Ages 3 and up. Teens welcome!

### Book Group

The book chosen by Millicent Library's Book group is "The Last Child in the Woods" by child advocacy Richard Louv. The author discusses the link between exposure to nature and a healthy childhood. Exposure to nature can be found in one's back yard.

The selection will be discussed at Fairhaven's **Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, Fairhaven, on Thursday, April 18, at 10 a.m., in the library's meeting room**, accessible through the Walnut Street entrance.

The discussion is free, and open to the public. The book is available at the library, or from the library's website, <http://www.millicentlibrary.org>. For more information, please call Norma Markey at 508-993-3745.

### Food for Tots

The Friends of Jack Foundation and Townsquare Media - Fun 107 and 1420 WBSM - will kickoff its annual campaign this month in Fairhaven. Food for Tots invites the community to dine out at some of the area's best restaurants on the third Thursday of every month, with 15 percent of all proceeds going directly to the Friends of Jack Foundation, which provides overlooked healthcare-focused

services and programs for children in the greater SouthCoast region.

This month's event features several establishments in Fairhaven including The Pasta House, Frontera Grill, and Cleary's Pub.

For more information regarding the Food for Tots program or to get involved as a donor, visit [www.friendsofjack.org](http://www.friendsofjack.org) or contact Jill Fearons at [Jill@friendsofjack.org](mailto:Jill@friendsofjack.org). Also, follow Food for Tots on Facebook and the Friends of Jack Foundation on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

**Schedule: April 18/Fairhaven, May 16/Dartmouth, June 20/Fall River, July 18/Tri-Town and Wareham, August 15/New Bedford, September 19/Westport**

### SAVE THE DATES:

#### Bike Path Cleanup

Join us on **Sun., 4/28, 9 a.m. to noon**, for our sixth annual volunteer clean-up of the Fairhaven Bike path. It's great fun for the entire family! Meet behind the Fairhaven Recreation Center, 229 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven. We will have gloves, pickers and bags. Please bring your own gloves if you have them.

#### NFIA Egg Hunt6

**Sat., 4/20, 9:00 a.m. at Livesey Park, Glenhaven Ave., Fairhaven.**

#### Senior Talent Show

The Fairhaven Rotary Club's **Fourth Annual Senior Talent Showcase at The Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center St. Fairhaven, on Sun., 5/5 (NOTE DATE CHANGE), from 1-4 p.m. The event is free to the community.**

The event offers a platform for the seniors to show off their various talents on stage. In the past we have seen Comedians, Belly Dancers, Magicians, Spoon Players, Singers, Piano Players etc. Every participant receives a gift for participating.

For more information, please contact Melissa Kucharski at 508-330-4837 or [melissa@suinc.com](mailto:melissa@suinc.com)

#### Foxwoods with the Lions

Fairhaven Lions Club day trip to Foxwoods Resort and Casino, **Sun., 5/19, \$35 pp.** Pick up 10 a.m., return 7 p.m., 1 Fairhaven Commons Way. Free buffet or \$10 meal voucher. \$10 slot play. Contact Bill, 508-996-3420, or [lc1914bb@aol.com](mailto:lc1914bb@aol.com)

# Mass Attack Roller Derby rolls into Fairhaven



The Mass Attack Roller Derby season has begun. They had two matches on April 6 at Carousel Family Fun Center on David Drown Blvd. in Fairhaven. In Match #1, Mass Attack All Stars beat NH Roller Derby All Stars 338-180. In Match #2, Mass Attack Bloody Bordens beat out NH Roller Derby Cherry Bombs 363-73. You can get their schedule at [www.massattackrollerderby.com/2018-schedule](http://www.massattackrollerderby.com/2018-schedule). Photos by Glenn C. Silva. You can see more pics from this event and others Glenn has covered by looking him up on Instagram: @asttphoto and give him a follow.

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# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Earth Eve Parade

**Celebrate Earth Eve on AHA! Night Thurs., 4/11, at 5 p.m. "Love Mother Earth" Procession!** Gathers at 5:00 p.m. at Market Street next to the Library for the crowning of Mother Earth and Father Ocean. Mother Earth and Father Ocean will then lead the procession through the downtown historic district, along Acushnet Avenue and Pleasant Street with a quick stop for review. Procession will then return to Market Street. Please be aware that the procession passes over cobblestone streets, and takes place rain or shine!

## Thrift Shop

Hetty's Thrift Shoppe is open with NEW Spring and Summer items! We are located in the Child & Family Services' building on 1061 Pleasant Street in New Bedford. Store hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 9 am to 2 pm. If you're looking for a good bargain, this is the place to go! All monies from Hetty's go directly to support our Caring Network Program. We also accept donations during business hours! Visit: [www.child-family-services.org/hetty's-thrift-shoppe/](http://www.child-family-services.org/hetty's-thrift-shoppe/) for more information.

## Calling all vendors SC Pride

South Coast Pride is Saturday, June 1 from 11-4 p.m. in Buttonwood Park, New Bedford. Food and business artisan vendor space is available for \$50 per 10x10 space (Nonprofit organizations are free). Sponsorships and program book ads are also available.

Visit [www.sclgbtqnetwork.org](http://www.sclgbtqnetwork.org) to register online. **The deadline for ads, sponsors and vendors is May 3**, so please sign up early. All proceeds benefit the South Coast LGBTQ Network (a 501c3 nonprofit organization) and programs and services for LGBTQ individuals and families across the age spectrum in the Southcoast.

South Coast Pride is a fun packed, family friendly day with live entertainment from 11-4 p.m., food vendors, small business and artisan booths, resources and activities for kids. The event is a free, all-inclusive community event open to the public, LGBTQ, families, friends and Allies,

and is sponsored by the South Coast LGBTQ Network. The day has a healthy start with the New Bedford Wellness Walk around Buttonwood Park at 9am, followed by free Yoga in the Park at 9:45am. Mark your calendar now for PRIDE 2019 to enjoy the "loud and proud" festivities as we celebrate the LGBTQ culture and the 50th Anniversary of the Stonewall Riots in New York City on June 28, 1969. This day is a symbol of the resistance to social and political discrimination that inspired solidarity among LGBTQ individuals and communities and the current LGBTQ civil rights movement.

For more information email [eileen@sclgbtqnetwork.org](mailto:eileen@sclgbtqnetwork.org) or call 774-775-2656.

## April Vaca Art Prog

Art is important for growing and creative minds! Let your kids express themselves in our workshops and classes. Many of our classes are on a rolling admission and some are drop-in to offer a bit of flexibility for busy lives. Call New Bedford Art Museum, Deb Smook, Education Director at (508) 961-3072

## Spring Vacation at Whaling Museum

**Right Whale Day Monday, April 15 | 10 am - 2 pm** Learn to eat, see, and hear like a whale through activities that foster greater appreciation for the status and plight of the highly endangered North Atlantic right whale. Climb inside a life-size inflatable right whale. Harbor View Gallery; Try fun marine-themed crafts. FREE! Jacobs Family Gallery; Check out the new life-size model of a right whale head. FREE! Jacobs Family Gallery; Explore whale biology and behavior exhibits in Whales Today. FREE! Jacobs Family Gallery

*Activities in the Museum's Jacobs Family Gallery are free. Hands-on activities elsewhere and access to the Museum's other galleries are free with paid admission. All activities and full access are free for Whaling Museum members. Children must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Tuesday, 4/16-Friday, 4/19, 10-12 noon** Climb inside a life-size inflatable whale Harbor View Gallery

**Tuesday, 4/16 & Wednesday, 4/17,**

**10 am - 1 pm** Make your own whale hat. FREE! Jacobs Family Gallery Make a foam boat. Casa dos Botes Discovery Center

**Thursday, 4/18, 1-3 pm** New Bedford Science Café Kids event **NASA Space Day:** Explorations of Faraway Places FREE!

**Friday, 4/19, 10-10:30 am** All Aboard the Lagoda. Bourne Building. Join the crew of Captain C. Weade on board the world's largest ship model for an adventure on the high seas! Travel the world, interact with new cultures, learn the ropes of a whaleship, and go-a-whaling.

## Explorations of Faraway Places

**Thursday, 4/18, 1-3 pm** New Bedford Whaling Museum, FREE and open to the public, all ages **Calling all kids and young scientists Come to the New Bedford Science Café Kids event!** Travel to the far reaches of our solar system and beyond with students from the NASA Solar System Explorers at the Ford Middle School in Acushnet. These young scientists and NASA Solar System Ambassador Joe Cote will be at the Whaling Museum to connect you to several of the exciting projects being conducted by NASA! The Solar System Explorers will have four indoor learning stations and one outdoor learning station.

Handle real moon rocks. Look through a solar spotting scope View images from the TESS Mission to find exoplanets. Learn about current exploration of the surface of Mars. Create space crafts. Enjoy free cookies.

Sponsored by NASA, Acushnet Public Schools, New Bedford Science Café; New Bedford Parks, Recreation and Beaches; New Bedford Whaling Museum.

*Vacation Week programs are subject to change. Visit [www.whalingmuseum.org](http://www.whalingmuseum.org) for current schedule.*

## SAVE THE DATE SC Bike Summit/FREE

The South Coast Bikeway Alliance (SCBA) is pleased to announce their 9th Annual Bike Summit will be held **Thurs., 4/25 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Fort Taber Community Center, 1000A S Rodney French BLVD, New Bedford, MA 02744.** Pre registration is appreciated. Visit <http://www.southcoastbikeway.com> and click on "events calendar." Speakers 6-7:30 p.m.

## Moon Rock in Acushnet

We are over the Moon excited! Join us on Friday, April 19th beginning at 8 p.m. at Fire Station #1, Russell St., Acushnet, as a piece of the Moon comes to Acushnet (for the very first time). Mr. Joe Cote, an Acushnet resident, Middle School Science Teacher and a NASA Solar System Ambassador, will bring telescopes, knowledge, materials and most importantly, a rock collected by the crew of Apollo 11 during the first moonwalk 50 years ago!

## Rep Website

Rep. Chris Hendricks's website is live at <http://www.rephendricks.com/>. He encourages everyone to visit it to learn more about local news and events.

## Baskets and Bunny

On Saturday April 13th, the Humane Society & Shelter - SouthCoast invites the public to participate in their Easter Basket event, 31 Ventura Drive in Dartmouth MA 02747, from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm, the Shelter will be offering photos with the Easter Bunny for \$10 each, a bake sale, Easter egg painting and much more! From now until then, the Shelter will be selling raffle tickets for an impressive selection of Easter Baskets, all donated by local businesses and individuals, to benefit the Homeless Animals. Tickets are \$20 for 25 tickets. The drawing will take place that day at 3:30 pm. Individuals do not need to be present to win.

## Adult Egg Hunt

Saint Vincent's Adult Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sat., 4/13, at Bristol Community College in Fall River, MA. We are expecting 300 guests to attend in the hopes that they will have a great night with friends and family. Everyone will walk away with some great prizes! Tickets are \$40.00 each and can be purchased at [www.stvincentshome.org](http://www.stvincentshome.org) under the event section.

This 21+ event will start its check-in process in Building G at Bristol Community College at 4:00 p.m. Guests can mingle and socialize

during this cocktail hour before preparing for the main event. At 5:00 p.m. sharp, 300 guests will be released to the surrounding area around Building G to find 3,000 eggs. Egg-Hunters may only grab 10 eggs. Egg prizes will range from gift cards, nips, candy, and 10 top prizes referred to as our "Golden Eggs"!

All of the proceeds will directly fund our Life Skill program. If you are interested in participating in any way, you can contact Jenny Reis at (508) 235-3228 [jreis@stvincentshome.org](mailto:jreis@stvincentshome.org) or Zachariah Porter (508) 235-3329 [zporter@stvincentshome.org](mailto:zporter@stvincentshome.org).

To learn more about Saint Vincent's, call (508) 679-8511 or visit [stvincentshome.org](http://stvincentshome.org)

## Scanning Day

Share Your History! Photo and Document Scanning Day, Sat., 3/13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., American Legion Hall, 489 Sanford Road, Westport.

Bring up to five photos of people, places, events connected to Westport. They can be old or new, formal or snapshots.

Not sure what to bring? We are interested in anything connected to Westport, but especially welcome photos dating from 1950s-1980s. Other ideas: school, Lincoln Park, businesses such as Alhambra's, Fourth of July celebrations, buildings, farms, your family's history.

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Free and open to all. Refreshments will be provided.

## River Plants

Celebrate International Plant Appreciate Day day with the Buzzards Bay Coalition! **Explore plant life by boat at The Sawmill (32 Mill Rd., Acushnet) on Sat., 4/13 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

During this family-friendly program, you'll paddle the Acushnet River alongside Buzzards Bay Coalition environmental educators, who will point out some of the many species of plants that grow at this restored property—and the wildlife that lives in and around them.

To learn more and register for this

free family program, visit <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/saturday-at-sawmill-botany-by-boat-apr-13-2019/> or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition, (508) 999-6363 ext. 219.

Participants with a canoe or kayak are encouraged to bring them. We have a limited number of boats to borrow; please contact the Coalition to see if any remain. Please bring life preservers if you have them. This event is ADA-accessible.

This program is part of Discover Buzzards Bay, a resource to find unique and exciting ways to explore the outdoors, get some exercise and connect with nature. Use Discover Buzzards Bay to get outside and discover woods, wetlands and waterways from Fall River to Falmouth. To learn more, visit [savebuzzardsbay.org/discover](http://savebuzzardsbay.org/discover). Discover Buzzards Bay is sponsored by Southcoast Health.

## Boston Marathon

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## Bird Club Mtg

**Birding: There's An App for That**

Learn how to improve your birdwatching with the help of your smartphone! Bird club president, Justin Barrett, will share with the group several bird-smart apps and demonstrate how to use them. Utilizing smartphone apps can help identification, assist in learning bird songs, and can be essential when finding where the latest rare birds are located in the area.

The meetings, open to the public and handicapped accessible, are held at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, located at the south door entrance at 7 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett.

Check our website at: <http://massbird.org/Nasketucket/> or email our President Justin Barrett at [jmbarrett426@gmail.com](mailto:jmbarrett426@gmail.com)

## Recipe of the Week

### Friday Tuna Burger

- 1 (7 ounce) pouch tuna in water, drained and juice reserved
- 3 tbsps finely chopped onion
- 3 tbsps finely chopped celery with leaves
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup dry bread crumbs
- 2 slices day-old bread, cubed
- 1 pinch garlic powder, or to taste
- 1 pinch salt and black pepper
- 3 tablespoons olive oil

Mix drained tuna, onion, celery, egg, bread crumbs, bread cubes, garlic powder, salt, and black pepper in a bowl. If mixture is too dry to hold together, stir in reserved tuna juice, 1 tsp at a time. Divide mixture in fourths and shape each portion into a patty.

Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat and pan-fry the patties until golden brown, about 3 minutes per side. Drain patties on paper towels.

*From allrecipes.com*

## From our readers

### Voices of Easter

English clergyman and writer, Benjamin Jenks (1647-1724), said, "O our God, let your grace be sufficient for us."

With Easter approaching, many voices will try to share what is the essence of this celebrated time. Some will consider Easter as simply another day. Others will say it's a festive time with egg hunts, bunnies, new outfits, baskets of goodies, and/or one of the few times during the year to attend church or a family meal. Sadly, some will insist that Easter is another religious nuisance — one that comes from a pagan origin and is a myth, deception, or fairytale.

Given the reality of these voices, I'd like to share what I believe to be the core value of Easter from a Christian perspective. It is found in God's unmerited favor and power at work. The word for this is grace.

There is no other source that states this profound distinction of grace as precisely as it does in 2 Corinthians 5:21: "For our sake, God made Christ to be sin for us, who

knew no sin; so that in and through Him we might become the righteousness of God." By God's grace, Jesus Christ came to deliver us from our sinful condition. By dying on the cross, He fulfilled His divine purpose on earth. In resurrecting from the dead, He not only overcame our sin, but prevented our death or eternal spiritual separation from Him as well. His grace is the absolute difference and our profound solution.

We openly rejoice that Jesus is no longer on the cross, and no longer in a tomb. He is risen, He is alive, and He is the Spiritual hope we have to endure life's daunting challenges, this side of Heaven. It is a matter of honoring what God has done for us and appreciating what He's done within us. We, therefore, celebrate Easter by recognizing His amazing grace!

*Steven J. Bouley, Fairhaven*

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# Volunteers clean up beaches and roads on West Island



A group of volunteers took to the beaches and roads of West Island in Fairhaven on Saturday, 4/6/19, to clean up the winter's mess. "Just wanted to give a huge THANK YOU to the awesome volunteers both from the island and the local businesses in town," wrote organizer Jill Souza on Facebook. "The generous support from our sponsors covered all expenses, please continue to support them as they do us! The best part to me is seeing all ages come together whether helping set up, handing out shirts, towing boats and much more. The island is a better place because of everyone involved." Items included a small fiberglass boat, tires, windows, pallets, and even a broken toilet. Some items were on the beach, some had clearly been dumped in the wooded areas off the roads. The Fairhaven Public Works Department took away the pile on Monday, 4/8. Photos courtesy of Jill Souza via Facebook (except MIDDLE RIGHT, courtesy of Scot Pomfret).

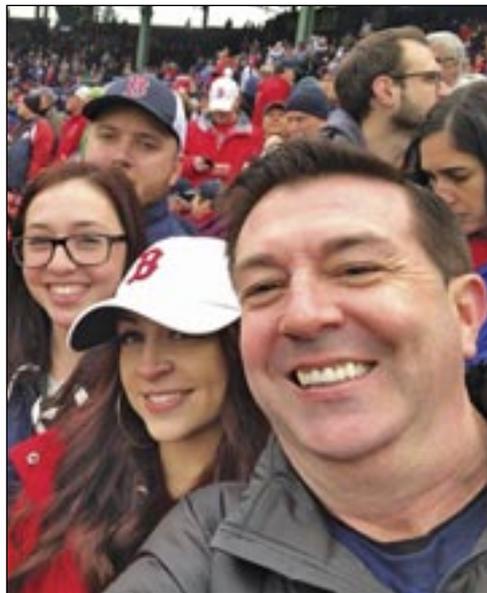


## Small fender benders mar the weekend in Fairhaven



Fairhaven had a few fender benders this weekend, including one that involved three cars. On Saturday, 4/6/19, at about noon, two cars collided on Scoticut Neck Road near Pub 99 and Stop & Shop. A 2008 Hyundai driven by Beth Amoruso of Fairhaven pulled out of the driveway near Pub 99, taking a left to head towards Route 6, and apparently drove into the path of a 2005 Toyota driven by Nancy Pauline of Fairhaven. Both cars had to be towed from the scene, but there were no apparent injuries, according to Lt. Kevin Kobza of the Fairhaven Police Department. On Sunday, 4/7, a three-car crash involved a 2006 Volvo driven by Samuel Wiggins of Mattapoisett, who was trying to get from the right lane to the far left lane. According to the police report, he looked over his shoulder to check for cars in the left lane and when he looked back to the front he was too close to the car in front of him and could not stop in time. He collided with a 2010 Subaru driven by Tess Washburn of Mattapoisett, and that car got pushed forward into vehicle three, a 2014 Honda driven by Mike Mitchell of Fairhaven. ABOVE: Both cars had to get towed from an accident on Scoticut Neck Road in Fairhaven around noon, a 2008 Hyundai with air bags deployed (LEFT), and a 2005 Toyota driven by Nancy Pauline (RIGHT). *Photos by Glenn C. Silva.*

## Play Ball!!!



opening day at Fenway Park in Boston on 4/9/19. TOP RIGHT: Selectboard member Charles K. Murphy, Sr., takes a selfie with his daughters, Alyssa and Erin, and Caleb Cebula at opening day at Fenway Park. ABOVE LEFT: L-R: Mr. Murphy, Erin Murphy, Caleb Cebula, and Alyssa Murphy pose for the official shot. ABOVE RIGHT: They all made sure to sign the yellow post. *Photos courtesy of Charles K. Murphy, Sr.*

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### Kool Kids April Vacation

This four-day program is a great opportunity to make new friends while participating in fun group activities such as pillo polo, floor hockey, dodge ball, cooperative games, flag football, arts & Crafts, etc. Kids will need to bring their own lunch for the first three days of the program. The last day is a pizza lunch. Come ready to have Fun! Sneakers and active clothes must be worn each day. Kids will be grouped according to their current grade in school. Grades: K-5 Dates: 4/16/19-4/19/19 Time: Drop off between 8-8:15, pick up by 3 p.m. Instructors: Staff Cost: Member \$100 Non Member \$125

### 16th Annual Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

**(pre registration required)**

Join us for the eleventh annual flashlight egg hunt. Children will search for their eggs on the Recreation center grounds and return them to the Easter Bunny for a special treat. Don't forget to bring your flashlight & camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny. In event of Rain, event will be held indoors at the Center. Date: April 12th Time: 7:30 PM Place: Recreation Center Ages: 10 and under. \$5 due at registration. **Deadline to register is Tuesday April 9th. No late registrations** will be accepted. No walk-ins will be allowed on the night of the event.

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### Mall Trips

4/17 South Shore Plaza  
4/24 Emerald Square Mall

4/30 Tuesday Twin Rivers Casino  
5/1 There will be no trip on May 1

### Entertainment: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

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### Special Activities

#### Easter Dinner

Easter Dinner will be served at the Fairhaven Senior Center on Easter, Sunday, April 21st from 11:30-1:00 p.m. for Fairhaven Seniors. Please call the Fairhaven Senior Center to reserve your seat at 508-979-4029.

#### South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc.

Thursday, April 11, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. A representative will be at the Fairhaven Senior Center to answer your questions concerning, Social Security Benefits, Public Benefits, Physical and Financial abuse, Nursing Home related problems. By appointment only. Please call 508-979-4029.

#### Southcoast VNA & Hospice

Grief Support Group, 1st Tuesday of the month Widows and Widowers Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the month General Loss Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. Join Nancy Arnold as she provides the support you need to get through these difficult times. Call the Fairhaven Senior Center to sign up at 508-979-4029.

#### Sewing Circle

Mondays 1-3 p.m. on April 29;  
Thursdays 5:45-8 p.m. on April 11, 18,  
25. Call 508-979-4029 for additional dates.

#### Computer Technology for Seniors

9-10:00 a.m. Participants must sign up at the main desk at the Senior Center. Bring your own laptops. The first 10 to sign up will be accepted. April 1, 3, 5 from 9-10:00 a.m. . The participants must commit to all three classes, Seniors signing up for this class must have a USB storage device with saved photos to be brought to class for tutorials. April 22, 24, 26 from 9-10:00 a.m. please sign up at the senior Center.

#### Got Talent?

The Fairhaven Rotary Club will be sponsoring the fourth Annual Senior Talent Showcase, Sunday, May 5 (NOTE DATE CHANGE) from 1-4:00 p.m. at the Fairhaven Town Hall. If you are a senior with a special talent that you would like to perform at the show, please contact Melissa Kurcharski at 508-330-4837 or [Melissa@fsuinc.com](mailto:Melissa@fsuinc.com)

#### American Sign Language

The Fairhaven Commission on Disability will be sponsoring an eight-week American Sign Language Course for Fairhaven Residents. Please call The Fairhaven COA to sign up 508-979-4029. (There is no cost to attend this course).

### Ongoing Programs

**Call 508-979-4029 for days and times**

A/G Consumer Mediator; Bingo; Board Meeting/monthly; Bridge; Caregiver Support & Education Group; Chair Yoga, Computer Training; Fit Quest; Friends of Elderly/monthly meeting; Grocery Shopping; LGBT Supper Club; Line Dancing; Live Band; Medical Transportation; Nutrition Program/ meal served; Osteoporosis class; Outreach Coordinator; PACE Fuel Assistance; Pitch; Reassurance Program; Shopping; Singles Senior Supper Club; Supportive Senior Social Day Program; Tai Chi; Tap 'N' Time, Walking Clubs, Zumba.



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# Acushnet Selectboard has new make-up, new contentions

By Pattie Pacella

## Neighb News Correspondent

Following a contentious Selectboard meeting on 4/2, which was the first after the election, the Acushnet Selectboard continued discussion on Town Meeting articles, and the disagreements, too, at an extra meeting on Monday, 4/8. The board reviewed quite a few articles that had been held out of deference to new member Dave Desroches, who won in an upset, ousting incumbent Mike Cioper in the 4/1 election.

Newly chosen Chairperson Roger Cabral and Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar agreed that it was only fair to give Mr. Desroches a chance to review the articles in depth.

A brief discussion on the wage and classification study at the 4/2 meeting produced a contentious moment between Mr. Gaspar and Mr. Cabral, with Mr. Gaspar stating he did not feel like he was included in the wage and classification study proceedings. Mr. Cabral countered that Mr. Gaspar was given every opportunity to be a part of the study but chose not to be involved.

Mr. Gaspar stated that he was not going to put up with "back-door deals."

Mr. Cabral stated there were clearly no back-door deals, and he wanted Mr. Gaspar to be more involved with the wage and classification study than Mr. Gaspar wanted to be.

The two bickered a bit back and forth before Mr. Desroches brought to their attention that the point of the discussion was in fact, to allow him more time to review the articles. The other members agreed, and they continued the meeting with a review of so-called "housekeeping" articles, then continued the rest of the items to 4/8.

At that meeting, the Selectboard reviewed the remaining TM articles. Mr. Desroches stated he had fully read the articles and was prepared to move forward in voting on them.

One of the first articles the board discussed was the Golf Committee article. Golf Advisory Secretary Edward Issac was present and reviewed his budget in detail.

He explained that they had \$100,000 in reserves, but were putting an article forth for up to \$150,000 in spending, if they needed it, without touching the reserves.

Mr. Issac said they would like to make the golf course a bit more user friendly for junior golfers by building additional tees

and making capital improvements. He said they were currently working on a capital plan to grow the grounds, which in turn would help it continue to be profitable.

The Selectboard approved the \$150,000 with the intention that the Selectboard will approve use of the funds when the committee asks for the money.

The Selectboard also approved the FY20 summary budgets, with Mr. Gaspar pointing out that the salary part of the budgets was based on 52.4 weeks, where as next year is a leap year, so the budgets showed that increase slightly.

For the articles which had a salary rate increase due to the wage and classification study, Mr. Gaspar abstained from the votes.

First, Mr. Gaspar stated that the Conservation Commissioner's new salary was "Too much for me to move forward on. I am going to abstain."

Mr. Cabral stated that the new wage was a result from the wage and classification study that the Town paid for, and it aligned with other communities in the state. He also said that they had been underfunding the position for years

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considering the skills and education that are clearly needed for it.

Mr. Desroches stated because he was not on the board when the W&C study was done, and he did not take part in any discussion about the increased wages, he too was going to abstain.

Town Administrator Brian Noble stated that with Mr. Cabral making the motion, as long as there was a second, then one vote could be the majority, if the other two Selectboard members were abstaining, and not actually voting "no."

Mr. Cabral made a motion to approve the Conservation Commission budget with the increased salary, and Mr. Desroches seconded the motion. It passed with Mr. Cabral's vote in the affirmative and Mr. Gaspar and Mr. Desroches abstaining.

Mr. Cabral went on to say that the W&C study was a "very comprehensive" study and that they were just looking to pay to keep good employees. He said there are often times that good people get an offer from another community and the Town of Acushnet hated to see people go, but they just could not justify the same pay increase.

"We want to keep our good employees, and be comparative to other towns," said

Mr. Cabral.

Mr. Desroches stated that he did not believe Acushnet could keep up with Towns like Mattapoisett and Marion. Mr. Cabral stated that the study had compared more than 20 towns.

In another review, the Selectboard discussed the Building Commissioner's salary increase, where again Mr. Gaspar stated he was abstaining from the budget vote because of the increased raise.

Mr. Desroches stated he understood a position was eliminated and in essence the Building Commissioner was doing the work of two different positions for an increase of \$20,000.

Mr. Cabral said the position in question is much bigger than just Building Commissioner, even bigger than the wage and classification study confirmed it was.

Mr. Desroches stated he was not opposed to the individual getting the raise, he just felt that with everyone getting a raise it would be hard to support through the years.

"We only have so much money," said Mr. Desroches.

The Building Department's budget was also approved with Mr. Gaspar abstaining.

The Veterans Agent position was also another budget that Mr. Gaspar challenged. He made a motion to reduce

the 5% raise for the Veteran's Agent to 2%, and clarified that the Veteran's Agent was not part of the W&C study.

Mr. Cabral stated that Acushnet has the second lowest paid Veteran's Agent position in Massachusetts.

Mr. Gaspar stated he wanted Mr. Noble to inquire about merging with Fairhaven's new Veteran's Agent, stating there is a "good agent there."

Mr. Noble said he believed that was no longer an option but he would inquire.

Mr. Cabral agreed to the 2% raise, but added that he would like to explore the matter again in the near future.

Mr. Gaspar abstained from the Library Budget, again because of the salary increase. Both Mr. Gaspar and Mr. Desroches approved the library budget.

The Board continued to review the remainder of the budget articles approving them all.

In other business, the Selectboard agreed to request the Civil Service internal promotional exam for the Chief of Police position. Police Chief Michael Alves has announced his retirement for November of this year. Mr. Cabral said he thought the Board should broaden to look outside of the Acushnet Police Department, but agreed to the internal promotional exam for now. •••

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# Pumpnickel's changing hands....get there soon for your faves

By Glenn C. Silva

## Neigh News Correspondent

It would have made 31 years this September but Chef Stephen Lobo, who owns and operates Pumpnickel's in Fairhaven Village, said the time was right to sell, and he wants to try something new.

He isn't sure what that is just yet, though.

"I definitely want to take a month off or so," said Mr. Lobo. "Think about things...Travel...Go to the Caribbean with my son. Yeah, that sure sounds nice."

Purchased jointly with his mother and father back in 1988, the place was known as Andy's. About 13 years ago he bought out his parents and became the sole owner/operator.

So, what spurred the decision?

"It was time to sell," he said. "It just feels right y'know?"

"A customer walked in to get something to eat and we got talking. They were a realtor and asked me if I

was interested in selling the place," explained Mr. Lobo.

He said it didn't take long to find a buyer from Dartmouth. The owners of Village Café will be taking over soon. The place will be closed for a bit, while they renovate.

"They are adding a foyer section because the winds can get really cold in the winter," said Mr. Lobo. "That'll be a good thing. They are also adding some booths and changing things around. It's all good."

A graduate of Johnson and Wales, Lobo came up with the name Pumpnickel's at the time because of



ABOVE: Stephen Lobo, who has owned Pumpnickel's in Fairhaven for almost 31 years, poses next to some of the familiar decor on 4/4/19. He is selling the restaurant later this month. BELOW LEFT: Long-time employee Sue Poitras and Mr. Lobo. BELOW: Mr. Lobo shows off one of his lunch dishes. Photos by Glenn C. Silva.



the fresh bread they baked in the restaurant.

"That was a lot of work," he said. "It's all a lot of work, but I've enjoyed it."

Long-time employee Sue Poitras, a veritable fixture at the restaurant (been there since "day one"), who is also a good friend, seemed ambivalent about her next moves.

Mr. Lobo said the new owners offered to keep on current staff, but Ms. Poitras just shrugged.

Mr. Lobo, however, is not ambivalent at all.

"I'm ready to do something else," he said. "Sure it'll be weird not coming into work every day at first."

His love for cooking extends beyond the restaurant, too.

"I do a lot of phone videos and cook in my own kitchen and post them to my channel on YouTube," he

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# Volunteers needed for Acushnet Pollinator Garden

By Cynda Williams

## Special to the Neighb News

March came in like a lion this year...again. Something was falling out of the sky during the first week, I was not certain exactly what...snow, sleet, freezing rain maybe? Or can it be weed seeds? As I watch the sky for patches of blue, my hands are anxious for work. My fingernails ache to be covered in dirt. My nose is itching for the fragrance of hyacinths, daffodils and eventually, lavender.

But the garden slept under the blanket of white, waiting. I worked in the garden one afternoon in early March. Tearing down tall weed canes and flame weeding helped my impatience somewhat. As I worked, I saw all that needs to be done. Four hands are not enough to do what needs doing!

Last July brought some help from the State of Massachusetts Correctional System. We were blessed with some willing women who worked in the heat for four days, pulling Mugwort as tall as they were. Cart after cart of weeds were hauled out of the gardens and dumped into the

compost pile. We thank these willing hands who struggled to pull the tall weeds.

The results were appealing, but I knew the Truth. The roots remain. To remove these weeds, you have to get to the root of the problem. This can be done by several methods. One method is digging out and sifting the dirt, removing the weed roots. This is so labor intensive, it is brain numbing. Another is to cut down all growth and cover the area with black plastic to starve the roots. This spring and summer, we will be trying the latter. This will be no small job for two people. We need more hands. Please.

Last fall and early winter we worked on some projects that needed to be done. Sorting and organizing the garden shed, digging out invasive roots and mulching, replanting some perennials to a new space, hopefully now weed-free. One quarter of the garden area is relatively free of the horrid Mugwort, the invasive weed related to Artemisia. This is the tall weed growing in unkempt areas and along roadsides. It has invaded the garden with a vengeance. In the other

garden areas, Mugwort grows with abandon, any intentionally planted perennials are engulfed by these invasive plants.

Our thanks go out to the women who helped pull tall weeds, Pam, who helped deadhead and weed and Sam Garcia, who has shared his helping hands and strong back.

April has arrived. Many of you will be outside as soon as the snow melts, raking up winter's litter sprawled over your yards and garden beds. While you are out raking, please think of the small place we have created for the wild pollinators. We need volunteers to help us in our efforts to work the garden, pull and dig weeds, mulch the plants & relocate some trees. All hands are welcome!

If you have some time for the garden, please call Merilee Kelly in the Acushnet Conservation Office at: 508-998-0202. Be sure to leave your name and a return phone number. Thank you.

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Separate sealed bids marked for items listed below, will be received at the Board of Public Works Office, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 not later than 2:30 p.m., May 9, 2019.

On May 9, 2019 at 2:30 p.m., these bids will be publicly opened and read in the BPW Office, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

- 13-29: Equipment — Rental & Hired
- 31-38: Road Materials — Sand, Stone & Gravel
- 39-44: Road Materials — Asphalt
- 45: Rock Salt
- 46: Liquid Magnesium Chloride
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- 60: Hydrants
- 61-66: Water Castings
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- 74: Wastewater Testing

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven

### Conservation Commission

Monday, April 22, 2019 at 6:30  
Town Hall, 40 Center Street  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

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:

1. CON-19-047 **122 Balsam Street** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Lawrence Zonenshine for the construction of a deck on an existing concrete slab at the property located at 122 Balsam Street, Assessors Map 43A, Lot 22. Work to take place within the Buffer Zone to Coastal Beach and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone VE.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be viewed at the Conservation Office in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

Whitney McClees, Agent  
Fairhaven Conservation Commission  
Fairhaven Neighborhood News, 4/11/19

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS Fairhaven Planning Board

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at **6:30 P.M. on April 23, 2019**, in the Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following application. 1) **Historic Site Reuse Special Permit**. The applicant, the Board of Selectmen are proposing a Zoning Bylaw amendment:

To create a new five member Special Permit Granting Authority board who will issue Special Permits for Historically Significant buildings in Fairhaven.

The purpose of the historic site reuse special permit is to promote the adaptive reuse of eligible buildings for historic preservation, by modifying those general zoning regulations including parking and loading, lot and building dimensions, density and use limitations, which would otherwise make such preservation unfeasible, while protecting the health, welfare and aesthetics of the neighboring community. The article proposes to amend section 198-15 C (1) and to amend section 198-16.

A copy of the application and proposed amendment is on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4082.

Wayne Hayward, Director of Planning  
4/4/19 & 4/11/19

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Some favorite memories include a few famous faces that have walked through the door.

"Well, Geraldo Rivera ate here," said Mr. Lobo as he held a framed photo of the two of them at the restaurant. "Then there's the time Anthony Quinn stopped by for a bite too."

Ms. Poitras was quick to add: "It's the loyal customers that make this place what it is."

Mr. Lobo nodded.

"Yeah, the customers are what makes this place," he said.

Then he remembered something else.

"Hey, we got five Five-Star ratings in Dick White's reviews. That's got to say something," he said, referring to a

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long-defunct restaurant review column that ran in the Standard-Times for years.

Mr. Lobo was also honored with an award from the Fairhaven Improvement Association on 4/9 for his flower boxes that brighten Center Street.

So If you're looking for a last bite or to reminisce at a favorite eatery, or just come by to pay respects to another landmark of Fairhaven, and say hello (and good-bye) to Steve and Sue, you need to get over there soon. There is no firm date, yet, they are waiting for some paperwork, said Mr. Lobo. But it will probably change hands officially and be closed for renovations by the end of this month.

So get your favorite meal now, and say "hi" to your favorite server while you can. They are located at 23 Center Street, in the center of Fairhaven.

## Fairhaven Meetings

### Board of Appeals

Tues., 5/7, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Commission on Disability

Wed., 4/17, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 4/22, Senior Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

### Finance Committee

Thurs., 4/11, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

Thurs., 4/18, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

### Housing Authority

Fri., 3/29, Oxford Terr., 11 a.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 4/23 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 5/1, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 4/22, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Sustainability Committee

Tues., 4/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Board of Assessors

Tues., 4/23, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Wed., 4/17, Senior Ctr., 10 a.m.

### Historical Commission

Tues., 4/16, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee & Selectboard Joint Mtg.

Tues., 4/23, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

### Selectboard

Tues., 4/23, Town Hall, 5 p.m.  
joint meeting with School Comm to appoint new member

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and make my motion....if it happens it happens.”

Mr. Espindola asked Town Administrator Mark. Rees if the expenses go down. He answered that work productivity goes down.

Human Resource Director, Anne O'Brien explained that there is a loss of office coverage no matter what if there is a Wellness Committee meeting. She said that some communities close their offices for an hour during the day to conduct their wellness meetings.

She said it is more controlled that way.

Mr. Freitas asked Ms. O'Brien if there are any other committees that use comp time.

Ms. O'Brien said that, arguably, the Wellness Committee could help the town with expenses/financially.

Mr. Freitas stated that the question

was whether or not there were any other committees using comp time.

Ms. O'Brien said no there were not.

Mr. Freitas made a motion to get rid of the comp time for the Wellness Committee members. The motion was not seconded and therefore died.

Mr. Freitas had one more issue he wanted to address before the meeting adjourned, something that came up during the election. He said a lot of issues were brought to his attention, mostly regarding problems at Town Hall.

Mr. Freitas said there have been rumors that there is a hit list for being fired in the town and that people should not have worry if they still have a job every day.

Mr. Rees said that he wished he would have known that Mr. Freitas was going to bring up the allegations, as he would have put it on the agenda.

“I would like to be given the opportunity to hear what people are telling you,” Mr. Rees said. “It’s unfair to me.”

Mr. Freitas said he would love to sit and discuss everything with Mr. Rees.

Mr. Freitas said that he knows where the rumors are coming from and can back 95% of them up.

He said the rumors have nothing to do with Mr. Rees and are no fault of his and would like to sit down with him and talk about it.

“Play time’s over,” Mr. Freitas said. “Last year I let it go, but I am not doing it again.”

Mr. Murphy asked Ms. O'Brien if she would welcome town residents to discuss human resources information with her.

Ms. O'Brien said yes as long as it is not information about specific personnel because it could be private information. •••



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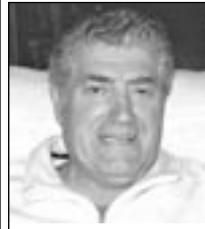


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For further information on this property or to schedule a showing, please contact our listing agent, Howe Allen.

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41 Balsam Street| West Island, Fairhaven | \$349,000

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