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

Trail behind EFS officially opens



Surrounded by volunteers and town officials, Stasia Powers and Pam Kuechler (middle, L-R) untie the ribbon to officially open the new nature trail behind the East Fairhaven School on New Boston Road. The Fairhaven Community Trail Network includes an outdoor classroom and informational signs along the trail. It will serve as an outdoor lab for science and other classes. The Network will also include a nature path behind the LL Wood School. The project was created with the help of The Buzzards Bay Coalition, and with members of Commonwealth Corps. See page 16 for story. *Photo by Beth David.*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

Spring has finally sprung. We had some summer weather, too.

It doesn't take much for us, does it. The summer furniture is out on the porches, people have dragged their bicycles and kayaks and boats out of the mothballs, and the whine and buzz of lawn mowers fills the air.

Ah, summer.

Then it got so cold I had to fire up my wood stove. Only in New England, right?

We have a jam-packed issue for you this week, and a jam-packed holiday weekend coming up.

See page 3 for Memorial Day happenings in Fairhaven. See page 6 for New Bedford's Memorial Day plans.

The militia is going to fire the cannons at Fort Phoenix this Saturday. Now, that's a sight to see. If you haven't seen (and heard) that yet, you might want to take a ride out there just before dusk. It is spectacular.

Just one of our own special little things we get to do. The whole weekend the Fairhaven Village Militia will be camping at Fort Phoenix, too. That's always fun to see.

On a more solemn note, this is Memorial Day, a time to reflect on those who have served in the military and are no longer with us. So, take a the time to go to the parade on Monday, line the route and show your support.

Fairhaven High School was teeming with activity for the local free sheet this week. On page 17, you'll see a story about a mock accident held on the Prom Day. It was so realistic that some people forgot it was just play acting. Teens are bound to have a fender bender or two, we all are, but the possibility of a tragic accident is also there, and it's frightening. Hopefully, seeing how horrific it can be will stick with at least some of the teen drivers who saw it.

Also at the high school was a financial reality fair. On the one hand, it's a great idea. Wow. If only we had known some of that stuff. On the other hand, I kept thinking we were bursting some bubbles a little early.

But, I guess it had to happen sometime.

Anyway, see page 4 for that. Students learned all about the realities of their career choices vs. their lifestyle choices.

And last, but not least, our cover story (see page 16). The trail behind the East Fairhaven School is a new gem in Fairhaven. Gems are not manufactured by humans. They are found in nature and polished and shaped and molded into something beautiful.

This trail is not our only gem. We have quite a few. I've called Hoppy's Landing a gem in writing before, but so is our bike path, albeit more like a string of pearls winding through town. The Nasketucket Woods conservation area, that abuts the new trail is also a gem, as are Shipyard Farms on Scoticut Neck Road and the West Island State Reservation and our beaches and parks. Some are diamonds in the rough, and maybe should stay that way. Some are manicured and tamed, providing something for everyone.

So, get out and explore.

Until next week then...see ya



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story about Wally Therrien, we made a couple of errors. He received physical therapy 305 times and he has two undergraduate degrees, one in accounting and one in fire science. He also has a master's in business administration. We apologize for our errors and any confusion they may have caused.

Fairhaven to hold Memorial Day Parade, flag raising, encampment

Fairhaven will be host several events this Memorial Day Weekend, including a parade, a flag raising and a Revolutionary War era encampment. For more information on any of these events, contact the Fairhaven Office of Tourism at 508-979-4085 or Fairhaventours@aol.com.

Memorial Day Parade

Fairhaven's Memorial Day Parade will be held on **Monday, May 25, stepping off at 8:30 a.m.** Veterans are asked to gather at the corner of Main and South streets no later than 8 a.m.

Units will march from Center and Main streets north to Riverside Cemetery. There will be a pause at Fairhaven High School for the raising of the "Big Flag" with the National Anthem performed by Fairhaven High School music students. At Riverside Cemetery there will be a ceremony at the Civil War monument, followed by a cannon salute.

Veterans who are unable to march, but want to participate, may call Gerry Payette to arrange a ride, 508-237-4282.

After the parade, the public is invited to American Legion Post 166,

54 Main Street, Fairhaven for complimentary refreshments.

Organizers are asking spectators to line Main Street and wave small flags as the parade passes. Home owners on Main Street are asked to place flags out front to show support.

Flag raising in honor of Joe Cataldo

On **Memorial Day, 5/25**, the flag at Fort Phoenix will be raised in honor of Joseph Cataldo. Organized by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association, **the raising of the flag will take place at 7 a.m.** It will be raised and brought to half-staff by the Boy Scouts. At noon it will be raised to full-staff. At 5 p.m. the flag will be lowered and folded by the Boy Scouts and presented to the family.

Mr. Cataldo was involved in town government for many years, serving on the Board of Public Works for 17 years. He was involved in many projects with the NFIA and was awarded the Outstanding Service Award by them. He also received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award for his service to the Fairhaven Lions

Club. He was also active in St. Mary's Church in North Fairhaven and was a long time member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

He was owner of N.E. Boiler and Welding Company.

He was married for 49 years to the "love of his life," Ethel.

Encampment & cannon fire

The Revolutionary War era will come to life again in Fairhaven during a two-day historical encampment scheduled for **Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24, at Fort Phoenix.**

Members of the Fairhaven Village Militia and the Fairhaven Office of Tourism will live in an authentic period camp the same way it was done more than 230 years ago. Men, women and children dressed in period clothing will reenact life in 1778 and talk about the history of the fort. They will also be demonstrating campfire cooking, fire starting with flint and steel, musket ball casting, military drilling, loading and firing flintlock muskets and rifles, 18th-century dentistry and medicine, cannon firing and more. You might

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Reality Fair shows reality of career choices

By Beth David
Editor

So you think you want to be a teacher, or a nurse, or a carpenter? And you think you'll be driving a brand new sports-car, live in a fancy apartment, and buy a house in a couple of years?

Well, maybe yes, maybe no, depending on which profession you choose. So, how can you know if your passion will allow you to live the way you want to live? You go to a "Reality Fair." And there, you will get a dose of financial reality.

The entire sophomore class at Fairhaven High School attended the CU 4 Reality Financial Education Reality Fair sponsored by Southern Mass Credit Union on May 15.

Teacher Jeff Perry coordinated the event and said that the fair helps students understand how their career choices affect their lifestyle expectations. They need to match.

Each student gets a spreadsheet with his or her chosen profession and expected salary at the top. Under that are separate lines with the costs of living: rent, electric, phone, TV, transportation, etc.

In the gym at FHS, a table for each expense was set up, and credit counselors were available to help students who ran out of money before they got through each station. Sometimes, a part time job was the answer.

"They have to hit each station," said Mr. Perry, and if they go over their budgets, they see a credit counselor for a reality check. "A lot of lessons here today. It's pretty cool."

He said some students realize they will have to change careers; some will change their expectations and stay with a job they think they will like.

"It's such a great experience for these students," said Rose Ferreira, SMCU School Student/Youth Services/School Branch Manager. "They get



help to budget for their future: will their career mesh with their lifestyle."

Stations in the gym included spa and salon, gym membership, insurance for car and apartment, clothes, and even a movie night out.

The students who took roommates definitely fared better.

And then there was the "Wheel of Reality," which students would spin to find out about life's little unexpected financial events. The wheel could bestow a \$200 tax refund on you, or hit you with a \$200 car repair. And, just as you walk away from the wheel, Sgt. Tim Souza was roaming around the gym handing out traffic tickets that could result in an increase in your car insurance. The student would then have to return to the insurance table to readjust the



numbers.

Aspiring Sports Physical Therapist Isaiah Medina and aspiring Physician Glenn Leung chose to become roommates. Sharing expenses definitely made their numbers healthier than some others. They both said the exercise was helpful, but that they would not change their careers because of the salary.

"It's what you want to be, not the money," said Mr. Leung.

"It shouldn't be all about the money," agreed Mr. Medina.

Aspiring high school teacher Jake Mayer roamed the room with future roommate and aspiring state trooper, Beau Raymond.

Halfway through the stations, Jake got his first reality check.

He had to go back to the transportation table to get rid of his car and pick up a public transit pass, dropping his transportation expense from \$380 a month, to \$40.

He sounded duly disappointed as he explained that his car would have to wait a year or two.

Jessica Pinken had a different kind of adjustment to make. She went back



ABOVE: The "Wheel of Reality" throws unexpected expenses or windfalls to students as they make their way through the financial reality fair at Fairhaven High School on 5/15. The fair helps sophomores make career choices by giving them a taste of reality. They each get a spreadsheet with expected monthly income and expenses. LEFT: Jessica Pinken decided to get a cat, requiring her to re-visit the realtor table, staffed by (L-R) Darlene Alferes and Sherry Lopes, to adjust Jessica's rent. BOTTOM, L-R: Camile Moniz and Leah Major worked their way through the financial reality fair as roommates, making it easier to make ends meet. Photos by Beth David.

to the insurance table to tell them that she decided to get a cat. So, in addition to the cost of a pet, she had to add \$10 to her rent (add \$20 for a dog).

"It's harder than I thought," said Ms. Pinken. "You really have to be on your toes. You really have to know where your money is going."

Camille Moniz wants to be an RN. Her future roommate, Leah Major, wants to be a Sports Physical Therapist. They managed to get through the whole process and have a little extra in their budgets: \$900 a month for Camille, \$200 for Leah.

Ms. Major said the student loans are part of her problem.

Ms. Moniz said her plan is not to pay for cable TV and to use public transportation. She wants to save to buy a house.

Tyler Marinelli said he wasn't sure what his career will be. They assigned a career as a sales agent for him, but, alas, he is stuck with a part time job as a waiter to make ends meet.

Even charities got a plug.

"Most of the kids actually do donate," said Richard Telesmanick, of SMCU, who staffed the table for charitable contributions.

"It's the whole gamut" of expenses, said SMCU President and CEO Daniel Waltz. ●●●

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

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even happen upon Ezekiel Boggs who performs magic and pitches his medicinal cure-all. Visitors may try their hand at tomahawk throwing and children's games of the period.

The highlight of the weekend will be the firing of the fort's five large

cannons, scheduled for dusk, approximately 8 p.m., on Saturday. When fired near sundown, the cannons' plumes of flames and smoke make a spectacular sight.

Learn more about the Fairhaven Village Militia at <http://FairhavenVillageMilitia.blogspot.com>.

Both the cannon firing and the overnight encampment will be cancelled in the event of heavy rain. Weather permitting, the militia's camp will open to the public from 9:00 a.m. until sunset on Saturday and from 9:00 a.m. to mid-afternoon on Sunday.

Free Vessel Checks

As the warm weather nears, boaters are anxious to enjoy days on the water fishing, sailing, and kayaking. It's important, however, to remain alert and practice boating safety whenever you are on the water. USCG Auxiliary 65 of Fairhaven, in keeping with its mission to foster safe recreational boating, reminds boaters to wear your life jacket at all times when you are on the water.

Accidents can happen too fast to reach and put on a stowed life jacket. Coast Guard statistics report that drowning was the reported cause of death in almost three-fourths of all boating fatalities. Of those, 84 percent were not wearing life jackets. Wearing a lifejacket is one of the most effective and simple life-saving strategies for safe boating.

New technology and designs have produced new jackets which are lighter, more comfortable to wear, and allow for mobility and flexibility. They are no longer the bulky orange vests of yesteryear. There are many innovative new options we want all boaters to know about, including the new inflatable styles. There are even life jackets for our four-legged friends!

With these new designs, there is no reason that family and friends cannot have fun while wearing a life jacket at all times. Remember, a life jacket can't save your life if you don't WEAR IT!

To foster awareness, members of the **Flotilla 65 will be available on May 23, 2015, at the Pease Park Boat ramp in Fairhaven from 9AM - 3PM** to answer questions and provide Boating Safety informational pamphlets and brochures, **Free Vessel Safety Checks**, and children's activity coloring books.

Visit the Flotilla 65 web site at <http://a0130605.uscgaux.info/>

Friends of West Isl.

The West Island Improvement Association (WIIA) Board of Directors has approved the creation of a new

Friends of West Island status which will grant to non-Island residents the ability to attend previously "Member Only" events and enjoy a lower cost to attend the West Island Breakfasts.

Those interested in becoming a "Friend of West Island" can obtain an application by sending an email to WIIA@presidentwestisland-ma.com or by calling the association at 508-990-8885 and leaving your name and telephone number.

Tennis Membership

Fairhaven has more public courts than any town on the South Coast. The Fairhaven Tennis Association wants you to take advantage of this by becoming involved in our organization which has a wide variety of programs for all ages. We would like to announce that this year we are offering a wide range of tennis programs for the South Coast. Sign up for adult tennis lessons for beginners, Join a Tennis Play group, take part in our drop in tennis programs on Sunday Mornings, junior tennis programs for 13 and Under, 10 and Under, 8 and Under, 15 and Under, and 18 and Under. For more information go to www.fairhaventennis.org

Fitness in The Park

Outdoor fitness is alive again at Cushman Park, Fairhaven, this summer! The South Coast community can keep fit and stay healthy with free exercise classes taught by two of the top fitness instructors in the area.

Twenty free classes in all — Yoga in the Park with Kripalu Certified Yoga Instructor, Jeff Costa and Summer Bootcamp with Certified Functional Trainer, Wayne Goulart, are held through the summer in Cushman Park on Green Street.

Yoga in the Park will take place starting 6/16 and continue for 10 weeks through 8/18 every Tues. from 8 to 9 a.m. This is a gentle yoga series for all levels, designed to introduce newcomers to the basics of

stretching and mindfulness and challenge yoga enthusiasts with a focus on compassion for the body. **Summer Bootcamp, begins 6/18 and continues each Thurs. from 8 to 9 a.m. through 8/20.** The Bootcamp class consists of various exercises that build functional strength and core stability with circuits utilizing light dumbbells and body weight exercises.

Attendees to the classes should bring a mat for Yoga and a mat plus set of weights for Bootcamp. Classes take place weather permitting — cancellations will posted on the FaceBook page: www.facebook.com/fitnessincushmanpark.

Fitness in Cushman Park is presented free to the public only because of generous support from community contributions. Last summer's classes were a resounding success and up to one hundred fitness enthusiasts attended each session.

For more information about the fitness program or to sponsor Fitness in Cushman Park call 508-287-2482.

Learn to Quahog

Join the Buzzards Bay Coalition at Round Cove on West Island to learn to harvest your own quahogs. We'll teach you the basics of local quahogging — what you need, how to do it, and where to go. This will be a fun and educational event for the whole family.

Meet at Round Cove on West Island (approximately 224 Dogwood St., Fairhaven), **Sat., 5/30 at 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Free. Registration is required** for all Bay Adventures. To RSVP, email bayadventures@savebuzzardsbay.org or call (508) 999-6363 ext. 219.

This program is part of the Coalition's Bay Adventures series: programs designed for explorers of all ages to get outside and discover Buzzards Bay. To learn more about all our upcoming Bay Adventures, visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/bayadventures.

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

Mem. Day Events

Sat., 5/23: 9 a.m. at Rural Cemetery, 149 Dartmouth St. The Greater New Bedford Civil War Round Table will conduct a memorial exercise at the Union Soldier's Burial Site.

Sat., 5/23: 11 a.m. at Oak Grove Cemetery, 185 Parker St. The GNB Civil War Round Table will conduct a memorial exercise.

Sun., 5/24: 10:30 a.m. at Pine Grove Cemetery, 110 Ashleu Blvd. New Bedford Post 1, The American Legion (NB Post 1) will conduct an Exercise at the Veterans' plot.

Sun., 5/24: 12:00 Noon at New Bedford City Hall. NB Post 1 will conduct a Memorial Day Exercise at the Vietnam Veterans' Honor Roll.

Mon., 5/25 (Memorial Day): 8:15 a.m. at Rural Cemetery, 149 Dartmouth St. NB Post 1 will conduct an Exercise at the Veterans' Plot.

Mon., 5/25 (Mem. Day): 10 a.m. at Pier 3. The NBPort Society's Annual Memorial Day Fisherman's Service

Mon., 5/25 (Memorial Day): 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cemetery, 559 Mt. Pleasant St. NB Post 1 will conduct an Exercise at the Veterans' Plot.

PARADE

Mon., 5/25 (Mem. Day): 11 a.m. Intersection of Parker St. & Hathaway Boulevard. The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Committee and the New Bedford Veterans' Advisory Board will conduct the **Annual Memorial Day Parade and Services.** The Parade will form at 11 a.m. at the intersection of Parker St. and Hathaway Blvd. and will step off at 11:30 a.m. The Parade will travel east on Parker to County Street, north on County to Pope Street, and east on Pope into Clasky Park where a Memorial Day Ceremony will be held.

Immediately following, an Exercise will be conducted at the **Korean War Monument in Clasky Common Park.**

YTI Play

Your Theatre, Inc. will present the comedy *Fuddy Meers* by David Lindsay-Abaire, directed by Lawrence R. Houbre, Jr. Every twist and turn of this funhouse plot brings Claire, an amnesiac, closer to discovering her past life and everything she thought she'd forgotten. It's one harrowing and hilarious turn after another.

May 21, 22, 23 at 8 p.m. and May 24 at 2:30 p.m. At YTI Playhouse, 136

Rivet St. (corner of County), New Bedford, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church. Accessible.

Tickets: \$15; \$13 for seniors, students, and military personnel. For tickets call YTI, 508-993-0772, or email info@yourtheatre.org. Visit www.yourtheatre.org

Bach Children's Chorus

On May 24, for the 10:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 1359 Acushnet Ave., NB, a choir of 30 children will be leading the congregants in song. The Nazareth College Bach Children's Chorus from Rochester, New York, Directed by Karla Krogstad, is in Massachusetts for a learning field trip and performing experience. From their repertoire in their concert at Christ Episcopal Church, Pittsford, New York, they will be singing Frank's *Panis Angelicus*, and Mendelssohn's *Lift Thine Eyes*, from Elijah, plus concluding the Mass with a Portuguese Holy Ghost Feast ritual and songs. These children are also opening the Red Sox game on Saturday, May 23, with the Star Spangled Banner. **The Sunday Mass is open to all,** and everyone is welcome to attend. www.bachkidsusa.org www.facebook.com/bachchildrenschorus. For more information, please call Thom at 508-717-2824.

Dracula Auditions

Your Theatre, Inc. director, Stephen R. Kay will hold open auditions for actors to fill eight roles in *Dracula*, adapted by John L. Balderston and Hamilton Deane. The highly successful thriller is based on the novel of the same name by Bram Stoker.

Auditions will be held **Tues. & Wed., 5/26 and 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse, 136 Rivet St.** (corner of County St.), New Bedford, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church. Parking and entrance located at rear of church on County St.

The play follows Lucy Seward, daughter of the physician in charge of a sanatorium near London, who is mysteriously anemic. Doctor Van Helsing, a family friend, suspects a vampire that roams the earth by night sucking the blood of victims to

sustain its earthly life. With the help of Lucy's father and her fiancé, Harker, they search for the fiend among the sanatorium patients and the new occupants of the estate next door, not wanting to leave any stone unturned in their quest to rid the world of the supernatural terror.

For further information call Your Theatre, Inc. at 508-993-0772, or send an email to info@yourtheatre.org or visit www.yourtheatre.org

Free Football Clinic

The New England Patriots Alumni Club (NEPAC), and the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation will host its annual 'Football For YOU' youth football clinic on **Fri., 5/22, from 3 to 7:30 p.m. at New Bedford High School 230 Hathaway Blvd.**

The clinic is free to children aged of 9 to 14. New England Patriots Alumni will serve as instructors during the skills sessions, along with the local high school coaching staff.

The 'Football For YOU' program, now in its 9th year, was created by Patriots Alumni in partnership with the City of Boston, Patriots Charitable Foundation and the NFL Foundation to bring the fundamentals of football to children in the metro Boston area. This year, 'Football For YOU' will expand to 21 sites. Please visit www.patriotsalumni.com to view all the sites and for online registration.

SAVE THE DATE!

Polish Fest will be held on Father's Day Weekend at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in New Bedford. **Bishop Edgar Moreira da Cunha, S.D.V. will be celebrating the Polka Mass on Sun., 6/21 at 11:00 AM at OLOPH.** Look for more details in upcoming issues.

Whale Park Camp

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, the Whaling History Alliance, and the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center are teaming up to offer **two one-week summer camp programs for New Bedford children** entering grade 4 in the fall of 2015. Something Fishy Summer Camp is designed to give kids an introduction to the history and culture of the working port from whaling days to the present. Camp activities will

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Free Movie

The Imitation Game (PG-13 1hr. 54min.) is being shown at the Mattapoissett CoA Senior Center, Center School, 17 Barstow St., on **Tues., 5/26 at 12 noon. The free movie is sponsored by the Friends of the Mattapoissett CoA.**

In *The Imitation Game*, Alan Turing, a pioneer of computers, leads a group of scholars to crack the codes of Germany's WWII Enigma machine. A genius under nail-biting pressure helps to save millions of lives. And he is ultimately convicted for the crime of homosexuality.

You get two pizza slices for only \$2 prepaid. Pay for your pizza at the CoA Senior Center by Monday, 5/25. Also call the Senior Center at 508-758-4110 to reserve your seat, we need know how many chairs to set up.

Wool Days

Discover how New Englanders reared sheep for their wool in the 1830s at Old Sturbridge Village's annual sheep shearing festival — Wool Days — on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-25. There will be at least 18 sheep and 20 spring lambs in the Village.

Throughout the weekend, farmers perform sheep shearing, while experts show off the sheep herding skills of border collies. The Village's costumed interpreters demonstrate the entire wool textile process — from scouring and dyeing the wool with natural colorings, to spinning, knitting and weaving. Guests may try their own hand at carding (brushing and de-tangling) the wool, and meet other four-legged creatures like alpacas and llamas that are also raised for their wool. **For a complete schedule of Wool Days events, visit www.osv.org, or call 800-733-1830.**

Acush. TM Transp.

Acushnet Town Meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, at 7:00 p.m. The Acushnet Council on Aging van is available to provide free transportation to residents who wish to attend this important event.

The van will pick up Presidential Terrace residents at 6:15 p.m. from the community room. If you live elsewhere in Acushnet and need a ride, please call the Council on Aging

at 508-998-0280 to be added to the schedule.

Flag Retirement

Boy Scout Troop 333 announces the continued collection and honorable retirement of used and worn American and military flags. The public is invited to attend the solemn retirement ceremony beginning at **10:30 a.m. on Sat., 5/30 to be held at Cathedral Camp, 157 Middleboro Road, East Freetown.**

Cities, towns, fraternal and veterans groups, businesses and individuals in the SE Mass. region are encouraged to contact the Troop to schedule the pickup of worn and tired American, military and POW-MIA flags. Please contact Troop Committee Chair Mike McCormack at 508-998-1218 or e-mail at MikeMcCormack@comcast.net.

Flags may also be deposited at the Fall River Veterans' Center, 755 Pine Street, Fall River; Freetown Town Hall; Freetown Police Headquarters; the Freetown Trading Post at 1 Chace Road and the Town Clerk's Office in Lakeville Town Hall.

Additional information about Troop 333 may be found at: www.CCTroop333.com.

Host A Food Drive

One in four. That is the number of children who are at risk of hunger in Massachusetts. That child could be your neighbor, student, child's best friend or even your child. The increase in child hunger is visible throughout the year by local social workers at the Department of Children and Families where some area offices have seen an increased need in emergency food assistance over the past year.

While social workers encourage their families to go to local food banks to get food, it is not always an option when families who do not have transportation, have young children or with inclement weather. How can we help those families?

United Way of Greater New Bedford's Hunger Commission and the New Bedford Area Office of the Department of Children and Families (DCF) have come up with another option for families. In March, DCF launched their first ever closet food pantry, with the help of United Way,

to provide DCF families in need with the food they need to make sure their children do not go hungry.

The closet pantry at DCF has become an invaluable resource for social workers at the New Bedford DCF and United Way is committed to strengthening families in our area.

If you are interested in hosting a food drive to benefit the closet pantry or in making a donation to the pantry or the Hunger Commission, please contact United Way at 508-994-9625 ext. 10.

Mystic Season Kickoff

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- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp chili powder

Butterfly chicken breasts and pound to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut into one inch strips. Place strips into a glass baking dish.

Combine all remaining ingredients and pour over chicken, mix well.

Marinate in the refrigerator two hours. Skewer the strips with soaked wooden skewers.

Grill on high heat 6-8 minutes, turning twice.

Baste with remaining marinade. Serve with additional salsa.

Soak wooden skewers 30 minutes to avoid burning.

By Sue Rogers

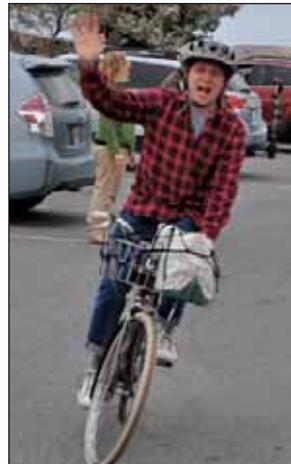
Family bike ride kicks off season



ABOVE: A group of riders takes off from Fort Phoenix on Saturday, 5/16, for a bike ride sponsored by the South Coast Bikeway Alliance. The group had a choice of three rides: a short and easy eight miles, intermediate 20.4 miles, and an advanced 33.8 miles. Selectboard member Bob Espindola encouraged the riders to sign up for the Summer Bike Challenge to help Fairhaven defend its championship. This year, the town is in a direct challenge with the town of Wakefield. The winner will receive a basket of local food. They have Fluffernutter, which was invented in Somerville. We'll probably have quahogs and cranberries, but that is still undetermined. People are encouraged to visit www.southcoastbikeway.com/challenge to sign up. Every little bit helps, so don't be shy. "A lot of people find that just logging miles motivates them more," said Mr. Espindola. BELOW LEFT: Two youngsters wait for the speechmaking to end and the ride to start. BELOW RIGHT: Matthew Coes gives a big wave as he leaves the parking lot. Photos by Beth David.

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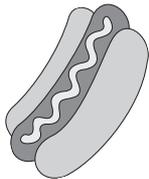
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Acushnet Selectboard discusses town meeting articles

By Michael Smith

Neighb News Correspondent

With the Town Meeting just two weeks away, the Acushnet Selectboard, at its meeting on 5/18, voted to support changes to two zoning by-laws made by the Planning Board. The changes will have to be approved by Town Meeting on June 1.

The Selectboard was once again short-handed as Chairperson David Wojnar was not able to attend. Board member Kevin Gaspar acted as chair.

Town Planner Henry Young appeared before the board and addressed some of the changes the Planning Board made on the zoning by-law articles, such as grammar corrections, adding sections, clarifications, and definitions.

One article will update the FEMA flood maps and the second is a general administrative update of the zoning by-laws, according to Mr. Gaspar.

Mr. Gaspar told Mr. Young it was great the Planning Board cleaned up the articles to avoid any possible conflict with litigation issues in the future.

The board unanimously approved the changes in the articles.

In another matter, the board approved a request for a car wash to be held at Fire Station 1 by the Acushnet AYA set for Saturday, June 20. All proceeds will be donated to the family of Jason Nightlinger, an Acushnet resident and AYA coach.

Mr. Nightlinger, 32, died after being hit by a car in Stoneham on May 10.

Tackling old business, the Selectboard re-addressed the appointment of Cyndra Williams to the Agricultural Commission and approved her nomination unanimously.

The Selectboard reviewed and

unanimously approved three amendments in the town's budget: one dealing with Emergency Management System, and the remaining two from the Town Clerk.

The EMS year-end budget amendment has a line item to add \$1,200 for overtime. Two amendments from Town Clerk Pam Labonte ask for an increase in the Registrar's salary. The money would transfer from office supply and travel line items on the budget.

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A memorandum of agreement between the Town of Acushnet and the Acushnet Public Employee Committee was addressed, but due to technicalities and errors in the changes made to the agreement, Mr. Gaspar suggested the issue be tabled until a future meeting.

The Selectboard unanimously approved two new greenskeeper hires for the Acushnet River Valley Golf Course.

The board approved the annual UMass Medical District Agreement unanimously.

The board approved an automatic amusement license and, pending approval of the Boar of Health, a Common Victauler License to prepare and serve food at True Swing

Batting Cages at the former White's Family Fun Center site.

The Selectboard read a letter from a resident regarding an increase in large vehicle traffic near Acushnet Alternative Heating on 127 South Main Street. Mr. Gaspar said the letter states the traffic of large vehicles delivering goods to AAH is detrimental to life in the Prouteau Street neighborhood.

Representatives from AHA, which receives large shipments of wood pellets each week, told the board the large vehicle traffic was mostly due to vehicles having to navigate through and move the heavy snow accumulated this past winter.

Mr. Gaspar told the representatives to be more mindful of their surroundings in the future. The board placed the issue on file.

Involving the Department of Public Works, the Selectboard was scheduled to discuss with Acushnet Water and Sewer Superintendent John Westgate the rules and regulations of the Water Division. Mr. Gaspar motioned to table the issue for an upcoming meeting in order to have full input from a full Selectboard.

The board also discussed the question of ownership of deduct water meters, or secondary meters. Mr. Gaspar said he was under the impression that the deduct meters should be owned by the town, but noted that no policy existed stating who was in direct ownership of said meters.

"I believe the town should own the meters for practical reasons," said Mr. Gaspar. "I think it's only fair to make sure all meters are in compliance with the town."

The board agreed unanimously to table the issue.

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Homecoming

At Fairhaven Homecoming, June 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the Friends of Fairhaven Elderly will be having a table. There will be the 4th edition on the Christmas Ornaments, (Fairhaven Town Hall) other ornaments will be available while supplies last.

Trip with Nancy

Wed., 8/19, *La Cage aux Folles*. Tony award winner musical comedy at Goodspeed Opera House on the Connecticut River. \$119.00 p.p. Includes: Lunch at Gelston House, Gillette Castle Tour, Motor Coach, taxes and gratuities. Lunch will be served, raffles will be held.

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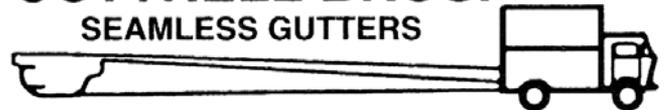
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Nature trail opens behind East Fairhaven School

By Beth David
Editor

It all started with a “squiggly line” that said “nature trail” on the plans for the Wood School. So goes the tale as spun by Stasia Powers and Pam Kuechler. Both are on the Fairhaven School Committee and they are co-chairs of the Fairhaven Community Trail Network.

Now, it is a reality: a nature trail behind the East Fairhaven School, with educational signs and an outdoor classroom with logs for seats. Wood School will be next, they promise.

On Sunday, 5/17, a group of about 60 people of all ages gathered to explore the new trail.

“We wanted to give the children and the whole community of Fairhaven a place to learn about the wonder that is in their back yards,” said Ms. Powers. “Walking in the woods, experiencing the sights and sounds, listening to birds, looking under rocks for salamanders, figuring out whose tracks those are, these are experiences every child should have. Everyone should know that the woods aren’t scary, but a place of beauty and fun. If the children learn to appreciate the environment when they are young, they’ll also know the importance of preserving it for future generations.”

“I’m thrilled to say we finally made it through,” said Ms. Kuechler.

“I’m really excited,” said EFS principal Wendy Williams. “As someone who spends time [outdoors] I will always find my sanity out on the trail.”

She thanked Ms. Powers and Ms. Kuechler and noted that the educational nature trail is the first one of its kind in the region.

“We’re happy to be really developing that love of nature and

respect for our earth, and respect for our environment,” said Ms. Williams.

The group of volunteers who make up the Fairhaven Community Trail Network held fund-raisers, got permits, and put in a lot of sweat equity to get the trail cleared and to build boardwalks over the marshy areas and the streams.

The result is a trail that is wide at the beginning, and rugged in spots along the way. It gives a great hike that is not too hard for the very young or the very old, but rustic enough to let you know you are, indeed, in the woods.

A few educational markers are placed throughout the trail, but not enough to ruin the rustic feel of it.

The group teamed up with the



Buzzards Bay Coalition and Commonwealth Corps to create an outdoor science lab that is tied in with the Mass. curriculum.

Ms. Powers and Ms. Kuechler had a long list of thank-yous for the project, including volunteers who worked on the trail and local contractors who donated time and materials.

The next phase will be to build a similar trail behind the Wood School. There are no woods back there, but there is still nature, and that’s all they need.

The day on Sunday included a hands-on lesson on what lives in a vernal pool, a scavenger hunt and a story walk posted along the trail.

Children also created natural bird feeders by spreading Crisco shortening on a pine cone, then rolling it in bird seed. The children then hung the pine cones along the trail.

Children from EFS also sang “This



ABOVE: Brendon Buckless, a Commonwealth Corps (CC) member, sits by the outdoor classroom, with its log seats, on the nature trail behind the East Fairhaven School on Sunday, 5/17. MIDDLE: A group of explorers walks along the boardwalk over a stream along the trail. BOTTOM LEFT: CC member Tanya Creamer shows what kind of critters can be found in a vernal pool. Photos by Beth David.

Land is Your Land,” accompanied by music teacher Rita Campoli on guitar.

Among those present at the ribbon cutting, were Cora Peirce and Kristina Ramos, who were part of the original group that saved the Nasketucket Woods from development.

“It’s a beautiful thing,” said Ms. Ramos.

“Ten years ago, they said it couldn’t be done,” said Ms. Peirce.

But the small group persisted and persuaded Phil de Normandie to buy the parcel. He then sold most of it back to the town for preservation. The result is 52 acres of woodland open to the public, and adjacent to the school and the new trail.

Along the trail, after a proper ribbon cutting, children and their adults explored vernal pools, marshlands, trees, bugs and flora.

“This is so great. This is so great,” said Ms. Ramos as she walked along the boardwalk. “I can’t believe this is finally happening.”

Evelyn Midura said that hiking was her very favorite thing.

“I didn’t know this was right around the corner,” she said.

The trail starts on school property behind the school building and leads to the Nasketucket Woods property, which is open to the public. The school property is not open to the public during school hours. People are asked to park in the main parking lot and not behind the building when using the trail.

The Network does not have a website, but it does have a Facebook page. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/FairhavenCommunityTrailNetwork> for updates. ●●●



Mock accident makes students think about distracted driving

By Beth David
Editor

They knew it was fake, they really did, but student actors at Fairhaven High School still got choked up and lost in the moment as they enacted what would be a horrific car accident with a fatality and serious injuries. FHS teacher Kelly Flynn played the mother to the student trapped in the car, but she knows that student, who is best friends with her daughter. It was so real, Mrs. Flynn could not stop crying, even after it was all over.

"I know it's fake," said Mrs. Flynn through tears. "But I also know it's a very real possibility. It's a nightmare we all have, but I had to live it. I'll never sleep again."

The set-up was as real as officials could make it, even calling Mrs. Flynn out of her class to go to the parking lot where the accident was staged. As Fairhaven firefighters and paramedics took care of the injured, a Fairhaven police officer gave a field sobriety test to the driver, who ultimately got handcuffed.

A Boston Med-Flight helicopter landed on the football field to simulate a medical flight, while Mrs. Flynn begged to go with her "daughter" and Fairhaven Fire Department personnel held her back.

The exercise was created by The Boston Med-Flight Safe Teens Program in cooperation with Fairhaven High School, police, firefighters and EMS.

As the scene unfolded in the parking lot, juniors and seniors, many who would be attending the prom that night, watched. Paramedics took care of the injured, the "Jaws of Life" tool was used to break open the car to free a girl in the back seat, the

driver was being evaluated for driving under the influence, and Mrs. Flynn was straining to get closer to her injured actor-daughter. A mannequin was used as the fatality, but a real hearse came to take it away.

FHS Principal Tara Quirk Kohler said she would not let a student be the fatality, because she knew how real it could be.

"I hope it had an impact on our students, to bring home the reality of how horrible one bad decision can be," said Mrs. Flynn.

She said she was asked to be the mother because she has a daughter at the school, so they felt that students would accept her in that role.



And she was right.

"The scariest part was when Mrs. Flynn came out running to her child," said FHS senior Lori Hannan who watched from the sidelines. "I teared up a bit."

"It's like real life. It could actually happen," said junior Alex Dabruzzo.

He said he is always careful driving, but now, "I'll be even more careful."

The six Drama Club students who participated, Kris Moore, Isaac Esposito, Morgan Smith, Andrew Romano, Marisa Rebelo and Kristen Flynn (Mrs. Flynn's daughter), are also all good friends.



"The craziest part is that we're all very close," said Mr. Esposito, who played the drunk driver. "Most of the time I'm driving, I'm with these people."

He said the smoke and sirens made it "surreal" and "crazy."

And Mrs. Flynn?

"I tried not to look at her," said Mr. Esposito. "I didn't want to break. It was so intense, very dramatic, a lot of emotion."

Kris Moore played an injured passenger, and, coincidentally, did get cut on some glass. He said he does not use his cellphone while driving anyway, and will continue that practice.

"It was intense," said Andrew Romano, who played a passenger with a neck injury. He said it was "intense," especially because they are all friends, because it really could be them. He said he does not use his cell phone when driving, but now he will make sure it is completely out of reach.

Morgan Smith played the part of the med-flighted passenger. She said she was scared, even though she knew it wasn't real.

"The reality of it happening is also there," said Ms. Smith.

She said she is best friends with Mrs. Flynn's daughter, so seeing her

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TOP RIGHT: Andrew Romano plays a passenger with a neck injury during a mock accident to bring home the dangers of distracted driving at Fairhaven High School on Friday, 5/15. ABOVE MIDDLE and ABOVE LEFT: FHS teacher Kelly Flynn plays a distraught mother watching her daughter get worked on by paramedics, as Lt. Todd Correia of the Fairhaven Fire Department holds her back. ABOVE RIGHT: The six actors from the FHS Drama Club who created the realistic scene, L-R: Kris Moore, Isaac Esposito, Morgan Smith, Andrew Romano, Marisa Rebelo, Kristen Flynn. Photos by Beth David.

More Questions and Answers about the Accelerated Superfund Cleanup of New Bedford Harbor....

The Superfund cleanup continues. In November work started on construction of the second phase of the Lower Harbor CAD cell, designed to permanently isolate approximately 300,000 cubic yards of PCB contaminated sediment.

Q: Are there going to be health impacts due to PCB air contamination from the CAD cell project?

A: None are expected, but EPA will be monitoring the air closely. Air monitoring performed during Phase I and Phase II CAD cell construction showed that levels of PCBs were well below health based standards, confirming EPA's projections made before the project began. During the rest of the project, we will still continue to monitor the air to make sure we are protective of human health.

Q: Are you going to put sediment containing very high level PCB contamination (in the thousands of parts per million) into the CAD cell?

A: No. The CAD cell project is to address some of the lower concentration PCB containing sediment EPA is cleaning up in New Bedford. Average PCB levels of sediment to be disposed of in the CAD cell are generally less than 100 ppm. EPA expects some of the dredge material to be disposed in the CAD cell will be above 100 ppm, while the majority will be lower.

Any further questions on the cleanup can be referred to EPA at our website (www.epa.gov/nbh), or by contacting Kelsey O'Neil our Community Involvement Coordinator at oneil.kelsey@epa.gov, or by calling 617-918-1003.



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Public Hearings/Legal Notices

Conservation Commission

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on June 01, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. in the Fairhaven Town Hall. Purpose is for the Request for Determination of the following matters as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40 as amended.

- Request for Determination Applicant Fairhaven, Acushnet Land Preservation Trust Location West side of Scoticut Neck Road Plot 41 Lot 2K Purpose replace 2"x8" planks with a plank constructed bridge.
- Request for Determination Applicant Michael Mulroy Location 7 Raymond Street Plot 29A Lots 274,275 Purpose replace shed within a VE flood zone.
- Request for Determination Applicant Elizabeth R. Field Trustee of the RadCliff Field Realty Trust Plot 43 Lot 140 Purpose reconstruct existing deck within a VE flood zone .
- Notice of Intent Applicant Carapace LLC Location Bridge Street Plot 36 Lot15 Purpose construct an auto dealership with ancillary paved parking on a vacant lot within the 100' buffer zone to BVV.

*Jay Simmons Chairman,
Fairhaven Conservation Commission*

Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petitions:

NEW HEARINGS:

1. **Petitioner: James Walczak**, RE: 140 Balsam Street, Plat 43A, Lot 53; Cert. #23386; 198-18: Short 15' of required 30' rear yard and 13% over max building coverage of 15%, all within an RR District.
2. **Petitioner: Jay Simmons**, RE: 140 Oxford Street, Plat 13, Lot 3; Book 10900 and Page 157; 198-19-B: Fence 4' over max height of 6'.
3. **Petitioner: Donald Kelly**, RE: 345 Bridge Street, Plat 30, Lot 18; Book 10999 and Page 88; 198-19: 10' short of the required 20' front setback and 30" over max height of 42" in a required front yard.
4. **Petitioner: Carapace, LLC**, RE: 250 Bridge Street, Plat 36, Lot 15, Book 6047 and Page 334; 198-27C 1 & 4: 47' short of the required 50' vegetated strip for parking area south and east side.
5. **Petitioner: Dennis Absenault**, RE: 397 Main Street, Plat 22A, Lot 24, Book 11343 and Page 217; Special Permit required to continue a non-conforming use.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman

FAIRHAVEN PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at **6:30 P.M. on June 9, 2015**, in the East Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and Public comment on the following application: The applicant, *Carapace, LLC*, is requesting a Special Permit to construct a 10,000 SF commercial building for an Auto Dealership including parking and landscaping. The location is 250 Bridge Street, Map 36, Lot 15. A copy of the application 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, Ext. 9.

Wayne Hayward, Chairman of the Planning Board

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for navigational material in the area north of Pope's Island. The FEIR was analyzed in a full public process led by the Commonwealth's Coastal Zone Management (CZM) and included the City of New Bedford and the Town of Fairhaven, among other stakeholders.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report included most of the analysis for the proposed location of the Dredge Material Management Plan (DMMP) CAD cells. The DEIR process acknowledged residential land use near the proposed CAD cell area and concluded impacts would be minimal.

Since then, CAD cells have been used for almost 10 years to effectively manage PCB contaminated dredge material from the harbor. While the FEIR repeatedly used mislabeled maps, the DEIR did not use those mislabeled maps. CZM has since corrected the error in the DMMP, which mislabeled the Oxford Village area as Marsh Island.

Kelsey O'Neil, EPA Congressional Liaison, Community Involvement Coordinator

Fairhaven Meetings

Board of Appeals

Tues., 6/2, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 6/1, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Dog Park Committee

Thurs., 5/21, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Government Study Comm.

Thurs., 5/21, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Thurs., 5/28, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 5/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 5/27, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 5/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet Meetings

Conservation Commission

Wed., 5/27, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Housing Authority

Fri., 5/22, Nate Gomes Ctr., 9 a.m.

Selectboard

Mon., 6/1, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Town Meeting

Mon., 6/1, Ford MS, 7 p.m.

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But don't worry, not everything has changed. Their famous pulled pork is still worth traveling for; clamboils are back for the season; and the lobster roll still has a half pound of lobster.

Tim says consistency and the freshness of the food are the things that have made the changes so successful.



L-R: Andy Jablonski and Tim Sullivan make a great team in the kitchen at the all-new Bayside Lounge.

Joe said people poke their heads into the kitchen all the time, now, to tell Andy and Tim how great the food is. And they welcome that.

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Dennis Borges Remembered

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His services also included demolition of cottages, which, for those of you who knew him, Dennis really enjoyed from the seat of his backhoe!

With all the new development on West Island, Mr. Borges witnessed much progress in his 88 years, and never hesitated to help those who asked. From the removal of a tree stump, the unforeseen size of a boulder, a load of gravel or fill, he was always there. His generosity extended to the West Island Improvement Association (WIIA) and he offered his services when the sewage treatment plant was completed and we were all required to tie in.

The teamwork displayed with his son David did not stop at the end of the work day. Oftentimes, Mr. Borges would grab a coffee, travel back to observe his jobs, checking to see if the grass was growing properly or if the area had settled, and attend to it before the customer could contact them.

Dennis Borges's septic tank and backhoe services will always be a big part of West Island history. Our sincere gratitude for his commitment to us.

Linda Ferreira, West Island

Negligence or Fraud?

The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) #11669 of October 2003, which is the basis for the ongoing construction of the Confined Aquatic Disposal (CAD) Cells in Fairhaven Harbor, omitted all discussions or reference to the impact of the proposed dumps for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and other materials on the Town of Fairhaven and its Oxford Village, including the impact on its cultural heritage, real estate values, and the health of citizens.

CAD cells are unlined burial holes in the riverbed into which are placed toxic sediments for permanent storage. This EPA CAD cell will be the first in the entire country to be used to store over 50 parts per million (ppm) of PCBs near a residential area.

The selected mechanical dredging process onto an open top barge, towing to the CAD cell site, and then dropping the sediments into the CAD cell, will allow some of the cancer causing PCBs to become airborne, thus, contaminating the air. These PCBs can travel for long distances. This year long project to collect PCB sediments from the river in this manner has the potential to affect public health.

The FEIR #11669 referred only to the dumpsite as being off Marsh Island, never off the Town of Fairhaven. In all locations discussing the site, it labeled Fairhaven's Oxford Village as "Marsh Island." This could not have been a result of typographical error, as it occurred repeatedly in the document. Coastal Zone Management (CZM) terms these consistent misrepresentations as "errata."

The Oxford Village community is the oldest settlement in Fairhaven dating from 1652, is a high value residential area, and is associated with Plymouth settlement, the Seventh Day Adventists, the famed 19th Century artists of the New Bedford region, and the first solo circumnavigation of the globe.

As the legal basis for the ongoing constructions of the CAD Cell ("LHCC") in the Fairhaven Harbor, the FEIR is fundamentally and fatally flawed. Parts of this report (<http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/czm/port-harbor/dredge/deir-feir/feir-new-bedford-fairhaven.pdf> and <http://www.epa.gov/region1/superfund/sites/newbedford/466811.pdf>) clearly demonstrate that those who have prepared, supervised the preparation, approved and utilized the FEIR either by professional negligence or other motivation on multiple occasions, misrepresented the location of Marsh Island with the impact of hiding the proximity of LHCC to a major residential area.

Nine different organizations failed to observe and correct the false representation that substituted "Marsh Island" for Fairhaven's Oxford Village. The possibility of this being a mistake is stunningly minute. Were each organization to have a recurring error frequency in their reporting of 10%, the likelihood of the nine organizations all inadvertently failing to recognize the substitution of

"Marsh Island" for "Oxford Village" would have been 10% to the ninth power, or .00000001%. The level of recurring error in these organizations' reports would likely be even less, at say 5%. The probability of inadvertent substitution of "Marsh Island" for "Oxford Village" is actually infinitesimally smaller.

Maguire Company of Foxborough MA prepared the report for three organizations: the Office of Coastal Zone Management of the State of Massachusetts (CZM), the City of New Bedford and the Town of Fairhaven. Also participating in the preparation of the report were Apex Environmental, Inc; ASA, Inc; ENSR International; and SAIC. They have yet to provide an explanation as to how the substitution was made. The EPA used the flawed FEIR as the legal basis for the LHCC.*

The organizations in charge of the Lower Harbor CAD Cell in the New Bedford-Fairhaven Harbor and those who have used the FEIR, at a minimum, should be charged with professional negligence.

The State of New Jersey has already rejected use of CAD Cells that were proposed in the Newark Bay for the cleanup of PCBs and DIOXIN in the Passaic River. The EPA and political jurisdictions in Massachusetts have refused to follow New Jersey's rational lead.

The misnaming of the land area adjacent to where the LHCC was to be created obscured the fact that it was to be the first major CAD Cell to be constructed next to a residential community in the United States. This could not have been a casual typing error.

Into the LHCC will be placed 300,000 cy of known cancer-causing substances dredged from the harbor; namely, PCBs, DIOXIN, heavy metals, and more, adjacent to New Bedford's KYOCERA-AVX plant that is located in New Bedford's Upper Harbor. The dredged substances will not be kept in New Bedford or in the Upper Harbor area. They will be moved south into a part of the harbor that was never the source of the contamination. They will be dumped into the Middle Harbor off the Town of Fairhaven between Route I-195 and Route 6.

Some of these substances have

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already flowed into the harbor water to other locations, pushed by weather, tidal action, river flow, and the disturbance by shipping anchors and propulsion systems. After dumping the dredged PCB contaminants into a massive hole being excavated in the harbor, the EPA will leave these carcinogens uncovered for three years. The EPA asserts that these carcinogens will then be "permanently capped" and FOREVER isolated from the harbor by a mere 3 feet of sand.

The EPA has not demonstrated that these substances will remain in place FOR THE EONS TO COME. That notion is an absurdity. A major hurricane event may well see those PCBs spread again throughout the harbor and blown up and onto the surrounding communities. The dump sites will still be subject to continuing impact due to commonly occurring action of storm, weather, propulsion systems, dragging anchors, and tidal and river flows.

The PCBs were dumped into the New Bedford Harbor by the KYOCERA Corporation of Japan's Aerovox-AVX subsidiary. Legal agreement on the harbor cleanup was forestalled for the twenty years from 1992 to 2013. During this period the U.S. operations of KYOCERA were

under the direction and control of Marshall Butler and Benedict P. Rosen, the former CEOs, Presidents of AVX-Aerovox, Board Members of the KYOCERA Corporation, and senior managers of the KYOCERA operations in the United States.

Marshall Butler had been involved with AVX-Aerovox since 1972/3, when he became its senior manager; Benedict P. Rosen was brought in at the same time. The EPA reports that from at least 1972 to 1976, the AVX continued to discharge PCBs into the river and into the land dumps.[1]

KYOCERA acquired the AVX-Aerovox facility in 1990 in a transaction arranged by Marshall Butler. The New York Times reports this transaction was the first time a publicly traded US corporation was taken over by a Japanese firm through a swap of equity.

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Biphenyls in New England (Boston: EPA, 1978). p 20-30. <http://www.epa.gov/region1/superfund/sites/newbedford/222009.pdf>. 8 May 2015.

From Hands Across the River Coalition

**Editor's note: The EPA has provided an explanation below.*

EPA explains process

EPA's Fourth Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) issued in 2011 provides the legal basis for EPA's construction of the Lower Harbor CAD cell. The 2011 ESD went through a full public process and documented through multiple lines of evidence that the LHCC and cap would isolate the contaminated sediment and be protective. Air monitoring at the EPA CAD cell project has demonstrated that levels of PCBs are well below health based standards. No ambient air issues are expected and EPA will continue to monitor air closely.

Navigational dredging of New Bedford Harbor, a State Designated Port Area, is necessary to keep it passable by commercial and recreational vessels. Dredge material is unsuitable for off-shore disposal and off-site disposal would be cost prohibitive. In 2003, the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was approved by the state for the siting of CAD cells

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Obituary



Bessie B. (Warburton) Souza

**Feb. 5, 1918–
May 16, 2015**

Bessie B.
(Warburton) Souza
of Fairhaven passed
peacefully on May

16th, 2015, at the age of 97. She was surrounded till the very end by her loving daughter Patricia (Souza) Estrella and two grandsons Chris Souza and Brandon Estrella.

Bessie was a lifelong resident of Fairhaven Massachusetts. Born in North Fairhaven in the year 1918 to her beloved Parents Joseph and Annie Warburton who immigrated to Fairhaven from Bury England in Greater Manchester, her parents were founding members of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Fairhaven where she was a lifelong member as

well. She was one of eight siblings, all pre-deceased.

Bessie was the loving wife of the late George R. (Butch) Souza and mother of two: The late George J. Souza, and Patricia A. (Souza) Estrella of Fairhaven. She also leaves behind her two Cherished grandsons Christopher G. Souza and Brandon J. Estrella who she loved beyond measure. Bessie was the mother-in-law of the late David Estrella. She also leaves behind her loving nieces, nephews, cousins and countless other friends and people touched by her unique charm and charisma.

She is pre deceased by her parents and siblings brothers, Sydney Warburton and Lester Warburton, Sisters Iva (Warburton) Hopkins, Phyllis (Warburton) Lajeunesse, Pearl (Warburton) Norgren, Lila (Warburton) Galipeau and Dora Warburton.

Mrs. Souza worked throughout her life in various factories and mills. She

was finally employed by the Fairhaven Public School system as a matron, retiring 31 years ago to take care of her family full time.

Bessie was a spitfire and an individual who could bring a smile to the most stern of faces. She was not afraid to tell anyone exactly how things were and she lived her life without pulling any punches. A lady of small stature at 4' 11" — but of great heart, determination, and ideal — she enjoyed traveling throughout the country, dancing, eating a good basket of fried shrimp or a hot dog.

She will always be remembered as a hard worker, a good wife, a loving mother and a spectacular grandmother. The sparkle in her eye will be missed by all who it graced.

Her graveside service will be held at Riverside Cemetery in Fairhaven Massachusetts on May 22nd at 10:30 a.m.

Alice Torres remembered as classy and protective of her board

By Beth David
Editor

Long time secretary to the Fairhaven Selectboard Alice Torres was remembered as “classy,” and “protective” of the selectboard members. Ms. Torres, 90, died on May 12. She served as secretary to the Selectboard for 26 years, retiring in 1986.

At the time, there was no “Executive Secretary” position, such as Jeff Osuch has. Tourism Director and Historian Christopher Richard describes her position as a cross between the administrative assistant job and Mr. Osuch’s job.

Robert “Bob” Foster served on the Selectboard from 1983 to 1986.

“She was kind of like the office manager,” said Mr. Foster. “Everything went through Alice.”

She made up the agendas and had to deal with anyone who had a problem.

“She was the source for all the information in town,” he said. “If anyone from any board needed to get in touch with the [Selectboard], they called Alice.”

He said she handled it all with grace, even the difficult people.

“She was just a really classy lady,” said Mr. Foster. “She was the type of person who didn’t have any enemies, even in that job that could be kind of contentious.”

And she looked out for her board members, too.

“She was very protective of the Selectmen,” he said. “She kind of broke us all in. When I became a Selectman, she showed me the ropes.”

He said she knew who to call about what and how to handle them, too.

“She was just a special lady to all of us back then. I was really sad to hear of her passing.”

But, don’t get the idea that she was a pushover.

“She could be a tough lady. She could be stern,” he said.

People would go in during the day demanding to see a Selectboard member, but it was Alice they would see. Board members were, and are, part time. They all had other jobs, so Alice took care of the day-to-day tasks.

“She could be tough, but she was nice and she was fair. Everyone had a lot of respect for her,” said Mr. Foster. “And she was a good listener. You could sit with her.”

She was also the press contact.

“She was good with them.”

Susan Pawlak-Seaman wrote in her column in the Standard-Times, that Alice was the “heart and soul of Town Hall.”

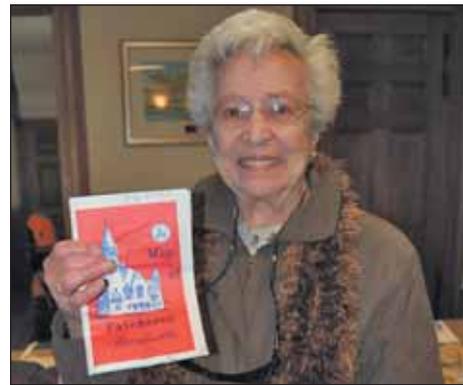
She wrote that, for a young reporter, Alice was “nothing short of a lifesaver.”

In 1978, the North Fairhaven Improvement Association gave Alice the “Outstanding Public Servant Award.” The article about it in the Standard-Times paints a picture of a woman who loved her job and the people of Fairhaven she came in contact with every day.

On February 1, 2012, she was on hand for the opening of the time capsule that had been buried 50 years before. She managed to grab hold of something that she had place inside that time capsule those decades before, and proudly posed with it for the *Neighb News*.

At the time she said: “I’m very sentimental, and I want to cry. I always said I hope I lived this long, to see it, and I did. There’s a lot of good memories.”

And others have good memories of



In this photo from our 3/2/12 issue, Alice Torres holds up a map of Fairhaven that was in the time capsule and has Alice’s handwriting on it saying “July 28, 1962.” Ms. Torres, a long time secretary to the Fairhaven Selectboard, died on May 12 at the age of 90. *Neighb News* file photo by Beth David.

her, too.

“I think with her, ‘classy’ is a really good word. She was very polite, very fair, very open minded,” said Mr. Foster. “I don’t think she had an enemy in the world. And in that position, it’s pretty hard to accomplish, because people leave disappointed. But they didn’t take it out on her.”

Alice was the wife for 65 years of the late Weber Torres. Ms. Torres is survived by a son, Weber R. Torres, III and his wife Diane of Middleton; two daughters, Margaret F. Foley and her husband Charles of Fairhaven and Susan A. Torres and her husband Paul Mayfield of San Francisco, CA; three granddaughters, Kelsey Torres, Lindsay (Torres) Banks and her husband Ryan and Lauren Torres; a great grandchild, Leander; a brother, Albino Santos and his wife Delores of North Dartmouth; and several nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Silvino Santos.

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there and crying was very emotional.

Ms. Smith said she felt vulnerable and helpless on the stretcher, while Mrs. Flynn cried and tried to get to her.

“She’s my best friend’s mom. We’re all like family,” said Ms. Smith. “It made it just as sad being Mrs. Flynn. It could’ve been my mother. That made it more emotional. It was not my mom, but it could be...It made it a lot more real.”

Marisa Rebelo played the student who had to be extricated from the back seat and then taken to the ambulance. Although she was not actually injured, it was a very scary

position to be in, she said, especially being on the long board.

“You have to put your complete trust in these people you don’t even know,” said Ms. Rebelo. “The whole thing was just scary.”

She said being in the back seat, with a blanket over her while the car was getting ripped open was loud and frightening.

“They’re trying to calm you down and I really actually started to get hysterical because the glass is falling on you and there’s loud banging and that’s when you really start to get emotional,” said Ms. Rebelo.

She considers herself a respon-

sible driver, but now, “I’ll be 110 percent sure.”

Kristen Flynn, who watched her mother play the distraught parent, said she was a little worried, because she knew her mother was worried about the whole thing, too. The reality is, it happens every day, she said.

She said she was proud of her mother for pulling it off.

“That’s pretty much every parent’s worst nightmare,” said Ms. Flynn.

“When I looked out that window and saw my mom crying hysterically...it’s as close as I want to ever get to putting her in that position.”



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*All gave
some, and
some gave all.*

Flag Raising

On Mon., 5/25, at Fort Phoenix, Fort Street, Fairhaven at 7 a.m. The Memorial Day flag raising ceremony at the fort is sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association with the Fairhaven Boy Scouts. The flag will be raised in memory of Joseph Cataldo, Jr., a long time town official and volunteer in many organizations. The flag will be lowered at 5 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Join us **AFTER THE PARADE** at the American Legion Post, 166, 54 Main Street, Fairhaven, for complimentary refreshments.

Veterans are asked to gather at South and Main Streets no later than 8 a.m. Veterans and active military personnel who wish join the parade but are not able to walk, should call Gerry Payette to arrange a ride, 1-508-237-4282. The parade will conclude at Riverside Cemetery where a ceremony will be held. Organizers are asking spectators to line Main Street and wave small flags as the parade passes. Home owners on Main Street are asked to place flags out front to show support.

**From
George
Brownell,
Vietnam War
Veteran**