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## Parade remembers those who are gone



L-R: George Brownell, Robert LeClaire, and Gayla M.D. Reilly, march through the intersection of Main Street and Huttleston Avenue with the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action flag in Fairhaven's Memorial Day parade on Monday, 5/25. The parade stepped off at Center and Main Streets and traveled along Main to Riverside Cemetery for a ceremony. It stopped at Fairhaven High School for the raising of the big flag while the FHS band played the national anthem. See page 12 for story. *Photo by Beth David.*



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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.

We have heartbreaking news this week (page 19). A Fairhaven High School senior, 18 years old, was killed in a car crash, just days before she was going to graduate. In the car with her was her 21-year-old significant other...prom date...best friend.

Meghan and Brooklyn were both Fairhaven residents. They were so young, just starting out in life.

Superintendent Robert Baldwin said there was no "how-to primer" on what to do and how to act when something like this happens.

He's right, of course. We just have to feel our way through these things. It's just so tragic, and just so utterly sad.

All we can do is let the families know we care and we are thinking about them. We're a small community, so there's a good chance everyone in Fairhaven is only separated from these families by one or two degrees.

Try to keep them in your thoughts a little as you go through your day, getting upset with life's little annoyances. Bear in mind that it can all go away so quickly.

There was also a tragedy on the other side of the harbor this week. A man died when his little inflatable raft tipped over in the wind (see page 20). It was a windy day, and I suspect he just didn't understand how dangerous the water can be. He was only about 40 yards from shore.

As we begin the beach season, with all of its fun activities on the water, let's try to remember to respect the ocean. I'm not big on being fearful of every little thing and I'm certainly not a safety-at-all-costs kind of person. I recognize that some of life's most fun things are only fun because there's some danger involved. But let's not get carried away. The danger of twisting an ankle is one thing, but when the danger is on the water, the consequences can be deadly. It doesn't take long with these cold water temperatures, and even a very good swimmer can get taken by surprise if dumped in the water suddenly. So keep your life jackets on, at least while the vessel is under way.

It all just happens so quickly. And once it happens, it's over. There's no going back.

Believe, me I'm not saying people should stay home or be obsessed with safety — far be it from me to complain about the causeway divers (I admit it, I love to watch them). But they need to realize they are sharing the water with boaters, and in a head-on match-up, the human is probably not going to win that one.

It was also Memorial Day weekend (see page 12), a time to remember those who fought and died in defense of our country.

All around, a pretty serious week around here.

Until next week then...see ya



Beth David, Publisher

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story about the flag raising at Ft. Phoenix in honor of Joseph Cataldo, we failed to mention that he also served two terms on the Fairhaven Selectboard. We apologize if our omission caused any confusion.

## Bill Moniz recognized by Lions



On Thursday, 5/21, Bill Moniz, the Fairhaven Lions Club President-Elect, received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. Lions International recognizes outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder, Melvin Jones. The Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, presented by the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF), is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideals consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism. The recipients of this award are model Lions because of their exemplary service to their club and the community which it serves.

## Debbie Almeida recognized by WMFS

Debbie Almeida was recognized as an outstanding volunteer at the annual meeting of the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society on 5/21.

WMFS President Gerry Rooney read a letter of recognition praising Ms. Almeida as a "tireless and steadfast champion for international friendship" through her work in the society.

"What is remarkable is not just that you have spent so many volunteer hours and accomplished so much but how you have done it," Mr. Rooney wrote in a letter that he read at the event. "Your creative, flexible, easy-going, positive 'can-do' attitude and organizational ability make working with you a great pleasure."

He listed as some of her efforts acting as treasurer of the Executive Committee, decorating the museum and giving tours. He called her the "raffle queen" and an effective events coordinator.

"You are also willing to make yaki soba for fundraisers," reads the letter.

"We are extremely grateful to you, Debbie, for your commitment and dedication and we feel blessed for



Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society president Gerry Rooney hands a gift certificate to Debbie Almeida as a token of appreciation for her long time volunteer efforts. *Submitted photo.*

what you do for us. For all the members of the Society I wish to convey to you our most sincere gratitude," wrote Mr. Rooney.

The WMFS was created to run the Whitfield Manjiro Friendship house, the house that John Manjiro lived in, making him the first Japanese person to live in the United States. A 14-year-old Manjiro was rescued from a desert island by Fairhaven Whale Captain William Whitfield in 1841. To learn more about their story visit: [www.whitfield-manjiro.org](http://www.whitfield-manjiro.org)

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# Buzzards Bay Swim looking or volunteers

Not a swimmer but still want to get involved with the Buzzards Bay Swim? Volunteer your time on June 20 and help us run a safe, fun event for everybody. More than 80 volunteers assist with setup, check-ins, food service, safety squads, and more. Every year, swimmers say that volunteers make the event smooth and enjoyable.

## Before the Swim

We need many volunteers before the day of the Swim to help us prepare for the event. Volunteer tasks include:

- Distributing flyers, postcards, and other Swim publicity materials
- Setting up the finish line chute at Fort Phoenix

- Labeling swim caps
- Assembling swimmer packets
- Preparing food and supplies to bring to the start line and finish line

## The Day of the Swim

Volunteers feed hungry swimmers at the finish line. On the day of the Swim, we need approximately 80 volunteers to help at the start line and the finish line.

### Start Line

We need approximately 50 volunteers at the start line, located at The Edge Seafood & Lounge (formerly Davy's Locker) in New Bedford. Start line volunteer tasks include:

- Set up/break down
- Swimmer check-in
- Distribution of swim caps and

timing chips

- Parking
- Kayak inspection
- People flow

### Finish Line

We need approximately 30 volunteers at the finish line, located at Fort Phoenix State Reservation in Fairhaven. Finish line volunteer tasks include:

- Set up/break down
- Staffing of hospitality tents
- Parking
- People flow

Want to volunteer at the Swim? Contact Volunteer Coordinator Lynn Coish at 508-999-6363 x200 or [coish@savebuzzardsbay.org](mailto:coish@savebuzzardsbay.org) to sign up or learn more; email

Visit <http://savebuzzardsbay.org/>

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## Five-day Climate Ride goes from Bar Harbor to Boston

### Press Release

This fall, up to 200 cyclists, ranging in age from 12 to 80 and hailing from across the U.S., will ride in the inaugural Climate Ride Northeast: Bar Harbor to Boston. Set for Thursday, Sept. 17 through Monday, Sept. 21, the five-day, 320-mile charitable bike-a-thon takes riders down the New England coast and raises funds and awareness for sustainability, cycling advocacy, active transportation and environmental causes. The event expects to raise \$400,000 to support more than 120 regional and national nonprofits.

Climate Ride was the first bike-a-thon to support environmental causes and cycling advocacy, not only by raising money but also through advocating for government change and educating participants as part of the experience.

It was the first adventure travel nonprofit to raise funds for environmental causes and awareness about the importance of bike safety and advocacy, thus making the connection that an increase in active transportation will reduce carbon emissions that plague the environment. It remains today the largest of its kind in terms of its national scope and money raised with its choose-your-own beneficiary model.

In 2014, 390 Climate Riders raised \$725,000, which was granted to more

than 100 beneficiaries. To date, Climate Ride has raised and contributed \$2.28 million.

Climate Ride Northeast-Bar Harbor to Boston is one of three charitable multi-day rides hosted by Climate Ride: Climate Ride Northeast, Climate Ride California, and Climate Ride Midwest. The organization hosts Climate Hikes in Glacier National Park and Bryce-Zion and a DIY program: Independent Challenges.

"Climate Rides are unique in that they are designed for the riders to explore the beauty of the landscape through which they pedal, while providing them with education and direct contact with environmental and cycling advocacy leaders," says Caeli Quinn, co-founder and executive director. "Today, less than three percent of charitable giving in the country goes to support the environment, despite the effects of climate change and carbon emissions on public health. We are working to combat this issue and we are very excited to bring this event to the Northeast."

Climate Ride Northeast-Bar Harbor to Boston is a fully supported bike-a-thon which provides meals, snacks, bike support, luggage transport and lodging for participants along the route. On the road, the Climate Ride support team assists riders to each day's final destination.

Participants embark upon an

experience of a lifetime, pedaling through some of America's most beautiful coastal towns and Acadia National Park. Each night, business, policy, public health and science experts engage riders in conversations about the latest conservation and sustainability issues.

The multiday event is broken down into five legs: Day 1: 76 miles Bar Harbor, ME to Hope, ME; Day 2: 61 miles Hope, ME to Jefferson, ME; Day 3: 65 or 83 miles Jefferson, ME to Ocean Park, ME; Day 4: 50 miles Ocean Park, ME to Amesbury, MA; Day 5: 62 miles Amesbury, MA to Boston, MA.

All riders commit to raise a minimum of \$2,800 by Sept. 11 in order to participate. All participants have the power to direct grants to the beneficiaries of their choice, which they select from Climate Ride's extensive list of beneficiaries.

On the afternoon of Sept. 21, there will be a celebration when riders arrive in Boston during which they will be honored during a brief welcome event. Group photos will follow.

To register to ride or to support a cyclist or team, visit [www.climateride.org](http://www.climateride.org) or call 406-552-0708. Join the conversation and follow Climate Ride on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/climateride> and on Twitter: @ClimateRide using #ClimateRide.

# AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/bayadventures).

## Summer Tours Begin

The Fairhaven Office of Tourism's free public walking tours will begin during the first week in June and will continue weekly at least through the end of September.

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, starting June 2, Henry H. Rogers Walking Tours will start at 10:00 outside the Town Hall at 40 Center Street. The tour highlights the life of the town's benefactor Henry H. Rogers, a top executive with the Standard Oil Co., who built a number of magnificent European-style public buildings in the center of town between 1885 and 1906. The tour will include visits inside the Millicent Library and the Town Hall.

The Tuesday tours are guided by Bob Foster. The Thursday tours are guided by Tourism Director Christopher Richard. Thursday tours Oct. 1 to Oct. 29 are guided by Howe Allen. They are held weather permitting.

On Friday mornings at 10:00, beginning June 5, the Fort Phoenix Minute-man Presentation will be held near the cannons at the historical fort at the south end of Fort Street. A guide dressed in period clothing from the Revolutionary War will outline the history of the fort from 1775 through the Civil War. Also included in the presentation are a discussion of 18th-century medicine and dentistry and a demonstration of loading and firing a

flintlock rifle. The presentation lasts about 60 minutes and is held weather permitting. There is free parking at Fort Phoenix and a handicap accessible walkway leads from the parking lot to the fort. (There will be no presentation on August 7.)

This summer, there will be three additional Riverside Cemetery Tours presented on Wednesday evenings. They will be held on June 24, July 22, and August 26 at 6:00 p.m. The guide will be Vanessa Gralton. Explore this beautiful burial ground created by the grandfather of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. This walk includes hills and uneven ground. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

These historical tours and presentations started in 1995. They are sponsored by the Office of Tourism and they are free of charge. Advance reservations are not needed.

For additional information, you may visit <http://FairhavenTours.com>, call 508-979-4085, or email [FairhavenTours@aol.com](mailto:FairhavenTours@aol.com).

## Ham & Bean Supper

By the North Fairhaven Improvement Association on **Fri., 6/5, at St. Marys Church, Fairhaven. Not accessible. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids.** Catered by Danny's Seafood. This should be a great event.

Tickets are available by calling Jeff Lucas, 508-971-1306, Fred Raphael at 508-951-0831, or Ted Silva at 508-965-6072; r e-mail [tedsilva@comcast.net](mailto:tedsilva@comcast.net)

Advance purchase of tickets is requested. **We are hoping to have a final ticket count by Wed., 6/3.** There may be a limited number of tickets available at the door.

## Clean-up Day

The North Fairhave Improvement Association and the Fairhaven Lions Club will hold a clean-up day on **Sat., 6/6, from 8 a.m. to noon.** Meet at the NFIA Buiding, 267 Adams St., Fairhaven, at Benoit Square.

Please join us to beautify the neighborhood. There are jobs for everyone.

## Fish Tournery

Bad Daddy Buzzards Bay Fishing Tournament, **Sat., 6/6. Lines in 5 a.m. Last weigh-in at 3:30 p.m. Cookout 1:30 p.m., Awards 5 p.m.** Rick's Outboard Marine, 105 Sconticut Neck Road, Fairhaven

Take a kid fishing! Tournament promotes the sport to all ages. Prizes afor three biggest fish of each species: tautog, sea bass, scup. **Entry fee (includes cookout and beer): Adult \$40, Child 12 and under \$20, Family (2 adults and children) \$100.** Registration form online at <http://www.CaptainMelTrue.com/tournament>.

For more info contact Capt.Mel True@gmail.com or call 508-951-9991.

## Dems to Caucus

On **Sat., 6/6**, members of the Democratic Party who are registered in Fairhaven will caucus to elect delegates and alternates to attend the party's state convention in September. The caucus will commence at **1 p.m. in the auditorium of the Millicent Library at 45 Center St. in Fairhaven.** Use Walnut St. entrance. Accessible. Registration at 12:45.

To run as a delegate or vote at the caucus you must be registered Democrat in town. The official purpose of the caucus is to select delegates to the 2015 Mass. Democratic Convention on 9/19 in Springfield..

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Fairhaven and the Democratic Town Committee welcomes participants. Delegates to be elected will be divided equally between men and women.

Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, disability, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation or economic status in the conduct of the caucus is strictly prohibited. Details on the rules can be found at [www.massdems.org](http://www.massdems.org). For Fairhaven Democratic caucus information, please contact Rich Taber, Chair at 508-542-6748. For general information on the Convention or the Democratic Party please call 617-939-0800 or email [contact@massdems.org](mailto:contact@massdems.org).

## Lifeguard Jobs

The Mass. Department of Conservation and Recreation is currently seeking certified lifeguards and head lifeguards to serve at the agency's many pools and inland and ocean beaches across the Commonwealth.

To learn more please call 617-626-1224 or visit <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/inside-our-agency/employment/dcr-lifeguard.html>

# Irish Night gets 'em going on West Island



Boiled dinner, Irish music, a few jokes, and a special citation marked the night of the West Island Improvement Association's annual Irish Night on 5/23. This year, Herb and Shirley Hunter received an official citation from the Mass. State Senate in recognition of their "lifelong commitment to the residents of the Town of Fairhaven and West Island and for all the good works you do to benefit the community." Herb told the crowd that he was "very grateful. You're good people," he said, so it makes it easy to do good things. Shirley echoed the sentiment. "You're the people who make the organization what it is," she said. LEFT: Greg Belcher, Shirley Hunter, Herb Hunter, Fairhaven Selectboard member Charles Murphy pose with the citation from the state senate to the Hunters at the West Island Improvement Association's Irish Night on 5/23. RIGHT: Eddie Waitt laughs at one of his own jokes. The 96-year-old entertained the crowd with some jokes while the Irish music band Shenanigans took a break. Photos by Beth David. Visit us at [www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews](http://www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews) for more photos of this and other events.

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<b>Fri., 5/29:</b> DJ Howie	<b>Sat., 5/30:</b> Jillian Jenson, 7-10
<b>Fri., 5/29:</b> Business Time, 7-10	<b>Sun., 5/31:</b> Matt Silva, 4-8



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# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## NB Summer Prog.

Beginning the week of June 29, the City of New Bedford's Andrea McCoy Recreation Center will offer a number of new programs for youth, adults, and seniors. The Center's programs are aimed at those interested in the arts, as well as those looking to stay active this summer, with offerings ranging from youth and adult vocal and guitar lessons, to family ballet and Tai Chi.

Classes will run for six weeks at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center (with the exception of Beginners' Tai Chi at Fort Taber Community Center). Among this summer's offerings are: **All Ages Beginners' Ballet**, available for 16+, or families with children 8 and older accompanied by a guardian. \$30 for members, \$40 for non-residents (\$5 per class); **Beginners' Tai Chi**, Available for ages 16+. \$40 for members, \$50 for non-residents (\$6 per class). Classes are held at Fort Taber Community Center, 1000 S. Rodney French Boulevard; **Adult Vocal Lessons**, Available for 16+. \$40 for members, \$50 for non-residents (\$6 per class); **Guitar Lessons**, All ages, \$50 for members, \$60 for non-residents; **Gentle Chair Yoga**, Designed to meet the specific needs of seniors at any level of health and fitness.

Register at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center at 181 Hillman Street. Need-based scholarships are available. For more information contact the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Recreation Manager, India Russell-Pena at [india.russell@newbedford-ma.gov](mailto:india.russell@newbedford-ma.gov) or 508-991-6298.

## 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 include hands-on marine science, arts and crafts, daily field trips, chantey singing, and more. The camp is free.

**Interested families must submit application by 5/31.** Campers will be

selected through a lottery process and notified by 6/13. Contact the National Park at 508-996-4095 or the NB Fishing Heritage Center at 508-993-8894 download applications at [www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org](http://www.workingwaterfrontfestival.org).

## Pot Luck & Pound

Pilgrim Women's Club of Pilgrim United Church of Christ is sponsoring its Annual Pot Luck Supper & Pound Auction to benefit Heifer Project, on **Sat. 6/6, 6 p.m., at Pilgrim Church home, corner Purchase & School Sts., New Bedford.**

Bring a favorite dish to share for supper, then enjoy spirited bidding on wrapped items.. Fun for a good cause! Call for info: 508-996-1498.

## Whale Mus. Annual

The 112th Annual Meeting of the New Bedford Whaling Museum will take place **Fri., 5/29 at 4:00 p.m. in the Cook Memorial Theater.** The public is cordially invited to attend. Annual Meeting Day events include a remembrance gathering for museum volunteers and trustees, a members' hard hat tour of the Wattles Jacobs Education Center construction site, and the dedication of the newly constructed International Gallery followed by a members' reception.

Member events begin at 2 p.m.

For more info, call 508-717-6853 or visit [www.whalingmuseum.org](http://www.whalingmuseum.org) or

## Wrestling F-R

House of Bricks Pro Wrestling in association with the New Bedford SEYAA presents, CODE RED on **Sat., 5/30, at Clegg Field, 221 Brock Avenue, New Bedford. All Tickets: \$5.** Proceeds to help benefit the New Bedford SEYAA.

Already announced: Double Main Event, HoB Heavyweight Championship Match "The International Male" Aaron Amadeus vs "WildSide" Devin Baker HoB Southern New England Championship Match; "Kick A\*\*" Kyle Storm vs Amanda Fox; New England pro wrestling Hall of Famer Class of 2010 Maverick Wild, Damien Darling, and MUCH MORE.

## Whale Masters Desc

Descendants of Whaling Masters, Inc.'s (DWM) 41st Annual Meeting is scheduled for **Sat., 6/13, at the**

Wamsutta Club, 427 County St., New Bedford. Social hour 12 noon to 1 p.m., with luncheon and a business meeting, election of officers and program following. Dinner: \$27.50 per person (all inclusive). Guests are welcome. Keynote Speaker Richard Delaney, President & C.E.O. of Center for Coastal Studies, will present a program entitled "Protecting Ocean Ecosystems to Save the Whales."

A framed Arthur Moniz print of the Charles W. Morgan New Bedford Homecoming will be offered in a Silent Auction. **R.S.V.P. by June 6,** with menu selection for each reservation. Please mail check made payable to: "Descendants of Whaling Masters, Inc." c/o William H. Potter, Jr., Treasurer, 194 Main Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

For more information about Descendants of Whaling Masters visit <http://www.whalingmasters.org>, follow DWM on Facebook, or write to: P. O. Box 3026, New Bedford, MA 02741.

## YTI Play

Your Theatre will stage a world premier of *The Obraz*, by local playwright Ray Veary, for one weekend only. Judy Lemay is directing the play.

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YTI is grateful to BankFive for sponsorship of this 68th season of quality community theatre. YTI would also like to thank the Dartmouth, Fairhaven, and New Bedford Cultural Councils for providing grants for *The Obraz*.

Performances are **June 4, 5, and 6 at 8:00 p.m. and June 7 at 2:30 p.m.** at the wheelchair accessible YTI playhouse, 136 Rivet St. (corner of County St.), New Bedford, at St. Martin's Episcopal Church complex.

General Admission to all performances is \$10. For tickets and information 508-993-0772 or email [info@yourtheatre.org](mailto:info@yourtheatre.org). Visit [www.yourtheatre.org](http://www.yourtheatre.org)

## Flag Retirement

Boy Scout Troop 333 invites the public to attend a solemn flag retirement ceremony at **10:30 a.m. on Sat., 5/30, at Cathedral Camp, 157 Middleboro Road, East Freetown.**

Please contact Troop Committee Chair Mike McCormack at 508-998-1218 or e-mail at MikeMcCormack@comcast.net, www.CCTroop333.com.

## Diabetes Walk

The JDRF Cape Cod Walk to Cure Diabetes will be held on **Sun., 5/31. Stepping off from the Cape Cod Fairgrounds, 1220 Nathan Ellis Highway, Rte. 151, E. Falmouth. Check in is at 9:30 a.m.; step off is 10:30 a.m. Length is 5K (3.1 miles).**

The goal of the Walk is to raise awareness and funds to support individuals and families with a connection to type 1 diabetes (T1D) on the Cape and South Shore.

The Walk is expected to draw an enthusiastic crowd of all ages, driven to support a great cause while enjoying an event that includes live music, an Activities Tent featuring arts and crafts, food, fun, and more! The Walk will take place rain or shine.

To register, or to support a Walker or Team, visit [walk.jdrf.org/capecod2015](http://walk.jdrf.org/capecod2015). For more information, contact Jillian Boston at 781-431-0700 or [jboston@jdrf.org](mailto:jboston@jdrf.org).

## Clamboil

At American Legion Post 265, 71 Hope St., Acushnet, **on Sun., 6/7, 2 p.m. Tickets: \$20 pp.** Call 508-998-6938 for tickets.

## Pancake Breakfast

Dartmouth Rotary Club will sponsor a Pancake breakfast on **Sun., 5/31, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Dartmouth Council on aging at 628 Dartmouth St., Dartmouth.**

Full breakfast includes coffee, juice, milk, pancakes and bacon. Tickets are **adults \$7, Seniors \$6 and children under 12 are \$5. Tickets will be available at the door.**

## Ladybug Project

The public is invited to a MOBY (My Own BackYard) event on **Sat., 5/30 at 1 pm**, when Loree Burns will present a citizen science program based on the Lost Ladybug Project.

The program will begin at the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester and move to a nearby field on Dexter Lane. Ms. Burns will teach children and their families to collect ladybugs, photograph them, and then upload their data to the Lost Ladybug Project website (<http://lostladybug.org/>) where their data will be used by scientists keeping track of North American ladybug species.

To register for the library Citizen Science program please call Rochester Library at 508-758-4171.

## Domestic violence

Bristol County District Attorney Tom Quinn's office is partnering with Employers Against Domestic Violence to conduct a free seminar for area employers, business owners, supervisors, and managers. The seminar, **"What Employers Need to Know: Understanding How Domestic Violence Affects Your Workplace and Your Legal Responsibilities as an Employer,"** will provide area businesses with a wide array of information to improve the workplace environment and reduce workplace costs directly related to domestic violence issues at the home.

**The seminar will take place Fri., 5/29, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Grand Library Reading Room at UMassD, 285 Old Westport Rd, Dartmouth.** Opening remarks will be offered by DA Quinn at 9:00 a.m.

This half-day conference is **free of charge.** A complimentary breakfast will be served. Space is limited. Register online at [www.bristololda.com](http://www.bristololda.com). You may also email [Ashley.L.Bendiksen@state.ma.us](mailto:Ashley.L.Bendiksen@state.ma.us) or call 508-997-0711 ext. 1824.

## Dems to Caucus

The Mattapoissett Democratic Town Committee will hold its annual caucus on **Sat., 6/6 at 10:15 in the lower level conference room in the Mattapoissett Library** to elect four delegates and four alternates, equally divided between men and women, to The Democratic State Convention held on 9/19.

The Town Democratic Committee encourages all voters registered as Democrats in Mattapoissett to attend the caucus so that they can either vote for delegates or run for election as a delegate.

Attending a state Democratic Convention is a great way to meet people who share similar political views with you. Delegates have opportunities to see and hear from many of our elected state officials as well as those who are the organizers and officials of our state party. This year's action agenda will feature forums, organizing workshops, exciting speakers and much more.

## 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.

## Safety on Sea/Shore

Mystic Seaport's Safety on Sea and Shore Weekend honors the work of present-day emergency personnel, while also celebrating the people, methods, and vehicles involved in maritime rescues during the 19th and early 20th centuries.

As part of Connecticut's Coast Guard Summer in celebration of the 225th anniversary of the founding of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the USCG Academy's 100 years at its current location in New London, the Museum is collaborating with the USCG Auxiliary to promote and recognize the important work the service provides.

**The event will be held Sat. & Sun., 5/30 & 31, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Plans for the weekend include: hands-on activities such as a bucket brigade, a man-overboard drill, and a breeches buoy rescue demonstration; historic apparatus on display including antique fire engines; and rescue animal demonstrations.

Free Museum admission will be extended to all first responder personnel with proper ID. Family members of personnel will receive the Museum's discounted group admission rate: adult \$20; youth (ages 6-17); \$11.50 and free for children ages 5 and under.

## Recipe of the Week

### Baked Sea Bass with Black-Olive Sauce

4 Cloves garlic; minced  
1 c Pitted black olives; chopped  
1 ts Crumbled dried oregano  
1 ts Crumbled dried basil  
2 tb Minced parsley  
Salt  
Freshly ground pepper  
1/4 c Olive oil  
2 lb Sea bass fillets (4 to 6 ea)  
1/2 c Vegetable stock -OR- dry white wine

Combine garlic, olives, oregano, basil and parsley in small bowl. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Heat oil in 13x9-inch glass baking dish at 425 degrees 1 minute.

Spread olive mixture evenly over bottom of baking dish. Arrange sea bass, skin side up, on top. Pour vegetable stock around fillets. Bake, basting occasionally with juices, 15 minutes or until done. To serve, arrange fillets and olive mixture on heated serving plates. Makes 4 servings.

Each serving contains about: 361 calories; 393 mg sodium; 145 mg cholesterol; 17 grams fat; 2 grams carbohydrates; 33 grams protein; 0.07 gram fiber.

From <http://recipesource.com>

### To share a recipe with your neighbors

Mail to 166 Dogwood St., Fairhaven, MA 02719; fax to 508-991-5580; email to [neighnews@comcast.net](mailto:neighnews@comcast.net) (Email preferred)

## Fairhaven-Acushnet Little League update

### Major League Division

#### Rolands Tire 11, Lions Club 9

For Roland's, Ryan Martin was 2 for 4 with a Home Run and 3 RBI's. Brady Becotte pitched well and was 2 for 4 at the plate with 3 runs scored. Brady Coppa was 3 for 3 and scored 2 runs.

For Lions, Ryan Deslauriers pitched well over 4 innings recording 9 strikeouts. Cadence Chase was 3 for 4 with 2 doubles and scored 3 runs. Luke Morrison was also 3 for 4 with 3 RBI. Aidan Dean collected his 1st big hit of the year.

#### Lions Club 11, Century House 0

For Lions, Cadence Chase, Luke Morrison and Mason Tolman threw 4 innings of shutout baseball. Chase was 3 for 3 with a double, triple and inside the park Home Run. Morrison and Ethan Gomes each collected 2 hits and scored twice. Isaiah Rodriguez collected his 1st Major League hit. Aidan Milton pitched well for Century, and A.J. Delgado played some solid defense.

#### Costa's Insurance 4, Livesey Club 2

It was another pitchers dual with Griffin Henriques and Will Benoit of Costa's edging out Cam Gordon of Livesey Club. Livesey bats started hot in the first inning with key hits by Ben Bowcock and Andrew "Bean" Tripanier that translated into 2 quick runs. It remained a 2-0 game until the 3rd when Costa's rallied back with big hits by Devin Champaigne, Will Benoit, Griffin Henriques and Ben Davignon which resulted in 4 runs and enough to overpower Livesey for the 4-2 win.

#### Elf's Landscaping 5, Livesey Club 4

Can you say nail-biter? Boston Rodrigues of Elf's squared off against Ben Bowcock for another great pitchers battle. Although Livesey got

on the board first with a run in the third by Cam Gordon, the powerful Elf's bats stuck back with 3 runs of their own in the 4th with a barrage of hits by Boston Rodrigues, Seth Cruz, Logan Berube, Niko Tavares and Ian Conte. Key at-bats by Matt Cadieux (3 doubles in the game), Mason Forcier, and Scotty Joseph helped ignite a bottom of the sixth rally with Livesey just falling short 5-4.

#### Superior Logos 5, Elf's Land. 9

In the first inning Superior's big blow came from a 3 run HR by Cameron Lynch. Elf's exploded with hits from Boston Rodrigues Niko Tavares, Ian Conte, Isaiah Lopez to tie it up after 1. Garrett Brunette did the pitching for Superior while Logan Berube held Superior Scoreless after the first. Ian Conte came in for the save for Elf's. The Bats for Elf's were alive on this night, Isaiah Lopez with 3 hits 6 RBI's, Logan Berube with 2 hits, Niko Tavares with 2 hits, Ian Conte with 2 hits, and Chris Carter with an RBI hit.

#### Lions Club 2, Elf's Landscaping

Ethan Gomes, Aidan Dean and Ryan Deslauriers had hits for Lions in the first which equaled to their 2 runs. Logan Berube and Ian Conte combined for the win for Elf's. Boston Rodrigues, Niko Tavares, Nate Roderiques, all with 2 hits for Elf's. Ian Conte had a big 2 out triple with 3 RBI's in the 3rd. Nate Gamache and Chris Carter had great games for Elf's.

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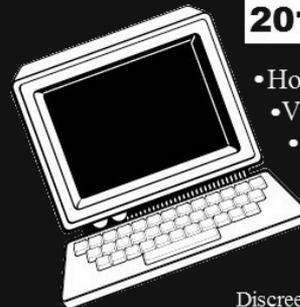
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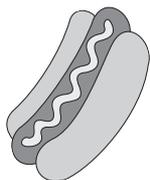


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# Fairhaven Memorial Day parade honors the fallen

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven residents turned out in force to support veterans and others marching in the Memorial Day parade on Monday, 5/25, to honor the memory of those veterans who have died.

On a warm and sunny day, the parade stepped off near Center and Main Streets, and traveled along Main to Riverside Cemetery for a ceremony that included the reading of General Logan's Orders, which established the holiday.

Spectators lined the route, many of them waving small flags to show support.

The line-up included Fairhaven police and fire department color guards, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, politicians, Disabled American Veterans, Gold Star Mother and Fathers, all branches of the military, Scouts, the Fairhaven Village Militia, Lions Club and other local organizations. Fairhaven's four police recruits, who are still in the academy, also marched.

When the Fairhaven High School Band reached the high school, the class of 1965 raised the big 30x50-foot flag as the FHS band played the National Anthem.

Mark Sylvia also announced each group as it reached the intersection of Main and Huttleston Avenue.

Jerry Bettencourt, a Vietnam Era veteran who served in Korea, said he usually marches, but this year needed to sit it out and watch, "to show support for the boys."

He said his son, also Jerry Bettencourt, was in the police honor guard.

Sisters Nancy Chadbourne of

Lakeville and Gail Almeida of Dartmouth (nee Spooner) said they used to march many years ago when they were in the Brownies. They said they were "Sea Scouts," which emphasized water activities, like sailing.

At Riverside Cemetery, Rev. Ellie Reed, a Marine Corps Veteran, gave the opening prayer.

Emcee George Brownell, a Vietnam Veteran, said that Prisoners of War and Missing in Action service members should not be forgotten. The MIA traveling chair was next to the podium, signifying that

MIAs were remembered. Mr. Brownell said more than 40,000 service members were still missing in overseas wars.

Fairhaven Selectboard Chairperson Geoffrey Haworth read Gen. Logan's Orders, but also said a few words.

He told the crowd that service members being honored came from all walks of life, but they shared fundamental qualities.

"They possessed courage, pride, determination, selflessness, dedication to duty and integrity — all the qualities needed to serve a cause larger than one's self," said Mr. Haworth. "Today our troops continue to make the ultimate sacrifices, and even as we lose troops, more Americans step



The Fairhaven Lions Club joined the Memorial Day Parade in Fairhaven on 5/25 with this float commemorating the 70th anniversary of Iwo Jima, when five Marines and one Navy corpsman raised the American flag on the mountain. The moment was captured in a photograph by Joe Rosenthal who won a Pulitzer Prize for it. For more information on the famous photo, visit <http://www.iwojima.com/raising/index.htm> BELOW: Some children sit on the wall at Fairhaven High School waiting for the parade to go by. Photos by Beth David.

forward to say, I'm ready to serve."

He said that Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day, created after the Civil War in 1887.

"Our gathering is just one small spark in the flame of pride that burns across the nation today and every day," said Mr. Haworth. "It's not a lot, but it's one small way we can honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can live in freedom."

Gerald Stabell, Adjutant Bristol County American Legion District 9, also addressed the crowd, saying that Memorial Day is a "solemn day of remembrance for all Americans."

He said it is a time to pay tribute to those who "laid down their lives in defense of their country."

"Millions of lives were forever altered when these brave men and women took up arms to protect the freedoms and constitutional rights that we all cherish, yet tend to take for granted," said Mr. Stabell, adding that many are still missing in action.

Whenever Americans defend the country, they will not be forgotten, and their families should also be

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# Encampment activities thrill crowds, especially cannon firing

By Beth David  
Editor

The Fairhaven Village Militia wowed visitors, both newcomers and regular customers, at its annual spring encampment at Fort Phoenix on Saturday and Sunday, 5/23 & 24.

The weekend included cooking on an open fire and firing muskets and the five big Civil War era cannons at the fort.

Demonstrations on how life was lived during the Revolutionary War, included starting a fire with flint, tomahawk throwing, children's games, and demonstrations on how to use a host of tools and devices of the time.

On Saturday night, at just about dusk, the highlight of the weekend was the firing of the five cannons.

Militia member and tourism director Christopher Richard explained step by step how the cannons are loaded, with what, and why certain steps were taken.

The charge is 18 of black powder with no projectile. In the war, the charge would require five to ten pounds of black powder to push a 24-

pound iron ball out over the water.

Mr. Richard said the ball could read the Butler Flats Lighthouse seen in the distance.

This year, the number five cannon got a little fussy and did not want to fire. Mr. Richard used the opportunity to explain the protocol when that happens, which includes, not surprisingly, that no one gets in front of the cannon.

Militia member Wayne Oliveira ascertained that the charge was not back far enough in the cannon. He pushed it back with the ram (gently), and then it lit, firing with a great big bang, just like the others.

The Fairhaven Village Militia is



Members of the Fairhaven Village Militia fire off cannon #3 at Fort Phoenix on Saturday, 5/23, at dusk. The Militia has several events during the year when they fire off the five 24-pound Seacoast Defense cannons. Photo by Beth David.

scheduled to hold another encampment in September.

At 10 a.m. on July 4, the Militia will fire the cannons in honor of Independence Day.

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

## Empty Union Wharf is eerie looking



Union Wharf in Fairhaven is clear of cars and boats on day last week, as officials get it ready for a rehabilitation project to start soon. Photo by Jim Mahaney.

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## Youth Track & Field

This summer, Fairhaven Recreation will be continuing our youth track and field program for children ages 3 through grade 8. This program starts at the end of the school year and runs for 4 weeks. The program is **free with your play card** and will meet 2 days a week at Cushman Park from 6-8 p.m. Program starts June 29th (Mondays 7 Wednesdays)

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the 8th and 15th from 1-3 p.m.

### Cops 'n Donuts

At the Fairhaven Senior Center with Det. Janice Bubluski, Elder Safety Office in Fairhaven. She has some important messages to share. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and have a donut of course. please call the Fairhaven Senior Center at 508-979-4029 for the next date.

### 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

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### Maintain Your Independence

"How to Maintain Your Independence, June 3, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at The Fairhaven Council on Aging, 229 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven. **RSVP by May 28**, to 508-979-4029 or 508-748-1331. Lunch served. Raffles.

### Single Seniors Supper Club

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### Southcoast LGBT

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### Sewing Circle

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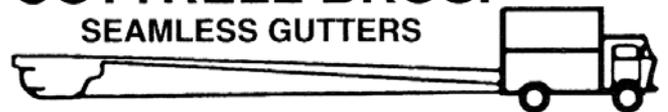
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# Acushnet news

## Plant Sale a Huge Success

## Town Meeting Transportation

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.

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The New Bedford Garden Club recently held their annual plant sale at the Acushnet Senior Center. Over \$3,000 was raised to benefit the Club's scholarship fund. *Submitted photo.*

## Wine Tasting Fundraiser

To benefit Coastline Elderly Services. **Friday, June 12th.** Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Running Brook Winery, 335 Old Fall River Road, Dartmouth. Wine Sampling, Hors d'Oeuvres, Desserts, Live Entertainment, Raffles, Auctions.

Please RSVP by June 5th to Jessica Peck at [jpeck@coastlinenb.org](mailto:jpeck@coastlinenb.org) or 508-742-9180. \$35 Per Person. Checks should be made payable and sent to: Coastline, 1646 Purchase Street, New

Bedford, MA 02740. Cash cannot be accepted.

## Last Chance for Free Manicures

**Thursday, June 4th** at the Acushnet Senior Center from 10:00-11:30 a.m., students from Old Colony will be here one last time before the summer break offering free hand massage and manicures! Bring your own polish or choose from one of the many colors students have on hand. No appointments, walk-ins only.

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### Support the Food Pantry

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## PARADE: cont'd from page 12

remembered, he said.

“We must realize that the values placed upon freedom, justice and democracy are truly worth defending and that the freedoms we enjoy today are not and never were free, but came with a very high price tag,” said Mr. Stabell. “Let us remember that

Memorial Day is not a day just to shed tears, but the opportunity to reaffirm our faith in God and country as well as in each and every one of us.”

Mr. Stabell also voiced support for the current military and veterans coming home from overseas. He said many wounded warriors are returning.

“We need to support them. We need to think about them,” said Mr. Stabell, adding that they were injured defending us “to keep us a free country.”

In his closing remarks, Mr. Brownell told the crowd, “When it was cool to burn your draft card, brave men did their duty, and because their sacrifice, we are free.”



TOP RIGHT: A youngster waves a flag while his adult takes a movie of the Fairhaven Memorial Day parade on Monday, 5/25. ABOVE, L-R: Fairhaven's new police recruits, Matthew Sobral, Jerome Penha, Jr., Jonathan Alves, and Scott Coelho, who are currently in the police academy, wait at Riverside Park for ceremony to begin at their first Memorial Day Parade as Fairhaven Police Officers. *Photos by Beth David*



Services at the cemetery included the sounding of taps by Ryan Roderick and Jacob Costa of the FHS band, the laying of wreaths, the firing of muskets and the small cannon by the Fairhaven Village Militia, and several musical selections from the FHS Band and the First Congregational Church Choir. Richard Ryle, Cmdr. American Legion Post #166 read the Legion's honor roll; Jeff Cardoza, Cmdr. VFW Post #2892 read the VFW honor roll; Selectboard chair Geoffrey Haworth read the town's honor roll. ●●●

## Flag raised in honor of Cataldo; flags placed on graves



In addition to the parade, Fairhaven held other Memorial Day events. At 7 a.m., Boy Scouts raised the flag at Fort Phoenix and brought it to half staff in honor of Joseph Cataldo. At noon, they raised it to full staff. At 5 p.m., they lowered the flag and presented it to Mr. Cataldo's family.

Mr. Cataldo was honored for his service to the town and his devotion as a family man. “Personal concern for the town was an important part of his life,” wrote his family in a program book for the ceremonies.

He served on the Board of Public Works for 17 years and on the Selectboard for two terms. The flag raising at the fort was sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association. Before Memorial Day, in an effort spearheaded by the

American Legion, volunteers place flags on the graves of all veterans.

ABOVE: Volunteers place flags on the graves of veterans at Riverside Cemetery in Fairhaven a few days before Memorial Day. L-R: Michael Silvia, Fairhaven Veterans Agent James Cochran, Dave Masten (all with the George Taber Masonic Lodge), and John Gould

*Photo courtesy of Jeff Wotton.*

# FHS senior killed in car crash, was set to graduate on Sunday

By Beth David  
Editor

A Fairhaven High School senior was killed in a car crash on Monday night, 5/25, just days before she was scheduled to graduate.

Meghan Sargent, 18, was a passenger in a car driven by Brooklyn Cody Rodrigues, 21, who was also killed in the crash. The two attended the prom together. Brooklyn, who also attended FHS, but did not graduate, was born female, but identified as male, changing his name from Bria to Brooklyn.

The 2002 Saturn they were driving in crashed in Mattapoissett around 10:30 p.m. According to a statement by Mattapoissett police chief Mary Lyons, the car hit a curb while traveling westbound on Route 6, rolled over, and came to rest in the front yard of 83 Fairhaven Road (Route 6), which is near Mattapoissett Neck Road. Both were pronounced dead at the scene.

At a press conference held Monday, Superintendent Robert Baldwin told reporters that when the "unthinkable happens," people are hit with a "magnitude of feeling."

Meghan was scheduled to graduate from FHS this coming Sunday, with honors. She was a leader in the FHS band, and had played her trombone in the Memorial Day parade the day she died.

"So the loss of Meghan is hitting us very hard," said Dr. Baldwin.

He said the district put an "amazing team" in place to help students deal with the consequences of a tragedy. He said their focus is to support the family and the students.

FHS Principal Tara Kohler immediately assembled a team of grief counselors from a variety of

local agencies.

She said they first told Meghan's closest friends in the band, then the seniors, then the rest of the school.

"She was kind, very kind and caring," said Principal Kohler, describing Meghan. "She always had a big, bubbly smile on her face."

They both said they would work with Meghan's family to decide how to proceed on Sunday.

"It's a horrific event," said Dr. Baldwin. "It's not written in a book how to deal with it. There's no how-to primer."

"I lost my daughter/best friend today," wrote Brooklyn's mother Cindy Rutherford in a Facebook private message. "I have such a broken heart and I don't know how I am going to handle this. Thank you for the support from my family and friends. Bria you are loved so much and will be missed every day. I love you."

Meghan's family did not respond to a request for comment, but her Facebook page had many posts.

"Always enjoyed when you took a moment before class to stop and have a talk with me," wrote Thomas Williams. "You had a Great laugh.... Great maturity.... You stood out!! You made class personal as you were



L-R: Brooklyn Cody Rodrigues and Meghan Sargent before their prom. Both were born female, but Brooklyn identified as male, changing his name from Bria to Brooklyn. The two were killed when the car they were driving in rolled over on Route 6 in Mattapoissett on Monday, 5/25, at about 10:30 p.m. Photo courtesy of Cindy Rutherford.

willing to talk about personal things that related to what we were discussing I'm so sorry that this happened!"

Both families have set up GoFundMe pages to help defray funeral costs. For Meghan's, visit <http://www.gofundme.com/vk6hws>; for Brooklyn's visit <http://www.gofundme.com/vh9t8ss>

Meghan's father Norm Sargent wrote: "This is to help defer some of the funeral fees of Meghan Ashley Sargent, my beautiful baby girl taken from us far [too] soon."

Ms. Rutherford wrote: "I Am Bria/Brooklyn's mom. She was a fun & outgoing person....she was adopted by us when she was 12. Bria/Brooklyn's love for life & infectious smile will be missed by everyone who knew her."

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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.

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## Boater dies in water off Fort Taber

By *Beth David*  
Editor

A 46-year-old New Bedford man died after the inflatable raft he was in flipped over in strong currents and strong winds, according to Captain Patrick Moran, spokesperson for the Mass. Environmental Police. On Sunday, 5/24, Jesus Carvajal, was riding in a seven-foot raft, described by Capt. Moran as the type sold in discount department stores, when the wind got hold of the craft and Mr. Carvajal lost control of it.

Two male friends, who police would not identify, realized he was in trouble and swam out to help. A woman on a jet-ski noticed all three men in trouble and went over to help.

Two recreational boaters, Scott Gomes of New Bedford and Dinarte Pacheco, responded when they saw the abandoned raft. They pulled it into their boat and noticed a woman on a jet ski waving them down. The woman, who police would not identify, was holding Mr. Carvajal, while the other two men held onto the jet ski.

Local emergency responders from Fairhaven and New Bedford

responded to the emergency. Mr. Pacheco and Mr. Gomes, kept the men on their boat until help arrived, and secured the jet ski, which had flipped over at some point. Emergency responders took the body to shore.

None of the men was wearing a life jacket, said Capt. Moran, who stressed that the water is very cold, even if the air temperature is warm. He also said the raft was not fully inflated.

The whole scenario unfolded only about 40 yards from shore.

“But with 25 to 30 knot winds, it was certainly unfavorable boating conditions for a boat of that size and no life jackets,” said Capt. Moran. “We can’t preach enough about this, about boating responsibly and wearing a life jacket. That’s 90 percent of fatalities...people not wearing life jackets. It’s a message we preach every day.”

Children younger than 12 are required by law to wear life jackets at all times on a boat. For more information on boating safety, visit <http://www.mass.gov/eea/grants-and-tech-assistance/enforcement/environmental-police/>



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### Conservation Commission

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

### Government Study Comm.

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

### Planning Board

Tues., 6/9, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 6/10, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Tues., 6/9, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Conservation Commission

Wed., 6/10, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Planning Commission

Thurs., 6/11, Parting Ways Bld., 6:30

### Selectboard

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

### Town Meeting

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

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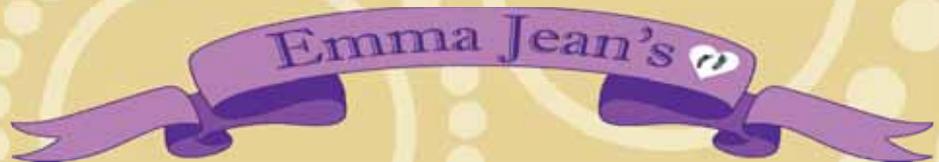
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