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## FESTA!



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Confetti fills the air around the statue of Our Lady of Angels at the 86th annual OLOA feast on Monday, 9/5. The traditional wreath had to be placed by someone on a ladder because the line it was on blew down in the windy remnants of Hurricane Hermine. The three Canastra girls, Sophia, Noella and Emma, dressed as OLOA, are in front. 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.



Beth David, Publisher

Well, Hurricane Hermine packed a pretty wimpy punch, be we enjoyed her company anyway (see pages 13 & 22). We had some fun winds on Sunday and Monday, but that was about it. Not complaining, not at all. We like a good storm in these parts, but we like them when they don't smash up things.

The feast, unfortunately, had to shorten the procession because of the wind (see page 12), but the rest of the proceedings continued as planned. The malassadas were GREEEAAT! Soooo good. You'll have to wait a whole year to get 'em that good again.

We have a very short piece on page 16 about the Peters Family Orchard. May Peters retired last year, but then decided she was going to open up this fall. Unfortunately, stuff happened, including a lousy season for apples with that frost we had in the spring and then the drought. So, she decided not to open.

The plan last year had been to sell off a couple of lots for development. No lots have sold.

Now, on the one had, that's not the best news for May. On the other hand, I think it creates an opportunity for the town of Acushnet to preserve the farm as open space.

One of the best things about Acushnet is, as they like to say, its "rural character." That means farms, farms along Main Street.

Anyone, and I mean ANY PERSON in these parts who enjoys a nice country ride in a car or on a motorcycle, has taken a cruise along Main Street in Acushnet. You've been by the Peters Family Orchard. It's been there for decades (I'd look it up, but it's getting late).

So, if Acushnet is serious about preserving its rural character, here is a perfect opportunity to buy the conservation restriction, or agricultural preservation restriction for the property.

Acushnet has adopted the Community Preservation Act and has an active CP Committee.

The Peters Family Orchard is a town gem. Generations of Acushnet residents and residents from the whole area have cherished memories of buying apples and hayrides and May's scrumptious pies and other delectables.

It would be a shame to see the property bulldozed to make way for a few cookie-cutter houses.

C'mon, Acushnet, you can do this.

Go by, see May, make a deal.

On another note, the fall season is getting in full swing in these parts. Stuff is happening every weekend.

The Serve-A-Thon is this Saturday (see letter on page 2); this weekend is the Apple-Peach Fest in Acushnet, the FBA family golf day in Fairhaven, and a bunch of other good stuff (see pages 3, 5, 8, 9).

Next week, on Thursday, is a neighborhood cookout at OLH (see page 5) in the center.

And...and...well, just check out these pages. And make sure you grab next week's issue, too, because the events are coming fast. Then, well, the cold weather will set in, but not yet, not yet.

Until next week then...see ya,

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

# Quite a mix of choices for this weekend's activities

## Flag Retirement Ceremony

This weekend is the anniversary of the 15th anniversary of the September 11 attacks, so it is appropriate that the Lions Club and the Boy Scouts are holding a flag retirement ceremony.

The Fairhaven Lions Club and Fairhaven Boy Scout Troop 52 and Cub Scout Pack 52 will hold the Flag Retirement Ceremony of United States Flags at Benoit Square, junction of Adams and Main Streets in Fairhaven, at 5 p.m. on Sun., 9/11, in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of September 11 attacks.

Retirement is the term used to



define the proper, dignified way of destroying United States flags that are no longer fit to serve the nation.

Flags to be retired may be dropped in the red, white and blue box in front of 267 Adams Street, Fairhaven.

**Flags may also be brought to the Ceremony** so individuals may personally retire a flag in memory of a loved one, for a special event, or any reason of their own.

We invite everyone to attend this memorable event.

## FBA Golf Day

Please join us for the third annual Fairhaven Business Association Mini-golf Family Fun Day, on **Sat., 9/10, from 9 a.m.-noon, at Cap'n Barnacle's Mini Golf, 2 David Drown Blvd., Fairhaven; \$10 ages 10+; \$5 ages 3-10. To benefit the FBA and the Fairhaven Community. Open to the public, family ad friends are all welcome.**

Join the FBA ad play for free. For more information, visit <http://fairhavenbusiness.blogspot.com>

Learn more about the FBA and have some fun, too. The objective of

the FBA, Inc., is the collaboration of marketing, encouragement of local economic development, revitalization and tourism, by providing a forum for discussion and by providing information to assist in ventures advantageous to its members and the community as a whole. Owners or representatives of business entities operating within Fairhaven, Mass., are eligible for membership.

## Apple-Peach Festival

The 37th annual Acushnet Apple-Peach Festival will be held this Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Long Plain Museum, 1203 Main Street, Acushnet.

The parade will start on Sunday at 10 a.m. from Pope Park and go to the museum grounds. Features entertainment, crafts, food and fun!

See page 16 for more details.

Don't forget to

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Thurs., 9/8, Primary Elections

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## Entertainment

**Tuesdays: Karaoke @ 9p.m.**

**Wednesdays: EPT Poker @ 7p.m.**

**Thursdays: Trivia @ 7:30p.m.**

**Fridays: Karaoke/DJ @ 9p.m.**

**Saturdays: Live Music (no Cover)**

**Sundays: Country Dancing**

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[www.BaysideLoungeFhvn.com](http://www.BaysideLoungeFhvn.com)

# Scenes from the Festa!

Yes, indeed, my Faithful Readers, this page was supposed to be for meeting coverage, the Zoning Board of Appeals, to be precise. However, your esteemed editor suddenly looked up and realized that the deadline was speeding towards her faster than the writing would go. Hence, these extra photos of the OLOA Feast. See page 12 for story.



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## AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

### Serve A Thon

A chance to volunteer in Fairhaven, New Bedford and Dartmouth. See letter on page 20 for details.

### FBA Golf Day

See page 3 for details

### 1/2 price sale

Heavenly Treasures, Open 10 AM - 1 PM Wednesdays and Saturdays, First Congregational Church, William Street Entrance, Fairhaven. **Half-Price Sale on Clothing and Shoes, 9/10.**

### Boat Poker Run

Annual performance and open to all boaters. **Third Annual Boat Run in Buzzards Bay and Vineyard Sound for the Kennedy Donovan Center.** Will be held on Sat., 9/10, leaving from Earl's Marina, 56 Goulart Memorial Drive, Fairhaven.

Check-in, 9-11 a.m. Captain's meeting at 11. Start at noon. Boats dock at 5 p.m., Dinner 6-7. Awards, raffles, poker hands at 7:30.

Starting point, Earl's Marina; 1st stop Quick's Hole; 2nd stop Woods Hole Houseboat; 3rd stop The Chart Room, Kingman Marine; 4th stop Finish line, Earl's Marina. Total run is approx. 45 miles.

First price \$1,000; 2nd, \$500, 3rd, \$250. **Registration: \$275 per boat, up to four crew members.**

Open to public and all boaters. You don't need a high performance boat to participate. Live Entertainment and Raffles.

For more information, contact Peter Nopper, 508-989-9913 marine transmission@comcast.net; Heidi Pereira, 508-0971-1699, hpereira@kdc.org; Caryn Sullivan, 508-509-4080, Csully4080@aol.com

### Speaker Series

SouthCoast Progressive Voices (SCPV), sponsored and organized by The Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven, will host a series of seminars this fall to explore ideas through conversations with experts in fields of broad public interest, including but not limited to current affairs of a local, regional or national nature. This series will gather individuals from the local community for two-hour engaging discussion sessions, which will take place at the

Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green St., Fairhaven, and will be open to the public. In lieu of charging for this series, donations will be gladly accepted.

SCPV Speaker Series: **American Society in a Time of Transition, 7 p.m., Sept. 14.**

How did we get here? Where could we be headed? What major challenges are weighing on our future prosperity? Presented by Michael Goodwin, Professor of Public Policy, Executive Director of the Public Policy Center, and Acting Chair of the Department of Public Policy at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth. Register online at <http://bit.ly/TimeofTransition>

The Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven (UUSF) forms a vibrant, compassionate and safe spiritual community that encourages free religious expression and lifelong learning. Sunday Worship Service is held at 10:30 a.m. For more info, visit [www.uufairhaven.org](http://www.uufairhaven.org).

### Book Discussion

**September 15, at 10:00 a.m., at the Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Walnut St. entrance. Accessible.** Peggy Medeiros will talk about her research concerning the history, and architecture of several New Bedford Mansions. As author of the book, *New Bedford Mansions*, she will start the first of the monthly discussions of the Thursday morning book group.

Other books on the reading list are: Rosemary: *Lila*, by Marilynne Robinson on October 20th; *The Hidden Kennedy Daughter* (November 17th); *Best Boy* by Eli Gottlieb for December 15th; and *483 Days: An Extraordinary True Story of Survival At Sea*, by Jonathan Franklin for January 19th, 2017. All of the books are available to borrow through SAILS, the inter-library site. Check the Millicent Library web-site for further details.

For questions or directions, please call Norma Markey at 508-993-3745.

### Neighborhood Cookout

Celebraet summer at Our Lady's Haven Neighborhood Cookout.

All residents living in the OLH neighborhood are cordially invited to attend on **Thurs., 9/15, from 5-7**

**p.m., at Our Lady's Haven Courtyard, 71 Center St., Fairhaven.**

Serving Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Assorted Cold Beverages & Watermelon

Any questions, please call Lisa Grillo (508) 999-4561. Tours available upon request.

### Motorcycle Run

First annual motorcycle run to benefit the Kennedy-Donovan Center New Bedford School and Adult Day Habilitation. **At the Bayside Lounge, 125 Scoticut Neck Road, Fairhaven, on Sat., 9/17, at 11:30, Kickstands up at NOON for a two-hour ride through scenic back-roads.**

**\$20 donation includes ride, food and entertainment.** Cash bar. Great live music starting at 2 p.m. with the Dave Charnley Band.

For more info, call the Bayside at 508-996-9212 or Heidi at 508-971-1699. Visit [www.baysideloungefhvn.com](http://www.baysideloungefhvn.com)

### Town Auction

The town of Fairhaven will hold a surplus property auction on **Sat., 9/17, at the BPW Garage on Arsene St., at 9 a.m.** Items include several vehicles, approximately 17 bicycles, office equipment and furniture, and other assorted items.

Contact the BPW, 508-979-4030 for more details.

### Blood Drive

Blood Drive on Wed., 9/14, from 1:30-6:30 p.m., Fairhaven Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Ave.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) and follow the instructions on the site.

### Farmer's Market

Fairhaven Farmer's Market runs **from 1-4 p.m. every Sunday through mid October.** At Fairhaven High School, 12 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven

Buy fresh local produce and other products from area farmers. Entertainment will be available occasionally during market hours.

# WIIA holds last breakfast of the season



That's it, Folks! Summer is over. The West Island Improvement Association held its final breakfast buffet of the season (and year) on Sunday, 9/4. If you missed it, you'll just have to wait until next year to see all the summer folks and year-round folks hobnobbing together over coffee and eggs and pancakes and all the fixin's. LEFT TOP: Terry Pereira momentarily forgets that she is not supposed to smile for the camera. LEFT BOTTOM: Jackie Hobson is at her regular station, dishing out the eggs. ABOVE: Baby Leila, at her first WIIA breakfast buffet, is the fourth generation of Mouldings on the island, starting with Bob and Caroline Moulding. *Photos by Beth David.*

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## Who makes the magic?

*By Beth David*

"Get away from those trees," yelled Mark's dad. "I told you, you're not digging up the lawn to look for gnomes."

"I know, I know," Mark answered.

He wanted to dig up the gnome trees, though, to see if gnomes really existed. Gnomes build their homes under two oak trees planted near each other. One tree is the entrance, the other is the house.

Mark's mother acted positively mortified, hysterical really, that her little boy would want to ruin gnome homes.

But Mark didn't want to ruin their homes. He wanted to contact them and tell them that the Waters family needed help this year.

The gnomes on Nikommo Island often helped families in need.

Mark wanted to tell them that they needed stuff, Christmas stuff. It was Thanksgiving Day and things were looking pretty glum.

Granddad Waters, who used to live on the island, simply said, "You don't contact gnomes, they contact you."

Mark's know-it-all snooty cousin said only fools believed in gnomes and he didn't even know the difference between a puckwudgie and a fairy.

So Mark plotted and planned for a way to contact the gnomes.

Meanwhile, he helped Miss Adamack in her yard, shoveling snow and fixing her

fairy houses.

Finally, he confided in the very theatrical, eccentric old lady.

He found that she, too, believed in gnomes and fairies and all the Little People of the island.

But before he could hatch a plan to contact the gnomes, Miss Adamack had an "episode" and ended up in the hospital.

At first, all Mark could think of was how she could not help him contact the gnomes. Then his little sister Polly got all emotional and weepy and worried about Miss Adamack because she was sick.

Mark felt like a heel.

He changed his mind, and decided to take back is note asking for stuff.

But, before he could do that, he found a little vial of potion right in his secret spot.

Mark could hardly contain himself until the next day. And then, it was a snow day. Gnome magic all the way around.

He made Miss Adamack drink the potion in her hot chocolate, and in no time at all she was singing and wearing her colorful clothes and baking cookies.

What he didn't understand, though, was how the gnomes knew. His note had asked for a bike and a board game, not a potion.

"You don't have to say things out loud for gnomes to hear them," Miss Adamack

told Mark.

"Oh. I don't think I like that."

"No one does," she said. "But if you know that someone is hearing your thoughts, maybe it will make you think better thoughts."

And with that, they wrote down their whole story in the big black book of stories about the Little People on Nikommo Island.

Who Makes the Magic, \$1.49, is a 9,600-word short story available for Kindles, Nooks and other e-book readers. It includes a 2,570-word bedtime version. Visit [www.Zorena.com](http://www.Zorena.com) for links to buy.



In a rare painting, three Woodland Gnomes, probably from different clans, stop for a visit by an old oak tree on Nikommo Island. The painting was found in the attic of an eccentric artist who had lived on Nikommo Island for many years.

# Truck knocks out power in Fairhaven



Fairhaven residents were without electrical power for about one hour on Tuesday, 9/6, as a Tractor Trailer truck leaving the Brahmin Leather property ripped down overhead power lines, leaving a large portion of Fairhaven without electrical service. The truck was from Zenith Freight Lines out of Maryland and the driver was from Delaware. No injuries were reported and the driver remained in the truck until Eversource workers arrived at the scene and cut any remaining power sources. Alden Road was also closed by Fairhaven Police during the incident.

*Photo courtesy of Fairhaven Fire Department.*

## ATRIA FAIRHAVEN

*Our residents are looking forward to an exciting, eventful September here at Atria Fairhaven. We'd love for you to join us.*  
(RSVP: 508-994-9238)

Join us for:

**Friday 9th**

Entertainment with Candida Rose at 2:00

**Sunday 11th**

Entertainment with The Singing Nurse for National Grandparents Day at 2:00

**Tuesday 13th**

Entertainment with Dave Valerio at 2:30

**Wednesday 14th**

Entertainment with Bill Reidy at 2:00



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# HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

## Serve A Thon

A chance to volunteer in Fairhaven, New Bedford and Dartmouth. See letter on page 20 for details.

## Seafood Throwdown

The New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, in collaboration with the Northwest Atlantic Marine Alliance, Mass in Motion New Bedford/New Bedford Farmer's Market, is pleased to present a Seafood Throwdown on AHA Night, **Thurs., 9/8. The free event will take place beginning at 5:00 pm in Custom House Square located in downtown New Bedford.**

For more information, visit [www.fishingheritagecenter.org](http://www.fishingheritagecenter.org).

## Author Event

Noted historian and author Michael Helquist will speak about his recently published book *Marie Equi: Radical Politics and Outlaw Passions* at the **Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum on Tues., 9/13, at 7:00 pm.** Meticulously researched and presented with compassion and insight, Marie Equi's life story is truly remarkable.

Born in New Bedford in 1872, she endured childhood labor in a textile mill in the city before moving to Oregon with her longtime female companion. Self-motivated and ambitious, she studied medicine and became a physician as well as a staunch advocate for reproductive rights. Her beliefs and undaunted activism included marching for worker's rights and civil liberties, fighting with the police, a night in jail with birth control advocate Margaret Sanger and a three-year conviction at San Quentin for speaking out against World War I.

Nancy Krieger of Harvard's Chan School of Public Health notes that "... Helquist vividly narrates how this passionate, keen, and caring woman dared to live openly as a lesbian and to fight fiercely for social justice, as a physician, suffragist, (and) abortionist..." Join us to learn more about this determined woman's life, struggles and accomplishments. **Members: \$10; non-members \$12.**

## Call for Plays

Culture\*Park is now accepting submissions of original plays for the

14th Annual Culture\*Park Short Plays Marathon, taking place Saturday, November 12, 2016 from 2-10:30 pm in the Whaling Museum Theater in downtown New Bedford. **Deadline for play submissions to reach Culture\*Park is, Sept. 15, 2016.**

We welcome your play submissions! \* Please note the submission guidelines can be found on the Culture\*Park website... <http://culturepark.org/spm-call>

Culture\*Park Theatre is a collaborative organization of theatre and performing artists, community members, and others who support the production and development of new works in theatre and dance, especially those with regional and culturally provocative themes.

Through 13 past Marathons, Culture\*Park has presented over 300 original short plays. Many of these new works have received further development, full production, and/or publication. Sponsored in part by the Massachusetts Cultural Council

## Paper Shred Day

Area residents can participate in a paper shredding day in downtown New Bedford sponsored by New Bedford's Department of Community Services, the Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District, and Doc Shredding Corp. **The event will take place on Sat., 9/17, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.**

Businesses and residents of New Bedford, Dartmouth, and all communities are welcome. **The paper shredding charge is \$5 per box.** Cash or check only. Each box should weigh no more than 30 to 40 pounds.

The shredding event will be held at the parking lot across from City Hall on the **corner of William Street and North 6th Street (enter on William Street).** In addition, the company will destroy old computer hard drives for a fee of \$5. For questions about the event please call the Department of Community Services at (508) 979-1692 or the Refuse District Recycling Office at (508) 979-1493.

## Ham & Bean Supper

Pilgrim United Church of Christ will hold a Ham & Bean Supper with Raffle on **Sat., 9/17, at 6 p.m., at Pilgrim Church Home, 634 Purchase St., New Bedford.**

**Donation: Adults \$10. Child (under 6) \$5.** Ham & Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Strawberry Shortcake, Beverages. Reservations: 508-998-1718 or 508-996-1498

## YTI Play

Your Theatre, Inc., presents *California Suite* by Neil Simon; Directed by Robin Richard, **Sept. 8-10 at 8 p.m.; Sept. 11 at 2:30 p.m.; Sep 15-17 at 8 p.m.; Sep 18 at 2:30 p.m.**

Performances are held at the wheelchair accessible Your Theatre, Inc. Playhouse located at **136 Rivet St. (corner of County St.), New Bedford,** at St. Martin's Episcopal Church complex. Free off-street parking entrance is on County Street.

**Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$12 for season subscribers (three show minimum), and \$13 for senior citizens, students, and military personnel.** For further information call Your Theatre, Inc. at 508-993-0772, or send an email to [info@yourtheatre.org](mailto:info@yourtheatre.org). The theatre's web site is [www.yourtheatre.org](http://www.yourtheatre.org)

Neil Simon at his most humane, compassionate best. Your Theatre, Inc. is grateful to our 70th Season Sponsor, Bank5, for their fifth year of strong support for the arts.

## NB Cultural Council seeks projects

The New Bedford Cultural Council will soon begin accepting applications for grant funding for community-based projects in the arts, humanities and sciences for the FY 2017 round of funding. Each year, organizations, schools and individuals are invited to apply to the Local Cultural Council for funding to support projects that promote rich cultural experiences in the New Bedford community. This year, all applicants must submit their proposals via the new online system and no hard copy applications will be accepted.

For specific guidelines and complete information on the New Bedford Cultural Council, please contact Jill Horton-Simms via email at [newbedfordcc@gmail.com](mailto:newbedfordcc@gmail.com). The New Bedford Cultural Council guidelines are available online at <http://www.mass-culture.org/New-Bedford>.

# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

## Apple-Peach Fest

This weekend in Acushnet. See page 16 for details

## Golf Tourney

The Fairway Golf Tournament sponsored by The Church of The Good Shepherd, will be held on **Sat., 9/10, at Little Harbor Country Club, Wareham. Shotgun start at 8 a.m.; \$75 per person or \$280 foursome**, includes Golf and Lunch. Raffles and Prizes

Join us as we raise money for the Church of the Good Shepherd's Outreach Ministries that benefit the community.

Contact Natecia Alfonso for more info: 774-260-1924 or natecia17@gmail.com

## Bird Meeting

The first fall meeting of the Paskamansett Bird Club will be **Wed., 9/14, at 7:30 pm at the Community Hall of Friends Meeting, 739 Horse-neck Rd., S. Dartmouth.** Peter Trull will speak about the extraordinary trapping and eating (!) of shorebirds in Guyana, a coastal country in South America where many of our local shorebird species winter. As he will explain, these birds do not include the endangered Piping Plover.

There is a high degree of misinformation and controversy related to Piping Plover protection and beach closings along the Massachusetts coastline. One of the biggest misconceptions is that they are eaten for food on their wintering grounds in South America. Off-road vehicle organizations and radio personalities often use this argument when opposing beach closings in the summer months. It is true that thousands of plovers and sandpipers are killed for food by market trappers each fall using various methods of nets and whip-wires, day and night, along the coastline of Guyana, South America. None of these, however, are Piping Plovers!

Peter Trull lived with and worked with these trappers during two research trips, funded by the Massachusetts Audubon Society, learning about, recording, and eating a dozen species of shorebirds as well as the common terns that we see roosting and staging along the

Massachusetts coast in late summer before continuing south.

Peter has written six books about Cape Cod natural history. His most recent, *The Gray Curtain*, was published in June 2015.

The meeting is free, open to the public, and accessible.

## Farmers Market

Open every **Saturday, rain or shine, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Stone Bridge Farm, 186 Leonard St., Acushnet, 508-951-1551.** Ample off-street parking.

Fruit, veggies, baked goods, honey, cheese, coffee, preserves, eggs, gluten-free baked goods, BBQ sauce, wine, pork, chicken, beef, jewelry, dog treats, classes, demos and more.

Visit [www.AcushnetFarmersMarket.com](http://www.AcushnetFarmersMarket.com), or follow us on Facebook: Acushnet Farmers Market.

## Author Event

Authors Without Borders Meet and Greet on **Sat., 9/17, from 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. at Smokey Bones, 1023 County St., Taunton. Price: \$5.** Includes Refreshments (Limited Seating)

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For more information go to: [www.awb6.com](http://www.awb6.com)

Authors Without Borders would like to invite authors, artists, poets, publishers, agents, and anyone else interested in the publishing world to our event. This is a great networking opportunity!

## Chess Tourney

Announcing the First Annual Rotary of Dartmouth Scholastic Chess Tournament. Conducted by the South Eastern New England Chess Association (SENECA)

**Date: Sept. 17 at the Dartmouth Middle School (on Slocum Road) from 9-1**

**Open to all area students through grade 12, all skill levels welcome.** Boards and chess pieces will be supplied. Registration online at <http://senecachess.org/event/first-annual-rotary-dartmouth-scholastic-chess-tournament> **\$5.00 registration fee, \$10.00 at the door.**

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## Pot Luck Dinner

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club begins their silver anniversary season on **Thurs., 9/15, at noon with a delicious Welcome Back pot luck luncheon in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoissett Congregational Church, 27 Church St.** Please join us as our guest for a delicious, informal luncheon while you chat with new acquaintances and renew old friendships. Learn about upcoming programs and small-group activities.

Two months before the attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, the women of Mattapoissett came together to form the Woman's Club. Throughout the last eight decades the club members have been active in every aspect of life in America. Plans are underway to celebrate the Club's 75th anniversary on October 20th with an anniversary tea including displays of memorabilia from the 1940's through the present day.

Please call Barb Van at 508-864-5213 with questions or for directions.

## Teen Dance

The Next Teen Dance at **The Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Rd. in Mattapoissett is on Fri., 9/16, from 7p.m. to 10p.m. for \$8.00.** A safe place for 6th, 7th and 8th graders to have a good time socializing, dancing and listening to their favorite music on a Friday Night.

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## Newport Boat Show

The 46th Annual Newport International Boat Show will be held **Thurs. through Sun., 9/15–18** at Newport Yachting Center, 4 Commercial Wharf, Newport RI; and Oldport Marine, Bannister's Wharf and Bowen's Wharf

For details visit <http://www.newportboatshow.com>

## SAVE THE DATE

### Katie Brienzo Mem. Fund

A Spaghetti Dinner fund-raiser will be held to benefit the Katie Brienzo Memorial Fund on **Fri., 9/23, at the Knights of Columbus of Mattapoissett, Route 6.** Entertainment by Taylor Cormier, DJ for dancing. **Donation: \$10.** Call Denise at 508-992-5978 or visit [www.molifeinc.com](http://www.molifeinc.com)

# Recipe of the Week

## Fall Fruit Soup

- 1 cup cranberries (4 ounces)
- 1 medium pear, cored and cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 medium cooking apple (such as Rome, Jonathan, or Fuji), cored and cut into bite-size pieces
- 3 plums, halved, pitted and cut into thin slices
- 3 cups cranberry-apple juice
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2 3-inch pieces stick cinnamon

In a large saucepan combine cranberries, pear, apple, and plums. Stir in cranberry-apple juice, brown sugar, lemon juice, and cinnamon stick.

Bring to boiling; reduce heat.

Simmer, covered, for 5 to 6 minutes or until fruit is tender and skins on cranberries pop.

Remove cinnamon sticks; discard.

Makes 6 servings (6 cups)

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# Fishing off rocks ends in 2 deaths in NY

*USCG Press Release*

NEW YORK — The Coast Guard has suspended the search for two missing people in the water near Wading River, New York, Sunday, 9/4.

The 17-hour search was suspended after officials from the Suffolk County Police Department located two bodies matching the description of the missing males, two-miles west of the Wading River.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time,” said Capt. Andrew Tucci, commander of Sector Long Island Sound. “We are deeply saddened by this outcome, and we appreciate the dedicated efforts of everyone involved in the search.”

At approximately 3:30 p.m.,

Saturday, watchstanders from Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound received a report of three males who slipped into the water while fishing on the rocks near Wading River.

One male was able to grab hold of a rock and pull himself onto the shore and call for help after he lost sight of the other two men in the water.

Assets and crews involved in the search were: An MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew from Air Station Cape Cod, A Coast Guard Station New Haven smallboat crew, A Coast Guard Station New London smallboat Crew, The crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Sitkinak, Suffolk County Marine and Air Units, Suffolk County Police Department, Riverhead Fire Department crews.

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# Biggest Little Feast squeaks through before the rain

By Beth David  
Editor

The remnants of Hurricane Hermine threatened the festivities at the Our Lady of Angels Feast this weekend, but the storm's track took it out to sea just far enough to weaken the effect. The line that held the wreath high above the parking lot, that the arm of the statue traditionally gets pushed through, fell in the wind, and did hit a woman on the ground. She was treated on the scene and transported, but her injuries were reportedly minor.

Organizers then moved a pickup truck alongside the barrel holding the pole to keep it from falling again.

All festivities on the feast grounds continued as planned, but the procession up to Benoit Square was shortened to a brief appearance by the OLOA 800-pound statue.

The abbreviated procession included just one band, Banda Nossa Senhora da Luz of Fall River, and just one other statue, a miniature of OLOA.

The two Canastra sisters and their cousin, however, also made their appearance, dressed as OLOA. The three have marched in the procession since they were babies, marching as angels as soon as they could walk.

All three said they liked the feast, and especially the procession. The five Canastra brothers (uncles and dad), carry the large statue for a portion of the route every year.

"It's just fun to be together, to see all my relatives," said Sophia, 12,.

"I like it because it's a tradition," said her cousin Emma, 11.

"I like both their reasons," said Noella, 10.

The brave men of the OLOA Association took the statue out from its safe spot in St. Mary's Church, carried it to the street and then circled right back around the circular drive and back into the church.

Although it was a short trip, it was still quite nerve-racking, with a couple of gusts testing the strength of those carrying. But the trip was made safely, and lots of hugs and pats on the back after.

Back on the feast grounds, the food and drink flowed for all three days. By all accounts, the first night, Saturday, was the most crowded even the seasoned volunteers remembered. The consensus was that people wanted to get in before the storm.

The next two days were also very crowded.

The malassadas line was the longest ever, especially on Saturday night.



ABOVE: Curt Lheureux (RIGHT) and this group of friends waited an hour and 10 minutes to get their malassadas on Saturday, 9/3, the first day of the Our Lady of Angels Feast in Fairhaven. BELOW LEFT: Peter Richard wears a big smile as he dances to the music on Sunday afternoon, 9/4. BELOW RIGHT, L-R: Mason Tolman, Seth Allair and Thailer Audette on Saturday night, just hanging out...and eating stuff. Photos Beth David.

Lisa Cordeiro waited for more than 52 minutes.

"There's nothing like a fresh malassada," she said.

Paul Lane and Ron Harrison waited for an hour and 15 minutes.

"It's worth it," said Mr. Lane. "You meet good people waiting in line," said Mr. Harrison.

He said a woman tried to buy him off, to get his spot. But he wouldn't budge.

Curt Lheureux and his friends waited for an hour and 10 minutes. They group of seven got one malassada each, to eat right away.

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# Hurricane Hermine mostly fizzles out in these parts

By Beth David  
Editor

The remnants of Hurricane Hermine stalled off shore this weekend, causing some high winds, but little rain. According to ML Baron of the West Island Weather Station, the area received only about 3/4 of an inch of rain. Sustained winds of 44 miles per hour and gusts of 53 MPH resulted in a few tree branches down, including a large one on Sconticut Neck Road that partially blocked the road for part of Monday.

In short, the storm acted like a garden-variety nor'easter for these parts.

At Earl's Marina on Causeway Road in Fairhaven, boat owners and marina personnel worked hard on Friday and Saturday adding extra lines to boats docked at the marina or moored in Round Cove.

On Sunday, some boat owners were still out there as the wind picked up and bounced the boats around.

Joe Hess, who bought his 34-foot boat the *Distraction* just three weeks ago, was aboard on Sunday with his son Josh. They added a few extra lines and tied down anything that



could move. Mr. Hess (the elder) said he was not worried about the boat, but would check on it during the storm. He was not planning to stay on the boat.

Tammy was doing the same on the *Tradition*, adding fenders and extra lines and doing whatever the captain told her to do.

Andre, who lives on his boat, the *Salty Buzzard II*, in the summer, said he would be riding out the storm at his cottage on the neck.

He explained how "spring lines" work, leaving a little slack on the lines, but not too much.

If they are too tight, something will snap, if too loose, the boat will move too much. When done right, one side pulls against the other and allows the boat to spring back and forth with the

wind, keeping it from swinging too far from side to side.

Earl, who owns the *Our Way*, watched, with a tad of amusement as people ran up and down the docks with fenders and extra line.

He had secured his boat the day before, when it was calm.

The *Hold the Line*, a 48-foot *Silverton Yacht* owned by Christopher Braga of New Hampshire, lost power and steering while being moved from one mooring to another on Sunday around 11:30 a.m., and got pushed into the rocks on the causeway.

Marina owner Matt Hebert said they were moving the boat because its regular mooring is too close to the finger docks and other boats. He said if the high winds broke it free from its mooring, it could cause a lot of damage to itself and to other boats. He decided to move it to a mooring

on the north end of the mooring field.

The boat was only against the rocks for a few seconds before a few people pushed it away. In a matter of minutes, the marina's work boat had a line on it and pulled it out to the other mooring. There was no visible damage to the boat.

Mr. Braga, who was not piloting the boat when it stalled, would not comment for this story. ●●●



TOP: The 48-foot *Silverton Yacht* "Hold the Line," is held away from the rocks on Causeway Road in Fairhaven after it lost power and steering while it was being moved to a different mooring in preparation for the storm on Sunday, 9/4. Photo courtesy of ML Baron, [www.WestIslandWeather.com](http://www.WestIslandWeather.com). ABOVE LEFT L-R: Josh and Joe Hess get the *Distraction* ready for the storm. ABOVE RIGHT: Tammy helps out getting the *Tradition* ready for the storm. Photos by Beth David.

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Come with us to Kittery for a chance at filling your Christmas list. The bus will leave the recreation center at 7 a.m. and return at 7:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available in the morning. All Children must be accompanied by an adult. Saturday October 15, 2016, cost is \$30 per person. Deadline for registration is October 8th.

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#### Mah Jongg for Beginners

This six-week program is for those interested in learning the basics of Mahjong. Classes start on Mon., Sept. 12 from 1-2:30 p.m. and will be held at the Fairhaven Senior Center. Join us for fun and gain a basic understanding of the game's fundamental components, including tiles, rules and playing strategy. Our teacher, Barbara Bishop, has been playing "Mahj" for 4 years. Cost: \$35 includes the playing card. Please call the Fairhaven Senior Center to sign up at 508-979-4029. Classes are limited to 6.

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# Acushnet woman hit by car near home

By Beth David  
Editor

An Acushnet woman was hit by a car last week when she ran out into the street chasing her dog.

Jodie Estrella, 46, suffered serious injuries on Saturday, August 27, when she was struck by a vehicle as she chased after her dog, who ran loose onto Main Street, near Acushnet Creamery, around 8 p.m.

According to Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher, Ms. Estrella suffered from life threatening injuries.

"As fate would have it, our two ambulances were coming back from the hospital, so within a very short period of time, we had five paramedics and two EMTs at the patient's side," said Chief Gallagher. "And the crew did an extraordinary job of tending to the victim. There was a considerable amount of experience among those five paramedics."

"She was in good hands."

Ms. Estrella was transported to St. Luke's Hospital, then taken by helicopter to Rhode Island Hospital.

A Gofundme page has been set up by her family to help with medical costs. As of press time, \$7750 of the \$10,000 goal had been raised.

According to the Gofundme page, she is still fighting for her life with w brain bleed, multiple fractures to three limbs, a broken back and pelvis.

"We as a family are asking for a small donation for the high medical costs that lie ahead," reads the posting, which also states that she is the sole provider to her 15-year-old daughter.

"As she continues to fight we continue to ask for your prayers as she tries to overcome the many surgeries, struggles, and hurdles to come," reads the post. "With many thanks the Estrella family."

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Jodie Estrella, from Gofundme page.

# Apple-Peach Fest this weekend

The 37th annual Acushnet Apple-Peach Festival will be held this Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Long Plain Museum, 1203 Main Street, Acushnet.

The parade will start on Sunday at 10 a.m. from Pope Park and go to the museum grounds. Free parking and admission. Shuttle bus from Ford Middle School on Middle Road.

Features entertainment, crafts, food and fun!

## Entertainment Schedule Saturday, 9/10

- 10-10:45 a.m.: Voices in Time
- 11-11:45 a.m.: Garry Langavin
- 12-12:45 p.m.: Xtreme Acoustic
- 1-1:45 p.m.: The Stumblurs
- 2-2:45 p.m.: Grumpy Old Men
- 3-3:45 p.m.: Cool Beans
- 4-6:00 p.m.: Blue Lobsta

## Sunday, 9/11

- 10-10:45 a.m.: Gonsalves Tae Kwon Do
- 11-11:45 a.m.: High n Heavey
- 12-12:45 p.m.: Whiskey Affliction (Country and More)
- 1-1:45 p.m.: The Oh Nots (Rare & Solo Beatles)
- 2-2:45 p.m.: Neal McCarthy Problem
- 3-3:45 p.m.: The Dirty Sanchez
- 4-6:00 p.m.: Murphy's Law & Guests

# Peters Orchard not opening this fall

By Beth David  
Editor

May Peters, the owner of Peters Family Orchard on Main Street in Acushnet, said the apple orchard will not be opening this month, as had been reported in some news outlets.

Ms. Peters announced her retirement last year, but then decided a couple of months ago, to open for the season.

In a phone interview this week, she said unforeseen circumstances, including this year's crazy weather, caused a change of plans once again.

The farm was slated for sale and development, but, she said, no lots have been sold, and that plan is also on hold.

She is hoping to find a way to keep it a working farm, although she is retired.

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# Green Street project will take down six trees

By Beth David  
Editor

The Board of Public Works road project for Green Street has been modified to save some trees. After an uproar by residents, who said they were blindsided by the plan to take down 18 trees because there was no public hearing or notice published in a newspaper, the BPW worked with neighbors and changed the plan.

The BPW held a joint meeting with Tree Warden Brian Bowcock on 7/26 (see 7/28/16 issue). The board agreed to meet with a few neighbors as representatives to try to compromise.

On 8/24, the BPW released an update that was posted on the town's website.

The project will reconstruct Green Street from Washington Street to South Street, about 1800 feet. It includes drainage improvements, sidewalk construction, curbing and re-paving Green Street. The cost of the project is \$652,650, using Chapter 90 funds, that come from the state.

The new plan will take down six trees, not 18.

Tree Warden Brian Bowcock never held a hearing to announce the removal of the trees for the project. The BPW held a neighborhood meeting to discuss the project, that was noticed to abutters only, not advertised in the legal notices.

Town Counsel Tom Crotty said that the project would compromise the trees and make them a danger, allowing the tree warden to bypass the hearing, using the part of the statute that allows for removal of trees that are a hazard.

The tree warden is not holding a hearing on the six trees to be removed. The project has already started and should be finished by the



This tree on the corner of Union and Green Streets, near Memorial Church Park, was originally slated to come down. The roots have lifted the brick sidewalk several inches. The new plan calls for grinding down the bricks and building a ramp over the remaining bump.  
*Photo by Beth David.*

end of the year.

Department of Public Works superintendent Vincent Furtado said the compromise plan will allow the project to go forward, and will keep most of the large trees on Green Street.

He said the BPW hired an arborist to look at each tree.

"He actually wanted us to take down more than the original (number) because of the current condition of the trees," said Mr. Furtado.

But because neighbors and other residents were so intent on saving the trees, he said they opted to take down only those absolutely necessary for the project, and to change the project in places to accommodate the trees.

Trip hazards will be ground down,

where possible, and ramps built in other spots on the sidewalks, instead of taking it all up and installing new ones. The road will be narrowed by two feet from Washington to Union, and by one foot from Union to South Street.

In at least one spot, the road will

be narrowed by up to two feet.

"It was a good collaborative effort," said Mr. Furtado. "I think it worked out well for everybody."

He said he would still prefer to take down more trees because, from a "fiduciary" stand-point, it makes more sense.

"In the position they hired me for I'm supposed to spend the money the best way we can, no more no less," said Mr. Furtado, adding that he feels the road or sidewalks will need additional work in a few years or 10 years, not the 20 he was hoping for.

"I don't know if we will have funds available at a future date," said Mr. Furtado. "So we may have to go back and replace sidewalks. So be it, there are worse things in the world than that."

The engineer on the project recommended taking down the 18 trees, so they simply took his advice, since the town is paying him "handsomely," said Mr. Furtado.

"It should be noted that, per the professional opinion of a hired arborist by the Board of Public Works, several trees that will be saved are compromised and/or diseased and may require replacement in the future," reads the update.

Visit [www.NeighbNews.com](http://www.NeighbNews.com) to see the arborist's report and the BPW update from 8/24/16.

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Friends Mason Tolman, Seth Allaire and Thailer Audette, all 13, said it was their first time attending. They all were having a great time.

"Hanging out with friends," Mr. Tolman.

"And food," said Mr. Allaire. "The people are really nice. It's just fun, and most of our friends are here."

"Just hanging out," said Mr. Audette."

"And eat stuff," added Mr. Allaire.

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TOP LEFT: Brooklyn Reece Ptaszenski charms the photographer. TOP RIGHT L-R: Paul Lane and Ron Harrison get to the front of the malassadas line, after an hour and 15 minutes. LEFT: The OLOA statue leans precariously in a gust of wind, but the men carrying it managed to keep it from falling. ABOVE, L-R: Charlie Murphy, Terry Perry and Vinnie Furtado share a laugh in the malassadas booth at the OLOA feast on Sat., 9/3. Photos by Beth David

## Lt. Governor visits Union Wharf project

By Beth David  
Editor

Lt. Governor Karyn Polito visited Fairhaven last Wednesday, 8/31, to tour Union Wharf and see first hand the work being done with state grant money. The Lt. Governor is chair of the Seaport Economic Council, which awarded the competitive grant of \$950,000 on August 16.

The money will be used for phase II of the project rebuilding the bulkhead. The east and west sides have been done, where the large transient boats tie up and the side that faces the lobster basin. Part of the north side was also done with the last grant. The new grant will allow work on the north side to be finished and part of the south side.

"Council grants will help communities plan for growth and leverage their unique economic assets to support job creation and business expansion," said the Lieutenant Governor in a statement when the grant was awarded. "Funding marine infrastructure improvements and educational programs supports small

business growth and ensures residents can access the skills they need for employment in the maritime economy."

Ms. Polito was joined in Fairhaven by local officials, including Town Administrator Mark Rees.

He said the money will take us about 75% of the way to finishing the project.

The project has been years in the making, with Town Meeting approving a land swap so the town could tear down the old MacLean's Seafood building.

Town Planner and Economic Development Director Bill Roth spearheaded the project, which included numerous permits from both state and federal agencies because the wharf is in the Designated Port Area of New Bedford Harbor.

The project includes a platform where the old

building stood and a permit to build on it. The platform is over the water of the harbor.

The wharf is owned by the town and is used by commercial scallopers, draggers and lobster boats.

The \$950,000 was part of \$2.9 million in grants awarded to nine projects.



Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, center, poses with local and state officials on Union Wharf in Fairhaven on Wednesday, 8/31. The town received a \$950,000 grant for improvements to the bulkhead. Photo courtesy of Charlie Murphy.

## From our readers

### Serve-A-Thon this weekend

The Salvation Army's Serve-A-Thon will be in full swing this Saturday, September 10th, at the following locations and times:

- Cooke Park in Fairhaven: 9-12 Noon (Beautification Project)
- Hazelwood Park in New Bedford: 9-12 Noon; 1-4 (Fence Painting)
- Gifts to Give in Acushnet: 9-12 Noon (Clothes & Toys Sorting)
- YMCA Farm in Dartmouth 9-12 Noon (Harvesting Crops)

We are looking for volunteers to help. Please call Major Beth Parkhurst at the Salvation Army at 508 997-6561 for details. Visit <http://www.lift-in-love.org/>

*Steven Bouley, Volunteer*

### SCNU thanks Acushnet town meeting

The Officers of South Coast Neighbors United would like to express our sincere appreciation to the residents of Acushnet who took time to attend the Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, August 30th.

The crowd at the meeting was strong evidence of the fact that our community is very concerned about the major gas storage and LNG production facility that is proposed for our Town and the results of the vote sends a strong message to Spectra and Eversource that the residents of Acushnet oppose this infrastructure expansion in their town.

The facility proposed would be located on residentially zoned land in a residential neighborhood and in very close proximity to homes, schools, a nursing home and a rehab hospital.

We have sincere and well-founded concerns about emissions and public safety. We have concerns about the size of the tanks which would be amongst the largest on the East Coast of the United States and would tower 170 feet over our community. Each of the two tanks would fill Gillette Stadium.

We have concerns about what the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection referred to as

“one of the largest proposed wetlands alterations in the history of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.”

We are concerned that the residents of the area would be burdened with a facility that is being constructed as part of a bigger plan to export natural gas to other countries. We are concerned that the project's developers were caught trying to include expanded trucking facilities into the project despite their representations that the facility would reduce truck traffic.

What else aren't they telling us and how can we trust them?

We are hopeful that our local and national leaders will hear what the residents of Acushnet said with their vote and that they will work with us to protect our community from the risks and disruption represented by this completely unnecessary project.

For more information, visit [scnu.us](http://scnu.us)

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## State Agencies Work Together to Save Pollinating Species

### Press Release

State wildlife and transportation officials gathered on August 24 at the Route 3, Exit 5 Rest Area in Plymouth to announce a \$21,500 grant from the US Fish & Wildlife Service to the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) to restore populations of monarch butterflies and other native and rare pollinating insects in Massachusetts.

MassWildlife will partner with the Mass. Department of Transportation (MassDOT) to increase habitat for pollinating insects by seeding highway median and roadside areas with a mix of milkweed and other native plants for pollinators.

“Pollinators and their habitats play an important ecological and agricultural role in Massachusetts,” said MassWildlife Director Jack Buckley. “This interagency project will improve conditions of common and rare pollinators and their habitats and serve as a model and visual reminder to other Massachusetts land owners that by implementing simple landscape maintenance practices, they can improve the ecological value of our lands.”

“The Massachusetts Transporta-

tion Department is always pleased to partner with non-profits and other groups to undertake projects benefiting the community and the world we live in,” said District 5 Highway Director Mary-Joe Perry. “MassDOT landscapes as part of its highway and bridge projects so it is a common sense and worthwhile step to take in creating habitats as we complete necessary construction work. I'd like to thank MassWildlife for helping us be good stewards of our natural resources.”

Working together, MassDOT will identify suitable post-construction seeding locations and MassWildlife will purchase native seed mixes appropriate for monarchs and other pollinators. The seed mix will include nectar and pollen bearing plants that bloom during the optimal time for monarch migration and provide food for other pollinating insects.

To accommodate bloom times, MassDOT will reduce mowing of seeded areas to once every 2-3 years. These roadside meadows will be marked with signage to inform mowing operators of the limits and to advise the public that the un-mowed meadows are habitat restoration sites.

Scientific surveys and data collection have found that the monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) has experienced significant population declines throughout its range in the past decade. Monarchs and several other insects require specific food and larval host plants, making them particularly vulnerable to habitat loss or degradation.

In the Northeast, loss of meadow habitat that supports milkweed plants (*Asclepias* spp.), the only plant on which female monarchs lay their eggs and the hatched larvae feed, has contributed to the butterflies' decline. The lack of flowering plants and meadow habitats in general has also negatively affected other rare insects that depend on pollen and nectar.

To enhance and increase habitat benefitting monarchs and other pollinators within the East Coast Migration Corridor, scientists recommend creating and seeding meadow habitats with native wildflowers and grasses and reducing mowing as effective conservation actions.

For additional information on the “Linking Landscapes” partnership, visit <http://www.linkinglandscapes.info>

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## Militia to hold encampment, cannon fire

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### Board of Health

Wed., 9/14, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Board of Public Works

Mon., 9/12, Arsene St., 6:00 p.m.

### Community Preserv. Com.

Thurs., 9/8, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 9/12, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Mon., 9/12, Senior Ctr., 9 a.m.

### Marine Resources

Thurs., 9/15, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 9/13, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 9/14, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 9/19, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Agricultural Commission

Thurs., 9/15, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Wed., 9/14, Senior Ctr, 10 a.m.

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# Hermine packs baby punch, but makes pretty clouds



At 6:14 a.m. on Sunday, 9/4, the view from Hoppyls Landing shows the outflow of clouds from the remnants of Hurricane Hermine. The storm lost most of its punch by the time it reached us (see page 12). *Photo courtesy of ML Baron, www.WestIslandWeather.com*

## Fairhaven Harbormaster deputy assaulted in New Bedford harbor

By Beth David  
Editor

Fairhaven Harbormaster/Shellfish deputy Todd Cox was assaulted by an unruly boater last Thursday, 8/1 in New Bedford Harbor.

According to Harbormaster Tim Cox, who is Todd's father, the two responded to a report of a flare outside the hurricane barrier (HB) at about 9:30 p.m. For several hours, the searched for the boater who sent the flare up, but could not find any sign of a boater in distress, although they did encounter other boats outside the HB that night.

After deciding no one was actually in danger, Mr. Cox headed back to the dock. When he got back inside the hurricane barrier, he encountered a small rubber raft that was moving very quickly, headed to the opening in the HB. The boat had no running lights.

Mr. Cox approached the boat and determined almost immediately that the operator, 60-year-old Christopher

Karo of Lakeville, was operating under the influence of alcohol.

With the help of New Bedford police, the smaller boat was boxed in and Mr. Karo eventually got on board the Fairhaven HM boat.

According to Mr. Cox, a New Bedford police officer also boarded his boat and convinced Mr. Karo to allow police to take him into protective custody.

As they approached the dock, Mr. Karo, without warning, lunged at Todd Cox, presumably to knock him into the water. The younger Mr. Cox, however, was ready for the older man, and "met him halfway," according to Tim Cox.

Todd managed to get the man to the deck and he was handcuffed by the police officer.

Instead of being PC'd, he was arrested and charge with a variety of offenses, including operating under the influence on a boat and assault and battery on a public employee.

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