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Old Stone Schoolhouse still used for education



Fairhaven Tourism Director Christopher Richard (foreground), demonstrates a game with hoop and stick that would have been played in the 1800s in the school yard of the Old Stone Schoolhouse in Fairhaven. The building served as a one-room schoolhouse from 1828 until the Oxford School was built in 1896, and served the children of Oxford Village. Mr. Richard uses the building to teach about education in the 1800s. He also conducts a lecture series there in summer. See story on page 12. *Photo by Beth David.*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Well, the big trial is over (see page 3). Michelle Carter's fate is now in the hands of Judge Lawrence Moniz. He will let us know a day ahead of time when he is going to announce his verdict. The *Neighb News* will be there, hopefully, to see first hand the reactions of all sides. I'll hold my editorializing on this one until it's all over.

Meanwhile, onto lighter fare.

The Road Race is this weekend. Holy moly, summer got here all of a sudden, didn't it?

Father's Day means the Road Race, the first of the West Island Improvement Association breakfasts, the farmer's market, fitness in the park (all on page 5), and the sudden appearance of all the boating yahoos (page 10) who don't know their keels from their helms (oh wait....that's me...). Let's hope my contact with TowBoat this year is minimal, at least on the water.

Our cover story this week is lots of fun (see page 12). The Old Stone Schoolhouse has quite the storied history. Manjiro Nakahama attended school there. It was host to a church for a time. And now, it still serves to educate people about history.

Tourism Director Chris Richard is keeping the old place alive by keeping it open on Saturday afternoons in the summer. This year, he is continuing the twice-a-month programs there, which talks about the historical significance of the old school.

I think, though, that "Lectures on the Lawn," does not do the event justice. Mr. Richard peppers his "lectures" with stories and demonstrations, keeping them interesting and fun to listen to. This Saturday is about Manjiro, and that is a story that never disappoints.

The Manjiro story has fascinated people, especially in Japan, for about 170 years. It's a story of hope and adventure, courage and redemption, unexpected blessings, and...well, just missing your mommy.

I urge you to learn about it.

Until next week then...see ya,

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our story about the graduation last week, we said that it was the first time the graduates wore all the same color robes, apparently, we were wrong about that. A 1959 graduate of Fairhaven High School called to say that HER class wore all the sane color. We'll get back to you on this.

Carter trial over, judge will decide

By Beth David
Editor

The trial of Michelle Carter, who has been charged with involuntary manslaughter in the suicide of Conrad Roy III, concluded on Tuesday, 6/13. Ms. Carter's fate is in the hands of Judge Lawrence Moniz, who did not say when he would issue his ruling. Ms. Carter waived a jury in her trial, opting to have her case heard by Judge Moniz alone. She faces up to 20 years in prison.

Mr. Roy was found in his pickup truck in the KMart parking lot on July 13, 2014. A gas-powered water pump was in the truck with him. The medical examiner determined that Mr. Roy died of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Prosecutors contend that, in a series of thousands of text messages, chats and other contact by electronic means over the course of months, Ms. Carter bullied, manipulated, and berated Mr. Roy to get him to kill himself. Prosecutors contend she did it to get attention as the "grieving girlfriend," especially from a group of girls who no longer wanted to be

friends with her.

Texts show, however, that the Mr. Roy did not consider her his girlfriend, even blatantly saying in one text that he would not date her.

Testimony throughout the trial painted the picture of two very disturbed young people who had psychiatric hospital stays in their backgrounds, him for suicide attempts, and her for eating disorders.

In testimony this week, Dr. Peter Breggin, a psychiatrist called by the defense, said that Ms. Carter was "involuntarily intoxicated," was "delusional" and "psychotic," due to the anti-depressant drugs she was taking. He explained the dangers of SSRIs, selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors, how they work, and how they can wreak havoc on the brain, especially the adolescent brain. Ms. Carter was just a month shy of 18 when Mr. Roy killed himself. He was 18, and they both were on Celexa, an SSRI not recommended for children (anyone under 18).

The controversial doctor, who is in his 80s, has been fighting against the use of all psychiatric drugs for



Michelle Carter listens to testimony at her trial in Juvenile Court in Taunton on Friday, 6/9/17. She has been charged with involuntary manslaughter in the suicide death of Conrad Roy III, who was found in the KMart parking lot in Fairhaven, Mass., on 7/13/14 after dying from carbon monoxide poisoning. Photo by Glenn Silva, Fairhaven Neighborhood News.

decades. He has written books and papers, and admitted to the court that he did not believe in any drugs to treat psychiatric disorders.

His descriptions of Ms. Carter as exceedingly helpful, and always caring about other people, painted quite the different picture of Ms.

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Fairhaven plans for the future with Master Plan meetings

By Mary Macedo

Neighb News Correspondent

The Fairhaven Planning Board with the planning firm VHB met with about 20 residents on 6/13, to continue discussion about the town's Master Plan, which sets goals for Fairhaven for the next 20 years.

Planning Board Chairperson, Wayne Hayward explained that it was the second meeting to discuss the MP and there will likely be more because the plan is only halfway complete.

VHB Principal and Director of Planning, Geoffrey Morrison-Logan presented a slideshow of the goals of the master plan to the public and explained the overall vision statement for the next 20 years.

He explained that at the last meeting the most important values residents spoke about were the history of the town and the waterfront.

He said the goal for the second meeting was to look at the draft of goals and prioritize which ones are the most important to the residents.

Some specific goals Mr. Morrison-Logan discussed about land use in Fairhaven were the importance of balancing growth and preservation. Another land goal was to strategically redevelop areas of Route 6, as well as promote small local businesses.

Some important housing goals Mr. Morrison-Logan presented were to keep new residential housing developments in existing residential areas. Another important goal was to create affordable housing for younger generations and for families of all incomes, but also to continue to provide affordable housing for the elderly.

Mr. Morrison-Logan presented the goals for Economic Development, which was of great importance to the Fairhaven residents, he said.

One of the most important goals was to incorporate the waterfront into a more commercial area and to make the waterfront more accessible to the community.

Another big goal was to maintain and fill the occupancies on Route 6. Another goal that the residents were really intrigued by was the goal to have more mixed use projects where people can live, work, and play, such as a place to own a business and also

live in the same building.

Transportation was another area with important goals such as maintaining a friendly bicycle riding and pedestrian community, but also increasing the use of public transit like buses, and other transportation options, such as cabs.

Mr. Morrison-Logan also presented some goals for public facilities and services. One of the goals was to continue to build on the senior center, and increase activities for seniors.

He also said a goal was to maintain or renovate older public buildings to make sure they meet the needs of the town.

Open space and recreation goals were very important to the residents as well. One goal was to preserve farmland, as well as set aside more land for conversation and water supply protection. Another important

Residents would like to see more small restaurants and boutiques near the waterfront, where tourists can walk from place to place.

goal was to create more recreational activities for people of all ages.

As a town whose slogan is "A small town with a big history," Fairhaven's historic and cultural resources are also a big topic.

Some goals were to establish a historic district in Fairhaven and to help town residents, as well as tourists, better understand the historic legacy of Fairhaven. The most important goal in this area was to link the historic elements of Fairhaven to the economic development, such as tourism.

Sustainability was another topic that Mr. Morrison-Logan explained was of great importance for the next 20 years. The main goal for sustainability is to create a system that tracks and reports on how well the town's sustainability performance is. A related goal is for Fairhaven to continue to improve energy efficiency

and to prepare for the effects of climate change.

All of the goals that Mr. Morrison-Logan presented also have multiple recommendations on how to achieve them within the next 20 years.

The full list of goals and recommendations is available on the town's website at www.fairhaven-ma.gov/pages/FairhavenMAMasterPlan/index

After the draft of the goals of the master plan was presented the residents broke off into groups to discuss aspects of the plan.

One of the main concerns the residents discussed was that there are no open spaces for new small businesses. All available spaces are too large. The residents suggested that the large open spaces be split up into smaller sections so small businesses could use them.

The residents also really liked the idea of mixed use areas where business owners could buy a property to create a business, but also live in the same building. Residents liked this idea because it would make the cost of living much cheaper and easier.

Residents also heavily discussed the lack of apartments in Fairhaven and the possibility of using large vacant areas for small apartment buildings.

Residents also recommended that bus service in Fairhaven be more frequent because many residents did not even know Fairhaven has bus service. Residents also discussed the possibility of having bike rentals for tourists.

Recreation was a big topic as well. A lot of residents wanted to see more town activities, such as outdoor music at the parks, more dog parks, and a golf course. They also discussed creating a local chamber of commerce to promote and establish recreational programs in the town.

Tourism and the waterfront also found its way to the top of the list. Residents would like to see more small restaurants and boutiques near the waterfront, where tourists can walk from place to place.

The main goal the residents discussed was for Fairhaven to be more like Newport, RI, and places in the Cape where you can spend the day. Ideas included outdoor seating, restaurants that serve local seafood

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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

WI Breakfast Buffet

FIRST OF THE SEASON

Sun., 6/18, West Island Community Center, 41 Causeway Rd., West Island, Fairhaven, 8-11 a.m.

By the West Island Improvement Association. Includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit, cereal, coffee and juice. \$8 adults, \$4 children under 12. Tickets at door. Accessible.

Father's Day Race

43rd Father's Day 10K and 5K Road Races Sun., 6/18. Begins at Hastings Middle School, 30 School St., Fairhaven, 9:00 a.m.

The annual running of a 10K, TAC sanctioned course through the lovely, historical Fairhaven streets features some of New England's top runners. There is also a shorter 5K race. Sponsored by Fairhaven merchants and Fairhaven Road Race Inc. **Online entry fee is \$20 for adults, \$10 for children 13 and under and adults 70 and over**, plus a service charge. Online registration deadline Friday, June 16 at 11:00 p.m. Late registration and early number pickup will be at HMS on Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **No race day entries.**

For registration, call 508-997-9460. For online registration, visit <http://www.fairhavenroadrace.com/>

Yoga in the Park

Tuesdays, June 20 through Aug. 22, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Cushman Park, Green Street, Fairhaven Kripalu certified yoga instructor Jeff Costa leads. Bring your own yoga mat. Weather permitting. Free. For more information, call 508-287-2482.

Fitness Bootcamp

Thursdays, June 22 through Aug. 24, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Cushman Park, Green Street, Fairhaven Certified functional trainer Wayne Goulart leads. Bring your own mat and set of weights. Weather permitting. Free. For information, call 508-287-2482.

Wanna play?

NOTE DAY CHANGE

Fairhaven Town Employees LOVE to play kickball, but we want some outside competition! Can your organization, business, or group of friends gather 7 or more players of all

ages to JOIN US for a kickball game?

You don't have to have any athletic ability: We promote wellness, exercise and FUN! We have the field and equipment, all you need to bring is your team. **Every Monday night, 5-6 p.m., we will host a game at Cushman Park. Next date is 6/19.** Please call to be put on our schedule, or if you have any questions, Phil Cardoza, 508-993-6978.

Farmers Market 10th year!

Fairhaven farmers market opens Sun., 6/18, from 1-4 pm. Same place, same time for 10 years running. Corner of Main Street and Route 6 on the lawn of the Academy building.

Join us to celebrate local food and produce, every Sunday until October. Any local non-profit that would like to set up for one weekend during the season can do so for free.

For info contact Ann.richard@gmail.com or 508-287-2831.

Lectures on Lawn

Sat., 6/17, 2 p.m. See story, page 12.

New Board Formed

The Fairhaven Selectboard has formed the **Lagoa Friendship Pact Committee**, to "... provide input and suggestions for a variety of current and foreseeable community, civic, cultural, educational and other activities that expand its partnership with the Municipality of Lagoa, Portugal. The Committee is advisory in its capacity..."

The Committee is charged with promoting and developing business and cultural relationship with Lagoa and to create a deeper understanding of each areas' lives and traditions to develop cooperation and a lasting friendship.

Deadline for letters of interest is June 22. Send to: Town of Fairhaven Selectmen's Office 40 Center Street Fairhaven, MA 02719; or email to selectmen@Fairhaven-MA.gov. Any questions regarding this vacancy, call 508-979-4023 ext. 2.

Board Vacancy

The Fairhaven Economic Development Committee has two vacancies, due to restructuring. All positions on

the EDC are one-year terms, expiring on May 31 annually. **Deadline for letters of interest is June 22.** Send to: Town of Fairhaven Selectmen's Office 40 Center Street Fairhaven, MA 02719, or emailed to: selectmen@Fairhaven-MA.gov Any questions regarding this vacancy, call 508-979-4023 ext. 2.

Riverside Tour

Wed., 6/21, 6:00 p.m., Riverside Cemetery, 274 Main St., Fairhaven

Created in 1850 by Warren Delano II, the grandfather of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, this is one of the most beautiful rural-style cemeteries in Mass. The tour visits the final resting places of some of the town's most prominent people. You'll also see lovely examples of early tombstone art as you walk along the beautifully landscaped paths.

Tour includes walking on uneven ground. Wear comfortable shoes. Guide: Vanessa Gralton. Sponsored by the Office of Tourism. Free. Note: Parking is allowed on the roads inside the cemetery, however two or three car lengths must be left open directly inside the gate. There are no public restrooms in the cemetery.

For more information, call 508-979-4085 (this is not the phone number of the cemetery) or email Fairhaven Tours@fairhaven-ma.gov.

Summer Read. Prog.

"Build a Better World!" The Millicent Library's Summer Reading program, begins on Wed., 6/21, and welcomes children of all ages, from babies through Teens. **Sign Up Day will be held in the downstairs Auditorium, from 9-5 on 6/21.**

Pick up your reading log and other information and choose a free book for a prize. We will also have the ice cream raffle generously donated by Emma Jean's. Programs include Tuesday morning Storytime for all ages, Jackson Gillman's "Songs and Stories for a Small Planet," the Fire Department's annual visit on July 20, Daisy D. Dots the clown, Dr. Toby Dills, and more! The Boston Bruins are great sponsors, too!

Events will be posted and updated on the Events tab on the library's home page at <http://millicentlibrary.org> as well as the Millicent Library's Facebook page. If you are unable to

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As hard as it is to do...leave young wildlife alone

From the office of the Fairhaven
Animal Control Officer

This time of the year there are a lot of baby birds out learning how to fly. Unless you actually see them in danger from other animals please leave them alone. If a baby hawk is brought into a shelter it can never be reintroduced back into the wild.

A mother hawk will circle her baby

while it is learning to fly. So if you see a young hawk on the ground, do not interfere with it.

Other birds often can be cared for and then reintroduced into the wild, but unless you are sure of what you are doing, please leave them alone.

Also, a lot of people have been alarmed to see foxes roaming about in the daylight. This is normal

behavior, not an indication that they are sick.

To learn more about the wildlife you might encounter in your neighborhood and how to respond, visit Mass Wildlife at <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/dfw/fish-wildlife-plants/young-wildlife.html>

Remember, young wildlife belongs in the wild. If you care, leave them there.



ABOVE: This young screech owl was attacked by an unknown animal, probably a cat and was turned over to New England Raptor and Reptile in Taunton. It will, hopefully, heal and be released back into the wild. RIGHT: This young hawk, however, would not be able to return to the wild if captured. Fortunately, the person who took the picture did the right thing and left the hawk alone. *Submitted photos.*



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Soldier surprises her sister at Hastings Middle School



Elizabeth Hastings Middle School seventh-grader Kylie Lague got a pleasant surprise on Friday, 6/1, when her sister, Private E1 Kandice Lague popped into the school to say hello. E1 Pvt. Lague was on leave from Fort Leonard Wood, MO. *Photos submitted.*

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Our famous Polish Kitchen features pierogi, golumbki, kielbasa, kapusta; and American food, delicious pastry, beverages, and assorted booths and games.

Fun for the entire family. Bring your own chairs. Free parking.

CPC Mtgs NB

The New Bedford Community Preservation Committee is hosting three community meetings on **Tues., 6/20; Thurs., 6/22; and Tues., 6/27** to solicit feedback from the public that will help inform the forthcoming "Community Preservation Plan."

The meetings are at three different locations: Hazelwood Park Senior Center on 6/20; Buttonwood Park Community Center on 6/22; and Brooklawn Park Community Center on 6/27. All meetings will run from 6-7 p.m. Interpretive services available for Portuguese and Spanish.

Questions concerning the public meetings or the Community Preservation Plan can be directed to the Department of Planning, Housing & Community Development at 508.979.1500 or 508.979.1488.

Friends of Buttonwood

The Friends of Buttonwood Park invites members, neighbors and supporters to attend the **Friends' 31st Annual Meeting on Thur., 6/22, at 6 p.m. at Lawler Library, 745 Rockdale Avenue, New Bedford.** Light refreshments will be served. Program: A speaker from the City's Department of Public Infrastructure will address the meeting on issues of interest concerning the park.

The Friends of Buttonwood Park is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization that serves as stewards of Buttonwood Park, the largest and most visited public park in New

Bedford, Mass. The Friends are dedicated to protecting, preserving, and enhancing the park in the spirit of Frederick Law Olmstead, whose famed landscape architectural firm laid out the first plans for Buttonwood Park in 1895.

To learn more visit: www.buttonwoodpark.org. Follow Friends of Buttonwood Park on Facebook and Instagram or contact Raymond Castino, President, raycastino@gmail.com, Friends of Buttonwood Park, P. O. Box 2011, New Bedford, MA 02741

YTI Auditions

Your Theatre, Inc. is holding auditions **June 20 and 21 at 7 pm, for all roles in the upcoming 2017-2018 Season production of Don't Dress For Dinner** by Marc Camoletti. The performances are from Sep 7-17.

Auditions are held in the playhouse in St. Martin's Church/Hall complex, 136 Rivet St. at Country St., New Bedford. Open to all actors 16+.

Auditions will consist of a cold reading from the script. Director Suzanne Houbre is casting all roles. Experience is not necessary; just the desire to participate and share the experience of live theatre and the enjoyment of collaborating with other talented individuals.

Characters are...

Bernard: Smart, funny man who is perhaps a little fussy. Not very good at being sly, but has a quick wit. He is affable and charming, if not sexy.

Jacqueline: Strong eloquent woman, able to think on her feet. She is both cunning and a bit suspicious, but always charming and rarely loses her cool.

Robert: Kind, not very good at lying and perhaps gets a bit too flustered under pressure. He is not exactly cut out for the sneaking around and deception, but he is having an affair with Jacqueline.

Suzanne: Bernard's mistress. Charming and beautiful, she is not used to the dodging and scheming that this night requires, but she joins in rather quickly.

Suzette: The cook. Quick and sassy, she isn't afraid to dive into whatever the job requires. She is not very good at playing the high society role, but what she lacks in experience she makes up in gusto.

George: Suzette's husband. Large, strong and intimidating. He has a low tolerance for societal games and perhaps lacks the intelligence to keep up. He has a bit of jealous streak and an easily flaring temper.

In the show, Bernard is planning a romantic weekend with his chic Parisian mistress in his charming converted French farmhouse, whilst his wife, Jacqueline, is away. He has arranged for a cordon bleu cook to prepare gourmet delights, and has invited his best friend, Robert, along too to provide the alibi. It's foolproof; what could possibly go wrong? Well.... suppose Robert turns up not realizing quite why he has been invited. An evening of hilarious confusion ensues as Bernard and Robert improvise at breakneck speed.

Showstoppers F-R

The Showstoppers community-service singing troupe will host a **Dinner Show Fundraiser on Friday, June 23 at the Senhor da Pedra Club at 81 Tinkham St. in New Bedford.** The evening will feature a catered buffet, live entertainment by the Showstoppers, cash bar, Chinese and silent auction, raffle, and a live band. Doors will open at 6:00. The dinner and show will start at 7:00, followed by dancing to Johnny's Basement cover band. **Tickets are \$20 in advance. Contact Kelly Zucco at 508-758-4525.**

Showstoppers Performing Arts, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/showstoppers.us.

SAVE THE DATE

The New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center invites the public to join us as we celebrate our 1st anniversary on June 24th and 25th. The weekend will feature a model boat show, walking tours, performances of maritime music and storytelling, and anniversary cake. The Center is grateful to BayCoast Bank and the National Endowment for the Arts for their generous support of these events.

The Center is open free of charge, Thurs.-Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 38 Bethel St., in the heart of the National Park. Eheelchair accessible, free off-street parking. For more info, email programs@fishingheritagecenter.org or call the Center at (508) 993-8894.

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Sail Boston

The Tall Ships will be in Boston this weekend. All events are FREE and open to the public. Visit <http://www.sailboston.com/events/> for details on the following events.

Opening Ceremony, Fri., 6/16, noon, Boston Harbor Hotel Rotunda

Grand Parade of Sail, Sat., 6/17, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Boston Harbor. The best landside viewing locations will be from Castle Island, the Seaport District, the Downtown Waterfront, the North End, Charlestown and East Boston.

Sail Boston Festivals, Sat., 6/17 to Wed., 6/21, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Boston Fish Pier & Charlestown Navy Yard See the Tall Ships and enjoy music, entertainment and food for purchase.

Patriot Run, Sun., 6/18, 8 a.m. North Jetty. Watch 200 Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen run from the North Jetty pier to Christopher Columbus Park and back.

Sail Boston Worship Service, Sun., 6/18, 10-10:30 a.m., Chapel of Our Lady of Good Voyage. Ecumenical service for the general public, cadets, crew and guests associated with Sail Boston.

Fallen Heroes Memorial Wreath Laying, Sun., 6/18, 11 a.m., Massachusetts Fallen Heroes Memorial

Crew & Cadet Street Parade Presented by Downtown Boston BID, **Mon., 6/19, Noon-2 p.m.** Seaport Boulevard to Downtown Crossing

Crew and Cadet Soccer Tournament, Tues., 6/20, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Moakley Park

Sunset Salute, Tues., 6/20, 7-9 p.m., Charlestown Navy Yard. See the Tall Ships and enjoy a night of musical and military entertainment.

Tug of War, Wed., 6/21, Noon, South Boston Maritime Park

Sunset Salute, Wed., 6/21, 7-9 p.m.

Tall Ships Depart, Thursday morning, June 22 The Tall Ships depart Boston Harbor. The majority of the Tall Ships will continue on the next leg of the Rendez-Vous 2017 Tall Ships Regatta to Canada.

Acushnet Farmer's Market

Join us for the 6th season of the Acushnet Farmer's Market at Stone Bridge Farm, 186 Leonard St.,

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Find us on Facebook or visit <http://acushnetfarmersmarket.com>

Local Artist Show

The 13th annual Art on the Green event in Plymouth, on Sat., 6/17, will feature several artists from surrounding communities displaying their artistic talents. One of these local artists is Chrissy Feiteira of Fairhaven's Chrissy Ann Ceramics. Feireira grew up in a family of artists and values the handmade movement. She crafts both ceramic sculptures and functional pottery in a historic textile mill in New Bedford, and she sells her artwork at local art shows and galleries in addition to running her own Etsy store.

Art on the Green is an art exhibition and market featuring over 80 local and regional artists. Artists showcase their paintings, wood and glass art, photography, sculptures, eclectic jewelry, wearable art and more! The event runs from 10am to 4pm and will also feature live steel drum music and food for purchase

Families are invited to bring their children out to the Kids Corner for face painting, balloon art, and other fun projects. Because Father's Day is the next day, attendees can also purchase a \$5 white tie to decorate for Dad and support The Home for Little Wanderers, Southeast Campus where all proceeds will be donated.

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Make a Fish Pole

Learn how to **make your own fishing pole** out of simple materials during "Saturday at The Sawmill," 32 Mill Rd., Acushnet, with the Buzzards Bay Coalition on Sat., 6/17 at 11:00 a.m.

During this FREE, family-friendly program, we'll make fishing poles from sticks and string, and then test them out in the Acushnet River from The Sawmill's canoe launch. We'll also use nets to search for macroinvertebrates (aka big water bugs!) that live at the bottom of the

river. The Hawes Family Learning Center will be open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., when you can explore the learning center and speak with Coalition educators about the park and its restoration.

To learn more and register for the family program, visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/saturday-at-the-sawmill-make-your-own-fishing-pole-jun-17-2017/ or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition at (508) 999-6363 ext. 219.

Fertilizer Talk/Walk

Join SEMAP as we take a fieldwalk through the Brix Bounty Vegetable Fields to survey early season crop growth. Discussion will focus on fertility steps taken at Brix Bounty to ensure crops are able to maximize growth during the longest days of the year. From boron to zinc we'll cover the mineral foundations invested in each season to promote healthy, vigorous crop growth. Included in the tour will be a deep dive into onion production, including: variety selection, enterprise analysis, cultivation strategies, fertility programs, and pest and disease management.

On Mon., 6/26, from 6-8 p.m., Brix Bounty Farm, 449 Bakerville Rd, Dartmouth, MA 02748. Cost: \$5 **Beginning Farmers**; \$15 **SEMAP Members**; \$20 **General Public**. Register at semaponline.org/fertility

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Lions Club Duck Races

The Acushnet Lions' Annual Duck Race at the Sawmill, will be held on **Sun., 6/25, at NOON.**

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Recipe of the Week

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- 1 box Betty Crocker™ SuperMoist™ white cake mix with water, vegetable oil and egg whites called for on box
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- 1 pint (2 cups) raspberries
- 1 pint (2 c) strawberries, halved
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup raspberry-flavored liqueur or cranberry-raspberry juice
- 1 cup whipping cream
- 2 tablespoons powdered sugar

Heat oven to 350° (325° for dark or nonstick pan). Make and bake cake as directed on box for 13x9-inch pan. Run knife around sides of pan to loosen cake. Cool completely, about 1 hour.

While cake is cooling, in bowl, gently mix berries, granulated sugar and raspberry liqueur.

In chilled large bowl, beat whipping cream and powdered sugar with electric mixer on high speed until stiff peaks form.

Cut or tear cake into 1-inch pieces. In 3-quart glass trifle bowl, arrange half the pieces. Spoon half of the berry mixture over cake; top with half of the whipped cream. Repeat layers. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour before serving. Garnish with additional berries if desired. Store covered in refrigerator up to 12 hours.

From BettyCrocker.com

Boating deaths increase

Coast Guard Press Release

The Northeast Coast Guard welcomes the 2017 boating season by warning everyone to be safe while on the water this summer.

National Safe Boating Week, May 21-26, marked the informal beginning of summer and Coast Guard crews throughout the Northeast are on patrol paying particular attention to recreational paddlecraft and boating safety while promoting safe boating and paddling practices.

The Coast Guard released its 2016 Recreational Boating Statistics report

45 of the 55 people who died were not wearing a life jacket.

on May 31, revealing boating fatalities nationwide totaled 701, an 11.3 percent increase from last year's 626.

In the Northeast, recreational boating deaths increased from 34 in 2015 to 55 in 2016, which is a 62 percent increase from last year. Forty of the 55 people who died drowned and 29 of the 55 deaths involved a paddlecraft. Forty-five of the 55 people who died were not wearing a life jacket.

"With all the rainy weather and the water temperatures across New England still 60 and below, now is the time to prepare for the nice summer

weather," said Walt Taylor, recreational boating safety coordinator for the First Coast Guard District. "For example,

ensure your inflatable life jackets function properly, flares and fire extinguishers are not past expiration dates, and strobe lights, personal locating beacons, and handheld VHF radios have fresh batteries."

Some additional important boating safety measures that can save your life include:

- *Boat and paddle sober.* Alcohol use is the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating accidents. Refrain from using alcohol or other impairing substances when operating boats or other watercraft.
- *Always have a marine VHF radio on your boat*, along with an EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicator Radio Beacon) or PLB (Personal Locator Beacon) in case of emergency. Cell phones may not be dependable while out on the water.
- *Be sure you are not operating a boat or paddlecraft beyond your level of knowledge and handling skill.* Operator inattention, boater and paddler inexperience, improper lookout, machinery failure and excessive speed rank as the top five primary contributing factors in accidents.
- *Take a boating safety course or get a free safety check* from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, <http://www.cgaux.org/boatinged/>. You'll have the peace of mind knowing your boat meets Federal and State standards, and in an emergency, you will have the necessary safety equipment.

To view the 2016 Recreational Boating Statistics, go to http://uscgboating.org/statistics/accident_statistics.php.

For more information, go to <http://www.uscgboating.org/>. Download the free CG Boating Safety Mobile App in any phone's app store.

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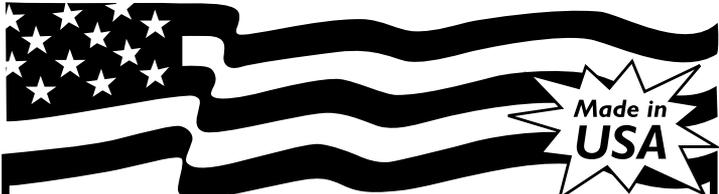
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Old Stone Schoolhouse continues as education center

By Beth David
Editor

The Old Stone Schoolhouse, with its single room, woodstove heating, and lack of plumbing, stopped being a school in 1896, but its mission of educating people continues.

Every Saturday afternoon, in the warmer months, Fairhaven Tourism Director Christopher Richard explains to anyone who enters what it was like to be a student or a teacher in the first school built by the town under the district school system in 1828. The school served the neighborhood of Oxford Village and stayed open as a public school until 1896 when the Oxford School was built.

Mr. Richard has also started holding "Lectures on the Lawn" on the first and third Saturdays of June, July and August. The next one is this weekend, 6/17, and will tell the tale of Captain William Whitfield and Manjiro Nakahama, the first Japanese person to live in America. Manjiro attended the Old Stone Schoolhouse in 1843.

On Saturday, 6/10, a small but steady stream of visitors flowed into the building to learn about slate boards, chalk boards, and how people managed without any running water when the building was run as a school. All ages were in the one room, Mr. Richard explained, and the teacher had to be flexible to teach at different levels.

At the teacher's desk, Mr. Richard sat just under the name "Miss Allen (Jane)," on the blackboard behind him. Miss Allen taught Manjiro in

1843; just a sample of kind of detail that Mr. Richard revels in.

Zoey Ventura wandered in with her great uncle Charles Alphonse and learned about writing lessons and how the students would all drink from the same water bucket.

"My school is bigger," noted Ms. Ventura, who attends East Fairhaven School, as her first observation.

"I would want to be here," she said, explaining that it would be "more fun" than her regular school.

Mr. Richard also explained that there was no recess, but children went home for lunch. When they returned, they would often play in the school yard until the teacher called them back in.

"But once school started, it was all work," said Mr. Richard.

He also demonstrated several games of the time period, and noted that the same paddles used for playing games were used for swacking backsides of naughty children.

"They did not have special paddles

for each thing," said Mr. Richard. "The children would pick up whatever was available."

For more information on the Old Stone Schoolhouse, visit <http://fairhaventours.com/old-stone-schoolhouse/>

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TOP RIGHT: Fairhaven tourism director Christopher Richard (RIGHT) shows Zoey Ventura and her great uncle Charles Alphonse a sample of a handwriting lesson that would have been taught at the Old Stone Schoolhouse in the 1800s on Saturday 6/10. MIDDLE: Emmalyn Affonce rolls a wooden hoop with a stick, trying to keep the hoop balanced, in a game that would have been played by children in the 1800s, when the building was a public school. ABOVE LEFT: Abby Durr (LEFT) catches the ring thrown to her by her friend Sydney Merusi in a game called "graces," played by youngsters in the 1700s and 1800s. The girls visited the Old Stone School House on Saturday, 6/10/17, to learn about life and education in the 1800s in Fairhaven. ABOVE RIGHT: Hailey Deskins and Emmalyn Affonce listen to Mr. Richard explain student life in the 1800s. *Photos by Beth David.*

CARTER: cont'd from page 3

Carter than the Commonwealth.

Prosecutor Katie Rayburn painted the picture of a calculating, manipulative and selfish girl who only thought about how people would respond to her as the grieving girlfriend.

Dr. Breggin said that Ms. Carter's delusion made her think she was doing a good thing by helping Mr. Roy get to heaven. He said all her prodding came after a dose change that sent her into a spiral.

Ms. Rayburn disagreed, and challenged Dr. Breggin's timeline and assertions every step of the way.

She pointed to a text where Ms. Carter told Mr. Roy she felt he was making a fool of her because he kept making excuses not to kill himself.

"She berated him," said Ms. Rayburn in her closing argument. "And lo and behold, he had the audacity, the audacity to still be alive the next day."

She said every time he came up with a reason why he did not want to kill himself, including that he did not want to hurt his family, Ms. Carter "kicked his feet right out from under him."

She even promised to take care of his family.

Dr. Breggin said that only pointed to her "grandiosity" that she felt she could make his family feel better.

But Ms. Rayburn dismissed Dr. Breggin's praise of Ms. Carter calling his bias "blinding."

Ms. Rayburn pointed out that the suicide letter the defense cited to say that Mr. Roy loved Ms. Carter, was actually something that Ms. Carter had asked Mr. Roy to write to her. Ms. Carter also asked him to make his last tweet on Twitter to her.

"This is all about her," said Mr. Rayburn, and pointed to a series of texts when Ms. Carter is telling some friends that he is missing and could be dead when he is not; at the same time she is texting a boy to start a relationship with him.

Ms. Carter even tells a friend that Mr. Roy's mother said Michelle was "the most important person in his life," when in fact, Ms. Carter had not contacted Mr. Roy's mother at all.

"Now, she's the grieving girlfriend," said Ms. Rayburn, calling it a "dry run."

She said that after telling everyone Mr. Roy was missing and dead, Ms. Carter had to make sure he died or

her friends, one friend in particular, would hate her for lying. That is when Ms. Carter intensified her goading of Mr. Roy.

Ms. Rayburn also took aim at the argument that Ms. Carter was not physically present. She said phones and other means of communication allow a person to be "virtually present."

"It's a new day and age," said Ms. Rayburn, adding that people fall in love on the internet and commit crimes via the internet.

She pointed out that the court has never required physical presence for a person to be found guilty of a crime.

"She was in his ear," she said, and she was in his mind and she was on the phone.

Ms. Carter knew what she was doing, knew the consequences of her actions, and knew it was wrong, said Ms. Rayburn.

"She absolutely caused the death of this 18-year-old boy," she said.

Defense attorney Joseph Cataldo made a simple point in his closing argument: Mr. Roy's death was a suicide, not a homicide. Ms. Carter was not there, he said. She was younger than Mr. Roy, he could have blocked her calls, not taken her calls, asked her to stop, but he did none of that. He was not bullied, he was asking her for his help.

Mr. Cataldo said that it was Ms. Carter who was pushed to the point of being "overwhelmed," and that the prescribed drugs she was taking clouded her judgement.

He said Mr. Roy had been plotting and planning to kill himself for years, and finally did it. He "dragged" Ms. Carter into it, and pointed to a text where Mr. Roy apologized to Ms. Carter for "dragging" her into it.

"She was brought into this by Conrad Roy," said Mr. Cataldo.

He urged the judge to watch the



Michelle Carter listens to her attorney Joseph Cataldo (gesturing), with defense attorney Cory Madera in Taunton Juvenile Court on Friday, 6/9. Michelle Carter has been charged with involuntary manslaughter in the suicide death of Conrad Roy III, who was found in the KMart parking lot in Fairhaven, Mass., after dying from carbon monoxide poisoning. A gas-powered water pump was found in the back seat of the crew cab pickup truck. *Photo by Glenn Silva, Fairhaven Neighborhood News.*

video to prove it, the same video that the prosecution pointed to as "hopeful." It is a self-recorded video Mr. Roy made talking about his life.

Mr. Cataldo said that Mr. Roy was intelligent enough to know what would happen if he got into the truck with the water pump running in it.

Mr. Cataldo also went step by step through the actions that Mr. Roy had to take to get the water pump there, first trying to use a generator that would not work, then physically loading the pump, driving to the KMart, etc. All the while, Michelle Carter was 30 miles away in Plainville.

Mr. Cataldo painted picture of a naive young girl who was in love with the older Mr. Roy, who took advantage of her.

"There's nothing anyone can do for me to make me want to live," said Mr. Cataldo, referring to one of Mr. Roy's texts to Ms. Carter.

Mr. Cataldo also said that much has been made of Ms. Carter's claim that she told Mr. Roy to get back in the truck when he got out because he was scared. Mr. Cataldo said that the prosecution went to great pains to prove Ms. Carter a liar, then pointed to that one email and wants the court to believe it is true.

"They're picking and choosing," said Mr. Cataldo. "Nobody really knows what happened."

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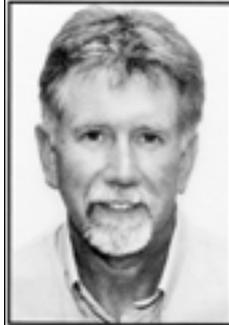
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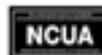
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Lectures on the Lawn

The Old Stone Schoolhouse is located at 40 North Street, Fairhaven. The lectures will begin at 2:00 p.m. on the selected dates, but the schoolhouse itself is open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on all Saturdays during June, July and August (except August 12, 2017). Admission is free. Each lecture is about 40 minutes long.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and settle under the tree next to the one-room schoolhouse for a talk by Tourism Director Chris Richard. The subject matter of each presentation will have a connection to the schoolhouse and/or its surrounding neighborhood. The talks are intended for adults, but are suitable for older children and teens as well.

In the event of rain, there is very limited adult-sized seating inside. Please note: the Old Stone Schoolhouse has no running water or restroom facilities. For more information, call 508-979-4085 or email FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov.

To learn more about the Lectures on the Lawn series, visit <http://fairhaventours.com/lectures-on-the-schoolhouse/>

- All lectures start at 2 p.m.
- *Manjiro & Whitfield, Sat., 6/17*: The lecture will focus on the story of the first Japanese person to live in America, Manjiro Nakahama, who was brought to Fairhaven in 1843 by Capt. William Whitfield. Manjiro first attended school at the Old Stone Schoolhouse.
- *Oxford Chapel & Church of the Good Shepherd: Sat., 7/1*: The lecture will include the history of the Oxford Chapel, which once stood across the street from the schoolhouse, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, which met at the schoolhouse for about 15 years before its own church was built, as well as other religious groups that used these buildings.
- *The Taber Family, Sat., 7/15*: The lecture will focus on several generations of the Taber family, which first owned the land making up Oxford Village starting with Thomas Taber, son-in-law of the Pilgrim John Cooke in the 1660s. Also included will be George H. Taber, for whom the masonic lodge was named.
- *Schools of North Fairhaven, Sat., 8/5*:



This water bucket is similar to what would have been used by all the students and the teacher at the Old Stone Schoolhouse in the 1800s in Fairhaven. The building is open on Saturday afternoons throughout the summer. *Photo by Beth David.*

The lecture will relate the stories of Oxford, Sacred Hearts, and Anthony schools, which followed after the closing of the Old Stone Schoolhouse in 1896.

- *Rogers School, Sat., 8/19*: The lecture will focus on the history of Rogers School, built in 1885 by Henry H. Rogers, which began the shift away from the small one-room districts schools in Fairhaven.

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attend that day, you may sign up in the library right through July, before the Teddy Bear Parade on August 2nd. Teens entering grade 6 and up are invited to join our Teen Group. Let Ms. Jane know if you can help out on Sign Up Day, and you will get a T Shirt and Pizza. Regular Teen Tuesdays will start on 6/27, from 2:30-4:30. Millicent Library, 45 Center St., Fairhaven; 508-992-5342 or jmurphy@sailsinc.org. The library is accessible.

Free Fishing

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FHS All Class Breakfast

Sun., 6/25, the Fairhaven High School Class of 1967 will host the annual "All Class Breakfast" buffet in the FHS Cafeteria from 8:30-10:30 A.M. Doors will open promptly at 8:30. The entrance to the cafeteria is across from the football field on the east side of the building. Tickets are \$10 and the breakfast will be catered by the Courtyard Restaurant. Tickets can be purchased at the Euro Store, corner of Main and Center streets, at the Alumni Booth at the Home Coming Fair on June 24, or by contacting Anita Alferes (anitaalferes@comcast.net), phone

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High School Tours

Below is the schedule of the Fairhaven High School Summer Tours for 2017. All tours are conducted by Robert Foster '66, President of the FHS Alumni Association, and there is no admission fee. Tours begin at the Main Entrance in the Rotunda of the high school.

Sat., 6/24 (same day as the Homecoming Day Fair), 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., Noon, 1:30 p.m.

Fridays, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

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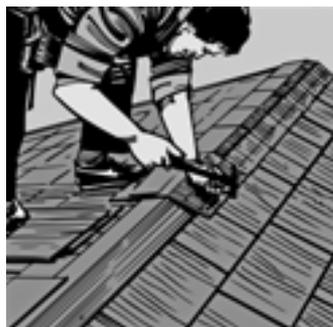
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Band of Brothers running club explains why they do it

By Beth David

Editor

You know you've seen them running around town. And you've seen them if you have been to any road race in Fairhaven in the last few years. They are the Band of Brothers running club. (Don't worry, there's a Sole Sisters, too.)

They started out at the LL Wood Elementary School and have expanded to the East Fairhaven School.

It was a way to get the kids moving, get them to spend quality time with the various men in their lives, and have fun, too.

Their last race will be this weekend on Father's Day, 6/18. School ends on Monday.

Wood School PhysEd teacher Brian Munce asked the runners what it means to them to be a BOB.

Here are their answers to "What BOB Means to Me."

Nathan Branco

To me BOB is a hard working, yet very fun group to be a part of. We run the Father's Day Road Race and the West Island Road Race.

My favorite part of BOB is running with the younger BOBs.

That is what being part of BOB

means to me.

Sam Green

It means no quits, you got this! It means GRIT. It means a good, no, a great experience. It means more over the top effort.

To me, it's more than, "Oh, look, he's a BOB."

It means "thank you" to all the coaches for our time and effort. I (and many others) could not have done it without you.

It means commitment. It means exceptional job. It means, simply, hard work and fun.

Now, let's all get out there and run.

Samuel P. Hubert

To be part of Band of Brothers, it takes commitment and pride. You have to be able to push your limits and try your hardest. As a 6th grader now, I have to be a role model to the younger runners. Which means trying



The Band of Brothers running club members stand out in their bright green shirts during the Fairhaven Father's Day Road Race on 6/19/16. *Neighb News file photo by Beth David.*

my hardest and doing everything I can to take the next step.

I will not stop until I absolutely have to.

I have to encourage everyone, even the runners in grades above me and coaches, and through that they will want to keep on doing better and better.

To be part of Band of Brothers, you have to keep on going even if you hurt. You can buddy up with someone

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Stop and enjoy the rainbows



Summer is trying really hard to get here, and has arrived in fits and spurts this week. The crazy up and down temperatures have caused some weather, including some beautiful rainbows. Photographer Glenn Silva was heading out to Fort Phoenix on Friday, 6/9, to catch the sunset, when he spotted a rainbow where the bike path crosses Adams Street, and stopped to take these photos. LEFT, L-R: Hannah Fraga, her sister Sophia, and their friend Kaia Furtado show their love of rainbows as one shines behind them on Friday, 6/9, where the bike path crosses Adams Street. RIGHT: The rainbow at Fort Phoenix. *Photos by Glenn Silva.*

Ford Middle School Musicians perform well at two festivals

Student musicians from Ford Middle School in Acushnet represented the school well at two separate music festivals, and earned two first place finishes.

At the Music in the Park Festival at Westfield State University on June 2, the Ford Middle School Band and Chorus each had a first place finish.

The FMS Wildcat Band, a combined group of students in grades 7 and 8, received a score of 90.25 and a rating of "Superior" for their performance.

The eighth grade chorus scored 82.5 and was rated "Excellent."

It was Ford's first year participating in the Music in the Parks festival.

On May 5 and 6, four FMS band members represented the school at the Junior Southeastern Mass. School Bandmasters Association (SEMSBA) music festival in Braintree.

Dale Faria played the French horn and Brian Poirier played alto sax in the junior festival band. Riley Fortin sang alto with the mixed chorus, and Maya Blouin sang soprano with the treble chorus.

"The four eighth graders represented the FMS music program impeccably across all of the ensembles," wrote FMS music teacher

Brian Shanbrun in a statement.

He said that the auditions in late February included hundreds of middle and high school students. Acceptance to the festival is by audition only. It requires preparation of a prescribed piece of musical literature, scales, and sight-reading.

"I was amazed they were all accepted," said Mr. Shanbrun. "One hundred percent acceptance to an

honor festival like this is an incredible accomplishment. It's a great honor for these standout students to be selected, both individually and for the school."

SEMSBA is comprised of 30 communities. The purpose of SEMSBA is to raise the standard of and to promote greater community interest in school music programs.



Four musicians represented Acushnet's Ford Middle School at the Junior SEMSBA Festival in early May. L-R: Brian Poirier, Dale Faria, Riley Fortin, Maya Blouin. Submitted photo.

Scouts conduct flag retirement ceremony

Press Release

The Boy Scouts of Troop 333 Freetown, assisted by Cub Scouts from surrounding towns, conducted a retirement ceremony on Saturday, 6/3, at Eagle's Nest Camp at Cathedral Camp. Thousands of tired and worn American Flags were burned in an honorable and solemn ceremony.

Nearly fifty residents and parents attended the hour-long ceremony which included staff from State Representative Paul Schmid's office and Mrs. Fred Maxfield, wife of recently deceased Troop 333 Assistant Scoutmaster Fred Maxfield, for whom the ceremony was dedicated.

Troop Committee Chairman, Michael McCormack, commented in his opening remarks, "Ralph Waldo Emerson is frequently quoted that 'It isn't the destination that is important, it is the journey.'"

"Scouting is a perfect example of what that journey can mean to these Scouts," said Mr. McCormack. "Their

journey included someone we've just lost — Mr. Maxfield. And I hope that no one will forget the lessons he left us."

American and POW-MIA flags, as well as state flags and standards of U.S. military services had been gathered from drop-off locations in New Bedford, Fall River, Lakeville and Freetown.



Troop 333 Senior Patrol Leader Michael Gould (LEFT) of Middleboro, serving as the Commander for the ceremony, addresses the audience at the opening of the Flag Retirement ceremony on June 3. Kyle Viera of Rochester (RIGHT) presents American Flags for inspection.

Submitted photo.

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at your own pace and they will push you because they will be trying their hardest.

We are a group of boys who unite and become something great in the races. When people see our shirts with the words "Band of Brothers" on [them], they cheer as loud as they can because they know we stand for something. They know that we stand for commitment, pride, trust, and friendship.

This running club is all about training and pushing yourself, but along this powerful journey you will make friends and become committed to see that banner at the end of the race that reads "FINISH" in all capital letters.

You get that urge of adrenaline and you sprint to the end because you want to finish that race and be successful. You know that everything you have practiced and prepared for has come to this moment of glory. That moment where you cross that line.

Yes, you may be breathing heavy and you may be sweating so much that you have stains in your shirt, but deep down inside, through all the pain in your legs, chest, and arms, you

know something. You know in your heart that you feel great about yourself and that is what Band of Brothers is all about. It's about knowing that you are an athlete, and knowing you can accomplish anything.

Shane McNamara

What it means to be a part of BOB is that you show up every Wednesday ready for practice. In BOB you are encouraged to set goals and achieve them, such as: Finishing the West Island 5K, beating your past times for 5K's, finishing Father's Day 10K, or even beyond, running on your own doing races outside of BOB

Every year people set goals and achieve them and it is an amazing feeling to know you did something you never thought you could do.

In BOB it is more than just running, we learn lesson plans that teach us how to keep our bodies healthy and active.

Band of Brothers is an amazing family to be a part of, we have a great reputation around town because we are a group of responsible young men that compete with class.

Coaches are volunteers who give

up their free time to help kids better themselves and help kids stay active.

Kids come to BOB because they want the best for themselves, they want to be healthy and they want to boost others' self esteem.

Hunter Medeiros

My goal in BOB is to keep trying as hard as I can and keep pushing myself and try to help other kids if they are struggling, and if they say they can't then I will try my best to motivate them to keep pushing himself to get better to try to do the 10K, the 5K or not.

But I will try my hardest to help the younger BOBs when they need help and if they say they can't, I will say "you can" and just keep pushing yourself until you achieve your goal.

Mark Mills

Determination, leadership, and maturity are all traits you need to be a BOB, but what does it mean to be a BOB?

BOB is not just a jogging team. You're a role model, you're a symbol of your town.

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Fairhaven Conservation Commission

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on June 26, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Fairhaven Town Hall. Purpose is for the Request for Determination of the following matters as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40 as amended.

- Request for Determination Applicant Nathan Sorelle Location 284 Mill Road Plot 39 Lot 29 Purpose construct a 12' x 20' shed within the NRB.
- Request for Determination Applicant Joaquin Resendes Location 50 Bayview Ave Plot 28A Lot 441 Purpose enlarge front porch within a VE flood zone.
- Notice of Intent Applicant Norman R. & Brenda A. Beauregard Location 46 Torrington Road Plot 29B Lot 271 Purpose construct 477' board walk within the BVW, Coastal Dune and flood zones.
- Request for Determination Applicant Robert C. Clarke Location 10 Point Street Plot 28B Lot 216 Purpose install concrete slab within a VE flood zone.
- Request for Determination Applicant Ebony Street Realty Trust c/o Troy Tonnessen Location Ebony Street Plot 43B Lots 300, 302, 305 Purpose clear lot and fill depression.
- Notice of Intent Applicant Francis & Amanda Grueter Location 80 Fort Street Plot 5 Lot 9 Purpose construct a 200' pier with 30 x 10 float within the Acushnet River.
- Request for Determination Applicant Robert A. Belli Location 10 Edgewater Street Plot 28B Lot 506 Purpose remove branches and dead trees from wetland area.

Jay Simmons, Chairman

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals

The Fairhaven Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall to consider the following petition(s):

RESCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Petitioner: Oxford School Residences LP, RE: 347 Main Street, Plot 22A, Lot(s) 192, 193. Comprehensive Permit required under Town Code 493 (aka 40B).

Peter DeTerra, Chairman
6/15/17, 6/22/17

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and maybe a seafood truck.

Mr. Morrison-Logan said that VHB will look over their notes during the summer and work with the planning board to prioritize the goals for the master plan. He said the next meeting will be in mid September to finalize the goals and begin moving to the implementation phase.

To view the draft of the Master Plan 2040 visit www.fairhaven-ma.gov/pages/FairhavenMAMasterPlan/index

To add your thoughts and opinions, visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/Fairhaven2040Goals

Fairhaven Meetings

Board of Appeals

Wed., 6/28, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon. 6/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Housing Authority

Thurs., 6/22, Oxford Terr., 1 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 6/27, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee

Wed., 6/21, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Mon., 6/26, WIIA, Causeway Rd., 6:30

Acushnet Meetings

Historical Commission

Tues., 6/20, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

Thurs., 6/22, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 6/20, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

US Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal/Wing's Neck

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From our readers

Cooke Park is burial site

Dear Friends,

1. One of the most prominent and valuable assets of the Town of Fairhaven is the hurricane-protected anchorage at Oxford Village that extends from the Rt 6 Bridge and the I-195 Bridge to the north. The Rt 6 in fact provides a second hurricane barrier. In this approximately 1 mile stretch lies the most historic part of Fairhaven, with countless historic monuments that extend back nearly 350 years to the first settlement in the area. With the anchorage at Oxford Village located just 1.15 hours from Boston, and with the prospects of a commuter rail connection to that city, this area should have been considered as one of Fairhaven's most valuable assets.

Yet, there seems to exist no plan for the development of this asset; the Director of Tourism for the Town is undermining the significance of Cooke Memorial Park (one of its key assets); and, staff of the Town (the Director of Economic Development & Plans) has facilitated the EPA Region One conversion of the Oxford Village anchorage into a dump site for PCB dredgings and other toxic substances. These actions are highly questionable, and point to inexperience, incompetence or worse.

2. I have sent a letter of complaint with respect to Town staff actions with respect to Cooke Memorial Park that criticizes the purposeful attempt by some of its staff to undermine the importance and integrity of one of those assets, while pointing out inability of such staff to have prepared any master plan for the Town's tourist industry. This includes the failure to oppose the EPA's construction of PCB dredging dumpsites in their immediate proximity. Since no Master Plan for this historic area with its 350-year old burial site seems to have ever been prepared, either through the Town's Dept of Planning & Economic Development or the Office of Tourism, a committee of citizens arranged to have a professional research scientist associated with leading universities undertake a study of Cooke Memorial Park using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR). The GPR was completed on May 16, 2017.

The conclusions are that Cooke

Memorial Park is the burial site for as many as 60 graves, and should be immediately recognized as a cemetery and a historical site for burials that were ongoing for at least 200 years. Historically this area was known as the "Burial Hill at Oxford Village" until at least 1902. There is now unquestionable scientific evidence of the scores of graves that continue to be there.

3. The Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR), on which the EPA relied to build a massive dump site for PCB dredgings ("DMMP") just yards from the oldest and most historic residential area of Fairhaven at Oxford Village, failed to discuss any aspect of the Town's historic sites, monuments and schools which were in direct proximity to that EPA dump site. This EPA action was a violation of standard environmental impact report requirements, is now impacting the health and property rights of Fairhaven citizens, and is representative of the deliberate fabrications EPA Region One undertook to manipulate the DMMP into existence. The report from the professional ground investigator certifies that a key cultural monument of the historic Oxford Village (Cooke Memorial Park) lies barely 100 to 200 yards from the EPA CAD cell into which the EPA continues to dump toxic PCB sediments.

Because the DMMP attacks the Town's Cultural Heritage, is a threat to public health, and adversely impacts the Town's tourism & economic potential with it being placed adjacent to Fairhaven's most historic area, we urge the Board of Selectmen to require the EPA Auditor General to begin an investigation to determine if the actions by EPA Region One were a deliberate attack on the Town and its cultural heritage.

In addition to this request, we are also requesting that you take all possible actions within the BOS control to prevent the continued demeaning and degradation of this burial site (1) through the actions of Town employees, (2) the placing of misleading information in the Town's communications systems, and (3) the continuing acquiescence to the EPA's dumping of carcinogenic PCB dredgings in the Oxford Village

anchorage, which lies in direct proximity to Fairhaven's most historic assets and one of its key operating schools.

Dr. Paul B. Spooner, CFA, Fairhaven

Describing Trump's "Tornado of Shame"

Spending a little time writing letters to the *Fairhaven Neighborhood News* has always been a pleasurable experience...a retirement activity.

Now I am currently locked into what might be called a "writer's block," trying to put into words describing the "Tornado of Shame" Trump continues to demonstrate, both home and abroad.

It seems that every day or two, he is defending a radical action or proposal that is of fantasy nature...a dream that one hopes won't come true.

Not one of his campaign promises has been fully implemented but he continues to have a strong support base. That is probably the most discouraging of all issues.

In a recent testimony before Congress, James Comey, the fired FBI director, called Trump a liar. This is an embarrassing term when it is targeted at the POTUS.

Trump retorted calling Comey a liar and agreed to testify under oath supporting his claim. The soap opera continues.

His support base says, give him time. Well, I am approaching the big 7-0. The Rolling Stones once sang "time is on my side." In my case, time is not on my side.

His failures are real and well documented, but in his fantasy world he claims victory. This has happened with every one of his failed proposals.

Trump has refuted 99% of climate scientists' conclusions that climate change is happening and going on right now. With this in mind, one might consider investing in raincoats because it's going to rain, rain, rain.

*Steve Bender, Mattapoisett,
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