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

Rain doesn't dampen the FESTA!



Although it rained on Sunday during the day, vendors at the 87th annual feast of Our Lady of Angels said the feast grounds filled up as soon as the weather cleared in the late afternoon. Known as the "Biggest-Little Feast," the traditional Portuguese festa includes a religious procession along Main Street, traditional Portuguese foods such as linguica, cacoila and bifana, and both Portuguese and American music. ABOVE: Confetti flies through the air after the arm of Our Lady of Angels is carefully maneuvered through the money ring hanging high above the parking lot at St. Mary's Church in Fairhaven on Monday, 9/4. The OLOA men then walk the statue up Main Street to Benoit Square and back again. See page 12 for more photos. *Photo by Beth David.*



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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

We have a lot of info packed into our little paper this week: meetings in Fairhaven (page 22) and Acushnet (page 16); fun events that happened, fun events about to happen. It's all here.

Fairhaven's Hastings Middle School has mostly finished its five-year sprucing up (see page 19). I got the tour by the principal, and it's very colorful. I am also happy to note that I noticed seven or eight bicycles outside the school. Dr. Bettencourt said that some students ride their bicycles all year long, as long as it doesn't snow. I like that. I really do.

The Rogers School also got a little spruced up, sort of. The vandals have done a number on the glass on the south side of the building. For a few months now, a mural project has been in the works to cover it up. See page 7 for how that all worked out and how it looks.

It was a great idea, and it got executed really well, too. The Rogers School "Starry Night" looks absolutely fabulous. If you have a minute, you should take a detour and see it for yourself.

One of my favorite events happened this past weekend. The Our Lady of Angels Feast (see page 12), complete with procession and the best malasadas on planet earth (yes EARTH), welcomed thousands of people. The food was great, the beer was cold, and the mood was festive. If you missed it, mark your calendar for next year on Labor Day weekend.

This weekend coming up is another festival event that's also lots of fun. Acushnet's annual Apple-Peach Festival (see page 3) will be going on both Saturday and Sunday. Good food, lots of vendors, entertainment, and hundreds of your closest friends will be there. So don't miss it.

And, after all the eating that these feasts are causing, you might want to check out the Fort Phoenix Road Race on Sunday (see page 3) to work off some of the calories. It's a walk, too, for those of us who prefer (er...must) go a bit slower.

The Millicent Library in Fairhaven is going to be hopping this Saturday, too (see page 5). A pretty full day of events is being sponsored by the Friends of the Millicent. So if you're not sure what the library has to offer, now is your chance to find out.

Victims of Hurricane Harvey have not been forgotten in our little part of the world. See pages 4 and 5 for a few different ways to help get needed supplies to people in Texas.

There is definitely more packed into this week's issue. But you'll have to thumb through and see for yourself. Be sure to notice who our advertisers are and let them know you saw their ads in the *Neighb News*. And if you go to a place that doesn't advertise with us, tell them they should. Tell them that you appreciate a business that supports the local free sheet.

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Ft Phoenix 5K, Apple-Peach this weekend

This weekend's events include an end-of-season harbinger, with the 38th annual Apple-Peach Festival in Acushnet. Also this weekend, spectators and participants alike are invited to the 17th annual Fort Phoenix Road Race in Fairhaven.

Both events are family friendly and offer something for all ages.

Apple-Peach Fest & Parade

The 38th annual Apple-Peach Festival will be held at the Long Plain Museum, 1203 Main St., Acushnet, on Sat. & Sun., Sept. 9 & 10, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free parking and shuttle bus from Acushnet Middle School.

• **PARADE:** Sun., 10 a.m. from Pope Park to feast grounds. Free admission.

Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, 9/9

10-10:45: Voices in Time
 11-11:45: Xtreme Acoustic
 12-12:45: Rebecca Correia
 1-1:45 Grumpy Old Men
 2-2:45: The Stumblers
 3-3:45: Neal McCarthy Problem
 4-6: The Dancing Dogs

Sunday, 9/10

10-10:45: Gonsalves Tai Kwon Do

11-11:45: Parade
 12-12:45: Gary Langevin
 1-1:45 Blue Lobsta
 2-2:45: Whiskey Affliction,
 Country & More
 3-3:45: Eli Zelford Band
 4-6: Adam Lufkin & Friends

Ft. Phoenix Road Race

Runners and walkers of all abilities are invited to participate in the 17th annual Ft. Phoenix 5K Road Race/Walk on Sunday, 9/10 at 10 a.m. Held rain or shine.

The race net proceeds will benefit organizations as determined each year by the Race Committee within the following categories: Sports, Community, History, and Education.

Cash awards to the top three overall male and female finishers. Medals to the top three males and females in each of eight age divisions. Division winners will win a chocolate running shoe by Dorothy Cox Chocolates. T-shirts provided to pre-entries. Register on-line at <http://www.JBRace.com>, or sign up on race morning from 8:15 to 9:30.

Race starts and ends at Ft. Phoenix State Beach Reservation in Fairhaven.

Carter to file appeal

Michelle Carter, the Plainville woman convicted of manslaughter in the suicide death of Conrad Roy III, filed a notice of appeal in Taunton Juvenile Court on August 30.

Ms. Carter, now 21, was convicted of manslaughter after Judge Lawrence Moniz ruled that her constant barrage of text messages, emails and phone calls helped to create the toxic environment that led to Mr. Roy's death. He was found in his pickup truck in the parking lot of Kmart in Fairhaven on July 13, 2014. A gas-powered water pump was in the truck with him. He died from carbon monoxide poisoning.

In a case that gained international attention, prosecutors contended that Ms. Carter's texts to the suicidal Mr. Roy, goading him and encouraging him to kill himself, caused his death. The defense contended that there was no crime committed, and that Ms. Carter's communications were protected speech.

Judge Moniz sentenced her to 2 1/2 years with 15 months to be served in jail. He ruled she could be free on probation until her state appeals are exhausted. Her probation ends on 8/3/22.

Do You Know What's Up at the Millicent Library?

**Find Out Saturday, September 9
 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

- Understand The Latest Digital Resources
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PD's and Tremblay's to "fill the bus" for Hurricane relief

Local police departments, including Acushnet, Dartmouth Fairhaven and New Bedford, are teaming up with Tremblay's Bus, Safe Zones and Neighborhoods United to "Fill the Bus" for victims of Hurricane Harvey.

This Saturday, 9/9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the three police departments, among others, will be accepting donations of non-perishable items. The buses will take the items to Texas.

Only NEW items are sought, including water, flashlights, batteries and cleaning supplies. NO clothing, stuffed animals, bedding, perishables, please.

Items needed include

Gallons and cases of water, first aid kits, fog horns, moving boxes, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, mouthwash, deodorant, diapers, baby wipes, toiletries, feminine hygiene products, nonperishable food including baby formula, baby food, koolaid, new blankets, can openers, tents, de-

hydrated food that can be prepared with hot water or powdered milk, dog and cat food (dry only), foam cups, plates, paper towels, napkins, plastic forks, spoons and knives, bleach; sll

Also requested are solar powered outdoor lights used around the yard (can also be used for inside of the homes without electricity at night and then recharged during the day, also reduces fire hazards); smoke detectors along with fire extinguishers for the home; all types of batteries

Just drop by any of the following police stations from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, 9/9. Please do NOT drop off items before or after Saturday, as departments have no where to store items. (See page 5 for other places to donate if you cannot make it on Saturday.)



different types of cleaning products including, rags, mops brooms, shovels, plastic, bags, heavy, duty, garbage, barrels, rakes, shovels, etc.; charcoal, matches, lighters and grills that can be used with charcoal

The only clothing items at this time are packs of NEW ONLY PLEASE underwear, socks, blankets (new in package)

Locations

- **Acushnet Police Department**, 64 Middle Rad
- **Dartmouth Police**, 247 Russells Mills Road (DCTV next to the old police station)
- **Fairhaven police station**: 1 Bryant Lane (corner of Washington Street),
- **New Bedford Police**: 871 Rockdale Avenue

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AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

Adopt me!

This is Chili. He is about one year old and loves to follow people around. Looking for his forever home. He is waiting for you at the Fairhaven animal shelter. If you are interested in adopting Chili, call 508-979-4028.



Fill the bus

For hurricane victims. See page 4.

Ft. Phoenix 5K

17th annual, Sun., 9/10. See page 3.

Hurricane Relief

The Centre United Methodist Community is accepting donations for hurricane survivors. We are a Methodist missional community in the New Bedford/Fairhaven area and would like to support the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) helping hurricane survivors. As the next hurricane is now bearing down on us, the need is great for hygiene kits for those who are displaced. Items needed are: hand towels, 15" X 25" to 17" x 25", wash cloths, combs 6" or longer (no pocket combs or picks), metal nail file or nail clippers, bath soap 3 oz or larger (no Jergens or Ivory), adult toothbrush, bandaids 3/4" to 1". Cash donations are also accepted. Checks can be made out to "The Centre" with UMCOR in the memo line.

We will be collecting until Sept. 19th at Southern Mass Credit Union, 123 Alden Rd., Fairhaven and 63 Green St., Fairhaven.

Many are providing items for the survivors of the natural disasters occurring, but we see other needs we can address on a much smaller scale as well. As a small community ourselves, we would like to join hands with our neighbors to do something tangible; the items needed do not cost much so even those with low income can support a good cause.

Contact the Centre, 508-992-2224, or visit UMCOR.org for more info.

Poker Run

4th annual Nopper Marine Poker Run will be on **9/9 at Earl's Marine/Down The Hatch**. Boat reg. is \$250 for crew of 4. Four ports, starts and ends at Earl's. Boats leave at noon and will line up at Hurricane Barrier.

All are invited to enjoy the other festivities, including food, entertainment, raffles, which will start in the afternoon and go well into the night.

Call Heidi, 508-971-1699 for more info or to sponsor.

Benefits Better Community Living Special Children's program and participants.

What's at Library?

Newcomers to Fairhaven and longtime Fairhaven library patrons are invited to join the staff and Friends of the Millicent Library on **Sat., 9/9, to learn "What's Up at Your Library? More than Books."**

Tours of the library at 10 & 10:15. **At 10:30, Children's Librarian** Jane Murphy will introduce the library's collections and services for children and young adults, including story time and summer programs. **At 11:30, Archivist** Deb Charpentier will explain the library's local history resources, including the soon-to-be-launched digital edition of the Fairhaven Star. **At 12:30, library staff** and volunteers will demonstrate the digital resources available through the Millicent Library and show visitors **how to acquire an e-library card from the Boston Public Library** to access even more online resources. Staff will be available throughout the day to help Fairhaven residents sign up for library cards. (See the library's website, <http://millicentlibrary.org/the-millicent-library-rules/>, to find out what you need to bring.)

Visitors are also invited to join the Friends of the Millicent Library to help us reach our goal of 125 members for the library's 125th anniversary.

Refreshments in the Community Auditorium from 1:30 to 2:30.

Oktoberfest

And Beer Swap

At West Island Improvement Association community house, **41 Causeway Rd., Fairhaven, Sat., 10/7,**

7-10 p.m. **Tickets: \$10**, contact Marc Dunn, 774-259-5561. Serving sausages & sauerkraut. Beer tasting and beer swap. Each person brings a six-pack of unigue beer. Every guest swaps beers with every other guest and suddenly each person has a six-pack of six different beers.

Special Service

Join The Unitarian Universalist Society of Fairhaven (UUSF) for an **Ingathering Worship Service on Sun., 9/10, for a Morning of Spirit and Song at 10:30 a.m.** Join the Reverend Jordinn Nelson Long, organist Dwight Thomas, and percussionist and musical guest Matt Meyer for a morning of spirit and song. All are invited to bring a small amount of water from a place close to your heart. Together, we will speak words of gratitude for what grounds us in shared legacy, and kindle one hundred sacred flames as we envision what's next for our faith community. Worship Service takes place at the **Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green Street, Fairhaven, MA and is open to the public.**

The 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 information, visit us at www.uufairhaven.org.

NMI Graduation Open to Public

Northeast Maritime Institute's College of Maritime Science is pleased to announce that Gwendolyn Sykes, Chief Financial Officer of the United States Secret Service, will be the keynote speaker at the College's 2017 Commencement Ceremony, which will take place on **Sat. 9/9, at 11 a.m., at the Fairhaven Town Hall.** NMI is proud to graduate 7 students from the Associate in Applied Science in Nautical Science Program. This event is open to the public.

Live Theater

"Go, Granny D!"

A Live Theater performance of the story of Doris Haddock, or "Granny D" who at age 90, walked 3,200 miles

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Old cars, old music, people of all ages fill Acushnet center

The center of town in Acushnet was hopping like a sock-hop last Thursday evening, 8/31, as music by The Klassics filled the town green with oldies, and antique cars filled the streets. The eighth annual Cruise and Music Night brought car enthusiasts, dancers, and people of

all ages who just wanted to hang out with their neighbors.

The smell of hot dogs, burgers, popcorn and other goodies filled the air as people danced on the green and strolled through the streets oohing and aahing over approximately 150 vehicles on display.

The event was sponsored by the Town of Acushnet and the Acushnet Celebration Committee. Music sponsored by the Acushnet Policemen's Association.

Find us on Facebook for more photos of this event: www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews



ABOVE: Main Street in and around Town Hall is filled with old cars, old music and people of all ages on Thursday, 8/31, for the 8th annual Cruise and Music Night. ABOVE RIGHT: One antique car owner reminded everyone of the drive-in restaurant days. RIGHT: One can just imagine this Chevrolet pickup truck working hard on a farm in Acusnet in the 1940s. The owner wasn't around for us to ask the year, so we took a guess (with a little help from the internet). Photos by Beth David. Find us on Facebook for more photos of this event: www.Facebook.com/NeighbNews.

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Colorful mural covers Rogers School vandalism

By Beth David
Editor

If your travels have not taken you by the south side of the Rogers School this week, you should

The Vincent van Gogh inspired scene includes a depiction of the school building,



definitely take a detour and take a peek. The unsightly broken windows, destroyed by vandals, have been replaced with a colorful mural dubbed "Rogers School Starry Night" by some residents.

and the swirls and colors of van Gogh's "The Starry Night," but maybe a little brighter.

"I like that the town came up with a name," said Jamie Lynch, Fairhaven High School Art Club advisor.

Students of the FHS Art Club and the National Art Honor Society created the mural at the request of Town Planner and Economic Development Director Bill Roth. The Selectboard approved the design.

The labor intensive project included 15 sheets of plywood, each four feet wide by eight feet tall. In-

House Custom installed the panels over the broken block glass.

The building has been empty for several years while the town decides if it should be sold, leased, or otherwise disposed of.

The design was created and artistically directed by NAHS president, Art Club VP & graduate, Eve Hartig, said Ms. Lynch and fellow art club advisor Brenda Roveda in an email. Ms. Hartig is now attending MassArt with four other students involved in creating the mural.

"This was a great opportunity for the students to tackle a real world task, especially as artists. With the scale of the mural it was a real challenge!" wrote the two in the email. "I hope the town continues to utilize the talents of our young artists."

In a follow-up interview, the advisors said they had received more than 30 emails from members of the public, thanking them for the mural.

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ABOVE: Using a borrowed lift from Wayne Electric and Alarms, Jay Charbonneau of In-House Custom attaches a beam that the panels will be nailed into to cover the broken glass blocks on the south side of the Rogers School in Fairhaven. LEFT: The colorful mural on the addition with the original building towering above. BELOW: Mr. Charbonneau maneuvers the panel into place. *Beth David photos.*

Fall Festival

Festival

at Atria Senior Living

Please join us for our second annual fall festival. Eat, socialize and participate in our raffles. Enjoy a variety of activities, including face painting, pumpkin painting, a car cruise with the Legendary Street Rods and more.

Proceeds benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Last year, we raised \$1475 for the organization, and this year we hope to exceed that amount. We look forward to seeing you there!

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STILL IN TOWN

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for Campaign Finance Reform in the 1990's will be presented on **Sun., 9/17 at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green St., Fairhaven.** Her efforts, in part, brought attention to this burning issue of her time which resulted in the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, more widely referred to as the McCain-Feingold Act.

After questionable recent Supreme Court decisions, such as Citizens United in 2010, America is in trouble again with accelerating income

inequality and the proliferation of deep pocket and corporate money in our election process. The Citizens United decision emasculated the McCain-Feingold Act and overcame century-old precedent by not allowing government to regulate such spending.

The play will be an inspiration to those who wish to do something to gain back control of our democracy. A nominal "donation" of \$10 will secure you a seat for what promises to be an enjoyable and inspiring evening of entertainment. For tickets, go to:

<http://PeopleGovernNotMoney.org>.

SAVE THE DATES

Fairhaven Town Auction

Fairhaven's Town Auction will be on 9/16, 9 a.m., at BPW building on Arsene Street.

Manjiro Festival

Sun., 10/7, in front of Town Hall in Fairhaven. Will celebrate 30 years since the sister-city agreement was signed with Tosashimizu, Japan. Visit <http://www.whitfield-manjiro.org/>

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

YTI Season Opener

Marc Camoletti's hit comedy *Don't Dress for Dinner*, Your Theatre, Inc.'s 71st Season opens with an eight performance run on September 7. Directed by Your Theatre's Suzanne J. Houbre of New Bedford, the play runs **Wednesdays through Saturdays September 7-9 and 14-16, with matinees Sundays, 9/10 & 17. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. except the 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee.**

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

Tickets: \$15 general admission, \$12 for season subscribers, and \$13 for senior citizens, students, and military. Call 508-993-0772, or send an email to info@yourtheatre.org. Visit www.yourtheatre.org.

ServAThon

The third Annual Salvation Army & Mobile Ministries Serve-A-Thon is scheduled for September 9th. Our purpose is to raise funds for these organizations as well as make a positive impact in our community.

SERVE-A-THON LOCATIONS/ LEADERS: September 9, 2017

Fairhaven: Veteran's Park, Huttles-ton Ave., grounds restoration, 9:00 AM - 12:00. Al Peters, Chris Tapper

New Bedford: Hazelwood Park, Brock Avenue, Fence Painting. 9:00 AM - 12:00; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Kevin Cormier, Larry Avila

Acushnet: Gifts to Give, Titleist Way, Toys/clothes sorting. 9:00 AM - 12. Cynthia Bouley, Athena Tetrault

Dartmouth: YMCA Sharing the Harvest, 276 Gulf Road, harvesting, 9 a.m. noon, 1-4:00 PM. Bob Bouley

SPECIAL EVENTS

New Bedford: Unitarian Church County Street, talent show, 1-4 p.m., Ken Hartnett

New Bedford: The Oaks, Adams Street, Yard/Craft Sale, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Lane & Deanne Wood

Fairhaven: Veteran's Ride, Bike Ride, September 9, 8:00 am. Steve Bouley

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Fall Festival

Fall Festival: **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 235 N. Front St., New Bedford, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sat., 9/30.** Delicious Polish and American food and various booths. Free admission. Phone: 508-992-9378. Visit www.olphchurchnb.org

Whaleboat Regatta

First held in 2004 in New Bedford, the Azorean Maritime Heritage Society's International Azorean Whaleboat Regatta is a major regional event and attraction. It alternates every other year between New Bedford and the Azores and attracts spectators and wooden boat enthusiasts, civic leaders, and dignitaries from the U.S., Azores, and mainland Portugal.

The Regatta week is packed with whaleboat rowing and sailing races, as well as cultural presentations, lectures, and dinners. This year's Regatta week will celebrate the Society's 20th Anniversary and the

20th birthday of the first Azorean whaleboat launched in America - *the Bela Vista*.

Rowing competitions on Fri., Sat., & Sun., 9/8, 9, 10, in the morning; entertainment in the evening. Awards ceremony and closing banquet on Sunday at 5 p.m.

All races are in Clark's Cove, New Bedford. Best viewing opportunities are available from the Coral Street Boat Ramp along West Rodney French Boulevard, New Bedford.

Visit <https://www.whalingmuseum.org/programs/9th-international-azorean-whaleboat-regatta-2017/> or www.azoreanmaritime.org.

William Street Fest

Join the William Street Neighborhood Festival, on **Sat. 9/16, from 12-5 p.m. All Events Free**

The 2nd Annual William Street Neighborhood Festival is a coming together of three historic churches in Downtown New Bedford whose goal is to show off the Artistic talent and historic buildings in the William Street Neighborhood.

The three churches are the First Unitarian Church, The First Baptist Church and the First Universalists (Gallery X). Although originally houses of faith they now also are homes to very creative, art, theater and musical groups. Our goal is to show that saving these buildings and opening their doors to Art and History we can help unique talent blossom and flourish.

From Noon to 5pm there will be a scheduled event list of activities in each building. There will be Art exhibits, Theater and lots of Music!

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STILL OVERTOWN

There will also be food trucks and craft areas (Free to local artists, Farmers and businesses) Events in all 3 churches will be Free to All, So come on and have fun, meet the talent that is making New Bedford famous.

New this year will be a chalk art contest for all ages, and other LIVE Art We encourage visitors to take in the shops and stores in the

Downtown area, there is so much to see, spend an afternoon on William Street.

If you know any Artists, craft persons who would be interested in FREE Craft area (Must have own table and set up) contact Gallery X/ Chuck Hauck chasahauck@comcast.net, 508-996-9768

Contact: Minister, First Unitarian Church, Karen Andersen, 508-441-

9344, kandersenuunb@gmail.com,

Fish Fry

At Mercy Meals & More, 634 Purchase St., NB, **Sat., 9/23, at 6 p.m. Tickets; \$10 pp.** Silent auction. Benefits Mercy Meals & More. Call for info, Debbie, 508-287-7128. To learn more about the organization, visit www.mercymealsandmore.com or call 508-287-7331

HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

Apple-Peach Fest

Sat. & Sun., 9/9 & 10. See page 3.

Plant Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging are holding a **Plant Sale on Sat., 9/9, from 10 AM to 12 noon on the lawn of the Mattapoisett Library, 7 Barstow St.** Mainly Perennial cuttings, rooted and ready to be planted. To help your green thumb, we'll tell you the name of your plant, whether it likes sun or shade, how tall it may grow and how much room it could take up in your garden. We also have beautiful potted House plants and fragrant Herbs for sale.

Rummage & Bake

Rummage and Bake Sale at **Acushnet-Wesley Methodist Church, 67 Main St., Acushnet, Fri., 9/22 17 from 530-8 p.m., and Sat. 9/23, from 9 a.m.-noon** Clothing, household items and homemade baked goods! Check out tons of sewing items and old patterns. In search of some vintage items or find something for a Halloween costume Come early for best selection.

Golf Scramble

The Livesey Club of Fairhaven, **20th Annual Golf Scramble, Back Nine Club in Lakeville, Sun., 9/10. \$400 per team,** includes cart, golf and a meal. Livesey Club has been supporting youth sports for 47 years. Please contact: John Rodriquez, 508 962-2940 or Dave Sylvia at 508 287-6707

Bird Club Mtg.

The Paskamansett Bird Club's September meeting will be **Wed., 9/13, at 7:30 p.m., at the Community Hall of Friends Meeting, 739 Horse-**

neck Rd., Dartmouth. John Galluzzo will discuss citizen-generated data: where to get it, how it can be analyzed, and what it can reveal.

John worked for a decade for Mass Audubon, as an educator and "citizen science coordinator." Along the way he counted everything: breeding birds, salamanders, amphibian sounds, and more. When he returned to civilian life, he found that he had a problem. He couldn't stop counting nature. The meeting is **open to the public, free, and accessible.**

Real vs. Fake News

Real Journalism Versus Fake News. In today's world, where news is often available in almost real time, news consumers as well as journalists face many challenges as they sort through the huge variety of sources. The public is invited to attend a free discussion of how to decipher real journalism from fake news with Mindy Todd, Managing Director of Editorial & Host/Executive Producer of "The Point" on NPR's local radio station WCAI and Paul Pronovost, Editor-in-Chief of the Cape Cod Times on **Sun., 9/17, from 2-3:00 p.m. at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow St. Accessible.** Hear these professionals discuss how news reporting has changed and how the public can determine credible news sources. Learn how to navigate the news in today's world and become a better-informed citizen!

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Rolling Thunder

Rolling Thunder, MA Chapter 2 will host the first-ever ride to **Battleship Cove and chair dedication for POW/MIAs on Sat., 9/16.** Benefits the

newly restored Vietnam and Korean War Memorial housed in the USS Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., which serves as the Commonwealth's official memorial to these wars.

The chair will become a permanent part of the memorial room aboard the ship, and will serve as a tribute to the families of the missing and those held prisoner in defense of the United States.

The dedication ceremony begins at 12:45pm. Arrive early to watch the motorcycles escort the POW/MIA chair to its final destination. All activities are included with general admission.

All funds raised will be used to support Rolling Thunder® Inc., the POW/MIA mission, America's Veterans, and restoration efforts at Battleship Cove.

If you are interested in riding with Rolling Thunder® MA Chapter 2, please call 774-766-9214 for price and information.

Save the Dates

The Big E

The largest agricultural event on the Eastern Seaboard, in West Springfield, Mass. **From Sept. 15 to Oct. 1.** Visit <http://www.thebige.com/>

Harvest Music Fest

Sat., 9/16, at Gloucester Harbor Walk, Gloucester, MA \$20/pp, visit <http://www.gloucesterharvestmusicfestival.com/>

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Recipe of the Week

My fav Peppermint Bark

1 pkg (16 oz) vanilla-flavored
candy coating (almond bark),
broken into pieces.

24 hard peppermint candies

Cover cookie sheet with waxed paper, aluminum foil or cooking parchment paper. Place candy coating in 8-cup microwavable measure or 2-quart microwavable casserole. Microwave uncovered on high 2 to 3 mins, stirring every 30 secs, until almost melted. Stir until smooth.

Place peppermint candies in heavy plastic bag; crush with rolling pin or small heavy saucepan. Pour crushed candies into wire strainer. Shake strainer over melted coating until all of the tiniest candy pieces fall into the coating; reserve the larger candy pieces. Stir coating to mix evenly. Spread coating evenly on cookie sheet. Sprinkle evenly with remaining candy pieces. Let stand about 1 hour or until cool and hardened. Break into pieces.

Chocolate-Peppermint Bark: Substitute chocolate-flavored candy coating for the vanilla.

Drizzled Peppermint Bark: Heat 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips or white baking chips and 1 teaspoon shortening until melted. Drizzle over Peppermint Bark before letting stand 1 hour.

By Vivian Glazier

To share a recipe with your neighbors

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From our readers

A tale of two disasters....

America is currently experiencing two disasters. The first is the election of Donald Trump. The second is hurricane Harvey.

The first was man made via a presidential election. The second was a natural disaster created by a weather system that will go down in history that is epic.

Trump's election has divided the nation and we are currently engaged in a civil war. From an ideological point of view, it's has all the characteristics of the Civil War of 1865. It is sad and disturbing the country is in such turmoil and this turmoil coincides with the presidential election.

Hurricane Harvey is a historical natural disaster.

My sister-in-law lives in Houston. We are very close to her so we have had communications every day as Harvey hit Houston. We can not put into words the totally helpless feeling we have had as we are given updates of what she is experiencing. We tried to get her on a plane to travel here but every airport was closed.

However, the disaster has a side bar. The outpouring of help that has brought the human race together in Houston is natural and epic.

At first, there was no organized institution [Red Cross] helping. It was individuals helping individuals, neighborhoods helping neighborhoods. One furniture store opened its doors for people who lost their homes to sleep on showroom furniture. Schools became havens for those who have lost everything. Some slept on a cot with 12 inches of water under the cot.

People went door to door looking and helping those who were flooded.

There are many more heart

warming experiences that have united a population to help people in need in a life threatening disaster.

There was no prejudice in the life saving efforts...no color, no political agend, and no declaration of Democrats and Republicans...just one thought process, help people who need help.

The aid and helping effort has evolved from local to national. I saw a very touching scene on the news. It was a group of kids outside Boston that had set up a lemonade stand where it was advertised as the profits going to the hurricane victims in Houston. The reporter interviewed each child that was involved. The responses were heart warming as I said previously.

Our nation has become unified in Houston.

The Houston life saving efforts by individuals give a feeling that is warm and genuine. It's man made and soul cleansing.

Just when I became disillusioned with the cultural [civil] war going on, the natural disaster hit Houston.

I am proud to be an American, once again. My faith in the human race has been restored. I am feeling there is hope and a chance to heal the sores created by the current political atmosphere.

"Hope is a good thing, perhaps the best of things, and no good thing ever dies"...a quote from the Shawshank Redemption.

Hope being that this country will take a page for the local/national help that has been extended in Houston. Hopefully this will help to generate enough force to decrease the hate and tension going on today.

*Steve Bender, Mattapoisset
FHS Class of 1966*

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OLOA's 87th annual feast defies rain



The Sunday rain kept people away during the day, but then the feast grounds filled right up after the rain stopped this weekend for the 87th annual feast of Our Lady of Angels in Fairhaven. Friday night and all day Sunday saw healthy crowds for the procession, food stands, games for kids, and the auctions. Known as the "Biggest-Little Feast," the traditional Portuguese festa includes a religious procession along Main Street, traditional Portuguese foods such as linguica, cacola and bifana, and both Portuguese and American music. TOP LEFT: It's a rite of passage for children to march in the procession, carrying different things at different stages in their lives.



TOP RIGHT: Lois and Donald Tucker put hand over heart as the American flag passes by in the procession along Main Street on Monday, 9/4. BELOW LEFT: The Banda Nossa Senhora da Luz plays while the flags blow in the wind on Monday, 9/4/17, after the procession. Photos by Beth David.

BELOW RIGHT: The arm of the statue of Our Lady of Angels goes through the money ring at the start of the procession on Monday, 9/4/17, at the 87th annual OLOA feast in Fairhaven. Photo by Glenn C. Silva.

Images from OLOA's past



Andy Jones sent in these old photographs from the procession of Our Lady of Angels Feast, probably in the early 1960s. The photos were taken by Andy's grandfather, George L. Jones. Unfortunately, there was no writing on them to indicate when they were taken. "I wish they were of better quality so that they could be reproduced," wrote Mr. Jones in an email. "If nothing else, I'm happy that I have these photos to commemorate some of the history of our town." We are too, Andy, we are, too. LEFT: The "62" may or may not signify the actual year of the feast when the photo of this float was taken at the Our Lady of Angels procession on feast weekend in the 1960s MIDDLE: Another float that was in the same procession in the 1960s. RIGHT: The statue being carried by the men of the day. Photos courtesy of Andy Jones.

175 take to the streets for 37th annual Acushnet Road Race

The 37th annual Acushnet Road Race, sponsored by Mass. Auto Tune and Country Hardware, send 175 runners into the streets on Labor Day, 9/4. Providence runners took all three top spots in the 4.1 mile race.

John Schilkowsky crossed the finish line first, in 21:15; Henry Sterling came in second at 21:23; and Brian Crimmins rolled in right behind

at 21:24. All three men are from Providence.

The top three winners in the women's field were also all Providence runners, with Rachel Schilkowsky crossing over first in 23:22, Dylan Hassett in 24:31, and Katrina Spratford in 24:31.

Youngest runner was Acushnet's Owen Dylan Ladd, 7, who crossed

over the line in 37:10.

Oldest runners were Jack Hand of Portsmouth, RI, and Barbara Belanger of Fairhaven, both 80, who finished up at 1:11:02 and 47:28 respectively.

The morning also included a walk and a kids run.

To see complete results, visit www.jbrace.com



ABOVE LEFT: The youngsters jockey for position at the start of the Acushnet Road Race on Monday, 9/4. ABOVE RIGHT: Elise Tetreault of Fairhaven has some help getting to the finish line. BELOW LEFT: Jeffrey Rezendes of New Bedford spots a familiar face during the Acushnet Road Race. BELOW MIDDLE: Rachel Schilkowsky of Providence is the first woman over the finish line. BELOW RIGHT: Donny Desmarais and Lyndsay Owirka, both of New Bedford, approach the finish line with a flourish. *Photos by Glenn Silva. PLEASE NOTE: Most names were taken from results listed on www.JBRace.com*



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9/20: Thames Street Newport,

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Special Activities

Calling all knitters and happy hookers

Monday afternoons beginning October 2nd from 1-3:00 p.m. Beacon Hospice of Fall River has invited the Fairhaven Senior Center to participate in a truly heartwarming activity that is sponsored by caring hospice. Beacon provides the veteran's who receive hospice services with a hand knitted or crocheted blanket in the color of red, white and/or blue. Beacon supplies all the materials including yarn. If you can't make it to the Fairhaven knitting / crocheting group and would like to participate. You can pick up the supplies at the Senior Center and knit/crochet at home. Please call the Fairhaven Senior Center at 508-979-4029 if you would like to share your talent and provide a veteran with this small token of comfort.

S.H.I.N.E Open Enrollment

During Medicare Open Enrollment, from October 15th to December 7th, you will be able to change your plan for next year. If you would like help understanding your upcoming changes and options, a trained S.H.I.N.E counselor is available to offer FREE and CONFIDENTIAL counseling on all Medicare and

related health insurance programs. Appointments fill up fast call the Fairhaven Senior Center, 508-979-4029.

Sewing Circle

With Debbie Rock. Please come and join the fun, we have the sewing machines, just bring in your material, etc. The Sewing Circle will meet at the Fairhaven Senior Center. 5:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. on 9/14, 9/21, 9/28; and from 1-3 p.m. on 10/9, 10/30

If you have questions please call the Fairhaven Senior Center at 508-979-4029.

Chair Yoga

Starting September 21st. We will have Elizabeth doing chair yoga on Thursdays from 10:15-11:15 a.m. for more information please call the Fairhaven Senior Center, 508-979-4029.

Grief Support Group

September 19th, 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Fairhaven Senior Center. This Grief Support Group is facilitated by trained grief professionals from Southcoast VNA and is offered to provide the opportunity to gather with others who are grieving the death of a loved one. To register, please call Southcoast VNA Bereavement Services at 508-973-3227.

Ongoing Programs

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Acushnet Selectboard ends 4-day workweek; honors centenarian

By Pattie Pacelle

Neighb News Correspondent

The Acushnet Selectboard celebrated centenarian Therese M. Ledoux at on Tuesday, 9/5.

Chairperson Kevin Gaspar said that Ms. Ledoux was a retired Kindergarten Teacher and the first Kindergarten Teacher so many years ago for Acushnet.

Mr. Gaspar said he attended her party and she was highly recognized in the community as a wonderful, loving woman; he wished her the best. Selectboard member Roger Cabral read the citation given to Ms. Ledoux on behalf of the Selectboard and then she was presented with the Boston Post Cane by the Board.

The cane is a tradition begun in 1909 by the publisher of the Boston Post newspaper, Edwin A. Grozier. He forwarded 700 New England towns a gold-headed ebony cane with the request that it be presented with the compliments of the Boston Post to the oldest citizen of the town (women were later included in the tradition), to be used by him/her as long as he/she lives or moves from the town, and at his/her death handed down to the next-oldest citizen of the town. The cane would belong to the town and not the person who received it.

Laughter erupted when Ms. Ledoux said, "Now can I get a reduction on my taxes!"

In another matter, Dan Menard, Superintendent of the DPW, told the board that the Recycling Collection Center for bulky items has opened.

He said that residents will be able to pay with a check or cash at the Collector's office and then bring their receipt to the recycling center to dump their stuff.

Town Manager Brian Noble stated

that very soon, residents will be able to pay with a credit card right on the Acushnet website and have their receipt on their phone to show at the center.

Mr. Menard and the board also discussed a failed septic system at Wamsutta Avenue and Main Street. He said approximately 15 houses will be affected and would then be able to tie into the sewer line. He said the work will be done in-house, saving the town a lot of money.

Mr. Gaspar expressed that his biggest concern with the situation was to make sure the residents in that area are well informed of the betterment that will be added to their property taxes to tie in.

Mr. Noble stated that after the meeting, the 15 homes will receive a letter both by mail and certified mail, and will be invited to a public hearing at the next Selectboard's meeting on September 19th. Mr. Noble also said that they will probably call the residents as well to remind them of the meeting.

In his own report, Mr. Noble gave kudos to the DPW team and to Dan Menard.

"It is a staggering amount of money that Mr. Menard has saved the Town



Therese M. Ledoux receives a citation and the Boston Post Cane for becoming Acushnet's oldest resident, from Selectboard members (L-R) Roger Cabral, Michael Cioper and Kevin Gaspar, at the Selectboard meeting on Tuesday, 9/5. Photo courtesy of Kerri Govoni.

and he does everything with a smile," said Mr. Noble. "It amazes me every time I ask him to do something he says, 'yes.'"

Mr. Noble also reported that the Town has adopted the Code Red Emergency Notification. Residents can now log onto the Acushnet website if they want to sign up their cell numbers or email to receive general notifications as well.

Mr. Noble also informed the board that the Assessors Property cards are now available on-line for the public. He thanked Assessor Kelly Koska for all her hard work in making it happen.

Mr. Gaspar ended the meeting with heartfelt thanks to all the employees and Mr. Noble. He said all the work

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FHS Field Hockey team getting ready for the season



The Fairhaven High School Field Hockey team took to the field in pre-season practice this week. ABOVE LEFT: Fairhaven Field Hockey Captain, Lauren Faria (white) tries to move around Kaitlyn Duarte at pre season practice. ABOVE MIDDLE: Rylie Bolarinho (blue) breaks up the play for the Lady Blue Devils Field Hockey team at pre season practice. ABOVE RIGHT: Julia Fernandes, the Lady Blue Devil goalie, tracks the play from net. LEFT: Ashley Leonard, Jordan St. Onge are all smiles at practice. RIGHT: Hannah Niemi explodes around the defender at pre season practice. Photos by Ryan Feeney.



Sailor rescued off Hoppy's Landing

By ML Baron

Special to the Neighb News

Todd Cox, acting Fairhaven Harbormaster along with Shellfish Deputy Richard Dube were at Hoppy's Landing when a distraught female approached them at the dock and stated that her husband was overboard from a capsized sailboat off Hoppy's Landing.

The capsized boat could be seen from the dock, but upon arrival, the

boater could not be found. He was later rescued from the rocky edge of Hoppy's Point.

The wind was blowing out of the southwest up to 30 knots at the time of the incident on Monday, 9/4, 1 p.m.

The sailor, Jeremy Messier of Dartmouth, was pulled to safety by Mr. Cox and Mr. Dube. Fairhaven firefighter/paramedics responded, but Mr. Messier did not require transport to a hospital. He said he

was happy to see his wife and retrieve his boat.

When the boat capsized Mr. Messier tried to get his rudder back while the vessel drifted out of reach in the 30 knot winds. His wife had not joined him, but watched from the dock as the scene unfolded.

See video of the rescue by ML Baron at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DIACBTShPi0>



The Fairhaven Harbormaster boat responded to a sailor overboard on Monday, 9/4, at the end of the point at Hoppy's Landing in Fairhaven. The man's boat capsized, but he was pulled to safety and he was able to retrieve his boat with help from Fairhaven officials. LEFT: After his sailboat capsizes off Hoppy's Landing in Fairhaven, Jeffrey Messier gets a life ring from the Fairhaven Shellfish Deputy Richard Dube. RIGHT: The Fairhaven Harbormaster/Shellfish deputies retrieve Mr. Messier's boat after it capsized off Hoppy's Landing. Photos courtesy of ML Baron, www.westislandweather.com

Middle school renovated with bright colors, bright attitude

By Beth David
Editor

With bright colors on walls and lockers, bright light coming through new windows, and inspirational messages posted all around, the five-year renovation of the Elizabeth Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven is almost complete.

Nearly every room, every hallway, every space, has had some sprucing up, said Principal Nicholas Bettencourt.

He said the renovations include energy efficient lighting, new floors, new drop ceilings...a top to bottom transformation.

The enhancements include lots of technology upgrades, too, from new Apple computers to a new intercom system, and interactive white boards, which means students can interact with the boards using their tablets at their desks.

The different wings for grades have different color schemes, too: blue and green for the main hallway and seventh grade, yellow and blue for grade six, purple for grade eight.

Sixth graders have brand new lockers, others have been painted.

"Everything's bright and cheery," said Dr. Bettencourt.

He pointed out that the Fairhaven Blue Devil has a prominent place in many spots throughout the school.

Another change, noted Dr. Bettencourt, is the addition of the college(s) that each teacher attended on the signs in front of their classrooms.

"When we have college and career



LEFT: Hastings Middle School principal Nicholas Bettencourt shows the inside of the old lockers that were painted blue on the outside in the main hallway, for seventh graders. ABOVE: The new lockers for the sixth graders. *Beth David photos.*

day, all the trades come in," he added. "We want students to know they have options after high school."

The curriculum has changed, too, creating "pathways" to the high school for a more seamless transition with many courses. For instance, the digital imaging classes teach the same Adobe Suite programs that the high school uses, such as Photoshop and Lightroom.

It's all about letting students know they have choices.

The school philosophy stresses a "growth mindset" that teaches that skills, intellect and talents can be developed, as opposed to a "fixed mindset," that believes that those things cannot be changed.

It's all about growth. It's all about believing they can accomplish any-

thing, "with hard work, dedication, perseverance," said Dr. Bettencourt.

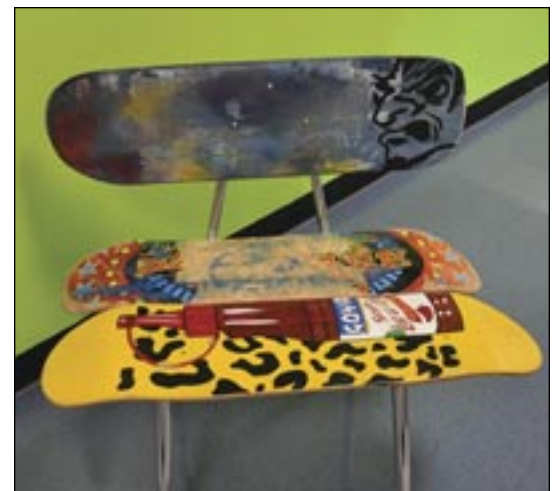
The key to it all, he said, is to create a safe and secure space where students can grow

As middle-schoolers looking towards high school, it is also time for students to learn how to connect to the world around them.

For example, the Life Sciences students use ingredients from the community garden to cook, and share with others.

It teaches students that they are part of a community.

"We want them to know that when they walk in the door, they're going to be safe, they're going to learn," said Dr. Bettencourt. "They're going to make mistakes, they're going to grow here. We're all here to help them." ●●●



LEFT: John Sladewski teaches Art Technology at Fairhaven's Elizabeth Hastings Middle School as part of the pathways to high school curriculum. RIGHT: A chair made from skateboards, by students in Timothy Lee's art class. To learn more about Fairhaven's public school system, visit www.fairhavenps.org *Photo by Beth David.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application Pursuant to M. G. L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application Number W17-5040 Francis and Amanda Grueter

NOTIFICATION DATE: September 7, 2017

Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by Francis and Amanda Grueter to construct and maintain a pier, ramp and float at 80 Fort Street, in the municipality of Fairhaven, in and over flowed tidelands of Fairhaven Harbor. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.

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Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at (508) 946-2748. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways Regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below.

Written comments must be addressed to: Carlos T. B. Fragata, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347.

Acushnet man shoots self

Officials are not identifying a 57-year-old Acushnet man, who, they say, shot himself in a bizarre incident in Rochester. According to a statement by the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office, issued just before press time, the man had several incidents during the day involving police. Then he went to a relative's house on Braley Hill Road in Rochester, crashed his vehicle into a pole, entered the residence and fired off a round from a handgun. When police arrived, he told them to shoot him, and shot a round into his own vehicle. Officers from Rochester and Freetown repeatedly told him to drop the two handguns he was holding.

Instead he turned the gun on himself and fired. He was pronounced dead at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, 9/5.



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Fairhaven is preparing its Comprehensive Master Plan update!

Thank you to everyone that participated in the first two Public Meetings, where we discussed issues, opportunities, and a 15-20-year vision. As we move forward with the Master Planning process, please join us for the third Public Meeting on October 4th to review and discuss how the Master Plan Goals will result in Actions and Priorities that will help turn our 2040 Vision into reality. At this final public meeting, we will spend time:

❖ **Reviewing the Draft Master Plan:
Fairhaven 2040**

❖ **Discussing the Master Plan Actions and
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For more information, please contact Bill Roth at the Town's Planning and Economic Development Office (billr@fairhaven-ma.gov) or at (508) 979-4082 Ext. 122.

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that has been done in such a short eight months is "commendable."

"It's definitely been a group effort," said Mr. Gaspar.

He also thanked the residents for their patience and commitment to Acushnet.

In other business, the Board heard from Jeff Helm, the town's Insurance Advisor who reviewed the town's insurance coverage and savings of almost \$79,000 over FY'17 costs.

Before signing off for the evening, Mr. Gaspar thanked everyone who was part of the Car Cruise Night.

"From the DPW crew, to EMA and Matt Lopes, we couldn't do it without you," he said, adding that the event was very successful with approximately 150 cars.

After the meeting the board confirmed that the town hall hours have shifted back to the five-day work week, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with the Clerk's Office open until 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

The town had tried a four-day workweek from June 5 to September 1, with town hall closed on Fridays. The board discussed the trial period in executive session, citing union negotiations as the reason, at its August 15 meeting, and voted then to go back to the original hours.

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FLOAT RING Float ring that was being used to float a peck basket for digging quahogs. Left on Dogwood Street near Round Cove in mid-July. Call Beth, 508-979-5593.

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They admitted that the perfect fit of each panel between the metal pieces was part luck. It was a bit of a guess to know how it would all fit.

"It was pretty labor intensive," said Ms. Lynch, because students had to take the panels out to work on them, then put them away so the classroom could be used for other classes.

In the end, even Mr. Roth helped with the painting, she said.

"It really took all of us kind of pulling together," said Ms. Roveda.

The group has three more potential mural projects in the works. The advisors said they would be happy to entertain ideas for more, but the students do have other work and projects they will have to do.

"To bring art to the community is the main objective," said Ms. Lynch, whether it is on public buildings, private property, or other public spaces.

"I think the kids are really excited to have the opportunity to improve the community," said Ms. Lynch.

The 60-foot long project was the largest one they have done...so far.

To learn more about the art department at FHS, visit www.fairhavenps.org

The students who worked on the project are: Hannah Berger, Kathryn Borden, Jacob Cabral, Kayci Cournoyer, Klarisa DaSilva, Caroline DeCosta, Emily Desmarais, Eve Hartig, Ben Manning, Quinn Medeiros, Linda Nguyen, Alexandria Pereira. Madyson Pires, Cynthia Robert, Christian Schmidt, Aline Sarkes, Daniel Sarkes; teachers are Jamie Lynch, Christine Neville, Brenda Roveda. ●●●

Fairhaven Meetings

Board of Appeals

Tues., 10/3, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 9/11, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

Capital Planning Comm.

Thurs., 9/14, Town Hall, 10 a.m.

Community Preservation

Thurs., 9/14, Town Hall, 10 a.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon. 9/11, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Council on Aging

Mon., 9/11, Senior Ctr., 9 a.m.

Planning Board

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

School Committee

Wed., 9/13, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 9/12, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

Acushnet Meetings

Planning Commission

Thurs., 9/21, Parting Ways, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard

Tues., 9/19, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

	Sept. 2017	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	7	0921	2141	0224	1448*
Friday	8	1005	2226	0308*	1536*
Saturday	9	1051	2313	0352*	1621*
Sunday	10	1140	----	0435*	1705*
Monday	11	0005	1236	0519*	1755
Tuesday	12	0104	1336	0610*	1900
Wednesday	13	0205	1435	0717	2019
Thursday	14	0305	1536	0833	2140
Friday	15	0409	1643	0949	2341
Saturday	16	0518	1748	1135	----
Sunday	17	0616	1840	0040	1246
Monday	18	0705	1926	0125	1337
Tuesday	19	0749	2010	0207	1428
Wednesday	20	0833	2054	0243	1509
Thursday	21	0917	2138	0303	1531
Friday	22	1000	2221	0324	1552
Saturday	23	1042	2304	0351	1618
Sunday	24	1125	2349	0421	1648

*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
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Selectboard sanctions EJ's; renews Taylor license

By Mary Macedo

Neighb News Correspondent

At a special meeting on Wednesday, 8/30, the Fairhaven Selectboard met with representatives of EJ's Restaurant about violations back in July, and met with owners of Taylor's Seafood about the renewal of their Aquaculture license.

The Selectboard opened the evidentiary hearing for EJ's Restaurant, Bar and Grill, making it known that the hearing was not open for public discussion. Chairperson Robert Espindola stated the violations against EJ's as serving alcohol to minors, patrons smoking marijuana in public, and exceeding the capacity of the building.

EJ's attorney John Markey represented restaurant owner Cathy Melanson at the meeting. Mr. Markey explained that they felt there was no need to conduct an evidentiary hearing because the Melansons agree that the whole incident back in July should have never occurred.

This past July, EJ's held a private event at their restaurant that ended in more than a dozen police officers breaking up what turned into an over-capacity party with more than 400 people on the property, according to police. With underage drinking, smoking, and excessive noise, the police had intervened. With overly intoxicated patrons, a few people resisted and became violent with police, resulting in at least one arrest and multiple violations against the restaurant.

Selectboard member Dan Freitas asked Mr. Markey who was responsible on that night.

Mr. Markey explained that Ms. Melanson was not there on that evening, but another manager of the

restaurant was there and lost control of the rowdy party.

Mr. Markey explained that the restaurant has been closed and will remain closed. The Melansons are already in talks with Drew Tillett, the former owner of the Ice Chest, for him lease the property.

The Melansons and Mr. Tillett plan to have the lease done by November. Mr. Tillett has plans in place to rename the facility Cleary's Pub and to do minor renovations like painting and moving around furniture.

Mr. Tillett also said he plans to come in front of the board in the next two or three weeks to transfer the liquor license from EJ's to Cleary's.

Mr. Espindola asked if the Melansons will still be a part of the business after they lease it to Mr. Tillett. Mr. Markey assured the board that Mr. Tillett will have 100% control over the business once the lease is complete.

Mr. Freitas explained that due to the business being closed and the transferring of the lease the board's "hands are tied" in regards to punishment for the violations.

"We should set an example for the future," Freitas said.

"We are deeply disappointed that something like this took place in town," Mr. Espindola said.

With EJ's already closed the board had a difficult decision to make regarding the punishment for the violations.

Mr. Markey explained that until the lease is transferred in November the Melansons still have two more events scheduled to take place at EJ's, a baby shower and a reunion.

Mr. Markey said that the Melansons are willing to voluntarily give up their license and come in front of the board to get the license

approved for one day for each event they have scheduled.

The board made a motion stating that both the Selectboard and the Melansons confirm that the violations occurred. The motion continued stating that the owners will surrender their license until the transfer of lease, which must occur by December 1 and if the license owner wants to hold events at the location until then they must come in front of the board for approval for each event.

The motion passed unanimously.

In another matter, the board met with the owners of Taylor's Cultured Seafood about the renewal of their aquaculture license.

Mr. Freitas explained that they got all the clarifications that were necessary to renew the license.

Marine Resources Committee chairperson Frank Coelho questioned how many acres Taylor's seafood was using, whether it was 35 acres, 44 acres, or 45 acres due to a bumper around the area.

Harbormaster Tim Cox explained that Taylor's Seafood is using 44 acres and that the buffer zone does not need to be included.


Although the license renewal was for one year, Taylor's attorney, Stuart Rapp, explained that it takes 2-3 years to produce a sellable product, and asked for a longer lease term.

Mr. Freitas said he felt that Taylor's Seafood has been doing a good enough job to allow them to renew for three years.

"They go above and beyond," Mr. Cox said.

Mr. Cox explained that Taylor's Seafood employees have done everything the town has asked.

The board voted unanimously to renew the licens for three years.



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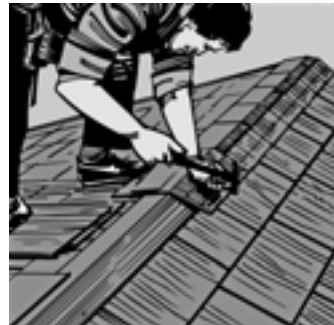
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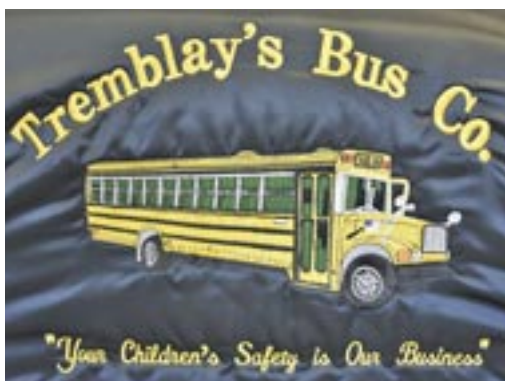
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