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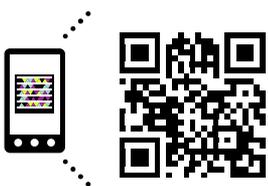
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Teeming with information you need.
(And some you don't need, but will be glad you have anyway.)

Rogers School tour showcases assets, flaws



Grand old wooden beams with acorn shaped accents are juxtaposed with damaged ceilings and peeling plaster in the auditorium in the old portion of the Rogers School in Fairhaven during a tour on Thursday, 9/30/21. Photo by Beth David. 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.

So, I guess beauty really is in the eye of the beholder. The Rogers School Re Use Committee is in love with that building. I'm trying, really I am, and maybe it's the time of year, but all I see is a spooky old building that would be great for a horror film.

Now...that basement...oh yeah, Vincent Price would love that place.

I'm going to post up a few more pictures on Facebook so people can decide for themselves. I only had room for a couple here. See page 12 for that.

Speaking of movies...

Alyssa Botelho shared her latest short film with us (page 13). Unfortunately, if you missed it, you'll have to wait about a year before it's released to the public. I'm not giving away any secrets, either. It's a very professional effort, and was lots of fun to watch with everyone at town hall. So...if this is what she's doing for school, just imagine what she'll be doing when she's a full time pro.

Kids Fest is this weekend. It's the first one from the Office of Tourism (see page 4 for details). The weather is perfect for all kinds of outdoor stuff right now. It'll be getting cold soon, though, so take advantage while you can.

Then....

The Halloween stuff starts!

Our Halloween Trail issue will be on 10/21 this year, to give you plenty of time to get a copy and find all the houses. Please let us know ASAP if you want your spooky yard included. See ad on page 3 for details.

The happenings pages are really picking up with a good mix of indoor and outdoor events. But, events aren't only on pages 5, 8, and 9, they're spread throughout the paper. So make sure you look through it all. And be sure to note who our advertisers are so you can tell them you saw their ads in the Neighb News. Until next week then, see ya,



Beth David, Publisher

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In our Select Board story last week, we made a mistake on the address of a 61A property. It should have been 732 Scoticut Neck Road. We apologize for any confusion the error may have caused. It was also listed on the official agenda incorrectly.

MO L.I.F.E announces annual gala

Press Release

On Friday, October 22, 2021, M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. (Murphy and Others, Living Interdependently for Future Endeavors) is holding a Semi-Formal Gala Event at Century House from 6 p.m. to Midnight, brought to you by our bronze donors AllTrust Credit Union and Baycoast Bank.

Join us for a night of dining, dancing and fun! There will be a Gift Card Wall and a Wine Wall game! This year we will be honoring program participant Kendal Hubert with the Katie Brienzo Personal Achievement Award. Help us to assist other members of our community to live fuller lives.

To provide the safest possible environment for our guests and individuals, we are requiring either proof of a negative COVID test, and/or proof of vaccination (last dose administered a minimum of 14 days prior to the event) for entry into the Gala. We believe this is the best way to maintain a welcoming and safe environment to as many members of our community as possible. We

appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this endeavor.

M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. services the vocational and community needs of individuals with disabilities in the Greater New Bedford area. ALL proceeds of this event will go toward supporting individuals with disabilities, support for the MO Food = LIFE Food Pantry located in downtown New Bedford and scholarships for local High School Seniors.

Without fundraisers, M.O., L.I.F.E., Inc. would not be able to support people on a continuous basis or provide the means for additional basic needs.

Century House is located at 107 S. Main St. Acushnet, MA and is fully accessible. Tickets may be purchased at our Fairhaven location on 4 Lambeth Park Drive or visit our website at www.molifeinc.com. Tickets for the Gala Event are \$60.00 per person for adults, and \$40 for children 12 and under.

M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. is a 501 (3) c recognized non-profit organization, and donations are tax deductible.

Halloween Sustainability Swap

Drop off clean, used Halloween costumes and decorations in the bin at Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven, from now to October 8.

On October 9 at Kids Fest, you can pick out items you might want yourself at the Sustainability Committee's Halloween Swap booth!

Costumes should be clean, and non-violent (no gore). Don't limit yourself to just costumes. Jewelry, scarves, crazy hats, anything that can be used for a costume as well as decorations will be accepted.

Drop off Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center St., Fairhaven. A large bin is located in the entrance.

Contact Whitney McClees, Sustainability Coordinator, with questions: sustainability@Fairhaven-MA.gov

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Calling all Halloween Yards

Want to share your Halloween expertise with your neighbors? Send pictures of your yard to the *Neighb News* and we'll share them with our readers. Or call us at 508-979-5593 and we'll try to swing by and take a picture ourselves. Email: NeighbNews@comcast.net; USPS: 166 Dogwood St., Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Halloween Map

Want to be on the Halloween map? Email Manny Souza, oleoxfordhaunt@gmail.com and he'll include you in his map of spooky yards, which we will publish in our annual Halloween issue. Find the map at: www.communitywalk.com/Hauntedfairhaven

Koopman Lumber announces acquisition of Fairhaven Lumber

Press Release

Massachusetts-based Koopman Lumber Company announced that it is expanding on the South Coast through the acquisition of Fairhaven Lumber, LLC at 120 Alden Rd. in Fairhaven, MA.

“The new location will enhance and improve our ability to serve customers on the South Coast with local Pro Sales desks and local inventory. In addition, the Fairhaven location will allow us to better serve South Coast customers with the additional services of our Engineering

and Estimating Group, our Custom Trim Shop and more” says Tony Brookhouse, COO of Koopman.

In an era when the building supplies industry has consolidated into fewer and larger companies, Koopman is proud to grow and thrive as a local, family-owned and family-operated business. Jimmy Kalife, owner of Fairhaven Lumber is pleased to continue that tradition

Fairhaven Lumber has earned a good reputation and loyalty from customers over their seventy years. Koopman is proud to continue

with the same team of dedicated staff and is excited to be working together to build the future

Koopman Lumber began in 1939 when a builder – Peter Koopman – began selling lumber and supplies to fellow builders out of his garage. That first-hand knowledge of the building trade fueled growth, and still inspires our vision today.

Koopman Lumber will now have ten locations in Massachusetts. Seven of them have full Pro Sales desks, one is a full-service paint store, and two are distribution centers.

Kids Fest this weekend, costume contest

Fairhaven Kids Fest, Sun., 10/9, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Lawn of Visitors Center and Fairhaven High School, 141 Main Street at Route 6, Fairhaven. Sponsored by the Fairhaven Office of Tourism and Millicent Library Youth Services

Featuring: Interactive Fun with Pirates of the Cape; Mermaids to Meet, from Ever After Storytime Entertainment; Craft Activities to Make and Bring Home; Costume Parade and Contest at 2:00 p.m.;

Entertainment, Live Music; Booths with Children’s Items for Sale, Food, Sweets, More

Craft vendors, children’s activities, special guests, and entertainment are planned for this fun fall Saturday, outdoors on the lawns of Fairhaven High School and the Visitors Center. Meet and act like a pirate with Pirates of the Cape, make crafts to take home, enter the costume parade and contest, and enjoy other family fun.

List of craft vendors is available at

<https://fairhaventours.com/kids-fest-vendors-2021/>

“Bite the Dog” will be here selling hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken tenders, French fries, tater tots, and onion rings. Baked good, sweets, ice cream and Del’s Frozen Lemonade will also be for sale.

The Buttonwood Brass Trio will be performing on the grounds from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

A costume parade and contest will

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be will be held at 2:00 p.m. Children will sign up in advance at the booth of the Millicent Library. Prizes will be awarded for "Silliest/Most Funny," "Scariest," "Most Fabulous," and "Most Heroic," in three age groups—baby& toddler to age 3, ages 4-11, and ages 12 and up. Judging will be done by the Fairhaven Mothers Club.

You'll be able to find a used costume, too, at the Fairhaven Sustainability Committee's Halloween Swap booth. Clean, used Halloween costumes, accessories and decorations are being collected in a bin inside the Town Hall until October 9. At Kids Fest you can look through the collected items to see if there is something you can use.

FairhavenTV will be on hand with a photo booth where children with or without costumes can have a photo taken with a spooky background. The photos will be available to download and will be incorporated into FairhavenTV's Virtual Halloween Party which will be streamed and broadcast on Fairhaven cable TV later in the month. They will also have promotional "Mystery Bags" to hand out.

Barbosa Farm will have pumpkins for sale. Children will be able to paint them at the neighboring booth.

One of the Fairhaven Protecting Society's antique fire engines will be on hand for children to take photo with and climb aboard.

At the table run by Climate Reality Massachusetts Southcoast, children can help take action for climate legislation by adding their handprints and first names to a "Climate Legislation Now!" Parachute. They may also sign letters and draw pictures to be sent to state legislators. Free reusable straws will be handed out.

Free Admission.

For more information, contact: Fairhaven Office of Tourism, Chris Richard, director, 508-979-4085, email FairhavenTours@fairhaven-ma.gov; Millicent Library, Allie Thiel, youth services, 508-992-5342, email athiel@sailsinc.org

CPC Plan

The Fairhaven Community Preservation Plan has been reviewed and approved and is available on the CPC

webpage. The Community Preservation Committee is accepting applications for the 2021 (FY23) CPC funding round. The deadline for full applications has been changed to October 13, 2021 at noon at the Planning and Economic Development Department in Town Hall.

The FY23 Plan, Submission Guidelines and Application forms are available on the Town's Web Site on the Community Preservation Committee page: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/community-preservation-committee>

Activities that can be funded are:

- Acquisition, creation and preservation of Open Space.
- Creation, preservation and support of Community Housing.
- Acquisition, creation and preservation of Historic Resources.
- Acquisition, creation and preservation of land for Recreational Use.

Further information is available from the Planning and Economic Development Department. For information or appointments call 508-979-4082, Ext. 122 or email pfoley@fairhaven-ma.gov.

Cultural Council Applications

The Fairhaven Cultural Council is pleased to announce it is currently accepting grant applications for the 2022 calendar year. Applicants can apply online at <https://massculturalcouncil.org/local-council/fairhaven/>. **Applications are due no later than October 15, 2021.**

Each year, the Fairhaven Cultural Council, a local organization supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and Town of Fairhaven, awards Local Cultural Council grants to support arts and cultural projects that directly benefit our community. Grants are made possible by funds from the Commonwealth and Town of Fairhaven.

Priority is given to:

- First-time applicants in Fairhaven
- Projects that demonstrate a clear benefit to Fairhaven residents
- Grants for programs or projects that take place in and/or are specifically related to the culture and history of Fairhaven

If you have any questions, please contact Abigail Hevey, Chair at abigail.hevey@gmail.com.

More information can be found at <https://massculturalcouncil.org/communities/local-cultural-council-program/>

Animal Shelter Yard Sale

Join the Fairhaven Animal Shelter for our yard sale, Sat., 10/9, from 10 am.-1 p.m., at the shelter, 200 Bridge St., Fairhaven. Featuring small animal cages, dog beds, crates, carriers, food dishes, brand new dog toys, 50/50 raffle. Only accepting monetary donations on the day of the yard sale.

NO Fire Open House This year

Due to COVID19 restrictions, there will not be a Fire Department open house for safety week this year.

Book Raffle

In preparation for October's Fire Safety Week, Fairhaven Firefighters Association Local 1555, is holding a book raffle.

Two of the Sprinkles the Fire Dog books will be raffled off at the end of Fire Safety Week! Sunday, October 10th @ 10 A.M. (pending emergencies)

How to enter: This is a FREE raffle for ANY child up to and including Grade 5. All you have to do is submit your own drawing of Sprinkles the Fire Dog! Here's your chance to be creative! Use your imagination!

Please make sure your name is clearly written on the back of the drawing and a means to contact you! ALL names will be entered into the drawing.

Please drop off OR mail in your drawing to 146 Washington St. Fairhaven, MA 02719 **NO later than 10/09/2021**. Find them on Facebook.

We look forward to seeing all of your art work!

SAVE THE DATES: Vaccine Clinic

Fairhaven vaccine clinic, Wed., 10/20, 2-6 p.m. at Council on Aging/Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Ave. Vaccines offered: Pfizer 1st dose (2nd does TBD), J&J/Janssen, FLU Vaccine.

Sponsored by Fairhaven Health Department and Southcoast Health.

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Fairhaven
kids fest

Fall fun for all! Craft vendors, children's activities, special guests, and entertainment outdoors on the lawns of Fairhaven High School and the Visitors Center

Interactive Fun with Pirates of the Cape
Mermaids from Ever After Storybook Entertainment
Stilt Walker from Extraordinary Arts LLC
Pumpkin Painting
All Ages Costume Contest at 2:00 pm
Antique Fire Truck to Climb Aboard
Music by the Buttonwood Brass Trio
Kids Market: Vendors and Food For Sale
Crafts, Activities, Games & More!



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Friends of Millicent prog

Slide show presentation, "Funny Bird Sex: Stories Birds Tell About Birds and People," 10/20, at the Millicent Library auditorium, 45 Center St., Fairhaven, 6:30 p.m. By John Nelson, noted author and birder. By the Friends of the Millicent Library.

Halloween Party

Fairhaven TV's 4th annual Virtual Haunted Halloween Party. Free online event. Fri., 10/22, 6 p.m. Featuring live entertainment, trivia, games, costume contest, spooky stories, and more. All ages welcome. Free virtual event. Visit FairhavenTV.com/hauntedhalloweenparty

Hazardous Waste Day

Hazardous Waste Day for the Town of Fairhaven will be on Saturday, October 23 from 8AM to 12PM at the BPW Building. This day is open to

Fairhaven residents only; proof of residency is REQUIRED.

For a complete list of materials that are acceptable, visit <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/home/news/fairhaven-hazardous-waste-day>

NFIA Halloween Horribles Parade

Sun., 10/24, 2021, 5 p.m. Parade starts at Benoit Square, intersection of Adams Street & Howland Road

Sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association, this Halloween costume parade has been held every year since 1950. Children and adults in costume walk from Benoit Square north on Main Street to St. Mary's Church.

In the parking lot behind the church, costumes are judged in different categories and age groups with prizes awarded. There are also bags of Halloween treats and hot chocolate. Free.

For more information email, visit <http://northfairhavenimprovementas>

soc.weebly.com/ or email northfairhavenimprovement267@gmail.com

EFS Trail Cleanup

Join East Fairhaven Champions and East Fairhaven School as we clean and prune our community trail, Sat., 10/16, 9 a.m.-noon-ish, 2 New Boston Road, Fairhaven, behind the East Fairhaven School. Please bring your own rakes, pruners, gloves and other yard/trail supplies. Treats will be provided. Contact Emily at 508-441-1778 or CHOO1783@discoverchampions.com

Farmers Market

At the Bright Yellow Farm Stand, 151 Alden Road, Fairhaven (next to National Bleach). Sundays through 10/31, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Featuring beef, chicken, produce farms, honey, eggs, herbs, jams, organic soaps and more. Accepts senior and WIC Farmers Market Coupons, SNAP.

Contact: 508-496-9209; allnaturalbeef@comcast.net

HAPPENINGS OVERTOWN

At RJD Garden

The following events are at the Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD), 396 County St., NB. Visit www.rjdmuseum.org

FREE Family Fest

RJD invites the public to its first "Rotchtoberfest," an evening of food, fall ales, lawn games, and pumpkin carving, on Wed., 10/13, from 5 to 8 p.m. Children and adults of all ages are welcome to attend this festive event in the Museum garden. Admission to the event is free, and no registration is required.

Pumpkin Parade

Fourth annual Pumpkin Parade on the historic grounds of the Museum on Thurs., 10/14, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The public is invited to visit the gardens of the Museum to see a display of Jack-O-Lanterns created by community members. Carved pumpkins will be displayed throughout the garden, and especially along the winding "woodland walk." At 6:00 p.m., Cool Banana Wig performs, bringing kids up to play homemade or unusual instruments and JAM with the band. Inside the historic mansion, children will be able to participate in a scavenger hunt. The mansion will

be open at limited capacity due to COVID safety precautions, and visitors must remain masked while indoors. Costumes are encouraged at this family-friendly event, and children will be able to take home a sweet treat after their visit.

A suggested donation of \$5 for individuals or \$10 per family is optional at the door. This event is also part of AHA night. All proceeds support the preservation of the Museum's gardens.

Blues Concert FR

A soulful blues affair on Sat., 10/10, Nightstage Performance Center at The Kilburn Mill, 127 W. Rodney French Blvd., NB; 978-337-1414; john@yellowboxentertainment.com

An evening with Blues Legend Saron Crenshaw Saron Crenshaw to support the Cape Verdean Recognition Parade in New Bedford. Sponsored by the Colonial South Auto Group and the Cape Verdean Recognition Committee. Special guest performance by The Authentics.

Sat., 10/10. Doors open 6 pm. Showtime 7 pm. Tickets \$35 at <https://nightstageperformancecenter.com> Full Menu. Cash Bar

Chowderfest

16th Annual Blount Fine Foods New Bedford Seaport Chowderfest at Pier 3 New Bedford, Sat., 10/9, Noon-5 p.m. (VIP 11 a.m.-4 p.m.) Local restaurants, caterers and assisted living facilities will be competing for best clam/seafood chowder, best Portuguese specialty soup and best signature soup!

Advanced General Admission, \$15 per person; Day Of Event General Admission, \$18 per person; Children Ages 6-12, \$5; Children Under 5, Free
VIP Tickets, \$35 per person.

For tickets: <https://members.onesouthcoast.com/events/>

Weekly Vax Clinics

The City of New Bedford Health Department and New Bedford Public Schools are hosting weekly COVID-19 vaccination clinics through early November at Keith, Normandin, and Roosevelt middle schools, and New Bedford High School. Students, parents, faculty, and staff members all are welcome at the free, walk-up clinics.

The Pfizer vaccine will be offered for those 12 and older, and the Johnson & Johnson vaccine will be

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available for those 18 and older. Minors will need parental consent, provided either in advance online, or in person at the clinic.

Pre-registration is available but not required, through the link and QR

code on the attached flyers. All clinics are from 2 to 5 p.m.

Normandin Middle School clinics began this week and will be held every Tuesday through Nov. 2; Keith Middle School clinics begin today and

will be held every Wednesday through Nov. 3; Roosevelt Middle School clinics will be held every Thursday through Nov. 4; and New Bedford High School clinics will be held every Friday through Nov. 5.

HAPPENINGS OTHER LATITUDES

Boston Marathon

Due to the pandemic, the 125th Boston Marathon was moved from April to Oct. 11. Race starts in Hopkinton at 9 a.m., with special groups starting at 8 a.m. in rolling starts, and ends on Boylston Street in Boston. There is ample space every mile from Hopkinton to Boston for fans to gather and cheer on your journey to Boylston Street. Some of the most famous spots are the Wellesley Scream Tunnel just before halfway; Heartbreak Hill in Newton around Boston College; and the final stretch on Boylston Street before the finish.

Visit <https://www.baa.org/> for details on the race; visit <https://www.baa.org/races/boston-marathon/watch> tips on how to watch; and <https://www.baa.org/races/boston-marathon/watch/spectators> for best spots for spectators, rules on what will be allowed through checkpoints, etc.

Free Magic Show

The Prince of Mystery, magician Skip Daniels, performs at The Acushnet Senior Community Center, 59 1/2 So. Main Street, Acushnet, on Friday, October 15th at 1:00 p.m.

This is a free event but pre-registration is required, 508-998-0280.

CANCELED

The Comedy Night scheduled for 10/9 at American Legion Post 265 in Acushnet, has been canceled.

Acush Hist Soc

Carol Louro to speak at the Oct. 21 meeting of the Acushnet Historical Society. The meeting will take place at the Acushnet Council on Aging, 59 1/2 So. Main St. The business meeting will take place at 5:00p.m. followed by refreshments at 5:30.

Enjoy refreshments while listening to Carol. She is a macrobiotic teacher

of four decades and an Aveline Kushi Award recipient. She will share a bit of her story as told in her book, "Kale Soup: My Journey from Music to Macrobiotics." Carol is interesting, informative, funny and uplifting. Macrobiotics has been known to transform lives, minds, hearts and diets.

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Steel Magnolias

The Marion Art Center will reopen for its first indoor staged event since 2020, with the production of Robert Harling's *Steel Magnolias*, directed by Jennifer Palmer.

Show Dates are October 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, and 24, with Friday & Saturday shows at 7:30pm and Sunday matinees at 2:00pm. Tickets are \$18 for MAC members and \$20 for nonmembers. Tickets are online at marionartcenter.org/events.

This much beloved story about the bonds and strength through good times and not so good, is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, LA where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle, the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser, an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee, who has a raging sweet tooth; and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby, is about to marry a "good ole boy." As the story proceeds through comedy and tragedy we

learn how these women have been each other's strength through friendship and love.

All theater guests must be fully vaccinated. Visit <https://www.marionartcenter.org/events/steel-magnolias/> for entrance restrictions due to COVID-19.

Ticket sales are limited to forty guests per show. Advanced purchase is strongly recommended. Visit marionartcenter.org, email info@marionartcenter.org, or call 508-748-1266.

Family Fun Fest

The Mattapoisett Lions Club presents the 5th annual Fall FREE Family Fun Festival, Sat., 10/16, noon to 4 p.m., Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett. Featuring hay rides, pin on the nose on the pumpkin, pumpkin bowling, coloring station, corn hole toss, pumpkin patch (kids take home your own pumpkin), refreshments, goody bags, music. Kids: Wear your costumes. No registration required. Rain date, 10/23. Visit www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org; mattlionsclub@gmail.com

Spooky Trail

For the month of October, the Handy House Heritage Trail, 202 Hix Bridge Road, is transformed into a fun Halloween trail. Young visitors will enjoy the Halloween themed scavenger hunt, locating the mysterious, magical ravens that dwell in the woods. Friendly ghosts will keep an eye on all visitors. The trail offers children and their families a chance to enjoy the season with a little spookiness and a lot of fun.

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Preheat oven to 375°. Season pork chops with salt and pepper.

Mix together butter, rosemary, and garlic in a bowl.

Add the oil to a skillet over medium heat. Set the pork chops in the skillet. Cook for 4 minutes on each side.

Place the skillet in the oven and cook for 10-12 minutes. Serve with the garlic butter!

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Dear Frankie

Breaking Up is Hard to Do

Dear Frankie,
A couple of months ago, my mom's friend asked if her dog Rags could ride with us to the park. Before my mom and I picked up Rags, she said that I

should be sure to introduce her to the other dogs. Honestly, she didn't need to remind me. I know how uncomfortable it feels to be a newcomer in a group.

The first dog Rags met was my best friend forever Breeze. They hit it off right away and started merrily barking away. I asked Rags if she wanted to meet the rest of the gang, and she said it wasn't necessary.

In the beginning, I was pleased that Rags and Breeze hit it off from the get-go. Then I noticed as time went on when the three of us were together Breeze talked mostly to Rags and vice versa. Lately they have started whispering to one another and walking off without asking me to come along. When I asked them about it, Breeze said she didn't know what I was talking about, and I was being over-sensitive.

I couldn't believe my ears and realized that I was losing what I had

always assumed would be my best friend for life.

Heartbroken, Milly

Dear Milly,

I'm so sorry to hear how harshly you were treated by Breeze. As upsetting as this might be you need to take control and not hang out with them. They need to see that you will not tolerate being overlooked and dismissed. After a time, Breeze and Rags may come to their senses and ask you to join them. If that happens, you should insist they apologize.

Then I recommend the three of you have a conversation about how the friendship can work for each of you in the future. If it turns out they want to have an exclusive relationship, you need to ask yourself if Breeze is the kind of friend you would like to have as a best friend forever?

I hope it doesn't come to this. If it does, I suggest you tell your mom to tell Breeze's mom to work out other transportation arrangements to the park.

Best, Frankie

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Rogers School tour shows assets and flaws of the old building

By Beth David
Editor

Members of Fairhaven's Rogers School Re-Use Committee conducted tours of the old school last week to highlight the building's strengths and character. More than 300 people toured the building, according to a Facebook post by committee chairperson Susan Loo.

She said the majority left in "awe of not only the building's beauty but the overall good condition the building is in contrary

to what they have been hearing."

The building has been mostly emptied out, and cleaned up, and is being "mothballed" to save it from further deterioration. The committee is pushing to have it rented by SMEC, to be used for classrooms again. That prospect is in the mix of possibilities. The Selectboard is leaning towards issuing another Request for Proposals that would include leasing the building for classes.

A couple of past proposals included knocking down the 1950s annex and building single family homes or apartments using the old building and new construction.

The school was the first gift of town benefactor Henry Huttleston Rogers, and was built in 1885. It was used as an elementary school for 128 years, until 2013.

On Thursday, Doug Brady led a

tour through the gym in the addition, through classrooms, into the old building, including the auditorium, the caretaker's quarters, the boiler room, and the basement bathrooms, with boys and girls quite separated.

Robert "Hoppy" Hobson made it known that his preference was to create housing for veterans in the old space.

Joni Souza said she joined the tour because she lives in the neighborhood and was curious about the building.

"It's an incredible place," said Mr. Brady.

He pointed out the "infamous" room that was shown at Town Meeting to possibly have mold. The ceiling has since been taken down. He noted that the only asbestos is in the tile floors in only part of the 1950s addition.

"The whole point is to dispel rumors," said Mr. Brady. "And let people see for themselves."

The committee is determined to see the site used as a school again. He pointed out that in the attic, it is not easy to create an apartment because the beams are low and support the whole roof.



A classroom in the old portion of the Rogers School in Fairhaven shows a buckled floor and other water damage during a tour on Thursday, 9/30/21. Photo by Beth David.

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Single vehicle crash sends two to hospital

By Beth David
Editor

A 2002 dark green Ford Ranger pickup truck seriously injured a pedestrian and the driver when it crashed into a telephone pole on

Route 6 in Fairhaven near the intersection of Adams Street on a rainy Monday, 10/4/21, at 9:45 a.m.

It appears the woman was waiting at the bus stop when she was struck, but that has not been confirmed, said

Fairhaven Police spokesperson, Lt. Kevin Kobza.

The male driver and the woman were transported to local hospitals.

Lt. Kobza said the matter is still under investigation.



LEFT: This 2002 dark green Ford Ranger pickup truck seriously injured a pedestrian and the driver when it crashed into a telephone pole on Route 6 in Fairhaven near the intersection of Adams Street on a rainy Monday, 10/4/21, at 9:45 a.m. ABOVE: The telephone pole is held up by the street light on it after being toppled by the truck, while officials block the road. Both the driver and a pedestrian were transported to local hospitals. Photos by Glenn C. Silva for the Fairhaven Neighborhood News.

“To Dust All Return” screened in film maker’s home town

By Beth David
Editor

A small, but enthusiastic group got a sneak peek at Alyssa Botelho’s latest short film, “To Dust All Return,” in a hometown screening in the Fairhaven Town Hall auditorium on 10/2/21. The nine-minute film was the capstone project for Ms. Botelho, writer/director/editor, who graduated from the University of Rhode Island’s Harrington School of Communication and Media with a BA in film/media this year.

“This is so exciting,” said Ms. Botelho after the movie, saying it was great to celebrate the arts and film with the community, especially after the pandemic.

She said the screening brought together all parts of her life, from co-workers in the town’s Cable Access department, to her high school media class, her family and friends.

“We’re so proud of her,” said Alyssa’s father, Steven Botelho. “I know she works so hard at her craft.”

He said she was always a talented writer, and the story about her mother getting her a library card when she was only a week old, is definitely true. Alyssa would leave the library with books stacked up to her nose.

“She read constantly,” he said. “And she always asked a lot of questions about the characters.”

Pattie Pacella, who used to work at town hall, said she was there to support Ms. Botelho.

“It was a pleasure working with her,” said Ms. Pacella.

Susan DeLuise and Philip MacDonald said they missed the last screening of Ms. Botelho’s first film, “Junkie,” so they were determined not to miss this one.

Mr. MacDonald said he wanted to

support a fellow FHS alum, “and wish her all the luck.”

Ms. DeLuise said curiosity took her there, and “to wish her luck.”

“She is doing amazing work,” said Selectboard member Stasia Powers. “I’m so proud of her.”

She said she was happy Ms. Botelho used people from Fairhaven.

“It brings the whole town together for something pretty cool,” said Ms. Powers.

Michael DeCicco, a local writer, said he wanted to support the “local girl making good.”

“She was so inspiring,” said Cindy DeCicco. “I like her drive and her hard work.”

Ms. Botelho noted that they chose October 1 because it is the start of the “spooky season.”

The movie is set in 1710 and centers around a young woman who is visited by a powerful man who suspects her of being a witch. The woman’s mother has been sent away, which was becoming common at the time, to send women away who were...difficult. Her father also seems to be away. We will not, however, give away the movie’s secrets here.

During the question and answer period, Ms. Botelho said she wanted a “coming of age” story, but wanted something different from the stereotypical stories. At first, it was going to be a



Film maker Alyssa Botelho (standing) addresses the crowd at the screening of her short film, “To Dust All Return,” at Fairhaven Town Hall on 10/1/21, during the question and answer period after the movie, with other crew members, L-R: Todd Migliacci, Prop Master, Set Decorator; Debra Borges Roderick, Costume Designer; Alyssa Botelho, Writer/Director, Editor; Bethany Fernandes, Producer; Sean Campbell, Director of Photography. Photo by Beth David.

“mockumentary,” but she said it did not feel right as she wrote it, so she made it serious.

“I really wanted to make something about a girl growing up and finding her own strength in a weird sort of way,” she said. “She’s not exactly the good guy. But you can make the argument that she’s also not exactly the bad guy. It’s kind of a gray area between good and evil and that came from a lot of research in the time period.”

Ms. Botelho said researching for the film was fun, too. She and other crew members went to Salem; the prop and costume people went on treasure hunts.

Even reading the bible and taking notes had its fun factor.

“Which was like really, really fun, because why else would I read an old version of a bible,” she said. “Yeah, it was really fun to do the research.”

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“I’ve gotta say, it’s a cool place,” said Mr. Hobson. “If they can spend two million

dollars on a football field, they can spend a few million here.”



The window from a room in the caretaker’s quarters in the old portion of the Rogers School in Fairhaven, looks out over the playground, during a tour on Thursday, 9/30/21. Photo by Beth David.

Cathy Melanson, who volunteered at the door that day, said a local contractor told her that the building was salvageable. He told her he believed the 1950s addition could sustain a second floor. She would not name the contractor.

The building clearly has some

leaks, especially in the addition. None of it is insurmountable, contend the committee members.

One has to wonder, however: What would HHR do? He was, after all, a man who spent lots of money building new, and tearing down the old to do it.

To learn more about the building, visit <https://fairhaventours.com/rogers-school-fairhaven-ma/>

To learn more about HHR and his gifts to the town, visit <https://fairhaventours.com/henry-h-rogers/>

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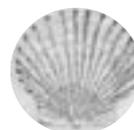
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Acushnet Select Board hears traffic, PJK concerns

By Mary Chasse

Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Tuesday 9/28 the Acushnet Selectboard discussed concerns about speeding on Slocum Street, as well concerns about PJ Keating. The board also briefly discussed the progress with the Lake Street project, as well as a proposal about residential housing.

The board first met with town resident Eric James. He said he attended a Selectboard meeting a few weeks ago to discuss speeding cars on Slocum Street. He said he was just looking for an update on it.

Mr. James said the board told him the police were going to put up two speed meters, but only one has been put up and sometimes it is not on.

Selectboard member Kevin Gaspar said that the reason the meter was not on sometimes is because the battery has died or it needs a new battery. He said he was surprised the second speed meter had not been installed.

Chairperson David Desroches said the Selectboard allotted the money for the meters, but it is in the police department's hands to order and put them up.

Selectboard member David Wojnar said that there are a lot of issues with supply and demand right now and it is possible the meter has been ordered, but has not come in yet.

Mr. Jones asked if the speed meter has at least been ordered.

Mr. Desroches said he did not know and they would have to ask the Police Chief.

Mr. Gaspar said he texted the Police Chief and asked. Later in the meeting the Police Chief responded and said the speed meters had been ordered already.

Mr. James and a few other residents also suggested a four way stop at Nye Avenue and Slocum Street.

The Selectboard agreed that they can forward the information to the Safety Committee and recommend a traffic study be done at the intersection.

The board voted unanimously to forward the information to the Safety Committee.

In another matter the board met with Deborah Polchlopek about neighborhood issues with PJ Keating. Ms. Polchlopek said the residents who live around PJ Keating have not been kept informed about what is going on.

She said she was there to ask the Selectboard to schedule a meeting with all the neighbors surrounding PJ Keating to give updates on what is happening. She said preferably an evening meeting or even a Saturday, that way a lot of residents can make it.

Ms. Polchlopek said the asphalt operations have started back up. She said she was awakened Monday at 5 a.m. to the sound of machinery and at 6 a.m. another day to the sound of

trucks backing up right alongside her property.

Ms. Polchlopek said that some questions the neighbors have are who is responsible for enforcement and why is nothing being done; when will there be an air quality study; what about the land use license; fire suppressant plan and permits.

Mr. Desroches said he was open to the discussion, but they have to set aside a meeting time to discuss all the questions.

Town Council Jeffery Blake said that they will be able to address some of the neighbors concerns and update them on where everything is in the process. Mr. Blake said there are some things they cannot say because of court cases.

Mr. Wojnar said that there are things taking place and the Selectboard made PJ Keating shut down for 18 months. He said a lot has been done and the board is doing what they can on a local level.

Ms. Polchlopek said no enforcement has been done. She said that everyone knows the Selectboard is putting in great efforts and they all appreciate it, but PJ Keating is still not complying, and they are still operating.

Mr. Desroches said that PJ Keating is allowed to operate because the Mass DEP approved it and no other permits were required.

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ACUSH: cont'd from previous page

Mr. Desroches said that they should set up a meeting to discuss all the concerns and he really appreciated Ms. Polchlopek for her time.

In another matter the board discussed a special residential development bylaw proposal. Mr. Desroches said he had to recuse himself from the discussion and he left the room.

Mr. Wojnar said that it was a potential housing spot around the old Titleist property. He said it would fill a need in town, and Acushnet does not have any type of housing like what is being proposed. The town does not have the proper zoning in place for it, but Building Commissioner Jim Marot is addressing that issue.

Mr. Wojnar said he thought the housing project would be a good opportunity for the town.

Mr. Gaspar said the owner of the property proposed the idea in February and had a good, concrete proposal and a project model to develop the bylaw. He said it would be nice for a 55+ community and housing like that is something the town does not have.

Mr. Wojnar said Acushnet is an all or nothing town, that everyone in town owns a home. He said there is no opportunity to rent in town, and that creating rental housing would be a good change.

Mr. Wojnar also said he would like to see the project get off the ground and see Mr. Marot meet with the Planning Board and present the project to them.

Mr. Wojnar said he would like to see the issue at Town Meeting in January or in the Spring.

Mr. Gaspar agreed and said they should work with the Planning Board to move the project forward.

The board voted unanimously to have Mr. Marot present the project/bylaw to the Planning Board.

The board also discussed the Lake Street Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Mr. Wojnar said that the project is moving forward and that the city of New Bedford has agreed to the plans for Lake Street.

Mr. Wojnar said they are hoping to get it going by spring with walking paths, bathrooms, etc.

Mr. Gaspar asked if they would

need to test the water in the area to make sure the town is not liable if the water is contaminated before this project begins.

Mr. Blake said New Bedford does not want to be liable for cleanup of the land used by the town. Mr. Blake said if New Bedford contaminates the water it is on them.

Mr. Wojnar said he would love to see the town take ownership of the land.

Mr. Blake said that there are too many challenges with the title of the property and many owners are unknown.

The board voted unanimously to approve the MOU, with a few revisions, and send it to New Bedford for approval.

The board also briefly discussed the Chapter 61A Right of First Refusal Ground Lease of Commercial use of Robinson Road Map 7 Lot 7.

Mr. Desroches said it is 7.5 acres near Country Whip.

Mr. Gaspar made a motion to forgo a right of first refusal. The motion passed unanimously.

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Jersey Mike's opens in Fairhaven



L-R: Jersey Mike's owner Janette Hall, Operating Partner Michael Donaghy, and General Manager Brandon Cell pose for a picture on the opening day at the new restaurant in the Stop & Shop plaza in Fairhaven on 9/29/21. Photo by Glenn C. Silva for the Fairhaven Neighborhood News.

There's a new Jersey Mike's restaurant in these parts and it's in Fairhaven. Operating Partner Michael Donaghy said opening day went great, and he was looking forward to many more. With a complement of 7-8 workers on site there was a constant stream of customers. And with only an hour to go Michael was seen keeping busy slicing up some cold cuts while owner Janette Hall worked the register. Jersey Mike's is a quality submarine sandwich shop that started in 1956 in Point Pleasant, NJ. They have more than 2,000 locations, including one in Dartmouth and one in Fall River.

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Public Hearings/Legal Notices

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ON PAGE 22**

NOTE: All legal notices are available on the Neighb News website, www.NeighbNews.com, under the "Legal Notices" tab on the top of the main page. Legal ads are also available at <http://masspublicnotices.org>, search under "Fairhaven Neighborhood News"

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven Conservation Commission

**Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:30pm
Remote**

Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, these public hearings will be conducted via remote means.

Members of the public who wish to access the meeting may do so in the following manner:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89437661004?pwd=N3N2alBWBVUVMZnBpVXVKcGJUC1dqUT09>

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No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, and public participation in any public hearing conducted during this meeting shall be by remote means only.

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold the following **Public Hearing** pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands:

1. CON 023-249: **39 Nelson Avenue** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Steven Taylor for a percolation test at the property located at 39 Nelson Avenue, Assessors Map 43, Lots 224-225. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage.

Information regarding remote meeting access, listed above, will also be provided on the Conservation Agenda posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be viewed electronically at: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/conservation-commission/pages/current-filings>

*Geoff Haworth, Chair, Fairhaven
Conservation Commission
FNN: 10/7/21*

Fairhaven Planning Board NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm
Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street
Fairhaven, Massachusetts**

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday October 26, 2021 on SD 2021-01: Torrington-Reservation Road Unaccepted Street Discontinuance. The Planning Board Meeting and public hearing will be conducted remotely for the public and will be televised on Fairhaven TV Channel 18 and fairhaventv.com.

**To Join the Meeting from home Log on to:
<https://zoom.us/j/93163358101?pwd=NXg5WnUxZjI1Lk3drSVBMM2JPTXE0QT09>
or Telephone 1-929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 931 6335 8101 ; Password: 740257**

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following Street Discontinuance application: SD 2021-01 — Torrington-

Reservation Road Unaccepted Street Discontinuance. The applicants, Maria Branco and Richard and Eunice Eble, are requesting a Street Discontinuance for a portion of Torrington Road off Reservation Road between Lots 203 and 221 on Map 29A in Fairhaven.

A copy of the application is on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall by appointment and on the Town website. To schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4082, Ext. 9 or go to: <https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-board>

*John Farrell Jr., Chairman of the Planning Board
FNN: 10/7/21, 10/14/21*

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN Notice of uncashed checks

Notice of Names of Persons Appearing to be Owners of Payroll Checks issued by Town of Fairhaven, which have not been cashed and are Deemed Abandoned.

Denise Barr, Pam Bourgault, David Dompierre, Thomas Laferriere, Jake Mayer, Robert Orr, Jessica Pilla, Connor Powers, Mackenzie Smith, James Souza, Richard Wagner.

Letters are being sent to the last known address. If you would like to obtain information or are interested in receiving a replacement check, please send a written request to The Town of Fairhaven, Treasurer's Office, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 within 90 Days.

MORE LEGAL NOTICES ON PAGE 22

From our readers

Tax Auction Boon Comes With Caveat

The September 28th land auction — what a boon for the town of Fairhaven! They raised nearly \$2 million by selling off parcels of land to bring in immediate cash as well as tax revenue for years to come. A smart financial move for sure.

Many of the parcels that sold were wetland. I understand abutting homeowners' decisions to buy wetland as a means of protecting the space around them. But why anyone else would choose to buy unbuildable wetland, I'm not sure.

Hopefully, the town has the integrity and vision to maintain these parcels as non-buildable and preserve them in their current

natural states. By protecting them as they are we preserve two valuable commodities that are shrinking on our planet — open land and water.

Hopefully, the Conservation Commission has the vision to preserve our wetlands. Hopefully, the town and the Conservation Commission won't allow developers or owners to build on unbuildable land.

That's an awful lot of hoping. But recent history shows that such irresponsible building has been allowed in our town before.

Once the land is destroyed with development, that space is gone for good.

Let's protect it while we can.

Julie Hatch, Fairhaven

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They shot on location at Aptucket Trading Post in Bourne, which created lighting and heating challenges.

It was cold on the weekend they filmed in March, said director of photography Sean Campbell. So they left the fire on all day, which was probably a safety hazard and definitely made the room smokey.

One man said the movie made him wanting more. Ms. Botelho said she is working on making a longer version, or maybe a TV series, and has contacted producers about the possibilities.

The movie will not be available to the public for another year, but maybe you can catch it at one of the many film festivals it has been entered into. Meanwhile find Ms. Botelho on Facebook for updates: <https://www.facebook.com/alyssa.botelho.98> or visit https://www.imdb.com/title/tt14735336/?ref_=fn_al_tt_1

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Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven

Belonging Committee
Thurs., 10/7, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Health
Wed., 10/13, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

Board of Public Works
Mon., 10/4, Arsene St., 6:15 p.m.

Conservation Committee
Mon., 10/18, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board
Tues., 10/26, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee
Wed., 10/13, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

Select Board
Tues., 10/12, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet

Golf Committee
Thurs., 10/7, Town Hall, 4:30 p.m.

Selectboard
Tues. 10/12, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

Historical Commission
Tues., 10/12, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

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

	Oct. 2021	HIGH a.m.	LOW p.m.	LOW a.m.	LOW p.m.
Thursday	7	0907	2131	0212*	1452*
Friday	8	0955	2220	0300*	1542*
Saturday	9	1044	2311	0348*	1628*
Sunday	10	1137	----	0433*	1714*
Monday	11	0007	1236	0520*	1808
Tuesday	12	0110	1340	0616	1929
Wednesday	13	0213	1442	0739	2145
Thursday	14	0315	1544	0944	2313
Friday	15	0421	1651	1136	----
Saturday	16	0528	1753	0010	1234
Sunday	17	0621	1841	0056	1322
Monday	18	0703	1922	0135	1407
Tuesday	19	0741	2000	0208	1450
Wednesday	20	0819	2039	0209	1518
Thursday	21	0857	2118	0212	1506

*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
**Predicted minus tides from -1.1 ft to -2.0 ft or more

**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works
5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719**

Drinking Water Problem Corrected

Customers of the Town of Fairhaven were notified on September 17, 2021, of a problem with our drinking water and were advised to boil water. We are pleased to report that the problem has been corrected, the water is safe to drink and cook with and that it is no longer necessary to boil water. We thank the residents and businesses for their patience while we worked to address this matter.

As corrective actions, we chlorinated and flushed the water distribution system and resampled the Town on September 17, 20 and 21 — when all the results yielded were E Coli absent. Further, we have hired an engineer to conduct an assessment of our well in order to ensure that any E Coli will be removed from this raw water source before it is placed back in service.

The Boil Water Order was caused by the detection of E coli in our raw water source. Even though this sample is collected before treatment occurs, as a precaution, we took the well out of service. Per the conditions of our State permit, we needed to collect confirmatory resamples to ensure that the E Coli was absent in our Town's Water System. Unfortunately, one test at one location yielded a positive result of E coli and, per DEP Order# 00012120, the boil water order was issued.

In closing, it is important to note that we have an excellent ongoing testing/sampling program that many are not aware of and although we never want to issue a boil water order, the point of doing so is to protect the Health of the Community.

This notice is being sent to you by the Fairhaven Water Department, PWS ID# 4094000 on October 7, 2021.

DRINKING WATER PROBLEM CORRECTED

Customers of Fairhaven Water Department were notified on September 17, 2021 of a problem with our drinking water and were advised to Boil their water. We are pleased to report that the problem has been corrected and that it is no longer necessary to Boil your water. Notification that you no longer need to boil your water was made on September 22, 2021 via RAVE calls, radio, television, town website and social media. As required by MassDEP, we are following up with this newspaper article. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

Residents/Customers were advised to flush their lines again to remove any contaminated water from their pipes and or fixtures (refrigerator water lines, water tanks, etc.) and any devices with filters should have the filters replaced. Go to the following webpage for detailed information on What to do after the Boil Order is lifted: <https://www.mass.gov/guides/drinking-water-boil-orders-and-public-health-orders#-what-to-do-after-the-order-is-lifted>

We are providing the following summary of the event for your information.

We collected routine samples on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. We were notified by the lab on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, that three distribution samples were total coliform positive, *E. coli* absent. We notified MassDEP the same day we were notified by the lab of the sample results. We collected repeat samples on Thursday,

September 16, 2021 within 24 hours of notification by the lab, as required. We were notified by the lab on Friday, September 17, 2021, that one repeat sample collected on Thursday, September 16, 2021 was total coliform positive and *E. coli* positive. This *E. coli* positive repeat sample, following the total coliform positive original sample, constitutes an *E. coli* MCL violation. These bacteria can make you sick, and are especially a concern for people with weakened immune systems. In addition, *E. coli* was detected in routine source sampling conducted on September 14th (one source sample collected prior to treatment). We were notified by the lab on September 15th. We immediately removed the source from service and isolated it from the treatment system. The public was notified of this detect on September 16th as required by MassDEP. Two out of five additional source water samples collected on September 16th were also *E. coli* positive (collected while source was isolated/not in service). The source will remain offline until MassDEP approval has been granted to return it to service.

Bacterial contamination can occur when increased runoff enters the drinking water source (for example, following heavy rains). It can also happen due to a break in the distribution system (pipes) or a failure in the water treatment process.

Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present.

E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

The symptoms above are not only caused by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice from their healthcare providers about drinking this water.

What was done?

We chlorinated and flushed the distribution system to draw the chlorinated water into the distribution system. We collected additional repeat samples on Friday, September 17, 2021. We conducted system wide sampling on Monday, September 20, 2021. Additional repeat samples were collected on Monday and Tuesday, September 20th and 21st. All distribution samples were absent.

For more information, please contact Jeff Furtado, Water Superintendent, at 508-979-4032 (Water Dept. office, messages will be retrieved periodically, and we will return calls as soon as possible). General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by bacteria and other disease-causing organisms are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

As always, you may contact Jeffrey Furtado, at 508-979-4032 with any comments or questions.

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