



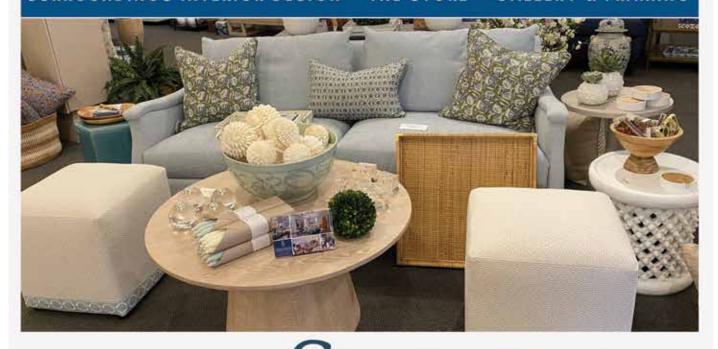
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### Raj Receives Warm Welcome, Encouraging News By Jeffrey D. Wagner

Happy, blessed and grateful were words repeated on Saturday at a homecoming for Rajesh Shahi, who came back to Boston recently to check on his back after so many have banded together for him over the last three decades to relieve him of a back deformity.

People in Mattapoisett, Marion and the Boston area gathered at the Quaker Friends Meeting House to welcome Shahi and celebrate his medical and personal successes in life.

Shahi, in the early 1990s, was destined for a life of poverty as a beggar with a hunchback – until a special village in Massachusetts came to the rescue.

He had a spinal curvature issue – kyphoscoliosis – that made his back resemble a turtle shell, and with no access to proper medical care in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Thanks to the community in Mattapoisett and medical staff in Boston, Shahi, now approaching 44, is a successful director of a school in Nepal, where he now pays it forward by helping children in need.

Shahi returned to the area in 2009 for a recheck. In recent years, he had been feeling back pain, so Johanna Duponte-Williams, who took Shahi into her home in the 1990s, helped to raise money for him to return to Massachusetts and have a computer tomography (CT) scan conducted on his back, which is held in place by a steel rod.

It turns out that Shahi's back is doing well, and the back pain comes from his riding around in a scooter through the bumpy roads of Kathmandu. The medical team recommended some regular stretching exercises, and it does not appear that he will need surgery.

"It helped me to relieve myself (of fear) and go back to my family and children and school," Shahi said on Saturday.

"Raj is really a special person. He has been put on this earth to do work for children of Kathmandu,"

**On the Cover:** A giant, inflatable obstacle course beckoned children in pursuit of their school vacation during Saturday's 2024 Summer Kick-Off Block Party held by the Elizabeth Taber Library. The event included face painting and crafts, ice cream and a giant slide back down from the top. Photo by Mick Colageo Duponte-Williams said.

Duponte-Williams and others raised well over \$6,000 for Shahi's return and recheck at New England Baptist Hospital.

Peter Anas, a doctor who helped lead Shahi's medical team over the years – including his first eight-hour procedure in 1993 – was at Shahi's celebration on Saturday.

"This is a poor boy from the street," Anas said of Shahi when he first came to the area in the early 1990s. "Now he is



an administrator at the school, and he has his kids of his own. ... He is one of our most rewarding patients."

While Shahi expressed his own gratitude, many gathered to express their own thanks of how Shahi has

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helped bring a piece of Nepal to Massachusetts and how he has touched so many lives here.

Peter Fortin, a former principal at Old Post Road School in Walpole, said that when Shahi returned in 2009, he spoke to several classes about his life in Nepal. Fortin said that Old Post Road School became a sister school with Shahi's, and money was raised to support Shahi's school.

Robin Motyka, a liaison to Shahi's medical team, couldn't say enough about how much Shahi touched the lives of her family and those around him in Massachusetts. Motyka's son convinced his school to allow him in 2008 to do a project on Nepal, a country that is not often featured for that social studies capstone project.

Shahi stepped in by sending books, conducting interviews with Motyka's son and even sending him traditional clothing. Motyka said the project raised so much awareness, and Shahi's time here was a learning experience.

Shahi stayed in Motyka's home during his 2009 visit and woke up in the middle of the night when he heard the crashing of a garbage truck. Motyka said that Shahi had never seen one – serving as a reminder of how poor Nepal is and how sanitation practices are substandard.

Motyka also treated Shahi to trips to Fenway Park, Gillette's Stadium and TD Garden, where he saw an ice rink for the first time.

Shahi has always found ways to express his gratitude and spent the afternoon shaking hands, giving hugs and even reuniting with classmates that he met 30 years ago at Old Hammondtown Elementary School in Mattapoisett.

On Saturday, he helped culminate his happy homecoming with a Buddhist prayer of thanks.

## **District Students Hear from Herren**

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson is pleased to report that Chris Herren was the keynote speaker at an all-school assembly at the end of the school year, at Old Rochester Junior High School.



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The assembly, sponsored by the Tri-Town town nurses through grant funding from the Southcoast Public Health Collaborative (SCPHC), aimed to educate students about the critical issues of substance use disorder and wellness, with a focus on vaping.

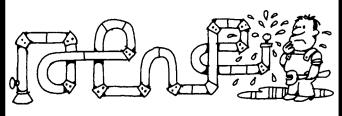
Herren, a former professional basketball player and person in long-term recovery, has shared his powerful story with over 1,000,000 students, athletes and community members since 2009. His presentations spark honest discussions on substance use and wellness, challenging audiences to rethink their perspectives on addiction and emphasizing the importance of prevention education.

"We are incredibly fortunate to have Chris Herren speak to our students," said Superintendent Nelson. "His message of resilience, recovery and the importance of making positive choices aligns perfectly with our commitment to student wellness and education." He added, "I am especially thankful for JHS School Nurse Linda Deveau, who worked with the Tri-Town nurses to make this event possible."

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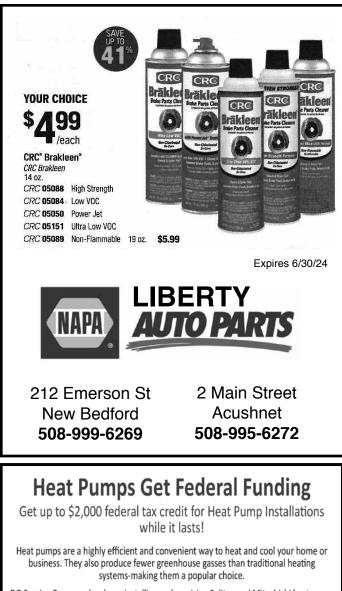


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Principal Silas Coellner echoed these sentiments, adding, "Our students were eager to learn from Chris Herren's experiences. His ability to connect with young audiences and foster a deeper understanding of substance use and wellness is invaluable. We are grateful to the Tri-Town town nurses and the SCPHC for making this event possible."

This assembly was part of the district's ongoing efforts to address the impact of substance use and promote mental health among students. The SCPHC, utilizing funding from the Public Health Excellence Grant, supports initiatives like these to bring impactful speakers to the community, fostering a well-informed and healthy environment for young people.

"Our school nurse noted the remarkable impact of such presentations on our students," said Principal Coellner. "Their engagement and attentiveness during these sessions underscore the importance and effectiveness of bringing real-life experiences into our educational programs."

### **Old Hammondtown Hires New Principal**

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson is pleased to announce Stephanie Wells's appointment as the new principal of the Old Hammondtown School. Wells will begin the position on July 1 and will replace retiring principal Kevin Tavares.

Wells was selected following a comprehensive search and interview process that included input from multiple stakeholders, including Old Hammondtown School faculty and staff, parents, community members and administrators.

"On behalf of the entire district, I would like to congratulate Stephanie Wells and welcome her to the Old Rochester Regional School District and MA Superintendency Union #55 community," said Superintendent Nelson. "Stephanie has proven to be a dedicated and resourceful educational leader through her previous work experience, and I am confident in her ability to take on this role."

Wells, a Plymouth native, comes to Mattapoisett from Rockland Public Schools where she served as

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assistant principal since 2022. During her time as assistant principal, Wells collaborated with school administration to help open a new elementary school, combine three schools into one and implement the school's new systems. In addition to these responsibilities, Wells maintained daily administrative operations of the elementary schools in the absence of elementary school principals.



Prior to her role in

Rockland, Wells served as assistant principal for Taunton Public Schools.

In 1995, she began her career in education as a first-grade teacher at Scituate Public Schools before joining Plymouth Public Schools as a kindergarten teacher in 2007 and as a technology integration specialist in 2013.

She holds a bachelor's degree from New York University, a Master of Education in elementary education from Bridgewater State College and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) from the University of New England.

"I am honored and excited to have been chosen as the next principal of Old Hammondtown School," said Wells. "I am eager to meet and connect with staff,





students and families in the coming months. Together, we will begin the process of getting to know one another and exploring how I can best support this incredible community that has such a strong commitment to student success."

## **Eight ORR Juniors Attend State Convention**

From June 15-21, eight ORR juniors will attend the Boys' and Girls' State Convention sponsored by the American Legion's Florence Eastman Post 280 at Stonehill College, 320 Washington St., in North Easton.

To be eligible for Boys'/Girls' State, students must be a member of the junior class and have achieved high academic success. Student delegates must also

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show evidence of leadership ability and an interest in the democratic process.

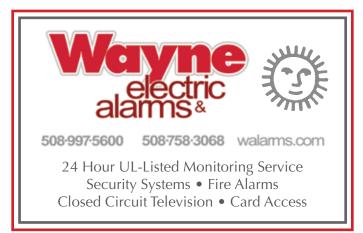
"This program truly engages students in the democratic process and learning about our government," said ORR Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson. "It's civic education at its finest and empowers our juniors to feel they have a voice in what matters in our communities."

At the convention, student delegates will study local and state government. They will establish and operate their own cities and towns and state government. This will include forming two political parties, holding conventions, nominating candidates, conducting campaigns and electing officials. The primary goal of Boys'/Girls' State is for participants to develop a better understanding of how state government functions.

"I'm proud that these students will be representing Old Rochester at Boy's and Girls' State this month," said ORRHS Principal Mike Devoll. "This will be a wonderful opportunity for the students to demonstrate leadership skills on a state-wide level."

**Boys' State:** Xavier Pateakos is sponsored by The American Legion Florence Eastman Post 280. Wesner Archelus is sponsored by Lawrence DiCara, Esquire, in memory of George White, and Luke Devoe in memory of Jack DeCosta. Nolan Bushnell is sponsored by the Machacum Club.

**Girls' State:** Ella Bartholomew is sponsored by The American Legion Florence Eastman Post 280. Emily Wyman is sponsored by The Mattapoisett Police







Department. Caroline Brogioli is sponsored by Lawrence DiCara, Esquire, in memory of Gerry DeCosta. Emerson Gonet is sponsored by the Mattapoisett Woman's Club.

## **UCT Student Brings IT Training to Marion**

Marion Town Administrator Geoff Gorman shares that Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical School senior Adam Ouellette assisted Town Hall staff this school year through the school's Co-Op Information Technology program.

Ouellette started in September 2023 on the IT Help Desk. His daily responsibilities included checking with staff members to make sure their devices were working appropriately. Ouellette would assist anyone experiencing small or large technology issues during



the workday, such as fixing a printer to larger issues of configuration and installation of a new PC.

Ouellette was the Town Hall staff's point of contact for certain IT challenges.

"Adam is a vital part of our IT Department and is the first line of defense for trouble calls, hardware and software updates and proactive monitoring of our systems," said Town Administrator Gorman. "He is also our liaison with a third-party escalation team that assists with complex issues."

"I enjoy every second of working at the Help Desk," said Ouellette. "Every day I learn something new, and that's not just in the IT side of things – there is something rewarding about this sense of responsibility and being able to own up to it and being relied on. Everyone here is so nice and welcoming that it took me almost no time at all to get acclimated. All in all, my short time here at the Town Hall has been eye opener into what can wait for me outside of high school."

Ouellette added, "My aspiration in life is to create something for all to enjoy. When I say that I refer to something that can have a positive impact on someone, something that is able to put a smile on a face."

After graduation, Ouellette plans to attend college and study Computer Sciences to hone his programming skills.

> Joining The Green Revolution Thoughts on ... By Dick Morgado

Well, I tried to do the right thing. I tried to join the green revolution. I am trying to save the planet, I truly am.

Last summer I gave up my environmentpolluting, gas lawn mower. I purchased a new-fangled, battery-operated grass cutter. It has all the bells and whistles: It is quiet, it is light so I can hang it on the shed wall. (Why I would do that, I don't know, but it is an important feature to have. Don't you agree?)

It mulches the clippings, it is self-propelled, you can raise and lower the blade height with one hand using a nifty handle. It even has a headlight for night mowing. Really! And it is bright green. It cost me a small fortune,



but hey, it is for the environment. It is the right thing to do. Right?

I used it all last summer. I loved it. The neighbors stopped by to marvel how quiet it was. Yes sir, no more going to the gas station to buy gasoline at \$3.69 a gallon. (Why does gas cost so much when the U.S.A. produces more petroleum than any county in the world?) I don't have to change the oil, or the spark plug ... ever! I still must sharpen the blades from time to time, a small price to pay to save the environment and have a picture-perfect lawn.

So, this year I was eager to haul it out of the shed, press the starter button and get to mowing my small patch of God's green earth. It started right up ... then shut right down! I tried again. Try as I might, it would start, then shut down.

My knee-jerk reaction, after much swearing, was to consult the all-knowing expert on these matters ... Google. Since my purchase, similar complaints have flooded the internet. My father used to say never buy a new car in its first year of manufacture. I should have taken his advice. Before buying this mower, I read all the expert reviews. All positive. Now I am the proud owner of this bright green doorstop.

One fellow in Texas had to bring his mower to an authorized service center 100 miles from his home. The technician said he had many complaints but didn't know what to do. "It might be a circuit board" (who knew a mower had a circuit board), he said. "I'll order one and see if it works. Come back in a month and please leave a \$50 deposit," he suggested.

The nearest service center to me is 40 miles away. At least it is not 100 miles away. So, I called. "We've had a ton of the same problem," the service man said. "But the fix didn't work either. Instead of stopping, the motor wouldn't shut off. Bring it in," he encouraged.

I said I am old and don't drive that far, could they pick it up and deliver it back when it is repaired. "Sure," he said, "but it will cost two hundred greenbacks."

Green revolution indeed!

Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and





happily retired writer. His newspaper columns appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.

We Are Having A Heat Wave ... What Does The Doctor Say? By Dr. Edward Hoffer

The U.S. and most of the world experienced unprecedented heat waves last summer, and this summer promises more of the same. The Northeast is set to experience its first official heat wave as I write. Extreme heat can cause serious health issues, including death, so prepare – prevention is much better than treatment.

The body is generally quite good at maintaining

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a normal internal (or "core") temperature. We get rid of excess heat by increasing blood flow to the skin, where it can be removed by air flowing over us and by increasing sweating, which dissipates heat as it evaporates.

In extreme heat conditions, these mechanisms may be inadequate, and our core body temperature rises. The heart feels the stress – it works much harder trying to push more blood through dilated blood vessels.

The first sign of heat beyond the body's ability to cope are cramps and "heat exhaustion": dizziness, weakness, nausea, headache and an unsteady gait. If the sufferer is moved to a cool environment, these symptoms will usually pass.

If the core body temperature exceeds 104 (40C),



you may go on to experience "heat stroke." This lifethreatening condition begins with confusion and can go on to seizures, delirium, coma and death if untreated.

While everyone can experience these heat-related emergencies, certain people are at higher risk: children and the elderly, those doing physical work outdoors and those taking medications that impair the body's response to heat (such as diuretics – fluid pills – many psychiatric drugs and anticholinergics, used for some urinary and bowel problems).

How can you prevent heat-related illness? The most obvious is the most important: Stay cool! Keep blinds down to lessen indoor heat; use your air conditioner, and if only 1 or 2 rooms have AC, stay in those rooms. If you do not have AC, use public places that do, such as the library or official cooling sites.

Avoid doing physical work in the heat of the day; if you *must* run or cycle, do it in the early morning. Hydrate! You are going to lose water by increased sweating, so push the water and electrolyte drinks.

If you are experiencing any of the symptoms noted above, stop physical activities and get to somewhere cool. If you do not improve, call 911. An emergency home remedy is to get in a cold tub or to put ice bags under the armpits, behind the neck and in the groin.

Check on any neighbors who may be at risk. Since an early sign of heat-related illness is confusion, they may not react properly.

Edward Hoffer MD is Associate Professor of Medicine, part-time, at Harvard.

### MassDOT Meets with Residents By Marilou Newell

On June 18, members of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation met with residents to outline the current status of the Mattapoisett village roads project now slated for MassDOT's TIP funding program in 2028 and nearing 25% design.

The public meeting, which was heavily advertised in media outlets and the town's website, brought





approximately 100 people to the Old Rochester Regional High School auditorium for a 6:30 pm start.

For 30 minutes, the attendees were briefed on what has become at times a rather contentious subject – the best way to update and upgrade drainage systems, sidewalks, and uses of the 1.4-mile project. The question-and-answer portion of the proceedings took approximately 90 minutes. Anyone who wished to speak or ask questions was given the opportunity to do so.

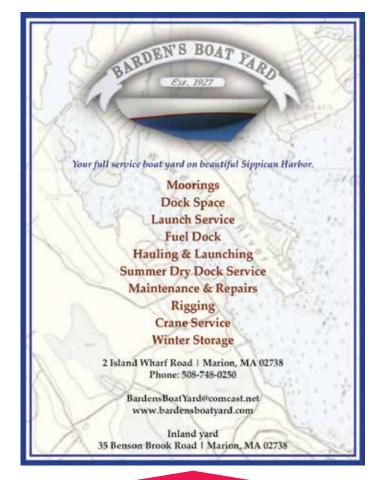
The presentation was primarily given by Greg Russell of VHB, the town-selected engineering firm. The firm's involvement spans a nearly 10-year period of time. On Tuesday, Russell touched on the project description (1.4 miles from Tobey Lane to Old Marion Road), existing conditions (noted were the disrepair of sidewalks and roadways, as well as stormwater-drainage issues), proposed improvements that could include full-depth reconstruction of the roadway to provide two 12-footwide travel lanes, and ADA-compliant sidewalks.

But the elephant in the room or, better yet, the massive tree, was the issue of tree removal along the corridor to accommodate reconstruction while still meeting MassDOT regulations.

Russell said that current plans show 27 trees being removed and 34 new trees being planted.

A new detail emerged. Russell said that the project is now slated to start at Tobey Lane versus Route 6. Russell explained that a separate roadway project along





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the Route 6 corridor is planned by Mass DOT and would involve a redesign of the Main Street Route 6 intersection, thus that portion (Tobey Lane north to the Main Street Route 6 intersection) will no longer be included in the village street project.

Rising to speak, a number of people wondered about such matters as the necessity to have two sidewalks flanking the roadway. They were told that the town had asked for a waiver from that requirement, and it was granted.

Carlos DaSousa, who has been vocal in wanting the engineers to consider placing utilities underground, was told by the MassDOT team that the costs associated with moving services underground would be placed on the individual property owners.

Sandy Hering, the Tree Committee chairman and a prime mover in wanting more involvement in the design process in an effort to save mature trees from the axe, asked if, when and how MassDOT involved a landscape designer or others to assist in developing designs. She was told by Russell that landscaping would come nearer the end of the process but that the utilities were being designed by utility engineers.

Hering also asked to see details related to protecting trees not planned for removal. She said her concerns were that remaining trees would be negatively impacted.

Mike Huguenin, chairman of the Mattapoisett



Land Trust, asked if the new tree proposed for the Munro Preserve (MLT) property could be placed farther away from Water Street, which skirts the park. Huguenin also expressed his concerns over public safety and stormwater management. He asked all to consider the proposed project.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said that he wanted to be "up front." He said all the trees could not be kept and that if anyone got hurt due to the poor sidewalk conditions, the town could be sued.

And back to drainage, Robbin Peach asked if the \$16,000.000 price tag for the project includes the drainage improvements. Russell said yes.

Hering asked if the team had been involved in any similar projects so that the new village road project committee established after the spring Town Meeting might reach out to another town facing a project of this scope. Hull was mentioned.

When asked if the town has agreed to take the TIP funding, Lorenco responded, "Not yet, but we have spent money to get this far."

Armed with direct input from the residents, MassDOT will respond to any open questions pending their follow-up and gave interested parties contact details as noted here: Carrie Lavallee, PE Chief Engineer, PE Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Suite 7550, Boston, MA, 02116, Attention Project Management, File number 607440, Mattapoisett Corridor Improvements.





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## Parker, Town Avoid Second Dig Marion Select Board

**By Mick Colageo** 

Marion Select Board member Randy Parker's effort to get a second line of conduit under Front Street as a placeholder in addition to the work proposed by NSTAR Electric Company (Eversource Energy) appears successful after discussion at Tuesday night's public meeting of the board concluded with an agreement that Eversource representative Faye Sweatman will coordinate with Verizon New England to make that happen.

Parker, the Select Board's resident electrician, sought the extra line to prevent a potential scenario whereby the town would be asked to once again dig up the road when he expects it will eventually be determined that optic fibers presently above ground need to go underground. He wants all the infrastructure done before the road is resurfaced.

"The pole can't be pulled out until we get everything underground," said Parker. "We just want somebody to do it, that's all. ... I almost want to go down and do it myself, it's so easy."

The project being considered will move aboveground equipment below ground but not everything Parker believes will eventually go underground.

Town Administrator Geoff Gorman clarified



for Sweatman that the project has been approved but with the caveat of adding the second line of conduit so the town can avoid an unnecessary excavation. Gorman said that should the project be arranged as requested, no subsequent meeting with the Select Board will be necessary

The discussion took place on the heels of a 6:15 pm continued public hearing for a new pole installation on South Street, a case originally heard on May 21.

The continued public hearing also brought Don Voner of Verizon New England to the Select Board. Voner reported having just visited the South Street site and seeing the pole mark. He said he had been instructed that the purpose of the project is to upgrade Eversource facilities in the area, along South Street.

Parker said he remained "a little puzzled" to see an additional pole between two existing poles but without a specific application to a service not currently provided. Parker nonetheless made a motion to approve the new pole on South Street.

Before presenting two hires for the Select Board's consideration, Marion Police Chief Richard Nighelli took the opportunity to update the board on Tuesday's statewide outage of 911 emergency service.

Nighelli said that the town's 911 service was fully restored and that during the outage, one station was down and the other operational. "For 30 minutes, didn't have either," said Nighelli, suggesting that residents make the Police Department's business line (508-748-1212) a contact in their cell phones. He said this is the second time 911 has gone down in the past three months.

Nighelli requested the appointment of Kayla Sylvia as a full-time police officer. Sylvia was not able to attend because she was on her honeymoon. The April 2018 police-academy graduate currently serving in the New Bedford Police Department has six years of experience. Nighelli said Sylvia will earn a second degree this year in wildlife conservation. The board approved her hire for the standard, one-year probationary period.

The board also approved Nighelli's request to appoint James MacDonald as a part-time "special" police officer. MacDonald works in the Plymouth County





Sheriff's Department and has several certifications, including automotive technician and firearms instructor. Nighelli said MacDonald has responded to numerous recent incidents. His appointment becomes effective on June 23 for a one-year probationary period.

The board also approved the appointment of Robbi Dunn Tracy to the Affordable Housing Trust as an associate member, per the trust's recommendation.

Reappointments of boards and committee members also included the upgrade of Conservation Commission associate member Millie Seeberg to that of full, voting member.

Ever Ortiz, whose application to the Planning Board to operate a car dealership at 13 Washburn Lane drew much in the way of public comment from abutters, was approved for a Car Dealer Class II License in the name of Ever Auto Sales. Ortiz explained to the Select Board that vehicles will be pre-ordered and quickly moved off site, resulting in no more than two vehicles on site at any one time.

In his Town Administrator's Report, Gorman said a second annual Employee Appreciation Day will be held on Tuesday, June 25, at 12:00 pm at the Cushing Community Center pavilion. Town Hall will close at lunch time and not reopen until the next morning.

Opportunities to march in the July 4 Independence Day Parade are still available. Executive Assistant Donna Hemphill reported that four sailors are





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expected to march, and a World War II veteran will be among those riding in vehicles.

The Town Fireworks to be held on Saturday, July 6 (rain date July 7). Gorman expressed his appreciation to the Fireworks Committee for successfully putting together the event for a third straight year. He estimated the cost at \$67,000.

Marion's annual Town Party is scheduled for August 24 at Silvershell Beach; the town is seeking donations to offset the cost.

Gorman reported that the Department of Public Works and Highway Division are improving parking at the Point Road playground. Features include a painted crosswalk with a flashing crosswalk sign planned. "We



are not ignoring their concerns," he said.

Select Board Chairman Norm Hills said traffic on Front Street has become dangerous with drivers running lights, characterizing their treatment of red lights as "stoptional."

Gorman publicly welcomed Jennifer Stewart to the town's administrative team and Nicholas Gioni to the town's labor force at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Hemphill noted that Silvershell Beach is open and that parking stickers issued by the Town of Rochester and Marion Guest passes are required year-round, not just in season.

In other action items, the Select Board approved the First Congregational Church's request to close Main Street between School and Front streets on July 27 between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm for its annual Summer Fair.

The board approved Louisa Bergsma as the new manager at the Kittansett Club, 11 Point Road.

The board approved a change of date on a previously approved One Day Alcohol Beverage License for the Marion Social Club, 44 Pumping Station Road from July 21 to July 14.

The board approved a One Day Alcohol Beverage License - With a Twist/Katie Massey - Bartender - for the Marion Art Center's Cocktails by the Sea fundraiser to be held on Friday, July 26, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Tabor Academy, 245 Front Street.

The board accepted a \$100 donation to support fire equipment to the Marion Fire Department from Alice and Harry Curtis.

The board approved the donation of a 4-inch, Marion Fire Department supply hose to the Farmington, New Hampshire, Fire Department. The hose had been removed from the town's decommissioned ladder truck. Gorman said the donation will not impact the department's readiness.

After its third read of proposed increases to the Music Hall fee schedule, the board approved the policy as printed with one edit to clarify a Marion residency discount.

Sherman Briggs' Water Abatement request for \$1,722.71 that he had been billed since selling the Spring Street (bike path) property on December 6, 2013, was approved. Parker said there is no meter and the building was demolished. Baldwin Brothers is now at the site and has its own 2-inch main with associated water service.

Water/Sewer commitments were approved for \$155 (sewer replacement May 6), \$1,866.48 (final readings May 31) and \$853.56 (final readings June 11).

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, at 6:00 pm.

## Fall Town Meeting Scheduled

Rochester Select Board By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Select Board Monday set a Fall Special Town Meeting for October 21 and approved August 9 as the last day to submit articles for the warrant.

Asked by The Wanderer what articles they might have in mind for the October date, Select Board Chairman Brad Morse said there are a couple of zoning articles that will need to be on the warrant. Interim Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar said she isn't sure at this point what budget items might also be up for a vote in October, but she speculated some fiscal year budget cleanup measures may be included.

The Select Board approved Interim Police Chief Don Kemmett's appointment of new officers, one fulltime and one part-time. The new full-timer is Scott Smith, whom Kemmett said has been a part-time member of the Rochester Police force for eight years. The new part-time officer is Rick Bartley. Kemmett said Bartley has been a reserve police officer in Rockland for 10 years. He is also the Logistical and Fulfillment manager for Emulate, Inc., in Boston.

In other business, the board approved a new Eversource pole for new utility service on Vaughan Hill Road to accommodate Tree Talk Natives, LLC, the new tree nursery business there.

The board awarded an employee citation "for nine years of work and dedication" to Executive Assistant Amanda Baptiste. It then announced that Baptiste has handed in her letter of resignation, effective June 21.

The board reappointed Chris Peck and Steve Pena



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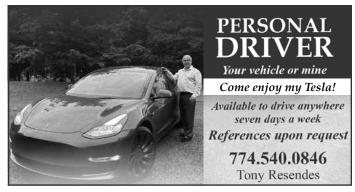
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to the Capital Planning Committee for terms to expire on June 30, 2027.

The board accepted a donation of four, 24-foot aluminum stands from Old Rochester Youth Baseball to the town.

The board appointed resident Dennis McCarthy as a Zoning Board of Appeals associate member. Zoning Board Chairman David Arancio cautioned the board that he has not had the chance to speak to McCarthy to make certain he understands everything a ZBA member needs to know. Morse said he will forward McCarthy's contact information to Arancio, so he can have that conversation.

The next Rochester Select Board meeting will be held on Monday, July 1, at 6:00 pm at the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane.



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### PT Proposed at Lockheed Martin Property

Marion Planning Board **By Mick Colageo** 

Fusion Physical Therapy will not be allowed to renovate space in the former Lockheed-Martin property until at least July 1 when it is presumed a required five members of the Marion Planning Board will be present for a continued public hearing for a Special Permit.

The four members who were present for Monday night's presubmission conference with applicant Sippican Holdings, LLC, Chairman Andrew Daniel, Vice Chair Alanna Nelson, Clerk Eileen Marum and member W. Dale Jones, voted 4-0 to determine no site-plan review will not be required.

Nelson made that motion based on a site plan including no exterior change, as explained by Sippican Holdings, LLC, representative Steve Gioisa of SITEC Engineering.

The site, at 13 Barnabas Road (Map 24, Lot 10B) is zoned Limited Industrial and would be the third site for the company, which began operations in the south end of New Bedford before relocating several years ago to Ashley Boulevard in the city's north end and then opening a second office on Route 6 in Mattapoisett.

Gioisa gave the board a rundown on the project, noting that this business will take up space in the very first building in the complex accessible from Route 6 onto Barnabas Road. The area is a single-story, office building with 10,000 square feet of space that had been used for general purposes – not manufacturing, said Gioisa – and has general parking in front and "serpentine parking" in the back.

Parking will be at the at-grade walkway; while there will also be some parking in the front, the business will be accessed from the back of the building.

An architect's floor plan showed that the applicant intends to use the main body of the site for physical therapy, and the project will reach the north wing of the building and associated corridors. All the work will take place within the building itself.

Marum asked if chemicals, lotions or solutions would be used; Gioisa did not have that answer at the ready. Daniel noted that the fire chief conducted a walkthrough of the site.

Nelson asked about existing tenants in the office space and the logistics of remodeling. Gioisa said the owner has space and will lease other space but not to displace an original tenant; the project is in an unoccupied portion of the building.

The public hearing for the Special Permit was opened only to continue to July 1 at 7:20 pm; it involves a change of use from business office to medical office.

The Planning Board's agenda of loose ends included two other public hearings, an Approval Not Required (ANR) application and another presubmission conference and managed to adjourn in 36 minutes.

Matt Sperry was back before the board looking



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to tie up his situation but was also continued to July 1 (7:25 pm). The continued public hearing for Sperry Fabric Architecture c/o Matt Sperry, 19 Marconi Lane, is awaiting the results of Major Site Plan Review for his project at Map 24, Lot 13V, zoned Limited Industrial.

Noting that the fire chief signed off on his plan, Sperry was advised to prepare a response to the site-plan review for the July 1 continued public hearing.

Town Planner Doug Guey-Lee told Sperry that peer-review consultant Field Engineering was eager to get it done and that Ken Motta will work with Sperry behind the scenes to address matters in advance of the July 1 hearing.

Noting her third appearance for presubmission conference will be her last before giving way to professional representative G.A.F. Engineering, Jennifer Jones was back before the board to advocate for FSJ Holdings, LLC's plan to modernize and expand (from 14 to 20 units) via reconstruction her residential rental property at 207-215 Wareham Street.

Map 11, Lots 90, 91 and 91A, the location of the project, is zoned General Business. Jones is looking to transfer over to a residence zoning to accommodate her project. She said she is working on the riverfront aspect of the property to see if she needs to maintain it as such. "If so," Jones said, the plan will get smaller, not larger.

None of the units is larger than three-family. Her plan is to demolish an eight-unit building in the complex that was constructed in the 1950s. The plan is to raze that building at the end of a construction project that covers 30% of the lot, well below the 40% maximum allowed.

Nelson asked if the hope is to not raze a building. Jones said she prefers not to but that G.A.F. Engineer will determine the best course of action.

Jones agreed to open a 53G account with the town with \$5,000 as its starting point. That number can rise as peer review's task expands.

"I think the big one's going to be drainage," said Daniel.

Bob Rogers of G.A.F. Engineering appeared remotely to represent Repurpose Properties, LLC, 387 County Road, in an ANR plan at the rear lot/Tucker Lane

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and a Public Hearing for a Special Permit.

The land (Map 21, Lot 6J) is zoned Residence D. Rogers explained that the Form A and Special Permit applications constitute the same exact plan and that the applicant went before Marion's Conservation Commission last week (its Notice of Intent for wetland flags was continued).

There is a stream in the middle of the wetland area, and the ConCom needs to determine if it is intermittent or perennial, said Rogers. The Planning Board determined it should wait on the ConCom before proceeding.

Given the floor, resident Lee Gunschel sought and received clarification that the barn at the site is coming



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down and that there will only be one house for the entire property.

The board voted to continue the ANR and the public hearing to July 15 at 7:10 pm.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, July 1, at 7:00 pm at the Police Station.

#### **Park Lane Extension Tabled** Mattapoisett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

Coming before the Mattapoisett Planning Board on June 17 were property owner Andris Rieksts and his representative David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon & Leone, Inc. In filing a Form J request, Rieksts sought to have one of several lots, part of a subdivision situated at the private end of Park Street now known as Park Lane Extension Estates, released for construction.

Citing the amount of work completed thus far, the request before the board asked for the lot currently held as roadway surety to be released, giving the lot owner the opportunity to begin construction. But immediately following Davignon's statements in support of the request, the board questioned the completeness of the project.

Read into the minutes was a letter from townhired, peer-review engineer Field Engineering in which retaining walls were described as eroded and in a dangerous state of disrepair. It was further noted that there is \$45,000 of road work yet to be completed.

Highway Surveyor Garrett Bauer confirmed that the walls were not stabilized, which is creating a public safety hazard. "The retaining walls and guard rails need to be constructed," said Bauer.

Board member John Mathieu said, "I don't think this is far enough along, it's not close to being done." He concluded he could not support the request at this time. However, when he brought up other forms of surety to Rieksts, a solution seemed to evolve.

Mathieu offered, "There are other forms of surety. One is lots, two is a bond, three is a letter of credit and four is cash."

Rieksts said he could come up with an acceptable



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surety other than lots. The request saw no affirmative or negative action by the board.

In other business, a Form A, Approval Not Required (ANR) request for the adjustment of existing lot lines to give a small portion of an existing lot to an adjoining family member was approved. The applicant was Almeida Living Trust, Karen Almeida, Ocean Drive.

Also submitting a Form A, ANR request was Jeffrey Dunn for the creation of four lots on Angelica Avenue, each measuring 30,000 square feet and meeting frontage requirements. The request was approved.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 1, at 7:00 pm.

**Bylaws on Town Meeting Timeline** 

Rochester Personnel Board By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Personnel Board Tuesday began reviewing its bylaw language revisions under wage ranges, categories and steps within the FY25 Classification and Compensation Plan that was approved by the May 13 Annual Town Meeting.

Chairman Kristine Nash said the goal is to have all of the board's revisions to the new Classification and Compensation Plan ready to be voted on at the fall Special Town Meeting set for October 21. None of their revisions will be formally approved until then, she said.

The main revision the board agreed to on



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June 18 was wording clarifying that as of July 1, Step pay increases will no longer be linked to the periodic evaluations of an employee's job performance. Rather, they will be based on that person's work experience.

Nash said this needs to be the new rule because the board has learned that departments in the past have inconsistently conducted these evaluations. Some have not been conducting employee evaluations at all, she said, "or just phoned them in," she said. "And that's a problem because evaluations used to be the basis for step increases."

In a related issue, Nash said she will bring to the board's next (July 1) meeting a draft memorandum updating department heads on the board's changes to the town's personnel bylaws. She said she has learned that within the past two years since the board began its work in October of 2022, town departments have not been kept informed as to the new bylaw regulation they will need to be following.

"None of this has been communicated to town departments," Nash said. "It's time to do that." She said this memorandum will include the FY25 Classification and Compensation Plan that was approved by the May 13 Annual Town Meeting as an attachment.

The board also approved its revised job description for the position of Executive Assistant to the Select Board and the Town Administrator, and it said it will be reviewing the final candidate for that position at its July 1 meeting. This move follows upon Executive Assistant Amanda Baptiste's resignation announcement, effective Friday, June 21.

The board's timeline for its bylaw revisions is as follows: It will complete final review of the bylaw language by the end of July and send these revisions to the town attorney for review. It will review the attorney's edits in August and bring the revisions to a vote at the fall Special Town Meeting.

The Personnel Board's next meeting will be held on Monday, July 1, at 6:30 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

### Milde Honored in Retirement

Marion School Committee **By Mick Colageo** 

In saying goodbye to the 2023-24 academic year, the Marion School Committee used its May 23 meeting to say goodbye to Sippican Elementary School fifth-grade teacher Elizabeth Milde.

Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson called Milde the "utmost professional" in announcing her retirement.

Citing her teamwork, dedication and encouragement of students to work on developing their own viewpoints on issues, members of the Marion Teachers Association spoke about Milde's career as a model educator.

The School Committee approved the following book donations to the Sippican Library in Milde's honor: "Anna Strong" by Sarah Glenn Marsh (from the Volunteers at Sippican Elementary); "Revolutionary Prudence Wright" by Beth Anderson (from the Marion School Sunshine Committee) and "Her Name was Mary Katherine" by Ella Schwartz (from the Marion Teachers Association).

Committee Chair April Nye recognized retiring Assistant Principal Peter Crisafulli with the donation of the book, "You Can Change the World: Inspiration for Future Heroes."

Nye told the meeting attendees that she was holding off on her year-end chairperson's report in favor of recognizing Marion's voters to supporting the school budget at the recent Annual Town Meeting.

"They always come through for the kids," she said. "We could not be more thankful to them for always putting the children first."

In his update, Nelson recognized the volunteers who helped with the hiring process for new principal and assistant principal at Sippican. He also noted that Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll stopped at Sippican School where she was greeted by the school band and nearly the entire student body. Driscoll was in Marion to see the new harbormaster construction that has been funded in large part by the state's Seaport Economic





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Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Shari Fedorowicz recognized the work done by faculty and students in the district's literacy program, also noting Project 351.

In other business, the Marion School Committee approved three grants totaling over \$75,000.

A Vacation Acceleration Academies Grant in the amount of \$33,000 will allow the district to provide a week of instruction before the next school year. A High-Quality Instructional Materials Purchase Grant in the amount of \$27,992 will allow programming outside of the operating budget, and a Civics Teaching and Learning Grant in the amount of \$16,000 will align with the literacybased initiative of the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

The committee nailed down its regular meeting dates for 2024-25: September 19, October 24, December 5, January 30, 2025, March 6, 2025, May 8, 2025 and (Wednesday) June 11, 2025.

The School Committee approved a list of materials to be withdrawn from the Sippican School Library.

At the recommendation of ORR Administration, the Marion School Committee reupped its annual agreements via the approval of memorandums of agreement, renting space at Sippican Elementary to the South Coast YMCA and Countryside Child Care for the



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#### 2024-25 school year.

The committee heard from Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber, who provided General Operating Financial Report, Food Services and Facilities reports. Nelson would later note he is grateful that the district's capital requests have been met.

The committee went into executive session to prepare for negotiations and to comply with state laws.

The next meeting of the Marion School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, September 19, at 6:30 pm at Sippican Elementary School, and the next meeting of the Joint School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, June 20, at 6:30 pm at the ORR Junior High Media Room, 133 Marion Road, Mattapoisett.

#### Parents Will Receive Edited Handbook

Rochester School Committee By Mick Colageo

The Rochester School Committee will schedule a special Zoom meeting this summer to vote its approval to final edits to the 2024-25 Rochester Memorial School Student Handbook, it was decided at the committee's June 6 public meeting.

After Assistant Principal Charles West summarized changes for the 2024-25 academic year, committee member Robin Rounseville asked if the traditional opt-out of photos made available to students' parents/guardians could be similarly clarified to parents/ guardians with concerns about their children's access to certain books.

Old Rochester Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson said the district preferred a vote but could revote any item at the committee's next meeting on August 29. Member Anne Fernandes said she prefers to wait on a vote so that the community receive the version of the handbook that the committee finally approves. Nelson deferred to the committee's preference. Rounseville agreed the changes are worth waiting for.

Chairperson Sharon Hartley wondered aloud if a special meeting is warranted to ensure the handbook in its edited form gets to the community as soon as possible.



The committee agreed.

In his summary, West noted greater collaboration this year. West said he now has a goal of having the table of contents hyperlinked when accessed online.

West said Rochester Memorial School will be "moving some things around," including four fourthgrade classrooms and three each for first and sixth grades. Some teachers are changing grades, information West said can be found in the RMS handbook.

Two paraprofessionals will not return for 2024-25. The student dress code will align with that of the junior and senior high schools.

Among highlighted sections: A "No Head Adornment" policy will have an exception for medical, religious and cultural reasons; more specific language has been added for recess policy; the telephone policy has been simplified to mean that students needing to make a call need to report to the office to do so; the social-emotional section took out the suicide-prevention parts to emphasize the school's emphasis that West said focuses on being proactive and understanding emotional awareness; and under Safety and Injury Prevention, references to gun violence and motor-vehicle safety were removed; fire safety remains in the handbook.

Also: Regarding MCAS, the new 2025 testing dates are in the new handbook; the next several sections on student behavior were updated to reflect the ORR District-level policy language (includes conduct, discipline and bullying prevention); and the interim tag will be removed from Principal Heidi Letendre, who later in the meeting would share her School Improvement Plan with the committee, providing a progress report and updates.

At the request of some committee members, the committee discussed community members' interest in moving Public Comment from the end of the agenda and more toward the beginning of the meeting.

Hartley requested an opportunity to meet with the chairpersons of other district school committees before the Rochester School Committee takes a vote.

Member Anne Fernandes said she does not want to be held to what the ORR District or other towns are doing regarding open comment. "This is Rochester, and we don't do everything exactly alike," she said. With that, Fernandes made a motion that the subject be tabled until the August 29 meeting of the committee.

When time came for Open Comment, resident Jeff Costa reminded the committee that its members work for the taxpayers and asserted that the committee is stifling open comment. Costa referenced details, including the

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order of the agenda and a lack of transparency.

The School Committee heard an update on communication from Hartley, who started by telling the membership that she moved into Rochester in 1971 and has attended every single Memorial Day event since. This year, she said, the event was promoted and executed with "many errors and many mistakes." As a result, she reached out to Select Board member Adam Murphy and reported having held "a terrific meeting."

Hartley suggested a committee be created to oversee the holidays in Rochester. Murphy concurred and invited Hartley to attend a subsequent Select Board meeting, where it was decided to create such a committee.

The committee conducted an executive session for purposes of exception #3, "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares," and exception #7, "to comply with the provisions of any general or special law or federal grantin-aid requirements."

Murphy attended the executive session remotely, then voted in concert with the entire committee to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the School Committee and the Rochester Memorial Teachers' Association.

The committee voted to accept a Vacation Acceleration Academies Grant in the amount of \$43,000.

The grant will allow the district to operate instruction in between the Summer Sail program and the start of the 2024-25 school year and target English Language Acceleration skills.

The committee voted to accept a High-Quality Instructional Materials Purchase Grant in the amount of \$27,992. Fedorowicz explained that the grant will fund new materials that will target STEM and science resources for younger grades.

The committee voted to accept an \$849 grant from the Tri-Town Education Foundation Fund to Ann Realini to attend the four-day, "I'm Getting My Teach On!" education conference.

The committee approved the following school committee meeting dates: August 29; October 3; November 14; January 16, 2025; March 20, 2025; May 1, 2025; and (Wednesday) June 4, 2025.

After some discussion citing several years since increasing the rent, the committee voted separately to approve the memorandums of agreement under current terms by which SMEC and Countryside Childcare use Rochester Memorial School space.

The committee approved the following book donations: From the RMS PTO, "Dog Man The Scarlet Shedder" by Dav Pilkey; from the Plumb Memorial Library, "The Tower of London: A Chilling Interactive Adventure" by Blake Hoena; "Surviving Mount Everest" by Blake Hoena; "Game Changers: Heavy Hitters"





by Mike Lupica; "The Sports Pages" by Jon Scieszka; "You Go First" by Erin Entrada Kelly; "Perseus and the Monstrous Medusa" by Joan Holub; "Alvin Ho: Allergic to the Great Wall, the Forbidden Palace, and Other Tourist Attractions" by Lenore Look; "The Last Musketeer" by Stuart Gibbs; "Down and Out Down Under" by Geronimo Stilton; "We The Children" by Andrew Clements, "Game Changers: Play Makers" by Mike Lupica; "Other Worlds" by Jon Scieszka; "Stink and The Ultimate Thumb Wrestling Smackdown" by Megan McDonald; and "Saving Fable" by Scott Reintgen.

At the start of the meeting, Hartley welcomed newly elected member Josh Trombly and had kind parting words for outgoing member Jason Chisholm, selecting





a book to honor him for his positive and thoughtful contributions during his service from 2021 to 2024.

The next regular meeting of the Rochester School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, August 29, at 6:30 pm at Rochester Memorial School, and the next meeting of the Joint School Committee will be held on Thursday, June 20, at 6:30 pm at ORR Junior High School.

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#### **Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program**

Monday, June 24: Mexicali chicken, Spanish rice, green beans & tomato, whole wheat bread, mixed fruit Tuesday, June 25: Cheeseburger, ketchup, roasted potatoes, hot German slaw, hamburger roll, pineapple Wednesday, June 26: Portuguese seafood stew, yellow rice, green beans, multigrain roll, birthday cake Thursday, June 27: Roast pork w/gravy, red bliss potatoes, mixed vegetables, oatmeal roll, peaches Friday, June 28: Chicken stir-fry, fried rice, whole wheat roll, Mandarin oranges

### **Academic Achievements**

The following students were named to the Dean's List at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) for Spring 2024:

**Chaz Aguiar**, of Mattapoisett, Massachusetts, class of 2027, majoring in Electrical and Computer Engineering

**Rudy Arsenault**, of Mattapoisett, Massachusetts, class of 2027, majoring in Robotics Engineering

**Emma Carroll**, of Rochester, Massachusetts, class of 2025, majoring in Mechanical Engineering

**Rachel Foye**, of Rochester, Massachusetts, class of 2025, majoring in Data Science

**Paige Sommers**, of Rochester, Massachusetts, class of 2025, majoring in Biomedical Engineering

Hayden Duke of Mattapoisett, Kate Marsden of Marion, Quinn O'Brien-Nichols of Mattapoisett and

**Lauren Rapoza** of Marion were named to the Dean's List during the spring 2024 academic semester at Salve Regina University. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a semester grade point average of 3.6 for fulltime students completing at least 12 graded credits, or a semester grade point average of 3.8 for part-time students completing at least six credits.

Bryant University is pleased to recognize **Elizabeth Hall** of Mattapoisett for demonstrating an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement by being named to the Spring 2024 President's List.

Bryant University is pleased to recognize the students who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement and have been named to the Spring 2024 Deans' List which includes **Elizabeth Hall** of Mattapoisett, **Brooke Hammond** of Rochester, **Sydney Mendonca** of Mattapoisett, **Raegan Rapoza** of Marion and **Aiden Woods** of Marion.

**Meghan Craig** was named to The University of Alabama Deans List for spring semester 2024.

**Jacob DesRoches** of Marion has been named to the Plymouth State University Dean's List for the Spring 2024 semester.

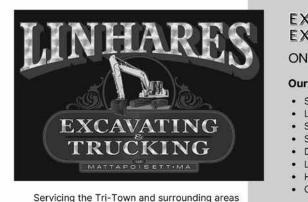
**Kinsley Dickerson** of Mattapoisett was named to the Spring 2024 President's List at the College of Charleston. Dickerson is majoring in Psychology.

**Luke Tougas** of Marion was named to the College of Charleston Spring 2024 President's List. Tougas is majoring in Undecided.

**Jack Howard** of Marion was named to the Spring 2024 Dean's List at the College of Charleston. Howard is majoring in Finance.

**Summer Williams** of Rochester has been named to the Plymouth State University President's List for the Spring 2024 semester.

**Dylan Pallatroni** of Marion was named to the Champlain College Dean's List for the Spring 2024 semester.



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## Musical Hands - A Photographic Study

Come to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library between **July 2 and July 31** to see a unique photographic exhibit by local photographer Richard Van Inwegen entitled "Musical Hands - A Photographic Study." Van Inwegen self-assigned himself a project to photograph hands of musicians playing their instruments. Most of the images in this exhibit are of members of the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra or the Southcoast Chamber Music Series, two excellent professional groups in the area. As Van Inwegen notes, a self-assigned project for study is a great way to expand photographic knowledge and experiences since every subject has unique characteristics and challenges.

The Library is located at 7 Barstow Street, and all are welcome.

## Upcoming Summer Programs at the MNHM

Wednesday **July 3**, 10:30 am, Butterfly Walk: Get an early start to your summer by joining the Marion Natural History Museum for a summer butterfly walk. Andrew Griffith of the Massachusetts Butterfly Association will be leading the walk in Nasketucket State Park, Mattapoisett. We will be identifying local butterfly and moth species while talking about their habitat requirements, life cycles and migration patterns. Let's have some fun looking for our summer residents. We will be meeting at the park, and please plan to wear





appropriate clothing for walking through vegetation. Free program, but please RSVP on the museum's website: www.marionmuseum.org. Meet at Nasketucket Park, Brandt Beach Road, Mattapoisett at 10:30 am.

Wednesday, July 10, 1:00 pm. Amazing Animal Ambassadors with Cape Cod captive wildlife care expert Bethany Jakubson, Wednesday, July 10, at 1:00 pm. Seeing wild animals up close can become a treasured memory, open up a whole new world of wonder and spark a lifelong love of animals. This is the mission of Amazing Animal Ambassadors. Join owner Bethany Jakubson and some of her favorite members of the natural world, including Milo the Fennec Fox, Bailey the African Pygmy Hedgehog, Sydney, Prim and Roo the three Sugar Gliders, Ande the Chinchillia and Buttercup the skunk among others. Donation is \$5.00 each, preregister at www. marionmuseum.org.

July 24, 10:30 am, Horseshoe Crab talk with the Marion Natural History Museum. Derek Perry, Invertebrate Fisheries Biologist with the Department of Marine Fisheries will be giving a presentation on the Horseshoe Crabs of Massachusetts. We'll be learning about their life history, biology and habitat, as well as population health and stressors. Meet at the Museum and please RSVP at www.marionmuseum.org to ensure enough seating.

### **Mattapoisett Band**

Summer has arrived. Mattapoisett's Town Band will begin concerts in Shipyard Park on July 3 at 7 pm. Concerts will continue on subsequent Wednesday nights through July and August. In the meantime, rehearsal will take place on June 26 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm for all members and new members are welcome.

#### Mattapoisett Road Race Student Awards

The Mattapoisett Road Race Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2024 college stipends. Since the first race in 1971, over \$200, 000 has been awarded to college bound ORR student athletes.

This year's award recipients are John Butler, Sara Costa, Murray Callahan and Aubrey Heise of Mattapoisett, Sara Kroll of Marion, Hunter Bishop, Dylan Durgin and Nathaniel Bangs of Rochester, Kamryn Rodrigues of Fairhaven, Amber Engel of Acushnet and Alexia Gonsalves of Wareham. Receiving the Bob Gardner Award, named for the founding father of the Road Race, is Tyler Young of Marion. We congratulate these students and wish them well in their college studies.

There's still time to register online for the "4 on the 4th" Mattapoisett Road Race at runsignup.com/Race/ MA/Mattapoisett/MattapoisettRoadRace. Registration is also available on July 3 from 4-6 pm and July 4 from



Log highlights June 9-June 15

County Rd – Road Hazzard

Grand View Ave – 911 Call

I-195 East - Disabled Vehicle

Main St - Suspicious Person

Sparrow Hill Rd - Roadway Hazzard

Bayberry Ln – Suspicious Vehicle

Barstow Beach - Marine

River Road – MV Crash Marion Rd – Animal Control

Oliver's Ln - Ambulance

County Rd – Assist Citizen County Rd – Burglar Alarm County Rd – Follow Up

Holly Woods Rd - Complaint

Jane Ln – Disabled Vehicle County Rd – Building Check

Fairhaven Rd – General Service

Marion Rd – Radar Assignment

Tinkham Hill Rd - Disturbance

County Road - Larceny/Fraud

Chapel Rd – Road Hazzard

Depot St - Road Hazzard North St – Disturbance

North Rd- MV Violations

Ned's Point Rd -Parking

County Rd – Fire Alarm

Dupont Rd – 911 Call

Water St - Marine

**River Rd - Complaint** 

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#### Log highlights June 9-June 15

- Wareham Rd Road Hazzard
- Barros Dr Suspicious Activity
- Rosebrook Way EMS Mutual Aid
- Main St EMS Mutual Aid
- Pawkechatt Way Burglar Alarm
- Front St Vehicle Crash
- Zora Road Fire Haz Mat
- Brookhaven Ln Medical
- Mill St Medical
- Point Rd Fire Alarm
- Mill St 911 Accidental
- Point Rd Health/Welfare
- Dexter Rd Medical
- Vine St General Service
- Joanne Dr Health/Welfare
- Front St Suspicious Vehicle
- Olde Meadow Rd Fraud
- Wareham Rd Fraud
- Spring St Fire Alarm
- Front St Parking
- Abels Way Medical
- Front St DMV
- Point Rd Officers Wanted
- Mill St Medical
- Mill St Health/Welfare
- Mill St Vehicle Crash
- **Cleveland Ledge Waterways**
- Route 195 Genral Service
- Old Indian Tr Paper Service For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

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#### ROCHESTER Log highlights June 9-June 15

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7:30-8:30. The fee for in-person registration is \$35 (cash or check).

# Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair

The 46th Annual Homecoming Day Fair, proudly sponsored by the Fairhaven Improvement Association, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, will be held in the heart of Fairhaven on Saturday, **June 29**, from 10 am to 4 pm.

The Fairhaven Homecoming Day Fair, a cherished tradition with roots dating back to 1903, was envisioned in 1975 by a group inspired by the Fairhaven Colonial Fair. This vision led to our beloved event, named the Homecoming Day Fair.

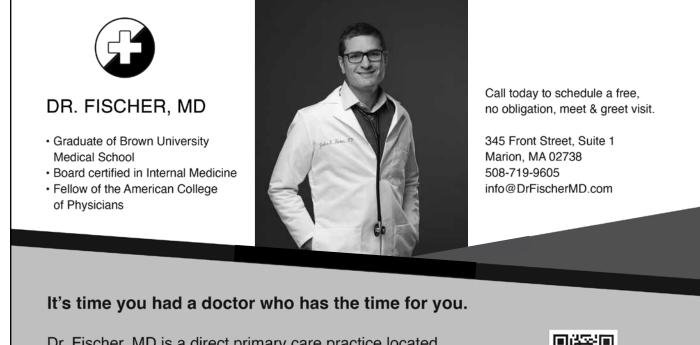
Join us annually on the last Saturday in June for a vibrant celebration, featuring over 150 booths showcasing talented artisans and craftsmen from across New England. From exciting kids' activities to nostalgic fire engine rides, immerse yourself in a day filled with art, delicious food, lively music, and captivating live entertainment. Embrace the spirit of community and tradition. Visit www.fairhavenimprovement.org or email: Fairhavenhomecoming@ gmail.com

# St. Philip's Begins 140th Season

Since 1884 St. Philip's Episcopal Church, next to the Town Beach in Mattapoisett, has been hosting visiting clergy each week through the summer season staring **June 30** and ending September 1.



All are welcome to attend the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services which use the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. June 30 - The Rev. Robert Malm, Interim Rector St. Peter's on the Canal, Buzzards Bay, MA July 7 - The Rev. Benjamin Strayley, Rector St. Stephen's Church, Providence, RI July 14 - The Rev. William Locke, Assisting Priest St. Stephen's Church, Providence, RI July 21 - The Rev. Nathan Humphrey, St. Thomas's Church, Toronto, Canada July 28 - The Rev. Marc Eames, Priest-in-Charge St. John's Church, Vernon, CT August 4 - The Rev. Robert Malm, Interim Rector August 11 - The Rev. Benjamin Strayley



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# **OBITUARIES**



**Roy N. Daniel**, 65, of Rochester passed away Wednesday June 12, 2024 after a brief illness. He was the husband of Susan M. (Boucher) Daniel,

Born in New Bedford, the son of the late Albert and Lorraine (Lecuyer) Daniel, he was raised in Acushnet and had resided in Rochester for many years. He was a graduate of Old Colony Regional

Vocational Technical High School.

Roy was formerly employed as a bus driver for the Southeastern Regional Transit Authority until his retirement.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1978-1981.

Roy was a member of the Rochester Lions Club and had been a volunteer for the Wareham Gatemen baseball team. He enjoyed watching sporting events and was an avid fan of NASCAR and the New England sports teams.

He is survived by his wife Susan; his children, Sarah Coucci and her husband Jake, Matthew Daniel, and Sean Daniel and his fiancée Kayla Rasar; his siblings, Carole Gorczyca and her husband Richard, David Daniel and his wife Nancy, Michael Daniel and his wife Sheila, Elaine Negalha and her husband Eddie, and Rhonda Demers and her husband Francis; five grandchildren, Molly, Maeve, and William Coucci, Emmett Rasar, and Willow Daniel; and many nieces and nephews.

His Funeral Mass will be celebrated Tuesday June 18th at 10 AM at St. Rose of Lima Church, Rochester. Visiting hours will be held on Monday June 17th from 4-7 PM at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Survived by her late husband Charles E Emerson along with her children David, Charles, Warren, Carol, Jeffrey, Irene and William. **June (Bowman) Emerson** was born and raised in Mattapoisett where a lot of her family still lives. She then moved to Taunton to raise her family. Her Father and Mother were Alaxander and Edna Bowman. Brothers and Sisters Alexan-

der, Edna, John, Warren, Nancy, Wesley, Joyce, Joan, Frank, Sandra and David

She loved her family and devoted her entire life to them. Her Grandchildren were her pride and joy. She loved playing cards and board games with them and even stayed up all night long to finish the game. She had the best friendship a person could have with Paul Croutworths. They went on trips to Atlantic City and other casinos where she had the time of her life. The friendship they had will always be cherished by us because we knew Paul protected and guided my Mother for years. He was and still is a very good friend of the entire family.

She loved going to the races with her family at Seekonk Speedway almost every weekend. She met and sat with friends that miss her dearly.

She loved Bingo and looked forward to going every week and sitting with her bingo buddies.

"Nana" cooked her stuffed quahogs and shared them with everyone. She made the best America Chop Suey that everyone loved. Her seafood platters would get eaten by whoever showed up. She would always give away till it was gone and just say "I already had some". But she only sampled one or two, just wanted to be sure everyone had some even if she didn't.

She will be missed by all. We will cherish our memories forever. She was loved by many.

We will have a Celebration of Life on July 7, 2024 from 1-4:00 at the Lakeville Eagles in Lakeville, Mass. Family and friends are welcome to attend.



**Robert J. McGowan**, Bob, passed away on June 15, 2024 in Nokomis, Florida after a long illness of Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's.

Bob was born November 15, 1943 in New Bedford, MA. to Charles and Anna Smith McGowan.

He is survived by his sister, Ann

Boucher of Chelmsford, MA.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Charles McGowan of Venice, FL, Paul McGowan of New Bedford, MA and his sister, Susan McGowan of Mattapoisett, MA.

He was the loving husband of Sandra Field McGowan of Venice, FL. He leaves his children Melissa Kang and her husband, Will of Cumming, GA, Heather McGowan and her wife Pat Coryell of Gulfport, FL and Kelly Ochoa of Fairhaven MA. He was predeceased by his son, Jonathan, McGowan.

He leaves behind his beloved grandchildren Nicole and Daniela Ochoa of New Bedford and Chloe, Isabella and Liam Kang of Cumming , GA.

Bob graduated from Holy Family High School in New Bedford, MA., Bentley College, Boston, MA and Babson College in Wellesley, MA.

During college he worked at Jordan Mash in Boston, where he met "his bride" Sandy. They were married at ST. Cecelia's Church in Boston and enjoyed almost 58 years of marriage.

After college graduation, Bob worked at St. Regis Paper, in New York City, Sisalkraft in Attleboro, MA, Plymouth Rubber in Canton, MA, New England Nuclear in Boston, DuPont in Boston and finished his career at CIS-US, Bedford, MA as CFO.

After retirement Sandy and Bob moved to Venice, Fl and spent the summers at their family cottage at Pico Beach in Mattapoisett, MA.

The whole family would like to thank Erin McKee for her love and care of Bob for the last 2 years and Tidewell Hospice of Venice.

A celebration of life will be held later in the summer.

August 25 - The Rev. Jeffrey Paull Cave, Retired Diocese of Atlanta, GA Sept. 1 - The Rev. Jeffrey Paull Cave Sept 1 - Hymn Sing Evening

### Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Join us for all ages story times all summer long, every Saturday at 10:30am.

Join Elke Pierrie Loft for morning yoga on the library lawn, Tuesdays at 9:30 am. The perfect way to start your summer days.

See highlights from the year and get your questions answered at the Elizabeth Taber Library's annual meeting, Monday, **June 24** at 5:30 pm.

Join us Tuesday, **June 25** from 6 to 8 to celebrate Pride with food, fun and karaoke. All welcome.

# **OBITUARIES**



John Moline Teal, 94, died on June 14, 2024 at Teal Farm. John was an internationally recognized biologist and naturalist. He was best known for his research work on salt marsh ecology, including the popular book Life and Death of the Salt Marsh, co-authored with his first wife Mildred Teal. His research also included

deep sea oceanography and oil spills in the ocean. Throughout his career, he used his scientific expertise to effect change in policies and laws. He was instrumental in developing the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act that is a model throughout the US. As author and co-author, he published more than 160 scientific publications, including articles on "The Long-term Effects of Nuclear War" (Science 1983) and others warning of the effects of sea level rise and wetlands loss in the US. He also wrote articles for children on oceanography. He served on boards and government advisory committees including The National Academy of Science, The Conservation Law Foundation (1978-2013), and closer to home on the Conservation Commissions in Falmouth and Rochester, MA.

Born in Omaha, Nebraska to Clarence William and Valentine Moline Teal, he got an early start on his career as an ecologist playing in the ravine wetland behind his house that was later filled in to build more houses. His summers were spent outdoors as a camper and then counselor at Camp Vermilion in northern Minnesota. After his graduation from Omaha's Benson High School in 1947 he went on to get a BA, 1951, and PhD in 1955 from Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. At Harvard, he sang both with the Glee Club and with a group called the Dunster Dunces, working summers in research labs in Woods Hole, MA.

John's professional career started at the University of Georgia Marine Institute (1955-1959) on Sapelo Island where he lived with Mildred and their children Eric and Tanya. He considered the island a living laboratory and developed techniques to study and measure the biogeochemical functions of salt marshes. He then moved to Nova Scotia and spent two years at Dalhousie University's newly-established Institute of Oceanography before joining Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) in 1961, where he became Senior Scientist and served as the Chair of the Biology Department from 1982-85. John loved going to sea on WHOI ships, sampling animals from the deep ocean and introducing students and young scientists to the magic and the rigors of sea-going oceanography. He was active in the WHOI-MIT Joint Doctoral Degree Program as a teacher and mentor. He retired from WHOI in 1994. After retirement, he worked as scientific consultant to several major wetlands restoration and conservation projects in the United States. He became a scientific advisor to Public Service Electric & Gas of New Jersey on their extensive coastal wetland restoration project around Delaware Bay and continued to work on that project until he retired in 2018.

In 1977, he bought a 100-plus-acre farm in Rochester, MA and started a new adventure with his second wife Susan. They added another 50 acres a few years later with generous support from their neighbor, Julia Enroth, who believed in their vision to protect farm land in their community. They also subtracted some land when they gave a house lot to John's daughter Tanya and a few acres to the Rochester Congregational Church so that they could build a church hall. This new venture allowed John to buy farm equipment, including two 65-hp John Deere tractors, a back hoe and having equipment. And they built a house, barns, sheds, chicken coops, greenhouses where they raised sheep, geese, ducks, chickens, hay, fruit and vegetables, with an orchard that had over 50 varieties of apples. Teal Farm is permanently protected from development by a Conservation Restriction held by the Wildlands Trust of Southeastern MA.

John was predeceased by his parents, his brother Dr. Peter V. Teal of Billings, MT, and his former wife, Mildred Teal. He is survived by his wife Susan Blackmore (Peterson) Teal, his brother Thomas A. Teal (Anne Nou) of Somerville, MA, his sister Alison V. Teal (Sam Brown) of Key West ,FL, his sister-in-law Annie Teal of Tucson, AZ, his son Eric Teal of Townsend, GA, daughter Tanya Sanders (David) and grandchildren Matthew Sanders (Kayla), David Sanders Jr. (Sybil Krawczyk) all of Rochester, Carolyn Abrantes (Eric) of South Dartmouth, and Alexander Carroll-Teal of Falmouth, MA. He has three wonderful great-grandchildren: Weylyn, Rhiannon, and Freya Sanders.

John leaves many friends, colleagues, students, nieces, nephews and in-laws. Though known to terrify his graduate students, over time he mellowed and even learned to smile. His comfortable old age on the farm would not have been possible without having his grandsons, Matt and Dave, and their families, living and working on the farm.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Conservation Law Foundation of New England (CLF.org), the Rochester Land Trust (rochesterlandtrust.org), or Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI.edu). Following the example set by his parents, John has donated his body to the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University.

# **TRITOWN HAPPENINGS**



The Marion Art Center's Art in Bloom event was a visual feast with members' floral creations being paired with paintings by Mary Moquin and Robert Abele, resulting in a 3D interpretation of selected pieces. Photo by Marilou Newell



Riders and runners navigated overlapping courses on North Street in Rochester during the Patriot Half Triathlon held on June 15. Photos by Mick Colageo









Supporters from Mattapoisett and as far as metro Boston gathered on Saturday at the Quaker Friends Meeting House to welcome back Rajesh Shahi, whose amazing story of recovery from a physical deformity as a child has made possible a successful career paying forward his good fortune in his native Nepal. Photos by Mick Colageo

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

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Meet Sara Shukla, local author of the debut novel Pink Whales, Thursday, **June 27** at 6:30 pm, at The Marion Art Center. Pink Whales has been described lauded by reviews as "A satisfying romp through a New England enclave that's not nearly as idyllic as it seems." Meet Sara Shukla, the author of the latest summer rom-com that will be making a splash this beach season. Limited signed copies will be available at this event.

Make a fuzzy felted patch with wool with artists from Pop up Art School, Saturday, **June 29** at 11am. Pick from four rainbow designs. Use the finished piece as a patch on a jacket, or frame it for a unique piece of art. Pop up Art School will show you how to use a barbed needle and wool roving to make this cool accessory. Needle felting is fun and easier than it looks. Spaces are limited,

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### Old Rochester Regional High School 2024 Undergraduate Awards

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS: Boys State- Xavier Pateakos, Wesner Archelus, Luke DeVoe, Nolan Bushnell, Jack DeCosta Girls State- Ella Bartholomew, Emily Wyman, Caroline Brogioli, Emerson Gonet

PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE AWARDS: Gold: Charlotte Cook, Abigail Desorcy, Sage Elia, Emerson Gonet, Andrew Kennefick, Luke Pierre, Molly Wronski Silver: Neva Matos Bronze: Clara Bonney, Kelsi Chick, Clara Gouveia-Silva Mallory Henesey Iiya Patel Bailey

veia-Silva, Mallory Henesey, Jiya Patel, Bailey Pelland, Addison Roy, Hannah Throell, Tessa Winslow

### TECHNOLOGY AWARDS:

Excellence in Architecture Design- Madison Spangler Excellence in Architecture Design- Owen Osterday Excellence in Technical Drawing- Rafael Duarte Excellence in Computer Science For All- Ethan Cabral Excellence in 3D Design- Jacob Gear Excellence in Interior Design-David Fredette Excellence in Interior Design-Maya Morrison

Excellence in Engineering-Jack Langlais

Excellence in Robotics Engineering- Deryn Veloso Excellence in AP Computer Science for All- Dillion Furtado

Excellence in AP Computer Science for All- Aidan Costa

Excellence in AP Computer Science Principles- Elisa Modracek

Excellence in AP Computer Science Principles- Alexander Pither

Excellence in AP Computer Science Principles- Caitlin O'Donnell

Excellence in Game Development- Henry Bailey Excellence in Multimedia Design-Abigail Balsis Excellence in Multimedia Design-Caillaigh Mullen

Excellence in Multimedia Design-Alexander Pither

Excellence in Cybersecurity- Ezra Thompson

Excellence in Cybersecurity- Patrick Burke

Excellence in Web Development- Christian Pedulli Excellence in CAD- Xavier Monteiro

### SCIENCE AWARDS

Excellence in Biology- Luke Pierre Excellence in Biology- Sage Elia Excellence in Marine Biology- Quinn Perry Excellence in AP Biology- Dillon Furtado Excellence in AP Biology- Audrey Pither Excellence in A. P. Chemistry- Owen Osterday Excellence in Chemistry A-Aiden Cabral Excellence in Chemistry A- Delilah Post Excellence in Honors Chemistry- Hannah Thorell Excellence in Honors Chemistry- Jiya Patel Excellence in Anatomy A- Gianna DeLeo Excellence in Anatomy A- Caroline Brogioli Excellence in Honors Anatomy- Devin St. Germaine Excellence in Physics A- Katherine McIlmail Excellence in Physics A- Jenna Lynch Excellence in Honors Physics- Alexander Pither Excellence in Environmental Interactions- Gianna DeLeo

Excellence in Genethics- James Noblet Excellence in Epidemiology- Cameron VanNess Excellence in Forensics A- Hannah Eaton Excellence in Honors Forensics- Hailee Ducharme Excellence in APES- Aubrey Letourneau

BAUSCH AND LOMB AWARD : Aubrey Silvia-Everett

CAPE COD TUFTS CLUB BOOK AWARD: Dillon Furtado

UNIFIED ARTS AWARDS: Excellence in Photography- Beverly Morse Excellence in Painting- Cadogan Crete Excellence in Ceramics- Lily Hinds Excellence in Drawing- Eden Dupre Excellence in Visual Design- Mallory Henesey Excellence in Mixed Media- Tessa Winslow Visual Art Department Award- Dayvie Zuckerman

Excellence in Band 11- Katelyn Fisher Excellence in Band 10- Caroline Achilles Excellence in Band 9-Tessa Ripley Excellence in A Cappella 11- Sienna Roveda Excellence in A Cappella 10- Amanda Tomasso Excellence in Chorus 11- Christian Pedulli Excellence in Chorus 9- Tenley Lane Excellence in Jazz Band 11- Calder Eaton Excellence in Jazz Band 10- Grace Rousseau Excellence in Jazz Band 9- Reilly Patraiko

### EARLY CHILDHOOD AWARDS:

Excellence in Introduction to Early Childhood Education: Giada Gandolfi Excellence in Child Growth & Development: Sasha Volkema Excellence in Child Growth & Development: Carly Mello

Excellence in Early Childhood Education I: Mallory Henesey

Excellence in Early Childhood Education I: Bailey Pelland

Excellence in Early Childhood Education I: Clara Bonney

CLASSICAL and MODERN LANGUAGES AWARDS:

Outstanding Achievement Latin 1- Zadie Goyette Outstanding Achievement Latin 2 Honors- Genevieve Kelly

Outstanding Achievement in Latin 3 Honors- Rosemary Clark

Outstanding Achievement in Latin 4 Honors- Caitlin O'Donnell

Outstanding Achievement Spanish 1- Abigail Desorcy Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 2- Katherine Guevara

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 2 Honors- Luke Pierre

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 2 Honors- Tessa Ripley

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 4 Honors- Emily Wyman

Outstanding Achievement in Portuguese 1- Rafael Duarte

Outstanding Achievement in Portuguese 2- Tyler Porto Outstanding Achievement in Portuguese 3- Scarlet Patnaude

### NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

Latin 1: Zadie Goyette Latin 2: Genevieve Kelly Elise Modracek Zavier Monteiro Addison Roy James Russell Olivia Thompson Morgan Patraiko Catherine Sylvia Everett Caitlin Wilson Latin 3: Rosemary Clark Latin 4: Caitlin O'Donnell

Excellence in English 9A- Jasmyn Pumphery Excellence in English 9A- James Russell Excellence in English 9A- Sarah Cabral Excellence in English 9A- Morgan Patraiko Excellence in Honors English 9- Sage Elia Excellence in Honors English 9- Zadie Goyette Excellence in Honors English 9- Elise Modracek Excellence in Honors English 9- Katherine Guevara Excellence in Honors English 9- Genevieve Kelly Excellence in Honors English 9- Abigail Balsis Excellence in English 10 A- Molly Souza Excellence in English 10 A- Amanda Tomasso Excellence in English 10 A- Aiden Cabral Excellence in Honors English 10- Sasha Volkema Excellence in Honors English 11- Eden Dupre Excellence in Honors English 11- Xavier Pateakos Excellence in English 11A- Chloe Guttenberger Excellence in English 11A- Mallory Henesey Excellence in Advanced Placement English 11- Emily Wyman Excellence in Theater- Calder Eaton Excellence in Theater- Tenley Lane

Excellence in Genealogy- Aiden Levasseur Excellence in Sports Media- Blake Moreau Excellence in Creative Writing- Clara Bonney

### MATHEMATICS AWARDS

Excellence in Foundations of Algebra 2- Thea Brodeur Excellence in Geometry- Genevieve Kelly Excellence in Geometry- Katherine Guevara Excellence in Honors Geometry- Addison Roy Excellence in Algebra 1- Sarah Cabral Excellence in Algebra 2- Hannah Thorell Excellence in Honors Algebra 2- Hannah Thorell Excellence in Honors Precalculus- David Fredette Excellence in Honors Precalculus- David Fredette Excellence in Advanced Placement Statistics- Xavier Pateakos

American Mathematics Competition Awards: Outstanding Achievement on the AMC 10 :Linden White

Outstanding Achievement on the AMC 12: Aidan Costa

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# From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

Looking at the picture accompanying this article, you're probably wondering why I'm writing about Halloween in June. This is a picture from our collection and I want to pose a question for you. What could this picture have to do with our new exhibit which will be opening Saturday and Sunday (**June 22** & 23) at the museum on County Rd.? The exhibit shows

how Rochester residents have entertained themselves for the last 337 yrs. and we don't cover trick or treating.

In setting up this exhibit, we have discovered that even with all the hard work that our ancestors had to do, they always found time for fun. Even in the late 1700's and 1800's, time was found for singing and dancing and some chores, like husking corn were turned into social events.





It also became apparent that the lack of radio, TV and social media didn't keep people in town from having busy social calendars. My mother's scrapbook was full of items related to dances, plays, camp, groups and family gatherings. The Brotherhood, Grange, Women's Club and Men's Club among others provided many occasions for people to come together.

We've had a lot of fun putting this exhibit together, even though we had to face the fact that some toys we played with as kids are now classified as antiques.

Come and visit us from 10-3 and if you want to wear your Davy Crockett cap or Mickey Mouse ears, feel free to do so. We'll be there rain or shine.

We hope you'll also enjoy our Bake sale and

music from the Buzzard Bay Buccaneers. Bring a chair (and a child if you can find one) and settle into the shade as you follow us down memory lane and if you like, you can muster like a colonial soldier or tie knots like a privateer (reformed pirate).

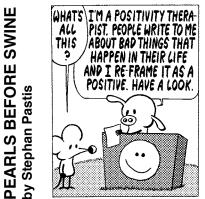
If you know any children, there will plenty for them to do and oh, yes, you'll find out how the picture connects to the exhibit.

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# Summer Activities at the Marion Natural History Museum

Come in to the museum and pick up a free copy of Ted and Elizabeth Brainard's children's story book. The museum has many displays to explore as well as a massive Lego table. Admission is free, and we are open every Wednesday and Friday from 10 - 4.

Coastal Explorations - During our week-long Summer programs (July 8 - 12 or August 6-10) the Museum is offering a half-day summer program to explore some of Marion's unique natural areas. We will be exploring our rocky inter-tidal shoreline, salt marshes, estuaries as well as freshwater riverbanks, forest, swamps, ponds and bogs. Daily we will take trips to look for the birds, amphibians, fish and invertebrates that make these areas so special. Perfect for children entering grades 2-6.

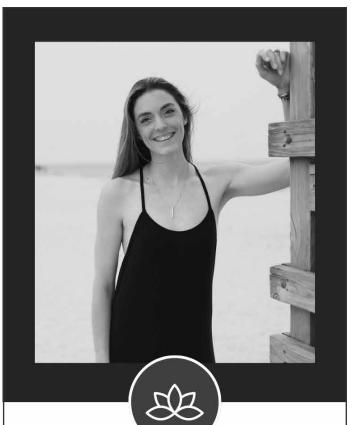
You can sign up for daily excursions or for the whole week. We have many other summer programs coming up, including Amazing Animal Ambassadors on **July 10** at 1:00 pm. Please go to the museum's website to enroll for some or all of these programs, www. marionmuseum.org.

# World Class Musicians in our Backyard

The musicians for the Buzzards Bay Musicfest come from around the country and, indeed, around the world. They perform in the finest concert halls, opera houses and ballet theaters while continuing to collaborate with world-class artists that make their experiences unique and profound. From the Chicago Symphony Orchestra to the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and from the Dallas Symphony Orchestra to the recording studios of Hollywood, the biographies of these players are remarkable and will astound you with their accomplishments and musical pedigree.

Charles Stegeman, Concertmaster, Artistic Director, violin, is the co-founder of the Buzzards Bay Musicfest as well as the Sunflower Music Festival. He is a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music (accepted at the age of 14) and the Juilliard School, with a bachelor's and master's degree, respectively. Mr. Stegeman has performed for approximately five million people on





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### *Perfect Days.* Starring Koji Yakusho and Arisa Nakano. Directed by Wim Wenders. Running time: 125 minutes. MPAA rating: PG. Now streaming on Hulu. Playing at the Avon Cinema until June 20.

Wim Wenders' *Perfect Days* is a lovely film, though viewers waiting for something to "happen" will miss the movie. At the very end, Wenders puts up text reading "*Komorebi* is the Japanese word for the shimmering of light and shadows that is created by leaves swaying in the wind. It only exists once, at that moment." The protagonist, Hirayama (Koji Yakusho), often takes photos of a tree in a shrine on his ancient analog camera. The good photos he saves in metal boxes marked with the date. Hirayama is exquisitely regimented in his work — he cleans public toilets — and in his life.

*Perfect Days*, set largely in the Shibuya ward of Tokyo, seems to exist in the same universe as Ozu and Mizoguchi and the series *Midnight Diner*. It is becalmed, though informed by past trauma as well as emotional mess held at arm's length by Hirayama and, to some extent, by the movie. Wenders, who cowrote the script with Takuma Takasaki, finds considerable beauty in Hirayama's routine. Hirayama is awakened by, or awakens in tandem with, the sounds of an old lady sweeping the sidewalk. He gets up, performs his morning wash-up, climbs into his jumpsuit, gets his keys and some change for the vending machine outside, buys a coffee soda, pops in a music cassette (the songs are sublime, from Lou Reed to Patti Smith to Otis Redding), and drives around to various locations, tidying the Tokyo Toilet facilities.

The Tokyo Toilet project designed restrooms to be "as much art as public utility," and they seem to be respected as such; Hirayama never has to contend with any heinous messes that we can see. Some would consider Hirayama simply a cleaner of bathrooms; others might regard him as a maintenance person for art installations. Either way, he takes his work with the utmost seriousness, something his younger partner can't understand. As Thomas Carlyle (paraphrasing Ecclesiastes) wrote: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy whole might." So Hirayama does. He has his photos and his books (he's trying to get through Faulkner) and his music, so he has an aesthetic consciousness. Regardless of the toilets' lofty intentions, though, they are still places where people go to relieve themselves, and those places need to be kept clean.

Hirayama leads a simple life. During the course of the movie, several people drift into his realm to bring a little tension, a little need. There is his partner, who wants to please his girlfriend. There is his niece, who runs away from home. There is his sister, from whom he has been



estranged following some trouble with their father. Early on, he encounters a lost little boy, whom he reunites with his harried mother, whose sanitizing of the child's hand that Hirayama was holding is her only acknowledgment of Hirayama. Hirayama doesn't take offense, and waves cheerily back at the child. Some of these exchanges seem to make Hirayama glad of his relatively drama-free life alone; some seem to sadden him.

*Perfect Days* was filmed in the square Academy ratio, like the Ozu movies (Ozu famously likened the widescreen format to a roll of toilet paper) — or like *Living*, the nicely judged remake of Kurosawa's *Ikiru*. These are movies about repression that are not themselves repressed; in *Perfect Days*, little shards of life and art keep puncturing Hirayama's ritualistic manner. His sister tells him that their father, currently failing with dementia, no longer acts the way he once did. It doesn't convince Hirayama to pay Dad a visit before the movie is over. In a Hollywood version he might. In a very Japanese story directed by a German, there's no way that's ever going to happen.

Koji Yakusho won Best Actor at Cannes for his near-silent work here. He may have won as much for the lingering shot of him near the end as for anything else; his changing expressions contain an entire movie underneath the movie we're watching. But really he does beautiful little things throughout, and his performance doesn't seem at all constrained by his lack of dialogue. (It's a little more than half an hour into the film before he speaks.) He's not a dour presence (Hirayama smiles up at the morning sky every day he leaves his building for work), just watchful and possibly on the spectrum, given his clinging to routine and his anxious response when something alters the routine. When he retires to bed, his dreams come as fragments of the day's images, the play of light and shadow. By the end, when he meets a suffering man and reverts them both back to giggling childhood with a game of shadows, it's in answer to the man's question, does a shadow added to a shadow make it darker? No, but shadows have a hard time existing without light, however dappled and evanescent the light. The movie respects and embodies komorebi.

four continents in a performance career that spans five decades, averaging approximately 70 concerts a year for the last 50 years, performing concerts nationally and internationally as soloist, concertmaster and chamber musician and is internationally sought after as a teacher and master clinician.

Antony Walker, Guest Conductor, is Music Director of Pittsburgh Opera and Artistic Director of Washington Concert Opera in D.C. Since making his debut in Sydney, Australia in 1992, Maestro Walker has conducted over 100 operas, as well as large scale choral orchestra/symphonic works with companies and orchestras in Australia, the U.S., Asia, the UK, and Europe. He has led operatic performances for The Metropolitan Opera, English National Opera, Opera Australia, Opera di Firenze, Teatro Comunale in Bologna, Welsh National Opera, Canadian Opera Company, Santa Fe Opera, and New York City Opera, amongst others. Symphonic engagements include a recent debut with the Mozarteum Orchestra in Salzburg, as well as the Orchestre Colonne in Paris, Orchestra of the Antipodes, Sinfonia Australis, Melbourne Symphony, and Orchestra Victoria. Maestro Walker is also the founding Artistic Director and now Conductor Emeritus of the awardwinning Pinchgut Opera in Sydney.

The Buzzards Bay Musicfest is a series of five concerts, all free admission, from **July 10 through July 14**, in the Fireman Performing Arts Center on the campus of Tabor Academy, 245 Front St., Marion. For more detailed information, please visit: www.buzzardsbaymusicfest. com.

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LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's time to stop licking your wounds from past mistakes. Get up and get going toward your future. Loyal friends will be there to help the Lion get back into rip-roaring shape.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Take time out to go over what's expected of you before you begin your new project. Otherwise, you run the risk of pushing yourself harder than you need to.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An unusual request could put you in an awkward position. Best advice: Deal with it immediately. The longer you delay, the more difficult it will be to get out of it. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should feel recharged and ready for whatever your workaday world holds for you. The same positive energy spills over into your personal relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A prospect might be less than it appears to be. Like the Archer in your sign, you always aim for the truth. And this is no time to settle for less than full disclosure. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Start doing some serious thinking about a

career move that could entail more than just changing job sites. Some lifestyle changes might also be involved.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With tensions easing at the workplace, a more positive environment once again encourages the free flow of ideas that are so typical of the always-innovative Aquarian. PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show some of that usually hidden steel-strong Piscean backbone and stand up for yourself if you hope to make a case for that promotion you know you deserve.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy doing new things and staying ahead of the crowd. You would make a fine military leader or a sports coach.

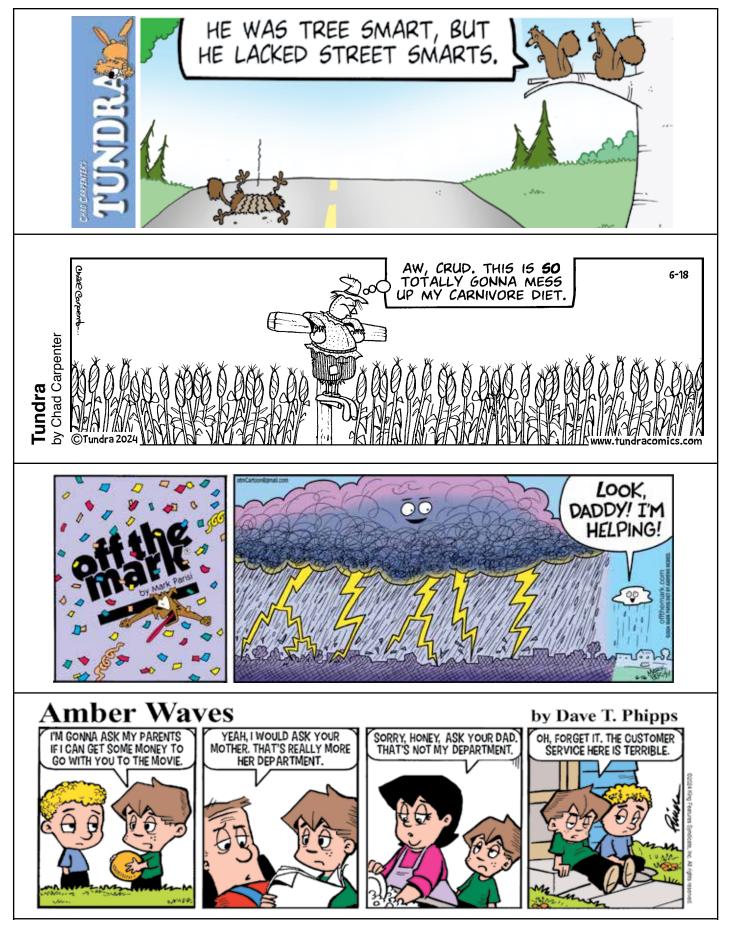
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# Mattapoisett Library Summer Reading Program

The Mattapoisett Free Public Library is excited to announce the kickoff of the 2024 Summer Reading Program. This year, we are offering our annual self-led reading program for children ages 0-12 to foster a love of reading for pleasure. In addition to the reading program, we have a fantastic lineup of events and activities planned throughout the summer. Participants will have the chance to earn raffle tickets for end-of-summer prizes, making the reading journey even more rewarding.

It all begins on Saturday, **June 22** at 10:30 am, with a special visit from the Wareham Gatemen. This event will feature the Gatemen reading their beloved stories, followed by a fun catch session. Attendees can also look forward to some extra surprises. No registration is needed for this event.

Continuing the excitement, on Wednesday, **June 26** at 3 pm, we invite children ages 5 and up to make their own calming bottles. This sensory activity is perfect for anyone looking to relax and have fun. Registration is required for this event.

On Thursday, **June 27** at 10 am, we begin our Storytime at Munro Park series in collaboration with the Mattapoisett Land Trust. Bring a blanket and join us for delightful stories, activities and songs. In the event of poor weather, storytime will be held at the library. No registration required.

Friday, **June 28**, marks the return of Baby Storytime at 11 am in the children's room. This session includes songs, rhymes, stories and bells, and is recommended for babies aged 0 to 24 months. Baby Storytime will continue weekly on Fridays at 11 am. No registration is required.

Later that day, on Friday, **June 28** at 2 pm, children ages 8 and up can join us for "Sewing a Rainbow," a fun and creative activity where participants will learn to sew a paper plate rainbow. This event is suitable for both beginners and experts. Registration is required for this event.

To finish off the month of June, on Saturday, **June 29** at 10:30 am, we invite toddlers to participate in a Hand Stamp Flower art session. This messy and creative activity is recommended for ages 2 and up. Registration is required. We look forward to seeing you at these exciting events designed to make the start of summer memorable for everyone. If you would like to learn more about our Summer Reading Program, please visit the children's room or by visiting our website at MattapoisettLibrary. org.

All programs are free and open to the public. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org. You can also find more information on our website at MattapoisettLibrary.org.

# Marion Independence Day Parade

The Annual Marion Independence Day Parade will be on Thursday, **July 4**, beginning at 9:00 am sharp.

The Parade will form beginning at 8 am on Thursday, July 4, in the ball field behind the Marion Town House and adjacent to the Sippican School. Parade organizers will be on-site to check participants in and to line up the parade. Trophies will be awarded for First, Second and Third place in each category listed on the application. There is also a Best in Parade award.

Insurance regulations prohibit the throwing of any objects from parade entries. Candies or other such items may be passed out by individuals walking beside the parade entry.

To participate in the Parade, please submit your online application by **June 30** at www.marionma. gov/509/Fourth-of-July-Parade-Committee.

Paper applications are also available at the Marion Town House. For questions, please contact the Parade Committee at 508-748-3520 or email Donna Hemphill at dhemphill@marionma.gov.

# **Marion Social Club Portuguese Feast**

The Marion Social Club located at 44 Pumping Station Road Marion is hosting a "Portuguese Feast" catered by Mike Mello. The meal will consist of Carne De Espito, grilled Linguica, Cacoila, Chicken Mozambique, Roasted Potatoes, Favas Beans, Portuguese Style Rice, Green Salad, Portuguese Rolls and assorted Portuguese Pastries. It will be held on Sunday, **July 14** at 1:00 pm. Doors open at 12:00 noon for socializing. Tickets will be

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#### TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING To be held at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street

Also Available via Remote Participation Option

The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on July 1, 2024, at 7:10 pm to consider the request of Konstantinos Jorjakis for a Special Permit pursuant to the Code of the Town of Marion Section 230-4.2F of the Marion Zoning Bylaw for change of use to allow restaurant (outdoor), Tri Town Market.

The property is located at 428 Wareham Road, Marion, MA and is further identified on Marion Assessor's Map as Plat 13, Lot 49E, zoned General Business.

The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full text at the Town House, 2 Spring Street, Office of the Planning Board or Town Clerk during normal business hours. Please email Danyca Filiatreault for the remote participation information: dfiliatreault@ marionma.gov

Andrew Daniel, Chair Alanna Nelson, Vice-Chair 6/13, 6/20

TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING To be held at the Marion Police Department Conference Room

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Also Available via Remote Participation Option

The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on July 1, 2024, at 7:15 pm to consider the request of Andrew W. Kendall & Cornelius Murray III, Trustees of John P. Kendall Trust for a Special Permit pursuant to the Code of the Town of Marion Section 230-8.9(F) to allow a common driveway with a single access point.

The property is located at 39 Water Street, Marion, MA and is further identified on Marion Assessor's Map as Plat 16, Lot 173A and 173C, zoned Residence C.

The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full text at the Town House, 2 Spring Street, Office of the Planning Board or Town Clerk during normal business hours. Please email Danyca Filiatreault for the remote participation information: dfiliatreault@ marionma.gov

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### TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE - CASE #822

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2024 in the conference room of the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street, on the application of Kevin and Tristi Oliveira, represented by Easton Pool and Spa, for a Variance from section 230-6.1 of the zoning by-law to allow installation of a 9'2" x 19'8" fiberglass plunge pool.

The property, located at 76 Front Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 45A. Zoning Board of Appeals

Cynthia Callow, Chairperson 6/20, 6/27

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### TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE

#1211 Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Nicholas Carnazza, for property located at 48 Pierce St, identified on Assessor's Map 16, Lot 15I, who is seeking a Use Variance for the proposed construction of an accessory dwelling unit above the attached garage, under Chapter 20.40, Section F.6., of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws.

The public hearing will be on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 7:15 p.m. at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA.

David Arancio, Chairman 6/20, 6/27

#### TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 8, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom \*\*) on the Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by John Igoe of 44 Barretts Mill Road, Concord, MA 01742.

The proposed project is to add a second floor addition, with no change in footprint. The project is located at 5 Avenue A and is further identified as Lot 144 on Assessor Map 2A. \*\*Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information.

6/20, 6/27

TOWN OF ROCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR c/o OFFICE OF THE TOWN PLANNER CHSGOD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVE-MENTS

The Office of the Town Administrator of the Town of Rochester, MA will receive sealed Bids for the construction of Proposed Roadway and Site Improvements in Rochester until Monday, July 22, 2024, at 1:00 P.M. local time, at the Office of the Town Planner, Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA 02770 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read. All Bids shall be submitted within a sealed envelope addressed to the Town Administrator/ Procurement Officer c/o the Rochester Town Planner and entitled "Bid for Contract - CHSGOD Infrastructure Improvements ". A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the project site on Friday, July 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. All interested bidders are encouraged to attend.

The project consists of construction of installation of water infrastructure and associated work, including additional construction of bituminous concrete and concrete sidewalks, ADA accessible ramps, vertical granite curbing, adjustment and replacement of catch basin frames and grates, removal of existing drainage structures, closure of existing curb cuts, creation of new curb cuts, paving, loaming and seeding, all earthwork necessary to complete the installations, and appurtenant Work in accordance with the drawings and specifications (Contract Documents).

The Contractor shall supply all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work shown on the Contract Drawings and hereinafter contained in the Specifications. The Contractor shall pay for all water connection fees associated with the project as payable to the Town

### of Wareham Water Fire District. These fees are ESTIMATED at approximately \$71,913.26 as outlined in an estimate provided by the Wareham Fire District. The Contractor shall be required to verify this estimate as appropriate.

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Bidding documents are available in electronic PDF format and hard copy format. Electronic files can be obtained by contacting Phil Cordeiro at Allen & Major Associates, Inc., 10 Main Street, Lakeville, MA, 02347-1674 or e-mail at PCordeiro@allenmajor.com. Hard copy documents may be obtained from the office of Allen & Major Associates, Inc., 10 Main Street, Lakeville, MA, 02347-1674, during normal business hours, generally 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. local time Monday through Friday.

A complete set of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Engineer, Allen & Major, Inc., for a deposit of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) or Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for plans only in cash or check, made payable to Allen & Major Associates, Inc. This deposit will be refunded to document holders of record who return the Bidding Documents to the Engineer in good condition within fourteen (14) days after the opening of bids.

All requests for mailing of Bidding Documents shall be accompanied by a separate nonrefundable handling or mailing fee in the amount of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) in cash or check made payable to Allen & Major Associates, Inc., One (1) set of Bidding Documents will be furnished for the deposit and mailing fee stated.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond, Cash, Certified Check or a Treasurer's or Cashier's Check issued by a responsible Bank or Trust Company, in the amount of five (5) percent of the submitted bid, as Bid Security.

Attention of the Bidder is called to the requirements for minimum wage rates to be paid under this Contract and the reporting associated thereto. Minimum wage rates are required as per M.G.L, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D inclusive. Minimum wage rates determined by the Commissioner are as contained in the Contract Documents as Appendix A, or the current wage rates at the time of Award.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a 50% Payment Bond on the forms provided, based on the amount of the Contract.

Contract payment will be by the lump sum price and/or unit price method as indicated on the Bid Form. No Bidder may withdraw their Bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date designated above for the opening.

Bids for this Contract are subject to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) Chapter 30, Section 39M.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to accept any Bid deemed by them to be in the best interest of the Town of Rochester, and to limit the extent of the work to keep within the limits of available funds.

RULE FOR AWARD: The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder. The lowest responsible and responsive contractor/firm must possess the skill, ability, and integrity necessary for the faithful performance of the work. The Town reserves the right to make any inquiries regarding qualifications. "Lowest Responsible Bidder" shall be as defined under MGL and contained within the Invitation to Bid.

MassDOT prequalification of contractors with the class of work as sewer-water, for the \$40.00 each, and the cutoff date will be **July 5**. Please call Betsy Youngson to reserve your tickets today, 508-295-8253. Hope to see you there.

# Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee Meeting

The Mattapoisett Republican Party invites everyone interested to join us on Thursday, **June 20** from 6:00 to 8:30 pm at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. This month's meeting will be an open discussion regarding the ongoing local and national election season. Topics to discuss will include increasing voter participation, importance of early voting, voter integrity, candidate support, etc. Bring your enthusiasm and patriotism to the table. We look forward to seeing you.

There will be light snacks, cash bar and good conversation. Please join us or if you have any questions, contact Paul Criscuolo, Chairperson, Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee at PCMattyGOP@proton. me.

# **Rochester Historical Society News**

There will not be a Wednesday night meeting this month. Instead, we are having a fair, new exhibit, bake sale and music. Buzzards Bay Buccaneers will provide the music. Wareham Minutemen will share colonial activities. The Rochester Boy Scouts will be leading archery and a treasure hunt. The exhibit is Past Pastimes: How we've entertained ourselves for the last 337 yrs.

The Fair will be at the Rochester Historical Museum on **June 22 and 23** from 10 to 3 at 355 County Road, Rochester. We will be at the COA on **June 21**.

# MAC-led Cuttyhunk Plein Air Festival

The Marion Art Center is pleased to present the

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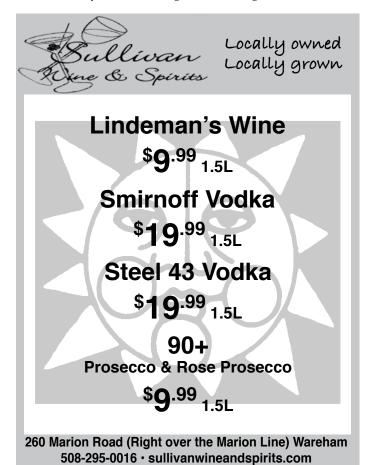
project with an estimated value of \$540,000 will be required.

Contractor is noticed to familiarize themselves with the entirety of the bid package for purposes of pricing. Full pricing includes the scope of the work as noted as well as permit fees, traffic control details, and other services that are outside of the MassDOT prequalification estimate. TOWN OF ROCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR Suzanne Szyndlar, Town Administrator/Procurement Officer OFFICE OF THE TOWN PLANNER Nancy Durfee, Town Planner HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT Jeffrey Eldridge, Highway Surveyor WAREHAM FIRE DISTRICT Andrew Cunningham, Superintendent ENGINEER Allen & Major Associates, Inc 10 Main Street, Lakeville, MA, 02347-1674 6/20

ninth annual Cuttyhunk Plein Air Festival on Saturday, **June 22** on the Elizabethan island of Cuttyhunk (town of Gosnold, MA). A rain date is scheduled on Sunday, **June 23**. Registrations filled quickly for this event, but guests are invited to visit the island to see painters in action and attend the "\_ARTY." celebration at the end of the day. Visitors can mingle with artists and purchase original (sometimes still wet.) paintings directly from the artists at the Scuttlebutt Grille Gallery.

On the morning of **June 22**, 60 artists will travel from State Pier 3 in New Bedford aboard the M/V Cuttyhunk Ferry to the island, where they'll spend 3-4 hours painting from a location of their choosing. Island ambassadors – residents and volunteers – donate their time using golf carts to shuttle artists to and from their painting spots. Artists will wrap up around 2:30 pm in order to submit their paintings for jurying. Pamela Hoss, Jay Ryan and Bob Smith will return this year to award 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and purchase prize awards. The "\_ARTY." will take place from 3:00-3:45 pm, with visitors and artists wrapping up to board the ferry by 4 pm to arrive back in New Bedford at 5:00 pm. The "\_ARTY." is free and open to all.

In keeping with the missions of both the Marion Art Center and the GCC and to further their commitments to create a more diverse and equitable SouthCoast, the festival will again welcome ten sponsored artists, nominated by leaders of regional arts organizations. In



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2023, several sponsored artists won prizes or sold their paintings to guests.

To learn more about the event or to download a walking map of the island, visit marionartcenter. org/cuttyhunk-plein-air. Those who wish to travel as spectators for the day can purchase ferry tickets at cuttyhunkferryco.com. If use of the rain date on Sunday is needed, the festival webpage on the MAC website will be updated by Friday night before the event.

# League of Women Voters SouthCoast Annual Meeting

Dr. Daniela Melo, a lecturer at Boston University Department of Social Sciences and Co-founder and Chair of the Board of The New Bedford Light, is the keynote speaker at the League of Women Voters SouthCoast Annual Meeting at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford on Thursday, **June 20** at 5:30 pm.

Come and hear how three years ago, at the launching of The New Bedford Light, Dr. Melo and its founders had little evidence that this new model for local news could work. But what the founders did know was that the progressive disinvestment in The Standard-Times had left the city without investigative reporting. As a microcosm of nationwide trends, New Bedford was experiencing polarization, low voter turnout and increased misinformation. Dr. Melo will use The New Bedford Light model to focus on potential solutions to overcome negative trends and whether new local media models can prevail.

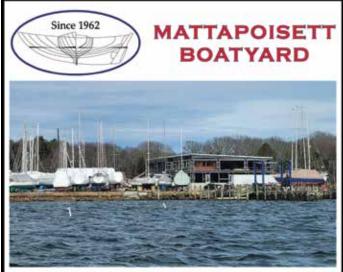
Dr. Melo received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Connecticut in Comparative Politics and International Relations. Dr. Melo's research includes Contentious Politics, the politics of the European Union and Foreign Policy. She received a Fulbright research scholarship to Portugal in 2010-2011.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan organization, invites discussion on civic and political topics, voter registration and education.

For further information, please get in touch with Kris Eastman at 508-758-6051 or Susan Spooner at 508-990-2145 or www.lwvsouthcoast.org.

# Writers Workshop, Redux

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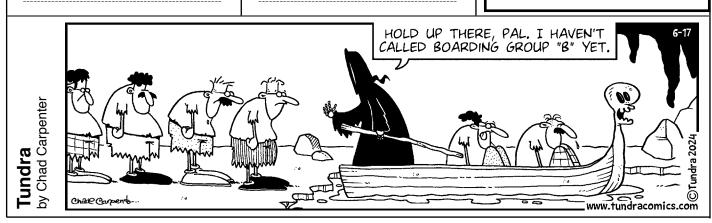
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# **SCUBA Vacation Bible School**

A fun Vacation Bible School program called SCUBA will be hosted at First Congregational Church of Rochester, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester, this summer! At SCUBA, kids explore what it means to have a friendship with God! Kids participate in memorable Biblelearning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamworkbuilding games, devour yummy treats, experience oneof-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love and test out sciency-fun experiments that get imagination bubbling. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Fin-tastic Finale that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned.

This free program for kids in Grades K – 6 will be held on **July 15-19** from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm each day. Register online at vbspro.events/p/966f16. For more information, contact the church office at 508-763-4314 or rochestercongregational@comast.net.

# **ORCTV** Annual Meeting

ORCTV will hold its Annual Meeting on Thursday, **June 27** at the ORCTV studio. The meeting will begin at 5:00 pm and will include the election of officers to the Old Rochester Community Television Board of Directors. All current ORCTV station members are invited and encouraged to attend.





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If you would like *The Wanderer* to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at www.wanderer.com.



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The nominees for 2024 are: Bill Tilden – Marion seat Tim Smith – Mattapoisett seat Nancy Sparklin – Rochester seat Chris Charyk – Membership seat

### Mattapoisett Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library will be holding its next book sale during Harbor Days and will take place on **July 20 and 21**, from 10 am to 2 pm in the Meeting Room of the library, 7 Barstow Street.

A wide collection of donated books are available. The average hard cover book is offered for \$2.00, with similar low prices for other categories. A book bag may be filled for \$20.00 using a library bag; recycled bags may be filled for \$15.00.

Donations of books may be dropped off at the library during normal operating hours. Volunteers are also needed for setup, sale and clean-up. If interested, please contact the Friends at (508) 758-8274 or via email at sites.michael@comcast.net. All proceeds benefit the programs and activities at the library.

### **Get Summer Sorted**

ArtStart is the MAC's summer art program for children ages 4 1/2 to 9 years, offered in June and July each year. ArtStart teachers are specialists in music, dance, theater and art, most of whom teach throughout the year and are professionals in their fields. Activities include arts and crafts, theater, music, games and storytelling. The ArtStart program runs weekly, from 9:00 am–12:30 pm daily, except for July 4. The cost for each 5-day session is \$250 for MAC Members and \$290 for nonmembers, while the 4-day session costs \$200 and \$235, respectively. Session one begins **June 24**. The final, fifth session ends on **July 26**. View all details and register online at marionartcenter.org/artstart.

All Things Art is an immersive weeklong program which takes place in late summer and is geared toward young artists ages 10-15. During their time in the Art Studio, young artists will experiment with a number of practices, techniques and media such as drawing, sculpting, printmaking, fiber arts, working with clay and more. Learn how to talk about art making and what inspires one's creative choices. Some class time will be spent outdoors, weather permitting. The program runs weekly, from 9:00 am–12:30 pm Monday-Friday, **July 29 through August 16**. The cost is \$250 for MAC Members and \$290 for nonmembers, plus a \$55 materials fee per student. View all details and register online at marionartcenter.org/all-things-art.

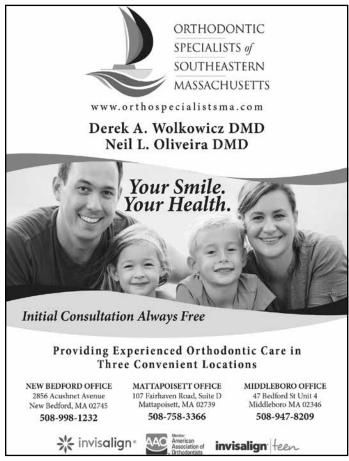
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Current MAC membership at the Family level (\$75) or above is required for discounted tuition on programs.

### **Tri-Town Hiking Challenge**

Mattapoisett Land Trust is introducing the "Hike50 Challenge" in celebration of their 50th anniversary this year. Through **August 31** of this year, MLT challenges you to hit the trails in the Tri-Town and log 50 miles of hiking.

This Hike50 Challenge is a fun incentive for folks to explore trails and get outdoors in Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester. Participants are encouraged to log miles on trails managed by Mattapoisett Land Trust, Rochester Land Trust, Sippican Lands Trust and the Buzzards Bay Coalition within the Tri-Town community. Those who log



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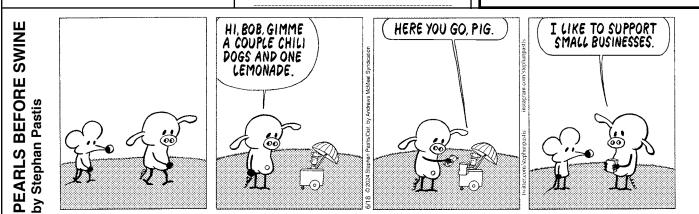
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50 miles by **August 31** will receive a special edition MLT 50th anniversary baseball hat, 50th anniversary stickers and a complimentary one-year membership with MLT.

Go online to mattlandtrust.org/about/50thanniversary to read the rules of the challenge and to print out your own mileage tracker. Mattapoisett Land Trust will host a kick-off hike soon as a way to jump start your mileage, so keep an eye on their events calendar. What better way to celebrate MLT's 50th anniversary than exploring the ecosystems they have conserved.

# 31st Annual Buzzards Bay Swim

Mark your calendars for a day filled with fun and fitness for a good cause at the 31st annual Buzzards Bay Swim on Saturday, **June 22**, in New Bedford and Fairhaven, benefitting the Buzzards Bay Coalition. Registration is now open. Join this iconic event and support clean water by signing up at www. savebuzzardsbay.org/swim.

Established in 1993, the Buzzards Bay Swim offers an exhilarating outdoor adventure suitable for swimmers of all abilities and fitness levels aged 11 and up. Against the stunning backdrop of Buzzards Bay, participants will embark on a scenic 1.2-mile point-to-point open water course, starting from Cisco Brewers Kitchen and Bar in New Bedford's South End. The route showcases breathtaking views, passing by landmarks such as the historic Butler Flats Lighthouse and the New Bedford Hurricane Barrier before culminating at Fort Phoenix State Reservation in Fairhaven.

As they cross the finish line, swimmers will be greeted by cheering supporters and awarded with a custom finisher medal and event tee. The festivities continue with live music, a hot pancake breakfast



and an awards ceremony with prizes. First-time and novice swimmers can also opt for additional support by swimming alongside a personal kayak escort.

Registration for the Buzzards Bay Swim is \$25, with swimmers committing to raise a minimum of \$300 each (\$150 for youth) with all funds directly benefitting the Buzzards Bay Coalition. Don't miss this chance to have a blast and make a lasting impact on the health of Buzzards Bay at the 31st annual Buzzards Bay Swim on Saturday, **June 22**. Secure your spot today at www. savebuzzardsbay.org/swim.

The Buzzards Bay Swim is one of two signature outdoor fund-raising events hosted by the Buzzards Bay Coalition. The other is the Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride, a 100, 75, or 35-mile bike ride that traverses the Buzzards Bay watershed from Little Compton to Woods Hole. The 2024 Watershed Ride is scheduled for Sunday, **October 6**. For more information, contact the Coalition at events@ savebuzzardsbay.org or (508) 999-6363.

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