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Purple Heart Recipients Honored By Marilou Newell

Much has been written about the "greatest generation that ever lived." Somehow, however, it doesn't feel like enough, especially for those of us whose family members returned home from war to become quietly

ensconced in the day-to-day of living,

simply living.

Much has been written about other conflicts and war such as Vietnam, yet again not enough to cover the important roles these former enlisted men and women took on when their country called them into service.

On August 10 at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, there was standing room only when the town honored six Purple Heart recipients for the first time.

The goal of finding and acknowledging these former service personnel had been one that Ray Hanks, chairman of the town's Cemetery and

Memorial Advisory Committee, brought with him when the committee was established about a year ago. Hanks had assisted a neighboring committee in a similar effort finding it challenging to locate Purple Heart Recipients.

"There isn't a database of names," he demurred.

But, through word of mouth and a bit of public relations, the committee did locate local heroes, inviting them and or their families and friends to the ceremony now planned to be an annual event.

The recipients are: Barry A. Alves, Allen H. Bowman, Barry J. Denham, Roger E. Kelley, Edward D. Kinney Jr. and John R. Duff Sr.

They served in places most had never known existed, far away ports of call or beaches, forests, jungles, rice paddies and, in a flash, each would sustain wounds.

History tells us that the Purple Heart, known as

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the oldest military award, was first established on August 7, 1782, by George Washington. The program which accompanied the event notes, "Washington directed a figure of heart in purple cloth or silk, edged with narrow lace or binding. ... Although the award fell out of use after the American Revolution, it reemerged just after

the end of the First World War. In 1932, Douglas MacArthur, then the Army chief of staff, reestablished the award, renaming it the Purple Heart."

Recipients run the gamut, but primarily the Purple Heart is reserved for those who were wounded or killed in action. And time is eroding memories and the people who can tell the stories of these brave souls. Hanks invited the public to help the committee in finding more people to acknowledge.

"We need your help," he said. As for the six honorees named on this occasion, several are deceased and their

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Purple Heart Coins were given to surviving family members. Coins depicting the Purple Heart were pressed into either the recipients' hands or that of a family member as Hanks repeated, "...on behalf of a grateful nation."

As solemn as such occasions can be, there were also smiles and handshakes, memories of those now deceased spoken again, keeping memories alive a bit longer.

Some stories were shared, such as that of Denham, who returned home to continue serving his hometown as highway surveyor, businessman and Select Board member. Denham was also the Tri-Towns' Veterans agent for a number of years, ensuring veterans were receiving all the services they deserve.

To the current Veterans Agent Chris Gerrior, Denham recalled, "...there was an explosion, I was floating in the air, then I landed in a hole made by the improvised device." Two fellow soldiers ended up in the crater on top of Barry." Hurt and stunned, they all survived. After assisting in medevacking the soldiers, Denham received treatment for his wounds sustained in the Vietnam conflict.

Hanks said that Alves has received his Purple Heart for saving several wounded comrades from which he was severely injured during the Vietnam conflict.

Allen H. Bowman was killed in action on D-Day. Kelley was wounded during WWII's Battle of the Bulge. Susan Akin recounted that her father laid close to death, unaided for a day before he was rescued.

Kinney was remembered by life-long resident Dan White as a "down to earth person" from whom he learned many things over the years he was growing up in Mattapoisett village. Kinney was wounded in the Philippines.

Duff came in as a last-minute addition to the celebration, having been sought out for the ceremony but not found. But his granddaughter Keri Duff heard the event was taking place and wanted to ensure that her grandfather, "a wonderful person," was not overlooked. She was graciously received by the committee and held back tears as she recalled her loved one.



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'Survival' Evokes Memories of Empowerment By Jeffrey D. Wagner

Famed Massachusetts philosopher Henry David Thoreau spent two years living in the woods to "live deliberately" and "suck the marrow" out of life.

These words from the 1840s and this philosophy for the last 50 years have rung true for generations of Old Rochester Regional students. In 1973, a "survival" camping trip for ORR Junior High students was instituted to teach them to commune with nature, learn survival skills and develop a new sense of life.

The "founding fathers" of this program and many alumni will gather for a 50-year reunion this Saturday, August 17, at 4:00 pm at Ned's Point in Mattapoisett, according to Kristen Boucher, the media liaison for the event and a 1990 participant of the program.

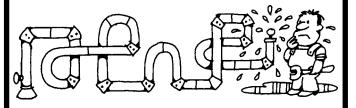
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According to a *Wandere*r article that commemorated the 45-year anniversary, Carleton Vaughn and Jim Hubbard, two ORRJH science teachers inspired by Euell Gibbons (author of "Stalking the Wild Asparagus") and stories from former students about the Outward Bound program, started the Survival program in 1973.

The educators were looking for ways to supplement the science curriculum by studying plants, flora, as well as learning about the great outdoors and all nature has to offer. From physical education to survival skills to social/emotional learning – a familiar phrase at ORR – the program touches upon all aspects of student learning and growth.

According to the *Wanderer* article, the number of participants has fluctuated throughout the years, averaging 100 students at a time. The participants are broken into two groups, each staying in basecamp while the other is sent out on a three-day hiking trip.

The students spend the spring at school preparing for this experience, learning about building emergency shelters, learning about wild plants and other survival and outdoor skills, also according to the article.

""Survival' changed my life in ways I never imagined, both as a student experiencing it in 1990 and as an adult coming in with new, yet very nostalgic eyes in 2024," said Boucher, who later went on to become a chaperone and a nurse for the trip. "As a student, I found the personal growth I experienced to be the most profound outcome – doing and surviving some of the most challenging physical, emotional, and environmental things I'd ever encountered and coming out of it stronger than ever, was incredibly empowering."

Boucher noted that participants came from three different towns – Rochester, Marion and Mattapoisett. Many of the students were involved in different activities, interests and circles of friends.

Some of those borders – both physical and metaphorical – faded away during that time in the woods.

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Some of those borders were completely erased, and unlikely friendships thrived throughout the years.

"We were all in it together – doing something that bonded us for life. It was really powerful," said Boucher.

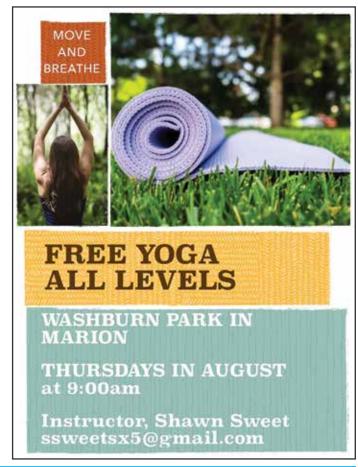
A member of Generation X, Boucher reached out to a millennial who had attended the program in 2005. She also reached out to one of the first participants. Both talked about their experience and how it changed them.

Though these people represent different generations, their insights about the program and its impact are identical.

"Survival is one week out of your 13-year-old life where nothing outside of that mountain and those trails really matters. Everyone is dirty, everyone's hair is a mess, you're all in this together. It's a chance for you to meet new people and bond over things that you never would've talked about otherwise," says Kayley Hartley.

"Something that I think about often is that sometimes when you get 'lost,' it might really be an opportunity to spend a little bit more time on the trail you wouldn't have





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chosen, and sometimes we all need that."

Hartley echoed some of Boucher's comments. Unlikely friendships often develop from the event, and years later, survival participants greet each other with a "wave" when they see each other, Hartley says.

"I enjoy seeing other survival people out and about and giving a little wave, knowing exactly what they went through without knowing they went through it personally. That's one of the beauties of 'Survival,' everyone's experience is completely different," Hartley said.

Kate Souza recalls being a shy seventh-grader in 1973, but that all changed after being part of the first group to participate.

"Not being with my friends helped me to come out of my shell, communicate and to work with people I didn't know well," Souza said. "Hiking, I learned to work with other people that I would not have done before, being so shy. I was out of my comfort zone; survival helped me to overcome some of my shyness.

"As a teenager, young adult, and now at my present age, I have the tools to work with people that I don't know or barely know and to advocate for myself and other people that may need help."

Boucher, Souza and Hartley struggled to pinpoint their fondest memory of the trip – there were too many to recall. Boucher, however, still remembers the words to 90 percent of the campfire and bus songs that students sang



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"After very long days in very challenging environments, we'd gather around the fire with Rory McFee (the director at that time) playing his guitar. We'd sing songs and make up skits ... and all egos were left behind – everyone participated and no one cared about what they looked or sounded like," she said.

Boucher also has fond memories of the homecoming when students returned from the trip.

"It still gives me chills, recalling the moment the buses rolled back into town on Saturday, the kids singing and chanting at the top of their lungs down Route 6, and the excitement and reunions with families when their kids got off those buses," Boucher said. "Even just talking



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about it now chokes me up because so many of these kids returned as completely different, far more independent and empowered individuals."

Heatwave Cause of Keyboard Freeze

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

As I sat at my keyboard, a blank screen staring back at me; the weather was hot, humid, muggy, and miserable. All morning, I sat trying to come up with something for this week's column.

Nothing!

I refused to believe that I had used up all the different combinations of the 26 letters in the alphabet or of the 217,000 words in the English language. The Oxford English Dictionary says about 170,000 of those are in current use. Not here.

In case you were wondering, another 47,000 are obsolete, such as *overmorrow*, meaning the day after tomorrow. Maybe that's when something clever, humorous, satirical or even intelligent will come to mind. It didn't. Or *lunting*, which means walking while smoking a pipe. That's what I needed, smoke signals to show me an idea. It was about time for my afternoon walk. No, it was too hot to walk too.

Searching the internet for some random factoid didn't help. I thought maybe a little TV watching might do the trick. Surely something useless would spur my creativity. I did find one thing. Do you remember that commercial line "What's in your wallet?" There you go, I thought, I'd write about what is in my wallet. Unfortunately, all I have is the prerequisite driver's license, an insurance card, two credit cards (one expired – I'll have to renew that one), the business card of that doctor of mine who moved away and a few bucks. I didn't think I could squeeze enough words out of that.

How about what's in my junk drawer? Everyone has one, maybe that would spark an idea. Deep dive into the junk drawer it was. There were 23 keys of unknown origin, 12 pencils with broken tips, a stack of receipts for takeout food from assorted restaurants and a roll of Scotch tape which, for the life of me, I was unable to get





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started. There were two or three screwdrivers, a broken wristwatch and a half-dozen paper clips. But no good ideas. Forget the junk draw.

I could write about the Olympics, but I already had. I didn't want to repeat myself. I thought about the presidential election. No, things change too fast. The election wouldn't do, and besides, that's too easy to make fun of. It's low hanging fruit as they say in politics. I do have some dignity left, you know.

How about all the food recalls lately. Major grocery stores had pulled all their deli meats from their shelves. Cinnamon, cucumbers, green beans, ground beef and eggs have all had been recalled in recent weeks. Even chocolate, which is reported to contain heavy metals, was on the recall list. The experts say heavy metals in the bloodstream are not good. Duh! Fear not, though, it is just dark chocolate that presents the problem. So, all you chocolate addicts out there can rest assured you are safe.

I figured I'd better skip a contaminated food column. Nobody wants to read about tainted food. And, it occurred to me, I had already written about that too.

I gave up. It was too hot to write.

Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and happily retired writer. His newspaper columns appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.

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A New Test for Colon Cancer

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

Late in July, the FDA approved a blood test to detect colon cancer. What does this mean for you?

Colon cancer is the second most common cause of cancer deaths in adults, behind only lung, and an estimated 53,000 people will die of colon cancer in the U.S. this year. At the same time, colon cancer *should* be almost completely curable if found very early and surgically removed.

Finding cancers in people without symptoms is called "screening," and good screening tests are only available for a small number of cancers. Good screening tests should pick up cancers early, should be negative in people without the disease and should be proven to reduce death rates in screened populations.

For colon cancer, the gold standard screening test is the colonoscopy. It will detect both cancer and precancerous polyps, most of which can be removed during the procedure. It is very sensitive – if the person has done a good clean-out "prep," very few polyps or early cancers will be missed. It does not give false alarms – if your colon is normal, the endoscopist sees this and you can generally go 8-10 years before your next test.

The downsides are cost and the "ick" factor.

A recent report on the cost of cancer screening showed that fully 60% of the cost of all cancer screenings was spent on colonoscopies. The test requires a whole team, a special room like an operating room, anesthesia for most people having the test and costs thousands of dollars.

As Dave Barry so colorfully described (miamiherald.com/living/liv-columns-blogs/dave-barry/article1928847.html), the thought of a colonoscopy is repulsive to many of us, and the dietary and laxative preparation required is a turnoff for many.

The alternative has been to check the stool for hidden bleeding, the so-called FIT test. If done every year, this has a reasonably good pickup if positive tests are followed by colonoscopy. More recently, a stool test looking at cancer DNA markers has been approved. It picks up about 85% to 90% of colon cancers but only about 40% of large polyps.

The newly approved blood test looks for circulating cancer DNA and was shown to detect about 83% of cancers found on colonoscopies. It had a "false positive" rate of 10%, meaning 10% of people with a positive blood test had no cancer. And it was poor at finding precancerous polyps. Only some 13% of people with such polyps had a positive test.

The big advantage of the new test is ease – most of us are used to having blood drawn at a medical visit and do not mind having this done. No preparation is needed. The cost is dramatically lower than a colonoscopy. The biggest disadvantage is that it is not as good as a colonoscopy. It will miss most precancerous

polyps.

My take: If you have insurance that covers a colonoscopy, gather up your courage and just have it done.

If the alternative is not getting screened, do the blood test.

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

Short Ride for New Town Administrator

Rochester Select Board

By Mick Colageo

Community ownership, boundless energy and proactive engagement in many aspects of municipal government were keys that separated Cameron Durant from the field, as the Rochester Select Board voted on Monday to offer the Town of Fairhaven Human Resources director its job as town administrator.

"The guy from Fairhaven really impressed me," said Select Board Chairman Brad Morse during the board's deliberation that following successive interviews of the three finalists. "He's not just an HR director over there, he's been pushed into every single department to help ... he seems like a quick learner."

The three finalists for the job, Durant, New Bedford City Councilor Joseph Lopes and former Millville Select Board member Andrew Alward, conducted final interviews with the board on Monday and were all considered viable candidates for the job, as noted by Morse upon the conclusion of the interviews.

Select Board member Paul Ciaburri said he would like time to think about his selection.

Member Adam Murphy said he would prefer the board discuss its impressions of the candidates so that if they had adjourned without a selection, each member would have a better sense of a pathway to a consensus.

Calling each finalist "unique" and each with a strong point, Murphy said his focus was on "the best candidate and the best fit for the town of Rochester."

None of the three has been a town administrator, but Murphy was impressed with "how much in a short period of time that (Durant has) educated himself on process ... being exposed to a lot of issues that (Fairhaven) has had to overcome ..."

Murphy continued to summarize his belief that Durant is the best fit for Rochester, at which point Ciaburri concurred and said, "I think even if I think about it, I think that's where I'm going to land."

With that, Ciaburri motioned that the board authorize Morse to make a conditional offer to Durant as town administrator for the Town of Rochester, pending successful negotiations and other due process such as references and background checks. Murphy seconded the motion. Morse did not hesitate to agree.

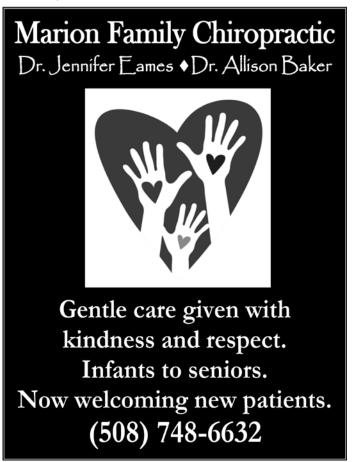
In the first (and longest) of the three finalists' interviews, Durant boldly told the Select Board that the



town's recently redesigned website needs improvement.

"You have everything on that website, but it's hard to find," he said, identifying Facebook as "that one tech tool that all generations are on. ... The most successful Facebook page Fairhaven has is the link to the meeting videos." Durant is confident he can help Rochester improve its community engagement via social media and the web.

Another aspect of Durant's appeal to the board was his engaging personality and eagerness to learn, something Murphy identified as crucial, especially given Suzanne Szyndlar's plan to retire not only from her post as interim town administrator but at the end of June 2025, from her job as the town's finance director.



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"Municipal government is my passion," said Durant during his interview, noting it has been a personal hobby and is now a professional pursuit. He said becoming a town administrator has been his goal for over a decade.

A member of Bishop Stang's debate team in high school and now a father of young children, Durant said he started out as an operations manager at Amazon and Lyft. He traced his successes not to being technology or engineering inclined but because he can look at a system and determine "how we can make it better."

Having worked for the Town of Fairhaven in the Public Works department, a permitting position, before getting his human-resources certification, he doesn't

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consider himself "the most innovative" but able to get "the buy-in."

Similarly, he is confident he can work to bring together not only Rochester's town departments but community groups as well.

In Fairhaven's HR department, he said he negotiated with seven unions in collective bargaining and, working with the town's self-funded insurance system, made strides providing quality benefits, tailoring the healthcare plan to cope with the leverages of Proposition 2½ and the town's 2½% annual tax increase.

"No one is happier in their current capacity in the town of Fairhaven ... but when I saw this opportunity ... larger stakes at the table, more responsibility ... I couldn't pass up," he said.

Asked about his philosophy for handling hard conversations and conflict-resolution, Durant said he has ongoing dialogue with employees and hard conversations are a regular part of the job.

"People have choices and employees discipline themselves. Having those tough conversations are not that tough," he said. "I'm not somebody who believes in punitive discipline; it's about education. ... are we supporting you in your field?"

With a similarly widespread array of municipal experiences, Alward served on the Select Board in Millville, a rural town in the Blackstone Valley with a population of 3,265 (2018) and measuring five square miles.

He once ordered Millville's streetlights to be shut off so the town could meet its budget, relenting upon public protest and turning them back on.

"Andrew ... very knowledgeable from a small town," said Morse. "He faced all the issues that we've faced. I think he could do a great job too."

Lopes, 50, answered every theoretical question the Select Board threw at him with examples of what he has accomplished while facing applicable situations in his job as city councilor. However relentless in his demonstration of relevant experiences, he could not match the impression that the two younger candidates made on the board with their experiences in small-town politics.



Durant's energetic, personable approach remained evident throughout his interview. He expanded further in his answers and gave the board a strong indication that he is eager to learn from Szyndlar.

"I got the feeling that the town will respond to his personality," said Murphy of Durant. "Between HR and finances, those are the two jobs that the candidate needs to be good. I just thought he was a good fit."

The job became open in March when Glenn Cannon took a job serving the Town of Carver in the same capacity.

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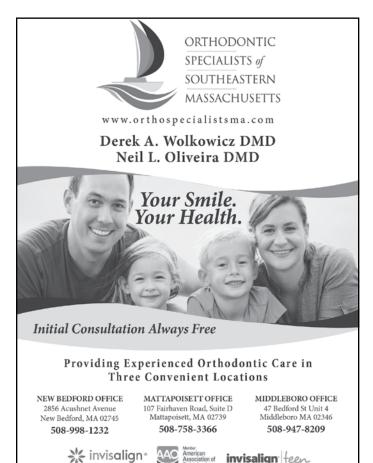
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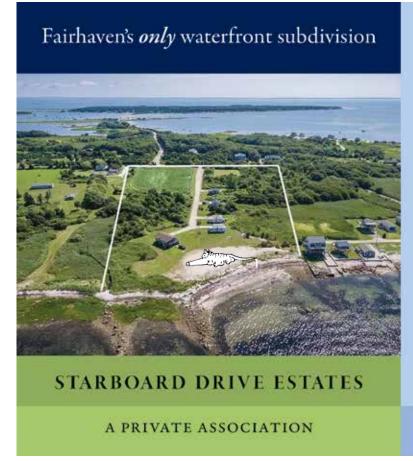
By Marilou Newell

Shellfish growers came before the Mattapoisett Select Board on August 13 with a plan that may help to ensure their harvests are safe and consistently available.

Dale Leavitt, Bob Field, Mike Ward and Mat Loo asked to have their licenses amended in order to avail their product of a safe, clean space, given the number of closures they have experienced this season.

Leavitt explained that buyers need supply consistency, which has been difficult with multiple closures. Leavitt holds 50 acres near West Island. He proposed keeping 5 acres for his own farm and lending 1 acre each to the other growers for their product in an area that may provide cleaner waters. This, he believed,









would accomplish clean shellfish ready to market and consistency in the supply chain that buyers demand.

Each farm's documents will be amended to record the change in operator for the length of the agreement.

Select Board members Tyler Macallister and Jori Bauer agreed wholeheartedly to the request with Macallister assuring the growers, "...whatever you need."

In other matters, the board approved the installation of "no parking" signs on Mattapoisett Neck Road near the intersection with the bike path. Macallister stated he still would like the area to be a tow zone but hopes that these signs would help to stem parking along the roadway.

The board also met briefly with Robert Chiarito,



executive director of ORCTV, for their annual check-in. Noting everything was going well, the board thanked Chiarito. ORCTV provides community programing and access that covers government, schools, community events and more.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco gave his update on a high note, saying construction of Old Slough Road has been completed. He reminded the public that this roadway may be used for walking and is not open to vehicles, except as declared by the Police Department during emergencies, primarily from storms.

Continuing with more good news, Lorenco said that the generator at the Mattapoisett Housing Authority has been installed.

Lorenco also gave a sneak peek at the town's intention to seek a Coastal Zone Management grant in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the repair of Molly's Cove culvert.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board was not announced upon adjournment.

Lean Staff Has Harbormaster Leaning on Retiree

Marion Marine Resources Commission **By Mick Colageo**

Just when it seemed as though things were coming together for the Marion Harbormaster Department, the recent loss of two key staff members has Harbormaster Adam Murphy once again improvising during an extremely busy season.

Carl MacDermott, retired from his job as a captain in the Bridgewater Police Department, is working 40-plus hours a week to help Marion mitigate the departures of Dave Wilson and Andrew Miller from key positions in the Harbormaster Department.

Murphy has been so impressed with MacDermott's assistance that he assured the Marion Marine Resources Commission during its meeting Monday night that MacDermott can speak for the department.

"If I'm not around, just please find Carl. Publicly, I want to thank Carl MacDermott for that. He's been



pretty motivational to me to keep us charging in the right direction," said Murphy.

Wilson took a job with the Army Corps of Engineers, and Miller left to work for Homeland Security. The loss of the experienced Wilson especially stings because of his willingness to perform rescue missions in difficult conditions, something Murphy said is hard to find.

"I'm confident, we've got a good group of guys," said Murphy, noting that Nick Favroski is splitting his time working for the Harbormaster Department and Barden's Boat Yard.

The personnel changes come at an otherwise-triumphant time for the Harbormaster Department, its shiny new office rising high and overlooking Sippican Harbor from Island Wharf. Murphy estimates that the new building will become operational in October.

"I want to get it right, do it right," he said, noting that furniture delivery is estimated to be five weeks out.

Meantime, the much smaller, existing office was recently taken down from its elevated underpinnings and has been relocated at the end of Island Wharf where it remains powered up and fully operational.

There has been lively discussion as to the destiny the 43-years "staple of the harbor." Murphy is interested in possibly relocated the building at Old Landing, but the one thing all stakeholders agree on is its capacity to continue serving the town.



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Other changes at Island Wharf include the removal of one of the two bathrooms at the site and the opening up of the area now furnished with picnic tables.

"Next step, bar-height bar stools," said Murphy, admittedly concerned about their security but noting that "the Facilities Department is doing a fantastic job." There is no longer a roof at the old Harbormaster site, but MRC member Greg Houdelette has received positive feedback about the umbrellas now present.

"The people I've talked to say it's a wonderful move," he said.

Member Ray Cullum said the feedback he has received is always about public access.

"The vision's starting to come together," said



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Murphy, who hopes to see another major project at Island Wharf completed.

The Harbormaster Department is trying to procure grant funding to replace the seawall and is scheduled to appear before the town's Conservation Commission this month.

Murphy's request will be to peel back 3 feet from the seawall and slow down the process of erosion by supporting the wall with a riprap construction atop the wall. The plan would include a 3-foot retainer of stone adjacent to the seawall. If his method is not approved, he's concerned that the finish grades at the site will wind up in the water.

Regarding the parking situation at Island Wharf, Murphy has requested the Select Board schedule the Marine Resources Commission for a conference to achieve a mutual understanding of the competing uses of the parking lot.

Amidst the construction projects, the department removed the upweller. Where it concerns aquaculture, the buck still stops with Murphy, but he is hoping to delegate those duties going forward. MRC member Scott Cowell said he is willing to help manage the town's shellfish program.

Another major topic of discussion on Monday night was mooring management. As of Monday, Marion had 118 uninspected moorings. Of the 118, 60 are located in inner harbor.

Murphy was shell-shocked at the response he has received since taking orange violation stickers purchased a half-dozen years ago and applying them this summer to inform boat owners who are overdue for their required mooring inspections.

"My email blew up. Then I had people ratting themselves out," he said. "It's cleaning up a lot of the issues. If you get any complaints, that's what's driving it. Some inspections have been done, but the divers aren't getting their paperwork done."

Within the next week, a new database will allow inspectors to electronically update information, something Murphy wants to see happen within 10 days of an inspection. "Once the online system is up and running, there's no excuse for it," he said.

MRC member Cheryl Souza is assisting the town with implementation of the new database.

Murphy also noted that Marion's inner harbor has 12 open moorings among 200. "That's a lot of revenue," he said. There are 280 people on the waiting list for a mooring in Marion.

The members engaged in a lively discussion regarding the regulations governing the use of winter sticks (in place of moorings) and harbor safety.

Murphy shared with the commissioners that Marion performed 146 pump-out operations last week, compared to eight he said that were performed in Mattapoisett.

The estimated delivery date of the town's new

patrol boat is May 5, 2025.

The next meeting of the Marion Marine Resources Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, at 7:00 pm at the Police Station.

Apartment Cases Adjust to Housing Bill

Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals By Michael J. DeCicco

Uncertainty over the impact of a newly approved Massachusetts housing bill sparked Rochester's Zoning Board of Appeals on August 8 to continue until September its Use Variance hearing for a plan to construct a secondstory accessory building above an attached garage at 343 Neck Road.

The applicant's engineering consultant, Michael McVeigh, referenced the Affordable Homes Act signed into law by Governor Maura Healey on August 6 as he began his presentation, saying its regulations may negate the need for the variance being requested.

The provision of the bill he noted states that no zoning ordinance or bylaw shall prohibit or unreasonably restrict or require special permitting for "the use of land or structure for a single accessory dwelling unit or the rental thereof in a single-family residential zoning district."

ZBA Chairman David Arancio responded that the ink was not yet dry on this piece of legislation and that Rochester's Town Counsel as well as legal counsels across

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the commonwealth have not had the chance to review and comment on the new law.

"You might want to ask for a continuance," Arancio said.

McVeigh nonetheless chose to complete his presentation. On a 4.6-acre parcel with a substantial amount of wetlands, the applicant, Daniel J. Vareika, has knocked down a garage for a plan to rebuild it into a housing unit where he can live while he works on renovating his home, McVeigh explained.

"He's using every bit of his time to improve his property," he said.

ZBA member Richard Cutler asked why he wasn't just building an addition to his house for the purpose.





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Vareika said his home is too close to his neighbor's property line. Arancio asked how the topography, the sloping wetlands, should be considered by the board to be a hardship justifying the Use Variance requested.

Cutler added this petition is bad timing in another way. The chair of Rochester's Zoning Bylaw Review Committee said its members are hoping to make use variances "go away" from town regulations and to also make accessory units permitted by right.

Finally seeing the need to do so, McVeigh requested the suggested continuance. The board granted it, rescheduling the public hearing for its September 12 meeting.

In other action, the board accepted a request to withdraw without prejudice the Use Variance application for a plan to allow an accessory dwelling, an in-law apartment, above the attached garage of a home at 48 Pierce Street.

The Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals' next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, August 22, at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Town Happy with Protection Clause

Rochester Planning Board **By Michael J. DeCicco**

Rochester's Planning Board Tuesday approved a one-year extension of the amended special permits for a proposed Large-Scale Photovoltaic Installation in a

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Ground Water Protection district on a Scenic Highway (Route 105) on Braley Hill Road.

At the Planning Board's last meeting, the applicant's attorney, Gregory Sampson, was instructed to return with the standard language for an insurance contract that protects the town as well as the applicant from insurance liability. On August 13, Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson was happy with Sampson's response, that the applicant's insurance policy will protect the town from damages as well.

Sampson also noted good news regarding how much damage can occur should the glass panels shatter in a severe storm. The panels are on a slant, he said, so the shards will collect at their bottom end, not on the ground. Johnson concluded by asking that an approval letter be drafted that the board will sign at its next (August 27) meeting.

Next, another project overseen by Sampson was not so successful. A public hearing to amend and extend the special permits for a proposed solar-energy installation on 128 acres at 529, 523 and 0 Snipatuit Road and Featherbed Lane within the Mattapoisett River Valley Watershed and Groundwater Protection district received a continuance to August 27 without a decision.

As was the case with the Braley Hill project, Johnson said, the board must await Field Engineering's word on how performance-bond amounts will be changed with the extension.

The board then went back into approval mode. It endorsed the Site Plan Review modification request for Rochester Crossroads, 22 Cranberry Highway, wherein the applicant proposed replacing a paved rear-access way to County Road with a gravel road.

The panel's last meeting on the plan yielded discussion over whether to place a gate at the end of that road. On August 13, Johnson and the board approved the specifications on the kind of gate being approved for that road. It will be one that will open automatically to parties exiting the property and tied to the Fire Department's fire-suppression system.

The board also endorsed an Approval Not Required application filed by the Buzzards Bay Coalition for 84 New Bedford Road. Coalition representative Rick Charon explained a 35-acre parcel is being split into two lots. One lot will measure 7.5 acres to include a Form A lot with a greenhouse that will be up for sale, and the other will be a 27-acre field for agricultural purposes.

In other action, the board continued until August 27 the Site Plan Review application for a self-storage facility off County Road that was filed by Highland Development Ventures and proposes four buildings, one of which would be multistory.

The board signed the Mylar plans for the JPF Development self-storage facility on County Road and the BriggsBraims LLC hobby barn project on New Bedford Road.

Johnson said the rectified battery-storage bylaw



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approved at the spring Town Meeting left out pieces of the new bylaw that should have been included. The board approved placing a new version of this bylaw that includes those missing pieces on the October 21 Special Town Meeting warrant.

The board reviewed the Neck Road solar project's screening from Snipatuit Pond. Board members said the screening is inadequate. The applicant's representative said they are willing to do more but not erect a fence, as the property's owner would not approve. Johnson concluded the board should schedule a site visit.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 27, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Flagging Fix Continues Solar Expansion

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

Concerns over negative impacts from possible future expansion of the Crystal Springs Road solar array operated by New Leaf Energy were aired during the August 12 meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission.

Coming before the commission were members of the New Leaf team headed by Brandon Smith, who represented the ANRAD (Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation) request.

As noted in the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, "The Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation, WPA Form 4A, (ANRAD) serves two purposes under the Wetland Protection Act. First, the ANRAD provides a procedure for an applicant to confirm the delineation of a Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW). If an ANRAD is filed for a BVW delineation, confirmation of other resource areas may also be requested provided the other resource area boundaries are identified on the plans which accompany the BVW boundary delineation. The second purpose of the ANRAD is to serve as the application for Simplified Review for projects in the Buffer Zone."

Several residents questioned what the developer's future plans might include. However,

Chairman Mike King reminded the attendees that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the ANRAD, not a construction project.

Others in attendance and via Zoom expressed concerns over impacts on wildlife, which were described as abundant. But in the absence of a fully vetted construction plan, the matter could go no further on this night.

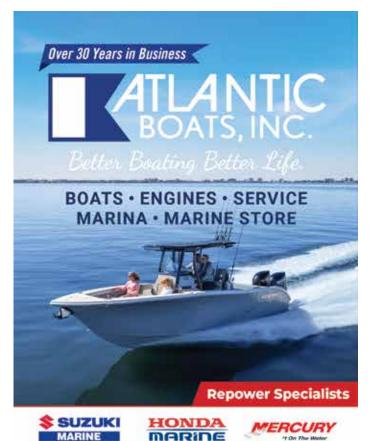
Member David Nicolosi said that gaps in the wetland flagging as noted on plans seemed incomplete, and that would need to be corrected if they "want my vote." Smith said they would look toward satisfying the commission's questions, including remediation options. The request was continued to September 9.

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In other business, the commission continued a Notice of Intent filed by Michael Harrington, 9 Shore View Avenue, for the construction of a new, single-family home in a velocity (VE) zone. Demolition of an existing structure is also planned.

An NOI filed by Allyson Bradford and the Weglowski Family Trust, 10 Oakland Terrace, for the construction of a family addition and the removal of invasive vegetation was conditioned.

Lot clearing was approved via a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Shore Drive LLC, 0 Shore Drive.

An NOI filed by Lawrence and Charlotte Oliveira, 0 Starboard Way, was conditioned for the construction of a new, single-family home.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, September 9, at 6:30 pm.

Bypass Plan Gets Positive Feedback

MRV Water District Commission/Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee

By Mick Colageo

Tata & Howard engineer Jon Gregory and Mattapoisett Water Treatment Plant manager Henri Renauld held a recent call with Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection officials regarding the bypass plan during the upcoming





changeover to the new filtering system.

"We were able to answer their questions," said Gregory, reporting during Tuesday's public meeting of the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission. Gregory said that permit approval was received on August 5 with conditions reviewed and considered to be "nothing unordinary."

Last week, the MRV received government permission to advertise to bidders under the State Revolving Fund (SRF), the loan program that supports upgrades in water safety and infrastructure.

Gregory told the commission he is working with the state on minor items such as allocated capital costs by member towns, information he said that the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust will use to see if the state agency can take on some principal (loan)



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"The fact they were looking into that was encouraging," said Gregory, who reported activity in ironing out recent inquiries from Kovalus Separation Solutions, which in October 2023 purchased Koch Separation Solutions (the original designer of the new filtering system).

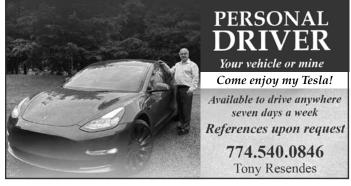
Tata & Howard, the MRV's contracted engineering firm, is looking to submit bid advertisements next week and the following week go out to prospective bidders. Gregory envisions bid openings at MRV Chairman Vinnie Furtado's Fairhaven office over a threeweek period for electrical bids, then a five-week period for general bidding.

Citing Fairhaven's highest usage among MRV member towns and lowest median income per household, Vinnie Furtado said he hopes the town can receive proportional loan forgiveness. Gregory noted that among the three major MRV member towns, Fairhaven is the only one holding state-recognized, Environmental Justice Community status.

In Renauld's Treasurer's Report to the commission, he detailed monthly invoices totaling \$95,182.32. The race against cost increases continues, as Renauld reported that Matheson Gas has notified the commission that oxygen and the delivery thereof are going up 10%.

In his monthly Treatment Plant Operations Update, Renauld said the plant is doing okay.

"We're producing a lot of water ... one of our biggest years yet," he said, summarizing recent challenges



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such as the repair of compressors while ozone generators were lost and then repaired.

Working with Fall River Electric, Renauld reports after claims for the repair of a transfer switch that the commission faces a bill of \$91,000.

Mattapoisett Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said that the state, in response to the tornado that ripped through a section of town, including the Water Treatment Plant, sent approximately \$100,000 to cover damages and indicated that he thinks the money can be allocated for the switch repair. Renauld said downed trees at the plant still need to be addressed and indicated he will huddle with Lorenco and then report back to the commission.

Marion's Wolf Island well is back online at 70% to

80%, according to Renauld.

Member David Pierce asked if the drought has been as bad as in past years. Furtado said water levels are "lower than where want to be" but not as low as in some lean years. Renauld said he is watching the wells and making adjustments.

The MRV's computers are working well, according to Furtado, who said in answer to Pierce's question that there was an occasion when he was out of the country during an emergency crisis and was able to operate the facility remotely.

Tata & Howard's construction services engineering agreement with the MRV will see Gregory huddle with Renauld and Furtado and make the

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agreement subject to Attorney Blair Bailey's review. Once those details are confirmed, approval from the MRV would be next.

Tata & Howard is targeting November 6-7 for Emergency Response Program training. Gregory publicly thanked Marion Department of Public Works engineer Meghan Davis for arranging to hold the training at the Music Hall. In putting together proposals for each member town to facilitate training, Gregory noted that after "many, many years and cost analysis," there will be a \$25 per person increase for training this year.

As usual, the MRV Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met first, its membership not quite overlapping the commission's.

One significant point of discussion was treasurer Jeff Furtado's recommendation that, in a situation made more complex by personnel changes at Fairhaven Town Hall (Fairhaven is the managing town of the MRV), that the committee hire a secretary to collect and present financial data at the monthly meetings.

"It would be good to find someone who could put in more time than I can," said Jeff Furtado, who would later recommend the same to the commission. "I have no problem presenting the report, just getting the data and getting it ready to present is time-consuming for me."

Vinnie Furtado, also chairman of the committee, agreed. "It'd be better for us collectively, honestly," he said, referencing a recent discovery of an old Unibank

account containing money that has since been moved to Rockland Trust.

Davis agreed to reach out to the last person considered for the job.

In his Treasurer's Report to the committee, Jeff Furtado played catch-up on June and July, detailing invoices including a Tata & Howard invoice for \$2,175.44. The ending balance reported was \$87,274.26. Combined with the \$100,859 in a Certificate of Deposit, the committee has access to \$188,133.54.

Jeff Furtado also summarized FY24 expenses, including \$600 to Bailey for legal work, \$2,550 to Megan McCarthy for graph work, \$28,911.42 to Tata & Howard for its engineering services and \$3,020.64 to Dave Watling for his level logging efforts, totaling \$35,082.06.

Total deposits to Rockland Trust approximated \$387,000.

Total assessments for FY24 to individual member towns were \$72,015.17, including \$18,862 to Marion and \$14,320.60 to Mattapoisett.

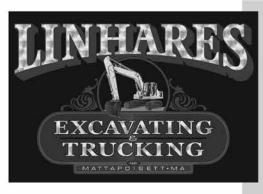
The committee held two unanimous votes that approved Jeff Furtado's report and to authorize Vinnie Furtado roll the CD over for another four months. Jeff Furtado confirmed that it will yield the same interest rate.

Another item brought by Davis reminded members to check on the expiration dates of their appointments to the committee and commission and report back next month. Marion representatives now expire in 2026.

The committee would like to hold another regional meeting of water officials and will soon propose a date and issue an invitation to surrounding towns' representatives.

An Approval Not Required plan before the Rochester Planning Board (a subdivision with construction filed by Walter Hartley) that was sent to the MRV Water Protection Advisory Committee for its consideration, was determined not to cause any interference to jurisdictional areas. The committee voted to authorize Vinnie Furtado to write a letter confirming the MRV's approval to the Rochester Planning Board.

Gregory reported that within the next few



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months, Tata & Howard representation will accompany Watling in the field to clear some of the data in the level loggers to preserve their efficiency. Gregory also reported working with McCarthy on missing graphs from April and May.

The next meeting of the MRV Water District Commission/Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, at 3:30 pm (committee) and 4:00 pm (commission).

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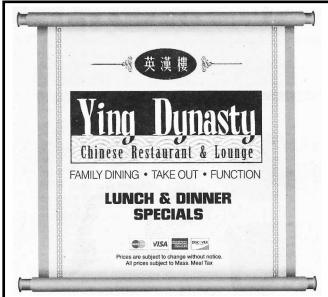
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Now on exhibit at the Cushing Community Center in Marion are works of visual splendor painted by members of the Monday Morning Painters. The group has been meeting at the Rochester Council on Aging for years, providing mutual support and guidance as each artist works on their pieces. This show includes paintings by Judy Tallman, Helen Johnson, Jane Egan, David Morrison, Millie Morrison and Janet McDonald. Photos by Marilou Newell





Vinny Lovegrove makes the kiddos laugh during a performance by the Toe Jam Puppet Band on August 10 outside the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. Photos by Mick Colageo



Jen Shepley took this photo of a rainy day at Ned's Point on August 8.



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Revolution Hero to Be Remembered

At 11:00 am, Saturday, October 26, the Cape Cod and Islands Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will host a ceremony honoring Revolutionary War veteran Thomas Bassett by installing a memorial marker at his grave. Thomas Bassett served both as a seaman and as a soldier in the Revolution. He was married to the Lydia Mendall.

The ceremony, featuring the presentation of colors and musket salute by the Massachusetts Colonel Henry Knox Regimental Color Guard, in Revolutionary War period uniforms, and the Wareham Minutemen and Militia companies also in period dress, will be held, rain or shine, in the Center Cemetery, 26 Dexter Lane, in Rochester.

The Rev. Bruce W. Bassett, Jr., the 4th Great Grandson of Thomas Bassett and Chaplain for the Cape Cod and Islands Chapter, SAR, will offer the invocation and benediction. All members of the public are invited to attend this colorful and dignified tribute to one of America's first veterans. Members of the Bassett and Mendall families as well as other members of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution, are especially invited to attend.

The Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution are national patriotic, historical and educational societies whose members are direct descendants of the patriots who earned our independence.

State Primary Info for Marion Voters

Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman and Town Clerk Lissa Magauran would like to remind community members of voting information for the Massachusetts State Primary. The 2024 Massachusetts State Primary will be held on Tuesday, September 3.

The last day to register to vote for the State Primary is Saturday, August 24. The Town Clerk's Office, located at 2 Spring Street, will be open from 9:00 am to





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12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking? 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lones

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4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today

5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe

5:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US 6:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx 6:30 PM Tri-Town TV

7:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review

7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk 8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report

9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church

10:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest Orchestra

Friday August 16, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

8:00 AM The World Fusion Show 8:30 AM Living & Learning with

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6:30 PM Mattapoisett Summer Band 8:00 PM Nancy Dyer Mitton - Artist Interview

8:25 PM Rochester Historical Society - Historic Fair with Colonial Flair 8:30 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest Chamber Music 10:00 PM Gay USA

11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest -Swing Band Saturday August 17, 2024

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3:30 PM South Coast Matters 4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience

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3000 8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx 8:30 PM Mattapoisett Historical Museum - The Wanderer Ship Model 9:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show

10:00 PM Beacon Hill Report 10:30 PM Let's Talk Business 11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday August 18, 2024 6:00 AM Health Source 6:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good 7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church

8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church

9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester 10:00 AM MAC Arts in the Park

11:00 AM Tri-Town 4th of July Events 11:30 AM Tri-Town TV 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?

12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre

1:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show

2:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider 3:00 PM Bulldog Sports Show 3:30 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz

4:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers 4:30 PM The World Fusion Show 5:00 PM Marion 4th of July Parade 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

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8:00 AM For Your Health 9:00 AM Reeing: The Movie Review

9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:00 AM A Conversation With... 10:30 AM Cape Conversations 11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road

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and Today 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe

4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 4:30 PM Tri-Town 4th of July Events

5:00 PM Sherlock Holmes -Baskerville Promo 5:30 PM Nancy Dyer Mitton - Artist

Interview 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

6:30 PM Sippican Choral Society Spring 2024 7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk

Show 8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

9:00 PM | et's Talk Business 9:30 PM Building the Future 10:00 PM Gay USA

11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest -Swing Band

Tuesday August 20, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

8:00 AM Reeling: The Movie Review

9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment 9:30 AM The Collective Chat 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe 10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club 11:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartooning

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4:00 PM ORR Spring Concert 5:30 PM Tri-Town TV 6:00 PM Marion Art Center -Unplugged - Matt Richard & Donn

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10:00 PM Gay USA 11:00 PM Mattapoisett Summer Band

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9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road

9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review

10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show

10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment

12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?

1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with

1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV

2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday

3:00 PM A Conversation With...

5:00 PM Tri-Town Memorial Day

6:30 PM The World Fusion Show

7:30 PM Old Colony Graduation

11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest

5:30 PM Building the Future

7:00 PM Let's Talk Business

8:30 PM ORR Graduation

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12:30 PM Marion School Committee

1:30 PM Marion Open Space

3:30 PM Marion Board of Health

5:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing

6:00 PM Marion Marine Resource

8:00 PM Marion Board of Selectmen

10:00 PM Marion Conservation

11:00 PM Marion Planning Board

Comcast Channel 26

Acquisition Commission

2:30 PM Marion Finance

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen

9:30 PM ORRJHS Promotion

6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

2:00 PM Pine Meadow Alnaca Farms

3:30 PM Mattapoisett Summer Band

11:00 AM Mattapoisett

Congregational Church

12:00 PM Tri-Town TV

Show

Coastline

Animal Education

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2:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee

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10:30 PM Rochester School Committee

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Ceremony 10:30 AM ORRJHS Spring Concert 11:30 AM Bulldog Weekly 12:30 PM Old Colony National

Honor Soceity 1:00 PM Gun Safety at GNBV 1:30 PM ORR Senor Assembly

2:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Bishop Stang 3:00 PM ORR Music Education

4:00 PM ORR Music - Night of Jazz 5:00 PM ORR Music Department

6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly 7:00 PM ORR Spring Concert 8:30 PM ORR Girls Soccer vs Falmouth 10:00 PM Chuck McIntyre

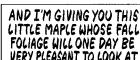
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5:00 pm that day. Residents also may register to vote online at www.sec.state.ma.us until 11:59 pm on August 24.

The state mailed Early Voting (EV) Application Postcards to all those who were registered to vote as of July 5. Anyone who has not received an EV Application Postcard yet should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 508-748-3502 or lmagauran@marionma.gov, and an EV Application will be mailed.

The last day to request a vote by mail ballot is Monday, August 26, at 5:00 pm.

In-person early voting will be held at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on the following dates: Saturday, August 24, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Monday, August 26, through Thursday, August 29, from 8:15 am to 4:15 pm; and Friday, August 30, from 8:15 am to 3:15 pm.

Absentee voting is available in the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. The deadline to request an Absentee Ballot in person is Friday, August 30, at 5:00 pm. The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is Monday, August 26, at 5:00 pm.

All ballots must be received by 8:00 pm on September 3. Please do not drop your Absentee or Vote by Mail Ballots at the polls.

Voting on the day of the primary election, September 3, will take place at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street, from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.







OBITUARIES



Lucien "Luc" Pierre Poyant, Jr. died Tuesday, August 6th, 2024 (as he would have commented for others..."first time"). He was the husband of the love of his life Diane (Lagesse) Poyant. They celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on July 4, 2024.

Known to his family as a "cat with nine lives" and a Timex that could take

a licking but keep on ticking, he passed away at the wonderfully ripe old age of 87. If not for the love and care of his sweetheart Diane, there is no doubt his life and story would have ended long ago. The family knows well that every year beyond 1965, and then 1995, and again in 2011...were truly gifts from God.

Luc was born in Acushnet MA to the late Lucien Sr. and Anna (Loranger) Poyant on July 26, 1937. Younger brother to Jacqueline (Poyant) Trindade and the late Bernard "Bernie" Poyant and brother-in-law to the late Claire (Arguin) Poyant; and (brother) cousin to the late Henry Saulnier. Luc was extremely proud of his French heritage and that his paternal grandparents came to the USA from France.

Luc grew up on an 18-acre working farm in Acushnet equipped with a classic and well-known apple cider mill. Throughout the great depression, his family never had for want and were totally self-sufficient, right down to making apple cider vinegar. So much so, that they shared their surplus with struggling friends and neighbors during rationing war time.

A graduate of Fairhaven High School, he was the first in his family to attend college, earning a Bachelor's Degree at Southeastern Massachusetts University (now UMASS Dartmouth) and, with four children under the age of 5, his Master's Degree in Education from Bridgewater State University.

He proudly served in the Army National Guard from August 4, 1957 to August 3, 1960.

After starting his teaching career in Marshfield Public Schools, he went into the private sector with the Rinehart Company where he traveled the six New England states and New York to teach penmanship. His handwriting was impeccable, and family and friends cherished receiving his frameable envelopes at Christmastime.

In 1972, Luc moved his family to Hyannis when he accepted a position with the Barnstable Public Schools as a 5th grade teacher at Centerville Elementary School. He would start each year with two sets of expectations on the chalk board – on one side was listed what he expected of his students and on the other was what his students could expect from him. Among his many accomplishments was the annual 5th grade trip to Washington, D.C. From planning to fundraising, he did it all with the help of JoAnn Kelly and many supportive Centerville parents. He even learned how to make Cape Cod quarter boards from an 'old salt' that could be auctioned off.

Following in his father's example of public service, Luc proudly served as an elected Town Meeting member and served on numerous Charter Review Committees for the Town of Barnstable. On the County level, he served on the Charter Review Committee that created the Barnstable County Commissioners and the Assembly of Delegates and was the first person elected to serve as the Town of Barnstable's Delegate. A Justice of the Peace, Luc "solemnized with dignity" over 2,000 weddings. And he and his daughter Lynne were part of the first class for the Barnstable Police Department's Citizens Academy which resulted in decades of volunteer service to the BPD.

He was a communicant at Our Lady of Victory in Centerville and a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 2525.

With his many accomplishments, he was most proud of the beautiful family he and Diane were blessed with. Luc and Diane had four pretty great kids and their amazing spouses—Jerry and Jayne (Bonin) Poyant of West Barnstable, Lynne Poyant of Hyannis, Léna and Norm Bourque of Rochester and Don and Anne (Farley) Poyant of Eastham. From their love and the love of their children came the greatest gifts...the "Seven Wonders": Amanda (Poyant) and Ken Kral of Little Deer Isle, ME; Kate Poyant and Tyler Polimeno of Saugus; Rae (Bourque) and Silas Robinson of Winchester; Nikita (Bourque) and Justin Colton of Rochester; Eric, Sam and Jeremy Poyant and Emily Welling of Eastham. Great-Grands: Owen and Caden Kral; Wren and Bodhi Colton and Margot Robinson and several nieces: Denise Bunnewith, Donna Poyant, Cindy Benedito, and Karen Trindade.

Luc and his bride Diane were blessed with many amazing adventures traveling the globe. They dog sledded the glaciers of Alaska, white water rafted in Tahoe, climbed the Masada and swam in the Dead Sea. And as Luc often said, spent the most romantic of them all with Diane visiting the seven colored sand beaches of Hawaii. The trip they loved the most was in 2018 with all of their adult children to Kilkea Castle in Ireland to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

Ahead of his time for being a male totally immersed as a hands-on parent, his children remember well their "days with dad". The family was very blessed as he was able to do the same for his grandchildren. Being of French descent, hugs and kisses were the norm and he proudly showed his children and grandchildren that real men do cry. Luc was a man of principle with firm opinions which he didn't hesitate to share. He made many life-long friends.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to VNA Cape Cod and VNA Hospice, especially Elaine Cuccia, Cindy Mancini, and Anne Marie Kannally, for their thoughtful guidance and care.

Visiting hours will be on Thursday, August 15, 2024 from 4:00-7:00 pm at Doane, Beal, and Ames, 160 W Main St, Hyannis. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am on Friday, August 16th at Our Lady of Victory Church, 230 S Main St, Centerville. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VNA Hospice of Cape Cod, 25 Communications Way, Hyannis, MA 02601.

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An Unenrolled (Independent) voter may choose any party ballot and will remain Unenrolled.

A voter enrolled in a party, must receive the ballot of that party.

Please note: the Libertarian Ballot has no candidates on it. If you requested a Libertarian Ballot on your Vote by Mail Application, State Law doesn't allow the Town to mail you a different ballot; however, you may vote in person at the polls on Primary Day and choose a different party ballot.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502 or email lmagauran@marionma.gov. Sample ballot and voting information can also be found at marionma.gov/Town-Clerk.

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Thursday, Aug 22: Roast pork, apple gravy, red bliss potatoes, Brussel sprouts, whole wheat roll, lemon pudding, diet pudding

Friday, Aug 23: Shrimp Mozambique, yellow rice, green beans, multigrain roll, mixed fruit

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TRITOWN HAPPENINGS





Scenes from the early 1990s will be among the many memories shared on Saturday, August 17, when the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School Survival program holds a 50th anniversary reunion at Ned's Point. Photos courtesy Michelle Boucher



Night sky at Shipyard Park by Ruth Griffin.





A rousing, opening-night crowd greeted actors Scott Fishman, Matt Lynds, Allie Goodman, Kate Martin and Elizabeth Rapoza in "Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery," which plays two more weekends at the Marion Art Center's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. Friday and Saturday shows start at 7:30 pm and Sunday shows at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 for MAC members and \$23 for the general public. Photos by Mick Colageo

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

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences include: **Jhett Labonte**, a native of Marion, pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences, Physical Therapy degree and will graduate from the Worcester, Massachusetts campus in 2025 and **Maura Bailey**, a native of Rochester, pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Premedical Health Studies degree and will graduate from the Boston, Massachusetts campus in 2027.

St. Philip's Church

The Rev. William Locke, Assisting Priest St. Stephen's, Providence, RI will conduct 8:00 am and 10:00 am services at St. Philip's Church, next to the Mattapoisett Town Beach, on Sunday, **August 18**. Each service will be using the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. St. Philip's will conclude their 140th Summer Season of visiting clergy on **September 1**. All are welcome to attend.

From Jazz to Rock: America's Popular Music

On Friday, **August 16**, the Marion Concert Band continues its Friday evening concert series with a program of American popular music. The program features a horn quartet and a variety of popular music styles from the 1890s to the present, is as follows:

Washington Post March - J.P. Sousa

Second American Folk Rhapsody - C. Grundman

Haunting Horns - B. Hardin New York: 1927 - W. Barker

The Symphonic Gershwin - G. Gershwin

Sinatra. - arr. S. Bulla

Crooner's Serenade - arr. J. Williams

Pop and Rock Legends: The Beatles - arr. M. Sweeney Pop and Rock Legends: The Association - arr. T. Ricketts

Stevie Wonder in Concert - arr. P. Murtha

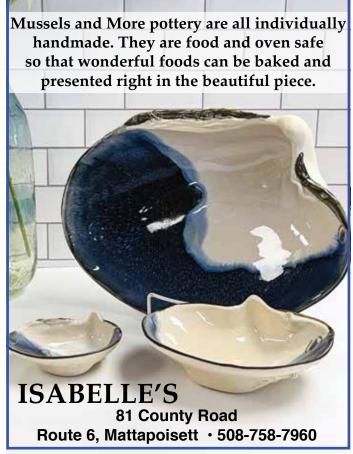
The Best of Miami Sound Machine - arr. P. Murtha

Blues Brothers Revue - arr. J. Bocook

Thundercrest March - E. Osterling

The concert will be held at the Robert Broomhead Bandstand, Island Wharf off Front Street in Marion. The program, under the direction of Tobias Monte, will begin at 7:00. All concerts are free and open to the public. "Like" us on Facebook at "Marion Town Band" for up-to-date







Movie Review



Red Flag

By Rob Gonsalves www.robsmovievault.com

It Ends with Us. Starring Blake Lively and Justin Baldoni. Directed by Justin Baldoni. Running time: 130 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13. Now playing in theaters.

Never having read the novels of Colleen Hoover, I went into *It Ends with Us*, the first movie adaptation of her work, hoping that it would provide insight into why her books are flying off the shelves. Having now seen it, I'm still somewhat in the dark. *It Ends with Us* is about Lily Bloom (Blake Lively), a young woman opening a flower shop in Boston. Lily meets Ryle (Justin Baldoni, who also directed the film), a darkly handsome neurosurgeon who seems funny and normal, though their random rooftop encounter unfurls a couple of red flags. Ryle, it seems, has some issues rooted in a childhood trauma.

It takes a while, over an hour of screen time, before the red flag flaps loudly enough for Lily to hear. One problem with *It Ends with Us* is that Lily is written (Christy Hall, writer-director of this year's *Daddio*, adapted the book) to be more or less perfect. Her attic, too, is haunted by childhood ghosts, though the specters don't pose a threat to anyone else but her. But we flip back and forth through time, witnessing Lily as a teenager (Isabela Ferrer, who matches up well with Lively especially when she laughs) who opens her heart to a classmate, Atlas, who's been kicked out of his home and squats in a boarded-up building. Lily brings him food and clothes, and eventually more.

Through romance-novel coincidence, Lily and Ryle go to a restaurant owned by the now-grown Atlas (Brandon Sklenar, working his nice-guy Chris Evans resemblance). "Of all the restaurants in all of Boston, she walks into mine," Atlas doesn't say, disappointingly. They catch up a little but retreat, relieved that both parties appear to be taken now. Ryle, however, is insecure and not so sure Atlas is in the past. Atlas becomes a sticking point. Lily handwaves the red flags at first — her mom is a survivor of domestic abuse, and Lily doesn't want to see herself as continuing her mother's pain, especially since she can't quite understand why Mom stayed with angry Dad all those years. Lily will find out, though.

I'm not sure why I'm tiptoeing around the plot developments, because if you care enough to read this review you've possibly also read the book and know



what the deal is with Lily, Ryle, and Atlas. But going into the movie cold may preserve whatever impact it has. *It Ends with Us* is deftly acted, with a lot of witty banter between Lily and Ryle that the actors lean into gratefully. As director, Baldoni doesn't hype the dramatic events too much; at first, until flashbacks clarify, the incidents can be chalked up to bad luck. And Ryle isn't painted as a cartoon villain, just a wounded guy whose temper is easily triggered and who has a whole lot of work to do.

The movie isn't disgraceful, but we may have a hard time distinguishing it from the usual Hallmark or Lifetime fodder aside from the star power of Lively and the bestselling imprimatur of Hoover. (It's already earned back twice its production budget in America alone.) Baldoni and Hall pay a price for their sideways-glancing treatment of what could have been an exercise in upperclass bathos; some of *It Ends with Us* plays like melodrama delivered not at top Douglas Sirk volume but with a shrug. The slight novelty, I suppose, is that the heavy of the piece isn't demonized but isn't excused either — just understood. What this has to say to us, however, is unclear, aside from "If your first impression of a man is him kicking a chair, locate the opposite direction quickly, even if you're on a rooftop."

Anyway, it seems pretty likely now that there'll be a movie based on Hoover's sequel novel *It Starts with Us*, assuming all the principals are up for it. (Chatter has it that Lively and Baldoni emerged from filming with not the softest feelings.) Hey, if Lively's husband has a chart-topping franchise (*Deadpool*), why can't she? Lively carries the movie, and though we're not eager to watch such a likable performer suffering, Lily's trauma is shown in oblique fragments, which doesn't leave Lively with much to play other than mild bewilderment. But if Lily grew up in a similar environment, her not recognizing it playing out again in her own life seems weird (but then if she did, the movie would be much shorter). Ultimately *It Ends with Us* is about two people standing in a room with a dead skunk, oblivious of the stench.

announcements and rain cancellation notices.

Tri-Town Against Racism Monthly Virtual Discussions

To connect with the community, Tri-Town Against Racism (TTAR) will be hosting a Virtual Coffee Hour every 4th Saturday of the month at 10 am. The next one happens on **August 24**.

Here is what to expect: A brief overview of Tri-Town Against Racism and the purpose of the monthly conversations, open floor for community members to share pressing issues they are dealing with related to racism and discrimination, group discussion on possible solutions and support, open discussion on how to get involved with TTAR and any new ideas for volunteer initiatives.

Registration is required and can be completed by visiting: www.tritownagainstracism.org/events

Mattapoisett Yacht Club Racing Results August 6 & 7

Tuesday Night Ensign Fleet - Black Ice won the night with two first place finishes over Odyssey, which finished second in both races. In third place was Brass Monkey with a third and fourth place finish. Placing fourth for the night was Bro Ha Ha followed by Uncle Fester.

Wednesday Night PHRF - In Class A, No Quarter Given took the win over Restless (2nd), Coconuts (3) and Billy Bud (4).

In Class B, Beck continued their win streak from the July series beating Chickadee (2) and Kinsail (3), followed by Lindisfarne, and Fir Na Tine.

In other sailing news, don't forget to support the Matt Sail program on **August 16** at the Soiree at Reservation Golf Course. Tickets are still available. Help support the future sailors of the world.

Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee Meeting

The Mattapoisett Republican Party invites everyone interested to join us on Thursday, **August 15** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. This is a unique opportunity to meet and greet both republican candidates seeking the position of MA State Representative for the 10th Bristol District. Please join us and get to know your candidates. This meeting is for all residents in the 10th Bristol District which includes Mattapoisett, Marion,

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ROCHESTER

Log highlights Aug 4-Aug 10

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Log highlights Aug 4-Aug 10

- Piney Point Rd Suspicious activity
- Main St MV collision
- Zora Rd EMS/medical
- Bay Rd Follow up investigation
- Wareham Rd Animal complaint
- Front St Vandalism/past
- Hermitage Rd Suspicious activity
- Water St EMS/medical
- · Water St Burglar alarm
- Wareham Rd General service
- Siesta Dr EMS/medical Point Rd Officer wanted
- Hammett's Cove Dr EMS/medical
- Parkway Ln EMS/medical Village Dr Found property
- Field Stone Ln Message delivery
- Cross Neck Rd Paper service
- 195 West Suspicious activity
- Mill St MV collision
- Point Rd Road hazard
- Moorings Rd Larceny/past Wareham Rd Health/welfare
- Marvel St Suspicious person
- Mill St Mental health assist
- Point Rd Animal complaint
- Mill St MV collision
- Wareham Rd Officer wanted
- Bayview Rd Animal complaint
- Front St MV collision

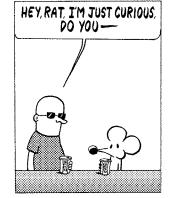
MATTAPOISETT Log highlights Aug 4-Aug 10

- Oliver's Ln Animal control
- Howard Beach Complaint
- Bay View BB Ave Unwanted person
- Prospect Rd Suspicious person
- County Rd MV crash
- Water St Suspicious MV
- Angelica Ave MV violations
- Shaw St 911 call
- Driscoll Ln Health/welfare
- Water St Suspicious persons Foster St Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd Animal control County Rd MV crash
- Church St Ext Disturbance
- Jowick St Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Fairhaven Rd Medical assist
- North St MV crash
- North St Weapons discharge
- Pinehurst Ave Animal control
- Hubbards Way Health/welfare

- Coopers Way 911 call Knollwood Dr Soliciting Winnatuxett Beach Rd MV crash
- Marion Rd B&E
- Barlow Ln General service
 - Upland Way General service
- Cannon St Assist citizen
- Marion Rd Medical assist
- Prospect Rd Parking complaint

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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Speakers begin at 7:00 pm. Each speaker will allow time for questions. There will be light snacks, cash bar and good conversation.

If you have any questions, contact Paul Criscuolo, Chairperson, Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee at PCMattyGOP@proton.me.

Mattapoisett Village Walking Tours

The Mattapoisett Museum offers two more Mattapoisett Village Walking Tours this summer. Please join one or both to learn more about Mattapoisett's history and memories.

On Thursday, **August 15**, from 5 to 6 pm, starting at the Mattapoisett Museum, Carole Clifford and Jennifer McIntyre will lead the group. The tour transports visitors on a journey through Mattapoisett's past from its heyday as a shipbuilding center, the rise of summer recreation and the impact specific citizens had on the development of the town. The tour will begin and end at the Mattapoisett Museum at 5 Church Street. The tour follows Main Street to Shipyard Park and returns via one of the side streets to the Museum. The duration is 45 minutes to 1 hour. This tour is sponsored by First Citizens Federal Credit Union and is free and open to the public.

On Thursday, **September 12**, from 5 to 6 pm, join Mattapoisett Museum Curator, Connor Gaudet at the Munro Preserve at 1 Main St, to learn about the saltworks that lined Mattapoisett beaches. An early industry in Mattapoisett, the "Salt Works" produced vast quantities of salt from sea water. Gaudet will describe the process it took to create salt from seawater as the group explores the sites of former saltworks starting at the Munro Preserve at the corner of Water Street and Main.

Annual Marion Town Party

The Annual Marion Town Party will be held on Saturday, **August 24** (rain date is Sunday, August 25) on the grounds of Silvershell Beach, Front Street.

Festivities begin at 4:00 pm. This year the proceeds will benefit the Marion Firefighters Association



and the Marion Cultural Council. There will be food and beverages for sale. There will be free activities for the kids, music and dancing and more fun.

Donations are still being accepted. Please contact Donna Hemphill at dhemphill@marionma.gov for more information.

We need your help. Please consider helping us out with setup, ticket sales, serving food or with clean up. Please visit the Marion Town Party page on marionma. gov to complete the volunteer form.

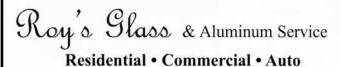
We are looking forward to another amazing party at Silvershell Beach.

Brad Hathaway's 27,000th Mile

Walking 'around the world,' and then some. Brad Hathaway seemingly completed the challenge he set out for himself in 2020 when he ticked off his 24,901st mile, the equivalent of walking around the entire globe. His motivation to walk and track his progress began a few decades prior as a way to reduce his risk of heart disease and diabetes and overall improve his health. But he hasn't stopped at circling the planet once, he has kept on walking since.

Now, at 92 years old, he continues. In fact, at the end of August, Brad plans to complete his 27,000th mile. And he wants YOU to join him.

Brad dedicates this 27,000th mile to honor a few milestones this year, one being the 50th anniversary of the Mattapoisett Land Trust of which he and his late wife



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Avoid adding to the tension around you. Even a well-meant reaction against something you perceive as unfair could be misunderstood. Let things calm down, then talk about it. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for romance for unattached Bovines -and for reinforcing the bonds between existing partners. Children's needs are important during the latter part of the week. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A compliment from a surprising source sends you wafting way up into the clouds, where -- sorry to say -- your view of what's going on is obscured. Come on down and face reality. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Even a family-loving person like you can sometimes feel you're at the end of the line with contentious kinfolk. But things can work out. Remember that it's better to talk than walk. LEO (July 23 to August 22) A job-related move might hold more positive surprises than you'd expected. Go into it with confidence and look for all the advantages it offers. Then decide what you'll do with what you find. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Driving yourself too hard to get something done on a deadline that you set up can backfire. Ease into a more realistic finish date and add more breaks to your work schedule. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your sense of humor can brighten any dark period, and your laughter can dispel those gray clouds swirling around you. The weekend presents a surprising but welcome change. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful about the words you use, especially in touchy situations. The old saying that "speech is silver, but silence is golden" could apply well here. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some facts could emerge that shed light on unresolved past problems. What you learn might also help explain why a once-warm relationship suddenly cooled down. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don't let your pride get in the way of checking into what could be a great new opportunity. Get the facts first, then worry about procedure and protocol later. AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A health problem in the family might have other relatives assuming that, as before, you'll take over the health care duties. Surprise them and insist they share in the caretaking. PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A series of changes can be unsettling, but in the long run, it can pay off with new perspectives on what you plan to do. Keep your mind open to the possibilities that might lie ahead. BORN THIS WEEK: You might be under a

"royal" sign, but you have a wonderful way

of embracing everyone as an equal. (c) 2024 King Features Synd., Inc.

Priscilla were founding members. He also celebrates his 92nd birthday and the 75th anniversary of his high school graduation from Fairhaven High.

To join Brad for his 27,000th mile, please meet on Saturday, **August 31** at 10:30 am at the intersection of Aucoot Road and Bowman Road. We will all walk that celebratory mile on gravel and pavement with Brad from Bowman Road ending at his home on Aucoot Road. Rain or shine, we ask folks of all ages and all abilities to join this is a slow-paced and social walk.

Beyond joining the walk, please consider a donation to the Priscilla Hathaway Art Scholarship set up by Brad and Mattapoisett Land Trust to honor his wife. Read more about the scholarship at www.gofundme. com/f/mlt-priscilla-hathaway-memorial-art-scholarship.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club 2024 Scholarship Winners

The MWC Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that Mattapoisett residents Rylie Coughlin and Jaymison Gunschel are the winners of the 2024 MWC scholarships awarded to graduating high school seniors. Rosemary Williams is the recipient of the continuing education scholarship, reserved for a Mattapoisett resident who is re-entering the academic world in pursuit of a postsecondary degree or certification.

Rylie is a 2024 graduate from ORR High School. She plans to attend the University of Massachusetts



Dartmouth and will be majoring in English. Jaymison is also a 2024 graduate from ORR High School. He plans to attend American University in Washington, D.C. with a major in Political Science. Both students were standout candidates based on their community involvement, commitment to volunteerism, academics and future aspirations.

Rosemary is currently attending Simmons University working towards a master's degree in social work. She is entering her final semester and will be





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Wine, Hookah & Tacos Night Saturday, August 17th from 4-8 Reservations advised

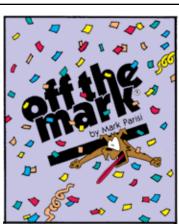
- 8/17 Vino & Vinyasa w/ The Studio from 10-11 Tickets Required Wine, Hookah & Tacos Night from 4-8
- 8/18 Sunday **Music** Series w/ Jessi Kenney from 2-5 Phoenix on the Fly **food truck** from 12-5
- 8/22 Sea Glass Succulent Maker Session from 6-8 Required
- 8/24 **Yoga** in the Vines w/Christine from 10-11 Tickets Required Special **Live Music**: The Ramblin' Band from 4-7
- 8/31 50's Night & Harvest Kick-off celebration from 4-7

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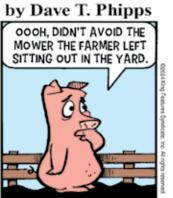


Amber Waves









finishing her degree this December. She is a mother of 3 and a certified music therapist.

We thank the community for their continued support of our MWC fundraisers benefiting our annual scholarship fund. For questions or membership in the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, go to www. mattapoisettwomansclub.org/info.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Join us for all ages story times all summer long, every Saturday at 10:30 am and for Yoga for all ages every Tuesday at 9:30 am.

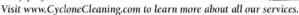
Join us for lawn games, s'mores and more to celebrate at our End of Summer Bash, on the library lawn, Friday **August 23** from 3-5 pm. Tie dye a scrunchie or bandana for free or help raise money for the library by purchasing a limited edition white ETL shirt to dye for \$25.

Come to the library to engage in a lively discussion with local author Paul Rooney, author of Widow's Cove, a thriller set in heart of New Bedford, Tuesday, **August 27** at 6:30 pm. Limited signed copies will be available for sale at the event.

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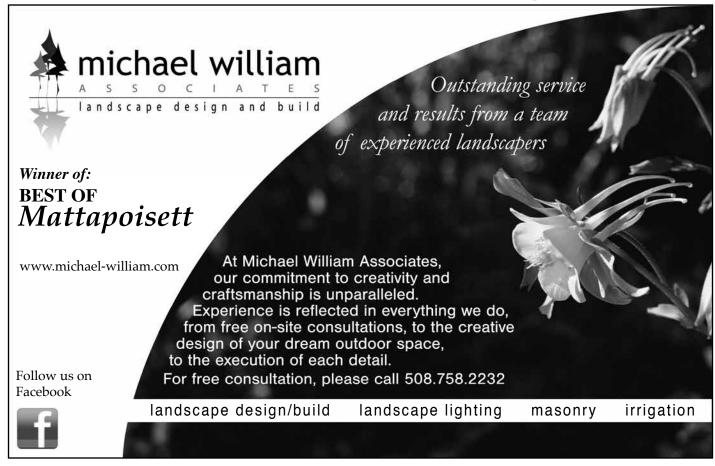
Bulldog Pride Alumni Association

The ORR Bulldog Pride Alumni Association (BPAA) announces Alumni Weekend 2024. All events will be organized around the annual Homecoming game. The parallel events will run from Friday, October 25 through Sunday, October 27.

The program of events is open to all ORRJHS and ORRHS alumni and friends, an inclusive experience that hopes to bring together the common alumni experience spanning seven decades from the Class of '64 to the Class of '24.

Save the dates:

Friday, **October 25**, ORRHS Homecoming Football Game, kickoff 6:30 pm Join us at a dedicated



LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT SELECT BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held upon the petition of EVERSOURCE to install 2 JO push braces and 1 anchor on Randall Lane, Mattapoisett and 1 anchor on River Road, Mattapoisett. These proposed locations are necessary to improve system reliability.

The Hearing will be held in the training room at the Fire Station on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6:35 pm. Board meeting is also available via ZOOM. Sign on information is on the town website. Jordan C. Collyer, R. Tyler Macallister, Jodi L. Bauer 8/15, 8/22

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 26, 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 Lynne A. Moody, 6 North Street Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to install a new septic system for existing house located within coastal flood plain (F.E.M.A. Zone AE, El. 16'). The project is located at 6 North Street and is further identified as Lot 153 on Assessor Map 4.

**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 8/15

TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 28, at 7:05 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by the Town of Marion, Harbormaster c/o Adam Murphy, for proposed interim earthwork to stabilize soils landward of the existing seawall until long-term solution for the seawall can be designed and implemented at 1 Island Wharf Road.

The site is further identified as Lot 76 on Marion Assessors' Map 14. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Matthew Shultz, Chair

*Please contact Natashja Molina at nmolina@ marionma.gov for the Microsoft Teams link and for meeting information. Phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV. 8/15

TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 28, at 7:10 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by Kathleen Welch, for repairs to existing driveway and entryway. Install granite step around front masonry entryway at 82 West Avenue.

The site is further identified as Lot 20 on Marion Assessors' Map 3. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

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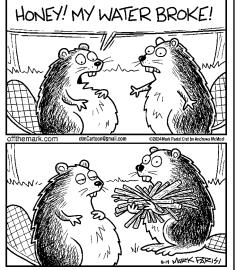
The site is further identified as Lot 262B on Marion Assessors' Map 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

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alumni area behind the end zone. Gather to learn about what you can do for the ORR community through the efforts of the BPAA.

Friday Night Lights Social, Join us to celebrate the Bulldogs. We'll be gathering at a local watering hole to get to know alumni from all classes after halftime. Location TBA.

Saturday, **October 26**, BPAA Annual Alumni Homecoming Celebration, 7:00 pm. A dedicated area has been reserved at Brew Fish in Marion to celebrate the alumni of ORR.

Sunday, **October 27**, "Bulldog Brunch", 11:00 am. Join us at Brew Fish for a full brunch and more.

Quarterly Executive Committee Meeting, 1 pm. Stay for the meeting to follow. See how your contributions are managed and what work the BPAA is doing to contribute to ORR students, faculty, staff and the broader ORR community. All alumni are welcome to attend free of charge and will be given an opportunity to offer feedback and ask questions from the officers and directors.

Homecoming and Alumni Weekend 2024 is an opportunity for past students and graduates of ORRJHS and ORRHS to reconvene in support of our schools, and to establish an outlet for alumni and friends to volunteer and contribute resources in service to students, teachers, and staff.

The ORR BPAA is a recognized charitable organization in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and operates as a section 501(c)(3) non-profit. Donations to the BPAA are tax-deductible. Funds are currently earmarked for scholarship awards and a new grant program will be kicking off from fall 2024. This will allow BPAA funds to reach the wider ORR community by supporting projects and experiences for students.

Last year, the BPAA surpassed its fundraising goal of \$3,500, thanks to the generosity of ORR alumni. Following on its successful fundraising campaign during Alumni Weekend 2023, the BPAA recognized a graduating senior of the Class of 2024 as the first recipient of the Bulldog Pride Award with a \$1,000 scholarship. The award will be granted to a graduating senior each year through 2028. The award recognizes a graduating senior whose accomplishments have been achieved in service to fellow students and the school through leadership, scholarship, athletic and community service roles.

All former students and graduates of ORRJHS and ORRHS, as well as parents of alumni and current students, are invited to register as founding members of the ORR BPAA. Membership is free and is the best way to stay abreast of Alumni Weekend 2024 activities as well as to learn about the BPAA scholarship and grant programs. Register online at tinyurl.com/BPAAMembershipForm.

The fundraising goal for Alumni Weekend 2024 is \$4,000. The ORR BPAA will be selling event tickets and collecting donations via their online platform soon.

More detailed information to follow. For inquiries, reach out to the BPAA at bulldogpridealumassoc@gmail.



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From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

Part of our current exhibit is devoted to dolls, which are one of the oldest of playthings for children. Making the way through the exhibit, you can learn of the many roles that dolls have had in different times and different cultures. One of the dolls in our display has an interesting local story of its own.

Lisa Gurney Walbridge told us about the small China doll which she has loaned to the museum. She was about to turn eight-years old when her grandmother,



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Annie Hartley Gurney, asked her what she would like for her birthday. Lisa asked for a China doll (a request that she acknowledges was not a typical one).

After a moment of silence, her grandmother went upstairs and came back with a bundle wrapped in an old dishcloth. Inside was a small China doll in a crocheted outfit that reflected what a girl would have worn around 1910. Her grandmother gave her the doll for her birthday

and she told Lisa that her mother, Lisa's great grandmother, had given her this same doll for her eighth birthday.

I remember Lisa's grandmother as Aunt Annie who was named after her mother, Annie Louisa Snell Hartley. The elder Annie was the mother of 15 children with 13 of them surviving to adulthood. She can be seen in the picture in front of the doll. Needless to say, she was the actual grandmother of many and over the years, also



became known as Grandma Hartley to generations of Rochester residents. She was my great-grandmother and also Lisa's.

Now back to Lisa's doll. Her current dress as well as the teddy bear were handmade by Lisa, and she is in remarkably good condition for having been owned by two little girls.

There are many more dolls and other items in the current exhibit that show how we've entertained ourselves in Rochester for over 300 years. The exhibit will be open to the public on Sept. 28 during our annual Cranberry Bake Sale. As always, we will arrange to open the museum by appointment.

I want to thank Herb, Alton and Art for their help with last week's article and Lisa for her help with this one. It has been said that it takes a village to raise a child and sometimes it seems, it takes one to preserve and share a town's history.

Secret Vegetable Garden Tour

The Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library and Community Veg Marion will present the 2nd Annual Secret Vegetable Garden tour on Monday, **August 19** from 1-3 pm. Purchase \$25 tickets (cash/check) in advance at the library, and receive the garden map on **August 19** as you head out to visit the "secret" gardens selected for this year's tour.

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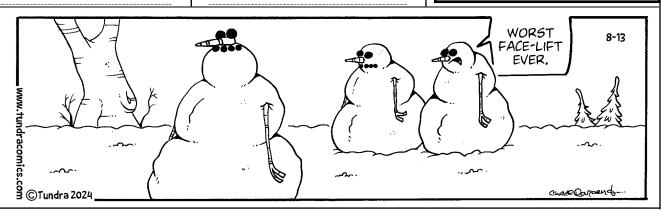
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If you would like to enter, please bring your entries to the hall on Friday the 16th between 2:00 pm and 4:00 and between 7:00 pm and 8:30 pm. Judging will begin as soon as all entries are in place. Anyone of any age may enter. You do not need to be a Rochester resident. The green fair book is meant to be a guard. If you do not see what you have to enter listed, that is OK, we will still accept any and all entries.

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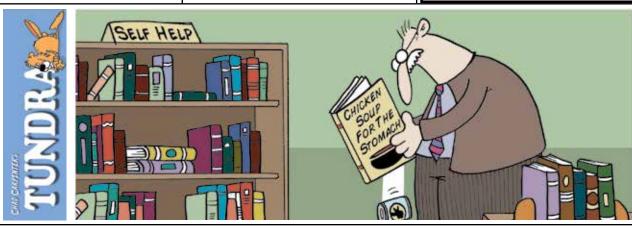


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The festival is on Saturday, August 17 from 9 am to 4 pm (rain date the following day) in the park surrounding the Lillian Gregerman Bandshell. There'll be music by Peter Mundt, children's activities, including a story walk and book giveaway, and special book-signing by YA author of the Sword and Bow: A Quest to Save Alflham by Jeff Denoncoeur. Feature chalk artist is Jack Rinta. Artists of all ages and abilities can register for a sidewalk square for \$5. Each artist receives a box of 36-count colorful soft pastel chalk. This year, the festival will have a larger number of artisan crafters than in years past. There will also be several community organizations sharing information with the public. Browse their tables and support this community event. For more information or to register for a sidewalk square, go to www.onsetbay. org/event-5609113 or email onsetchalkfest@gmail.com.

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Visit the Mattapoisett Free Public Library between **August 1 and 31** for the premiere showing of a new digital art exhibit called "Digital Illustrations" by Fairhaven resident and recent high school graduate G. Santos. Santos designed and created a series of illustrations using only an iPad and his imagination. With this exhibit, Santos aims to honor the old with the new. Look for hints of Poe and Gorey with nods to Melville and McCarthy.

Santos is a self-taught artist, wire sculptor, digital illustrator and amateur animator. He would like to thank the Mattapoisett Library for this opportunity to debut his work. The exhibit is free and open to all.

Call for entries: MAC's Summer Members' Show

The Marion Art Center (the MAC) is calling for entries for the Summer Members' Show. The show runs **August 15** to **September 20**, with an opening reception scheduled on Thursday, **August 15** from 5:00-7:00 pm.

All MAC members are invited to enter up to two pieces each. All works must be original, must have been executed by the artist within the last five years and must not have been previously shown at the Marion Art Center. The MAC will not exhibit works that are in poor condition (including frame) or are not properly prepared for installation.

To exhibit, members should drop off artwork to the MAC at 80 Pleasant Street, Marion on Saturday, **August 10** between 10 am-2 pm or Tuesday, **August 13** between 10 am-4 pm. Artists can download the contract ahead of time at marionartcenter.org/on-exhibit.

The Summer Members' Show is traditionally well-attended and artists have the option of listing their work for sale.

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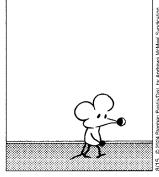
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis









The show is for all ages and abilities; seventy-five percent (75%) of the items used should be recycled materials, excluding adhesives, paint and ink.

For guidelines, go to the Mattapoisett Library's website: mattapoisettlibrary.org.

Please register online via the library calendar of events by Friday, **August 23**. Contact pcole@sailsinc.org with questions.

Garden Party Art Show

Plans for our third annual art show are underway at the Rochester Council on Aging, showcasing our finest artists. It will be an evening filled with many different expressions of art and a chance to decide which piece is your favorite in our People's Choice Awards.

Applications for our Rochester artists (over 60 please) are available at the center for those who have created paintings and drawings. This year, a separate category has been created for textile arts, such as quilting, crewel, needlepoint, woodturning and other art creations.

The date of the event is **August 22** from 6 to 8 pm, being a Garden Party there will be light refreshments, so please bring the family and enjoy a fabulous presentation.

Bible Study at Ned's Point

The Lamb of God Christian Church is having open public Bible studies every Sunday for the summer at Ned's Point, Mattapoisett at 4:00 pm. Join us every Sunday on the ocean, bring a Bible and a chair and enjoy God's word and his scenic creations, weather permitting. Pastor/Evangelist-Mathew Vangel (Long-term resident of Mattapoisett, and 6-year pastoral seminary student) will be leading the study.

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For those who don't golf, you can sign up to join up for the buffet or take a chance on our raffles, and as always, fun and shenanigans. For further information, contact Scott at sorlowski@apexengcoinc.com.

Tri-Town Hiking Challenge

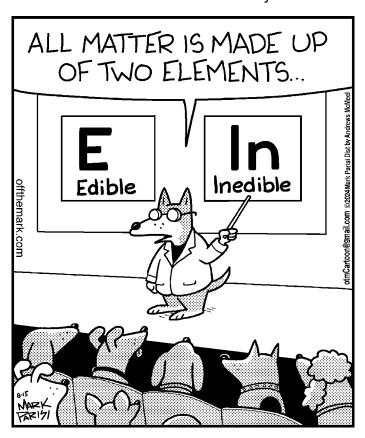
Mattapoisett Land Trust is introducing the "Hike50 Challenge" in celebration of their 50th anniversary this year. Through **August 31** of this year, MLT challenges you to hit the trails in the Tri-Town and log 50 miles of hiking.

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 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/50th-anniversary 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.

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Emery, Aaron						
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Friday	August 16	5:27	5:59	11:10	
Saturday	August 17	6:26	6:54	12:29	12:06
Sunday	August 18	7:19	7:44	1:13	1:00
Monday	August 19	8:08	8:32	1:57	1:53
Tuesday	August 20	8:57	9:20	2:40	2:47
Wednesday	August 21	9:46	10:09	3:21	3:41
Thursday	August 22	10:36	10:59	4:01	4:32
Friday	August 23	11:29	11:52	4:41	5:24
Saturday	August 24		12:23	5:21	6:22
Sunday	August 25	12:48	1:21	6:06	7:53
Monday	August 26	1:46	2:20	6:58	9:42
Tuesday	August 27	2:45	3:22	8:05	10:55
Wednesday	August 28	3:49	4:31	9:30	11:52
Thursday	August 29	4:56	5:39	10:55	
Friday	August 30	5:59	6:35	12:38	12:02
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I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*In the August 8, 2024 edition the Aardvark was on page 21

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3. Parent; 4. Amount

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