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In Their Own Words

Marion Art Center

By Marilou Newell

The Marion Art Center opened their latest show on September 28 featuring artists Pam Hoss and Kim Barry. Getting to know the artists and being able to learn more about what inspires these two highly accomplished artists was a treat and more meaningful, as we could hear it all from their lips to our ears via video.

During exhibit receptions, we get to be up close to some of the most amazing artists the local area has ever seen. But being able to ask the artist questions during these joyful events can be challenging. Everyone wants a bit of their time in a room filled to overflowing with laughter and chat. Now the MAC has given us nearly unlimited access to the artists through video clips available on their website.

So come with me if you will for a few moments and read what they said. Afterwards, visit the MAC website and see the full, four-minute clips for yourself. And last but not least, once you've acquainted yourself with the artists and their works, go to the MAC and immerse yourself in the wonder of it all.

Kim Barry is a sculptor, potter and painter. At the behest of her mother, also an artist, she attended a painters' workshop. She found herself in a new and exciting medium – wet-on-wet painting, building up layers of color and texture that make the images come alive.

Barry said in the MAC's printed interview, "My use of paint is visceral; I have an appetite for color and enjoy manipulation of the paint that grabs the eye and stirs the unconscious. When I'm painting, I am compelled to articulate a fierce passion for life, female strength and fecundity."

In Barry's video, which was taken at her Hatch Street Studio, we find the artist speaking her truth. "I was (and still am) a wood and stone carver, but after attending

the painting workshop, I became obsessed with oil. I love the feel and even the smell of the paint." She said that her paintings are inspired by nature, shells, peppers and such. "I pose them," often in dancer-like positions.

In preparing for this exhibit, Barry, whose familiarity with the gallery spaces is intimate (her mother exhibited here, and her daughter was in MAC theatrical productions), painted several smaller works that she calls emotional-scapes.

Sharing the exhibit with Hoss has been a great experience for Barry, not only because of her deep appreciation for Hoss's work but also because Hoss is one of Barry's former instructors.

Yes, Hoss had a 30-year career as a drawing instructor at the University of Massachusetts, and she was a young, single woman raising a child. In her video interview, she's very forthcoming regarding her early years as an artist and mother. She shared that drawing was affordable and using herself as a model necessary. "I couldn't pay a model."

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On the Cover: A young fella enjoys a bubblicious Saturday morning at the Fall Festival held by Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School in North Rochester. Gorgeous weather greeted families and especially children, who engaged in activities such as arts and crafts, scouting exercises and climbing. Photo by Mick Colageo

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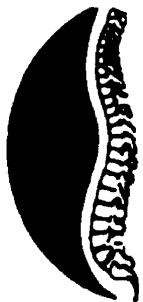
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Hoss, also in her video, speaks about being one of 10 children, and although she doesn't elaborate on that point, she did say that receiving a bunch of old photos inspired her to reexamine her youthful image, eventually bringing her into her later years with a new purpose, painting portraits of female senior citizens which she said, "looked like me."

Hoss and her husband are dedicated gardeners. Her models at this stage in her career are the flowers in her gardens. You'll find lush, velvety floral portraits and nearly life-sized portraits that demonstrate Hoss' command of visual art, perfected facial structures and tender sentiments for flowers.

To experience the virtual interviews, visit marionartcenter.org. The gallery is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Rochester Recognizes Lifesavers

By Mary McCann Fiske

The Rochester Fire Department, together with the Rochester Police Department, recently recognized three civilian residents and 14 first responders with Lifesaver Awards in a ceremony at the Rochester Council on Aging.

The awards were based on two incidents, one in April and one in August, in which a victim suffered cardiac arrest. In both cases, a quick call to 911 triggered prompt responses, allowing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to begin immediately while trained staff came to the scene. The arriving Police and Advanced Life Support by the Fire/EMS team then initiated Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and transported the individuals to hospitals with uninterrupted emergency care (Advanced Cardiac Life Support protocols). These quick and coordinated steps led to a return of spontaneous circulation and a successful outcome for both patients.

The September 24 ceremony was well attended and allowed the recipients and their families, friends and colleagues to share a very special moment.

Not long after midnight on August 27, Michael Isabelle of Mendall Road collapsed at his home. His wife, Jean, was home and quickly called 911. Over the phone, the responder gave Jean step-by-step instructions on reviving him using CPR. Patrolmen



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As other police and firefighters arrived, they got Isabelle safely into the ambulance, where treatment continued as he was transported to Tobey Hospital in Wareham. After an assessment, he was transferred to Charlton Hospital in Fall River where he underwent surgery and was supported during his recovery.

Isabelle himself, along with his family, attended the celebration. They wanted to be part of thanking and recognizing the first responders who were on the call the night of his collapse and were honored to meet and shake hands with the "awesome team" responsible for saving his life. He also wanted his kids and grandkids to see Jean accept her award as a Civilian LifeSaver for her critical role.

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There were two other civilian recipients at the COA that day, as they are frequently as breakfast volunteers.

In fact, it was breakfast time on April 18 when another life was saved.

Vincent "Vinny" Ryan, a long-time, favorite "regular" at the center, was there to enjoy breakfast with his wife and friends when he appeared to go into cardiac arrest.

Roxanne Costa and Patricia Joy, both retired nurses who were helping out that day, jumped into action. Being trained in ACLS, they began CPR as the center staff made the 911 call and initiated electroshock with the AED device always available in the common

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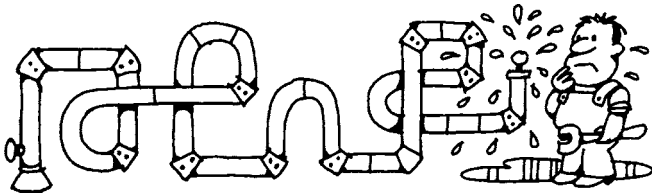
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Ryan's overall health was quite fragile at this time, and the family feared he would not survive the episode. Yet he lived for a few more weeks, passing peacefully on May 24.

His children and grandchildren felt blessed and grateful to have those precious weeks with him, time made possible by the prompt and professional responses of those involved. And time was also given to his devoted wife, Patricia Ryan, who died at home surrounded by family three days later on May 27. They had celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary earlier in May.

It's stories like these, and others over the years, that prompt Rochester Fire Department Chief Scott Weigel and Police Chief Michael Assad to honor those who, with personal fortitude and without hesitation, took the needed steps to save lives.

2024 Honorees

Civilian Lifesaver Award: Jean Isabelle, Patricia Joy, Roxanne Costa.

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Father-Daughter Story Time Comes Full Circle

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

Rudd Wyman just turned 96 but still remembers taking his daughter Sarah Jane (Wyman) Dickson and his son Steve Wyman to imaginary journeys to the moon and back.

His daughter, Sarah Jane, recently published a children's book "My Moon" based on the stories of her dad and how he helped engage the imagination of his kids on their figurative journeys beyond the Earth's orbit.

Wyman and her family gathered last Saturday at Sippican Health Care Center to celebrate her father's birthday with a reading of this book. She was joined by a crowd of friends and family, along with Rudd's wife Margie, 92.

Wyman said the purpose of the book is to "reignite the imaginations of children in this age of social media." Reading from the book's dedication, Wyman

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said the story is a true story about a father who used the power of imagination to inspire his daughter.

"His passion and love for art, writing and creative power has been passed down to me," she said, reading from the book's dedication. "We all have the power of imagination inside us. And if, just if, we open our hearts and set it free, anything is possible."

Sarah Dickson then went on to read her rhyming book, which captured her fond childhood memories of Rudd sweeping her to the moon – a journey that started when she was just a toddler.

"From here on Earth, so small it seems. A wonder light with radiant beams. But here this story I will tell. About a moon I know so well," Sarah read from the intro

of her book.

She stood between a birthday cake for Rudd and in front of both of her parents, who have been married for 64 years and now reside together at Sippican Health Center.

"I think you're great, the greatest," said Rudd Wyman, who was in tears during the reading. "I love you."

When Sarah asked Rudd if he still remembers those storytelling sessions, he said without hesitation, "Of course I do."

Rudd said he does not know what inspired him to put his kids on his shoulders and to go on storytelling journeys outdoors, in closets and other dark spaces in their former Wilbraham home.

"I really don't (know why I did it), but I'm glad I did," he said.

Margie chimed in and noted the old home's age –



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Sarah said she remembers the angle of one window allowed moonlight to beam into the home, a great backdrop for Rudd's storytelling.

Years later, Sarah attended Emerson College and studied communication and performing arts before moving to Yarmouth, Maine, where she resides.

Sarah said she continued to write for the rest of her life, crafting poetry and short stories, but never forgetting the man who inspired it. She said the book was written 20 years ago but was only recently published. She thanked Massachusetts illustrator and Mattapoisett native Roni King, whose illustrations captured her childhood memories.

The 42-page illustrated book is available for purchase on Amazon.

A Trip Back to the Future

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

I graduated from high school 60 years ago. It seems like only...60 years ago.

I've been thinking about my old alma mater since I read about a grand homecoming reunion celebrating the classes of 1964 through 2024. For reasons I can't fathom, the classes of 1962 and 1963, the first two classes at the school, were not mentioned. Are they so long ago



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that they have been forgotten? Did the organizers think all the classmates have departed or are just too decrepit to attend? Maybe "62 to 24" didn't have that special promotional ring. Who knows?

Much has happened since 1964, so I thought I'd dust off the old yearbook and see what I have forgotten. The first thing I noticed was that it was all in black and white. I know from my teaching days that yearbooks today are, like life, in full color. Some schools even have elaborately produced videos. Next, I noticed that everybody looked young, even the teachers.

There were the prerequisite handwritten notes scribbled over each kid's picture. "Have a happy future." "Best of luck always." "Keep in touch in the future." One classmate wrote, "You're a good guy I wished I'd got to know you better." No, he didn't and how'd he know I was a good guy? We barely knew each other.

One girl I did know who knew I was going to art college, wrote "Beware of the beatniks." When you are older than hippies, you know you're old. Very depressing. I considered ending this journey back in time, but I soldiered on.

My friend Wayne wrote, "May we always be friends." We were until sadly he passed away, as have many of my classmates. Another facet of age you don't think about when you are 18 years old.

Sandra wrote, "...to a cute guy...." She must have mistaken me for someone else. Another penned, "It's



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been fun knowing you." Not for me, I couldn't stand that person. It is interesting how kids lie. I'll have to go back and check how many became politicians.

All yearbooks have advertisements, which help pay for the printing. Many businesses were owned by graduates' parents. There were 44 advertisers in my yearbook. Eight are still in business.

Tucked inside the back cover of my yearbook was a copy of the class "Prophecy," a mimeographed sheet in the form of a letter to a newspaper editor. It was written by "Scoop," an enterprising reporter assigned to report on the Olympics to be held at our high school field, a clever way to predict what classmates would become in this fantasy future.

Scoop was somewhat of a sexist, (You know who you are, Scoop.) often referencing "chicks," a receptionist's "nice legs," "a bevy of delectable beauty" contestants, a "very sexy cigarette girl," and two hat-check girls described as "babes." Boy, have times changed. You can't get a way with that today.

Scoop's predictions were often quite accurate. He predicted Stephanie G. would run a beauty salon. Well, almost. She became the personal hairdresser to the Kennedy clan. How about that! Bob M. was predicted to own a funeral home. I'm told he did become a mortician but later changed careers to work in the landfill and recycling management business. (Don't even think it.)

We even had a "Class Will." I guess we did think about getting old.

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

Medicare Advantage: Buyer Beware

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

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From a national viewpoint, MA has been a windfall for the insurance industry and a disaster for the federal budget. Insurers make double the amount per enrollee on MA than they do on commercial health plans for those under 65. The gross margins on MA enrollees in 2021 was \$1,730 per person versus \$689 per person on commercial plans.

A recent report estimated that in 2022, MA plans cost Medicare at least \$88,000,000,000 more than what it would have paid for the same people if they had stayed in traditional Medicare. How do insurers make MA so profitable? One way is through fraud. It has been widely documented that they use a variety of data-mining techniques to make their enrollees appear sicker than they are, thereby getting excess funding that is not deserved.

Another way, of more concern to you if you are considering joining a MA plan, is by cutting expenses.

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MA plans also require prior authorization for many surgeries and tests, unheard of under traditional Medicare. A government audit found that 13% of their denials were medically wrong. If you need rehab after surgery, you should know that MA enrollees were much less likely to receive inpatient rehab at highly rated facilities.

The pharmacy benefits under MA plans are often generous in covering cheap, generic drugs, but be aware that the common 20% copay may hit hard should you need one of the new highly effective but very expensive drugs for a serious condition.

Bottom line: MA plans often save you money by letting you avoid a Medigap plan (you still must pay Part B premiums) and add coverage for some things Medicare does not cover such as eyeglasses or limited dental or hearing-aid coverage. The downside is that you will be restricted in your choice of doctors and hospitals and must accept that the plan will be able to override some of your doctor's decisions.

So... When the glossy ads hit your mailbox and telemarketers call, think carefully whether a contribution towards eyeglasses or a gym membership is worth it in the long run.

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

Marion Looking to Join 'District Light' Movement

Marion Historic District Study Committee

By Mick Colageo

"You can still paint your front door purple," said consultant Eric Dray, who has been helping the Marion Historic District Study Committee prepare a Historic District Draft Bylaw that the committee hopes to put before voters at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2025.

The committee met on Monday to discuss Dray's final tweaks but relented from voting a final approval of the document until those changes are digested by the committee members, Margie Baldwin, Dan Crete, George Morton, Stephen Swain and Chairman Will Tifft.

A September 8 meeting with Dray, advisor Meg Steinberg of the town's Historical Commission and Town Counsel left Tifft in a positive frame of mind where it concerns the goal of "trying to create a much less restrictive bylaw than what had been done in the state to date."

"Eric and Meg and I came away almost flabbergasted with how well it went," said Tifft, also a

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member of the town's Historical Commission.

Assuming the committee approves Dray's draft, the task of achieving a Historic District Draft Bylaw will henceforth focus on strategy.

Strategy has taken the shape of an 80-page pamphlet designed by John DeSalvo that details the issues being addressed by the soon-to-come draft bylaw.

The Sippican Historical Society has printed 1,000 copies that are available outside the society office on Front Street, the Town House, Mimi's and the General Store.

Steinberg agreed to include the pamphlet with Form B mailings to nondistrict addresses. It was also suggested the pamphlets be distributed at the Cushing Community Center and made available on the community board near Barden's Boats at Island Wharf.

Digesting an 80-page pamphlet is a challenge, and to that end the committee discussed strategy for sharing the essence of going "district light," a trend happening in Cambridge and other Massachusetts communities.

"In the past, you always start with what is exempt," said Dray. "District light, we need to keep that



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as a banner headline everywhere. ... You just have to repeat things."

Tiftt suggested taking the 80-page pamphlet and dividing it up into sections that could be printed as separate, little "mini-articles to distribute in various ways" addressing why have this bylaw, Marion's history and frequently asked questions.

Crete considers an information campaign essential because "95 percent of the people are going to walk in with a few paragraphs and have to make a decision at (Town Meeting)."

Committee member George Morton opened a discussion regarding the relationship the committee will have with some of the town's commissions and boards,

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citing common interests or jurisdictions. "They're going to have ordinances that they will be upholding as a result of this. Do we need to be including that in FAQ's?" he asked.

Gray said that the committee and the bylaw would exist in "utter and separate and distinct from those commissions. It would be up to the Town Planner to sequence that. I think the only point to be made is that they're not conflicting."

Tiftt noted as a member of the Marion Zoning Board of Appeals that it is not unusual for boards and committees to seek comment from other boards and committees.

Dray, Steinberg and Tiftt are scheduled to meet with the Marion Planning Board on October 21. Despite

the need to present an approved draft bylaw for the Planning Board's consumption, Dray suggested that the committee hold off on voting its own approval until all the members have reviews his most recent edits. He said he will send out a final draft and that the committee should take a vote at its next meeting.

Dray pointed to Section 4 for historical significance.

Swain said he likes the one-page introduction, which outlines the goal of the local historic district.

Tiftt suggested as part of an information campaign that committee members write some opinions to be shared publicly on particular aspects of the draft bylaw once approved.

"We need to start getting out there and selling this a little bit," he said.

Dray suggested getting a copy of the pamphlet onto the town website (marionma.gov).

Tiftt said it's important to enact a marketing strategy before the holidays pushed the matter to the back burner. An informational meeting at the Music Hall will be organized.

Dray clarified that such an effort will not be designed "to get their endorsement but to get their questions answered. The important thing is to get them to understand what we're doing so they don't come to Town Meeting confused."

In other business, Morton noted interested new residents in the committee. Tiftt was encouraged by a recent meeting.

The next meeting of the Marion Historic District Study Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 14.

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ARPA Funds On The Agenda

Mattapoisett Select Board

By Marilou Newell

American Rescue Plan funding has been supporting cities and towns since COVID began damaging the financial stability of our country. But use of funds, which is audited, must follow guidelines. Two major areas of spending allowed by the federal government are roads and infrastructure.

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On September 1 as the Mattapoisett Select Board met, critical agenda items included the appropriation of APRA funds for roads and computer upgrades.

The board voted to spend \$4,539.30 for costs related to Communication Enhancements at Old Rochester Regional High School. These enhancements will allow for improved communication between the school and the Police Department. The board also voted to spend \$59,652.34 for costs associated with the installation of a generator at the Housing Authority residences.

The Water and Sewer Department will receive \$400,000 for related expenses for a new headquarters building. And last on the agenda list was the approval of \$15,000 for technology upgrades such as new laptops and docking stations for municipal employees. Town Administrator Mike Lorencio reported that \$90,000 remains in the fund.

Coming before the board was Ken Motta of Field Engineering to bring the board up-to-date on roadway work and sewer construction at the intersection of Pearl and Church Street. Motta said that bid documents are



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Regarding impact to residents living in the congested neighborhood, Motta said the driveways for the most part will be smoothly transitioned. He said there will need to be some bushes and possible trees removed, but it was premature to get into those details at this time. The massive sewer/storm water project is being coordinated with the Highway Department and the engineering firm VHB who has been designing the village roads project for several years.

Lorenco also announced that the town has received a grant in the amount of \$41,662 for repairs to the Pine Island Culvert. The Police Department has also received a grant in the amount of \$20,000 that will be used

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Early voting at Town Hall is scheduled for October 19, 8 am to 4 pm, October 21 – October 25, 8 am to 4 pm and October 28 through November 1, 8 am to 4 pm.

Flu clinics will soon be open, but preregistration is required. Visit the town's website to register. Free COVID test kits are available at Town Hall, Lorenco announced.

Visit the town's website for scallop fishing details which opens on October 15 for recreational fishing only.

County Supports Marion Generators

Marion Select Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Marion's Select Board Tuesday received a \$625,000 check from the Plymouth County Commission that will allow the town to replace all of its back-up generators at the Front Street waterworks pumping station.

Plymouth County Commission Chairman Jared Valanzola and state Senator Marc Pacheco delivered the check to the board, noting these are ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds that will be well-spent. Town Administrator Geoff Gorman noted that this check, combined with monies appropriated from town funds this year, will enable the necessary replacement all of the pumping station's generators.

Pacheco congratulated the commission for its outstanding work in making these dollars available for local communities, then noted this might be his last appearance in Marion as a state senator; he is retiring in December after 36 years as a state legislator.

"One last time I come here as your senator," he said. "But I may return. Marion is a very beautiful part of this district."

In turn, Valanzola thanked Pacheco for his complimentary words and his service to the county. "We wish you well and are grateful for your support," he said.

The Marion Energy Management Committee then proposed another large capital expense. The committee formally presented its plan to place solar panels on the

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roof of the new Department of Public Works building being constructed at Benson Brook. My Generation Energy, a local solar company, has offered to build a photovoltaic system on the roof of the new building.

"It's an exciting and timely ideas," Committee member Jennifer Francis said. "A very cost-effective investment."

Francis said that thanks to a federal energy-rebate program currently available, the placing of solar panels there will knock 30% off of the town's energy costs in less than five years. The town will realize a \$13,000 energy-cost saving for a lease to an energy company.



The Select Board and the town administrator reacted cautiously to the plan. Board Chairman Norm Hills said the town's upfront costs to put up the panels,



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around \$912,000, will need to be on a Town Meeting warrant, and Marion's next one won't be held until May 2025. Gorman said an expense like that has not been built into the current town budget.

Francis cautioned the town needs to act fast. "It's hard to say how long the rebate program will last because of the impending federal election," she said.

Select Board member Randy Parker said he wanted to know more about the Eversource costs within that \$912,000 figure. The board then tabled further discussion.

In other action, Gorman announced that the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) has awarded Hills its Commissioner of the Year Award for 2024, its "Distinguished Service award for the year," Gorman said.

The board approved an Off-Premises Wine and Malt Liquor Package Goods license for a new liquor store, J. Sull Wine, at 119 Wareham Road, Unit 105, requested by C&J Sullivan, LLC.

The board appointed Eric Osterby as a new member of the Music Hall Advisory Committee and Robin Shields as a new member of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee.

The board approved the following Water/Sewer commitments: \$970 for a new water tap and meter and \$6,092.65 for a water and sewer quarterly billing (final reading September 11), \$511 for a miscellaneous charge (final reading September 19), \$1,088.73 for a final reading on September 24 and \$10,000 for new sewer service (final reading September 24).

Gorman updated the board on the Harbormaster and Department of Public Works Building construction projects. The Harbormaster Building, he said, is on track to completion with a possible ribbon-cutting open at the end of October. The DPW Building construction project is also proceeding well.

Gorman announced the town's third annual Pumpkin Palooza has been scheduled for Saturday, October 26, at the Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Gorman noted the town's Benson Brook Boutique

swamp shed has had a successful year and that its last day of the season will be October 30.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, at 6:00 pm in the Town House conference room facing Main Street.

Extension of Transmission Lines Coming

Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities

By Marilou Newell

On September 26 at Old Rochester Regional High School, the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities held a public hearing to share with impacted communities (Mattapoisett and Acushnet) and residents therein a plan to extend an existing, overhead transmission line and an associated substation. The developer/owner of the site is NSTAR, doing business as Eversource.

It was explained that Line 112 will be tapped to extend from off Mendall Road in Acushnet to the Crystal Spring substation on Crystal Spring Road in Mattapoisett. The substation expansion plans include replacement of existing substation and a second transformer being added, along with upgraded and/or new ancillary equipment. The footprint of the substation and associated fencing will also be expanded.

Eversource representative Dan Hagen outlined the scope of the project and described why the expansion is considered necessary. He said through his slide presentation that "to ensure that electricity flows with a high degree of reliability, the upgrades" are required. Continuing on, Hagen stated these changes would allow for future interconnection with the power grid, permit future growth and help meet the commonwealth's clean-energy and climate goals.

To extend Line 112 in what Hagen described as "primarily cleared" land, some additional vegetation removal will be required. The line will parallel Line 114 and will necessitate the construction of 26 weathering-steel structures. These structures measure approximately 60 feet in height. The line will ultimately cross Mendall Road in Acushnet, Long Plain Road, Tinkham Lane, Hereford Hill Road and Crystal Spring Road in Mattapoisett.

Public comments were taken with several residents expressing concerns. One person inquired about possible drilling during construction. She said she was a beekeeper and that earlier construction and drilling in this area caused her hives to fail. Another speaker insisted that portable sanitation units be placed at the site during construction to avoid a defecation in the open, which the speaker said happened previously.

Coupled with that health concern was the lack of consistent securing of gates at the site, leaving them open to illegal dumping. And there were comments regarding the need for improved screening along Crystal Spring Road, a scenic byway. Hagen indicated that all concerns would be taken into consideration moving forward. Local

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oversight by the Conservation Commission was also noted by Hagen.

Public comments will be taken until October 10. Plans are available at both the Mattapoissett Town Clerk office, the Acushnet Town Clerk office and the Mattapoissett Free Public Library. The project Hot Line number is 833-836-0302.

Radon and How to Minimize Its Impact

Mattapoissett Board of Health

By Marilou Newell

It's colorless, odorless and tasteless, but radon is far from being harmless. It rises up from far beneath the earth's surface, thus making it a naturally occurring element swirling around in the atmosphere, causing serious illnesses to the unsuspecting.

On September 25, Mattapoissett Public Health Nurse Emily Field hosted Jen Lajoie, an environmental analyst with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Climate and Environmental Health Indoor Air Quality program. Lajoie's mission is educating the public on the dangers associated with radon emissions in private homes and steps that can be taken to minimize its impact.

In literature distributed by Lajoie and in her presentation, we learned that both old and new homes can have high-radon readings, most prevalently in homes built on ledge or sandy soils. Radon's entrance into homes commonly occurs from basement spaces but can also include floor-wall joints, sump pits, utility-line penetrations, dirt floors, crawl spaces, block-wall foundations, and cracks and crevices in floors and walls.

The state's published details go on to say, "... radon concentrations tend to be highest in the lowest levels of a home. Since indoor air represents the largest exposure to radon..." testing should be conducted to determine if radon is at critical levels.

And there is more concerning news, as private wells is another pathway for the chemical to enter the home.

To help residents of the commonwealth, the state is offering free test kits while supplies last, Lajoie said.

But just how does radon enter the environment?

Lajoie explained that underground stores of uranium go through radioactive transformation (radium decay). Radon gases are produced and released from the ground up.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health reports that 21,000 radon-related deaths occur annually but are preventable. The state building code mandates the installation of radon testing equipment and systems in new home construction.

Mattapoissett Building Inspector Andy Bobola said in a follow-up, "... it makes sense especially in new construction (a time when it's easier to install remediation equipment that will draw radon gases away from the



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home) or if major renovations are taking place; however, there aren't any mandated requirements for protection for existing homes."

Lajoie said that the Environmental Protection Agency estimates 628 radon-related lung cancers occur annually in Massachusetts with as many as 650,000 homes having radon levels that exceed action guidelines.

It begs the question, "can my home be fixed?" The short answer is yes.

The DPH literature states that a method called "active soil depressurization" is used to lower radon levels. A zone of low pressure below the house's slab reduces the rate of radon entering a home. There are established, safe radon levels; those are 2 to 4 pCi/L.

The DPH has a Radon Assessment Unit that can provide individual guidance. To receive a free radon test kit, call 800-723-6695 or visit DPHIAQ.radon@mass.gov.

Town Rails Against State Apartment Law

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Planning Board Tuesday reviewed the Zoning Bylaw changes proposed for the January 6, 2025, Special Town Meeting with Attorney Jason Talerman of town counsel Mead, Talerman & Costa, LLC.

The changes would enact regulations for short-term rentals, eliminate use variances, and create regulations for accessory-dwelling units.

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Talerman promised to create new draft regulations for the latter change after the board debated the impact of and its objections to the state law set to go into effect in February 2025 that will allow accessory-dwelling units on residential properties by right.

Richard Cutler, whose Bylaw Review Committee has drafted the three bylaw changes, said the only difference between the state law and the town bylaw is that in Rochester a dwelling unit separate from a main dwelling would require a special permit. He noted his board's draft listed 12 stipulations to allow an accessory-dwelling unit in Rochester; Town Counsel whittled those down to 11 stipulations.

Bylaw panel member Mark Waddington asked the Planning Board which version of the regulations it likes best.

"The town's," Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson said quickly, explaining the town has increased frontage requirements for building on residential properties to accommodate or restrict such residential uses. But now the state, he said, is forcing this new regulation down the board's throats. Board members agreed that the town needs more restrictions on accessory-dwelling units than the new state law is granting.

"I don't care what the state says," Johnson said. "I'll take on that fight."

Talerman said it would be better for the town to enact some local controls on what the state will be

allowing by right. He noted no Massachusetts town he has worked with loves this new state law, but the town might not win an appeal against the state law.

"You need the tools to lessen the impact," he said. "I hate to see you have no control." The best option, he said, is "creating the tools to control this rather than have it run over you."

He offered to work on drafting different bylaw language "to see what you might like," he said. "It might be a worthy exercise." The board agreed to let him do so.

Talerman said he could have such a draft ready by the end of the week. Cutler said he could then have a bylaw for the Planning Board's review by it next (October 8) meeting.

Regarding the proposed bylaw on short-term rentals, the board debated whether annual water testing be part of the permitting process. Building Inspector Paul Boucher noted other residential uses require such a test only at permit-granting time. Waddington asked if it is reasonable to simply decree in the bylaw that "all applicable building and health codes" shall apply. The board and Talerman agreed.

Regarding eliminating use variances in favor of relying on special permits instead, Tallerman advised that most towns he has worked with do not allow such variances. But he also advised the town look at its list of allowable uses under its zoning codes, too, as an alternative permitting measure.

In other action, the board signed Snipatuit Solar LLC's application to extend for one year the special permits for its proposed solar-energy installation on 128 acres at 529, 523 and 0 Snipatuit Road and Featherbed Lane within the Mattapoisett River Valley Watershed and added a Groundwater Protection District Permit to that approval.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Defense Keys Soccer Success

Sports Roundup

By Aiden Comorosky

The Old Rochester Regional High School boys' soccer team closed out the month of September with a 3-0 shutout victory at Somerset Berkley on September 25 and took a 4-2-1 record into Wednesday's match against Fairhaven.

Aiden Eagle and Luke Devoe were named the players of the game in the win against Somerset Berkley.

Likewise, ORR's junior-varsity team played on September 25 against Somerset and won 2-0, improving its record to 5-2. Goals were scored by Robert Flynn and Jack Thompson. Owen Harrington made many critical saves.

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to this solid team win," said ORR coach Geoffrey Kelsey.

Field Hockey

The Bulldogs played at Seekonk on September 26 and won 2-1. Hayden Belanger was named the player of the game. ORR improved to 3-2-3 and is scheduled to play Somerset Berkley on Thursday, October 3.

Golf

ORR played Seekonk at the Bay Club on September 25 and won 230-284. Logan Franco and Connor Galligan were named the players of the game, both shooting nine-hole rounds of 1-over-par 36. The Bulldogs continue their dominance and are now 11-0 on the season. Their next match is at Apponequet (8-5) on Thursday, October 3.

Girls Volleyball

The Bulldogs played at Somerset Berkley on September 26 and won 3-0. Set scores were 25-11, 25-2 and 25-14. They're now 8-2 on the season and 7-0 in the South Coast Conference. Aubrie Letourneau was named the player of the game. ORR was scheduled to visit Fairhaven on October 2.

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Deadline for submitting artwork is Monday, **October 21**, at noon. Online voting will take place from **October 22 to October 28**. The cover winner will win \$100 and his or her artwork will be on the **October 31** cover of *The Wanderer*! All entries must be original; cover entries must contain completely original artwork and/or photos. No copied items, including traced clip art, will be considered for the contest. All entries must be accompanied by a completed and signed entry form, available in our office or on our website. A full list of rules and regulations can be found at www.wanderer.com. For more information, call our office at 508-758-9055.

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Sippican Lands Trust (SLT) celebrated the opening of the Osprey Marsh pavilion on Point Road with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Selectman Randy Parker spoke about the importance of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) for such projects in Marion. President Cathy Stone recapped the project and thanked donors and Board

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members for seeing it to completion. The ribbon cutting was done by Mary Howland Smoyer, donor and steward of Osprey Marsh, and



Susannah Davis, clerk and project manager for SLT. The pavilion will see many upcoming programs and events.

Prepare To Care

Why wait until the (potentially) inevitable happens? Whether it's your parent, spouse, family member friend, or just someone who needs someone, it is common that many people are or will care for someone in some capacity. There are many challenges to caregiving and care receiving. This session provides a practical guide focused on how to put together a team and establish a care plan. You will gain insight on how to navigate the challenges as you and your loved one begin the journey of caregiving or care receiving. Learn information on how

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to have vital conversations; ways to assess your loved one's needs; tips for organizing important documents; A roundup of federal and national resources; information on caring for yourself; checklists, medication charts and contact lists and more.

Presenter, Theresa Chaklos, began volunteering with AARP MA in September 2020. She retired from the District of Columbia Superior Court in October 2019 after working there for 10 years as a Family Law Facilitator in the Family Court Self Help Center. Her professional background is diverse, but always focused on work that serves to empower others.

Thursday, **October 10** at 1:00 pm. 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoissett, enter at COA walkway to doors with blue awning. Free. Register: 508-758-4110 or coadirector@

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We are grateful to the Town of Mattapoissett for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds which allowed us to renovate our bathrooms and build a wheelchair accessible ramp.

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Book (re)Marks: What's up this Month at Plumb?

Welcome to Book (re)Marks, all the info you need about what's happening this month at Plumb Library. October is National Reading Group Month, also known as National Bookclub Month. The Library is celebrating by marking the 20th Anniversary of our Library Bookclub. Way back in 2004 library staff were tasked by the Director to set up a bookclub at the Library, a brand new venture that Library patrons had expressed interest in having in-house. Off the staff went, figuring out a lot of things about planning and running bookclubs along the way. There were many facets to consider: How will books be chosen? Do we decorate or dress up or have props? How do we get people to commit to coming? Should there be food? After lots of debate, we picked three books to be read in October, November, and December of that year, asked people to sign up, decorated and served themed food, and Café Parlez was introduced to the Library community. The first selection was "Memoirs of a Geisha" by Arthur Golden, a hit with our readers, and that was all the encouragement we needed to keep the bookclub going. Starting in 2008, titles were selected based on an overall theme for the year, and we've maintained that format ever since. We have had meetings when there haven't been enough chairs in the Library to accommodate everyone in attendance, and others with just a couple of attendees, but the readers have continued to show up month after month. Even during COVID, bookclub continued to meet via Zoom or outside in the Reading Garden. Over the last 20 years lots of readers have come and gone, the Library staff has changed over a couple of times, and a secondary, nonfiction bookclub was absorbed. The bookclub has even had a name change. As of 2023, it's been known as "Books & Babble," a name selected by our members. By the end of this year, we will have logged 229 books read since 2004. If you'd like to join us, we'd be happy to have you. Books & Babble meets at 6:30 pm the last Thursday of the month. This bookclub is open to adult readers aged 18+. To see upcoming titles and meeting dates, check out the Events Calendar on the Library's website or stop by the Library to pick up a list. The theme for 2025 will be announced at the October meeting. Here's to another 20

years of great discussions about books of all kinds.

Other regularly scheduled meetings for the month include: COA Bookclub 1 pm Tuesday **October 15**, "The Lost Apothecary" by Sarah Penner Books & Babble 6:30 pm. Thursday. **October 31**, "The Cat Who Saved Books" by Sosuke Natsukawa

Knitters Group, 6:30 pm, Mondays, **October 7, 21, & 28**, Social meeting of fiber-crafters, Writer's Group, 6:30 pm, Thursday, Oct. 17, Open to anyone 18+, refreshments served.

Friends of the Library, 6:30 pm, Thursday, **October 17**, Annual meeting and election of officers, Board of Library Trustees, 6:30 pm, Thursday, **October 10**, open to the public.

The Library will be closed on Monday, **October 14** for Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples Day.

Please check the Events Calendar on our website, www.plumblibrary.com, for a full list of upcoming events, programs, & talks. There's a lot going on this month. Questions? Please call 508-763-8600 or email info@plumblibrary.com. As always, we hope to see you soon at the Library.

Marion Fire/EMS Open House

Marion Fire/EMS will host an Open House on Friday, **11** from 6 pm-8 pm at Station 1, 50 Spring Street. Fun for the whole family.

MLT Salty's Soiree

Join us on Saturday **October 19** from 5:30 - 7:30 pm for an evening of fun, family-friendly, fall activities. Salty's Soiree takes place at Dunseith Park on the corner of Rt. 6 and North St. in Mattapoisett (aka Salty the Seahorse Park). We will have storytelling by the wonderful Karen Chace, live music by Jeff Dunn, a toasty bonfire, and plenty of s'mores making materials.

Please park in the village and walk, do not drive, to the soiree; there will not be parking available at Dunseith. Bring a flashlight with you to find your way back to your car at the end of the night. In the event of inclement weather, the rain date for the event is Sunday **October 20**, same time and place.

You won't want to miss this quintessential autumn evening. This is great for all ages (the stories aren't too spooky). All are welcome.

October Events at the Mattapoisett Library

The Mattapoisett Free Public Library, located at 7 Barstow Street, has a fun fall ahead of us.

The Public Health Nursing Office is hosting a Flu Vaccination Clinic at the library on Tuesday, **October 8**, from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. High and regular doses will be available. Please remember to wear a short-sleeved top and bring your insurance cards. Participants must pre-register before arriving at the clinic. To register, please visit home.color.com/vaccine/register/

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Our Purrington Fall Author Series continues with local author Ben Shattuck. Ben will discuss his new book of short stories, "The History of Sound," on Tuesday, **October 8** at 6 pm. Shattuck, a former Teaching-Writing Fellow and graduate of the Iowa Writers Workshop, is a recipient of the PEN America Short Story Prize and a 2019 Pushcart Prize. Shattuck's last book, "Six Walks: In the Footsteps of Henry David Thoreau," was a New Yorker magazine Best Book of 2022, a Wall Street Journal Best Book of Spring, a New York Times Best Book of Summer, and a New England Bestseller. Copies of his new book will be available for purchase at the event.

Our next Cookbook Club meeting is scheduled for **October 15** at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome. This month, we're reading "Half Baked Harvest Super Simple: More Than 125 Recipes for Instant, Overnight, Meal-Prepped and Easy Comfort Foods" by Tieghan Gerard. Limited copies of the book are available for pickup at the library. Stop by and snag one.

Join local artist C.R. Florence for an exploratory comics-making class on Saturday, **October 19** at 1 pm. No experience necessary. Patrons will learn a brief history of sequential art and how it has evolved to what we understand as "comics" today. This workshop will cover the basics of storytelling using sequential imagery, focusing on story beats, composition and flow. Recommended for ages 12 and up.

As part of the Purrington Fall Author Series, Catherine Newman, author of the New York Times bestselling novel, "Sandwich," will read from her book, invite audience questions, and sign copies of the novel on Tuesday, **October 22** at 6 pm. Newman has written numerous columns, articles, and canned-bean recipes for magazines and newspapers, and her essays have been widely anthologized. Newman has authored several books, including: "We All Want Impossible Things," "Waiting for Birdy and Catastrophic Happiness," and the middle-grade novel "One Mixed-Up Night." Copies of



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Oasis Entertainment presents an interactive mystery game on Tuesday, **October 29** at 3:30 pm. Ghosts are afloat in this Paris Hotel, just as the owners are trying to sell. . . In this self-contained mystery game, players complete puzzles, collect clues, and investigate evidence to solve The Case of the Haunted Hotel. No registration required. Recommended for ages 12 and up.

Mark your Calendars. The Friends of the Mattapoissett Library have announced the dates for their Annual Jewelry Sale, which will be held on three consecutive days for the first time. The special Preview Sale for Friends members is on Thursday, **December 5** from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The sale dates for the General Public will be Friday, **December 6** from 5:30 to 7:30 pm and Saturday, **December 7** from 10:00 to 2:00 pm. The Friends will be accepting donations of jewelry and accessory items now through Tuesday, **November 19**. Donations can be dropped off at the library during business hours. Please do not leave any donations outside. Our community has historically been very generous with jewelry and accessory items donations, and The Friends thank you in advance for helping make this annual sale a big success.

As always, these events and activities are free and open to all. Check the calendar on our website for additional information and updates. If you have questions, please email mfp1@sailsinc.org or call us at (508) 758-4171.

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October Programs in the Mattapoisett Children's Room

Join us for a fun-filled October in the Mattapoisett Children's Room, packed with exciting programs for all ages. We're kicking off the month by celebrating Fire Safety Month at the Mattapoisett Fire Station on Saturday, **October 12** at 1 pm. Children and families will have the chance to meet real firefighters, see them in full gear, and explore the fire trucks and equipment. This event is open to all ages, and no registration is required.

On Wednesday, **October 16** at 3:30 pm, patrons ages 8 and up are invited to join us for a Halloween Miniature Terrarium Craft. Let's get into the Halloween spirit by creating a spooky miniature terrarium using a recycled Qui yogurt jar. Be sure to visit the library or our website to register.

Then, on Friday, **October 18** at 3:30 pm, our Graphic Novel Book Club will meet to discuss *The Witches' Wings and Other Terrifying Tales* by Tehlor Kay Mejia. Copies of the book are available at the library, and participants can look forward to a lively discussion, a craft activity, and snacks. This event is recommended for ages 9 and up. You can register on our website, and for any questions, feel free to reach out to bsolaris@sailsinc.org.

Bring your little ones (ages 1 and up) to the library on Wednesday, **October 23** at 10:30 am for a fun fall-themed activity: the Toddler Toilet Paper Roll Fall Tree Craft. We'll be using toilet paper rolls to create adorable

fall trees, and no registration is necessary.

The spooky fun continues on Thursday, **October 24** at 3:30 pm with our Witch Hat and Wand Making event. Recommended for ages 5 and up, children can create their own witch hat and wand. Don't forget to pick your hat color when you register on our website.

In addition, storytimes will continue throughout the month of October. Fall Storytime, open to all ages, will take place every Thursday at 10:30 am, while Baby Storytime, recommended for ages 0 to 24 months, will be held every Friday at 10:30 am.

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

Rochester Republican Town Committee

The Rochester Republican Town Committee will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, **October 9**, at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held in the lower level of the North Rochester Congregational Church, located at 247 North Ave, Rochester. The community is always invited to attend.

Friends of Plumb Library Annual Meeting

The Friends of Plumb Library will be holding their Annual Meeting on Thursday, **October 17** from 6:30-7:30 pm. The meeting is open to all members of the Friends and the public, and will be held at the Library which is located at 17 Constitution Way in Rochester.

On the agenda are new by-laws governing the nonprofit, voting for next year's new slate of officers, and annual review of programs and events the group funded. Friends volunteer their time and talents to provide resources for program enrichment, and to encourage public awareness of the services and accomplishments of the Library.

Becky Nurse of Salem

The MAC Theater is pleased to present Sarah Ruhl's *Becky Nurse of Salem*, a dark comedy, directed by Brie Riccio. Show dates are **October 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20**,



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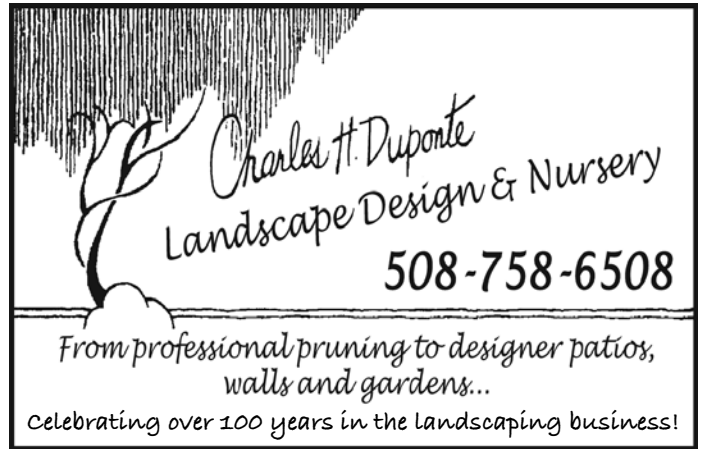
25, 26, 27 in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater, located at 80 Pleasant Street, Marion. Friday and Saturday shows start at 7:30 pm, and Sunday shows start at 2:00 pm.

Out of work and out of love, Becky Nurse is an ordinary but strong-willed grandmother just trying to get by in post-Obama America. She's also the great-great-great-great-granddaughter of Rebecca Nurse, who was infamously executed for witchcraft in 1692 – but things have changed for women since then, haven't they? Desperate to raise her troubled teenaged granddaughter right (and hoping to hook up with an old flame), Becky visits a local witch for help. But those spells and potions don't work out exactly as planned.

The cast includes Sarah Morse, Bethany Lamoureux, Lucy Bly, Kiah Allair, Honey Puder, Thomas Conway and Brennan McKiernan. Donn Tyler is stage manager, with sound and lighting by Steve McManus, set construction by Chris Podrecca, costumes by Bethany Lamoureux, with Jess Wilson as intimacy coordinator. Tickets, just \$20 for MAC members and \$23 for nonmembers, can be purchased at marionartcenter.org/events. The MAC is also a participant in Mass Cultural Council's card to culture program. Learn more on the online ticket page.

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entries for its final exhibition of the 2024 season, Small Works + Holiday Shop. The show runs **November 9** through **December 20**, with an opening reception scheduled for Saturday, **November 9** from 3:00-5:00 pm.

This annual juried/invitational show features original works of art, all under fourteen inches, plus a curated selection of handmade goods including jewelry, textiles, ceramics, woodworks, gifts, and more. Any artist who has previously shown at Arts in the Park, or any other juried MAC exhibition (this excludes members' shows) is invited to participate and does not need to apply or be approved by the exhibitions committee.

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marionartcenter.org/ on-exhibit. All applications are due by Wednesday, **October 23**. Artists will be notified by the end of October if they are accepted, and early applications are strongly encouraged. Drop-off dates are scheduled on Saturday, **November 2** from 10 am-2 pm and Tuesday, November 5 from 10-3 pm. Please send questions to info@marionartcenter.org.

**Rochester Historical
 Commission Plaque Presentation**

By Connie Eshbach

On Thursday, September 12, the Rochester Historical Commission presented an historic plaque to be placed on the 1920 Hartley Sawmill Office. Rick Miranda, the current guardian of the Hartley Sawmill Preservation Trust site, is shown receiving the plaque from

Commission members, Sue La Fleur and Stan Moszczenski.

Miranda also purchased a plaque to be placed at the site of the Hartley



Sawmill. Because of the water source, the Hartley Sawmill site was home to an iron forge in 1725, a grist mill from 1823-1856 and then also a boxboard and shingle mill in 1879. James Hartley purchased the property in 1888, and it operated until 1964.

Anyone interested in purchasing a plaque for their historic home should go to the town website and then to the Historical Commission to find out about the program and the eligibility requirements.

Sippican Woman's Club

On Friday, **October 11**, you are invited to join members and guests of the Sippican Woman's Club to "hit the road". We are travelling to Columbia Point, Boston to the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, which visitors have described as "an unforgettable journey through American history and the life of a truly remarkable man." I.M. Pei was selected as the architect and the building was dedicated in 1979. We have reserved a 38-passenger bus for our excursion.

Details: \$30/person – includes bus fare and admission. Forward a check payable to the Sippican Woman's Club, and forward to Treasurer, SWC, P.O. Box 121, Marion, MA 02738.

The bus will pick passengers up at Marion's Silvershell Beach. Park cars on the right side along the split-rail fencing by the pond. Departure time: 8:45 am and return at approximately 2:45 pm. Please arrive at



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 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
 8:00 AM Cape Conversations
 8:30 AM For Your Health
 9:00 AM Mattapoisset Land Trust
 9:30 AM Artist Interview - Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry
 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
 10:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
 11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
 11:30 AM Patrocast with Darren Paltowitz
 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
 1:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peter McDonald
 3:00 PM ORR Football vs Fairhaven
 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 Show
 7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
 8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report
 9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church
 10:00 PM Mattapoisset Museum: The Hurricane of 1938
 11:30 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest - Orchestra

Friday October 4, 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 Disabilities
 9:30 AM Mattapoisset Land Trust
 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
 10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
 11:00 AM Cape Conversations
 11:30 AM A Conversation With...
 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
 1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck

McIntyre
 2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
 2:30 PM Two Grannies on the Road
 3:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers
 3:30 PM This is America and the World
 4:00 PM Patrocast with Darren Paltowitz
 4:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
 5:00 PM Boston Celtics Owner Wyc Grousbeck Interview
 5:30 PM Mattapoisset Land Trust
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:30 PM Mattapoisset Museum: The Hurricane of 1938
 8:00 PM Artist Interview - Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry
 8:30 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest - Chamber Music
 10:00 PM Gay USA
 11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest - Swing Band

Saturday October 5, 2024

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
 9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
 10:30 AM A Conversation With...
 11:00 AM Auto Sense
 11:30 AM Science 360
 12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie
 1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peter McDonald
 2:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
 3:30 PM South Coast Matters
 4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
 4:30 PM Mattapoisset Museum: The Hurricane of 1938
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
 7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
 7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
 8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
 9:30 PM Mattapoisset Land Trust
 10:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
 11:30 PM Let's Talk Business

Sunday October 6, 2024

6:00 AM Health Source
 6:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
 7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
 8:00 AM Mattapoisset Congregational

Church
 9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
 10:00 AM MAC Arts in the Park
 11:00 AM Boston Celtics Owner Wyc Grousbeck Interview
 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 Patrocast with Darren Paltowitz
 4:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers
 4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
 5:00 PM Rochester Police Chief Michael A. Assad Jr. Swear in Ceremony
 5:30 PM Artist Interview - Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
 7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
 7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
 8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
 8:30 PM Mattapoisset Museum: The Hurricane of 1938
 10:00 PM Hammdontown Cemetery Cleanup
 11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
 11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday October 7, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorcize
 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
 8:00 AM For Your Health
 9:00 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 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
 11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
 1:00 PM In the Toy Box
 1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
 2:00 PM Southcoast Matters
 2:30 PM The Collective Chat
 3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus

on Europe
 4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
 4:30 PM Boston Celtics Owner Wyc Grousbeck Interview
 5:00 PM Mattapoisset Land Trust
 5:30 PM Artist Interview - Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:30 PM Mattapoisset Summer Band
 7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
 8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
 9:30 PM Building the Future
 10:00 PM Gay USA
 11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest - Swing Band

Tuesday October 8, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorcize
 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
 8:00 AM For Your Health: Norovirus
 8:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 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
 11:30 AM In the Toy Box
 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
 1:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider
 2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
 2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
 3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
 4:00 PM Mattapoisset Summer Band
 5:30 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:00 PM Marion Art Center - Unplugged - Matt Richard & Donn Legge
 8:40 PM The Beacon Hill Report
 9:10 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 10:00 PM Gay USA
 11:00 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest - Swing Band

Wednesday October 9, 2024

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

8:30 AM For Your Health
 9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
 9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
 10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
 11:00 AM Mattapoisset Congregational Church
 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
 1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
 2:00 PM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education
 2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
 3:00 PM A Conversation With...
 3:30 PM Mattapoisset Museum: The Hurricane of 1938
 5:00 PM Boston Celtics Owner Wyc Grousbeck Interview
 5:30 PM Building the Future
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
 6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
 7:00 PM Let's Talk Business
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 2:00 PM Marion Finance Committee
 3:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
 4:00 PM Marion Board of Health
 5:00 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission
 6:00 PM ORR School Committee
 7:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee
 9:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission
 10:30 PM Marion Planning Board

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 40 Daily Schedule

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

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen
 7:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission
 8:30 AM Rochester Planning Board
 10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
 11:00 PM Rochester School Committee
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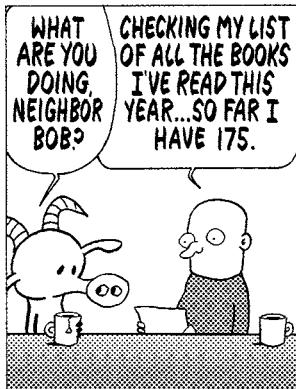
EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 8 Verizon Channel 37 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
 7:30 AM Sippican Jr Reporters
 8:30 AM Sippican School Play
 9:30 AM RMS 5th and 6th Grade Band
 10:30 AM Old Colony Vision for the Future
 11:00 AM RMS K Info Session
 12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
 1:00 PM ORR Field Hockey vs DR
 2:00 PM ORR Girls Soccer vs DR
 3:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs Seekonk
 4:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs Apponequet
 6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
 7:00 PM Bulldog Sports
 7:30 PM Old Colony Vision for the Future
 8:00 PM ORR Football vs Fairhaven
 9:30 PM ORR Football vs Bishop Stang
 11:30 PM Old Colony Boys Soccer vs Norfolk Aggie

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 38

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

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



Silvershell no later than 8:30 am. You may purchase lunch at the Museum's on-site cafe. Take-in food is not allowed, as you are required to go through a security check to enter the building.

For trip questions: email Janet Wallace ladyprchr@aol.com. See club's website www.sippicanwomensclub.org.

Marion COA Book Club

The Marion COA Book Club will be reorganizing and enrolling new members at the **October 16** meeting. There are currently several openings in the group, which is open to both men and women, and limited to 12. If you wish to be part of this monthly group, which meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 pm, call the COA at 508-748-3570.

The book that will be discussed at the October meeting is *The Secret Life of Sunflowers* by Marta Molnar. This historical novel tells the true story of how Vincent Van Gogh's paintings were saved from destruction and obscurity by the determined efforts of his sister-in-law. Copies of this book are on hold at the Elizabeth Taber Library for the members of this group.

Book Donation Day

The Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library will sponsor a Book donation day at the Library, 8 Spring Street, Marion, on Saturday, **October 19** from 10 am-1



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OBITUARIES



Olive M. (Anderson) Stickney, 101, of Mattapoisett, died peacefully at home on Sunday, September 22, 2024. She was the wife of the late Kenneth W. Stickney for 65 years until he passed in 2022.

Born and raised in Worcester, daughter of the late Elmer and Esther (Carlson) Anderson, she lived in Orleans for many years before moving to Mattapoisett in 1957.

Olive worked as a Fashion Artist at Cherry & Webb and was a member of the Mattapoisett Womens Club.

Survivors include her children, Dana P. Stickney of Mattapoisett, and Jill D. Stickney of Wolfeboro, NH; and several nieces and nephews.

Olive is predeceased by her husband Kenneth; and her siblings, Pauline Beinema, Eleanor Dreifus, Marilyn Anderson and David Anderson.

Olive's Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, October 1st in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church St., Mattapoisett. Burial in the Massachusetts National Cemetery will take place at a later date. For online guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com



Ronald G. Martin, age 84, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, December 16, 2023. He was preceded in death by his parents: Gilbert and Lauretta, his wife: Jane, his son: Michael and his grandson: Joey. He was a son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle and friend who will be dearly missed.

He is survived by his children: Kimberly (Robert), Patrick (Kris), Ronald (Mary) and Lauretta (Dean), his sister: Carolyn, his grandchildren: Ashley (Adam), Cory (Ashly), Elle, Danielle (Jasen), Michael (Nadine), McKenzie (Joe), Brody, and his great-grandchildren: Joey, Thomas, Addison, Ezra and newest addition Emma. He is also survived by an extended family and many friends to cherish and honor his memory.

Ronald was born in Acushnet, MA. His work ethic was instilled in him at the early age of 8 years old, washing windows and pumping gas at a local gas station for money to buy himself a horse. He was forever after driven in everything he did by that same focus. Once married, he and Jane started their family in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. Eventually moving their family to Arizona and then to the El Paso, Texas-Santa Teresa, New Mexico area, where he remained until his death.

He was deeply proud and loyal of where he was born

and grew up. His childhood friends which then became his lifelong friends were never more than a phone call away.

Some of his accomplishments throughout his life include: mechanic, steel worker, house builder, policeman, ambulance driver, appraiser, draftsman, general contractor and film production equipment developer. If he could think it and draw it, he would find a way to build it.

He was an avid car enthusiast: whether it was building them, owning them or racing them. His natural curiosity and wanderlust sent him driving all over the country just to see what was up the road and how fast he could get there. His smile, quickly followed by his boyish chuckle will be forever missed.

He is now going home to his final resting place at St. Anthony's Cemetery in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts where he can now rest and be at peace with his wife, son and parents.



Theresa M. (Kelly) Kelly, 95, of Mattapoisett died September 26, 2024 at St. Luke's Hospital.

She was the wife of the late Melvin L. Kelly.

Born in Boston, the daughter of the late James W. and Delia (Timan) Kelly, she lived in Marshfield, MA and Hampton, NH for many years before moving to Mattapoisett in 2011.

Survivors include her son, Robert Kelly and his wife Michelle of Mattapoisett; a sister, Margaret DeYoung of Naples, FL; 7 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the mother of the late James Kelly, the sister of the late Anna Madden, Joan Garrigan, Mary Lynch and Catherine Kelly.

Her Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd at 12 Noon in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett. Burial will follow in the Massachusetts National Cemetery. Her family will receive guests on Wednesday morning from 11:30 am - 12 Noon before the service. For directions guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.



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pm. We will be accepting adult books, children's books, large print books in good condition, also accepting games and puzzles. We are not able to accept textbooks, encyclopedias, etc. The Friends of the library will help unload your donations from your vehicle.

There will also be a pop-up book sale on the library lawn from 10 am-1 pm. Come drop off your gently used books and browse the book sale.

COVID-19 Tests

The Marion Board of Health would like to share the following information from the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response, ASPR:

The Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response, ASPR, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with the U.S. Postal Service has reopened COVIDtests.gov, so that households across the country can order four additional over-the-counter COVID-19 tests for free. These tests are intended for use throughout the 2024 holiday season to detect currently circulating COVID-19 variants. Clear instructions are included on how to verify extended expiration dates.

These efforts complement ASPR's ongoing distribution of free COVID-19 tests to long-term care facilities, low-income senior housing, uninsured individuals, and underserved communities. Through this community organization distribution program and the

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home-ordering program, ASPR has provided a combined total of more than 1.9 billion COVID-19 over-the-counter tests.


As the fall and holiday seasons will create increased close proximity gatherings of people, the Administration remains committed to helping Americans access tests to help so that, if they develop a respiratory illness, they can learn whether it is due to COVID-19 and then make the best choices about seeking medical care and reducing risks to family, friends, and co-workers. To order four free, over-the-counter COVID-19 tests, visit COVIDtests.gov.

The Marion Board of Health has a limited number of COVID-19 tests available for pick up at their office.

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TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



*Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry are the featured artists in the Marion Art Center's latest exhibit titled *Two Painters, Two Friends* now through October. The gallery walls hold the artists' outstanding capabilities with oil paint and their imaginative styling. Photos by Marilou Newell*



The Rochester Historical Society held its fall-season fair with booths set up outside for baked goods and jewelry and inside a display of artifacts from yesteryear. Photos by Mick Colageo



Over 50 people were in attendance for the first night of a six-week series called "Ghosts! Explaining the Paranormal." This course on the paranormal is being hosted by Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church. Father Eric Fialho, the rector of the parish, has developed a course which explores what the wider church believes about the topic of ghosts. Participants were treated to a lecture with periods of questions and answers. Registration for the course has ended. Father Fialho had this to say, "I am not surprised that over 74 people have registered for this course. It is obvious that people are hungry to try to make meaning out of questions about death, the afterlife and orthodox Christian belief."



Faith Ball shared this photo of goose enjoying the view from the Mattapoissett bike path.

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

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Mattapoissett Friends Yard Sale

The Mattapoissett Friends Meeting will hold a yard sale this Saturday, **October 5** from 8:00 to 12:00. The Friends will have sale items in both the community hall and the historical



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MOVIE REVIEW

The Pits

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

***Megalopolis*. Starring Adam Driver and Nathalie Emmanuel. Directed by Francis Ford Coppola. Running time: 138 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters.**

The credits tell me Francis Ford Coppola wrote and directed *Megalopolis*, but that seems an insult to writers and directors. Coppola didn't write or direct *Megalopolis*, he compiled it, as though out of a notebook filled with concepts and sketches. Looking through the notebook might be interesting. Sitting through the movie ... Hey, I like to play contrarian as much as anyone; I'd love to say that *Megalopolis* is a bracing work of undiluted art that the masses aren't equipped to understand. But that isn't true, and if the masses reject it, as it seems they will, it won't be their fault. There's nothing to understand here.

Megalopolis has a few magnificent moments (mostly borrowed from the highly suggestive vernacular of silent film). What it doesn't have are scenes. People stand in digitally created rooms and talk and talk and talk about what art owes to society or what society owes to art. The hero, Cesar Catalina (Adam Driver), is an impossibly (and insufferably) visionary architect who has a dream about the ideal city, Megalopolis, built with a substance he invented called Megalon. He goes on about this a lot. He takes his ideas and himself very, very seriously. He is Coppola the same way many of the protagonists of even Coppola's greatest films are him.

I want to remind you that Coppola made four all-time great films in the '70s, and even *Bram Stoker's Dracula* is, for me, a ton of fun. I was hoping for some of the same artsy-toybox excess from *Megalopolis*, but \$120 million of Coppola's own money hasn't even bought a great-looking film. Some of the compositions and transitions suggest the old magic; others are careless bordering on lazy. The large cast includes Jon Voight and Dustin Hoffman, in the same movie again 55 years after *Midnight Cowboy*, but I don't think they share a scene. There really aren't any characters, though, just stick figures carting exposition and declamatory debate around. I liked Aubrey Plaza and



Shia LeBeouf, who bring a crackle of excitement to their work — the same vibe the whole film should have had — but they end up being shot with arrows by Jon Voight. Yes, you read that correctly.

There's really no story, either, despite however many years Coppola spent writing and discarding however many drafts of this ghastly thing. It has a plot: characters go here and there and do things. But the things and the going don't seem rooted in any larger purpose. We don't know why we're being told this "story" (excuse me, "fable"). Cesar falls in love with Julia Cicero (Nathalie Emmanuel), daughter of Cesar's arch-enemy, the mayor of New Rome (Giancarlo Esposito). Cesar also has the ability to stop time, a startling power that doesn't especially affect much in the film. Nothing does, really. It says something that the only moment that Coppola seems sharply awake is an assassination attempt. The rest of the time he's napping, dreaming, drooling on his pillow.

While Coppola sleeps, the large cast seems abandoned on large (green-screen) sets, quoting from Shakespeare or Marcus Aurelius. It's possible that Coppola wanted to stuff as much art and music (the score by Argentinian composer Osvaldo Golijov, who also scored Coppola's previous three films, is unusual and captivating) and poetry into what might shake out as his swan song as he could. Most of *Megalopolis* feels locked up in Coppola's head; this movie is wheezing for some fresh air outside the green-screen rooms, and a lot of it feels like Coppola lecturing us, or instructing us on how to build the ideal society. And how might we do that? What is the culminating answer reached by this decades-in-the-making project?

The great answer, the key to unlock paradise on earth: Love, and making babies. All righty. Good to know.

meeting house. Besides shopping in the meeting house, visitors can see the pulley system that used to lower the divider between the men and women's section.

The Friends are thankful to the community for donations to the sale. They received many interesting vintage items, collections (cigar boxes, car-shaped bottles of cologne, buttons, and die-cast metal tanks, for example), as well as books and useful or decorative household items. Earnings will go toward much-needed repairs to the community hall.

Cushing Cemetery Meeting

There will be a cemetery meeting at the Mattapoisett library, **October 19** at 10 am. The meeting will be upstairs in the Mariner Room. All board members and trustees are urged to attend and it is open to the public.

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

When you look through the exhibit at our forms of musical entertainment through the years, you see that people became more and more interested in having machines to make music at home. This desire coincided with the eras of the Industrial Revolution, when inventors everywhere were bringing ideas to life. Some of these early inventions never made it off the drawing board while others took hold and improved over time.

In the late 1800's and early 1900's, the record player and radio began their evolutionary journey. While people found these inventions interesting, many found the quality of the music to be uneven and less than enjoyable.

Enter the Player Piano in 1896. Edwin S. Votey invented the first practical pneumatic player pianos, also called "pianolas". These pianos were acoustic and originally cost \$250.00.

The player piano was operated by foot. Pressing down caused the bellows to provide a vacuum which then operated the pneumatic motor which drove the spools. The spools were made of paper and were the "music rolls" for the piano.

To make the spools, music was laid out on



continuous sheets of paper by stenciling. Holes were made by a punch or perforating machine. The paper was then rolled up to a size that fit into the piano's player box. The free end was hooked to a "take up spool". As these spools unwound, it would pass across a reading machine which was called a "tracker box" and this would create the music.

Once the pneumatic motor drove the spool, a small inrush of air was forced through a hole in the paper roll and amplified in two stages to have enough strength to strike a note. The sound was then produced by hammers inside the piano striking piano strings.

By 1903, companies were doing big business making the music rolls. At least one company had a catalogue of more than 9000 rolls.

Over time, record players produced a clearer, truer sound and moved to two-sided discs and they cut into the popularity of the player piano. While many early record players were a fairly large piece of furniture, they took up much less room than a player piano. The end of the player piano came with the Stock Market Crash of 1929 which put an end to the industry.

We don't have a player piano (though we would like one), but we do have a pump and quite a few music rolls from the COA, some of which are shown here. We shared some of the rolls with the Middleboro Historical Museum (they have a piano). The ones we kept cover military, holiday and show tunes.

Thanks to Sue LaFleur for the research that supported this article.

Rochester Historical Society Events

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Cranberry Bake Sale and accompanying sales a success. We were happy to reopen our current exhibit: How We Entertained Ourselves for 337 years. Our exhibit is supported by the Rochester Cultural Council, a town agency, supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The Museum will be open to share the exhibit most Sundays through the Fall. It's a good idea to call Sue 508 295 8908 or Connie 617 750 2818 to make sure we have coverage.

Our October meeting will be "Bats in the Belfry and Mack in the Attic" at 7:00 pm on **October 16**.

Also, in October on **Saturday the 26th** at 11:00, the Sons of the American Revolution are conducting a grave marking ceremony at the grave of Thomas Bassett. Everyone is invited.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Join Miss Macy for story times every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30, starting in October.

Join us at the library for Ghosts and Legends with Jeff Belanger, Friday **October 11** at 6:30. For over 20 years, Jeff Belanger has been exploring the unexplained.

TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights Sept 22-Sept 28

- Front St – Disabled vessel
- Point Rd – Officer wanted
- Church St – Assist municipal agency
- Indian Cove Rd – EMS/medical
- Point Rd - Disturbance
- Village Dr – General service
- Point Rd – General service
- Inland Rd – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Health/welfare
- South St – Suspicious person
- Point Rd – Suspicious person
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Paper service
- Wareham Rd - Fraud
- Delano Rd – Found property
- Bullivant Farm Rd – MV complaint
- Delano Rd - Disturbance
- Quail's Crossing Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Animal control
- Piney Point – General service
- Joanne Dr – Officer wanted
- Nokomis Rd – Burglar alarm
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Converse Rd – Found property
- Delano Rd EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Officer wanted
- River Rd – Parking enforcement
- Village Dr – Officer wanted
- Arrowhead Ln – EMS/medical

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Sept 22-Sept 28

- Marion Rd – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- North St – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – Ambulance request
- Shore Dr – Harbormaster emergency
- Church St – Structure fire
- Barstow St - Disturbance
- Sagamore Rd – Medical assist
- Brant Beach Ave – Medical assist
- Acushnet Rd – General service
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd – B&E
- Tinkham Ln – 911 call
- Fairhaven Rd – Animal control
- Baker Ln – Medical assist
- County Rd – Property lost
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd – Missing person
- I195 East – MV violations
- Shaw St – General service
- Wendell St – Suspicious noise
- Brant Beach Ave – MV crash
- Crestfield St – Follow up investigation
- Acushnet Rd – Suspicious persons
- Noyes Ave – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Church St – Animal control
- Bayberry Ln – Suspicious MV
- Church St – Ambulance request
- Crystal Spring Rd – Harassment
- North St – Medical alarm
- Beacon St – Animal control

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Sept 22-Sept 28

- Morse Ct – Disabled MV
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Erratic MV
- North Ave - Medical
- Cranberry Hwy – Community policing
- County Rd – Animal control
- Ryder Rd – General services
- Benson Rd – MV collision
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Cushman Rd - Fraud
- Pine St – Animal control
- Snipatuit Rd – 911 call
- High St - Investigation
- Hathaway Pond Cir – CO alarm
- Rte 495 N – MV collision
- Horse Pond Rd - Investigation
- Snipatuit Rd – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Walnut Plain Rd – Well-being check
- Burgess Ave - Complaint
- North Ave - Medical
- Hartley Rd – Medical alarm
- Pine St – Animal control
- Walnut Plain Rd – Well-being check
- Foss Farm Ln – Follow up
- County Rd – Assist other agency
- Burgess Ave – Suspicious activity
- Mendell Rd – Suspicious activity
- North Ave – MV stop/citation
- Alley Rd – Civil complaint

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Oct 7: Beef teriyaki, white rice, carrots, dinner roll, mixed fruit
Tuesday, Oct 8: Caprese salad, stewed chicken, polenta, vegetable medley, cornbread loaf, pear
Wednesday, Oct 9: Tuscan white fish, rice pilaf, mixed vegetable, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding, low sugar: mixed fruit
Thursday, Oct 10: Roast turkey w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, cornbread loaf, oatmeal cookie, low sugar: mixed fruit
Friday, Oct 11: Pumpkin ravioli w/ sage cream sauce, broccoli, bread stick, cinnamon apples

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Oct 7: Hamburger OR cheeseburger, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce & tomato, pickle
Tuesday, Oct 8: Chicken fajita rice bowl, black bean salad
Wednesday, Oct 9: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, Oct 10: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, garlic breadstick, steamed

broccoli

Friday, Oct 11: Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries served w/honey mustard dipping sauce and fresh veggie sticks

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Oct 7: Hamburger OR cheeseburger, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce & tomato, pickle
Tuesday, Oct 8: Chicken fajita rice bowl, black bean salad
Wednesday, Oct 9: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
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Friday, Oct 11: Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries served w/honey mustard dipping sauce and fresh veggie sticks

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Oct 7: Hamburger OR cheeseburger, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce &

tomato, pickle

Tuesday, Oct 8: Chicken fajita rice bowl, black bean salad
Wednesday, Oct 9: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, Oct 10: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Oct 11: Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries served w/honey mustard dipping sauce and fresh veggie sticks

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Oct 7: Hamburger OR cheeseburger, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce & tomato, pickle
Tuesday, Oct 8: Chicken fajita rice bowl, black bean salad
Wednesday, Oct 9: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, Oct 10: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Oct 11: Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked

French fries served w/honey mustard dipping sauce and fresh veggie sticks

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Oct 7: Hamburger OR cheeseburger, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges, lettuce & tomato, pickle
Tuesday, Oct 8: Chicken fajita rice bowl, black bean salad
Wednesday, Oct 9: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, Oct 10: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Oct 11: Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries served w/honey mustard dipping sauce and fresh veggie sticks

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Oct 7: Build "A" burrito bowl
Tuesday, Oct 8: Macaroni & cheese or buffalo mac & cheese
Wednesday, Oct 9: Chicken chow mein & chop suey veggies
Thursday, Oct 10: BBQ chicken bacon ranch flat bread
Friday, Oct 11: Assorted pizza

He seeks out history, folklore, ghosts, monsters and legends all over the world and in your backyard. His talk presents highlights from his own adventures, a look at the investigation process and compelling audio and visual paranormal evidence. Not just focused on ghost stories, Belanger's presentation will delve into the reasons behind the legends. Call the library to register for this free event.

Support the library by enjoying a delicious dinner and lively book discussion at a Marion neighbor's home at Tables of Content, a fund-raising event for the Elizabeth Taber Library – Sunday **October 20 & Friday October 25**. Go to the library's website to register, select your book choices and date, get your book assignment & start reading, receive your dinner location and enjoy your evening. Tickets are \$75 per person; all proceeds benefit the library. Learn more and view title options by visiting our website.

The Banned Book Club returns to discuss the widely-censored horror story *The Picture of Dorian Gray* on Tuesday, **October 15** at 6:30 pm. Eat, drink and discuss Oscar Wilde's classic gothic novel and the terrors of censorship. Copies of this month's title are available at the library's circulation desk.

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Historic Survey Completed for 70 Additional Marion Properties

The Marion Historical Commission is pleased to report that Phase 4 of our survey of the town's historic and architecturally significant properties has recently been completed by preservation consultant Lynn Smiledge.

Property owners of the surveyed resources will soon be receiving a copy of the Inventory Form for their properties. These forms are prepared according to standards established by the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office. The forms will also soon be available at the Sippican Historical Society and at the Elizabeth Taber Library, as well as on the Historical Commission webpage: www.marionma.gov/524/Historical-Commission.

This phase focused on historic properties on Converse and Moorings Roads, Delano Road, Point Road, Allen's Point Road and West Drive. In addition, a historic study of Planting Island's development has been completed, which we plan to use as the basis for a special exhibit at the Sippican Historical Society in the near future.

The inventory forms offer a detailed architectural description and a historical narrative, including photographs and historic views, when available. Together they provide a fascinating look at the historic development of the town, of who the key players were in terms of both development and property ownership,

altogether giving us a better understanding of Marion's unique character, both in previous eras and today.

Tri-County Symphonic Band 63rd Concert Season

The Tri-County Symphonic Band, under the direction of Philip Sanborn, unveils its 63rd concert season. From a poignantly powerful opening concert to a cartoon spectacular under the tent, this season invites everyone to share in the excitement generated by the very best symphonic band music ever written.

Sunday, **October 27**, 3:00 pm: The opening concert, "A European Adventure" combines some very new music written by Cape Cod composer Thomas Borning with some venerable works that form the basis of the symphonic band repertoire. Borning's "Lift Off" was commissioned by the Tri-County Symphonic Band and will have its World Premiere at this concert. Karel Husa's masterpiece "Music for Prague 1968" follows as the band experiences the profound sonic portrayal of an historic moment in the challenging political landscape of Eastern Europe. Norman Dello Joio's "Scenes from the Louvre" delights with a Renaissance slant. An explosive opus of Frank Ticheli's is next with dynamic bursts of musical thrills and excitement entitled "Vesuvius." The concert concludes with an arrangement of Chick Corea's "Spain" featuring tenor saxophonist Andrew Ponte.

Sunday, **December 8**, 1:30 pm: The Annual Children's Christmas Concert will take place at the Sippican School in Marion as everyone is very much looking forward to continuing the long-established tradition. A special treat is a performance by the Sippican School Concert Choir. This concert celebrates the holiday season and is free admission for all, our gift to the community.

Sunday, **February 2**, 3:00 pm: The February concert this season is a tribute to the John Philip Sousa Band of the early 1900's. Sousa's band was a touring phenomenon of the era and always included a variety of music, marches and a soloist. This concert, entitled "A Sousa Spectacular" will feature works by Aaron Copland, Andrew Boysen, George Gershwin, Jean Sibelius and, of



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- 1 Willing to go along with it
- 9 Lyric work
- 12 It follows pi
- 15 Swindle
- 19 Receiving steady pay
- 20 Extreme agitation
- 22 Woman
- 23 Golf tee shot that goes down a mountain cliff?
- 25 Sheriff Taylor's boy
- 26 Leaking goop
- 27 Suffix with hero
- 28 "Ho-hum"
- 29 Harder to find
- 30 Pretty soon
- 33 Brilliant golf shot?
- 38 Big continent
- 40 Outfielder Slaughter
- 41 Intertwine
- 42 Yearning to play golf again?
- 47 Bell's ring
- 48 Your and my
- 51 Red as —
- 52 Scarf down
- 53 Gift topper
- 54 Singer Fisher
- 56 Crater parts
- 57 Eye sore

- 58 Young woman who's very skilled with metal golf clubs?
- 60 CBS series set in Vegas
- 61 "I never — purple cow ..."
- 62 Actress Dunham
- 64 Tennis star Andre
- 65 Precious gem hidden among a golf course's long grass?
- 70 Immediately
- 72 — buco
- 73 In addition
- 74 Sigh of relief
- 77 Amazingly executed approach shot that a golfer recalls often?
- 80 "I Shot Andy Warhol" actress Taylor
- 81 Lhasa —
- 82 Circus venue
- 83 Muffin grain
- 84 Tots' batting game
- 86 Food intakes
- 87 Belittle, in hip-hop
- 88 Cafe freebie

- 90 Golfer's cry when a would-be one-under-par shot almost goes in the hole?
- 92 Sheep group
- 93 Foal's mother
- 94 Tears on foot
- 95 Lettuce or spinach cultivated in a golf putting area?
- 101 One of the Twin Cities
- 105 Bolt variety
- 106 Cattle call
- 107 Jackie's "O"
- 109 Height: Prefix
- 110 Elliptical
- 111 No matter how an errant golf shot is made?
- 117 Walk in shallow water
- 118 — Boys (rap trio)
- 119 Thrombocyte
- 120 Winter glider
- 121 Mag workers
- 122 Likely (to)
- 123 Special outdoor mall event

- 3 Doolittle of "Pygmalion"
- 4 Places for warships
- 5 Is plural?
- 6 Life story, in brief
- 7 Jeans maker Strauss
- 8 Idyllic places
- 9 Slugger Mel
- 10 "Obviously!"
- 11 In advance of
- 12 Bronc riding event
- 13 Pompous
- 14 Corrida yell
- 15 2017 U.S. Open winner
- 16 — pants
- 17 Kin of "Ciao!"
- 18 Clinton aide
- 21 Viral videos, e.g.
- 24 On Social Sec., say
- 29 Group of amateur sports teams playing for fun
- 31 "— really true?"
- 32 Stannite yield
- 34 Brand of lens solution
- 35 Like spud-peeling GIs
- 36 Boxing stats
- 37 Damsel

- 39 Tot's "terrible" time
- 42 With 2-Down, stand-up comic who co-starred on Netflix's "GLOW"
- 43 Heron cousin
- 44 Rounded roof halves
- 45 — egg (flop)
- 46 Native suffix
- 47 In addition
- 48 Having an irregular form
- 49 Road 180s
- 50 Italian painter Guido —
- 53 Male bud
- 55 From corner to corner: Abbr.
- 57 Lacking in variety, informally
- 58 Grooving on
- 59 Native Kiwi
- 61 Christian rite
- 62 Speech flaw
- 63 USNA grad
- 66 A part of
- 67 "Get going!"
- 68 Actress Blunt
- 69 Hair curler
- 70 In — rush
- 71 Actress Garr
- 75 — Spumante
- 76 Stockings
- 78 Sentenced to punishment

- 79 Cap
- 80 Testing site
- 81 Often-restricted flying zones
- 84 Banks of fashion
- 85 Telly network, with "the"
- 86 By — of (due to)
- 89 Hip-hop mogul Gotti
- 90 Belfry flier
- 91 Urban vehicle
- 92 Followed closely, as a dog
- 93 Cat calls
- 95 Gets bigger
- 96 Opponent
- 97 Sidestep
- 98 Works by painter Francisco
- 99 Thai tongue
- 100 Explode
- 102 Amtrak train
- 103 An archangel
- 104 Singer Lenya
- 108 Atoll unit
- 111 1860s prez
- 112 — glance
- 113 Quick bark
- 114 Despite that
- 115 Multiple-PC system
- 116 "Addams Family" cousin

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Travel plans could be interrupted by the reemergence of a workplace problem that was never quite fully resolved. Deal with it at once, then take off on a well-deserved trip.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Aspects favor cultural activities for sensuous Bovines. Attend a concert or an art show. Better yet, create something yourself (a poem, perhaps?), and dedicate it to someone special.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Respect any doubts you might now be feeling about a new situation. They could be reflecting your inner awareness that some essential information might be missing. Check it out.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's important to start the new week with as clean of a slate as possible. Either complete all those unfinished tasks, or pass them on to others who would be more than happy to take them on.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time to cut down on expenses and tame the urge to splurge. Applying some financial discipline now could help the Big Cat ride out a possible monetary crunch later on.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Money matters are dominant this week. Recheck your accounts and make sure they're up-to-date. Also, pay more attention to personal issues before they become major problems.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might be tempted to employ the same tactics as your adversary, but this could backfire. Better to use the same balanced approach that has worked for you before and could work again.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A changing workplace environment could stir up confusion as well as apprehension. Best to ignore the rumors and get the facts. You could find that the changes bring positive elements.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Communication is easier this week, as people are ready and eager to hear what you have to say. Also, check for possible technical problems before you start a new project.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Aspects favor change for the usually traditional Goat. Opening your mind to possibilities you had ignored could lead you to make decisions you once considered improbable.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Making personal as well as professional adjustments to changing conditions might be easier with more information explaining the hows and the whys of the situations in question.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) With a growing tide of positive reactions to buoy your confidence, this could be the right time to put the finishing touches on your new project and get it well and truly launched.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for setting an example of quiet, calm reasoning in the midst of chaotic conditions.

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course, John Philip Sousa. Tuba soloist Reece Ashley will perform the Tuba Concerto by Edward Gregson.

Sunday, **March 16**, 3:00 pm: The history of jazz will be the focus of the band's March offering. The program called "Jazz Through the Decades" will highlight some of the most important composers with symphonic band arrangements of works that guide us through the various styles of jazz over the years. Clarinetist Charlie Suriyakham will perform Ante Ggrin's Concertino for Clarinet. Also, pianist/arranger Matt Richard will lead his jazz trio with a suite that he has adapted for trio and symphonic band.


Sunday, **June 8**, 2:00pm: Once again, the band will be under the Grand Tent at Tabor Academy for the



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Halloween Cover Contest!

Your best Halloween artwork could be on the cover of The Wanderer and you could win \$100!

Submit your best original Halloween drawing, photo, compilation, or anything else we can print on our cover to enter.

Deadline for submitting artwork is Monday, October 21 at noon.

Online voting will take place from October 22 to October 28

The winner will be on the cover of the October 31 edition of The Wanderer.

The Fine Print:

All entries must include a signed copy of the Official Entry Form, that can be picked up at The Wanderer office, 55 County Road, Mattapoisett, or downloaded at www.wanderer.com (Click on "Cover Contest").

A full list of rules and regulations can be found at www.wanderer.com



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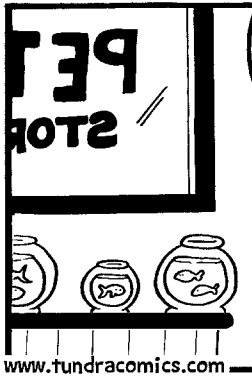


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Annual Pops Concert to benefit the John R. Pandolfi Music Scholarship Fund. This year's concert will be all about animation as we shine the spotlight on the music from such "drawn" classics as "Fantasia", "The Prince of Egypt", "Beauty and the Beast" and "The Incredibles", to name a few. The band will also collaborate with the South Coast Children's Chorus to add their abundant talents to our homage to the program entitled "An Animated Afternoon."

The 2024-2025 concert season, the Tri-County Symphonic Band's sixty-third, is testament to the organization's commitment to bring quality live music to the community. For more information, visit: tricontysymphonicband.org.

Rochester Flu Vaccine Clinic

A Flu Vaccine Clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, **October 15** from 11 to 1 at the Rochester Senior Center. Both the high dose and regular dose will be available. The high dose is for people age 65 and older. Preregistration is encouraged. Walk-ins will be taken at 12:30 with remaining vaccine. To register, use the link: signup.com/go/WJJtVNA, contact the Senior Center, or come to the weekly Wellness Clinics at the Senior Center from 10-12.

SouthCoast Landmarks and Whimsy

The Mattapoisett Free Public Library Artist Series presents a library exhibit called "SouthCoast Landmarks



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and Whimsy" by Fall River artist MJ Manville from **October 1 to October 30**. Manville works mostly in realism with a sprinkling of abstract and enjoys playing with color using traditional mediums such as soft oil pastel, acrylic and watercolor. Her credo is "unique, original, affordable" which allows all people to afford original artwork. Each of the 16 pieces depict local SouthCoast landmarks. Manville has been featured on the local cable FRED TV "Art Corner program." Her more at her website www.mjmanvilleart.com and on Facebook and Instagram. Her artwork is available for purchase by direct contact and is available at her studio, the Viva Fall River Visitor Center and Shop in downtown Fall River where she is a resident artist. The exhibit is free and open



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<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BARN AND KENNEL INSPECTIONS PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>The Rochester Animal Inspector has commenced barn and kennel inspections as of October 1st, 2024.</p> <p>Please contact the Animal Inspector should you have any questions at 508-649-9813. 9/26, 10/3, 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm ****Meeting will be held on October 17, 2024****</p> <p>Case #1551: Petition of: John & Bridget O'Donnell Szymczuk, 156 North Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 RE: 156 North Street. The applicant is seeking a Variance under Article 6, Table 6.5 as provided by Section 7.2.3. of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to build a 12X24 in ground pool in area with less setbacks than needed.</p> <p>The property is further described as Plot 19, Lot 26 on the Assessors map. The meeting will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, October 17, 2024.</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.</p> <p>Sincerely, Susan Akin, Chairperson Tony Tranfaglia, Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Jordan Rodrigues 10/3, 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>In accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A Section 9, you are hereby notified of a public hearing. The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a hearing on Monday October 21, at 7:00 pm, at the Mattapoisett Fire Station Meeting Room, 62 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, to consider a proposed amendment to the Town of Mattapoisett Zoning By-laws to add an Accessory Dwelling Unit By-law in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40A Section 1A and Section 3, the draft text of which is on file with the office of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board. All persons, parties, or corporations interested therein may appear and be heard in relation thereto.</p> <p>Thomas Tucker, Chairman 10/3, 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 4:40 pm in the meeting room of the Marion Town House at 2 Spring Street on the variance request submitted by G.A.F. Engineering, Inc. pertaining to the property located at 18 Sippican Lane, further identified as Map 2, Lot 159-A.</p> <p>The following variance is requested from the Marion Sanitary Code (MSC): M.S.C. Section 4.180.5: New Construction (New</p>	<p>Systems or Increase in Flow):</p> <p>This section of the Code requires a denitrification system be installed for all new construction. The requested waiver is to allow a conventional sewage disposal system to be installed without a denitrification component for a proposed detached garage, with two bedrooms above, adjacent to the existing home.</p> <p>John B. Howard, MD, Chair 10/3, 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Pursuant to M.G.L. 40A, §5, notice is hereby given that Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770 to consider the following amendments to the Town of Rochester Zoning By-Laws:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend Section 22.50 of the Zoning By-laws-Large Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installations by adding a new section under 22.50.1.8 Historical Resources • Amend Section 22.10 of the Zoning Bylaws-Site Plan Review by adding a new section under 22.10.1.4.15 Historical Resources • Revise Chapter 20.40 Agricultural-Residential District, Back Lot Changes, Section D. 6.a., of the Rochester Zoning Bylaws • Revise Chapter 20.40 Agricultural-Residential District, Section D.1., Lot Dimensions, of the Rochester Zoning Bylaws, Access to Lots • Revise Chapter 20.40 Agricultural-Residential District, Section D.1, Lot Dimensions, of the Rochester Zoning Bylaws, Shape of Lot • Revise Chapter 21.40, Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations Overlay District, Applicability 21.40.2.2 <p>Copies of the articles are on file at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road during between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82645457400 Meeting ID: 826 4545 7400 Or Call: # 1 646 876 9923</p> <p>Arnie Johnson, Chairman 10/3 Town of Rochester -- Case No. 11532 Annual Town Meeting of May 13, 2024 Articles # 17, 18, 19, and 20 Attorney General's Limited Authority to Waive Procedural Defects in the Notice of the Planning Board Hearing</p> <p>Pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32, if the Attorney General finds there to be any defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment of any zoning by-law relating to the form or content of the notice of the Planning Board hearing prescribed by G.L. c. 40A, § 5, or to the manner or dates on which said notice is mailed, posted or published as required by that section, then instead of disapproving the by-law or amendment by reason of any such defect, the Attorney General may elect to proceed under the defect waiver provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32. Under those provisions, the Attorney General is conditionally authorized to waive any such defect.</p> <p>Defect Determined in Notice of Planning Board Hearing</p> <p>The Attorney General has determined that the planning board hearing notice relating to the above Articles failed to comply with the notice</p>	<p>requirements for such hearing established by G.L. c. 40A, § 5. Section 5 provides in part (with emphasis added):</p> <p>No zoning...by-law or amendment thereto shall be adopted until after the planning board in a...town has...held a public hearing thereon...at which interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard....Notice of the time and place of such hearing, of the subject matter, sufficient for identification, and of the place where texts and maps thereof may be inspected shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the...town once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of said hearing, and by posting such notice in a conspicuous place in the...town hall for a period of not less than fourteen days before the day of said hearing. Notice of said hearing shall also be sent by mail, postage prepaid to the executive office of housing and livable communities, the regional planning agency, if any, and to the planning board of each abutting city and town....In cases involving boundary, density or use changes within a district, notice shall be sent to any such nonresident property owner who has filed such a request with the city or town clerk and whose property lies in the district where the change is sought.</p> <p>Based on the materials submitted to this Office, we have identified the following defects: (1) the planning board hearing notice was first published on April 11, 2024 for a hearing on April 23, 2024. This publishing was only twelve days prior to the hearing, not fourteen days as required by G.L. c. 40A, § 5; and (2) the planning board hearing notice was posted in the Town Hall on April 10, 2024 for a hearing on April 23, 2024. This posting was only thirteen days prior to the hearing, not fourteen days as required by G.L. c. 40A, § 5. For these reasons, the 90-day period prescribed for the Attorney General's review of Article 24 is suspended in accordance with G.L. c. 40, § 32.</p> <p>Attorney General's Election to Proceed Under the Waiver Provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32</p> <p>The Attorney General has elected to proceed under the limited defect waiver authority conferred by G.L. c. 40, § 32.</p> <p>Suspension of Review of Zoning By-Law Amendments</p> <p>The 90-day period prescribed by law for the Attorney General's review of local by-laws is therefore suspended in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 32.</p> <p>Posting and Publication of This Notice</p> <p>The Town Clerk shall post a true copy of this Notice in a conspicuous place in the Rochester Town Hall for a period of not less than 14 days and shall publish a copy once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Rochester. Filing of Claim That Defect in Notice Was Misleading or Otherwise Prejudicial</p> <p>Within 21 days of the date on which this Notice is published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Rochester, any resident of the Town of Rochester, or the owner of any real property in the Town of Rochester or any other party entitled to notice of the planning board hearing may file with the Town Clerk a written statement that the notice defect was misleading or otherwise prejudicial. The statement must include the reasons supporting the claim that the defect in the Planning Board Notice was misleading or otherwise prejudicial. This statement must be actually on file with the Town Clerk not later than 21 days from the date</p>

to all.

Mattapoissett Community Preservation

The Mattapoissett Community Preservation Committee will be accepting project funding applications for Committee consideration and presentation at the Spring 2025 Annual Town Meeting. The Project Application will be available on the Town Website and in Paper form at the Selectmen’s Office on October 4.

Submit completed applications by **November 6** to Mattapoissett Community Preservation Committee, c/o Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen’s Office, PO Box 435, 16 Main Street, Mattapoissett, MA 02739

Each project request must be submitted to the CPA Committee using the Project Application Form. Nine (9) copies of the application package must be provided to the Committee. For information and questions email cwmccullough@comcast.net. Application submission due date is **November 6**.

Smart Driver Course

All drivers, regardless of age, are welcome. Become a safe and more confident driver. Take the one-

day AARP Smart Driver course on Thursday, **October 4** from 9:30 am to 3 pm, with a 30 min. lunch break. Refresh your driving skills, plus safer driving can save you more than just money. This course teaches proven driving techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe. Upon completion, you may be eligible to receive an auto insurance discount. Other restrictions may apply. Consult your auto insurance agent for details.

For more info., visit ww.aarp.org/driving36. Location: COA, 17 Barstow St., Mattapoissett. Cost: \$20—AARP members; \$25—nonmembers. Register: 508-758-4110 or coadirector@mattapoissett.net.

Mattapoissett Sustainability Partnership’s First Fall Cleanup

Picture this: a serene beach at sunrise, waves gently lapping the shore, and seagulls doing their best impression of a morning choir. But wait—what’s that? A plastic bottle half-buried in the sand, like an unwelcome guest at a beach party. Earth cleanups are our chance to kick out those uninvited guests—litter, trash, and waste—and restore our natural spaces.

Join the Mattapoissett Sustainability Partnership

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<p>on which this Notice is published in the newspaper. Town Clerk’s Certification of Compliance with This Notice</p> <p>After the expiration of the 21-day period, the Town Clerk shall submit to the Attorney General a true copy of this Notice with a certification of compliance with the publishing and posting requirements of the preceding paragraph, and a certification that either (a) no claim was filed within the 21-day period, or (b) one or more claims were filed within the 21-day period. The Town Clerk shall submit to the Attorney General true copies of any such claim(s).</p> <p>Resumption of Attorney General’s Review</p> <p>Upon receipt of one original copy of this Notice with the Clerk’s certification, the 90-day period provided for the Attorney General’s review under G.L. c. 40, § 32, shall resume. If no claim is made, the Attorney General has the discretion to waive any such defect; if any claim is made, however, the Attorney General may not waive any such defect.</p> <p>Note: By not filing a claim under this provision, a person shall not be deprived of the right to assert a claim of invalidity arising out of any possible defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment, as provided in G.L. c. 40, § 32, and in G.L. c. 40A, § 5.</p> <p>Date: September 27, 2024</p> <p>Very truly yours, ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL ATTORNEY GENERAL Nicole B. Caprioli By: Nicole B. Caprioli Assistant Attorney General Municipal Law Unit 10 Mechanic Street, Suite 301 Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 792-7600 ext. 4418 cc: Town Counsel Elizabeth Lydon 10/3</p>	<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER SOIL BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Soil Board will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, October 10 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, in Rochester regarding a Soil Removal Permit Application received from Wilson Cranberry LLC, for property located off Gerrish Road in Rochester, MA 02770, further identified as Assessor’s Map 43A, Lot 65. The property owner is Marc T. Wilson., 5 Hayes Street, East Freetown, MA 02717. The applicant proposes to remove excess material to renovate his cranberry bogs.</p> <p>The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday, and 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Friday. Richard Charon, Chairman 10/3, 10/10</p> <p>-----</p> <p>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM Notice of License Application Pursuant to M. G. L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application Number 24-WW01-0094-APP Dexter Beach Improvement Association, Inc. NOTIFICATION DATE: October 4, 2024</p> <p>Public notice is hereby given of the Waterways application by Dexter Beach Improvement Association, Inc. to construct and maintain a float extension and associated float piles at 0 Dinghy Road in the municipality of Marion, in and over the waters of Weweantic River. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.</p> <p>The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received within thirty (30) days subsequent to the “Notification Date”. Failure of any municipality,</p>	<p>aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more, with at least five of the ten residents residing in the municipality(s) in which the license or permitted activity is located, to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).</p> <p>Project plans and documents for the Waterways application are on file for public viewing electronically at: https://eeonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/ (enter the project address in the Search Page as the Location Address). If you need assistance, please contact Carlos.fragata@mass.gov or if you do not have access to email, please leave a voicemail at (617) 413-3768 and you will be contacted with information on alternative options.</p> <p>Written comments must be addressed to: Carlos T. B. Fragata, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347. 10/3</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoissett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 15, 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 Richard J. Detucci (owner Unit C) for Stingray Village Condominium Association in Trust, 98 Marion Rd, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to prevent further erosion of fill and debris onto the Conservation land. Install soil fabric 165’x8’ and Rip Rap approx. 12” thick to slope on Association common property. The project is located at 98 Marion Road, and is further identified as Lot 146 on Assessor Map 5.</p> <p>**Contact concomm@mattapoissett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/3</p>

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BBAHFH Seeking Wheelchair Ramps

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAHFH) is seeking metal wheelchair ramp donations for Ramp Donation Program. According to Executive Director Christine Lacourse, "When we introduced our ramp loan program, we suspected there would be a need in the community, but we had no idea how many phone calls we would be getting."

Earlier this year, BBAHFH formally introduced their Ramp Donation program to give low-income homeowners the accessibility they needed to remain in their homes. Through ramp donations and purchases, BBAHFH has built an inventory available that can be loaned out and installed by volunteers when needed by a family. BBAHFH is running this program throughout Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett,

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Lacourse added, "We have helped people who could not leave their home due to the stairs being a safety issue. A ramp provides freedom and a huge boost in quality of life, but our ramp inventory is running low, and we need the community's help to keep serving families needing assistance with accessibility to their homes."

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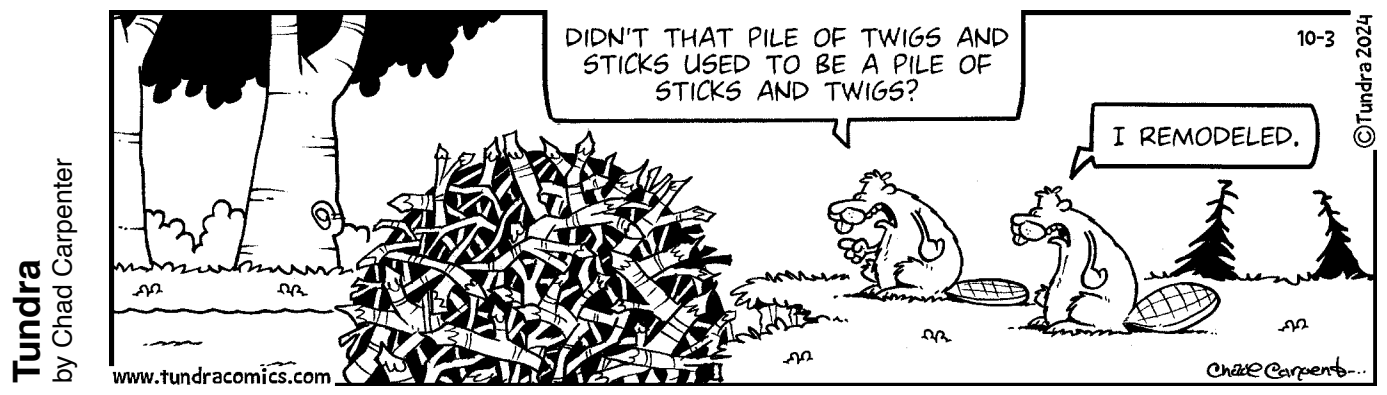
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In addition to providing ramps, BBAHFH's Brush with Kindness program also helps low-income homeowners with critical home repairs such as painting, minor exterior repairs, weatherization, exterior cleanup and other Aging-in-Place renovations. BBAHFH can often keep repair costs to a minimum due to discounted materials and volunteer labor and may even provide the family with a no-interest loan to cover any expenses.

The organization collaborates with other nonprofits and groups in the region, including the Councils of Aging, Veteran Service Officers, Coastal Neighbors Network, Association for the Relief of Aged Women (ARAW), Coastline Elderly Services and a numerous churches and faith organizations.

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Women's Self-defense Class

The Marion Police Department is hosting a women's self-defense class during Domestic Violence Awareness Month on **October 15 & 17** from 6-9 pm.

Last year's class was a huge success, and participants learned valuable life-saving skills. Our program aims to empower women by helping them learn the best techniques to protect themselves and build confidence in self-defense. We again are raising funds to donate to The Women's Center.

Please see the attached flyer and registration form for details.

Contact Lauren at 508-748-1212 with any questions.

ORR Class of 1985

The ORR Class of 1985 40th Class Reunion is scheduled to be held on Saturday, **August 2, 2025**.

Our reunion committee is working on location details and is excited to get our class together. We are looking at venues in Mattapoisett, New Bedford and Fairhaven.

We are trying very hard to keep the cost as low as possible - potential price between \$30-\$75 per person. We will let you know the details via email as soon as we lock in a venue.

We would like to get an idea on the number of classmates & spouses/significant others who plan on attending. Please respond if you are interested in attending the reunion to [Lisa Gayoski Garabedian](mailto:Lisa.Gayoski.Garabedian@lisagarabedian122@gmail.com) at lisagarabedian122@gmail.com.

Thank you, we hope to see you all there.

Mattapoisett Flu Vaccination Clinic

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Also, it is recommended that residents preregister for this clinic prior to arrival. To register, please visit the Town website and click on the registration link. If you need any assistance with registration, please do not hesitate to call the Public Health Nursing Office.

Residents in need of transportation to the clinic may schedule a ride with the Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA): 508-758-4110. Rides may be scheduled up to 48 hours in advance.

Lastly, if you are a Mattapoisett resident that is homebound and you would like to receive a flu vaccine, please contact the Mattapoisett Public Health Nurse at 508-758-4118.

Harvest Festival at FCCR

First Congregational Church of Rochester will host a Harvest Festival on Saturday, **October 5** from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. The outdoor festival will take place on the church green at 11 Constitution Way in Rochester and will include delicious treats and fun for the whole family such as a petting zoo, bounce house and face painting. Linda Summer of Agape Puppet Ministries will give two performances using props and chalk art. The Harvest Festival is free of charge, but the church welcomes donations of instant potatoes, stuffing mix, or cans of soup or cranberry sauce to support community families at Thanksgiving. For questions or more information, contact the church office at rochestercongregational@comcast.net or 508-763-4314.

MA Preservation Funds Available

The Marion Historical Commission is sharing this preservation funding opportunity for eligible 501c(3) nonprofit organizations throughout the Tri-Town area.

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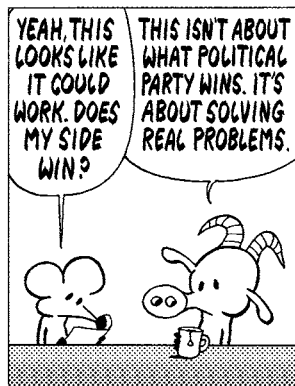
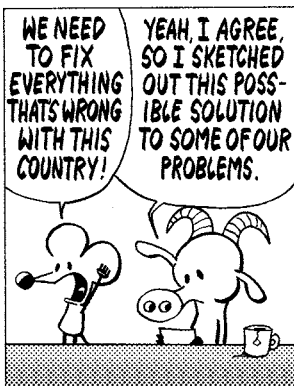
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis



projects, such as painting, finishes and surface restoration; repair to/restoration of porches, roofs and windows; foundation and sill repairs and chimney and masonry repointing on historic buildings owned or leased by eligible nonprofit organizations.

Properties must be listed in the National Register of Historic Places or be located within a Local Historic District to qualify. Schools and churches generally do not qualify.

For the full announcement, important dates, criteria and program details, visit the Preservation MA website at www.preservationmass.org. Questions on this grant program should be directed to: scaplanson@preservationmass.org.

Letters of Inquiry are due by **November 1**.

Sea Turtles in Massachusetts Waters

The Marion Natural History Museum is hosting "Sea Turtles in Massachusetts Waters" on **October 18** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Marion Natural History Museum, 8 Spring Street, Marion.

Join us when we welcome Massachusetts Audubon Sea Turtle Stranding Coordinator Karen Dourdeville. Let's hear about the efforts Mass Audubon is working on to protect these incredible animals in our waters.

Karen Dourdeville is actively involved in sea turtle research and conservation. She works as the sea turtle research coordinator at Mass Audubon's Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, and her work includes rescuing stranded sea turtles, studying their behavior and addressing threats like boat strikes and habitat loss.

Recently, she has been involved in documenting sea turtle nesting activities in Massachusetts, which is quite rare for the region. Her efforts are crucial in understanding and protecting these endangered species as they navigate the challenges posed by climate change and human activities. Program donations are \$10.00 nonmembers, \$8.00 for members.

Mattapoisett Cultural Council

Mattapoisett Cultural Council invites grant



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proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities and science programs until **October 16** at massculturalcouncil.org/communities/local-cultural-council-program/application-process/. Grants are available to support cultural projects and activities in and around Mattapoisett, -- including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies or performances in schools, workshops and lectures. These programs promote the availability of rich cultural experiences for Mattapoisett residents.

Eligible applicants include individuals, nonprofit organizations, associations or groups with a nonprofit purpose, public schools (including teachers, student groups and parent groups), libraries and other municipal agencies and religious organizations or for-profit organizations under certain circumstances.

Applicants are encouraged to review local funding priorities at www.mass-culture.org/mattapoisett. Applications will be evaluated with respect to how well the program meets local priorities, community support and involvement, evidence of track record, evidence that a public benefit will result from the project, financial need and demonstrated planning.

To contact Mattapoisett Cultural Council directly with questions, please email us at chrisbrennan1955@comcast.net.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS			<i>See past listing on our website: www.wanderer.com</i>		
Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Mccarthy, John Smithers, Kerry	Spillane Holdings LLC	9 Oliver St	Mattapoisett	09/12/2024	699,000.00
Sheehan, Judith	Bobseine, Mark J TR Mark J Bobseine RT	2 Port Way	Mattapoisett	09/13/2024	587,000.00
Duchaine, Joseph M TR 3 North Woods Lane RT	Duchaine, David J	0 Ocean Dr	Mattapoisett	09/13/2024	400,000.00
White, Frank S III	Henning, Laurel F Silveira, Raymond J Est	0 Oakland Way	Mattapoisett	09/13/2024	380,100.00
Zoe Partners LLC	Staples Realty Trust Staples, Sheila R TR	7 Captains Way	Marion	09/16/2024	1,100,000.00
Pierce, Cameron	Barbato, William Barbato, Kayla Venuti, Kayla	756 Snipatuit Rd	Rochester	09/17/2024	490,000.00

Local Tides



Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	October 3	9:00	9:14	2:16	2:48
Friday	October 4	9:32	9:47	2:48	3:26
Saturday	October 5	10:04	10:22	3:20	4:03
Sunday	October 6	10:38	11:01	3:53	4:37
Monday	October 7	11:17	11:45	4:26	5:12
Tuesday	October 8		12:03	5:02	5:52
Wednesday	October 9	12:36	12:57	5:44	6:45
Thursday	October 10	1:32	1:55	6:38	8:07
Friday	October 11	2:30	2:56	7:52	9:47
Saturday	October 12	3:31	4:00	9:22	10:44
Sunday	October 13	4:35	5:05	10:41	11:28
Monday	October 14	5:37	6:04	11:43	
Tuesday	October 15	6:32	6:58	12:08	12:37
Wednesday	October 16	7:24	7:48	12:47	1:29
Thursday	October 17	8:13	8:37	1:29	2:22
Friday	October 18	9:02	9:27	2:12	3:14
Saturday	October 19	9:52	10:18	2:57	4:05
Sunday	October 20	10:44	11:11	3:42	4:54

Phases of the Moon	First Quarter	October 10th
	Full Moon	October 17th
	Last Quarter	October 24th
	New Moon	November 1st

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 September 26, 2024 edition the Aardvark was on page 37

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

A	M	E	N	A	B	L	E	O	D	E	R	H	O	S	C	A	M			
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SCRAMBLERS

solution

- Prosper;
- Eschew;
- Sturdy;
- Amok

Today's Word

HOUSEWORK

Sudoku Answer

6	7	9	3	2	4	8	1	5
3	8	2	5	1	9	7	6	4
5	1	4	7	8	6	3	2	9
2	9	3	8	5	7	1	4	6
7	6	5	1	4	3	9	8	2
8	4	1	6	9	2	5	3	7
9	2	8	4	7	1	6	5	3
4	5	6	9	3	8	2	7	1
1	3	7	2	6	5	4	9	8



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Yellow Mustard..... **\$2.79**

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PAM
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17.5 oz. Chocolate Chip
Cookie Mix..... **2/\$6**

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Organic Smoothie..... **3/\$5**

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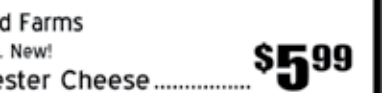
Deli Sliced. Oven Gold
Boar's Head
Turkey Breast
\$12.99 lb



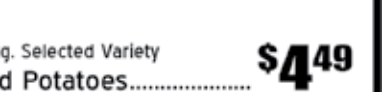
Boar's Head 10 oz. Pkg.
Selected Variety
Hummus..... **2/\$7**



Pineland Farms
7 oz. Pkg. New!
Gloucester Cheese..... **\$5.99**



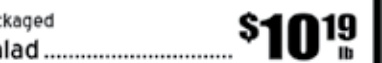
Simply
24 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety
Mashed Potatoes..... **\$4.49**



Store Made
Tuna Salad..... **\$12.99 lb**



Store Packaged
Egg Salad..... **\$10.19 lb**



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lb

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