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Mammograms Demystified

Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library – Rochester

By Marilou Newell

On October 7, Dr. Portia Silk of Southern New England Radiology was hosted to speak at the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library on the topic of mammograms. If you are a woman, you, like many others, dread the squishing and pulling that goes along with getting the best images possible. The importance of annual screening cannot be overstated. Simply put, it saves lives. As many as 1,000 women a year are saved by screening.

For over 20 years, the doctor has been screening women for breast cancer. She said there is no clear reason why these cancers occur, except possibly in cases where familiar DNA predisposes for cancer.

Over the years, some have believed that the radiation received during testing was too high a risk to take. That is simply not true. Every day, we are bombarded by radiation from the natural environment at rates higher than those used in mammogram screenings. Like many things in medicine, we need to consider the risk/benefit ratio. With cancer rates rising in younger women, those considerations need to come sooner rather than later. It is recommended that women 40 years of age should begin getting annual mammograms and continuing screening into senior years (above 75 and older).

Silk said that although the technician may take many images, "...it doesn't mean anything is wrong... they are just trying to get the best images possible."

The doctor spoke using much medical terminology but explained terms such as tomosynthesis (3D imaging), distortion (breast tissue that is abnormally shaped), calcification (calcium deposits), and pleomorphic (cells of differing shapes).

One of the more common terms a woman may

hear is that her breasts are "dense." Dense breast tissue makes imaging more difficult Silk explained, not that cancer is present. Therefore, dense breast tissue makes detecting cancer all the more difficult. Real images were part of the presentation. These specimens drove home just how difficult it can be to see cancers even in non-dense breasts.

High breast density isn't rare. Silk said 10% of dense breasts are fatty, 43% have scattered density, 39% have heterogeneous breast and 8% would be classified as extremely dense.

After screening, Silk said you may get a call to come back in for more imaging. She said the majority of the time its just to get a better image – not that anything has been found or is wrong. Easily said, "Don't worry," but returning to get more imaging done is necessary to get conclusive test results that nothing is wrong.

Silk presented facts regarding breast cancer risks. She mentioned both personal data and heredity data are taken into consideration. Personal details include

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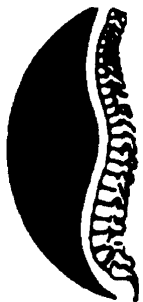
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the onset of menses, onset of menopause, no children or children after 30, postmenopausal obesity, hormone replacement therapy, alcohol use, physical inactivity, and type 2 diabetes. On the heredity side are 1st degree relatives with breast cancer before 50, two or more family members with breast or ovarian cancer, first degree relative with ovarian cancer, any male breast cancer, and gene mutations such as BRCA (breast cancer gene).

The biggest take away was not only the sheer importance of breast cancer screening but the age to begin – 40.

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Run Charlie Run

By Marilou Newell

One day many decades ago, a young executive found himself contemplating his future. He'd achieved so much in life already including securing a job with IBM and becoming a top sales earner – he was living the life others could only dream of. But in this moment of reflection, it all rang hollow. Charlie Bell found himself at a crossroads.

As an avid long-distance runner, Bell aspired to become an Olympian. He took his running very seriously. As thoughts of ditching his career and the desire to officially become a marathon runner merged like converging rivers, Bell struck a plan. It wasn't fully formed but it excited his imagination – running the perimeter of the United States. Run Charlie run.

Bell knew he'd have to, number one: convince his parents, and number two: believe he would be safe. It was the nineteen-seventies, people were hitchhiking all over the globe. What could go wrong? Bell was young, strong, and fearless.

Using his training in salesmanship, he eventually gained his parents' agreement. Albeit there were caveats such as staying in touch, keeping them informed, and not taking chances. The biggest chance, of course, would be trusting others to do him no harm. Thus, Bell began planning the trip and pushing away any unsolicited anxiety. Dreams of marathons got him out the door.

Another aspect of the journey was Bell's plan to keep a daily diary. He hoped to chronicle the thousands of people he would meet and the thousands of places he would see. He came to find that many days were uneventful, just a day running his prescribed twenty-five to thirty miles. Yet each day brought with it the kindness of strangers.

Bell began his trip heading south, away from the advancing fall and winter months of the north. Then heading west, then north, and east towards home. Roughly ten-thousand miles. He planned for the run to take him fifteen months. It would take nineteen. In spite of sustaining a knee injury he ran all but the last four

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hundred miles which ultimately, he had to walk. At no time did he consider quitting.

And what about those thousands of people he'd encounter along the way? They live on in the eight hundred pages Bell has written.

Still unpublished but looking for an editor or possibly self-publication, Bell is now comfortably ensconced in Mattapoissett with his wife Kay Lindsay, an educator, and his daughter Amelia. Bell produces a podcast chronicling his adventure. The podcasts are aired on ORCTV to whom Bell is very appreciative, as well as other venues.

But wait, what about the people? Bell said, "What I came to realize is that people are basically good." Of course, that included his mother who sent him a pair of new running shoes from the supply he left in her care when he would contact her to do so.

On September 29, Bell spoke for forty-five minutes to a rapt audience at the Mattapoissett Free Public Library. From coast to coast, he ran (this time from memory), sharing stories of the people he encountered

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along the way.

There was the family from Louisiana who fed him Cajun food and, considering him a new family member, included him in celebrating the birth of a new grandchild by insisting he go to the hospital with them. There were the countless good folks who offered him overnight lodging which several times included a jail cot and churches willing to leave their doors open for Bell. The man who Bell would later realize was trying to hit on him, today he only feels compassion for his closeted life, "Imagine how lonely he must have felt."

Catching up with Bell we asked if he has stayed in touch with any of the people he met. "Yes, the family with the baby." He said that through Facebook he has

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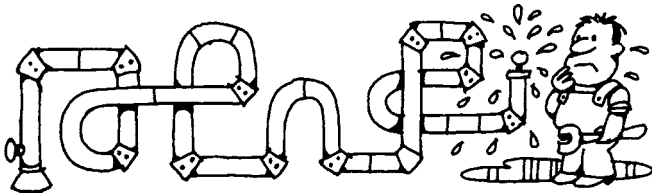
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Sleep Problems and How to Fix Them

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

To sleep...perchance to dream

Insomnia, dissatisfaction with sleep quality or duration, is a common problem. Some 10% of Americans have chronic insomnia and another 15-20% have occasional insomnia.

While scientists do not fully understand why we (and virtually all living animals) need to sleep, lack of sleep contributes to many problems, including interpersonal, school and work functioning, depression and hypertension.

There are specific medical problems that may underlie insomnia. Restless legs and obstructive sleep apnea lead this list and will respond to specific therapies. Your bed partner is more likely to pick up on these than are you, and a session in the sleep lab will usually confirm the diagnosis.

Shift workers are particularly at risk for insomnia and the problem may not go away until you get a regular work schedule.

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Most have insomnia as its own problem. Insomnia may have started at the time of a life stress or due to jet lag and then persists.

What can you do? There are many 'common sense' hints that may be all you need. Try to go to bed and get up at the same time every day, including weekends. Be sure your bedroom is dark and cool. Exercise early in the day, not in the evening. Do not work right up until bedtime; allow yourself time to decompress by relaxing reading or music. Do not eat within 2 hours of bedtime.

If these do not work, what next?

Sleeping pills, whether over-the-counter or prescription, are fine for short-term use but are not that effective when used chronically, and the more effective prescription drugs can have side effects.

Older individuals are at particular risk of falls, morning confusion and even dementia with chronic use of benzodiazepines (Valium, Ativan etc.). The so-called "Z drugs," (Zolpidem, zaleplon and eszopiclone) have black-box warnings because of sleepwalking and other potentially risky sleep behaviors.

Sedating antihistamines like Benadryl have limited efficacy and cause dry mouth and daytime sedation. They are also potentially causes of dementia if used chronically.

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the lack of trained therapists and the cost.

An alternative is a web-based or phone app. These have been found to be almost as effective as in-person coaching. Two web-based programs that have good studies behind them are no longer available. I was able to download Shuteye, which promises a full year of coaching for \$30 which appears good, but I have not fully tested it. Similar, and free, is Insomnia Coach, developed by the VA.

Also recommended, for technophobes, is the book Quiet Your Mind and Get to Sleep.

Should CBTI not work, young adults whose problem is falling asleep can try melatonin or a short-acting benzo. If sleep maintenance is the problem, low-



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dose doxepin or similar drugs are useful. Also approved for this use are three orexin receptor antagonists (ask your doctor!), which have fewer side-effects than benzos but are quite expensive. If you are going to use medication, be sure to also practice good "sleep hygiene" as noted above.

Sweet dreams.

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

Lions, Tigers, Bears, Bunnies, and Cats

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

If you read this column regularly you know that from time to time I rant on unelected bureaucrats at the state and federal level dictating what we can and cannot do in our own town. What I am about to tell you falls under "you ain't seen nothing yet."

Let me introduce you to Marty the Magician. For many years Marty Hahne has performed his magic at elementary schools and children's birthday parties around the little town of Ozark, Missouri. He is a master at vanishing little bunny rabbits. But I am getting ahead of myself.

Some years ago, Congress passed a law designed to protect animals like lions, tigers, and bears, from neglect and abuse which required "exhibitors" like circuses, zoos, and animal acts to have a license for each of their animals. Enter Marty the Magician who had a bunny



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rabbit named Casey.

Discovering this regulation Marty duly applied and received a license for Casey. The license required Marty to submit to periodic, surprise inspections of his home. Also, if he performed away from Ozark, he had to submit a detailed itinerary to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. I'm guessing, but I'll bet by the time the U.S.D.A approved the itinerary the little birthday kids were sixteen years old. But I digress.

After hurricane Katrina the Feds "improved" the law by requiring a contingency plan for animals' safety during a disaster. Marty duly complied submitting a 29-page plan to protect Casey from floods, tornados, heat, chemical leaks, etc. Casey also had to be caged when not performing. The inspector declared that Marty's plan was "pretty short" saying, since Casey was licensed, the bunny was the "most important" concern during a disaster. However, the U.S.D.A inspector mentioned that if the rabbit were raised for food, it would not need a license. Upon hearing that, Marty asked "Are you're telling me I can kill the rabbit to eat... but I can't take it across the street to (entertain) a birthday party without a license?" Yup. You can't make this stuff up.

But wait there's more.

Have you heard of Heminway's cats? Ernest Hemingway the writer had a cat named Snow White who had six toes. Six toed cats are claimed to bring good luck. Not to the Hemingway Museum, a National Historic



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Site, which his home became after he died (the writer, not the cat). Apparently, Snow White had many offspring, all with six toes. Over the years the museum has accumulated over 60 cats that are well cared for and roam freely around the property to the enjoyment of visitors who often return just to visit the cats. They also attracted U.S. Department of Agriculture officials.

These agents were concerned about the cats' "containment." They ordered the museum to hire a night watchman to ensure the felines would not escape into the neighborhood at night. Or, as an alternative, they could increase the height of the surrounding wall. (Which would be against National Historic Site regulations.) And they would need a license to keep each cat confining them in cages (like Casey the bunny). The museum refused so the Feds returned with another "suggestion" ...electrify the wall and provide raised "resting" platforms for the cats. The museum complied. Well, you know what happened. While no cat vanished, like Casey the magic bunny, one got burned and another escaped jumping over the wall from its raised platform.

Despite reluctantly complying to that rule the museum had to apply four times for the licenses, each time being rejected on a technicality. In the meantime, fines of \$200 a day for each cat accumulated. The Feds persisted, sending in undercover agents dressed as tourists and even renting a house next door to secretly photograph the cats.

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Marty the Magician continues to amaze little kids. Casey the bunny is now enjoying a happy retirement.

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

Joint Meeting Focused on Accessory Dwelling Units

Marion Select Board & Planning Board

By Mary McCann Fiske

Anticipating the new state housing law going into effect in February, the Marion Select Board and Planning Board conducted a joint session to discuss potential modification of existing town bylaws in compliance with both the state law and the town's needs. The law requires all municipalities to allow homeowners to create accessory dwelling units, or ADUs.

The response to the state is being prepared by the Codification Committee of the Select Board.

On Monday evening, the Planning Board met with the Select Board to review and discuss guidelines for the Codification Committee to consider when finalizing the language.

The two boards worked through a list of at least ten items to be clarified with specific details, such as what constitutes "gross floor area," what size ADUs to be allowed under different scenarios, and in which zoning districts will they be allowed. Also, how to handle condos and multi-family buildings with separate owners, public safety considerations, and potential changes to water and sewer regulations.

The questions of incorporating existing accessory apartment units and regulations and short-term residence restrictions were also discussed at length.

The joint boards, along with building Commissioner Bob Grillo, came to agreement on several issues, and agreed to seek clarification from Town Counsel or other parties as needed.

The group's next step is to meet again in Joint Committee to finalize recommendations for the Codification Committee, after which the committee will draft the new bylaw and present it to the Planning Board. Once bylaw language is approved but no later than December or January, the Board will conduct public hearing(s). A warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in May must be submitted in March.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm and was followed by the Planning Board meeting.

The date of the next Joint Committee Meeting will be announced once it has been scheduled. The next regular meeting of the Select Board will be on October 16



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**Rochester Tax Reassessments and
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Rochester Select Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester’s Select Board Monday approved the Board of Assessors’ recommendations for the town’s FY25 tax classification that include a reduction in the tax rate for the next fiscal year to \$10.82 per thousand dollars of value.

Rochester’s estimated tax rate for FY24 was \$11.06, down 6.82% from FY23. Assessor Jana Cavanaugh told the board Monday the tax rate being recommended for FY25 is a 21.7% decrease from that.

The select board followed the Board of Assessors’ recommendation to keep a factor of one tax rate for FY25, meaning that residential and commercial/industrial property will not be taxed at a higher rate. Secondly, the board agreed with the assessors to vote “no” on offering open space, residential, and small commercial exemptions. Cavanaugh explained residential exemptions are for communities with a high percentage of non-owner-occupied units. Small commercial exemptions are for communities with a high commercial presence, which Rochester does not have.

The town’s total valuation of its real estate and personal property, Cavanaugh said, is \$1,578,360,510, a

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96.4% valuation increase. She said the average Single-Family-Home assessment for FY25 is \$610,247. The average single-family tax bill therefore will be \$6,602.87, a 2.25 % increase over FY24.

Next, the board appointed two new full-time Rochester Police officers, Zachary Dupere and Jonathan Domagala. Police Lieutenant Don Kemmett introduced Domagala as a former policeman in Seekonk and Dupere as a former K-9 officer with experience in computer work. Assad said that is a skill the department needs right now. “These are two really great candidates,” Kemmett said.

In other action, the board approved a request of \$3,500 in town ARPA funds to ASAP Engineering for police station detention jail cell area design services.

The board approved the purchase of one AED unit for the library for \$2,546.18, using \$1,183.89 from town ARPA funds and \$1,362.29 from SEMASS donation funds. The board also approved purchasing three AED units totaling \$7,638.54, one for the Council On Aging and two for the Police Department. For this expense, \$6,015.56 will come from County ARPA funds and \$1,622.98 will come from SEMASS donation funds.

Tabled, however, was a request of \$8,152 for ARPA funds for a Rochester Police Department drone. Board chair Brad Morse requested holding this request because he wanted to hear more from the police chief about this expense.

These votes came even after Town administrator Cameron Durant informed the board that these expenses would max out the town’s ARPA funds for the year.

The board also appointed Sandra Keese to the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Commission for a term to expire April 30, 2027.

The next meeting of the Rochester Select Board is scheduled for Monday, October 21, at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall conference room, 1 Constitution Way.

“It isn’t a Motel”

Mattapoissett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

During the October 7 meeting of the Mattapoissett Planning Board, open discussion about earth-moving activities at the motel located on Route 6 were aired. Member John Mathieu said that the owner of the property, who was never named during the discussion, had a right to perform certain activities. But he asserted several times, ...“it is not a motel.” Mathieu likened the business as more of an apartment complex than motel and that over the years there had been many issues at the site. He said, “It doesn’t add anything to the town.”

Mathieu said that people living at the “motel” had been living there on a long-term basis. The board agreed that before any redevelopment could take place, the unnamed owner would have to come before the Planning Board. He also said that construction at the site would entail drainage issues due to the hill upon which it

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In other matters informally discussed, Chairman Tom Tucker inquired of Mathieu if he still was contemplating density plans, a residential overlay along Route 6 that would allow for new housing stock featuring two-bedroom units, and various styles of structures. Mathieu said that the state changes to merged lots coupled with opportunities for ADUs (accessory dwelling units) was pushing this forward in his mind. He'll continue researching and draft language for the board to review.

Mathieu said, as the board took up discussions around an updated solar bylaw, that the present draft was confusing and that much of the language was unnecessary. The members will continue editing the document.

Earlier in the proceedings the board voted not to accept the right-of-first-refusal for lots on Crystal Springs Road owned by Dennis Mahoney.

The next meeting of the Mattapoissett Planning Board will be a public hearing set for October 21, 6:30 pm at the Fire Department conference room to receive input on ADUs in advance of spring town meeting.

No Quorum, No Meeting

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Tuesday, Rochester's Planning Board chair Arnold Johnson had to tell a hearing room packed with residents that the panel couldn't hold its regular meeting because it lacked a quorum.

"Sorry, folks," Johnson said. "We can't open the meeting. We can't talk about anything on the agenda."

Johnson, Ben Bailey and Michael Murphy were the only members present. Being a seven-member board,



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four members are required to be in attendance to reach a quorum, Johnson explained. Town Planner Nancy Durfee tried unsuccessfully to reach by telephone the panel's absent members to attend.

Johnson quickly promised, however, that everything on the October 8 agenda will be on the agenda of the next meeting on October 22. Left on the docket for that meeting will be an approval request for a preliminary subdivision on 28 acres at 386 Snipatuit Road. The proposal would add two new homes to a parcel with an existing dwelling unit.

The board is also slated to review the Cushman Solar LLC's plan for an Eversource electrical service pole placement on Cushman Road. One attendee Tuesday said

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she was there because of the solar project but would not elaborate further.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be Tuesday, October 22 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Family Beer and Wine Shop Permit Approved

Marion Planning Board

By Mary McCann Fiske

Of three projects scheduled for public hearings, one moved forward and two were postponed at the request of the applicants.

C&J Sull LLC, doing business as Sull Wine, was

first on the agenda. They sought a special permit for a general retail establishment for the sale of wine and beer. Owner Joel Sullivan introduced himself to the board as the manager of the former Sullivan Liquors, a well-known local store until the building it occupied was sold. He said experience and expertise in operating such a business and was eager to offer the community a quality, family-run store in a convenient location.

The board looked favorably at the proposed business and determined that the applicant has met the necessary requirements thus far. It was pointed out that if the store will sell food of any kind, a permit from the Board of Health is required. Sullivan and his attorney assured the Board they would comply.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Special Permit.

Papa's Real Estate, LLC, was next on the agenda regarding a Major Site Plan Review. This was continued indefinitely at the request of the applicant. Also scheduled for a Major Site Plan Review, 78 Wareham Road LLC was continued to October 10 at the applicant's request.

There followed a discussion of minutes of the meeting of August 5, which had not yet been approved by the Board. Mr. Daniel noted the Board had requested that a portion of the minutes referencing the storm water discussion be rewritten, and he had done so. Ms. Marum stated that her "words were removed" without her consent. She felt that based on her research, the Board is in violation of the Open Meeting law and she intends to file a complaint with the Attorney General's office.

The next meeting of the Planning Board will be on October 21 at 7:00 at the Marion Police Department.

Three Notices of Intent Heard

Marion Conservation Commission

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

At their September 25 meeting, the Marion Conservation Commission held several hearings on routine matters, mostly involving property additions.

The presence of Japanese knotweed and the presence of an elusive stream around the Wareham Avenue area drew some conversations but no controversy.

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The commission started the meeting by approving three notices of intent filed by three applicants – one for a septic upgrade, another for a screened porch in a buffer zone, as well as a deck addition.

The proposed deck on a Brooke Haven Lane property is smaller than the original blueprint, but drew the attention of Conservation Agent/Town Planner Doug Guey-Lee for a different reason. Guey-Lee, citing his site visit and conversations with the owner, said the applicant has been battling Japanese knotweed and was putting in mitigation measures. Guey-Lee said that the commission wants to limit them within wetland resource areas.

According to web resources, Japanese knotweed is one the world’s most invasive plants and a top invader of wetlands, streams, and other water resources.

Guey-Lee said keeping an eye on it is helpful for conservation commissioners. Guey-Lee also mentioned if the commission revisited that property, the presence of the knotweed would be the main concern.

Marion Realty LLC applied for a request for determination of a stream on a lot on Wareham Avenue, which floods onto town property at times.

Engineers reported that there is a coastal river there but the water’s height varies depending on weather. Sometimes, water levels appear like a “monsoon” while other times the area is fairly dry, making it difficult to determine the volume of wetlands in the area before new development proceeds.



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The commission put it on its next site visit list and will revisit the issue at its October 9 meeting.

In total, the commission held six mini-hearings on issues connected to home additions, such as pool additions or other property upgrades within buffer zones.

A West Avenue applicant proposed plans for removing and rebuilding a garage and rebuilding a seawall near a coastal beach.

Guey-Lee said all plans look as though it will not impact the beach area but asked for erosion measures so the work does not disturb the adjacent property.

The commission also announced it is working on a new website that is more user-friendly and does a better job highlighting the wetlands protection act and other

information for a general audience.

The site is still in progress but now has links to the state Department of Environmental Protection website, as well as commission member names and when their respective terms expire.

"It said some things that were nonsensical and out-of-date," said Guey-Lee of the previous web site, also stating that he and administrative assistant Natashja Molina took a look at it with fresh eyes.

Guey-Lee asserted the commission wants to make the site more of a public resource with consistent language and readable to a general audience.

Rochester Schools, Influencers, and Graduates

Rochester School Committee

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester School Committee on October 3 reviewed a plan to join a program partnering with the national group devoted to stemming school gun violence, the Sandy Hook Promise.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Shari Fedorowicz said the Sandy Hook Promise school program's mission is to promote safer schools by empowering students and educators to identify potential risks of gun violence within Rochester Memorial School and thereby "build positive school climates and foster a culture where everyone looks out for one another."

Using a slide show to illustrate her points, this will be done in three ways, she said: Education, Empowerment and Engagement. Students will be educated with activities that foster a sense of belonging, kindness, and support among all students. A SAVE Promise club will form to empower its members who will then engage the student community to promote a safe school by better connecting students to their school and community.

Students will be taught to say hello to that student who might be standing alone or looking unhappy as a way to reduce social isolation and build connections, she said, "to recognize warning signs and seek help from trusted adults."

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she said, will be the school's Project 351 members, known as 'influencers,' joining this SAVE Promise Club and receiving the training needed to strengthen their impact within the new program. She added the Massachusetts Attorney General's office is fully funding this program.

Committee member Ann Fernandes asked how many student influencers are currently in the school's Project 351 program. Rochester Memorial School Assistant Principal Charles West reported there were 25 of them in the last school year. Fernandes said he would love to see what the program's training and professional development will be like. Fedorowicz said that part of the program has not been designed yet.

Later in the meeting, the committee also received an update on a new "Portrait of a Graduate" program being implemented at RMS. Superintendent Michael Nelson explained it as "a strategic plan but on a smaller scale." The controlling question here, he said, is "How do we ensure that all of our graduates are leaving RMS with the skills they need to thrive?" He elaborated that this graduate profile will be done by determining "the skills that your graduates know and can do that will help them to thrive in their adult lives. What the student should look like."

Nelson said this portrait will be created beginning with identifying the various stakeholder groups who will be impacted by this design and who would have vital input to inform the design. Nelson, however, could not



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predict when the RMS portrait would be completed. "It won't done this year nor the next," he said.

In other action, the committee approved the donation of 70 toothbrush kits for the Kindergarten classes from All Hands Dentistry and Sullivan Family Dentistry as well as two ukuleles to the music department from parent Madeleine Duarte.

The committee also announced the resignation of school secretary Alison Guard.

The next Rochester School Committee will meet next on November 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rochester Memorial School band room, 16 Pine St., Rochester.

Wins Across the Board for ORR

Sports Roundup

By Aiden Comorosky

The Old Rochester Regional High School football team faced Medfield on October 4 and won 42-6. Gavin Martin had three rushing touchdowns, and Jack Leconte had two. Cam Peppin had a 60-yard touchdown. The Bulldogs' defense played very well, leading to two interceptions, two fumble recoveries, and a blocked punt. They will play at Somerset Berkley (3-1) on October 11.

"We have a very tough opponent next week in Somerset Berkley. The winner will be in the driver seat for the league championship," said ORR Head Coach Bryce Guilbeault.

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Boys Soccer

Old Rochester played at Bridgewater Raynham on October 4 and won 2-0. Aidan Costa and Landis Treichler were named the players of the game. The Bulldogs' record is now 8-2-1 and are on a seven-game winning streak. They were scheduled to play Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech on October 9.

Girls Soccer

The Bulldogs played at Fairhaven on October 2 and won 4-0. Delaney Chase was named the player of the game. Their record is now 9-2-1 and they are scheduled to play at Dighton-Rehoboth on October 9.

Girls Volleyball

ORR played at Fairhaven on October 2 and won 3-0. Set scores were 25-0, 25-21, and 25-17. Their record is now 10-2, and they are on a four-game winning streak. Aubrie Letourneau was named the player of the match, as she reached a big milestone: her 2,000th assist, setting a new school record. They were scheduled to play Dennis-Yarmouth on October 9.

Golf

The Bulldogs played at Apponequet on October 3 and won 228-236. They stay at an undefeated 13-0 and were scheduled to play their final match of the season against Bourne (6-6) on October 8.

Corrections

The Wanderer would like to correct/clarify the following items from the Marion's Select Board story published in the October 3, 2024 edition:

The federal tax credit would knock 30% off the installation cost, not the town's energy cost. The town would realize at least a \$13,000/year savings in electricity after the payback period of less than 5 years if the town owns the installation. If a lease agreement is pursued instead, savings would be about 1/3 that amount.

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ORRHS Ranks Gold

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Old Rochester Regional High School (ORRHS) Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to announce that the school has ranked Gold on CollegeBoard's 2024 AP School Honor Roll.

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"We are incredibly proud to be named to the College Board Gold AP Honor Roll," said Director of Academic Counseling and Assessment Lauren Millette. "This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students and teachers who strive for excellence every day. It reflects our commitment to providing rigorous academic opportunities that prepare students for success beyond high school."

There are four levels of distinction: Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Last year, 9% of the 15,150 eligible schools received the Silver level recognition, ORRHS being part of this group. Additionally, only 6% of eligible schools received the Gold honor.

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"It is an honor to receive this recognition," said Superintendent Nelson. "Our committed students and faculty successfully advanced ORRHS to the Gold ranking and it's reflected in the excellent work they do each day. Our district takes college and career readiness very seriously and this achievement is proof of our commitment."

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Dear Editor,

The League of Women Voters of South Coast, previously known as the League of Women Voters of Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester, has been organizing candidate debates, forums, and meet-and-greets for over 35 years. LWVSC has scheduled a candidates' event on October 17th at the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Throughout all these years, we have never encountered a situation where a candidate running for a significant office failed to respond to our invitations to participate in an event. But the LWVSC now has a

candidate who has failed to respond to participating in a debate.

LWVSC has made efforts to reach out to reach out to the candidate sending a letter on September 12 and an email on October 3rd, inviting the candidate to participate in the October 17th Event. However, we have not yet received a response from the candidate.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization that operates at the national, state, and local levels. Its primary purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation in government which includes hosting voter registrations and providing voter education on candidates that enables informed voter decision-making during

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Sincerely,

Kris Eastman, Co-Chair

Eileen J. Marum, Co-Chair

Town of Marion Select Board Chair Receives Distinguished Service Award

Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman is pleased to share that Marion Select Board Chair Norm Hills was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD) at the SRPEDD Annual Meeting on September 25. Hills serves as Marion's Commissioner to the SRPEDD.

The Distinguished Service Award is given to a present or former commissioner for leadership and outstanding service to SRPEDD in recognition of a range of contributions.

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Commissioner, as current Treasurer and Member of the Finance and Personnel Committees, your prior service as Secretary, and other noteworthy contributions on myriad other agency committees and initiatives," Walker said at the Annual Meeting.

"We are truly the beneficiaries of your experience and commitment to Southeast Massachusetts, and it is with heartfelt gratitude that we present you with the Distinguished Service Award."

The SRPEDD Commission Award has been awarded to exemplary Commissioners since 1977.

Hills has been on the SRPEDD Commission since 2017 and serves on both the Finance and Personnel Committees, as well as being the Treasurer. He formerly served as the SRPEDD Secretary.

Marion Social Club

The Marion Social Club, located at 44 Pumping Station Road, will be hosting a pig roast on **October 20** at 1:00 pm. Dinner will include pork, baked beans, jag, corn on the cob, applesauce and dessert for \$40.00. For Tickets, call Betsy Youngson at 508-295-8253. Cutoff date for purchasing is 10/13. The club opens at 12:00 pm for socializing. We'd love to see you there.

Rochester Troop 31 Haunted Grange Event

Boy Scout Troop 31 Rochester is hosting a free, all ages Pop-Up haunted house Saturday, **October 19** at the Rochester Grange Hall, 205 Hartley Road, from 7pm-

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Artists' Gallery Talk

The Marion Art Center will host an artist presentation on Tuesday, **October 15**, from 7:00-8:00pm in the MAC galleries at 80 Pleasant Street, Marion. Exhibiting artists Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry will discuss their paintings and their processes, and answer guests' questions about their work. The current show, Pamela Hoss and Kim Barry, Two, Painters, Two Friends, is up through Friday, November 1 at the MAC. Read more about Hoss and Barry, and view artist interviews

at marionartcenter.org/on-exhibit. Gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday, 10am-2pm, or other days and times by appointment.

Art in the Afternoon at the MAC

The Marion Art Center announces new availability for our very popular Art in the Afternoon program, which runs Friday afternoons, for ages 7-12. Our Early Dismissal Half Day Camp, scheduled Friday, **October 18** 12:00-3:00pm in the MAC Studio, is \$70 for MAC members and \$80 for nonmembers. Students will explore wool felt and model magic clay, making felted soaps and personified clay pop tarts, among other projects.

The next four-week session, All Things Paper, is scheduled October 25-November 15, from 3:00-4:00pm in the MAC Studio. In this session students will learn to make handmade paper, monoprints on decorative paper and create their own mini artists' books. Perfect for the upcoming holidays. The cost for the four-week session is \$90 for MAC members and \$105 for non-members.

Sippican School students can come directly to the MAC for Art Lab. Parents can arrange for their children to be walked over by a MAC volunteer or staff member. Learn more and register for classes at marionartcenter.org/art-lab.

Mattapoisett Library Artist Demonstration


Stop by the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Sunday, **October 27** between 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm to see a live demonstration by Fall River artist/exhibitor Mj Manville Cloutier. She will be working on a pastel pet portrait. During this demonstration, Cloutier is happy to speak to patrons and answer any questions about her work. Be sure to see her current library exhibit entitled "SouthCoast Landmarks and Whimsy" which includes paintings she created for the BayCoast Bank 2024 calendar, which are based on landmarks in all of their town branches. The exhibit is up until October 30.

Marion Republican Town Committee


The Marion Republican Town Committee will conduct its next monthly meeting on Monday, **October 14** at 6:30 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. The public and new members welcome. We look forward to seeing you. A candidate's forum will follow at 7:00 pm.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Presentation

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club invites potential new members and interested local residents to its **October 17** monthly meeting, which will feature an art history presentation by the well-known Jill Sanford of Art For Your Mind. Art For Your Mind is an engaging, educational, art observation experience designed to broaden the minds of its participants. Jill will present:



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The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a civic, social, educational and philanthropic organization. Membership is always open to local women who are interested in the objectives and mission of the organization. For more information or questions please contact info@mattapoisettwomensclub.org.

Mattapoisett Yacht Club

The Mattapoisett Yacht Club crew won the Buzzards Bay Trophy.

Jim Barnes and the crew of Hamburglar took racing honors in the Spinnaker Class of the 2024 Buzzards Bay Trophy

In the Corinthian spirit of yachting, with the goal to increase and sustain PHRF Yacht Racing on Buzzards Bay, the following yacht clubs: Beverly Yacht Club, Buzzards Yacht Club, Mattapoisett Yacht Club, New Bedford Yacht Club, and Quissett Yacht Club, have come together in cooperation to increase participation and competition on Buzzards Bay.

The Buzzards Bay Trophy is awarded to any PHRF-NE rating yacht which has the best combined score (Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker divisions) in four of the following eight races:

- New Bedford YC Whaler's Race June 1, 2024
- Mattapoisett YC Spring RTB June 8, 2024
- Beverly YC Parker Converse Tower Race July 27, 2024
- New Bedford YC Dick Fontaine Race August 4, 2024
- Buzzards YC RTB August 17, 2024
- Quissett YC RTB September 7, 2024
- Mattapoisett YC Fall RTB September 14, 2024
- Beverly YC Hurricane Cup September 21, 2024

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Come to The Inn at Shipyard Sunday, October 20 at 4:00 pm for the trophy presentation.

Hamburglar also competed in the ORC World Championships at the New York YC in Newport in late-September along with 19 boats in her Class.

Marion Voter Information

Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman and Town Clerk Lissa Magauran would like to remind community members of voting information for the Massachusetts State Election.

The 2024 Massachusetts State Election will be held on Tuesday, **November 5**.

All requests for Vote by Mail (VBM) ballots received by October 3 have been mailed. Any new requests for VBM ballots will be mailed as received.

The last day to register to vote for the State Election is Saturday, October 26, 2024. The Town Clerk's

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Office, located at 2 Spring Street, will be open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm that day. Residents also may register to vote online at www.sec.state.ma.us until 11:59 pm, October 26.

The State mailed Early Voting (EV) Application Postcards to all those who were registered to vote as of September 6 and had not yet requested a mail in ballot. Anyone who has not received an EV Application Postcard yet should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 508-748-3502 or lmagauran@marionma.gov, and an EV Application will be mailed.

The last day to request a vote by mail ballot is Tuesday, October 29 at 5:00 pm.

In-person early voting will be held at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on the following dates:

- Saturday, October 19 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Saturday, October 26 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Monday, October 21 through Friday, November 1 during regular business hours (8:15 am to 4:15 pm

Monday - Thursday, and Friday 8:15 am - 3:15 pm)

Absentee voting is available in the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed is Tuesday, October 29 at 5:00pm. The deadline to vote by absentee ballot in person is Monday, November 4 at 12:00 pm.

All ballots must be received by 8:00 pm on November 5. Please do not drop your Absentee or Vote by Mail Ballots at the polls. They must be dropped at the

Marion Town House.

Voting on the day of the Election, November 5, will take place at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street, from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

Know before you go: Ensure you're registered to vote and that your voter status is active: www.sec.state.ma.us/VoterRegistrationSearch/

If your voter status is inactive, you may still vote. Your driver's license and/or a current bill tied to you and your registered voting address will be needed. A voter becomes inactive if they haven't returned their signed Annual Street List (local census form) for the current year prior to June 30.

For more information, please visit the Town of Marion's website: marionma.gov/674/Election-Information

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

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

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

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.

Halloween weekend events at the Elizabeth Taber Library are happening from Thursday, **October 24** to Saturday, **October 26**. Check out a pumpkin with your library card all month long (while Supplies last). Return your decorated pumpkin by Wednesday, October 23rd to



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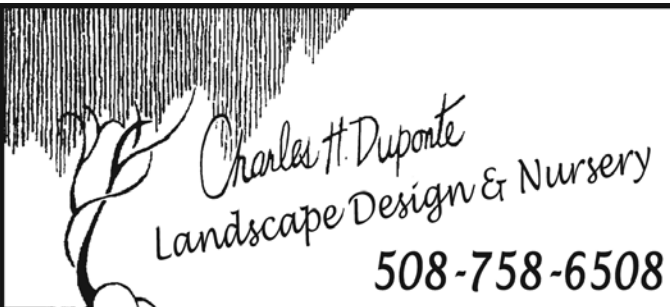
be entered into our Great Pumpkin Contest. Vote for your favorites during our Halloweekend celebration activities. Are you brave enough to explore the library's first ever mini haunted library? What ghouls will you meet as you wind your way through our haunted stacks? Visit Thursday- Saturday to find out.

Make some Halloween Boba after school, for ages 9+ Thursday, **October 24** from 3:00-4:00 pm, then join us for costume karaoke starting at 6pm for food, fun, and music for all ages.

Make Halloween decorations that light up at Pumpkin Paper circuits with Miss Macy, Friday, **October 25** from 3:00 to 4:00 pm for ages 5-9

Play at our Boo Bash Games event Saturday, **October 26** from 11:00 am-12:00 pm for a Halloween Scavenger Hunt, spooky sensory bags, mummy races and more. At 1:00 pm join us for adult crafts with Emily to make Fall Book Centerpieces. This craft project is recommended for ages 12 and up.

Support the library by enjoying a delicious dinner and lively book discussion at a Marion neighbor's home at Tables of Content, a fundraising 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



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From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By **Connie Eshbach**

Looking through the current exhibit at the Historical Museum, I was struck by the fact that with all the changes in town over time, there are some events that have spanned the years. One that comes to mind is the Rochester Boat Race on Memorial Day that began in 1934.



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Another is the annual clam bake. A third is the continued existence of Boy Scout Troop 31. These three events all share a common element.

The boat race started by Jim Hartley for his 4H group was later sponsored by the Rochester Brotherhood. This was the same organization that held the annual clam bake and sponsored Troop 31 when it separated from Troop 30.



Friends Hailey Costa and Stella Waterman sold sweet treats and drinks at Washburn Park on October 5 with their "Girl Power" roadside stand.

After Hailey's dog needed emergency surgery, the family was stymied as each veterinary office contacted was unable to provide the level of medical care required for the pup's jaw injury.

But Hailey's mom Jess didn't give up as she found help from the MSPCA.

The agency's Greater Boston surgery center was able to provide medical treatment and financial assistance.

Hailey, with her enterprising spirit and Dad's help, built the roadside treat stand for the express purpose of providing funds that will go to the MSPCA and their Kodiak Care Fund. Jess believes this experience has been a valuable lesson for her daughter.

As for the Costa's dog, "Lexi is doing great," Jess said with a big smile.

Photo by Marilou Newell

The Rochester Men's Brotherhood was a non-denominational group begun in the 1950's that met in the First Congregational Church Hall. They worked to help townspeople who were going through hard times. They planned community events in conjunction with the Grange.



When the Brotherhood disbanded after 15- 20 yrs., the Fire Association, in many ways became the "new brotherhood". They took over planning and putting on the annual clambake, stepped in to make sure that the boat race continued, and joined with the Rochester Grange to sponsor Boy Scout Troop 31.

When you look back through town history, you also see members of the Fire Department and Association active in the various town celebrations, fielding a baseball team, being on one end of a tug of war or putting on a muster. And, of course, then there's Donkey Baseball (cue the picture of the donkey in a baseball helmet).

Duffy Clapp, former fire chief, remembered what it was like to participate in such a game. He was involved in hiring a traveling company. They brought the donkeys (nice, that you didn't need to bring your own). The rules of the game had the pitcher and catcher on their own two feet. The basemen were on donkeys but could get off to field a ball but then they had to climb back into the saddle. The pitcher had to stay in a defined box.

What Duffy remembered most was that the donkeys were trained to take off when the batter leaned to hit the ball and then to stop short on the way around the bases, sending the rider over its head and onto the ground. Maury Gifford and Freddie Randall also took part.

Dave Watling is sure that he heard of donkey basketball being played at the Women's Club, but so far no one has come forward to agree with him.

Rochester Historical Society Happenings

The Rochester Historical Society Museum at 355 County Rd., Rochester will be open from 1:00-3:00 pm on Sundays throughout the Fall. Our exhibit of how we entertained ourselves for the last 337 years will be open.

We will also be selling quart bags of both dried, sweetened and fresh cranberries. It won't hurt to call either Sue at 508-285-8908 or Connie at 617-750-2818 to make sure someone will be there to greet you. Come see us.

October 16 at 7:00 pm, our monthly meeting. The program will be Bats in the Belfry and Mack in the Attic. Do come to find out about the denizens and "stuff" in the



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October 26 at 11:00 pm, there will be a grave marking ceremony for Thomas Bassett, a Rochester man who participated in the Revolutionary War. The ceremony will be put on by the Sons of the American Revolution whose mission is to make sure that our ancestors who fought for independence are not forgotten. All are invited for a ceremony involving honor salutes, short speeches, and the grave marking.

The MAC Halloween Parade Returns

The volunteer witches of the Marion Art Center have been brewing up plans for their annual Halloween Parade around the town on Thursday,



October 31. Costumed characters of all ages are invited to join in for this fun family event. Participants should meet in front of the Marion Music Hall (we'll line up on Cottage Street) at 4:00pm. Under the direction of Hannah

Moore, the Sippican Elementary School drummers will lead the parade of witches and princesses, goblins and ghouls, wild animals, and spooky spirits. The parade route will head south on Front Street, up Main Street, north onto Spring Street and back down Cottage to the Music Hall. Don't forget to pop by the Music Hall at the end of the parade route for your treat bags, made with love by the good witches of the MAC. "Teal Pumpkin" goodie bags are available for those with allergies or food sensitivity.

This year, the First Congregational Church, at the corner of Main and Front streets, Marion, is planning to have a photo opportunity on the church lawn with a harvest display with hay bales, mums, and pumpkins, after the MAC Halloween parade has concluded and treat bags are collected. Pets are welcome for their photos as well and there will be water and dog treats available. All are welcome.

Your Vote is Magic

The League of Women Voters SouthCoast is proud to present "Your Vote Is Magic" on Friday, **October 25** at 6:30 pm, at New Bedford Voc-Tech, 1121 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford.

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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 Paltrowcast 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 - Cynthia Bryden
 3:00 PM ORR Boys Soccer 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 11, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorize
 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 Paltrowcast 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 12, 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 - Cynthia Bryden
 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 13, 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 Paltrowcast 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 Hammondtown Cemetery Cleanup
 11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
 11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday October 14, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorize
 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 15, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorize
 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 16, 2024

7:00 AM Seniorize
 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
 7:30 PM Buzzards Bay Musicfest

MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 39 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen
 8:00 AM Marion Planning Board
 10:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission
 11:30 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
 12:00 PM Marion School Committee
 1:30 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission
 2:30 PM Marion Finance Committee
 3:30 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
 4:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission
 5:30 PM Marion Board of Health
 6:30 PM ORR School Committee
 8:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee
 9:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
 10:30 PM Marion Planning Board

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 40 Daily Schedule

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
 1:00 PM ORR School Committee
 2:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee
 4:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen
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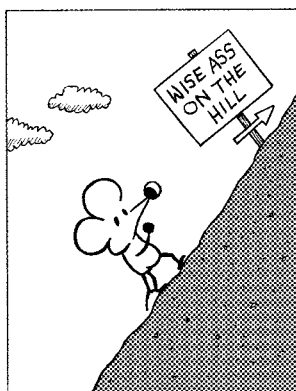
EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 8 Verizon Channel 37 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
 8:00 AM ORR School Committee
 9:30 AM ORR Joint School Committee
 11:00 AM RMS Chorus Concert
 11:30 AM Old Hammondtown School - Autism Acceptance
 12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
 1:00 PM ORR Theatre Class
 2:00 PM ORR Music - Night of Jazz
 3:00 PM ORR Girls Softball vs Wareham
 5:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball MIAA State Finals
 6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
 7:00 PM Libraries in the Modern Age
 8:00 PM ORR Class Olympics
 8:30 PM STEM The Streets
 9:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs GNBV at Gillette
 11:00 PM ORR Girls Soccer vs GNBV

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 38

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



This non-partisan presentation, offered at no cost, aims to inspire and empower students and citizens to vote. It explicitly emphasizes the significance of your vote as your voice and underscores the importance of exercising your right to vote. For further information, please visit lwvsouthcoast.org/events.

Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride

On Sunday, **October 6**, 323 riders enjoyed the Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride with perfect crisp, clear fall conditions. This annual fundraising event has become a cherished tradition, bringing together cyclists from all over Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and beyond to raise over \$240,000 to advance the mission of the Buzzards Bay Coalition.

Participants chose from 100, 75 or 35-mile course lengths that led them past coastal farmlands, windswept beaches, cranberry bogs, and scenic harbors between Rhode Island and Upper Cape Cod.

Riders from all three courses were met by cheering crowds at the finish line in Woods Hole, and enjoyed a vibrant finish celebration featuring delicious food, beer from Westport's Buzzards Bay Brewing, and live music provided by Falmouth favorite Puffy Elvis.

The top fundraisers were Geoff Sullivan of Fairhaven, who raised a total of \$23,255, Lizanne Campbell of Mattapoisett, who raised a total of \$10,950, followed by Will Saltonstall of Marion, who raised a total



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Hermina C. "Minnie" (Canastra) Souza, 96, of Mattapoisett died Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at St. Luke's Hospital after a period of declining health. She was the wife of the late Joseph Souza.

Born in Acushnet, daughter of the late John and Herminia (Valera) Canastra, she lived in Mattapoisett for most of her life.

She enjoyed collecting dolls and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her son, Robert Souza and his wife Karen; two grandchildren, Melissa Shepherd and her husband Darin, and Tim Souza and his wife Rebecca; two great-grandchildren, Ava and Charli Shepherd; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her siblings, Manuel Canastra, John Canastra, Joe Canastra, Beatrice Ouellette, Isaura Pastrana, Virginia Fortes, Rose Motta, and Mary Mocco.

A private burial service will be held in St. Anthony's Cemetery, Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Ryszard "Boris" Stanislaw Grodzki, 69, of Mattapoisett, passed away peacefully, and surrounded by family, on Monday, September 30, 2024.

Born in the small village of Liza Stara, Poland, son of the late Stanislaw Grodzki and Kazimiera Grodzka, Richard lived in Poland and throughout Eastern Europe for 27 years before immigrating to the United States in 1979. Unbeknownst to many, Richard achieved the "American Dream." Landing in New York with nothing more than a suitcase of clothes, \$125.00 in his pocket, no friends or family in the US, and no knowledge of the English language, Richard dove headfirst into the unknown for a chance at a new life away from the struggles of Communist Poland. He worked tremendously hard each and every day to better his and his family's lives. Starting out humbly folding linens for a small hotel in Connecticut, Richard briefly explored his work options throughout the US, and quickly decided on putting down roots in New Bedford, MA.

Son of a blacksmith and potato farmer, Rich was no stranger to hard work and long days, so with a trade-school education in ship building from Gdansk, Poland, signs pointed Richard towards commercial scalloping. He pursued this career throughout the 1980's and into the early 1990's, during which time he met his wife Kimberly (Rose) (Ray). They married in 1985, and in 1991, they welcomed their first son, Cody, into the world. Richard developed a passion for history and antiques, and began studying these topics when not out fishing. This self-taught education became the springboard

for opening a small antiques and collectibles business, which then turned into an auction house once the family relocated to Georgia in 1993. In 1997, Richard and Kim were blessed with their second son, Evan.

Soon after, the family of four moved back to the South Coast, continuing the family business and spending time visiting Richard's family in Poland. In 2001, Richard was granted US citizenship, something of which he and the family were very proud. Over the next two decades, Richard continued to work, grow, and support his family. In 2020, Richard moved to Mattapoisett to live with his son Cody and daughter-in-law Kaylee. There, he enjoyed his final years relaxing with his favorite dogs, Mia and Frejya, tinkering with small antiques and collectibles, and restoring paintings.

Those who knew Rich knew that family was always first to him. He always did everything he could to provide for his two boys. Rich loved telling jokes, drinking good, strong coffee, and enjoying the company of his many, many friends. He was the life of every party, and even in the darkest of times, could always be counted on as a beacon of light.

Survivors include his son Cody Ryszard Grodzki and daughter-in-law Kaylee of Mattapoisett, son Evan Stanislaw Grodzki of Mattapoisett; and his siblings, Gabryszka Michaluk, Renata Dudzinska, and Irek Grodzki of Bialystok, Poland.

A celebration of life service will be held on Saturday, October 19 from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com



Carl A. Macedo, 77, of Rochester passed away Thursday, October 3, 2024 surrounded by his loving family at Charlton Memorial Hospital following a lengthy battle with cancer. He was the beloved husband of Barbara J. (Duclos) Macedo with whom he shared 59 years of marriage and son of the late John and Lillian (Spindler) Macedo.

Born in Acushnet, he resided in New Bedford for 21 years and in Dartmouth for several years before relocating to Rochester 35 years ago.

Mr. Macedo was employed as a truck driver for Jack Brassells, Inc. and Medeiros & Sons Construction both located in Dartmouth and also for G. Bourne Knowles in Fairhaven until his retirement. Tending his vegetable garden was a favorite pastime, especially during his retirement years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Mark A. Macedo and his companion, Susan Frates of New Bedford; his brother, John Macedo of Enfield, New Hampshire and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Macedo was predeceased by his infant son, Scott A. Macedo, his brother, Richard Macedo and his sister-in-law,



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of \$10,575.

The top fundraising teams were the South Coast Bikeway team, who raised \$42,516 and the Sippican Sailors, who raised \$73,900, including a very generous matching gift.

Donations are being accepted until October 20 and can be made at savebuzzardsbay.org/ride. The 2025 Watershed Ride will take place on October 5.

The Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride is one of two signature outdoor fundraising events hosted by the Coalition. The other is the Buzzards Bay Swim, a scenic 1.2-mile point-topoint open water swim from New Bedford to Fairhaven set for June 2025.

For more information, please contact the Coalition

at events@savebuzzardsbay.org or (508) 999-6363.

The Halloween Cover Contest

Are you ready for some spooktacular fun? Dust off the cobwebs and sharpen those scary pencils! Your best Halloween artwork could be on the cover of *The Wanderer* and you could win a cash prize! Submit your best original Halloween drawing, photo, compilation, or artwork to enter for publication on our November 2 cover.

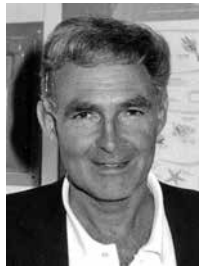
Deadline for submitting artwork is Monday, **October 21**, at noon. Online voting will take place from **October 22 to October 28**. The cover winner will win \$100 and his or her artwork will be on the **October 31** cover of *The Wanderer!* All entries must be original; cover entries must contain

OBITUARIES

Elaine "Penny" Macedo.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Southcoast Cancer Center, 206 Mill Road, Fairhaven, MA 02719 or you may donate online at southcoast.org/services/cancer-care and click on Giving at the top of the page.

Funeral arrangements have been committed to the care of Aubertine-Lopes Funeral Home, 129 Allen St., New Bedford. www.aubertine-lobes.com



Donald Wilson Wheeler passed away on October 3, 2024, at the age of 89. He was the son of the late Clifford Wheeler and Bertha Stevens Wheeler.

Don attended Norwood High School and Springfield College. He married the love of his life, Mary-Jane (MJ) Carpenter, in 1962. After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps for three years,

Don began his career as a teacher in the Norwood school system, where he taught junior high and high school classes for 33 years. He was Head Coach of the Norwood High hockey team for nearly two decades, bring-

ing home eight Bay State League titles. He received multiple commendations from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for his contributions to the sport as well as being named to the MA State Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

An avid sailor, Don was a member of the Beverly Yacht Club for 40 years. He loved watching movies and listening to jazz and big band music.

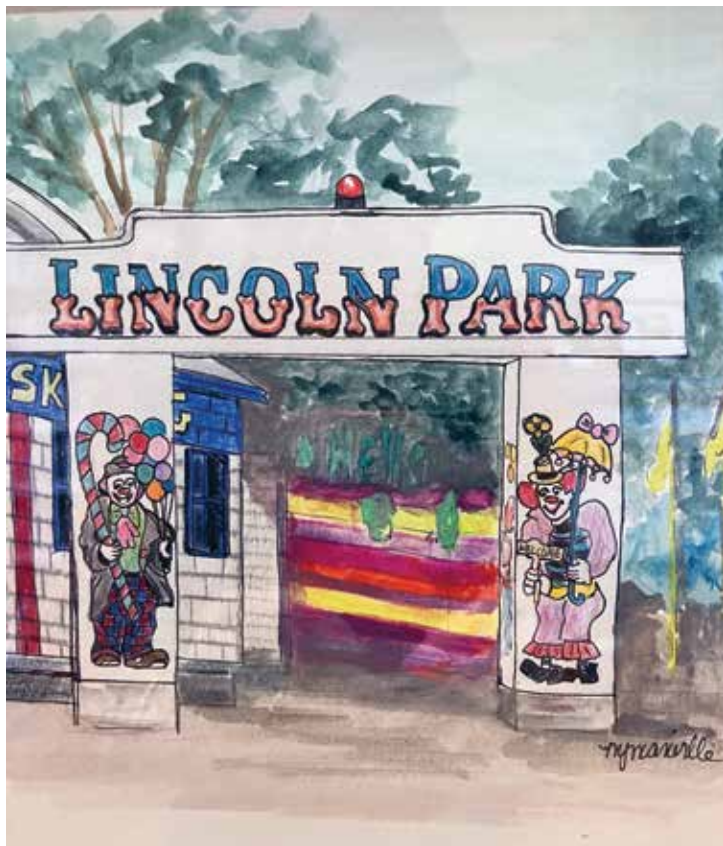
Don is survived by his wife MJ of Marion and daughter Danalynne Menegus and her husband Kevin, of Pinole, CA.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 22nd from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm at Chapman Funerals & Cremations, 2599 Cranberry Hwy, Wareham. Interment will follow at 2:00 pm at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Connery Ave., Bourne.

Donations in Don's memory can be made to the charity created in 2018 in remembrance of Don and MJ's great-niece: Maddie Lamson Scholarship Fund c/o Medway High School, 88 Summer St., Medway, MA 02053.

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.

TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



Mattapoisett Free Public Library is now graced with art by Mj Manville. Manville's themes are playful, serious, and include animal portraits. Photo by Marilou Newell



There were eager buyers looking for that rare find and those who simply love to bargain hunt at the October 5 Mattapoisett Friends annual fall yard sale. Proceeds go towards various programs and projects around the globe and locally. Photo by Marilou Newell



Great view of the Mattapoisett Bike Trail. Photo shared by Ruth A Griffin.

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Prepare To Care

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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 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

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MOVIE REVIEW

The Buzz Turns 50

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (1974). Starring Marilyn Burns and Gunnar Hansen. Directed by Tobe Hooper. Running time: 83 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Available on physical and streaming home media (free on Tubi).

On October 11, Tobe Hooper's *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre* will turn fifty. Despite its misleadingly pulpy title, it is no less a classic than any other film reaching that milestone this year. Would I put it up against *Chinatown* or *The Godfather Part II*? Well, it's kind of apples and oranges. Those were major-studio projects. *Chainsaw* came out of nowhere, backed by a shady organization with ties to the mob, and inscribed its name in the book of horror-film history. It has a slew of mostly terrible sequels (though I quite like Hooper's own 1986 follow-up) that seem to misunderstand what makes the original film work, what makes it *sing*.

One answer, though not the only one, is pure cinema. Hooper turned out to be as inconsistent a director as many in the horror genre, but he really came to play here. After his first feature-length doodle *Eggshells*, which has some jazzy editing tricks, Hooper decided to bring that experimental spirit to a sharper story, whittled down to the basics. Five young people stop by a house near some old family property. They are set upon by the house's inhabitants, a family of men who used to work in the meat industry, clobbering cattle and sticking them on hooks. Now they do likewise to human cattle.

We get the sense there's a financial reason this family pivoted to cannibalism. (They may or may not actually eat of their wares, but they do sell it at the gas station run by the most presentable of the group, "The Cook.") Jobs became scarce at the local factory. The Hitchhiker (Ed Neal) goes out to find the prey. The Cook (Jim Siedow) prepares the beef for good eatin'. And Leatherface (Gunnar Hansen), a big guy wielding the titular power tool, uses it or a sledgehammer to get that human meat prone on the table. They're up against three men and two women. Only one, Sally (Marilyn Burns), survives.

I've pointed out elsewhere that Leatherface has the soul of an artist (judging from the sculptures and such he fashions out of bones) and would probably rather not be doing this with his life. But he was born into this callous family of meat workers and must do his part. The problem with most of the sequels is that they forget Leatherface's cracked humanity and just treat him as another enormous



heavy-breathing psycho. (Which he also is. But the psychos in this movie have layers — more so than their victims, who either have abrasive personalities or none at all. Sally's brother Franklin (Paul A. Partain) is in a wheelchair, and is the most hated character among fans, but not because of his disability. Hooper and cowriter Kim Henkel make Franklin an annoying whiner, who would get on everyone's nerves just as much if he were abled. Because he is not, the people around him (except Sally, his sister) don't feel right telling him to shut up and bug off.

There is considerable beauty in the film, courtesy of cinematographer Daniel Pearl, who gives us the greatest last shot in horror-film history (it's also a top-tenner among *any* final shots) — Leatherface spinning with his chainsaw in a crazed ballet as his prey gets away. We learn enough about the nonverbal Leatherface from his responses and actions (there's a fine quiet scene where he sits and has a mini-panic attack over these new interlopers he now has to deal with or face the wrath of the Cook), but enough of him is kept a mystery to us to preserve his status as a horror icon. Some of the sequels tried to add irrelevant details disregarding what we know and feel about him from the first film, and Gunnar Hansen brings out Leatherface's vulnerability. This killer is more afraid of his victims than they are of him.

Hooper certainly didn't have to add dimensions to his hick murderers or evoke terror with such odd yet effective aesthetic choices. The production was famously difficult, but all that comes through in the movie is the easy flow of images wedded to a weird, barbaric noisescape. *Texas Chainsaw Massacre* could have been just another cheapjack cat-and-mouse horror, but it goes way beyond that, unsettling us almost as soon as we sit down, with John Larroquette's somber narration and strangely illuminated opening credits bracketing a dug-up corpse sitting on a gravestone like a decoration. The movie has an unstable, hostile foundation; it launches from a standard horror premise but transcends it. Its title keeps casual viewers away, but it deserves to find an audience outside of its genre.

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@mattapoissett.net.

Marion Fire/EMS Open House

Marion Fire/EMS will host an Open House on Friday, **October 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 Mattapoissett (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 Programs in the Mattapoissett Children's Room

Join us for a fun-filled October in the Mattapoissett Children's Room, packed with exciting programs for all ages. We're kicking off the month by celebrating Fire Safety Month at the Mattapoissett 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.

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights Sept 29-Oct 5

- Front St - Transport
- Mill St – Order of protection
- Wareham Rd – General service
- Wareham Rd – MV stop/citation
- West Ave – EMS/medical
- Front St – Officer wanted
- Planting Island Causeway – Parking
- Hammett's Cove Dr – Suspicious activity
- Mill St – MV collision
- Mill St – MV collision
- Job's Cove Rd – Suspicious activity
- Ichabod Ln – Suspicious activity
- County Rd – General service
- Point Rd – EMS/medical
- Riverview Ln – EMS/medical
- Washburn Park – Suspicious MV
- Village Dr – Suspicious MV
- Mill St – Health/welfare
- Brigg's Ter – Smoke investigation
- Joanne Dr – Officer wanted
- Allen St – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd - Disturbance
- Holmes St – EMS/medical
- Ichabod Ln – Suspicious person
- Field Stone Ln – Officer wanted
- Olde Knoll Rd – EMS/medical
- Front St – Animal complaint
- Gifford's Corner Rd – Health/welfare
- Olde Knoll Rd – Officer wanted

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Sept 29-Oct 5

- Crestfield St – Disorderly person
- Water St – Animal control
- Tinkham Ln – MV crash
- Deer Run – 911 call
- Harvey Orchard Ln – Larceny/forgery
- Holly Ln – Medical assist
- North St – MV violations
- Water St – Animal control
- Acushnet Rd - Vandalism
- Shaw St – General service
- Water St – General service
- River Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Acushnet Rd – Animal control
- Angelica Ave – Parking complaint
- Baker Ln – Medical assist
- Timberledge Ln – General service
- Laura Ln – Ambulance request
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Aucoot Rd – MV violations
- Barstow St – General service
- Oak Rd – MV crash
- Mendell Rd – General service
- County Rd – Animal control
- Holly Ln – 911 abandoned
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Wolf Island Rd – MV crash
- Holly Ln – Medical assist
- Acushnet Rd – Medical alarm
- Laurel St – Suspicious persons

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Sept 29-Oct 5

- Alley Rd – Civil issues
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Medical alarm
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Cranberry Hwy – MV collision
- Bates Rd – Animal control
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV complaint
- Braley Hill Rd – Animal control
- Dexter Ln – General services
- Hartley Rd – Well-being check
- New Bedford Rd – MV collision
- Forbes Rd – Suspicious activity
- Sarabeth Ln – Follow up
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV stop/citation
- Bates Rd – Medical alarm
- Dr Braley Rd – Burglar alarm
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Road hazard
- New Bedford Rd – Erratic MV
- Cranberry Hwy – Community policing
- Stevens Rd – Animal control
- High St – Animal control
- Rounseville Rd – Suspicious activity
- Mattapoisett Rd – General services
- Dexter Ln – Firearms licensing
- North Av e- Property damage
- Negus Way – Technical rescue
- Robinson Rd – 911 call
- Neck Rd – Lost animal
- Rounseville Rd – Community policing
- Cushman Rd – Animal control

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 14:** No meals served – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Hawaiian chicken, sweet rice, carrots, whole wheat roll, pear
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Pork cacciatore, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, mini apple bites
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Unstuffed pepper bowl w/ground beef, white rice, kale & peppers, whole wheat roll, peach
- Friday, Oct 18:** Baked shrimp w/ tomato caper sauce, orzo, green beans & peppers, bread stick, vanilla pudding

CENTER SCHOOL

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Loaded tator tot nachos served with warm soft pretzel
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce

- Thursday, Oct 17:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, cheese stick, tator tots
- Friday, Oct 18:** Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Loaded tator tot nachos served with warm soft pretzel
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, cheese stick, tator tots
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OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Loaded tator tot nachos served with warm soft

- pretzel
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, cheese stick, tator tots
- Friday, Oct 18:** Hot buffalo chicken dip served with whole grain tortilla chips, fresh veggie sticks

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Loaded tator tot nachos served with warm soft pretzel
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, cheese stick, tator tots
- Friday, Oct 18:** Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Loaded tator tot nachos served with warm soft pretzel
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed carrots, applesauce
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, cheese stick, tator tots
- Friday, Oct 18:** Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

- Monday, Oct 14:** No school – Columbus Day
- Tuesday, Oct 15:** Italian sub & fries
- Wednesday, Oct 16:** American chop suey & garlic bread
- Thursday, Oct 17:** Build a baked potato
- Friday, Oct 18:** Assorted pizza

you have any questions, please contact Michelle Skaar at mkskaar@sailsinc.org. You can also find more information on our website at MattapoissettLibrary.org.

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, 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-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.

Small Works & Holiday Shop 2024

The Marion Art Center announces a call for 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.

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To see all show details and apply to Small Works + Holiday Shop, use the form found at www.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.

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

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- 20 Basra natives
- 21 Balloon pilot
- 23 Upon initial sight
- 25 Twilight time, to poets
- 26 Diplomacy
- 27 Performs an axel, e.g.
- 29 Arizona-to-Kentucky dir.
- 30 Mauna —
- 31 Square-cut building stones
- 34 Glossy fabric with an elaborate floral pattern
- 37 Rule, in brief
- 38 Atomic cores
- 42 Playpen toy
- 43 Baby's breath and cowherb are members of it

- 47 "Gung Ho" actress Rogers
- 51 Sondheim's "Everybody Ought to Have —"
- 52 Like a laundromat washer, for short
- 53 Closer to now
- 55 Swam some pool lengths
- 58 Florida city near Miami
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- 62 Material on a Q-tip
- 65 Person howling
- 66 — Lingus
- 67 Ancient Palestine
- 68 Bamboo eaters
- 69 Jackson 5 #1 hit of 1970
- 72 — and pestle
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- 74 Leg midpoint
- 75 Alternative to apple pie
- 79 Jewish villages of old
- 81 Debonair
- 82 Greasier

- 85 French cathedral city
- 86 Burger meat
- 87 Crispy-skinned fish dish
- 91 "Oz" co-star Walker
- 94 Having a saintly ring
- 95 "— minute!"
- 96 Noted presidential matriarch
- 101 Many KFC pieces
- 103 Singer DiFranco
- 104 Squeal (on)
- 105 Papal crowns
- 109 Job honcho
- 110 Cubic — (fake gem)
- 113 What seven key words in this puzzle are
- 117 Native of Fiji or Nauru
- 118 Well-reasoned
- 119 Four-page sheet
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- 4 Court hearing
- 5 Carrier with a Toronto hub
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- 9 Blue-green
- 10 Main points
- 11 Actor Milo
- 12 — Bo
- 13 Fourteen times five
- 14 Philosopher Hannah
- 15 Sinus doc
- 16 Boxer Ali
- 17 "Congrats!"
- 18 Rib-eye, e.g.
- 22 Actor Ryan
- 24 Walk cockily
- 28 Peel off
- 31 Site of rural peace
- 32 Mariner's distance unit
- 33 —-fi flick
- 35 Suffix with resident
- 36 Michelle Obama's "Becoming," e.g.

- 39 Site: Abbr.
- 40 Brian of rock
- 41 Promiser's qualifier
- 44 Guitarist Lofgren
- 45 Strong as —
- 46 Country of NW Afr.
- 48 Tavern
- 49 Actress Ryan
- 50 1040 org.
- 53 Showy debut, perhaps
- 54 Tram rocks
- 56 "Memento" star Guy
- 57 — Domingo
- 59 Narrow road
- 60 Agrees (with)
- 63 Broccoli —
- 64 Native American feathered headdress
- 67 Singer Marc
- 68 Shunned one
- 69 Destroying Scuds, say
- 70 Triple Crown venue
- 71 Some light planes
- 72 VirusScan company
- 73 Brazilian soccer hero

- 74 Ship's spine
- 75 Tavern
- 76 Before
- 77 Prez Lincoln
- 78 Fleur-de- —
- 80 Results of compromises
- 83 Notable time
- 84 Cath., e.g.
- 87 Fiero or GTO
- 88 Raggedy —
- 89 Feb. 29, for leap day babies
- 90 — -Croatian
- 92 Goodyear's home city
- 93 Malicious sort
- 96 Schick item
- 97 In reserve
- 98 It'll stop traffic
- 99 Frisbees, e.g.
- 100 Big internet portal
- 102 In — (stuck)
- 106 Pasta sauce brand
- 107 Yemen port
- 108 Mail in, e.g.
- 111 Meowing pet
- 112 "I'll take that as —"
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Mars, your ruling planet, will soon begin a journey that will open up a growing number of romantic and fun-filled possibilities. Put this surging Arian energy to good use and explore it to your heart's content.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This is the time to prepare for a career move coming up next month. Update your resume. Get those proposals in shape. And don't forget to buff up that Bovine self-confidence!

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your Gemini instincts will guide you to the right people who might be able to help you get over a career impasse that has been holding you back. Expect to make changes.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're getting closer, but you still have a way to go before reaching your goals. Continue to stay focused, no matter how difficult it can be for the easily distracted Moon Child.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your Leonine pride might be keeping you from getting to the source of a disturbing situation. Don't be shy about asking questions. Remember, information is power.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to shake up your tidy little world by doing something spontaneous, like taking an unplanned trip or going on a mad shopping spree.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to get advice on your plans. But don't act on them until you feel sure that you've been told everything you need to know to support your move.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful. You might be probing just a little too deeply into a situation that you find singularly suspicious. The facts you seek will begin to emerge at a later time.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week to make new friends and look for new career challenges. But first, get all those unfinished tasks wrapped up and out of the way.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Relationships need a fresh infusion of tender, loving care. Avoid potential problems down the line. Stay close to loved ones as the month draws to a close.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Take things nice and easy as you continue to build up your energy reserves for a big change that comes in when the transformational planet Pluto reenters your sign later on next month.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This is the absolute right time to let those often-hidden talents shine their brightest. You'll impress some very important people with what you can do.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are impelled by a need to find the truth, no matter how elusive. You would make a wonderful research scientist or an intrepid detective.

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

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*.

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

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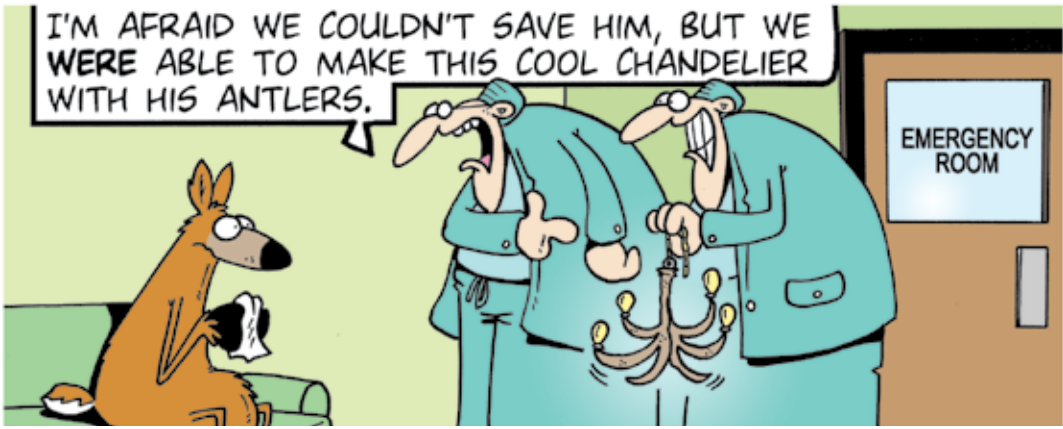


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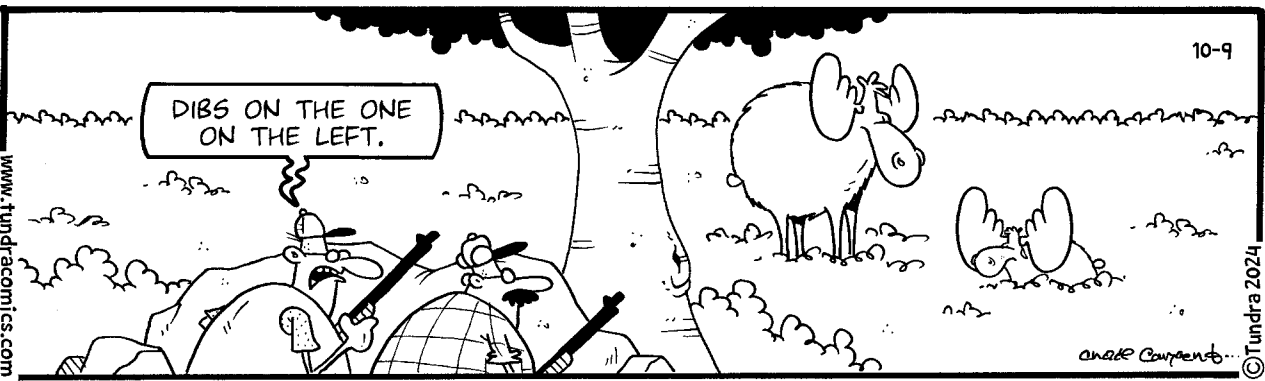
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Book Donation Day

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 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



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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 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



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LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES
<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 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.</p> <p>Richard Charon, Chairman 10/3, 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Alexandra Ablon.</p> <p>The meeting will also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to perform vegetation management, primarily to remove invasive plants including but not limited to phragmites, bittersweet and honeysuckle.</p> <p>The proposed work will be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage and within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland and possibly within the B.V.W.</p> <p>The property is located at 4 Island View Avenue which is further identified as Lots #46 & #47 on Assessors Map #14A. 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that application has been made on behalf of the Town of Marion for the approval of the Department of Environmental Protection for the Town of Marion to acquire certain lands or rights to land in Rochester for public water supply protection purposes, said land in question being identified as a portion of Rochester Assessor's Map 1, Lot 16, being vacant land located on the south side of New Boston Road, Rochester.</p> <p>In response to said application, the Department of Environmental Protection acting under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 39B and Section 41,</p>	<p>as amended and each and every other act thereto enabling, will hold a hearing in Room 2117 at the Department of Environmental Protection, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347 on October 30, 2024. The hearing will begin at 10:00 am.</p> <p>The plan showing the land in question is on file at the Department of Environmental Protection at the above address, and in the office of the Rochester Town Clerk in Town Hall at 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770. Said plan is entitled "Paul Drinking Water Land Protection Project Plan" and dated September 30, 2024.</p> <p>Comments pertaining to this matter may be made orally at the time of the hearing or submitted in writing to the MassDEP/SERO address at any time before 3:00 pm on November 6, 2024. By Order of the Department of Environmental Protection.</p> <p>James M. McLaughlin, Chief Drinking Water Program Bureau of Resource Protection 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation filed by Zachary Farkes of Re-Wild Renewables, 26 Market Square, Portsmouth, NH, 03801, for property located on Snipatuit Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lot 13 on Assessor's Map 47. The purpose of the filing is to confirm wetland resource areas at Snipatuit Road.</p> <p>The property owner of record is S&S Realty Trust, 83 Mechanic Street, Foxborough, MA 02035. The applicant's representative is Andrew Gorman of Beals and Thomas, Inc., 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772. This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83232597091 Meeting ID: 832 3259 7091 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Christopher Gerrior, Chairman 10/10</p> <hr/> <p>CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS</p> <p>Winter rental Beautifully updated, 2 bedroom home for rent on Converse Rd. Not pets Email Jennianne.oconnor@gmail.com or call/text 617-686-2683</p> <hr/> <p>Yard Sale: Sat Oct. 12th 9-noon (rain date 13th) 12 Bayberry Lane, Mattapoisett Power tools, snowblower, garden tools & equip., collectibles, vintage items, artwork, desktop computer, housewares and much more!</p> <hr/> <p>YOUR HANDYMEN Clean outs, dump runs, demolition, interior/exterior, dump truck service, pressure washing & more. Insured 774-762-0016</p>

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](https://www.covidtests.gov).

The Marion Board of Health has a limited number of COVID-19 tests available for pick up at their office. Please call 508-748-3530 for more information.

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.

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 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 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."

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The Mattapoisett Free Public Library Artist Series presents a library exhibit called "SouthCoast Landmarks and Whimsy" by Fall River artist MJ Manville through **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 to all.

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

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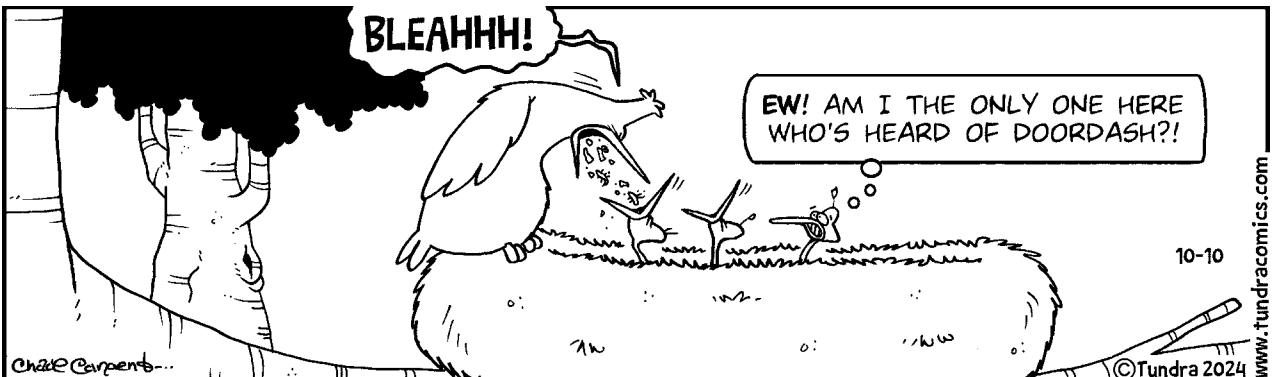
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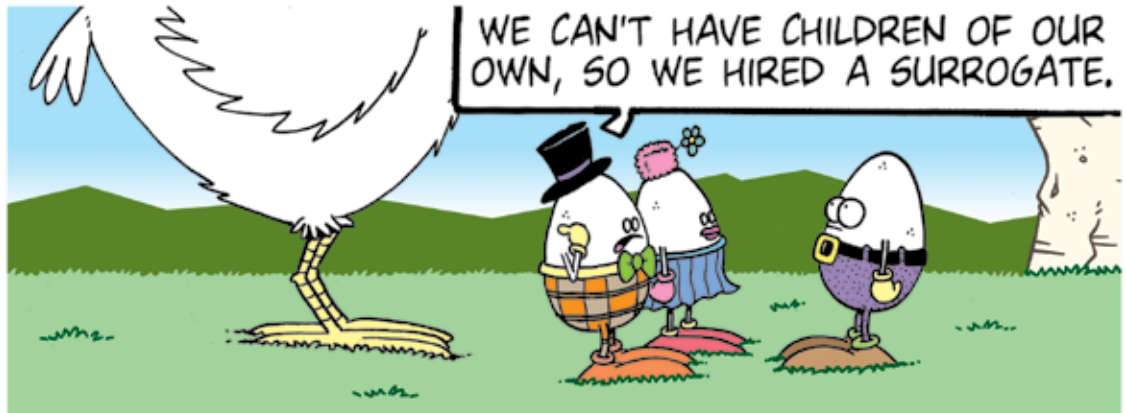


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The Marion Police Department is hosting a women's self-defense class during Domestic Violence Awareness Month on **October 15 & 17** from 6-9 pm.

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Please see the attached flyer and registration form for details.

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ORR Class of 1985

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

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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 at lisagarabedian122@gmail.com.

Thank you, we hope to see you all there.

MA Preservation Funds Available

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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.

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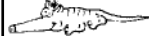
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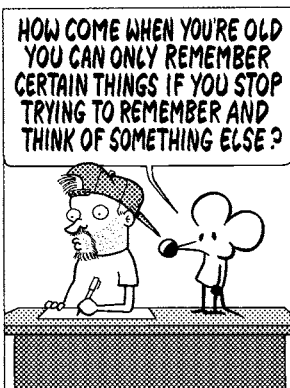
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as they navigate the challenges posed by climate change and human activities. Program donations are \$10.00 nonmembers, \$8.00 for members.

Mattapoissett Cultural Council

Mattapoissett Cultural Council invites grant 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 Mattapoissett, -- 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 Mattapoissett 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/mattapoissett. 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.

Recently funded projects included: theatrical, literary and science programs for children and adults at Mattapoissett Free Public Library, concerts by Sippican Choral Society, SouthCoast Children's Chorus and Tri-County Symphonic Band, programs and exhibits at Mattapoissett Museum and in-school and summertime arts



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

Birthday Parties at the MAC

The Marion Art Center's Arts & Crafts instructor Aylin Cetik is offering birthday parties in the MAC Studio. Parties for ages 4 and up will be scheduled on Saturdays and Sundays, with 15-20 minutes reserved at the end of the party for a sweet treat. Available times are 10 am-11:30 am or 1:00 pm-2:30 pm. Suggested party themes include: mermaids, fairies, outer space, pirates, art & science or custom. The cost is \$275 for up to ten guests and \$15 for each additional child with a maximum of 15 children. Add-on options include outdoor lawn games or other activities by request, for an additional fee. For more information and to inquire about dates, email aylincetik@gmail.com.

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Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Nakashian, Robert H TR Giles, Kathleen TR Nakashian Giles RT	Wood, Ryan TR Medeiros, Matthew TR R & M Realty Trust	0 Acushnet Rd Lot A	Mattapoissett	09/18/2024	30,000.00
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Creighton, David Creighton, Tonya	Weingarten, Susanne	21 Cottage St	Marion	09/20/2024	990,000.00
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Papas Real Estate LLC	Arruda, David M TR Arruda Realty Trust	89 County Rd	Mattapoissett	09/20/2024	395,000.00
Sneath, Scott C Sneath, Jennifer R	Schnure, Frederick W TR Hutton, Christina B TR Christina Hutton 1991 Trust	32-34 Main St	Mattapoissett	09/24/2024	2,100,000.00



Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
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
Monday	October 21	11:39		4:28	5:46
Tuesday	October 22	12:08	12:38	5:16	7:05
Wednesday	October 23	1:07	1:39	6:09	8:58
Thursday	October 24	2:07	2:41	7:20	10:05
Friday	October 25	3:08	3:42	9:35	10:54
Saturday	October 26	4:09	4:43	10:46	11:28
Sunday	October 27	5:08	5:38	11:27	11:51

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 October 3, 2024 edition the Aardvark was on page 31

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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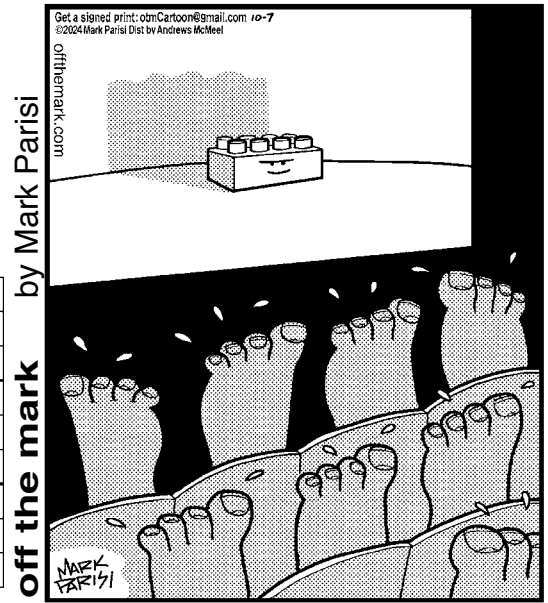
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1. Elegant; 2. Prance;
3. Yearn; 4. Futile

Today's Word
TRYING

Sudoku Answer

8	1	6	2	4	9	5	3	7
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9	3	2	5	6	7	1	8	4
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4	2	9	7	3	6	8	5	1
7	6	1	9	5	8	4	2	3
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1	9	7	6	8	5	3	4	2
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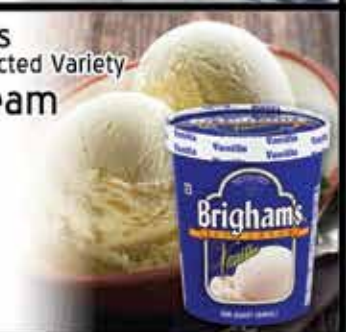
Barilla
12-16 oz. Selected Variety
Pasta
\$1⁷⁹



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