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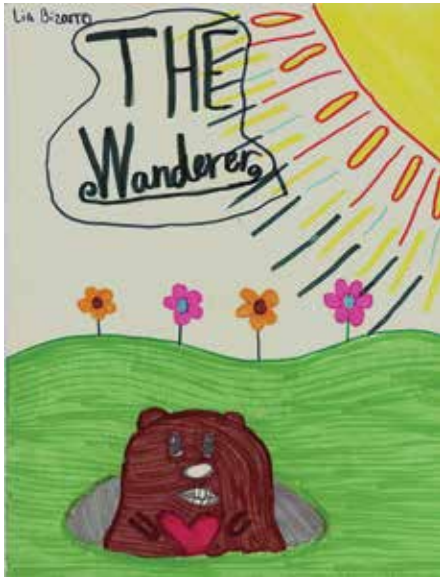
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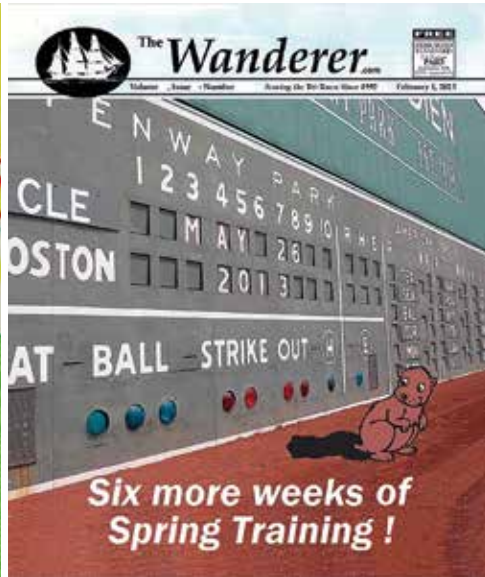
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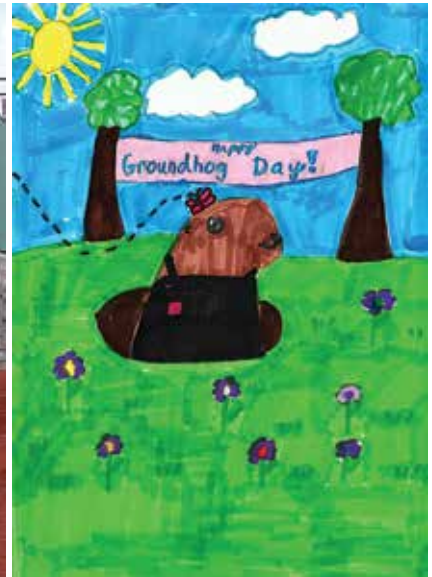
Congratulations, and thank you to everyone who entered this year's Groundhog Cover Contest. We had a fabulous and inventive selection, and it was a tough choice for many. These entries can also be seen in the photo gallery at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com).



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## The 2025 Frosty Runner Road Race

By Erez Ben-Akiva

The Frosty Runner Road Race, an annual long-distance run at Old Colony, matched its billing in its 12th year.

More than 280 participants came to the high school on Saturday, January 25 to complete the 10.5-mile or 5-kilometer circuit through a mid-20-degree chill. "Definitely lived up to the name of the frosty runner," Robert Norcott, the 10.5-mile men's winner, said. "Think we're all a little bit cold, little bit fatigued, but what a great day in January to get a good race in."

Norcott, 43, finished in 1:03:45. It was his first time running the Frosty Runner Road Race. "I just love to compete," he said. "I love running with somebody that's either chasing me or I'm chasing them."

With a cold wind across the route's hills and flat surfaces, Norcott, of Berkley, said the run was "very challenging." It was also his first time running a race that was specifically 10.5 miles long. "That .5 you really feel at the end," Norcott said. "It really tests your kick."

Linda Spooner, 50, finished the 10.5-mile race first among women, in 1:10:49. She is a multi-time winner of the yearly winter run through the streets of Rochester. "It's really everything somebody wants in a race," Spooner, of Sturbridge, said. "I love it."

The event also includes a 5-kilometer route. New Bedford resident Corey Hebert, a multi-time winner, placed first among men with a time of 17:32. The cold made the run more difficult than last year, Hebert, 31, said. It makes breathing harder, and muscles have to be warm to run efficiently. "Once you're in the race, it's not too bad, but on a cold, cold day like this, it can get to you a little bit," he said.

Westport resident Mary Cass, a previous winner, placed first for women with a 20:29 time. "It takes a hardcore runner to run on a day like today," Cass, 63, said.

Bethany Botelho first organized the Frosty Runner



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**We want to hear from you and include your photos & ideas in The Wanderer - stay in touch!**

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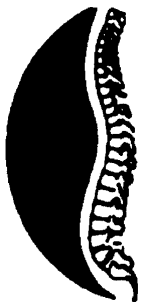
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Road Race at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School in 2012. "It was really just kind of a local race, and it's wild to see how much it's branched out," Botelho, a vocational director at the school, said.

The event primarily serves as a fundraiser for Old Colony's cross-country team. Old Colony staff and faculty volunteer for the event, according to Botelho. "I like that it supports the school here, and that's one reason why I do it," Cass said.

Winner of the men's 5K section, Hebert, said he loves the run because it's a local road race that supports a local school.

Winner of the women's 10.5, Spooner, said the event is a "great cause" that, with little racing happening in the winter, "comes at such a good time."

"It's everything you want, and I'll try to do it every single year," she said. "It's just so great."

**ORRHS Holds Genealogy Celebration  
Spanning Generations**

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to share that Old Rochester Regional High School celebrated its annual Genealogy Class Celebration on Wednesday, January 15.

The event, held in the high school library, served as the culmination of a semester-long genealogy course offered through the English Department. Students showcased their completed ancestry books, the result of extensive research conducted throughout the semester, to an audience of peers, family members, and community members.

Under the guidance of English teacher Kathleen Brunelle, students conducted research and utilized tools such as family search, historical newspapers, and genealogical databases. They also reached out to local city halls and libraries to uncover regional histories and compiled their findings into professionally designed ancestry books to preserve for future generations.

"The genealogy course at the high school has become a staple of our project-based learning initiatives," said Principal Michael Devoll. "Mrs. Brunelle has shared her passion and professional work in genealogical research with her students. It is wonderful to see the students sharing their research with their loved ones."

Adding some flavor and a cultural dimension to the endeavor, students brought in samples of special foods eaten by their ancestors at different points throughout the semester, sharing ethnic delicacies with classmates while working on their research. The

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Genealogy Class Celebration followed in this tradition, as guests and students shared a selection of dishes and desserts that honored the diverse histories of the participants.

English Teacher Kathleen Brunelle praised her students' dedication and creativity, noting the impressive depth of the genealogical findings included in their final projects.

"The ancestry books are more than just a grade - they are a legacy for students and their families to cherish for years to come," Brunelle said. "This celebration is a true testament to the hard work and dedication these students have shown throughout the semester. It's also a unique opportunity for the students to get a taste of the culture and history of one another's ancestors."

Assistant Principal Lauren Millette called the Genealogy Class Celebration "a testament to Ms. Brunelle's inspiring passion for teaching" and a demonstration of the profound impact it has on her students.

"Listening to each student share their discoveries

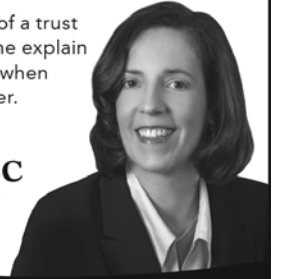
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about their families was a truly unforgettable experience," said Assistant Principal Lauren Millette. "We are incredibly proud of our students and their remarkable work in Genealogy."

The Genealogy Class is offered each fall semester. It allows students to explore their personal histories while honing research, writing, and creative skills in a meaningful and collaborative environment.

"This celebration is a wonderful example of how learning transcends the classroom," Superintendent Nelson said. "Through this unique course, students have not only developed valuable research and writing skills but also forged meaningful connections with their families and community. It's a joy to see generations come

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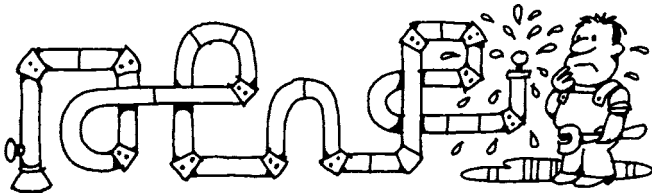
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*What Does The Doctor Say?*

**By Dr. Edward Hoffer**

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The FDA relaxed its guidelines on radio and television advertising in 1997, and the boom took off. In 2012, spending on traditional media (mostly TV) advertising by the pharmaceutical industry was \$3.2 billion and by 2024 it hit \$7.5 billion.

As eyeballs turned from broadcast TV to social media, pharmaceutical advertising followed. In addition to the \$7.5 billion spent on traditional broadcast media, pharma ads on social media hit \$19.5 billion in 2024.

Why do they spend so much money on these ads? Because they work. People hear about new “wonder drugs” and ask their doctors about them.

Product claim ads, the majority, give the drug’s brand name (in large print) along with its generic name, the condition it treats and its benefits and risks. The benefits are up front and emphasized while the risks typically go by rapidly at the end. Cost is never mentioned.

Not surprisingly, there is no obligation for the ad to specify how the drug works or if there are competing drugs for the same condition that are safer or cheaper.

A fascinating study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association two years ago found that advertising expenses were much higher for drugs of limited benefit than for those with greater clinical benefit.

What should you do? If you think you have the condition the drug is supposed to help, it is perfectly OK for you to ask your doctor about it. They are in the best position to know if the drug might benefit you, if it is safe for you given any other medical conditions you have and medicines you are taking, whether there are better and / or cheaper drugs to use instead and if you can avoid the

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## Special Town Meeting Approves Key Proposals Amidst Debate

*Rochester Special Town Meeting*

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Special Town Meeting Monday approved most of its warrant proposals, with notable exceptions and strong resistance to even some of the articles that did pass.

In a meeting highlighted by the new feature of a large screen hanging from the stage to visually present the articles, the crowded 250-person quorum began by easily approving transfers from available funds for a variety of needs around town. Voters endorsed \$120,000 for new, safer sliding cell room doors, \$3,225 for the town's share of the Plumb Library's plan to purchase a new more water-resistant and air-tight library book depository with an hydraulic-lift floor, \$26,500 to fund costs related to post-closure landfill engineering, monitoring and surveying work, \$175,000 to renovate the station's second floor to create additional office, meeting and storage space, and \$30,000 to install new commercial grade kitchen flooring and replace the deteriorating in-floor grease trap at the senior center.

Voters then approved spending \$100,000 of Capital Improvement Committee funds to replace the 1999 Highway Department sander truck with a used model that Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge said he will outfit himself to make it more usable.

However, a request for \$55,000 from available funds for site work at the former Rochester Country Fair grounds on Pine St. where the new fire station will be built, sparked opposition before being ultimately approved.

Resident Timothy Fields led that push back by suggesting \$55,000 of site work there will lead to a \$30 million building according to a prior consultant's feasibility study. Resident Jeffrey Costa added the town does not need a \$30 million public works project that would raise property owners' taxes.

Several town firefighters reacted strongly, noting that a new station safer for firefighters to occupy and closer to medical and fire emergencies that can house

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Town Administrator Cameron Durant responded that this is a 'not-to-exceed' amount that will allow the town to design the right facility for the town. The measure passed by a strong majority voice vote.

The meeting approved a move to change the Town Clerk from an elected to an appointed position, which would send the measure to an election ballot question in the spring, after push back from residents noting the town has voted down this proposal before. Durant argued the job of town clerk has gotten more complicated of late and it takes a full two-year term for a new town clerk to do his or her job. Electing a town clerk for a simple two-year term is not enough for such a professional position so important to running the town.

Voters then soundly approved allowing the treasurer to invest town trust funds such as for scholarships and the library in 'prudent' investments and a major revision of the town's Personnel Bylaw that clarifies the bylaw's scope, evaluation and grievance process, Family Medical Leave Act compliance, and adds a sick leave bank and a family leave policy.

Voters exempted town municipal buildings from a new state law requiring that no firearm, even a legally

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Turning to zoning bylaws, meeting members approved an amendment to the town’s Battery Energy Storage Systems regulations to ban them from being built in the town’s Groundwater Protection District and the Mattapoissett River Valley Watershed. They added to the bylaw governing Visual Screening of Solar Arrays in residential districts that said screening needs to be 100 percent, and they deleted ‘Use Variances’ from what is allowed under zoning bylaws.

The meeting, however, voted down proposals to add the regulation of short-term rentals and accessory dwelling units (ADUs). Proponent Richard Cutler, whose Zoning Bylaw Review Committee created both, argued

these would impose some regulation of these residential uses. Residents argued back that the short-term rental amendment tries to solve a problem that does not exist. Planning Board chair Arnold Johnson said his panel has voted not to recommend the ADU bylaw because the new state law it is reacting to keeps changing. That state law allows ADUs by right on residential properties. The state, he said, keeps changing its regulations whenever it hears how MA towns and cities are writing its own rules in response to it. “The state keeps moving the goal posts,” Johnson said. “It’s a moving target.” He said once the state regulations are in place in early February, then the town can tweak its own bylaw.

The town meeting adjourned after a record three hours in session.

### Burr Not Seeking Re-election

*Marion Select Board*

**By Jeffrey D. Wagner**

New beginnings and one farewell were the theme of last Wednesday’s Select Board meeting.

One police officer was promoted, and another joined the ranks. Meanwhile, Select Board member Carleton “Toby” Burr Jr. announced that he will not be running for re-election this year.

Select Board members applauded Burr for his service to the town.

Burr will complete his first and only term on the board before the start of the next election cycle in spring.

Alexandra Glew, who was appointed as a Student Police Officer last year, was named the town’s newest police officer.

Police Chief Richard Nighelli noted that Glew worked as a regional dispatcher and won two awards for life-saving work. For one call, she directed family members how to give life-saving CPR to an elderly resident.

For another call, Glew helped direct a caller how to manage an emergency childbirth, as well as post-delivery instructions, according to Nighelli.

Officer Tyler Paquette was promoted to police sergeant as well last week. Paquette has worked as an officer in Marion since 2022. Prior to that he worked as a

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Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman reported last week that progress is being made on the new Department of Public Works building, as well as the new harbormaster building - the latter having a working elevator.

Gorman and the Select Board also praised Harbormaster Adam Murphy and other safety departments, including the fire department, for their efforts on January 20 to save a duck hunter, who fell out of his boat 200 yards from Silverstein Beach.

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placed his own clothes on the man who was experiencing symptoms of hypothermia, according to reports.

Once on shore, the fire department provided the man with warming blankets and warming IV fluids, before he was transported to Tobey Hospital in Wareham.

The Select Board will host a waterways regulations hearing on January 30 6:00 pm at the Marion Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street.

## Village Roads Project Greenlighted

*Mattapoissett Select Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

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meeting hours, and the patience of Job at times, but at long last the Mattapoissett village streets roadway reconstruction project is moving into 75-percent design. Barring unknown and unknowable roadblocks (pun intended), several years from now Mattapoissett's village center will have gone through a metamorphosis.

On January 28, the Select Board, in the presence of community members who did not object, voted to accept the 25-percent design. Now the project design can move forward with nearly all sticking points dispensed with.

Several years into the design process, the Select Board faced a public whose concerns centered around the loss of trees. It seemed at times that the more the community talked about the project pros and cons the further away from a consensus they drifted. But on this night, after an engineering presentation that spelled out how and why certain decisions had been made, the board members accepted the plan as presented with only small deviations.

VHB gave project updates that included confirmation that the Main Street section will begin at Tobey Lane, gas main to be replaced by Eversource, water main to be part of the TIP project with MassDOT providing installation, and the town to fund materials.

It was further decided that underground utilities were not feasible, raised traffic calming features would not be installed and that the creation of one-way traffic flow would not be part of the plan. Police Chief Jason King gave a presentation that highlighted the dangers inherent in one-way traffic flow saying he was opposed.

What had been a real hot button topic, the removal of trees, 31 at last count, met with little to no resistance on this night. Tree Committee Chairman Sandy Hering who has objected to the loss of trees said at the end of the public comment portion of the meeting that she was "disappointed with the plan." She said the plan didn't increase parking or address how to control traffic flow. But more significantly she said, "...people wanted to keep the look of the village." She also stated that pruning of trees that will be spared from being removed needed to be pruned now.

Hering also asked that the engineers look at permeable soils to help ensure the health and viability of new plantings. She received assurance that would be the case.

Sidewalks were a main topic as the meeting went on. According to the report the design now shows no sidewalk on the west side of Main Street between Route 6 and Depot Street while adding sidewalk on the south side between Pearl and Cannon, Mechanic and North Street. The complete report will available on the town's website.

The now \$20,000,000 Transportation Improvement Project (aka TIP) is currently on the 2028 TIP list which runs from October 2027 to September 2028. A public hearing will be held in the spring of 2025.



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**Special Permit For Kabeyun Road Deck**

*Marion Zoning Board of Appeals*

**By Sam Bishop**

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals met Thursday, January 23 to discuss a continuance from the last meeting for a special permit for 17 Kabeyun Road.

Per notes from the board and abutters at the last meeting, an updated site plan was presented. The plan removes the deck on the east side of the property. This leaves an eight-foot deck on the west side of the house. The new deck would be seven feet beyond the required 15-foot setback. The owner is seeking a special permit for the west side deck, as it exceeds the normal limit. A survey team assessed setbacks, resulting in a

proposed front setback of 27.1 feet for the new structure. A comparison of the proposed and existing structures showed the new building would encroach less into setbacks than the current one, reducing the encroachment by about 190 square feet.

The board confirmed that the special permit request is solely for the deck on the west side. There was some clarification on whether this deck would have the same dimensions as originally proposed, and it was noted that the only issue being discussed was the size of the deck in relation to the setback.

The board made sure everyone understood that the special permit was only about the deck. The meeting ended with a general agreement that the project was



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in line with the rules, and there was no objection to the special permit request. It was approved unanimously.

## Harbor Fees Needed For Operations and Urgent Repairs

*Marion Marine Resources Commission*  
**By Sam Bishop**

The Marion Marine Resources Commission (MRC) met on Wednesday, January 22 to discuss harbor management and other capital projects. This is the commission's first meeting in the new Maritime Center. It was stated mooring stickers will begin being issued February 3, with the current system being integrated into

the larger existing mooring database to increase efficiency.

The commission initially discussed their joint meeting with the Select Board. While much was discussed, no solutions to current problems, such as parking at the harbor master building, were presented. While this was the case, it was stressed the meeting was fruitful and more should be organized in order to solve problems.

Following this was a discussion on MRC's current powers and responsibilities largely being shifted to the police department, which the commission feels is inappropriate as they are not solely geared towards marine problems, like the commission.

Discussion on proposed harbor fee changes was raised, "like a 60 to \$80 change." They also touched on a minimum fee for boats of at least 25 feet. Discussion was raised over the harbor's many dinghies below or straddling that length and as to whether they should also be charged the minimum fee. Some were concerned they would be paying both a harbor fee and a yacht club fee. It was said as yacht clubs are non-commercial, they are not supposed to charge for docking spaces beyond regular maintenance. Commission emphasized "fairness and logic" in charging the same fees across the board, especially given that the harbor struggles to cover the costs of some services. One concern is the potential pushback from boat owners who would have to pay an additional fee for smaller boats like tenders, despite already paying a mooring fee. The idea of adjusting the fees to something more affordable, like \$50-\$100. This was all discussion-based and nothing was set-in-stone as of yet.

An important safety concern was raised regarding the man who recently fell overboard on January 20. The rescue operation was successful, but it highlighted the need for better safety measures. "We had to act quickly; the oil in the boat was like molasses," Aiden O'Leary recalled.

Later, the discussion turned to the shellfish propagation program. The town plans to increase its budget to purchase larger shellfish stock, ensuring a rate of survival. I was stated this program has been



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well received with volunteers encouraged to assist with ongoing efforts.

There was also the focus on the aging infrastructure at Old Landing. The current floats, while durable, require regular maintenance. The town is exploring options to replace them with stronger and more sustainable materials, pending budget approvals. Bird Island Lighthouse was also said to require urgent repairs to prevent further deterioration. Discussions are ongoing about potential funding sources, including donations and grants.

There will be a public meeting held Thursday, January 30, to discuss local regulations. The commission discussed the meeting's notices not being received by

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The next meeting of the Marion Maritime Recourse Committee will be on Wednesday, February 19 in the Marion Maritime Center Conference Room.

## Eversource Substation and Subdivision Plan

*Rochester Planning Board*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

Rochester's Planning Board Tuesday continued its two outstanding hearings to its next meeting after reviewing new information both good and bad.

It's hearing into the special permit for a new Eversource Energy substation at 214 Rounseville Road yielded news that the company is cooperating with the abutters to answer their concerns about the development of the site. Eversource representative Dan Higgins reported that he has spoken to the abutters in response to town consulting engineer Ken Motta's suggestion that the company seek the viewpoint of the neighborhood.

Higgins said the neighbor at 212 Rounseville Road wants Eversource to get rid of all the existing trees there and put in other plantings that that resident might prefer. The owner at 204 Rounseville Road also has some concerns that Eversource is looking to address.

Board chairman Arnold Johnson instructed Higgins to submit a new landscaping plan once his work with the neighbors is done. Fellow Eversource representative Heather Sykes asked the board to approve the project on the condition that the company would continue to work with the abutters. The board did not agree to this but instead Continued the hearing to February 11.

Next, because of a problem with abutters notices, the board continued to that date its Definitive Subdivision plan hearing regarding dividing a 28-acre parcel at 386 Snipatuit Road into a two-acre lot. The plan here is to create frontage on Snipatuit Road containing an existing home and two new lots with frontage on a new roadway to be named Peter Crapo Cartway. Johnson said not all abutters received hearing notices originally. Letters to the correct number of abutters were only sent out the day of the hearing, he said. For this reason, the board moved for

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this continuance.

In other action, the board reviewed a Notice of Intent to convert agricultural, Chapter 61A land at Forbes Road and High Street into non-chapter uses and voted to recommend to the Select Board that the town not exercise its legal right to purchase the property.

Neck Road Solar representative Hank Ouimet reported progress on plans to erect adequate screening for the solar installation being built on that road. He said he is willing to agree to a 14-foot-high fence on top of his berm on Neck Road but that the structure needs to be built of horizontal wood sections not in the form of solid stockade. He said a Federal program granting him permission to combine a solar farm and an agricultural use there wants what is grown there to have sunlight at the right times of day. A fence with lateral slat openings would accomplish this purpose. Johnson said he was amenable to this plan and agreed with Ouimet's suggestion to begin by putting up a 'test fence' of that material.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

## **New Commissioner Begins**

*Mattapoissett Conservation Commission*

**By Marilou Newell**

On January 27, Tyler Hathaway attended the



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first meeting if his tenure as a commissioner on the Mattapoisset Conservation Commission. The light agenda granted time for Chairman Mike King to explain a few fine points of the job. One such point was "special conditions."

Depending on the type of filing coming before the commission, this determines the type of determination the commission may approve. In the case of Notice of Intent filings, conservation commissions may approve a filing with conditions set to ensure that environmental conditions are protected. King explained that the environmental agent Brandon Faneuil had at the request of the commission, established a set of conditions known as "special standard conditions." These

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conditions are standard because they are often used to permit applications, they are also "special" because they are somewhat more restrictive and or, include more conditions than is generally proscribed.

Receiving an order for conditions on this night was a Notice of Intent filing by KLG Realty Trust, 15 Beach Street for the construction of an accessory garage. The applicant was represented by Matt Leone of Schneider Davignon and Leone.

Leone said the project includes a paved driveway, flood water vents, and a roof run off system. He also noted for the commission that the owners are considering using the garage as an ADU in the future.

Standard special conditions were ordered for an NOI filed by Paul V. Walsh Jr., trust. 113 Angelica Avenue for the construction of a new signal family home.

Also represented by Leone, the new home will be elevated, featuring vents for flood water and storm surges. Roof runoff will be handled with an infiltration system he noted. The demolition of two existing structures was discussed and the need to follow established protocols for waste removal.

A new septic system was approved for 9 River Road, Ronald Oliveira. The entirety of the project is located in buffer zones and riverfront jurisdictional areas.

The commission voted to establish the 2025 meeting calendar with the first and fourth Mondays remaining as meeting days held at 6:30 pm.

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**Protections For Diving Terrapins**  
*Marion Conservation Commission*  
 By **Sam Bishop**

The Marion Conservation met Wednesday, January 22 to discuss two continuances from former meetings as well as discussions on three other properties.

The commission first discussed the continued hearing for redevelopment of the boat storage facility at 366 Wareham Street. The project’s representative from LEC Environmental Consultants explained the project had been delayed as it awaited a response from Natural Heritage. They have since received recommendations, including protective measures for diving terrapins. Measures would include installing barrier fencing before June 1 to prevent terrapins from nesting during construction. The measure was unanimously approved by the commission.

The property of 49 Water Street, which had previously had a project approved in the fall of 2024, was discussed. A revised pool plan was presented by the new property owner, who moved the pool north to preserve an existing patio. The pool remained outside the 100-foot coastal buffer zone, though there was a minor change in elevation due to grading. The revised plan was accepted as a minor change to the original approval.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission will be held Wednesday, February 12 in the Marion Police Department Conference Room.

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*Joint School Committee*  
 By **Sam Bishop**

A meeting of the Joint School Committee took place on Thursday, January 23 for their first meeting of 2025. The meeting focused on mid-school year updates as well as ongoing and future initiatives. The meeting began with Chair Michelle Smith recognizing new members from Rochester and Mattapoissett.

Superintendent Mike Nelson then began his report by expressing appreciation for the efforts of the school committee, administrators, and staff. He highlighted the significance of collaboration, saying, “It’s nice to see all of you in one place. I feel like I see so many

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### Saturday February 1, 2025

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival  
 9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
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 12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie  
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 8:30 PM Mattapoisset Land Trust  
 9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
 10:00 PM Beacon Hill Report  
 10:30 PM Let's Talk Business  
 11:00 PM Classic Movies

### Sunday February 2, 2025

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 Tri-Town Holiday Events  
 11:30 AM Tri-Town TV  
 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
 1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
 1:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show  
 2:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider  
 3:00 PM Bulldog Sports Show  
 3:30 PM Patrocast with Darren Paltowitz  
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 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 Marion Natural History Museum - Mysteries of the Midwater  
 11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report  
 11:30 PM Classic Movies

### Monday February 3, 2025

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 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
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 9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
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 9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
 9:30 PM Building the Future  
 10:00 PM Gay USA  
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### Tuesday February 4, 2025

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 2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
 3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US  
 4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
 4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
 5:00 PM Tri-Town Holiday Events  
 5:30 PM Tri-Town TV  
 6:00 PM Rochester Historical Society - Mary's Pond with Peter Balzarini  
 8:00 PM The Beacon Hill Report  
 9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
 10:00 PM Gay USA  
 11:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

### Wednesday February 6, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorcize  
 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
 8:00 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 ORR Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony  
 5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
 6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
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 8:30 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert  
 9:30 PM ORR/Fairhaven Boys Hockey vs Monomoy  
 11:00 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs West Bridgewater

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

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 10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
 11:00 AM Rochester School Committee  
 12:30 PM ORR School Committee  
 2:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
 3:00 PM Rochester Planning Board  
 4:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
 5:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
 6:00 PM Rochester School Committee  
 7:30 PM ORR School Committee  
 9:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
 10:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
 11:00 PM Rochester Planning Board

## EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 8 Verizon Channel 37 Daily Schedule

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 8:00 AM Center School Tribute  
 9:00 AM Cable History of Old Colony  
 10:00 AM RMS Promotion Ceremony  
 11:00 AM RMS Chorus Concert  
 12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
 1:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Fairhaven  
 2:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Bishop Stang  
 3:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Dover Sherborn  
 4:00 PM STEAM the Streets Presentation  
 6:30 PM Bulldog Weekly  
 7:00 PM ORR Senior Awards Night  
 9:00 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs West Bridgewater  
 10:30 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Dighton Rehoboth  
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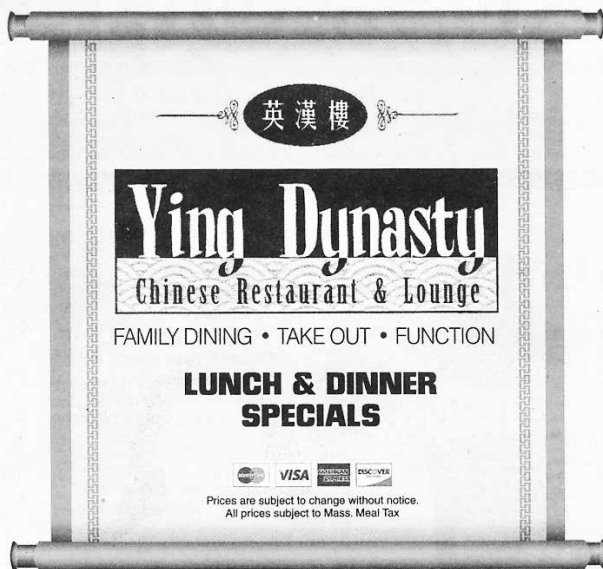
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of you at different meetings at different times, but it is nice to all come together and talk about all the great things that are happening here in our schools." He acknowledged the contributions of the administrative team, many of whom were present at the meeting to support discussions on the agenda items, and he expressed gratitude for their dedication to the district's goals.

The superintendent also provided a mid-year update on the progress of the current school year and connected this work to the district's Vision 2028 plan. He noted the importance of the monthly newsletters sent from his office to help keep committee members informed in real time. "Tonight's meeting has a lot of important work on the agenda, and it'll help set the stage for a

successful second part of the school year." He also teased further updates on Vision 2028, specifically mentioning its relevance to improving outcomes for students and staff in the district. The five-year strategy sets to inspire students to "think, learn, and care." Nelson expressed enthusiasm about the plans ahead and the joint efforts that would ensure their success.

Following the superintendent's comments, Project 351 presentations from acclaimed students commenced. The state-wide initiative sets out to encourage youth leadership and community service. A standout feature mentioned was the "Playbook Initiative." This component of Project 351 was developed in partnership with the Boston Celtics. It focuses on building leadership skills and



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# OBITUARIES



**Doris Ann Moore Gray**, age 93, of Trumbull, CT passed away January 25, 2025 surrounded by family. She was born on October 23, 1931 in New Rochelle, NY to the late Harvey and Olga Moore. She graduated from Pelham Memorial High School in 1949. She worked at Blair Company, married John T. Gray at Huguenot Memorial Church in Pelham Manor, NY on December 4, 1954. She was a secretary in the guidance office at PMHS from 1974-1987.

Doris was a former Deacon, Elder and Sunday school teacher at Hugenot Memorial Church. She was also a member of Mattapoisett Congregational Church in Mattapoisett, MA.

Doris enjoyed going to church, daily devotions, cooking, gardening, golfing, playing Bridge and spending time with her family. Her pride and joy were her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents she was predeceased by her daughter Susan Leslie Gray Cmejla, her grandson Craig S. Lancaster and her sister Lillian Graham.

Survivors include her beloved husband John T. Gray; her devoted children William Alexander Gray (Lynnette Cubeta Gray), Linda Gray Connolly (Jay Connolly), Karen H. Gray (Tracy Djerf), loving grandchildren, William, John and Lauren Gray, Kelsey Connolly Crawford (Ben Crawford), Ian William Connolly, Keith Lancaster, Jenny Cmejla Herbst (Gregg Herbst) and Jeff Cmejla, her cherished great grandchildren Charlotte and Jack Crawford, and Caylin and Ashlyn Herbst and her grand-dogs Lincoln and Silas.

There will be a celebration of life for her on Saturday, February 1st at 11:00 am at Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church Street Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Interment in the Spring at Huguenot Memorial Church, 901 Pelhamdale Ave. Pelham Manor, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to ASPCA ([secure.aspca.org](https://secure.aspca.org)) or Moby Kit Rescue ([mobykitrescue.org](https://mobykitrescue.org)) Arrangements in care of the Cyril F. Mullins Funeral Home, 399 White Plains Rd. Trumbull, CT. For more information or to leave an online condolence please visit [www.mullinsfh.com](http://www.mullinsfh.com).



In Memory of **David Kendall Pierce**, September 21, 1949 to January 14, 2025.

David Kendall Pierce, a deeply respected member of the Tabor Academy and Tri-Town communities, passed away peacefully on the morning of January 14, 2025.

With a legacy that spanned decades, David's contributions to Tabor, the School by the Sea—as an educator, mentor, and coach—will long be remembered.

David joined Tabor in 1973, bringing with him a remarkable passion for education and science. He played an instrumental role in establishing the school's observatory and developing the astronomy program, which allows students to explore celestial phenomena through a state-of-the-art Celestron telescope. As the chair of the Science Department, David transformed the curriculum, introducing innovative courses and fostering a love for critical thinking and inquiry in his classrooms. His leadership and vision extended beyond the classroom, inspiring generations of students to pursue studies and careers in scientific fields.

Known for his meticulous yet engaging teaching style, David taught Advanced Placement Physics, Advanced Calculus, Astronomy, and Geology, often infusing his lessons with humor and thought-provoking anecdotes. Students recall his ability to make complex concepts accessible and commitment to their potential to achieve excellence. He even authored physics texts and laboratory manuals for use in Tabor classroom, working with students to ensure that all levels of science could understand the concepts.

Beyond academics, David's dedication extended to coaching and mentoring. As the head coach of the varsity track team, the advisor to the junior varsity riflery team, and the Christian Fellowship Club. He advised the members of the WTBR radio station where he shared his love of 1960s music by hosting a program of oldies hits called, "A Blast from the Past." In addition, he served as a dorm parent in numerous houses, including Hunt House, Lillard Hall, and Daggett House, where he instilled discipline, perseverance, and a sense of community, leaving an indelible mark on Tabor's traditions.

At Tabor, the David Kendall Pierce Chair Award in Math and Science is awarded to faculty members annually; it was established in his name by Jack Boyd Smith, Jr. '76. Smith wanted to recognize and honor the impact that David had on him while a student at Tabor. Pierce himself was the first holder of the award.

David's influence was not confined to campus. His dedication to service and professional development was evident in his involvement with the Advanced Placement Math Teachers Association, the Massachusetts Association of Science Supervisors, and the National Science Teachers Association. David's work in advancing the use of technology in science instruction, including presentations on the use of graphing calculators and simulations, positioned Tabor as a leader in STEM education.

Beyond Tabor, David's intellectual pursuits and personal interests painted a portrait of a life well-lived. A graduate of the University of Vermont and Dartmouth College, he brought academic rigor and a love of learning to every endeavor. He was a man of diverse talents—quoted sharing insights from figures like Robert Frost, Albert Einstein, and

*Continued on page 24*

promoting inclusivity. Students from the meeting shared how the initiative has shaped them into better leaders, with one mentioning it teaches participants to “be energy givers” in their communities rather than “bad apples.” Through peer-led discussions and partnerships with other schools like Dartmouth, the committee excitedly claimed Project 351 continues to expand its reach and influence in empowering young leaders - skills they will carry into adulthood and community betterment.

Following these presentations came more updates on Vision 2028, the five-year guideline for schools going forward. Successes from the guidelines first year, 2024, included the “portrait of a graduate” framework to better define skills students should have by graduation. This was informed by surveys to both students and parents, as well as local business leaders. Professional development (PD) and curriculum review was also touched on, highlighting the focus on collaborative curriculum development as well as new PD strategies to better align with the aforementioned district goals.

Going forward, the district will be focusing on refining and honing these programs in order to better integrate them into schools. Nelson stressed Vision 2028 is a “living document,” meaning the initiative will be changed and adapted through data accumulation and feedback.

The next meeting of the Join School Committee will take place midway through the summer, on June 12, following the end of the current school year.

### ORR Scores Victories in Basketball and Hockey

*Sports Roundup*

By Aiden Comorosky  
Boys Basketball

The Old Rochester Regional high school boys’ basketball team hosted Dighton-Rehoboth on January 24 and won 68-54. Gavin Martin scored 15 points and had 8 assists, 6 rebounds, and 4 steals. The Bulldogs are now 7-6 and 5-4 against the SCC. Their next game will be against Bishop Stang (6-5), at home on January 29.

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Lewis Carroll—reflecting his philosophical and whimsical approach to life. His talks at the Marion Music Hall and his essays in Tabor publications showcase his ability to engage with the broader community.

David also had an incredible passion for civic responsibility and served in numerous roles in Marion town government. He served as a Marion selectman for many years, led the program development for the Marion Natural History Museum, and continued to attend committee meetings via Zoom until his death. His fascination with Marion's town history animated research with the Sippican Historical Society.

David's legacy is one of excellence, compassion, and dedication. He believed in the transformative power of education and devoted his life to helping students discover their strengths and passions. Retiring in 2020 after 47 years of service to Tabor, yet remaining deeply connected to the School by the Sea, his contributions to Tabor Academy are immeasurable. He wrote a book documenting Tabor's modern history and was a member of the sesquicentennial planning committee up until his passing.

David Kendall Pierce's life serves as a testament to the profound impact one individual can have on an institution and its people; his memory will remain a guiding light for the community he served. Locally based donations, in lieu of flowers, can be made to Tabor Academy, Marion Natural History Museum, and the Sippican Historical Society. Donations can also be made to the Last Mile Ride, a hospice organization at the [giffordhealthcare.org](http://giffordhealthcare.org), and Randolph Area Food Shelf at [www.randolphareafoodshelf.org/](http://www.randolphareafoodshelf.org/).

David's life will be celebrated at Tabor Academy in Wickenden Chapel on March 29, 2025. The service will begin at 1:00 pm. A reception will follow.



**Nicholas David Nobrega**, 37, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, January 24, 2025 after a long battle with chronic illness. Nick was a beloved son, friend, brother, and teammate to many.

Born in New Bedford, MA, Nick grew up in Mattapoisett and attended New Bedford High School. He was a multi-sport athlete and excelled as a member of the varsity soccer and tennis teams.

Nick graduated with a bachelor's degree from UMass Dartmouth. Ever the entrepreneurial spirit, Nick held sales positions at various start-ups in the Boston area and earned his real estate license before starting his own business venture in 2018.

Nick is remembered by many for his kindness, compassion, and strong sense of humor and wit. He was a loyal friend and confidant who prioritized his family and friends and a beloved uncle to his niece and nephew. He was a fan of all things Boston sports and enjoyed spending time in the

mountains of western Massachusetts.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents John and Muriel Lee of Attleboro, MA and Jack and Barbara Nobrega of New Bedford, MA. He is survived by his parents Shannon and David of Marion, MA, his brother Christopher of Cheshire MA, his brother and sister-in-law Patrick and Molly of New Bedford, MA and their two children, Rosalie and Emory, and many cherished aunts, uncles, and cousins.

His visitation will be held on Thursday January 30th from 3-6 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. His funeral service and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Autoimmune Association in honor of his memory. For online condolence book, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).



**James Emery Wilson "Jim"** of Easton, CT and more recently of Mattapoisett, MA, passed away peacefully on January 24, 2025, at the age of 93 with family by his side.

Jim was born in Bath, ME, and as a child moved to Hingham, MA where he met his high school sweetheart and soulmate, Carolyn (Pinel) Wilson. Last April 2024, they celebrated the 70th year of a wonderful marriage.

Jim was accepted into the US Navy ROC Program in 1951 at Northeastern University and graduated in 1954. Jim's career as a marketing executive took him to Connecticut in 1956, where he and Carolyn lived for 67 years and raised their two children, Melonie Wilson of San Jose, CA, and Jonathan Wilson (Dawn) of Mattapoisett, MA. His grandchildren are Mackenzie Marie Wilson and Remy James Wilson.

Jim was an avid reader, had an extraordinary memory and enjoyed meeting new people. He was a skier and still rode his bicycle at age 91. He enjoyed woodworking and was a lover of boats, often sailing on Long Island Sound in all kinds of weather. Above all, he treasured time with his family. He adored his two grandchildren and spent many hours on the soccer and football field sidelines. Jim was unusually kind and caring and never put his own needs first. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather.

In addition to his wife, Carolyn, their two children and grandchildren, Jim is survived by four of his seven siblings: John H. Wilson, Daniel K. Wilson, Jane E. Worrick, Susan E. Howard and their families. He is predeceased by siblings Sally A. Linscott, Peter A. Wilson, and Frank E. Wilson.

The family would like to thank Anita Regan and her staff at Regan Care Partners Home and Healthcare, who graciously watched over all of us and cared for Jim through his end-of-life journey.

The family will hold a Celebration of Life in Jim's honor later in the year, when the sun is shining, and the boats



### Girls Basketball

The Bulldogs played Dighton-Rehoboth on January 24 and won 52-26. They're now 8-3 in the season and continue their winning streak of seven games. Their next game will be at home against Greater New Bedford Voc/Tech (6-9), on January 31.

### Hockey

Old Rochester played Apponequet on January 25 and won 5-2. The win moves their record to 4-7. Their next game will be at Bourne (6-7), on January 29.

### Letters to the Editor

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An open letter to the residents of the proposed Marion Village Historic District:

This is a follow up to the recent public meetings where several people voiced concerns about the proposed historic district bylaw. As chair of the Marion Historical Commission, the town's appointed preservation board, I hope I can reassure you that your concerns are being fully acknowledged and addressed by the Study Committee.

There are several key points that bear further emphasis:

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-Preservation projects your investment in your property and adds value to your property and all properties in the district because it prevents offensive new intrusions from changing the character of the area.

-The purpose of the bylaw is to protect you from developers or others who presently have free rein to demolish, build and alter in any way they chose. Just imagine what could happen to the property next door or across the street from you in a worst-case scenario... multi-unit condominiums or enormous houses that are far larger than anything else on the street. As it stands now, anyone can build anything; it only has to comply with zoning restrictions and those often are not enough to insure suitable scale and massing.

-Historic district legislation has been in existence since the 1950's. It is a highly successful planning tool that protects historic villages throughout the state. Our version is extremely generous in terms of the number of specific exemptions it includes, making comparisons to Nantucket or Beacon Hill erroneous and inapplicable. Think instead

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**Rose (Pina) Moniz**, 96, of Rochester passed away on January 24, 2025, at Tobey Hospital, Wareham. She was the wife of the late Edmund Moniz, Jr. and the daughter of the late Manuel Pina and Rose (Silvia) Pina.

Mrs. Moniz was born in Taunton and spent the first few years of her life there until her mother's untimely passing. She was then raised by her brother Joseph Pina and his wife Margaret in New Bedford.

Mrs. Moniz started working at an early age as a stitcher. This experience taught her the fundamentals of the clothing industry. She was a hard worker and enjoyed bowling when not working. This was where she met her husband Edmund and they married on July 5, 1969, and moved to

Acushnet where they raised their daughter.

When not working or bowling, Mrs. Moniz was a "homebody" but loved bingo at St. Mary's. She loved reading, word searches, shopping, and helping with her grandkids. She continued driving well into her late 80s and early 90s. Mrs. Moniz was loving, kind, witty, and funny.

Mrs. Moniz is survived by her daughter Patricia A. Moniz-Maxim and her husband Calvin Maxim, Jr. of Rochester; grandchildren Jason Botelho of New Bedford and Kyle Maxim and wife Rebecca of Florida; and nieces Rosalie Esty of Groveland and Renee Carr of Acushnet.

Services are being held privately.

Arrangements are by Chapman Funerals & Cremations - Wareham, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., Wareham. For online guestbook, visit: [www.chapmanfuneral.com](http://www.chapmanfuneral.com).

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# TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



On Saturday, January 25, St. Gabriel's Church Youth Group in Marion, hosted a Spaghetti Dinner to raise funds for our summer mission trip to North Carolina for hurricane relief efforts. Our team of 20 teens & 6 adults made all of the food and served the meal. We had a sold-out event! It was a fun evening of good food, great fellowship & awesome live music. We had a very successful night, and we are closer to our goal. You can help us to help the hurricane Helene victims by donating at [givebutter.com/5id2pB](http://givebutter.com/5id2pB). All monies donated go to teens on the mission. Teens doing amazing things. Photo by Tanya Ambrosi.



Students at Old Rochester Regional High School shared the results of their genealogy research during the school's annual Genealogy Class Celebration on Wednesday, January 15. Photo courtesy Old Rochester Regional School District and MA Superintendency Union #55.



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of the lovely towns of Hingham, Duxbury, or Westport... just a few examples where local historic district bylaws continue to preserve and enhance the aesthetics and value of the community.

-In response to comments at recent meetings, we will reformat and expand the Design Guidelines to ensure predictability and accountability in the design review process. It is intentional that Design Guidelines are included in the bylaw so there will be no uncertainties as to what they are.

-With the help of these Guidelines, the review process is clearly defined and is not cumbersome or arbitrary.

-Members of the Review Board will have professional qualifications in design and construction trades and will also receive trainings from the MA Historical Commission. We are also recommending that three out of five members be appointed from within the district. The goal of the review process is not to be an obstruction. It is to reach consensus in a way that preserves what everyone loves about the Village.

-Now is the time to support a historic district in the Village, BEFORE its character deteriorates any further from additional demolition and oversized new construction.

-Remember: Historic districting protects your investment in your property and adds value to your property and to all properties in the district.



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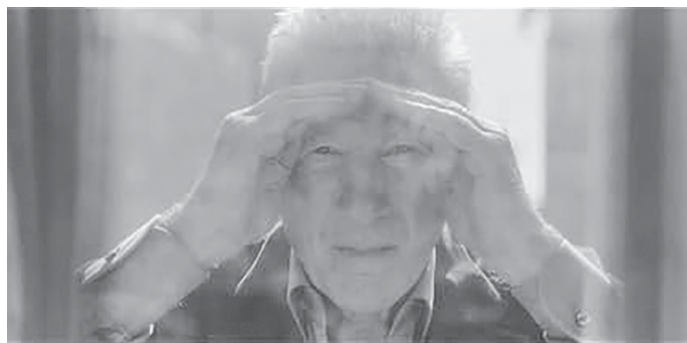




# MOVIE REVIEW

## Look Back in Sadness

By Rob Gonsalves  
[www.robsmovievault.com](http://www.robsmovievault.com)



***Oh, Canada.* Starring Richard Gere and Jacob Elordi. Directed by Paul Schrader. Running time: 91 minutes. No MPAA rating. Now available on streaming and physical home media.**

We're probably not going to get very many more Paul Schrader films, which makes his latest one, *Oh, Canada*, saddening for reasons beyond its morose subject matter. Based on a novel by the late Russell Banks, whose work Schrader adapted once before in 1997's *Affliction*, the movie focuses on acclaimed documentary filmmaker Leonard Fife (Richard Gere in old age, Jacob Elordi in younger days), who is dying of cancer and wants to unburden himself before the cameras of some former students. During the Vietnam War, Leonard was one of many young men who crossed the border from America to Canada. But was it really as simple as a gambit to avoid the draft?

With Schrader, nothing is simple, especially in the portraits of conflicted men (*First Reformed*, *The Card Counter*, *Master Gardener*) he's been painting in recent years. *Oh, Canada* positions itself in the same gallery, and it's helped considerably by a brittle, not often sympathetic performance by Gere, reuniting with Schrader 44 years after *American Gigolo*. Gere's Leonard has insupportable guilt that he hopes to exorcise by speaking on camera directly to his wife Emma (Uma Thurman). The problem is that Leonard doesn't have nearly as much to be ashamed of as the protagonists of Schrader's previous three films. Leonard is a selfish bastard, yes, but not responsible for death or torture.

What may get to us in *Oh, Canada* is mostly extratextual. In the past few years Schrader has contended with long COVID as well as the slow decline of his wife from Alzheimer's. If we know these things, added to Schrader's stated desire to make his "mortality film" before it was too late, we may be inclined to give the movie the benefit of the doubt. Schrader changes up the look of the

film and at one point even puts Gere in a scene with the younger Leonard's wife, reflecting Leonard's scattershot, medication-fuddled recollections. *Oh, Canada* finds the writer-director looking back with a cornucopia of mixed feelings.

After all, the final image is of a young Leonard, having departed for Canada, in a pose of freedom. Leonard ended up finding a good, creative life, though it was built on callousness to some extent. We gradually learn the source of Leonard's secret shame — that he left not one but two wives and children in the dust. Again, that's bad, but it could certainly be worse. As the visibly failing Leonard is literally wheeled from his deathbed to a room where the filming of his life is taking place, his wife Emma, whom he needs around constantly, starts to regret the whole idea behind the film. Emma wants the film to be a tribute to Leonard, whereas he wants it to be a final testament.

Schrader is aware of the ticking clock, the falling calendar pages. So I would like his swan song, hopefully many years in the future, to feel more substantial than this does. *Oh, Canada* was shot in 17 days, and it sometimes shows. The elsewhere charismatic Jacob Elordi doesn't ring any bells as a supposed younger Gere. The movie has many of the unfortunate earmarks of a production limited to the scant resources Schrader had available. And no matter how much Schrader jumps back and forth in time or engages in unreliable-narrator stylistics, he can't take us into Leonard's consciousness the way Russell Banks did. *Oh, Canada* is best viewed as Schrader's way of revisiting (not rehashing) old haunts like *American Gigolo* and *Affliction* — either of which you might get more out of than this well-meaning but murky and thin-feeling film.

Please attend the Public Hearing on February 18 at 5:30 at the Benjamin Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street.

All Marion voters are invited to attend and learn more about the reasons why the Historical Commission and the Historic District Study Committee ask for your support of the bylaw at May Town Meeting.

Sincerely,  
Meg Steinberg, Chair  
Marion Historical Commission

### Academic Achievements

Regis announces **Aubrey Heise** of Mattapoissett met academic requirements to be named to the university's Fall 2024 Dean's List, in recognition of their outstanding academic achievements. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Regis students must earn a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher; first-year students must have a GPA of 3.25 or higher.

**Grace Ribeiro**, of Mattapoissett, was named to the University of Mississippi's Fall 2024 Honor Roll lists. Ribeiro, in the B.A.Ed. in Elementary Education program, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.50-3.74.

The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce that **Andrew Coucci** of Mattapoissett, **Mariana Ditata** of Rochester, **Grace Greany** of Mattapoissett, **Sam Gryska** of Marion, **Olivia Mydlack** of Rochester, **Quintin**



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# TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



## MARION

### Log highlights Jan 19-Jan 25

- Village Dr – Noise complaint
- Wareham Rd – Burglar alarm
- Delano Rd – Assist other police dept
- Point Rd – 911 abandoned
- Beach St – Health/welfare
- West Dr – Suspicious activity
- Job's Cove Rd – Gas leak
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Health/welfare
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Island Wharf Rd – Follow up
- County Rd – B&E/in progress
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Suspicious person
- Dexter Rd – Suspicious MV
- Pinewood Dr - Fraud
- Spinnaker Ln – Paper service
- Cranberry Way – Suspicious MV
- Point Rd – General service
- Mill St - Fraud
- Olde Knoll Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Front St - Fraud
- Spring Rd – Animal complaint
- Washburn Ln – Suspicious activity
- Tucker Ln – EMS/medical
- Vine St – Animal control

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights Jan 19-Jan 25

- Brandt Island Rd – 911 call
- Nantucket Dr – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd – Animal control
- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- Reservation Rd – Follow up
- Henshaw Rd – Suspicious MV
- Port Way – Domestic disturbance
- Long Plain Rd – Officer wanted
- Marion Rd – Health/welfare
- County Rd – MV lockout
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Church St – Medical assist
- Hiawatha Way – Larceny/forgery
- Chapel Rd – Assist other agency
- Angelica Ave – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- North St – MV crash
- Holly Ln – Medical assist
- Wildwood Ter – Medical assist
- Barstow St – Follow up
- I195 East – MV violations
- Shaw St – General service
- Wildwood Ter – Medical assist
- Church St – Medical assist
- Fairhaven Rd – Assist other agency
- Marion Rd – Follow up investigation
- Acushnet Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Baker Ln – 911 call

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights Jan 19-Jan 25

- Cranberry Hwy – Community policing
- Chilton Ln – Assist other agency
- Snipatuit Rd – MV stop/towed
- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – MV collision
- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Walnut Plain Rd – Animal control
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Animal control
- Mattapoisett Rd – Suspicious activity
- Rounseville Rd – Erratic MV
- Rounseville Rd – MV collision
- County Rd – MV stop/towed
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Bisbee Dr – General service
- Hiller Rd – Animal control
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- Snipatuit Rd – Structure fire
- Edwards Ln – Inside water problem
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Fire alarm
- Rounseville Rd – MV collision
- Forbes Rd – Abandoned MV
- Pine St – Suspicious activity
- Marion Rd – MV stop/verbal warning
- Cranberry Hwy – Animal control
- Burgess Ave – MV stop
- Pierce St – Well-being check
- Alley Rd – Burglar alarm
- Snow Pond Rd – Suspicious activity
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit [www.Wanderer.com](http://www.Wanderer.com).



# REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

## COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

**Monday, Feb 3:** Tuscan chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, wheat bread, pudding, diet: fruit cup

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Garden vegetable soup, beef w/peppers & onions, orzo, wheat roll, pear

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Teriyaki salmon, white rice, broccoli, wheat roll, cinnamon apples

**Thursday, Feb 6:** Chicken Anna Maria, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, Fig Newton, diet: fruit cup

**Friday, Feb 7:** Meatloaf w/gravy, roasted potatoes, spinach & peppers, cornbread loaf, Mandarin oranges

## CENTER SCHOOL

**Monday, Feb 3:** Hamburger OR cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Chicken fajita rice bowl, taco toppings bar, black bean salad, warm tortillas

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

**Thursday, Feb 6:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick  
**Friday, Feb 7:** Munchie Mania Basket:

crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries, served w/honey mustard dipping sauce & fresh veggie sticks

## OLD HAMMONDTOWN

**Monday, Feb 3:** Hamburger OR cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Chicken fajita rice bowl, taco toppings bar, black bean salad, warm tortillas

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

**Thursday, Feb 6:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick

**Friday, Feb 7:** Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries, served w/honey mustard dipping sauce & fresh veggie sticks

## OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

**Monday, Feb 3:** Hamburger OR cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Chicken fajita rice bowl, taco toppings bar, black bean salad, warm

tortillas

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

**Thursday, Feb 6:** American chop suey, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick

**Friday, Feb 7:** Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries, served w/honey mustard dipping sauce & fresh veggie sticks

## ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

**Monday, Feb 3:** Hamburger OR cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Chicken fajita rice bowl, taco toppings bar, black bean salad, warm tortillas

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

**Thursday, Feb 6:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick

**Friday, Feb 7:** Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries, served w/honey mustard dipping sauce & fresh veggie sticks

## SIPPICAN SCHOOL

**Monday, Feb 3:** Hamburger OR cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, BBQ baked beans, oven baked potato wedges

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Chicken fajita rice bowl, taco toppings bar, black bean salad, warm tortillas

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

**Thursday, Feb 6:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick

**Friday, Feb 7:** Munchie Mania Basket: crispy chicken tenders, warm whole grain pretzel, oven baked French fries, served w/honey mustard dipping sauce & fresh veggie sticks

## OLD COLONY REGIONAL

**Monday, Feb 3:** Build your own beef tacos, salsa, cheese, lettuce, tomato, corn & black beans in a taco shell or over rice

**Tuesday, Feb 4:** Macaroni & cheese or Buffalo mac & cheese

**Wednesday, Feb 5:** Chicken chow mein & chop suey veggies

**Thursday, Feb 6:** BBQ chicken bacon ranch flat bread

**Friday, Feb 7:** Assorted pizza

**Palmer** of Marion, **Ethan Scully** of Mattapoisett, and **Mason Tucker** of Marion, have been named to its Fall 2024 Dean's List.

Vermont State University is proud to recognize **Noah Lapointe** of Rochester for earning Dean's List honors for the Fall 2024 semester.

**Ryan Stopka** of Rochester was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2024 term at University of Maryland Global Campus. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at UMGC.

**Bridget Wallace** of Marion and **Meghan Craig** of Mattapoisett were named to the Presidents List during Fall Semester 2024 at The University of Alabama with an academic record of 4.0 (all A's).

### Seeking Nominations for ORR Music Hall of Fame

Friends of Old Rochester Music will be launching a Music Hall of Fame in 2025 to recognize the choral and instrumental students that graduated from ORR ten or more years ago who continue to enrich their community with music or have gone on to successful music careers. We have formed a committee to review nominations, and we need you to help us with submissions by February 28. Please submit names using our form on our website: [FriendsofOldRochesterMusic.org](http://FriendsofOldRochesterMusic.org).

You may also email [form@oldrochester.org](mailto:form@oldrochester.org) with the name of the person you are nominating, their graduating year, why they would make a great inductee, and your contact info. Inaugural inductees will be announced at the April 15 "A Night of Jazz" at the high school and celebrated with a ticketed event at the Marion Music Hall later in the spring.

### Mariner Youth Soccer

The Mariner Youth Soccer Club's Annual Meeting will be held Tuesday, **February 11** at 7:00 pm at the Fairhaven Council on Aging located at 229 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven. All members are welcome to attend.

The meeting will include voting on changes to



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### Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to offer two \$2,500.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors planning to graduate during the current academic year.

Scholarship applications are available in the Guidance Offices at Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Tabor Academy, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School, Bristol County Agricultural High School, and online at [www.mattapoisettwomansclub.org](http://www.mattapoisettwomansclub.org) (see Scholarships).

Applications must be postmarked on or before **March 31**. Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

In addition, there will be one \$1,500.00 Continuing Education Scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is re-entering the academic world after graduation and is pursuing a post-secondary degree (bachelors, masters, CAGS, doctorate, or other academic degree or advanced career or trade certification).

Our scholarships are made possible by fundraising events in our community. Membership in the Mattapoisett Woman's Club is open to any woman interested in furthering and supporting the philanthropic,



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### ACROSS

- 1 Horse house
- 7 Talked about
- 16 iPhone buys
- 20 Medieval weapon
- 21 Stimulus
- 22 Garbanzo, for one
- 23 Kids' writer who was a frequent flier?
- 26 North Carolina university
- 27 Ca++ or Cl-
- 28 Make up (for)
- 29 Architect who loved internet chatting?
- 38 "Oh yeah? — who?!"
- 39 That man
- 40 In a chair
- 41 Rural tract
- 42 Helper
- 43 Not round-trip
- 47 Three, in Italy
- 48 1999-2004 Oldsmobiles
- 50 Mystery writer who was a constable?
- 57 Give the right
- 58 Actor Arnaz
- 59 Old Japanese governors

- 60 Classic toothpaste brand
- 63 Org. supporting sober motorists
- 65 Env. alerter
- 66 Novelist who had a law degree?
- 73 Pear center
- 74 Litigant
- 75 Extensive, informally
- 76 Vehicle often traded in
- 80 Actress Rae
- 82 Chess plays
- 87 Showman who rehabilitated injured people?
- 91 Song that Kim sings to Hugo in "Bye Bye Birdie"
- 92 Long span
- 93 Third-century pope
- 94 Alpine goat
- 97 Test facility
- 98 Grinding tool
- 101 "—er rip!"
- 102 Anonymous guy

- 103 Comedian who did plumbing work?
- 108 Soda giant
- 110 Obama health law, for short
- 111 Camp shelter
- 112 Actor who was always providing precedents?
- 122 Casino cubes
- 123 Has as a goal
- 124 Really must
- 125 Suffix with novel
- 126 Sticks firmly to a decision
- 127 Prized violins, for short

### DOWN

- 1 Health club
- 2 Actor Cruise
- 3 Part of IPA
- 4 Visorless cap
- 5 Boxer Ali
- 6 Former inmate
- 7 Awful racket
- 8 — jiffy (PDQ)
- 9 — -fi
- 10 Bright red
- 11 Remove the cargo from
- 12 Bee attack

- 13 Moral lapse
- 14 Actress Best
- 15 French article
- 16 Slightly
- 17 Nancy in the House
- 18 Gave a lousy review of
- 19 "Gesundheit" elicitor
- 24 Kitchen pests
- 25 — tai
- 29 "God willing!"
- 30 Curtain fabric
- 31 Fuse, as ore
- 32 Dole (out)
- 33 Sheriff Wyatt
- 34 Ending for bed or home
- 35 Vogue rival
- 36 Hammerhead ends
- 37 Sun orbiter
- 42 Jokingly
- 44 Nintendo game system
- 45 Second part of a play
- 46 Barks of pain
- 48 In the thick of
- 49 Eye, in Spain
- 51 Extinct
- 52 Deep regret
- 53 Old autocrat
- 54 Tone down
- 55 —'acte

- 56 ID for the IRS
- 61 Rejections
- 62 Keeness
- 64 "Lah-di- —!"
- 66 Joke around
- 67 Harold of the Manhattan Project
- 68 Boston team
- 69 Keyboardist John
- 70 Dull and heavy
- 71 Ex-Yankee Hideki —
- 72 Shortstop Garciaparra
- 73 Half-pint
- 77 The Bengals, on scoreboards
- 78 Fast Amtrak train
- 79 Morocco's capital
- 81 "Am not!" rejoinder
- 83 "I'll return very shortly," in texts
- 84 As a whole
- 85 Fixed the pitch of
- 86 Actor Jimmy
- 88 Brain section
- 89 — and crafts
- 90 Part of IPA

- 94 Hamper
- 95 Withdrawal of the U.K. from the E.U.
- 96 Await
- 98 Printed circuit board, as for a laptop
- 99 Brings joy to
- 100 Comics' Kett
- 103 Reddi- — (dessert topping brand)
- 104 — to go (fired up)
- 105 Plants with fronds
- 106 Map extra
- 107 Old-time anesthetic
- 109 Captain Hook henchman
- 113 "Deck the Halls" syllables
- 114 Suffix with novel
- 115 Transcript fig.
- 116 AOL or MSN
- 117 — low ebb
- 118 Pithy remark
- 119 Toothpaste box inits.
- 120 "Inc." relative
- 121 — Alamos

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your batteries should be fully recharged by now, making you more than eager to get back into the swing of things full-time. Try to stay focused so that you don't dissipate your energies.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to charge straight ahead into your new responsibilities. But you'll have to paw the ground a little longer until a surprise complication is worked out.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Rival factions are pressuring you to take a stand favoring one side or the other. But this isn't the time to play judge. Bow out as gracefully as possible without committing yourself to any position.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Reassure a longtime, trusted confidante that you appreciate their words of advice. But at this time, you need to act on what you perceive to be your own sense of self-interest.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You need to let your warm Leonine heart fire up that new relationship if you hope to see it move from the "just friends" level to one that will be as romantic as you could hope for.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) There's still time to repair a misunderstanding with an honest explanation and a heartfelt apology. The sooner you do, the sooner you can get on with other matters.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Expect a temporary setback as you progress toward your goal. Use this time to reexamine your plans and see where you might need to make some significant changes.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Some missteps are revealed as the cause of current problems in a personal or professional partnership. Make the necessary adjustments, then move on.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Jupiter's influence helps you work through a pesky problem and allows your naturally jovial attitude to reemerge stronger than ever. Enjoy your success!

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Set aside your usual reluctance to change, and consider reassessing your financial situation so that you can build on its strengths and minimize its weaknesses.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Some recently acquired information helps open up a dark part of the past. Resolve to put what you've learned to good use. Meanwhile, travel plans continue to be favored.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Act on your own keen instincts. Your strong Piscean backbone will support you as someone attempts to pressure you into a decision that you're not ready to make.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You embody a love for traditional values combined with an appreciation of what's new and challenging. You're quite well-rounded.

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academic, civic, and social goals of the organization.

### Avian Flu, Commonly Known as Bird Flu

H5N1 or "Bird Flu" is a naturally occurring virus among wild aquatic birds, also known as wild waterfowl, throughout the world and can infect domestic poultry like chickens, ducks, and turkeys. Infected birds may or may not become sick but can infect other fowl. The virus is shed through saliva, nasal secretions, and feces. It is often present in natural water sources frequented by wild waterfowl. Domestic poultry may become infected with H5N1 when natural water sources are frequented, and when in contact with wild waterfowl.

Protective actions include:

-Avoiding contact with suspected sick wild waterfowl and domestic poultry and observe them only from a distance.

-Keep backyard domestic poultry away from wild waterfowl and natural water sources frequented by wild waterfowl.

-Implement biosecurity plans.

If you find a dead bird (wild waterfowl or domestic poultry), avoid contact. To report dead wild waterfowl or domestic poultry, call 617-626-1795 or online at [mass.gov/reportbirds](http://mass.gov/reportbirds). Other types of birds, like songbirds and backyard birds, are rarely affected and should only be reported if there are 10 or more dead birds.

Symptoms in wild waterfowl and domestic poultry include sudden death without clinical signs, incoordination, diarrhea, lack of energy or appetite, decreased egg production, purple discoloration of wattles, comb and legs, nasal discharge, coughing, and sneezing.

It is safe to eat properly handled and cooked poultry in the United States. There are recommendations regarding other products from other animals that may be infected with H5N1 available online at [CDC.gov](http://CDC.gov). H5N1 can be found in products such as raw milk. Pasteurized milk is safe to consume.

More information can be found online at [cdc.gov/flu/avianflu](http://cdc.gov/flu/avianflu), [mass.gov/info-details/avian-influenza](http://mass.gov/info-details/avian-influenza), [mass.gov/orgs/Massachusetts-department-of](http://mass.gov/orgs/Massachusetts-department-of)

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### A Sousa Spectacular

On Sunday, **February 2** at 3:00 pm, the Tri-County Symphonic Band, under the direction of Philip Sanborn, will offer a salute to the "March King", John Philip Sousa. The Sousa Band toured from 1892 to 1931 and performed 15,623 concerts, both in America and internationally. The Tri-County Symphonic Band will present a concert much like a typical performance by the Sousa Band of the early twentieth century. There will be an array of Sousa marches as well as a Sousa overture, fugue and collection of waltzes. As was the practice of that era, pieces from other composers will also play a prominent role in the presentation. Aaron Copland's "Outdoor Overture" will begin the concert. A piece by New Hampshire composer Andrew Boysen Jr. (written in 2012) entitled "Coming Home" will be performed, as well as an arrangement of selections from George Gershwin's opera "Porgy and Bess." The concert will conclude with Jean Sibelius' masterpiece "Finlandia."

The concert will be held at the Keith Middle School Auditorium, 225 Hathaway Boulevard, New Bedford, MA 02740. Adult tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Children aged 12 and under admitted free. Tickets may be purchased in advance at The Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth, The Marion General Store in Marion or online at [tricountysymphonicband.org](http://tricountysymphonicband.org)



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# TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



The Frosty Runner Road Race was held in Rochester on January 25. Photos by Robert Pina.



After learning how to build a snake hibernaculum, a beaver lodge, and a bear den, the group tried their hand at creating miniatures for museum display. The beaver lodge was tested to see if it held water back and still kept the lodge dry inside. It was a huge success! Feel free to come in to view any of these creations during the museum's open hours. Photos courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold.



Photo by Jennifer Shepley

These photos and more are available online at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com)

## TTAR's Creative Expression Contest

Tritown Against Racism (TTAR) is excited to announce our sixth annual Black History Month Creative Expression Contest is wrapping up and the exhibition and awards presentation is fast approaching. TTAR aligns the contest each year with the theme chosen by Association for the Study of African American Life and history. The 2025 contest theme is African Americans and Labor. All art submitted for consideration will be placed in an exhibit at the Mattapoissett Library through February, Black History month. The contest was open to any Junior or Senior High School student attending school or living in the Tri-Town during the 2025 school year. Entries could be of any medium but no larger than 16 x 20 in size. This year's contest also includes art submissions from elementary-aged children in the area as well. Any remaining entries can be dropped off to Mattapoissett Public Library during regular library hours by **January 31** at 4:00 pm. Community members are invited to attend the exhibition opening reception in the Mattapoissett Library Community Room on Saturday, February 8, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm where winners will be announced and cash prizes will be awarded. Snacks and light refreshments will be served. Email [info@tritownagainstracism.org](mailto:info@tritownagainstracism.org) with questions.

## Rochester Christian Learning Center

Rochester Christian Learning Center is a homeschool cooperative for Grades K-8, located at First Congregational Church of Rochester. Homeschooling is a growing popular option for parents who want to directly educate their children. A Learning Center is an organized group of homeschooled children that meet at a facility sponsored by an organization such as a church. The advantage of a Learning Center is that families can pool their resources to help with their children's education and activities. Parents remain the primary educators of their children.

To learn more about Rochester Christian Learning Center for the 2025-2026 academic year, please visit the website [www.RochesterChristianLC.org](http://www.RochesterChristianLC.org). Tours of the facility are available upon request.

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Everybody knows that libraries loan out books, magazines, and movies, but did you know we have things? Nearly all libraries have special collections that are usually referred to as the Library of Things. These "things" range from puzzles to telescopes, wi-fi hotspots to lawn games, and more.

The Library of Things at Plumb Library currently consist of a tabletop telescope, snowshoes for kids, T-Mobile wi-fi hotspots, a ukulele, a yarn winder, a kill-a-watt kit for measuring electrical use in your home, and MOBY backpacks for outside activities and exploration. All these are available for check out with an adult library card (except the yarn swift). Some items require that

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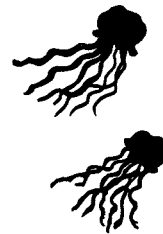
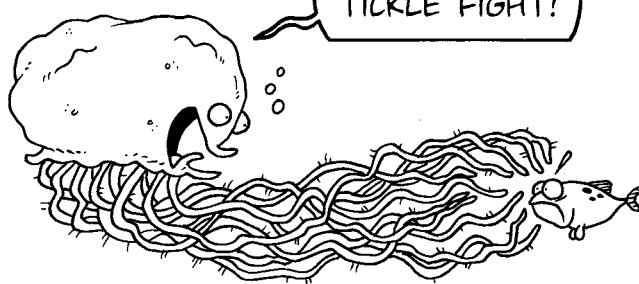
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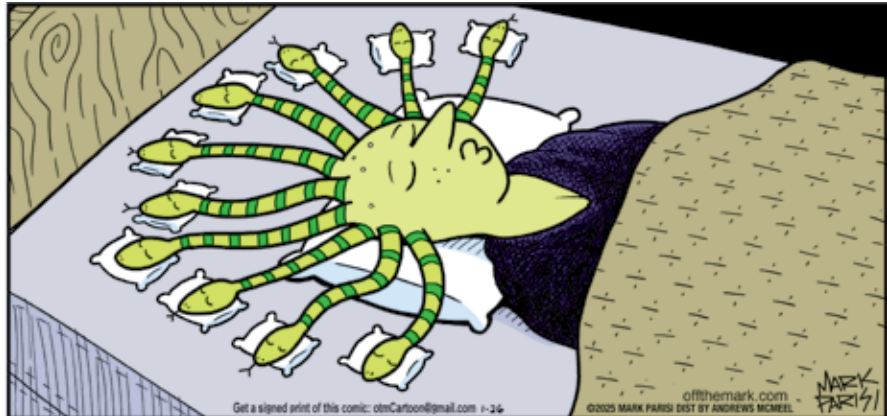
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3. ASTRONOMY: Which is the only planet in our solar system to rotate on its side?
4. MOVIES: What is the given name of the large bird in the animated movie “Up”?
5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which three zodiac signs are considered earth signs?
6. LITERATURE: What is the name of Hagrid’s half-brother in the “Harry Potter” book series?
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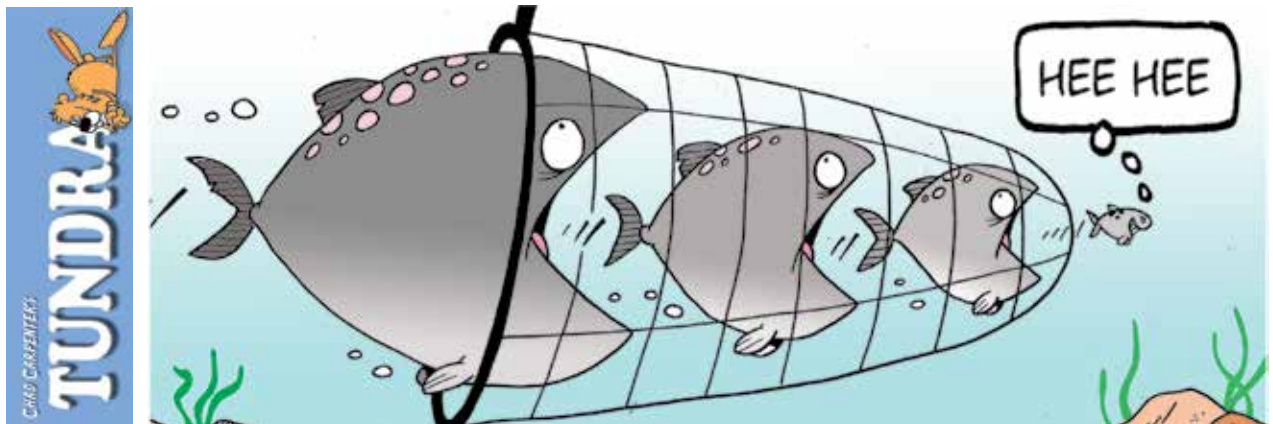
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  4. Kevin.
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  7. Canbera.
  8. Hazelnut.
  9. Polo.
  10. Clydesdale.

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Frank Lopez	February 2
Matthew Williams	February 2
Cameron Auger	February 4
Dorothy Zell	February 4
Hudson Kaiser	February 4
James Auger	February 4
John Carle	February 4
Avia E Fraine	February 5

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### Mattapoissett Annual Town Election Information

Nomination papers are now available for Mattapoissett's Annual Town Election which will be held on Tuesday, **May 20**. The offices that are up this year include: Select Board, Assessor, Mattapoissett School Committee, Old Rochester Regional School Committee, Library Trustee, Moderator, Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners, Board of Health, Planning Board, Constable, Herring Inspector, Tree Warden and Community Preservation Committee. Those considering a run for office have until March 28 to request nomination papers. Please check the town website for additional information or call the Town Clerk, Catherine Heuberger at 508-758-4100 X 2 for any questions regarding the upcoming election.

### Rochester Historical Society

February is Membership Drive Month for the Rochester Historical Society. We are always looking for new members as we work to present and share Rochester's history. This coming year we will be introducing a new exhibit, "The Tools & Industries That Made Rochester", presenting monthly meetings on the



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3rd Wednesday of each month beginning in April as well as an ice cream social, music, and potluck dinners. We will also be gearing up to celebrate America's 250th birthday in 2026. A preview of those preparations will be found at this year's COA Rochester Fair.


To join, you can pick up a membership form at the Plumb Library email/call Sue at [sash48@comcast.net](mailto:sash48@comcast.net)/ 508 295 8908 or Connie at [eshbach2@aol.com](mailto:eshbach2@aol.com)/ 617 750 2818 to answer any questions or assist you in joining.

### Tri-Town Against Racism

Tri-Town Against Racism (TTAR) is excited to announce upcoming Story Walks in celebration of Black History Month. These events aim to promote diversity



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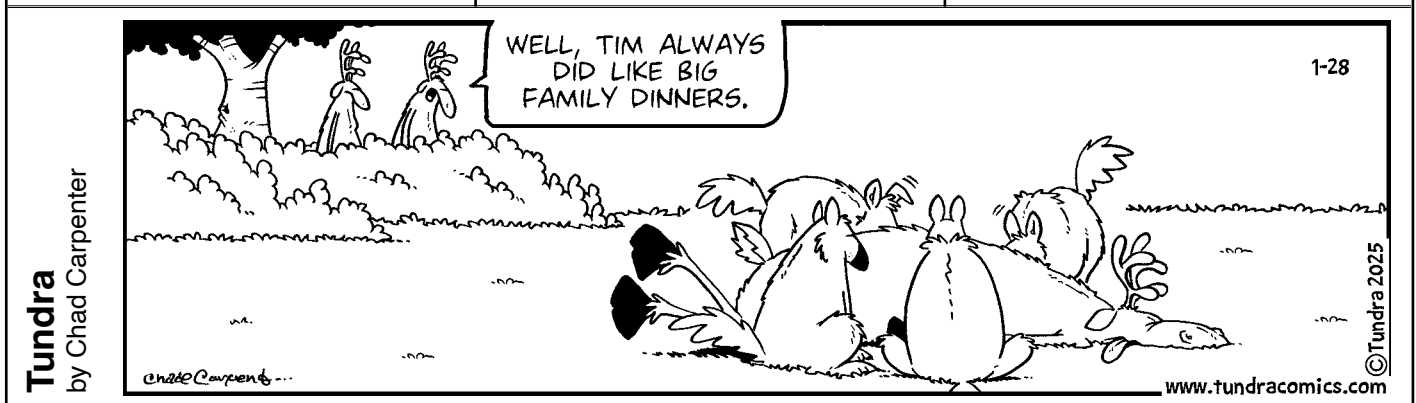
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LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES	CLASSIFIED INFORMATION
<p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Tracey White.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to remove a gangway, float and float piles and replace said structures with a pile supported boat lift system. The existing float will be relocated to the easterly end of the existing pile supported pier which will require the installation of (4) new float piles, a new 3.33'x12' gangway, 4'x4' platform and (2) platform support piles.</p> <p>The proposed work will be performed within Land Under Ocean, Land Containing Shellfish and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (E1.18).</p> <p>The property is known as 70 Aucoot Road and is further identified as Lot #87 on Assessors Map #3. 1/30</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for Amended Order of Conditions submitted by Mark E. Whalen, Birchwood Street, Assessors Map 14B, Lot 56 in Mattapoisett, MA. The applicant proposes to amend the existing Order of Conditions. The proposed changes include the removal of the proposed garage and the addition of a pump chamber to allow the septic tank to be lowered to support the new grades around the proposed dwelling.</p> <p>**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 1/30</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Cody Wood, Local Farm Massachusetts LLC, for property located at 224 North Ave in Rochester and is designated as Lot 42B_0 on Assessor's Map 48. The applicant is proposing to convert unusable wetland swamp into a useable and accessible wild-</p>	<p>life/aquatic habitat, agricultural drainage, and fire emergency pond.</p> <p>This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84944912957">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84944912957</a>  Meeting ID: 849 4491 2957  Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson 1/30</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 12, at 7:05 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability, submitted by David and Sharon Giblin, for proposed construction of a sunroom and expansion of an existing deck at 11 Hiller Street.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 82C on Marion Assessors' Map 14. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Matthew Shultz, Chair  *Please contact Olivia Prior at oprior@marionma.gov for the Microsoft Teams link and for meeting information. Phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV. 1/30</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 12, at 7:10 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Notice of Intent, submitted by Patrick Tropeano, for upgrade and repair of an existing septic system to Title V standards at 38 Rocky Knook Lane.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 50 on Marion Assessors' Map 26. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Matthew Shultz, Chair  *Please contact Olivia Prior at oprior@marionma.gov for the Microsoft Teams link and for meeting information. Phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV. 1/30</p>	<p><b>Classified Policy:</b> All Classified Advertisements must be prepaid and can be placed at our office or on line at <a href="http://www.wanderer.com">www.wanderer.com</a>.</p> <p><b>Classified Deadline:</b> Tuesday at 10:00 am for Thursday's paper.</p> <p><b>Classified Rates:</b>  Classified Advertisements are \$8.00 for 3 lines or less per week. Each additional line is \$1.00 per week. There are an average of six words per line. 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and inclusion within our community by featuring children's picture books by Black authors and illustrators.

In collaboration with the Mattapoisett Land Trust the Story Walk will take place at Munro Preserve, 1 Main St. Mattapoisett and will feature the book "They Had a Party for Langston Hughes" written by Jason Reynolds and illustrated by Jerome Pumphrey and Jarrett Pumphrey.

A reception is planned for **February 22** at Munro Preserve, weather permitting. All are welcome to attend.

In collaboration with the Sippican Lands Trust the Story Walk will take place at the handicapped accessible Osprey Marsh, located approximately three miles south of the intersection of Route 6 (Wareham Road) and Point Road. This walk will feature the book "The Vast Wonder of the World: Biologist Ernest Everett Just" written by Mélima Mangal and illustrated by Luisa Uribe.

Both Story Walks will be up for the entire month of February and are free and open to all.

In addition to the Story Walk, the Sippican Land Trust and TTAR are hosting a Tidepooling event on February 15, at 2:30 pm with Dr. Carolyn Tepolt, SLT Board member and marine biologist, who will lead participants as they explore ocean life in the intertidal zone at Brainard Marsh, Marion. Registration is required for this event and can be completed by visiting [sippicanlandtrust.org/events/](http://sippicanlandtrust.org/events/)

A Black History Month Story Time with the Excellent family is planned at the Marion Music Hall, located at 164 Front Street, Marion, on February 8 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Another Story Time is scheduled for February 22 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm hosted by Kendall Smiley at the Rochester Women's Club, located at 37 Marion Rd. Rochester.

TTAR is a nonprofit organization that was founded in 2020. The organization's mission is to create an anti-racist environment for all citizens through education, positive communication, and fostering inclusion.

For more information about TTAR and its programs, please visit [www.tritownagainstracism.org](http://www.tritownagainstracism.org).

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### Winter Wonders

Come celebrate winter with the Mattapoisett Land Trust and stand-up chameleon storyteller Jackson Gillman at the Mattapoisett Public Library on Saturday, **February 1** at 11:00 am. Regardless of the weather outside, everyone can help create an indoor snowstorm. Then in this imaginary winter wonderland, we can all shovel, make snowmen, snow angels, and explore nature in winter. No reservation required for this free event to help celebrate Bring Your Child to the Library Day. Check out the library website for all the day's other activities.

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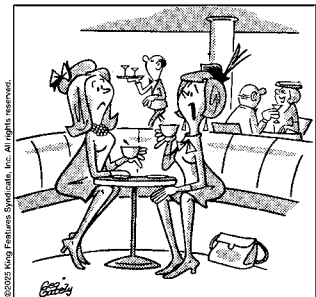
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### **MCC Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

The Mattapoissett Congregational Church's annual pancake supper honors the Christian tradition of eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, when people use up rich foods like eggs, butter, and sugar, which will be given up during the Lenten fast. In some regions, Shrove Tuesday is known as "Fat Tuesday" (Mardi Gras) for the same reason. This is a day to indulge before the solemn period of penitence and abstinence during Lent, which begins the following day on Ash Wednesday.

All are welcome to attend on Tuesday, **March 4** from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm, in Reynard Hall, 27 Church Street in Mattapoissett. Pancakes, sausage, toppings, and beverages will be served.

For more information, please call the church office Monday-Thursday 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at 508-758-2671.

Freewill offering will be accepted to support the ministry of Mattapoissett Congregational Church.

### **Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library**

The Elizabeth Taber Library will be closed to the public from Thursday, January 30 to Sunday, February 2. The library will reopen at our temporary location at the Marion Music Hall on Monday, February 3.

During this time our temporary phone number for library services will be 508-538-1214

While we're in The Marion Music Hall during the month of February the library will continue to provide access to collections of new fiction, new non-fiction, new children's and new young adult materials, along with our Luck Day collection of the most requested books, a portion of our Library of Things collection, and our Black History Month collection for all ages.

Patrons can continue to place and pick up holds at the Marion Music Hall with their library cards and access museum passes, however no computer or printing services will be available during this time.

Story Times will continue on Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:30 am.

The Elizabeth Taber Library is excited to host the Excellent family with Tri-Town Against Racism for a Black History Month StoryTime. Join us at the Marion Music Hall on Saturday, **February 8** at 11:00 am for stories read by John, Kate, and Owen and an activity following story time.

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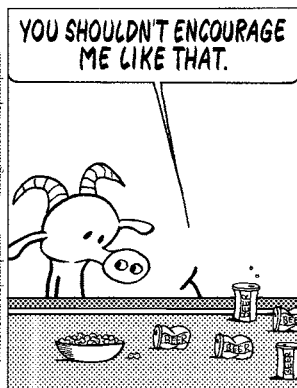
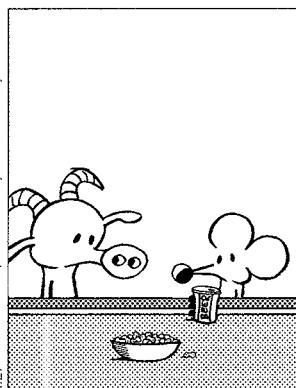
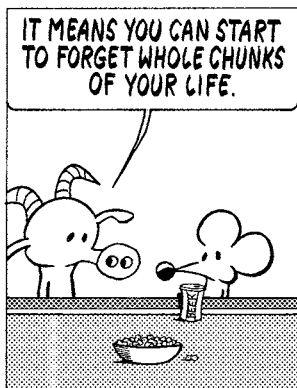
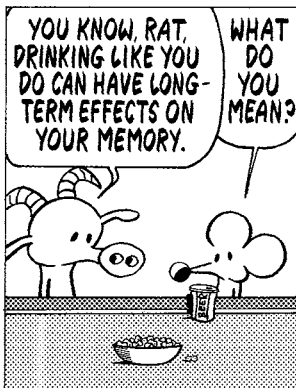
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**PEARLS BEFORE SWINE**  
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**From the Files of the  
Rochester Historical Society  
By Connie Eshbach**

Many of the ideas for these articles come from newspaper clippings in the museum archives. Unfortunately, more than 2/3rds of them are missing their dates. However, with a certain amount of research, it is sometimes possible to come up with an approximate time frame. For this article I determined that J.C. Albert Langevin was Acushnet's police chief in the 1940's and passed away in 1952. Also, when I went to take a picture for this article, I saw that the current bridge was built in 1959. All of this gave me an approximate time period in which the story took place.

That said, the events in the newspaper article probably took place one early morning in the mid to late 1940's at the Old Town Bridge as it crosses Main St. just past the New Bedford/ Acushnet line. The bridge at that time had a stonewall railing on each side. The railing height began at 11 inches, rose to 3 feet and then went down to 11 inches. (today's bridge has heavy concrete railings that go straight across and are at least 5 feet high).

So very early one morning, two young men, Robert Doane and Paul Gibbs, both from Marion Rd. in Rochester were returning from a dance in New Bedford. Robert had borrowed a car, a cabriolet, from Frederick H. Wood, who also lived on Marion Rd. As Robert was driving east on Main St. and approaching the bridge, the front tire blew out. The car swerved to the right and started to go up the south railing. As the newspaper article says, "the car continued its mad plunge" until it hit a telephone pole cable which caused the front of the car to swerve around. This prevented the car from plunging 25 ft. into



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the shallow river below. The heavy car then came to a stop resting "dead center" on the bridge railing with all four of its tires off the pavement.

As Robert Doane sat behind the wheel, no doubt stunned that they were still upright, his passenger, Paul Gibbs, who had been asleep, woke up and unaware of what had just happened opened his door to exit the car. He stopped "paralyzed" by the 25 ft. drop that confronted him.

As Police Chief Langevin said it was nothing short of a miracle that neither young man was injured.

Unfortunately, Wood's car was not so fortunate. Both the front end and undercarriage were severely damaged. After daybreak, a tow truck from a local garage was sent to the scene, but it too was damaged trying to get the car down off the railing. A second tow truck had to be sent for before the crash scene could

be cleared.

On another note, I noticed an historic marker while taking a picture of the bridge. It marks a Revolutionary war engagement from Sept.5, 1778, in which Lieutenant Jonathan Metcalf became the only American officer to lose his life in the British invasion of New Bedford. He was part of a Massachusetts State Artillery Company defending the area against invading British soldiers. This was part of the same campaign in which our Abraham Holmes of Rochester was involved. It just goes to show that you don't have to go far in our area to find connections to our colonial and revolutionary history.

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Day	Date	High		Low	
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Thursday	January 30	8:16	8:40	1:39	2:25
Friday	January 31	9:01	9:27	2:26	3:01
Saturday	February 1	9:48	10:16	3:13	3:37
Sunday	February 2	10:38	11:08	3:59	4:14
Monday	February 3	11:32		4:49	4:56
Tuesday	February 4	12:03	12:28	5:49	5:45
Wednesday	February 5	1:00	1:27	7:24	6:44
Thursday	February 6	2:01	2:30	9:23	7:57
Friday	February 7	3:09	3:39	10:35	9:21
Saturday	February 8	4:21	4:47	11:31	10:34
Sunday	February 9	5:26	5:45	11:57	11:30
Monday	February 10	6:19	6:36		1:02
Tuesday	February 11	7:06	7:22	12:17	1:37
Wednesday	February 12	7:48	8:05	1:01	2:03
Thursday	February 13	8:27	8:46	1:43	2:26
Friday	February 14	9:05	9:25	2:23	2:51
Saturday	February 15	9:41	10:03	3:01	3:18
Sunday	February 16	10:17	10:41	3:38	3:47
Phases of the Moon	First Quarter	February 5th			
	Full Moon	February 12th			
	Last Quarter	February 20th			
	New Moon	February 27th			

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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).

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**PUZZLE ANSWERS**

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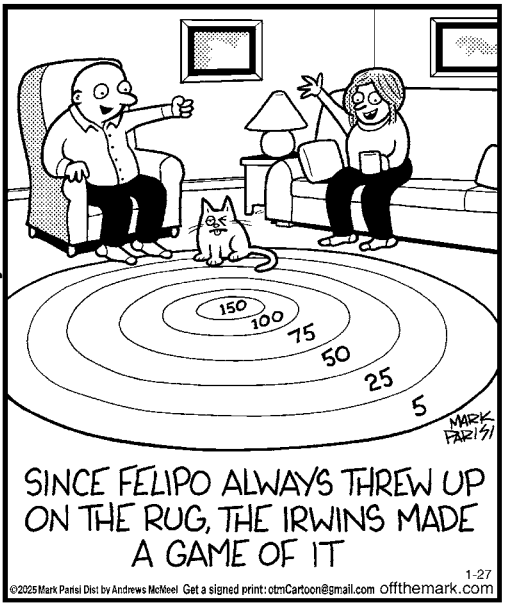
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**WEDDING**

Sudoku Answer

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