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There are a lot of talented photographers out there in the Tri-Town. Almost every day somebody is posting photos of a Tri-Town landmark, event, or scene in nature that we find extraordinary. Facebook is flooded with such images, and when we see something extraordinary we can’t help but think, “Wow, that would make a great cover for next week’s Wanderer.”

Twice a year we hold space on our cover for original artwork submitted by our readers in our Halloween and Groundhog Day Cover Contests. This year’s winner for our January 30 Groundhog Day edition is Grace Hebert of Mattapoisett with her rendition of a groundhog popping up from his winter home on February 2 only to see his shadow beneath a clear and sunny sky. We truly enjoy each and every submission and love it when the winner comes in smiling to collect her $100 prize money.

This year we thought about how unfortunate it is that we only do this once a year, which is why we decided that we shouldn’t have to wait until Halloween to see the cover submissions start pouring in again.

The Wanderer is starting a new community cover initiative this year, and we want you to show us what you can do; make us say “Wow, what a great cover this would make!”

The Wanderer is “calling all covers” from the community that we serve, and if your photo or cover artwork is selected for one of our covers, you will receive $50 and full cover credit for your efforts.

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Saying Adios...
By Jean Perry

In some Latin American cultures, it’s customary to say ‘see you later’ instead of ‘good-bye’. Adios has an air of uncertainty as to whether the parties will ever meet again; we say our ‘good-byes’ to a loved one who has passed away, to a house in which we lived as we close the door one last time after moving out, or some personal part of our lives that has slipped away never to return. See you...
later implies that it won’t be long before we see each other again. See you later – hasta luego – is received more like a promise than a possible end to something. In either case, it’s easier to say see you later than it is to say good-bye.

In December of 2013, I covered my very first event as the news editor for The Wanderer. It was the Tinkhamtown Chapel Christmas Carol Sing-along. Since then I’ve contributed to 319 editions of the newspaper, attended more meetings than I can count, and have met hundreds of wonderful people from the Tri-Town. Now, for my 320th edition, I say ‘adios’ to my position as news editor as I say ‘hola’ to a month in Puerto Rico.

“Are you excited for your holidays?” my boyfriend, in his usual Scottish way of referring to a vacation, asked me this week. He’s pledged his support and has agreed to care for the dogs and cats for the month of February while I am away. “I wouldn’t call a month of mold removal, mixing concrete, and roof-repair a holiday,” I said.

In September 2019, I wrote a story for The Wanderer about the relief efforts in the Bahamas of the Mattapoisett-based non-profit All Hands and Hearts and spoke on the phone with the organization’s CEO, Erik Dyson. As we finished our phone call, I thanked him for his time and casually commented that perhaps one day I just might sign up as a volunteer in one of the All Hands and Hearts projects.

In preparation for writing the story, I visited allhandsandhearts.org to learn more about the organization and within five minutes, I had navigated to the “get involved” page and was filling out the volunteer sign-up form for the rebuilding project in Puerto Rico, still ongoing nearly two years after Hurricane Maria devastated the island.

I didn’t have to think long about it. I was experiencing one of those rare, elusive, perfect moments in life when something happens and everything about it “just feels right.” You know the feeling; something presents itself seemingly from out of nowhere and despite any vague sense of the unknown of this new direction, the absence of fear I felt was essentially a nod from the universe that it was absolutely okay to go for it; that this is just what my soul needs.
It never does get old to see your byline in print and you never do lose that thrill of seeing somebody reading your newspaper, which is why this isn’t ‘adios’ – it’s an ‘hasta luego’ for us, Tri-Town. I will return in March and my byline will now and again be found in the pages of The Wanderer from time to time, and I also look forward to reporting on the relief efforts in Puerto Rico.

Community journalism is such a critical aspect of our local democracy, and I am satisfied to have participated in this tradition, especially during these precarious times when it seems weekly newspapers all over the country are folding under, leaving a void at the very heart of communities. The Wanderer has proudly served the Tri-Town communities for nearly three decades and it has been my pleasure to be a part of it.

**Federal Court Upholds Bay Oil Spill Prevention**

*Buzzards Bay Coalition*  
*Michael Graca, Communications Director*

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Spill Prevention Act (MOSPA). For the fourth time in a little more than a decade, the Coalition has assisted in successfully defending Buzzards Bay’s hallmark protection law.

This month, a federal district judge rejected an out-of-state oil shipping industry group’s legal challenges to state oil spill protection laws for Buzzards Bay. The ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Denise Casper represents a complete denial of efforts to invalidate the provision of the Massachusetts Oil Spill Prevention Act, which requires all oil barges to be guided through the Bay by a tugboat escort.

“There is no disagreement here in Massachusetts about what works to prevent oil spills in Buzzards Bay and for more than a decade we’ve successfully implemented a model program,” said Coalition President Mark Rasmussen.

“Ironically, after all of these lawsuits, I’ve come to the sad realization that it’s actually our state’s success that is most dangerous to the oil transport industry. But each court win strengthens the law and our resolve as we remain vigilant against any efforts to weaken protections for our coast.”

MOSPA was enacted in 2004 in response to the Bouchard 120 oil spill in Buzzards Bay. In response to the disaster, the Coalition led the successful effort to draft and win passage of the state law, which has survived repeated challenges. The law requires tugboat escorts for all barges carrying oil through Buzzards Bay.

The most recent legal challenge came from the tug and barge industry group American Waterways Operators (AWO), which filed suit in federal court against the U.S. Coast Guard in October 2018 to challenge the validity of the tugboat escort requirement. The Coalition and Massachusetts State Attorney General Maura Healey joined the case as interveners in opposition to the group’s challenge.

The Coalition’s senior attorney Korrin Petersen said the tugboat escort requirement is a common-sense measure that is regularly used by local mariners.

“What was most puzzling about AWO’s case was how it was in direct conflict with their members who transit Buzzards Bay. The local tug and barge companies who operate here have welcomed the assistance of an escort tug and rely on it regularly.” Petersen said.

“Mariners who frequent our often-dangerous Bay know that having an escort tug on hand to help prevent accidents just makes sense.”

Each year, more than 2 billion gallons of oil pass through Buzzards Bay. It is a major transport route for barges carrying oil and gasoline through Cape Cod Canal to Boston and northern New England. The tugboat escort requirement has documented benefits in preventing oil spills.

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A South Coast Kayak Sleigh Ride
By George B. Emmons

Two new species of tropical “tuna” fish are now migrating further north to the South Coast of Buzzards Bay, surprising fishermen who catch them while going after striped bass and bluefish.

They are the Atlantic bonito and the false albacore found primarily in more temperate waters around Florida and from the West Indies to Brazil.

Although tuna-like in a number of ways, the bonito is from the tuna and mackerel family; the false albacore is often mistaken for a tuna, but is actually a type of mackerel.

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife reports that everyone wants to jump on global warming to explain it; however, they say it could be due to a changing bait source, such as an increase in sand eels in our local waters. Experts also say there is a lot we still do not know about these species of tuna/mackerel, resulting in a lack of state fishing regulations for conservation of the species.

In appearance, the bonito has a higher profile, with eight bright blue diagonal lines across its back, as illustrated. The false albacore has smaller wavy lines on its back, but both have the same streamlined torpedo shape for robust swimming at the end of a line when
hooked. Subsequently, both are sought by anglers for a 40 mile-per-hour speedy stripping of line when hooked, as thrilling as long ago when a harpooned whale was said to drag a small boat on a Nantucket sleigh ride.

For this angling challenge, both species have affectionately been dubbed “little tunny” after their larger cousins. When they first appear when our waters warm up in spring, they are more often caught in shallower coastal brackish estuaries. They often come into view while the carnivores surface feeding in schools after baitfish. Their staple diet includes menhaden, peanut bunker, and Atlantic big eye. A characteristic surface gathering can easily be located by an overhead vociferous aerial conflagration of gulls and terns diving down to where they are feeding, more easily to be caught.

Today, recreational small boat fishing has been revolutionized with the growing kayak culture. There is also a new kayak design of sit-on-top construction as opposed to the sit-in style. This enables a new genre of fly fishing men and women to arm wave the magic wand of a fly rod as the latest challenge to anglers. When the tunny takes off with their line to leap out of the water and then dive to twist and turn, it races away, perhaps like a fishing heritage trip back in time like one of those Nantucket sleigh rides; and it happens right here on the South Coast of Buzzards Bay, with a kayak tied on to a tunny fish.
Committee Names Town Administrator Finalists
Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen
By Marilou Newell

It may feel like a long and winding road, especially for outgoing Town Administrator Mike Gagne, but Mattapoisett now has three viable candidates to consider as Gagne’s replacement.

The town’s first solo effort to find worthy candidates ended when it was determined that professional help was needed. The firm of Community Paradigm Associates, LLC of Plymouth was hired to help post the job and assist the town by profiling the community and its needs on various internet platforms and publications, along with the labor-intensive task of screening applicants based against the scope of the job and the skill sets they possessed. Those efforts brought forth 40 applications. Of those, seven semi-finalists were identified after long hours spent interviewing candidates, completed in partnership with the town’s screening committee.

Mattapoisett’s screening committee members were Don Carlstrom, John Decosta, Jim Muse, Pat Donoghue, and Bonne DeSousa. On January 23, they presented the Board of Selectmen with three finalists for their consideration.

The Board of Selectmen will publicly interview those finalists on January 28, beginning at 4:00 pm in the Town Hall conference room, with each interview planned to last one hour.

The finalists for the position are James Duggan, Michael Lorenco, and John Bugbee.

Duggan, of Dracut, holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Westfield State University and a Master’s degree in Public Administration from Suffolk University. He lists his current position as Town Administrator of Dracut. He was previously the Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Gloucester.

In his introductory letter Duggan wrote, “Over the course of my tenure of 30 years in public management, I have been fortunate to have been involved in various communities that have enabled me to utilize my strong organizational, communication, and leadership skills. Having examined the impressive solid foundation that has been built and maintained by Mattapoisett’s administration, elected officials, volunteers, and employees, I am confident that my background of directly related experience, appropriate academic qualifications, and management style will fit perfectly in the town’s administration.”

Lorenco, of Harwich, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Bentley College in Corporate Finance and a Master’s degree in Public Administration from Suffolk University. His current position is listed as Assistant Town Administrator and Finance Director for the Town of Eastham.
Lorenco wrote in his letter that his experiences in Eastham, where he had worked on municipal budgets, state public procurement regulations, organization and personnel management, as well as union negotiation and grievance processes, now puts him in position for the next step in his career. He said it was “a natural progression and opportunity for professional growth.” He also noted, “I have vast personal knowledge of Mattapoisett, as it is my hometown for most of my life. For over 30 years my family called Mattapoisett home.”

Lorenco wrote that his father is a business owner in town and that his brother is a former police officer in the community.

Bugbee, of Attleboro, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and History from Roger Williams University and a Master’s in Public Administration from Bridgewater State University. Bugbee is currently the Chief Procurement Officer for the Town of Franklin and previously held the position of Town Administrator for the Town of Tisbury.

Bugbee shared in his introductory letter: “As the Town Administrator in Tisbury I was in charge of drafting and presenting the town’s annual budget; overseeing all personnel within the town which included negotiating three separate union contracts, drafting and implementing a personnel manual and performing all employee evaluations.”

He went on to say that he drafted grants that were successful and worked collaboratively with five island town administrations to develop shared municipal services and countywide collective needs.

Earlier in the meeting, Gagne had commented that, unlike when he first entered public service, such positions are not learned while studying for a bachelor’s degree.

“It was much harder today to work your way up through the ranks because the job of a town administrator has changed and is changing,” said Gagne. “It’s very complex.”

Echoing those sentiments, Selectman Paul Silva said of the role of a selectman: “Our roles have changed, department heads have changed, state and federal requirements have changed – these are complex
“We have gained a lot of knowledge of the candidates,” said search committee member Carlstrom, offering the selectmen some of his insights. Silva, however, said he would rather “do it raw” as he heads into Tuesday’s interviews, and Selectman Jordan Collyer said, “I don’t want any bias.”

With public interviews now scheduled for January 28 at 4:00 pm, the BOS scheduled private one-on-one meetings for January 31 if the individual selectmen wished to conduct such meetings with individual candidates.

In a follow-up, Silva said that “candidates might be more comfortable” answering questions during a one-on-one interview in a “closed-door environment”.

Collyer said that, should he feel the need to ask further questions one-on-one, “The door would be open to anyone” who wished to sit in on the one-to-one interviews.

In another follow-up with The Wanderer, Gagne shared town counsel’s guidance on the matter of individual interviews which read in part: “…there is no violation of any provision in the Open Meeting Law…” if the selectmen wish to obtain additional information. They cannot, however, discuss their “thoughts or impressions outside of an open meeting”.

The Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen is also scheduled to meet on February 4 at 6:30 pm during which

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Final Stretch for Town Administrator Search  
Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen  
By Marilou Newell  

With the three finalists waiting in the wings, the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen began the interview process for selecting a new town administrator on January 28.

Selectman Jordan Collyer said he needed to make a disclosure that one of the candidates, Michael Lorenco, was related to his wife’s sister, but he said he felt he could be impartial and did not feel there was a conflict of time they hope to announce their selection.

Former Selectman Tyler Macallister had resigned from the Board of Selectmen last fall, stating at that time that he would be pursuing the town administrator’s position. On January 26, he told The Wanderer, “I did apply for the position and I was interviewed.” He went on to say, “I think it’s great that the town has three real good candidates.

“But it was always my intention, if I didn’t get the job, to pull papers and run for re-election,” continued Macallister. “I talked extensively with the [State Ethics Commission] and they were specific that I had to resign (as selectman) before I began any part of the town administrator process.”

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Bernard Lynch, who had assisted the town’s search committee for weeks now, explained that he would ask each candidate a series of questions over a one-hour period, questions designed to help the selectmen learn more about each candidate such as strengths and weaknesses on subjects like dealing with personnel issues, grant writing, managing departmental budgets, coastal resilience matters, economic development and relationships with school committees.

Up first was John Bugbee. Bugbee, the former town administrator for Tisbury of nine years, said he was interested in the position because he is a good fit for the job. He felt that the issues he dealt with in the island community were similar to those faced in Mattapoisett.

Bugbee said his management style was open with deep respect for all people, adding, “I’m a good listener; everyone’s opinion matters.” In the area of employee management, Bugbee said he takes a team-building approach to personnel, while setting appropriate attainable goals and providing adequate training.

Regarding finances, Bugbee said, “I’m a big believer in finding new answers to old problems.” He said he had been able to reduce the municipal electrical costs by the installation of solar panels on the town’s capped landfill.

“I have a philosophy of fiscal conservatism,” said Bugbee, and during Tisbury’s $20 million budget process he said he wouldn’t just increase the budget by 3 percent, rather he “looked at departmental budgets and trends.”

Bugbee did not, however, have experience with preparing budget overrides, and OPEB (other post-employment benefits) was handled by another department. He was also unfamiliar with PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) programs, but said he understands their role in generating new revenue, has experience writing grants, spent a deal of time handling personnel matters, and had worked on several large municipal projects, including a $7.9 million emergency services building that was LEED certified.

Regarding Tisbury’s waterfront, Bugbee said, “They wanted it to stay as it was: ferry service, fishing, recreational use…” He said a Master Plan was necessary to help guide the process.

Next up, James Duggan of Dracut has more than 30 years in the public sector and reached a point in his career where, he said, “I can pick and choose where I want to go.”

He said he was familiar with Mattapoisett and thought it was a great place.

Lynch compared Dracut to Mattapoisett in terms of size and population saying, “Here you’d wear many hats, would that be a problem?”

Duggan said that would not be an issue. “I like hats.”

Duggan said he likes to be engaged in the community and invite people to talk. He noted visiting with businesses and organizations such as the Rotary Club as one way of being involved. Duggan said that the town should have a Facebook page to encourage community communication.

Duggan said his leadership style is “diplomatic,” that he likes to coach staff members and offer professional growth opportunities and tools to employees. “I’m trustworthy, a man of my word,” he added.

Duggan was the town administrator for the Town of Gloucester, and expounded on the balance that was necessary when the demands of a port town include commercial entities, development for tourism, and commercial fishing. “You have to bring different groups together and decide what is in the best interest of the
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“Budgets were mine,” said Duggan when asked how those were handled. He said he met with each department head, drafted a budget, reviewed it with the finance committee, and then sent it on to the board of selectmen.

For economic development, Duggan said one must look to the town’s Master Plan, talk to the community leaders, and find the town’s niche. He said that Dracut had said ‘yes’ to marijuana for retail sale and cultivation, which would generate new growth along with healthcare. He was also familiar with PILOT programs and was conscious of OPEB liabilities.

Rounding out the evening was Michael Lorenco, formally of Mattapoisett and now of Eastham where he serves as the assistant town administrator.

Lorenco has a strong background in finance and desires to work in the public administration sector. “I know I’m young,” he began, “but I think I can bring something to the table.”

When Lynch asked if Lorenco was prepared for all the challenges the position would hold, he said, “…I have drive.”

Lorenco talked about the issues facing Eastham with sharks impacting tourism and recycling becoming a growing issue. Lorenco said he’s got an open-door policy when it comes to employee management, but said that Eastham has had difficult with many key positions turning over in a short period of time, some due in part to retirement. “It’s been bumpy,” he said, but communication is key, he added, and meetings were held to give staff the opportunity to talk about issues.

Lorenco said he has been responsible for the town’s budget and working with each department head before passing the draft to the town administrator. He said he attended every finance committee meeting and worked on strategic planning, and also said that during the budget process, he identifies areas where savings are possible.

Lorenco has experience writing grants and, on ways for generating revenue, he said that beach permits were very important to the people in Eastham and that “people came in paying $15,000 in back property taxes so they could get a permit.” He said the town earns $800,000 a year in beach stickers alone.

Added to his list of accomplishments, Lorenco said he wrote a fiscal policy handbook that was currently under review and he has also been involved in matters related to the regional school district.

Lorenco confided that many areas of responsibility discussed in the interview process were primarily handled by the town administrator, but said that he was fully entrenched in the day-to-day financial dealings in the community, including the tax office. “I deal with some very difficult people in the tax office,” he chuckled.
Regarding OPEB, Lorenco said that Eastham’s liability was not well-funded but that, under his tenure, the town had been able to put aside $400,000.

Currently, Lorenco does not directly deal with the Board of Selectmen, but said, “The board is the elected office of the town; the [town administrator] is to support them… It’s an active relationship.”

Lorenco concluded, saying, “I’m young in my career; I don’t have a lot of experience managing staff, but open communication is important.” He said that Mattapoisett meant a lot to him and that if he was not selected, he would understand, but that one day, “I will be a town administrator.”

Follow up one-on-one meetings were then scheduled for January 31 at 4:00 pm to allow the Board of Selectmen the opportunity to ask more questions. Silva will be taking those meetings behind closed doors, he said, while Collyer said his door would be open.

The Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen will hold a meeting on February 4 at 4:30 pm at the Mattapoisett Town Hall, during which the selectmen will announce their preference for the town administrator position.

ConCom Addresses Illegal Dumping
Marion Conservation Commission
By Andrea Ray
Members of Marion’s Conservation Commission issued an Emergency Certification on January 14,
Conservation Commission Chair Jeff Doubrava revealed at a January 22 meeting, after illegal dumping was reported by town residents.

“We noted illegal dumping off of Point Road, almost immediately across from Blackmore Pond Road,” he explained, adding that the parcel is owned by the Town of Marion. “It’s been pretty well cleaned up now, but we did have to issue an emergency order to get the mess cleaned up as quickly as possible.”

Doubrava added that the dumping was not immediately visible from the road; the mess was reported by a town resident walking through the property.

It was unclear how long any dumping has been going on. Once the Emergency Certification was ordered, the site was cleaned and the soil tested for any contamination. Conservation Commission member Shaun Walsh made it clear that he wanted more action to be taken on illegal dumping at the site, as well as in general. The biggest culprit at this particular site, he added, is an unlocked town gate that provides easy access for people to drive in and dispose of unwanted material.

“I’m concerned that there’s a gate on the town property that is wide open at all times,” Walsh said. “This is what happens when someone cleans out a house and dumps it back here. I would encourage the town to think about liability,” Walsh continued, “as well as the expense to the townspeople whenever the lot needs to be cleaned. The cost to the taxpayers is preventable, and so is any environmental contamination. I encourage that the gate be locked, and the keys given to the appropriate town officials.”

Board members threw out a few ideas; Doubrava said he was willing to draft a letter to be sent to the town administrator requesting that the property be locked continuously.

“We’ll look at the draft together at the next meeting, and hopefully officially sign it then,” he stated.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for February 12 at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

**ConCom Announces Board Vacancy**

*Mattapoisett Conservation Commission*

*By Marilou Newell*

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission Chairman Mike King opened the January 27 meeting with an announcement: “In anticipation of one of our regular members resigning, there’ll be an opening on the board.”

He said that Chris Nicolosi would be unable to complete his term, having taken a job that would conflict with the commission's meeting schedule.

King also stated that commission member Chapman Dickerson would miss a number of meetings. Dickerson recently joined the Mattapoisett Fire Department and would be in training sessions on Monday evenings, therefore unable to attend meetings for some weeks.

King expressed concern that making a quorum would be difficult under these circumstances, although former commission member Tyler Macallister, also a former selectman, had been sworn in as an alternate. That did not, however, guarantee that a quorum could be achieved.

While having related experience and training is a benefit, King said it wasn’t a necessity; all that is required is a positive intent.

“If you have a desire to protect and defend wetlands in Mattapoisett,” King said, then interested parties should send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen.
With that said, commissioners Trevor Francis, John Jacobsen, and King attended to the agenda.

David McIntire’s Notice of Intent for the expansion of agricultural activities at 0 Wolf Island Road was reopened with engineer Richard Riccio representing the applicant.

Riccio said that the wetlands had been delineated and confirmed with Conservation Agent Elizabeth Leidhold and that approximately six acres of trees were planned for removal, of which two acres were in a jurisdictional buffer zone.

King questioned why stormwater calculations were part of the documents submitted, asking if it was just to show that no impact would occur from the disturbance of transitioning a forest to a field. He broached what abutters previously had voiced as their concern that a solar array was planned for the parcel.

Ricci said that McIntire was “keeping his options open, but now only expanding the agricultural area.” “I love to see any type of agriculture,” King commented.

The NOI was approved and issued an Order of Conditions.

Rich Charon of Charon Engineering represented John Grant, 5 North Road, who submitted a Notice of Intent for the razing of an existing home and the construction of a new residence in a flood-zone, including a new septic system. After discussions regarding the

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A Notice of Intent filed by Michael and Aimee Bean, 15 Park Street, for the demolition of an existing garage and construction of a new garage, a 12x13-feet addition to the existing house, and an addition of a 13x20-foot screened-in porch was also approved with the condition that straw or compost wattles and silk screening are added to the conditional requirements.

A Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Stephen Napolitano for two lots located off Brandt Island Road was given a Negative determination (no Notice of Intent required) to complete perc testing. Discussion revealed that the property was in an area inclusion of stormwater collection and recharge on site and confirming that the project would meet all the performance requirements of FEMA, the application was approved and conditioned.

Also approved was an NOI submitted by James Craig, 0 Aucoot Road, for the selective removal of trees for the purposes of locating the best position of a future home site. Mat Leone of Schneider, Davignon and Leone, Inc., representing the applicant, was advised that the commission had received a letter from the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) specifically noting that the property in question had been mapped as a nesting site for the diamondback terrapin and, therefore, recommendations for protecting the habitat during and post-construction would be incorporated into the conditions.
mapped by NHESP.

Napolitano also stated that a manmade ditch was discovered running between the lots he wished to develop.

King advised the applicant to hire an engineer to assist in further development of the site and to ensure regulations were being followed.

Also receiving a Negative determination was an RDA filed by the Town of Mattapoisett Harbormaster’s Office for the repair of timber members in an existing wale system.

An RDA submitted by Constance Pallatroni Living Trust, Sea Marsh Way, for the confirmation of coastal wetlands resource areas as determined by Stan Humphries, Environmental Consulting and Restoration, LLC, also received a Negative determination.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for February 10 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall conference room.

Permitting for 40R Housing Officially Begins
Rochester Planning Board
By Jean Perry
After months of preparation and a number of informal technical review meetings with the Rochester Planning Board, Steen Realty & Development’s hearing for a special permit to build a 208-unit affordable housing development at 22 Cranberry Highway was officially
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Jay Gould, DVM

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Engineer Phil Cordeiro ran through the basic details of the proposal: four, four-story multi-family buildings, stormwater management plans, entrances proposed for Routes 28 and 58, and the utilities and easement that would dictate where the actual project construction could be sited at the 10.4-acre property.

The initial application included provisions for commercial development on the site, and while the developer does still intend on operating as a mixed-use project, construction pertaining to commercial development has been omitted.

“We agreed to remove commercial, given its general nature and the relative unknowns in regards to the tenancy,” said Turner. “This is a mixed-use based project,” he said again for clarity.

Future plans to provide for commercial development will reappear before the Planning Board under a separate site plan review application.

As for the residential project, Cordeiro continued, “All of the conditions, setbacks, [and] dimensional requirements… are met on this plan,” as per the new Smart Growth Overlay District Bylaw.

Emergency access has been ironed out, and conditions will allow fire apparatus to access all the four floors of the 55-foot high buildings both inside and outside without any additional designated fire lanes.

“This project meets everything that you’d expect in terms of operational demand,” said Cordeiro.

Cordeiro asked for four waivers, including one related to the distance of the subsurface drainage systems from a neighboring leaching field, and one to reduce the groundwater separation requirement from three feet, the town’s standard, down to two feet, the state’s standard.

Johnson informed Cordeiro that the board does not grant any waivers for drainage until the peer review consultant gets a chance to weigh in on the proposed system. Johnson also asked to see the specs for any signage.

Andrew Delli Carpini, CEO of the abutting Seasons convenience store, then joined the conversation and expressed his concern about developer Ken Steen’s project essentially eliminating one of Carpini’s two access points to the store and gas station.

Steen’s project calls for the relocation of the road that Seasons customers use to enter from Route 58, and eventually one of Steen’s commercial buildings would be sited between Seasons and the new road that would provide access to Seasons.

“We feel that that causes us a tremendous concern in terms of the access and traffic flow to our site, as well as safety concerns with some of the trucks… that access our facility,” Carpini’s attorney said on his behalf.

Carpini told the board that after five years since proposing the convenience store and since it opened three years ago, had he known that Steen’s residential development would take away one of his egress points he
“would have walked away” from his project.

“The challenge here is we want to be able to keep safety, but we also want to keep access to our facility,” said Carpini. He asked the board is they would grant him a one-way entrance to make up for the loss.

“I love the project, I support the town… but not at the cost of an access point,” Carpini said. “I only have two [access points]; three years into the project I’m told I have to eliminate one.”

Chairman Arnie Johnson understood where Carpini was coming from and said he would agree to find a way to incorporate a second access point Seasons.

“I think you need a second access point and, the question is where,” said Johnson. “I think you should have two access points.”

Johnson referred to Seasons having just one access point for such a volume of traffic “probably a recipe for disaster”.

Steen said he would be willing to carve out a compromise that both parties would find agreeable. “We’re in support of the project,” said Carpini, just not at the cost of his business.

The public hearing was continued until February 12.

Also during the meeting, Austin Turner on behalf of Pedro Rodriguez for Solar MA Project Management, LLC, re-entered the public hearing arena to give some updates to the plan that resulted from comments received by the board’s peer review engineer.

The proposal is for a large-scale solar array field at 0 Walnut Plain Road.

Turner made it clear that the developer is amenable to all of the suggestions, but some of them likely would not apply for one reason or another.

For example, Turner agreed to updates to the proposed bonds, but the request to widen Old Middleboro Road cannot apply to certain areas like where a utility pole currently sits and where a line of wetlands lies immediately adjacent to the roadside. Turner suggested abiding by the 16-foot width in all places where possible, but hoped for leniency in those two specific areas for a variation of a 14.5 to 15-foot width.
“We’ll widen it to the extent that we can,” Turner said, which Planning Board Chairman Arnie Johnson found acceptable. Johnson said those changes should be classified as a “field change” and marked when they come up along the way as a condition of approval.

Turner found the request to survey the existing stone walls agreeable, but he commented that he was willing to pick out the stones of the walls after clearing takes place as an interim step during construction. Johnson asked Turner to tape off the area so no workers with machines would overstep the stone wall areas, another condition of approval.

The grading calculations of the center line of Old Middleboro Road was another request, which Austin said may not be required since the center line grade is not slated to be altered, but he had no problem marking the grade in the plan as requested.

Turner said he was hoping the board would close the public hearing that night and vote on a final decision the next meeting, but Johnson reminded him: “We don’t vote at the next meeting.

“We get a draft decision and then we review that,” said Johnson, “so it will be the last meeting in February, probably.”

In other matters, the board granted an Approval Not Required to Michael Bare, 265 Braley Hill Road.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

ORR Revisits Regional Agreement
Old Rochester Regional School Committee
By Jean Perry

The Old Rochester Regional School Committee on January 22 held its first official review of the Old Rochester Regional School District agreement for the first time since the agreement was last amended in 1986.

Two years ago when the School Committee and the three towns realized the document had not been updated in over 20 years, the committee underwent a state audit of the agreement while the Town of Mattapoisett, through a grant it had received, sought
an analysis of the ORR district assessments of the three-member towns to better understand the factors that influence the sometimes drastic fluctuations in the towns’ year-to-year assessments.

Rochester’s representative on the ORR School Committee, Tina Rood, gave a brief overview of the recommended changes resulting from the Department of Education’s review, and the committee’s own subcommittee compared the ORR agreement with those of other regional school districts.

The recommended changes include establishing annual town assessments based on a 3-5 year average of student enrollment to determine assessment totals to avoid sharp assessment increases that impact each town’s operating budget.

The other recommendation was to establish an ORR capital stabilization fund that would be funded annually through the assessment.

According to Rood, these options seemed agreeable to the three town representatives during a sit-down with School Committee members last fall.

“It seemed to make sense to them,” Rood said. “We need a way to fund capital projects here at the district and we thought that a multi-pronged approach is a way that will help our district be able to address those smaller projects that come up before they become bigger projects.”

That money would be specifically used for capital improvements at ORR. But is this the be-all and end-all?
Rood says no.

“It is not,” said Rood. “It is a start; it is a start to retaining a system... to be able to fund these capital projects,” like auditorium lights, a new track, and a new phone system at the school. Larger projects like roof resurfacing, she said, would still be brought forward through a debt exclusion request.

“And [the agreement] needs to be current,” said Rood. “The bottom line is, it’s not current at this time and it needs to be.”

Marion’s representative on the ORR School Committee, Heather Burke, introduced the seven findings and five recommendations of Mattapoisett’s assessment analysis of the fiscal years 2012-2019 undertaken by the Collins Center at UMass Boston.

The first finding is that annual assessments have only “moderately” increased since FY12, growing 13.18 percent, or 1.88 percent each year. Marion and Mattapoisett’s assessments have seen the most growth, averaging at 2.46 percent and 2.23 percent annually, respectively, while Rochester’s assessment has seen a slower growth of about 0.9 percent annually.

Marion’s assessments have risen steadily over the last three years while Mattapoisett’s has risen more rapidly since FY2016.

“We frequently hear about the size of the school budget within the Tri-Town – and it is significant – but the increases over the eight years have been modest,” said Burke.

The second finding is that Mattapoisett’s assessments actually decreased between 2012-2016, but then increased rapidly after 2016, which was mitigated in part by a Regional School Assessment Stabilization Fund the town had established.

The third finding shows that even slight changes in the ORR student population will impact the towns’ assessments. Burke further explained, “Variations, not only in one town’s enrollment, but enrollment fluctuations in the other two towns can have large unpredictable impacts on town budgets.” When ORR student enrollment drops on Mattapoisett and Rochester, for example, Burke said, that causes Marion’s assessment to go up, even though the town may be sending the same number of students as last year; the assessment is proportional, said Burke.

Between 2012-2016, Burke said there was, “an increase of 42 students from Marion to Old Rochester during that time, combined with largely unchanged enrollments from Mattapoisett and Rochester, [which] increased Marion’s assessment by over $290,000. If the other two towns had also sent more students, the increase would not have been such a significant hit to Marion.”

Then, after 2016, Marion’s enrollment decreased, saving Marion money but causing bigger hits to Mattapoisett and Rochester, continued Burke. “So this makes planning at the municipal budget level very difficult because, even though they might project that they’re sending the same number of students, they don’t necessarily know how many students the other two towns are sending, which is going to affect the dollar amount asked for from the town.”

The fourth finding is that both Marion and Mattapoisett’s total minimum contribution has been capped at the state maximum of 82.5 percent of the total foundation budget for ORR due to their high property wealth and income levels.

Transportation cost was at the crux of the fifth finding, with the determination that the ORR district’s above minimum and transportation spending has sharply increased since 2016, up by $1,337,000, or 32.5 percent, over the last three years.
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“I think this is a critical finding because it points to the fiscal pressure that our towns and the school district... have been feeling since 2016,” said Burke. “This pressure is due to slow growth in both chapter 70 and foundation budget funds, requiring our school district to make up for the lower state funds by increasing the assessment funds simply to maintain the status quo operating budget…” 

“That is pressure that all schools and districts in Massachusetts have been feeling,” continued Burke. “It’s not unique to us, and it became intense enough that the legislation had to do something…”

The sixth finding is that Marion is the only member town that experienced total enrollment growth across all districts between 2012-2019.

“Many might be surprised by that finding because in this area we tend to think about Rochester having increased enrollment, not Marion,” said Burke. “But when you read the text of the report and look at the chart, one thing that really pops out is that Rochester sends so many kids to Old Colony that their enrollment to ORR through FY19 hasn’t really grown.

“We know that that actually hurts Rochester’s budget because it’s more expensive for them to send a student to Old Colony,” Burke continued, “but it also makes it a little bit more expensive for Marion and Mattapoisett to send their kids to Old Rochester.”

Finding 7 shows that ORR’s in-district spending in 2018 of $15,565 per student was slightly below the state’s $15,913 in-district average.

“And we have so many markers of student achievement, yet we spend less than the state average,” Burke said. “That tells me that Tri-Town taxpayers are getting an incredible return on their assessment at ORR, and we need to give ourselves a round of applause.

“However, it also tells me that other towns in the Commonwealth are investing more in their students than the Tri-Towns are,” Burke continued. “We’ve been able to do a lot with less, but our facilities are aging rapidly, academic standards keep growing, and competition makes it harder for us to fill some of our professional positions.”

The Collins Center recommends allowing for the 3-5 year enrollment average to control fluctuations in assessments, with the likelihood of choosing a 3-year average.

The three towns should also consider establishing stabilization funds to smooth out budget fluctuations, which all three towns have now done, and the towns should communicate regularly with the school district on fiscal issues and continue their participation in the collective bargaining process, the report recommends.

Furthermore, the report recommends developing a detailed capital improvement plan and establishing a stabilization fund for those expenditures.

“And that’s exactly what we put into the proposed regional agreement,” said Burke.

The final recommendation for the three towns to consider is a full k-8 regional school district, something Burke said is unlikely to be considered any time soon.

 “[The report] helps explain some of the pressures that we have been feeling over the last five years,” said Burke. “It really quantifies how fiscally responsible the [ORR] school district has been over the last eight fiscal years.”

Changes to the regional agreement must be approved at each town’s Annual Town Meeting.

“I don’t think that you’re proposing any dramatic changes that are not reasonable,” Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail told the School Committee.

The next meeting of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee is scheduled for March 11 at 6:30 pm in the junior high school media room.

**ORR Girls Basketball Dominates SCC**

*High School Sports Update*

By Nick Friar

Eight games into the South Coast Conference play and Old Rochester regional girls basketball still has yet to find an opponent who can best them.

The Bulldogs’ only two losses on the year came outside of league play.

As has been the case for the Bulldogs over the years, they’ve had contributions from the entire roster,
with no one player emerging as the team’s lone dominant scorer.

Meg Horan is playing like Old Rochester Regional’s No. 1 scorer, so she could be the one who has the basketball in her hands late in close games. Her season-high point total (17) is currently the highest mark on the team this year.

Meg Hughes has been a major contributor, as expected, as has the case been with Mary Butler, who, like Hughes, is a tenacious defender.

Butler is also one of ORR’s strongest rebounders. Maggie Brogioli has also played well for the Bulldogs throughout the year, being among the team’s top scorers, rebounders, and defenders. Her classmates, Logan Fernandes and Cadence Johnson, have also performed well for the Bulldogs this year.

The Bulldogs will follow up their Tuesday matchup against Seekonk with a trip to Apponequet on Friday at 6:30 pm. Then, on Sunday, the Bulldogs visit Dartmouth for a 2:00 pm tip-off.

ORR girls hockey lost their recent game against Norwell 4-3. The Bulldogs dropped to 5-6-2 on the season (3-2-1 Southeast Massachusetts Girls Hockey League).

Carly Drew led the Bulldogs in scoring. She scored two goals.

After the Bulldogs visit Bishop Stang on Wednesday, they host Sandwich at Gallo Ice Arena in Bourne on Saturday at 5:30 pm.

ORR boys basketball won their latest matchup with Somerset Berkley 74-69, thanks in large part to the efforts by Jonah DePine, who finished with 29 points and seven rebounds in the tightly contested contest. While he did a lot of the heavy lifting throughout the game, Luke Burke scored three of his 15 points in the final second of the game to help lift the Bulldogs.

“I’m very proud of this basketball team right now,” ORR boys basketball coach Steve Carvalho said.

Alex Wright also finished with double figures for Old Rochester, scoring 11 points. Ryon Thomas did, as well. He had 10.

As a team, the Bulldogs finished with 10
3-pointers made. Burke led in that department finishing with five; DePina had three.

Burke also grabbed 10 rebounds to finish with a double-double. He blocked a whopping four shots, as well.

Following their Tuesday trip to Seekonk, the Bulldogs (6-6, 4-3 SCC) play host to their SCC rivals, Apponequet.

**Old Colony**

Old Colony boys basketball is officially tournament bound after knocking off Bristol Aggie.

The Cougars secured their 10th win of the 2019-20 season with the 87-31 victory.

**Hunters Soares** had the best scoring night of his high school career in the win. He led the Cougars with 31-points, drilling five 3-pointers throughout.

**Ethan Keller** and **Noah Perdiago** were second in scoring for the Cougars; they each finished with 12 apiece.

The Cougars are now 10-3 on the year, 3-1 in the Mayflower Athletic Conference Small Vocational Division.

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**Academic Achievements**

The following local students have made the Dean’s List at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the fall 2019 semester: **Christopher James Rogers** of Marion; **Julianna Emilia Bernardi** of Mattapoisett; and **Robert A. Sylvester** of Rochester.

The following students have been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire for the fall 2019 semester: **Olivia Ucci** of Marion, earning High Honors; **Kristina Sauerbrey** of Marion, earning High Honors; **Lauren Pina** of Marion, earning High Honors; **Carli Rita** of Mattapoisett, earning Highest Honors; **Jason Gamache** of Mattapoisett, earning High Honors; **Alexandra Nicolesi** of Mattapoisett, earning Honors; **Amanda Colwell** of Rochester, earning Honors; **Emily Ziino** of Rochester, earning Honors; and **Aidan Thayer** of Rochester, earning Honors.

Students named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

**Adam Sylvia**, a Central College student from Rochester, has been named to the dean’s list for the fall 2019 semester. The honor is awarded to full-time students who achieve a 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale while taking 12 or more graded credit hours for the semester.

Suzanne Buglione, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Bristol Community College, has announced the Dean’s List for fall 2019. BCC Dean’s List students are: Marion residents **Malisha W. Archelus**, **Danae A. Arone**, **Jacob A. Davis**, **Amber S. Reis**, **Krystilina A. Schultz**, and **Julia Smith**. Mattapoisett residents **Angelina E. Cosgrove**, **Joseph B. Gauvin**, **Katelyn A. Kroninger**, **Mikayla Mooney**, **Ethan J. Mort**, **Zebediah Perkins**, **Dalton J. Pinto**, **Jessica Sheehan**, and **Amy K. Smith**.

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The following local residents were among 1,678 students from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) named to the university’s Dean’s List for academic excellence for the fall 2019 semester: Nicole Mattson and Michaela Mattson, both of Marion.

The criteria for the WPI Dean’s List differs from most other universities, as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean’s List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

Bethany Spangler of Mattapoisett has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s fall 2019 President’s List. Eligibility for the President’s List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.7-4.0 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

Samuel Austin of Rochester has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s fall 2019 Dean’s List. Eligibility for the Dean’s List requires that a student accumulate an academic grade point average (GPA) of 3.5-3.699 and earn 12 credits for the semester.

Nina R. Bourgeois, of Rochester was awarded Faculty Honors for the fall 2019 semester at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. Faculty Honors are awarded to students with a semester GPA of at least 3.667.
on four graded courses, with no individual grade below B-, and no incomplete grades pending.

A Moment to Yourselves
What?! FREE Valentine’s Day Babysitting for children ages 4-11? It’s true! Let First Congregational Church of Rochester, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester, watch your children on Friday, February 14 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm so that you can get some much-deserved quality time away! CORI’d adults and youth will keep your kids busy with dinner, games, crafts, and maybe a movie while you enjoy a moment to yourselves. Register at vbspro.events/p/moment2020 or call the church office at 508-763-4314.

ORR DECA Success
Old Rochester is proud to welcome DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) to its plethora of extracurricular activities. DECA is a program dedicated to preparing young students for the real world. Specifically, it focuses on a wide variety of business subjects, from management to accounting to tourism. There is something for everyone to do in DECA, and there is something for everyone to get out of DECA. There are over 250,000 members nationwide, and a striking 50 students at Old Rochester. The Club was founded at Old Rochester Regional High School in 2019 by Eddie
Gonet IV and Ryu Huynh-Aoyama. They shared a vision of educating students about business and real-life necessities. Old Rochester lacks business classes, so many students are left in the dark about taxes, credit, and other life essentials.

On January 9, the club went to their first competition in Hyannis. All of the students were surprised by how well the chapter performed. For not having any business classes, they are sending 21 students to compete at the next level of states. They were hoping to send a handful of students, nevermind half of the chapter! Some of their top performers actually placed top 3 in their competitions. Some of the top performers include: Brendan Burke, 1st Place in the Sports and Entertainment Marketing Series; Edward Gonet IV, 1st Place Principles of Business Management and Administration; Gwen Miedma, 2nd Place Principles of Hospitality and Tourism; Aiden Harrington, 2nd Place in the Sports Entertainment Marketing Series; Sean Lund, 2nd Place Hospitality Services Team Decision Making; Samuel Harris, 2nd Place Principles of Hospitality Services Team Decision Making;
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Next, they will be competing at the state level in Boston. They will be competing alongside roughly 3,000 other students who qualified to go there from around Massachusetts. They would also like to thank Tremblay’s Bus Company for superior transportation services! Best of luck to ORR DECA in all of their business endeavors!

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Ruth G. (Salley) Taylor, 89 of Lakeville, MA passed away Tuesday January 21, 2020 at Sippican Healthcare Center in Marion, MA. She was the wife of 53 years to the late Richard L. Taylor, Sr.

Born in Middleboro she was the daughter of the late Irving E. and Ruth (Henshaw) Salley. Ruth was educated in Middleboro and was a 1948 graduate of Middleboro Memorial High School. She lived in Middleboro and moved to Lakeville in 1952. She worked for the former Bucks Drugs Store in Middleboro, for the former Woolworths in New Bedford, clerk and typist at the former Lakeville State Sanatorium and then continued with the former Lakeville State Hospital and retired from MCI Bridgewater after 16 years. Ruth was the former treasure of the Fall Brook Mothers Club, a Cub Scout Leader and enjoyed gardening, knitting, puzzles, NASCAR, playing board games but most of all spending time with her family.

She is survived by 2 sons Richard L. Taylor, Jr. and his wife Carol of Maine and Bruce Gomer Taylor and his wife Lesley of Rochester; 5 grandchildren Amy Cutting and her husband James, Richard H. Taylor and his wife Michelle, Rebecca Donohue and her husband Sean, Meg Taylor and her partner John Fitzgerald and Justin L. Taylor; 8 great-grandchildren Taylor and Nolan Cutting, Addison Ruth and Sadie Mae Taylor, Hayden Taylor, MaKayla Poholek, Logan Houlihan, Andrew and Benjamin Devries and Finlee Donohue; 1 great-great-granddaughter Olivia Fisher; a brother Ernest Duvoll; a sister Harriett Sherman and many nieces and nephews. She was also the sister of the late Arnold C. Salley, Ellen May Thayer, Verna L. Young, Millicent Henley, Martha (Charron) Santos and Lillian Gross.

A Graveside Service took place on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 11:00 am in Chace Cemetery in Freetown.

To leave a condoleance for the family please visit www.ccgfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are by the Dahlborg-MacNevin Funeral Home, 280 Bedford St., Lakeville, MA.

Beloved father and husband, Paul Anthony Frangos died Friday, January 24th at home after a long and valiant battle with Multiple Myeloma. Paul leaves behind his wife of 36 years, Elise Manley Frangos of Marion, MA and his children, Christina Mary Frangos of Marion, MA, Evan Paul Frangos of St. Petersburg, FL, and Lydia Dorothy Frangos Norris and her husband David Angelo Norris of Franklin, MA, and his loving brother, Thomas Anthony Frangos of Portsmouth, NH along with his in-laws, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends that he loved so much. Paul was predeceased by his sister, Dorothy, and his parents, Mary Christos Frangos and Anthony W. Frangos.

Paul was a 1973 graduate of Dartmouth College and earned an MBA at the University of Virginia. An avid runner, weightlifter and athlete, Paul served his country as a Marine at the end of the Vietnam War. He worked in International Marketing for Parker Brothers and for Verizon as a Director of International Marketing for 25 years where he trained sales forces and brought yellow pages advertising to Mediterranean countries as well as, Asian and former Soviet Bloc countries.

A skilled linguist and writer, Paul enjoyed building cultural bridges with leaders of all sorts. In the final decade of his career, Paul taught mathematics and financial literacy to urban high school students in the Lawrence and Lynn Public Schools to honor those who had positively shaped his own development.

He and Elise raised their children in Boxford where he fundraised for several new playgrounds and built nature trails with the Boxford Athletic Association. Paul was a Boy Scout leader helping dozens of young men achieve their Eagle Scout Rank, including his own son, Evan.

After moving to Marion, he enjoyed the beauty of the South Coast, having the time to bike, kayak, walk his dogs, and practice carpentry to help his children with their homes. The consummate gentleman and friend, Paul will be dearly remembered for his love of animals, family and friends, his kindness, wit, intelligence and support for all who knew him.

A celebration of Paul’s life for visitors took place on January 28 at the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy. (Rt. 28), Wareham followed by a Mass at St. Patrick’s Church, 82 High St., Wareham. Burial was private. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Paul’s name to the MSPCA at https://www.mspca.org/donate-now/

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Doria A. Goodwin, 96, a 33-year resident of St. Petersburg, Florida died of complications from a fall. The former resident of New Bedford and Mattapoisett, Massachusetts is remembered as energetic and good-natured right to the end. Sewing and needlework were her passion. She is survived by 4 children, 3 stepchildren, 15 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. A service was held on Monday, January 6, in the club house at Village Green community. She will be interred at Bay Pines VA cemetery in St. Petersburg, Florida.

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lived here until at least the mid-1920s.

**Machacam Club**

The February meeting of the Machacam Club is scheduled for Wednesday, **February 5**. Club meetings are held at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social time begins at 5:30 pm with dinner served at 6:00 pm. John DeCosta has invited Ranger Jonathan Dumais of the US Army Corps of Engineers to provide us with the history surrounding the Cape Cod Canal. Chef Colbey and his team will provide and serve a delicious dinner and dessert. New members are always encouraged and welcomed. Callers, please email your lists to cwmccullough@comcast.net by Monday, **February 3**. Anyone interested in knowing more about the Club, please email Chuck or call 508-758-1326.

**Mattapoisett Free Public Library**

Upcoming Young Adult Programs at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library:

- On Tuesday, **February 11** at 5:00 pm, join us at our ‘TechConnect Workshop: Optimal Resume’. Optimal Resume is a free library service that helps you every step of the way through the hiring process from creating your first resume to practicing for interviews. Join us to learn everything you need to know about Optimal Resume. This workshop is recommended for ages 15 and up. Please register by February 4.

- On Friday, **February 21** at 1:00 pm, Mark Parisi, the creator of “Off the Mark” and the Marty Pants books, will be coming to the library to teach Character Design! Mark will be sharing all he has learned as a cartoon artist through fun, laughter, and sketching. This class is recommended for ages 9 and up. Please register before February 14. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Mattapoisett Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

- On Saturday, **February 22** at 1:00 pm, join us for Bath Bomb Creation! We will teach you how to create this relaxing treat. You will learn a simple recipe that you can recreate at home. Recommend for ages 12 and up. Please...
Dorothy Elaine Burrill of Marion, Massachusetts passed January 21st after a long illness. She leaves behind her three children: Michael Bejtlich of Rochester MA, Nancy Benson of Mattapoisett, and Amy Silva of Marstons Mills and six grandchildren: Matthew and Emily Bejtlich, Connor and Casey Mackenzie, and Jacob and Emma Silva. Dorothy (Dot) Burrill was a lifelong social activist, educator, and mentor to hundreds of women and men on Cape Cod during her career. She graduated from Harvard University with an MA in Public Administration after completing her undergraduate degrees at Cape Cod Community College and Boston University.

Dot was the co-founder and director of the Women in Transition Program and a professor at Cape Cod Community College. Earlier in her career, she was executive director for both Action for Opportunity and the Urban Coalition in Pittsfield Massachusetts, where she also served as president of the League of Women Voters. She received many federal, state, and local awards throughout her life for her outstanding advocacy work. Dot also served in the Peace Corps in her early 70s—stationed in Jamaica, she worked with local schools on an anti-bullying campaign.

An avid traveler, Dot visited the Caribbean frequently. She also traveled extensively throughout the United States, Europe, the United Kingdom, Russia, China and Australia. She loved to read, kayak, and swim. And boy, did she love to dance—cooking not so much! She was a courageous woman who fought tirelessly for social justice causes she embraced. She had an infectious laugh, and as one of her colleagues remembers, she was “warm and kind, but not to be underestimated.”

Dot’s energetic and passionate nature will be missed by her family, friends, and colleagues. Her family is grateful for all those who helped during her years of illness. We want the community to know that she passed peacefully. Thank you, Dot, for your hard work, dedication to social justice, boundless energy, adventurous spirit, and for leaving the world a better place. A small family celebration will be held this summer in her honor.

Edward A. Farinon, 72, passed away peacefully with family by his side on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at St. Anne’s Hospital in Fall River, Massachusetts.

Born in North Adams, MA on October 4, 1947, Edward was the son of late Edward and Mary (Peat) Farinon. He was a graduate of North Adams High School and began a career as a textile colorist, working for Arnold Print Works, Dartmouth Finishing, Brittany Dyeing & Printing, and Slater Screen Print.

While in North Adams, he met the love of his life of 35 years, Laurell J. (McElreath) Farinon. Ed and Laurell married on October 22, 1988 in the village of Assonet in the town of Freetown, MA. Together they made their home in Acushnet, MA and adopted and raised their one child, Maria L. Farinon.

Edward worked hard to balance his work and family life. Together, the Farinon family enjoyed spending time with friends and relatives at his New Hampshire camp, skiing, playing golf, and watching sports. Ed was much loved by his friends and family and was known for his quick sense of humor and could always be found telling funny stories of his childhood or day to day life.

Edward A. Farinon will forever be remembered by his beloved wife, Laurell J. (McElreath) Farinon, his daughter, Maria L. Farinon, and his sister, Deborah (Farinon) Isbell of Acushnet, MA. He is survived by his 9 nieces and nephews, Carol, Chilli, Lyndsey, Courtney, Amelia, Jeff, Justin, Nicholas, and Adam; 4 great nieces and nephews: Samantha, Max, Katie, Joe, Zoe, and Ada; his sister-in-laws, Lynn and Michele; and brother-in-law, Rob. He is also survived by his dearest friends, Joe and Julieta, Nancy and Donna, Jose and Andrea; and his beloved dog, Roscoe and cat, Bruin.

Edward’s family wishes to extend their sincere gratitude to Dr. Stephen Butler at Dartmouth Medical Center, the staff at the Fresenius Kidney Care Dialysis Centers, the caregivers at Community Nurse Home Care located in Fairhaven, MA, and the doctors and staff at St. Anne’s Hospital located in Fall River, MA.

In keeping with Edward A. Farinon’s wishes, there will be no funeral services. His cremation remains will be scattered near his beloved New Hampshire camp in October.

Rachel F. (Forbes) Wilbur, 90, of Mattapoisett passed away Monday January 27, 2020 at home after a brief illness. She was the wife of the late William K. Wilbur.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late James and Elise (St. Pierre) Forbes, she was raised and educated in Matane, Quebec, Canada, and returned to New Bedford at 16 years of age to continue her education. She graduated from Kinyon-Campbell Business School with a Bookkeeper Certificate. Mrs. Wilbur was formerly employed as a bookkeeper for White’s Farm Dairy. She spent most of her life in Mattapoisett, where she and her beloved Bill develop-
If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508-758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.

Games Lounge will be open Wednesday, February 5 at 4:00 pm and Tuesday, February 18 at 1:00 pm. Craft Tuesday continues every Tuesday at 4:00 pm with a new craft. Stop by for some fun and a quick craft! From February 1 to 14, celebrate Valentine’s Day with the library by making your own valentines at the Makerspace!

Please contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org or call the library for more information. All programs are free and open to the public. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the library at 508-758-4171 for assistance.

“Take Your Child to the Library” Hop

We are celebrating “Take Your Child to the Library” with a Tri-Town library hop. During the entire month of February, children can celebrate their local libraries by stopping in to pick up a library “passport”. Explore your library and the many things it has to offer or visit your library’s website to see the special activities they will be hosting. Then head to the other Tri-Town libraries in Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester and get your passport stamped there also. Once you have received all three stamps, hop back to your home library with your passport and receive a special prize. One passport per child. All ages welcome to participate.

The Tri-town libraries include the Elizabeth Taber Library at 8 Spring St. in Marion (508-748-1252/elizabethtaberlibrary.org) Mattapoisett Free Public Library at 7 Barstow St. in Mattapoisett (508-758-4171/mattapoisettlibrary.org) and the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library at 17 Constitution Way in Rochester (508-763-8600/plumblibrary.com).

All programs are free and open to the public. If special accommodations are needed, please contact your library for assistance.

Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging

The friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging a non-profit, non-governmental group, has been aiding COA programs and supplementing the needs of senior citizens in the community for many years. During that time, the FOTMCOA has purchased furnishings, appliances, and televisions that the COA has used in its social rooms for the benefit of senior frequenting the COA.

The group also sponsors the monthly COA newsletter “Seasonings,” as well as hosting various special event luncheons throughout the year giving seniors the opportunity to meet up with other seniors for a bit of fun and food, social and emotional support enriching the lives of Mattapoissett ‘s senior population.

The fundraising work of the FOTMCOA supports COA programs, education, and other needs for which public funds are either not available or need supplementing.

Due to a decrease in membership, new members are now urgently needed to carry on the mission of the FOTMCOA.

Can you help? If you can share an hour once a month to attend the FOTMCOA meeting or wish to assist in any way possible, please contact Anne Bartnowski at 508 758 4603 or email at annebartnowski1@gmail.com.

SLT Superb-Owl Walk

Sippican Lands Trust is leading a “Superb-Owl” Walk in honor of Super Bowl Sunday on February 2. This crepuscular walk in the woods will start at 4:00 pm.
The “Celebrate the World” performance by Rochester Memorial School fourth-graders took place on January 23. The show was a creative, educational collaboration between grade 4 teachers, music teachers Sue Audette and Chris Williamson, and art teacher Joanne Smith. Quoting RMS Principal Derek Medeiros: “This grade 4 production is a wonderful representation of our goal to ensure global experiences for our students through our strategic and school improvement plans. Students had the opportunity to explore music and dance from different parts of the world they studied and had a ton of fun doing so. There is no better way for students to learn than through hands-on experiences like these that embed the arts, music and student collaboration.” Photos submitted by E.O. Bednarczyk

F.O.R.M (Friends of Old Rochester Music) held its “January Thaw” fundraiser event at the Knights of Columbus in Mattapoisett on January 26. Photo courtesy E.O. Bednarczyk

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com
at Sippican Lands Trust’s Hagemann Woods property and end by 5:30 pm back in time to leisurely head off for Superbowl kick-off.

The walk will start at our Hagemann Woods property and explore this forested area for owls. While hearing an owl early in the evening would be nice, it isn’t a sure thing. Owls are busy with their nesting time and hopefully calling more than often.

Hagemann Woods is a 23-acre parcel acquired by Sippican Lands Trust in 1998 and features white pines,
By Rob Gonsalves  
www.robsmovievault.com

Secrets and Lies


If there’s anything you can be sure of, it’s that any film offering a clip from the indescribable silent oddity Dementia/Daughter of Horror has its cult-flick priorities squared away. That was true of The Blob back in 1958, and it’s true of Before the Night Is Over, the new horror film by Rhode Island director Richard Griffin (Flesh for the Inferno, Code Name Dynastud). There’s a bit when confused protagonist Samantha (Samantha Acampora) sits in the living room of an all-male bordello, watching Dementia on an old Sylvania TV, and she is joined by one of the house’s studs (Ricky Irizarry), who puts his silk bathrobe on her. Since this is also an erotic mood piece, wherever you think this act leads is probably correct.

Dementia is in there, I think, because it proceeds almost entirely through stark image and twisty dream logic, and that seems to be the direction Griffin increasingly wants to go. Before the Night Is Over is chockablock with more mystery and heavy breathing than anything this side of a David Lynch thriller, and I think I need to see it again to catch some of the plot. Or do I? The story here is not nothing — it’s firmly in the tradition of southern gothic, with intimations of the inferno — but I suspect Griffin tells the story as much because of the eerie tone it affords as anything else.

Or do I? The story here is not nothing — it’s firmly in the tradition of southern gothic, with intimations of the inferno — but I suspect Griffin tells the story as much because of the eerie tone it affords as anything else. It’s possibly no coincidence that many of the men who live in or frequent this house are contending with the shame of the closet in various ways. When one of the young studs goes missing, so does everything in his closet, as if...as if he’d never existed (spooky laughter).

What’s real in the movie and what isn’t? If you need that nailed down for you, I’m not sure this is your cup of mint julep. The movie’s influences include ‘70s made-for-TV horror, but it feels to me like the sort of R-rated ‘70s horror film you used to see on TV in the afternoon (on Dialing for Dollars, say), cut for time and content. Before the Night Is Over runs just 73 minutes, including credits, and I wonder if it could’ve stood to be a reel or so longer, if only to luxuriate in the morbid decay of the setting, with its locked rooms and peeling wallpaper. Samantha Acampora makes a solid, wide-eyed navigator through the sinister goings-on, and when the madams of the house start cooing over an imminent guest by the name of Wheatstraw, we have a better idea where we are. This bordello is a place of shadows where secrets — sexual or homicidal — squirm and fester. There’s a whiff of the eternal here, as in The Shining, and it seems as though the houseful of figurative vampires and zombies are here solely for Samantha.

The rare filmmaker equally indebted to Lucio Fulci and James Baldwin, Griffin has, in recent years, felt himself pulled towards more queer-positive subjects, in answer to the current regime. The horror in Before the Night Is Over, as in William Friedkin’s Cruising, has less to do with gayness than with the type of violence to body and soul that a closeted atmosphere makes possible. The movie is set in 1973, and well-to-do men show up at the door to scratch an itch they can’t legally scratch out in the world (sodomy laws were big and bad in the ‘70s, especially down south). There may or may not be a murderer picking off studs and clientele, and the house itself may or may not be a limbo for the unquiet dead, but all of the narrative uncertainties drive towards the subtext of secrets guarded with steel and blood. This is the sort of gothic that, back in old Tennessee Williams’ prime, might have been coded so that the hot action was nominally hetero but in spirit very much not. Griffin gets to promote the subtext to text and empty the closets.
oaks, red maples and mixed wetlands providing a wide range of wildlife habitat. The parking area for Hagemann Woods is located off of Point Road approximately two miles south of the intersection of Route 6 and Point Road in Marion.

The walk is free for members with a suggested $5 donation for non-members. The walk is weather dependent, and participants should be dressed for muddy paths and/or frozen stretches. Headlamps or flashlights are suggested for the walk back to the parking area. This year’s Superb-Owl Walk will cover approximately 1 to 1.5 miles depending upon the pace of participants. If the Superb-Owl Walk is canceled due to inclement weather, then information will be posted to SLT’s website and Facebook page. For more information about this walk contact SLT at info@sippicanlandstrust.org, call 508-748-3080, or visit www.sippicanlandstrust.org.

Rochester Women’s Club

The next meeting of the Rochester Women’s Club is scheduled for Wednesday, February 5 at 6:00 pm. This is our annual Pot Luck Dinner. Please call or text Marsha at 508-322-0998 with what you’ll be contributing to the potluck.

The clubhouse is located at 37 Marion Road in Rochester. Our group is open to all women. You do not need to be a resident of Rochester to join or visit. We are a community service nonprofit organization of local women
MATTAPOSEITT Log highlights Jan 19-Jan 25
- Hi-Ona-Hill Rd – Ambulance request
- Fairhaven Rd – Health/welfare
- Harvey Orchard Ln – Ambulance
- Marion Rd – Brush fire
- Bowman Rd – MV/B&E
- Acushnet Rd – Health/welfare
- Park St - Vandalism
- Tulpia Ln – Suspicious MV
- Cannon St – Animal control
- Fairhaven Rd – Health/welfare
- Bayberry Ln – Animal control
- Barstow St – 911 call
- Acushnet Rd – Health/welfare
- Lebaron Way – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd - Disturbance
- Old Mattapooseitt Neck – Open door
- Barstow St – 911 hang-up
- County Rd – Property returned
- Mechanic St – Assist other agency
- Barstow St – Health fair
- County Rd – Harassment violation
- Main St – Parking complaint
- Prince Snow Cir – 911 abandoned
- Water St – General service
- Brant Beach Ave – Restraining order
- County Rd – 911 hang-up
- 1195 West – MV crash

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM
Monday, Feb 3: Meatloaf w/onion gravy, mashed potatoes, brussel sprouts, whole wheat bread, applesauce
Tuesday, Feb 4: Minestrone soup, chicken bruschetta, Italian pasta, multigrain roll, mixed fruit
Wednesday, Feb 5: Cheeseburger, ketchup, mustard, roasted potatoes, Malibu blend, hamburger roll, pears
Thursday, Feb 6: Roast turkey w/gravy, cranberry sauce (2), mashed potatoes, winter squash, oatmeal bread, hermit cookie, diet, graham wafer
Friday, Feb 7: Mac 7 cheese, tomato Florentine, broccoli florets, fruit loaf, Mandarin oranges

CENTER SCHOOL Menu
Monday, Feb 3: Chicken tenders (buffalo or plain), lightly buttered noodles, Caesar salad 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Tuesday, Feb 4: Chicken fajita bowl, cilantro lime rice, black bean & corn salsa 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Wednesday, Feb 5: Pancakes, sausage, tator tots, mozzarella string cheese 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Thursday, Feb 6: American chop suey w/breadstick, Italian green beans, orange smiles 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Friday, Feb 7: Personal round pizza, fresh tossed salad, fruit cup 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch

OLD HAMMONTOWN Menu
Monday, Feb 3: Chicken tenders (buffalo or plain), lightly buttered noodles, Caesar salad 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Tuesday, Feb 4: Chicken fajita bowl, cilantro lime rice, black bean & corn salsa 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Wednesday, Feb 5: Pancakes, sausage, tator tots, mozzarella string cheese 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Thursday, Feb 6: American chop suey w/breadstick, Italian green beans, orange smiles 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Friday, Feb 7: Personal round pizza, fresh tossed salad, fruit cup 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH Menu
Monday, Feb 3: Chicken tenders (buffalo or plain), lightly buttered noodles, Caesar salad 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Tuesday, Feb 4: Chicken fajita bowl, cilantro lime rice, black bean & corn salsa 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Wednesday, Feb 5: Pancakes, sausage, tator tots, mozzarella string cheese 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Thursday, Feb 6: American chop suey w/breadstick, Italian green beans, orange smiles 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch
Friday, Feb 7: Personal round pizza, fresh tossed salad, fruit cup 2nd choice: Tuna sub fun lunch

ROCHESTER Log highlights Jan 19-Jan 25
- Looks Mill Ln – Medical emergency
- Mattapooseitt Rd – Animal control
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV stop/citation
- High St – Medical emergency
- Cranberry Hwy – Medical
- Paradise Ln – 911 call
- Cushman Rd – Medical emergency
- Snipatuit Rd – Medical emergency
- Cranberry Hwy – MV accident
- Pine St – Animal control
- Cushman Rd – Medical emergency
- Dexter Ln – Assist citizen
- Neck Rd – Medical emergency
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV stop/citation
- Clapp Rd – Erratic operation
- Paulines Way – Suspicious MV
- North Ave – Medical emergency
- New Bedford Rd – Medical
- Hathaway Pond Cir - Investigation
- Cranberry Hwy – Medical
- Marion Rd – MV stop/warning
- North Ave – Follow up
- New Bedford Rd – Medical
- Thistle Ln – Animal control
- County Rd – Vandalism
- Marys Pond Rd - Investigation
- New Bedford Rd – MV accident
- Mattapooseitt Rd – MV accident
- Dr Braley Dr – Medical emergency

For a full PDF of the three towns’ police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.
dedicated to promoting civic, educational, intellectual and social interest among our members and in our community. This Women’s Club was founded in 1928. We continue to carry the torch of our original founding ladies.

Rochester Women’s Club Scholarships
The Rochester Women’s Club is proud to announce this year that we have three scholarships available to graduating Rochester high school seniors who are going on to college. There are two Raymond Hartley scholarships for $1,000 and one “Snookie” nursing scholarship also for $1,000. The Raymond Hartley is open to all students furthering their education. The “Snookie” is only for students who are going into the field of nursing. Seniors should visit their guidance office for the applications and please take note of all deadlines. These scholarships are available to all Rochester graduating seniors from any local high school. If more information is needed call Marsha at 508-322-0998.

2020/2021 Kindergarten Orientation
On Wednesday evening, February 5, a Parent Information Night for incoming kindergarten families will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at your respective school. Kindergarten registration will be hosted online, the link to registration will be hosted on each elementary school website. Locations are:
- Sippican School –16 Spring Street, Marion - Multi-purpose room (Park Street entrance)
- Center School – 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett - Cafeteria
- Rochester Memorial School, Pine Street, Rochester – Cafeteria

Garden Club of Buzzards Bay
Annual Plant Sale
The Garden Club of Buzzards Bay will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 9, from 9:00 to noon at St. Mary’s Parish Center, 783 Dartmouth Street, South Dartmouth. Members have been propagating plants all winter at the Club’s greenhouse and will offer a wide variety of annuals and perennials at very reasonable prices. Gardeners will be able to buy unusual perennials from member gardens, colorful and varied annuals, an array of popular geraniums and special coleus, striking succulents, heirloom tomatoes, herbs, ground covers, and boxwood cultivars from the Rotch-Jones-Duff House Garden.

Proceeds from the sale are used to fund community projects, including grants, scholarships, and maintenance of the gardens and greenhouse at the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum in New Bedford.

The event is free and open to the public. Cash, checks, and credit cards are accepted.

Elizabeth Taber Library
Throughout the month of February - Blind Date with a Book! Check out a book sight unseen and discover new authors and genres. You might just fall in love.

February 11 at 4:00 pm - 3D printed Valentines! Come turn your drawings into bookmarks, valentines, keychains and more. Use our 3D printer to make unique Valentines.

February 18 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm - Adult Crafting Club! Join our new monthly adult crafting club led by local artists. First up: Books Crafting with Jessica Harris. Turn old books into exciting works of art. Spaces limited, so please call or sign up at the library.

Starting February 18 – Take-Apart Table! Explore the inner workings of common machines by taking them
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by WHITMAN WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT, 19 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 for an Entertainment License. Manager of record to be Paul A. Silva, Chairman.

TOWN OF MATTAPoissett BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
A public hearing has been scheduled for February 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA upon the application of NEW ELEMENTS, LLC; dba New Rustico LLC, 62 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 for an Entertainment License. Manager of record to be Albert J. Meninno, Jr., Paul A. Silva, Chairman.

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lege NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPoissett CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 3:30 pm in the Board of Selectmen meeting room at the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Notice of Intent submitted by the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen for the proposed amendment to the Marion Sanitary Code to add the Town of Mattapoisett to the jurisdiction of the Marion Sanitary District. The hearing is to discuss the proposed amendment to the Marion Sanitary Code, Section 9.20, Bathing Beaches and Swimming Pools Regulation. The purpose of the regulation is for all outdoor swimming pools, including in-ground, above-ground and on-ground pools, hot tubs and spas shall be provided with a barrier that is four (4) feet in height which complies with the requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code, appendix 120.M, Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs, as may be amended from time-to-time, and such requirements are incorporated herein.

Copies of the proposed regulation may be obtained in the Board of Health office, 2 Spring Street, Marion.

John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 1/30, 2/4

TOWN OF MATTAPoissett BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 3:30 pm in the Board of Selectmen meeting room of the Marion Town House. The hearing is to discuss the proposed amendment to the Marion Sanitary Code Regulation, Section 12, imposing a cap on the “Maximum Number of Tobacco Product Sales Per Alcoholic Beverage Establishment”. The purpose of the regulation is to impose a cap on the number of retail tobacco stores.

Copies of the proposed regulation may be obtained in the Board of Health office, 2 Spring Street, Marion.

John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 1/30, 2/4

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**Blanche B. Perry Scholarship**

The Mattapoisett Land Trust is seeking applicants for their $1,000 “Blanche B. Perry Scholarship”. This award is available to a Mattapoisett resident interested in the field of Environmental Studies, Sciences, Technology or a related field, and is a graduating senior from a secondary school by June 2020. The scholarship is made available through the Edith Glick Shoolman fund, a bequest left to provide support for children in the community. Offering this scholarship is consistent with the MLT’s mission to “preserve land in order to enrich the quality of life for present and future generations of Mattapoisett residents and visitors.”

Along with the application, the following additional information is required:

1. A personal statement about career goals as they relate to the mission of the MLT, past and present.
2. A signed community service form documenting a minimum of 20 hours of community service.
3. A professional letter of reference (teacher or guidance counselor)
4. A character letter of reference from an employer, scout or community leader and or neighbor is required.
5. An official school transcript including credits and class rank.

Applicants will be assessed according to academic achievement, personal statement, professional and personal references, community service and financial need. Preference will be given to individuals who are members of the Mattapoisett Land Trust or whose parents or grandparents are members of the MLT.

Participating School are: ORRHS Marion Road, Mattapoisett 02739; Bishop Stang High School 500 Slocum Rd, N Dartmouth 02747; OCRVT High School 476 North Avenue, Rochester MA 02770; and Tabor Academy Front St Marion, MA 02738.

The deadline for submitting the forms will be April 27, 2020.

The recipient will be selected by May 18, 2020 and will be notified by mail. The recipient will be recognized at his or her school’s awards ceremony. The award will be disbursed after the student submits an official college transcript documenting successful completion of his or her first semester in college to the President of the Mattapoisett Land Trust.

The application forms will be found in the guidance offices at the local public and private schools and at the Mattapoisett Land Trust website: www.mattlandtrust.org/education/

**Tripp Mill Historical Plaque**

There’s a new historical plaque situated at the site of the former Tripp Mill. Located on the west branch of the Mattapoisett River off Acushnet Road, Tripp Mill was owned and operated for decades by members of the Tinkham family. A stone spillway remains at the site. The over 20-acre Tinkham Pond fed by the Mattapoisett River along with other contiguous parcels are now part of conservation lands held in part by the Buzzards Bay Coalition and the U.S Fish and Wildlife Department. Howard Tinkham, whose grandfather was the last Tinkham to own the mill, provided historical documents for the plaque, which was installed by the Highway Department. Commemorative bricks are laced at the bottom of the stanchion. The MHC honored H. Tinkham

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by Chad Carpenter

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Amber Waves
by Dave T. Phipps

SEEMS LIKE EVERYTIME IT SNOWS OLD DAD IS THE ONE WHO SHOVELS.
HECK, NOT ONLY THAT, I FEED ALL THE ANIMALS AND BALE ALL THE HAY!
SON, IT'S TIME YOU EARN YOUR KEEP, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO FIRST?
I'M THINKING WHINING FOLLOWED BY QUITE A BIT OF COMPLAINING.
for his years of positive influence in conserving undeveloped land and his dedication towards education and agrarian pursuits with a brick the reads: “Howard C. Tinkham, Friend-Farmer-Educator.” Photo by Marilou Newell.

Marion Art Center

Online Registration Opens for ArtStart 2020 - Online registration for ArtStart, the Marion Art Center’s summer program for young children ages 4½ through 9, opens Friday, February 1. The MAC has added a fifth session to ArtStart in 2020. This year’s summer camp will run as follows: Session 1: June 29-July 3; Session 2: July 6-10; Session 3: July 13-17; Session 4: July 20-24; Session 5: July 27-31. Tuition for each five-day session is $215 for MAC members and $240 for nonmembers. Camp runs 9:00 am to 12:30 pm daily, except for “show day” each Friday, which releases at 1:00 pm. Please note that
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### Scramblers

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**TODAY’S WORD**

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MAC membership at the Family Level is required for discounted ArtStart tuition. If you are uncertain if your membership is current, please call the MAC at 508-748-1266.

Children’s Art Lab at the MAC – April Vacation Week - The Marion Art Center will host Children’s Art Lab with five days of programming during school vacation week, April 20 to 24. The camp is for ages 5-10 and runs 9:00 am to 12:00 pm each day. The cost for one day is $40 for MAC members and $45 for nonmembers. Receive discounts for registering for three or more days! Camp themes are as follows: Monday, April 20: Mixed Up and Messy; Tuesday, April 21: Art and Science; Wednesday, April 22: Moon and Stars; Thursday, April 23: Plants and Flowers; Friday, April 24: Amazing Animals. For more information, or to register for April Vacation week, Art + Music (preschoolers), or Art in the Afternoon (grades 2-5) please visit marionartcenter.org/art-lab-at-the-mac.

Adult Art Classes - Register for two new drawing classes at the MAC! Instructor Jane Bregoli will lead a five-week course, Beginning Drawing for Adults, on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, February 4 through March 3. In this course, students will learn the basics of realistic drawing using pencil and paper, while developing observational and mark-making skills through traditional exercises. The cost is $135 for MAC members and $155 for nonmembers. Continue building your skills in Botanical Drawing for Adults with instructor Jane Bregoli on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, March 17 through April 14. In this class for beginners or intermediates, students will use colored pencils to explore the complex shapes and intricate surfaces of botanical subject matter, with a focus on value, color, and composition. The cost is $145 for MAC members and $165 for nonmembers, including the $10 materials fee. Instructor Jay Ryan will teach Continuing and Advanced Watercolor Painting beginning March 13. The session includes eight three-hour classes on Fridays in the MAC Studio, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. This course is a perfect “next step” for those who would like to explore watercolor painting beyond a basic understanding of color and brush strokes. Cost for eight-week session: $280 for MAC members, $320 for nonmembers. For more information or to register online, visit marionartcenter.org/classes/art-classes

Arts in the Park 2020 - The Marion Art Center is accepting applications for Arts in the Park, scheduled on Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. This annual festival is Marion’s premier juried outdoor art event. For the last twelve years, artists and artisans have exhibited their work in Bicentennial Park, opposite the MAC. The MAC is pleased to host the event featuring creative and talented artists from the region. The festival, sponsored in part by a grant from the Marion Cultural Council, provides live music, a food truck, a raffle, and two hours of free activities for children in the NBAM/Artworks! ArtMobile. Artists wishing to be considered for Arts in the Park are invited to submit a request for jury form at marionartcenter.org/arts-in-the-park. Space is limited, and early applications are recommended.

Marion Council on Aging
Marion Council on Aging invites you to try Line Dancing every Monday from 2:00 to 3:00 pm at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street. Line Dancing with Instructor Nancy Cabral. Were you aware that scientists have proven that regular dancing decreases the risk of dementia by 76 percent? After 75, people do more out of habit, but dancing cannot be

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**I’m a terrible negotiator.**
On Monday, February 10 at 12:00 pm, Chef Jadine and Wok Magic is returning to the Rochester Senior Center to prepare a homemade, authentic Chinese Luncheon. This will be Chef Jadine’s third appearance at the COA. Her luncheons have been extremely popular, so be sure to make a reservation in advance by contacting the Rochester Senior Center. A suggested donation of $5 is requested.

Special guest, lifelong Rochester resident, Kendall Smiley, OTR/L, Advanced Clinician of Spaulding Rehab will present important heart health information during the Wok Magic Luncheon on Monday, February 10 at noon.

The Rochester Senior Center Board of Directors is holding the monthly meeting at 9:00 am on Wednesday, February 12 at Rochester Town Hall. All Rochester residents are invited to attend.

The Friends of the Rochester Senior Center will also hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 12 at 10:30 am (new time). This meeting will include elections for new officers of the Friends.

A Valentine’s Day Celebration will be held on Thursday, February 13 at 5:30 pm. Chicken, steak and chocolate cake will be served. This celebration is being coordinated by the Friends of the Rochester Senior Center. Tickets can be purchased in advance and are $10 per adult and $5 per child.

The only remaining AARP Tax Preparation appointments on April 15 are from 9:00 to 12:00 pm. All other dates and times have been taken.

Acushnet Teachers Association Scholarship
The 2020 Acushnet Teachers Association Scholarship Program application forms are now available for students and their families to download online.

In order to assist Acushnet residents in continuing to build their academic futures, the Acushnet Teachers Association annually awards scholarships to qualified students. Residents of Acushnet enrolling or enrolled in a full-time undergraduate college program in 2020-21 are eligible for these awards.

In addition to A.T.A. Scholarships, the A.T.A.
A Powerful Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, who light all roads so I can attain my goals, you who give me the divine gifts to forgive and forget all evil against me, in this short prayer, to thank you for all things and confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you, even in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with you in eternal glory, thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. The person must say this prayer for three consecutive days. After three days, the favor requested will be granted, even if it may appear difficult. This prayer must be published immediately after the favor is granted without mentioning the favor. Only your initials shall appear at the bottom. W.B.

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A Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

O Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me wherein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). O Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Amen. Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish it; it will be granted to you. W.B.

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Scholarship Committee is also responsible for judging applicants for the Acushnet P.T.O., Acushnet Lion’s Club, the Carole Day Memorial Nursing Scholarship, and the Acushnet Historical Society Scholarship. By filling out the single application form, students are considered for any and all of the above-named Acushnet scholarships for which they are eligible.

Visit www.acushnetteachers.com for printable application forms and more information about the Acushnet Teachers Association Scholarship Program. Applications and required paperwork are due on April 1, 2020.

For questions, please contact A.T.A. Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs, Kristine Daniels at kristinedaniels@acushnetschools.us or Ryan Powers at ryanpowers@acushnetschools.us

‘Welcome Wednesday’ Open House
Have you ever wanted to learn more about Friends Academy for your child? Come see a typical school day in action during Welcome Wednesday on Wednesday, February 5 from 8:15 am to 9:30 a.m.

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- Avery Peck: January 31
- Linda Duchaine: January 31
- Michael Sweeney: January 31
- Sandra Assad: January 31
- Anya Carle-Ericson: February 1
- Caelyn Cardoza: February 1
- Jeremiah Adams: February 1
- Ethan Kakley: February 2
- Frank Lopez: February 2
- Matthew Williams: February 2
- Cameron Auger: February 4
- James Auger: February 4
- John Carle: February 4
- Avia E Fraine: February 5

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at www.wanderer.com. To submit information by regular mail, please send the person’s name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.
and staff during a tour of the school.

Friends Academy is a coeducational independent school serving children in preschool through grade 8. The mission of Friends Academy is to provide each student with an educational foundation that will instill the academic knowledge, skills, and understanding; responsible citizenship; respect for diversity and differences; and sense of well-being needed for a lifetime of learning and personal growth. Friends is also home to the Sally Borden Program, a “school within a school” for students with language-based learning differences such as dyslexia.

Welcome Wednesdays are held on the first Wednesday of each month through May. Families can register for an upcoming Welcome Wednesday at friendsacademy1810.org/admissions/open-house/

To learn more about Friends Academy, visit www.friendsacademy1810.org or contact the school at admissions@friendsacademy1810.org or (508) 999-1356.

Mattapoisett Woman’s Club Scholarship
Mattapoisett Woman’s Club is pleased to offer three $2,500 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors, graduating June 2020. In addition, there will be a $1,000 scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of advanced education. Contact information is found below.

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The Mattapoisett Woman’s Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to support the community who has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

For High School seniors the scholarship application will be available in the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. The deadline for returning the completed application is March 31.

The following schools will be participating:
Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Tech High School.
Congratulations and Thank You to everyone who entered this year’s Groundhog Cover Contest!

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Kai Uhlin
Kirra Uhlin
Angela Pedulli
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Thank You to everyone who entered!
School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural High School.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is March 31. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman’s Club at P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

AARP Marion Town Survey Results
There will be an AARP Marion Town Survey Results Focus Group Presentation on Thursday, February 13 at 6:00 pm and Saturday, February 15 at 10:00 am at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, 465 Mill Street, Route 6, Marion

Attend one of two public focus group presentations on the AARP survey results by Marion’s 55 and older respondents. Last fall, yellow AARP surveys were mailed to all Marion’s 55 and older adults.

This forum will be an opportunity to hear survey feedback by respondents and for participants to provide additional input. Information gleaned from both survey and focus group responses will assist the Town in future planning. This is the time to speak about important issues to make the Town of Marion more age-friendly for current and future residents.

Following the presentation and discussion of survey results, attendees are invited to enjoy refreshments provided through a grant to the Town. The Friends of the Council on Aging is organizing both evening and morning focus group presentations.

MFD Reminds Residents of Burning Rules
Chief Brian Jackvony and the Marion Fire Department would like to announce that the State Open Burning Season begins on Wednesday, January 15 and runs through Friday, May 1.

All residents who wish to apply for permits can do so by visiting the Marion Fire station, 50 Spring St., to fill out the required paperwork. The permits are free.

Residents who have already obtained permits need to call 508-748-3508 on the day they wish to burn.

Callers will hear a message which will inform them if burning is allowed that day and instruct them to leave their name, address and permit number.

If burning is not allowed that day, the phone message will say so.

Residents should not call before 9:30 am.
Residents may burn from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, but will not be permitted to begin burning after 12:00 pm.

Permits carry over from year to year and residents who have obtained a permit in the past do not need to apply for a new one.

Outdoor burning is only permitted for brush, cane, and driftwood from other than commercial or industrial clearing. Burning grass, refuse, leaves, stumps, construction debris and commercial or industrial land clearing for non-agricultural purposes is prohibited.

Violations of the permit requirements, open burning law and/or open burning regulations will be grounds for permit revocation. According to Massachusetts law, anyone found burning without a permit may be subject to criminal charges, the punishment for which is a fine of up to $500, plus the cost of suppression, or by imprisonment for up to one month, or both.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging
Saving and learning are happening this February. Learn how to save a life by getting certified in CPR and using an AED. All ages encouraged to attend the training on Saturday, February 8 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm noon. This course is for anyone who is not a healthcare provider. The cost is $35, plus $10 for a card (optional).

Save money with the following: free hearing aid cleaning and adjustment and basic hearing exam on Monday, February 3 by appointment starting at 1:30 pm (offered on the first Monday of each month); and free manicures for men and women on Tuesday, February 11 from 10:00 to 11:30 am, provided by Old Colony High School sophomore cosmetology students.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Mixed signals could create problems. Make sure your views are presented clearly, and insist others do the same. Don’t let an unanswered question go by without a full explanation.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Financial pressures ease, allowing for more budget flexibility. But as the money-wise Bovine will appreciate, thrift still beats out splurging. Expect news from someone special.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Getting things done is what you do so well. But be careful not to overtax your energy reserves. Take time out to relax or to do something different to help keep them at optimum levels.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) This is a good time to satisfy the Moon Child’s growing sense of wanderlust. Choose a really special place to go to, with a very special person to share it all with you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You love being in the spotlight. But be careful it doesn’t blind you to the truth behind a seemingly wonderful opportunity. Look closer and you might be sadly surprised at what you find.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Isn’t it time to take a break from your hectic schedule? Sure it is. And the sooner you do, the sooner you can return fresh and more than ready to take on all those new projects.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A recent family incident can help bring everyone closer, and there’s no one who’s better at making that happen than you. Accept (indeed, insist on!) help from others to get things off and running.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Long-held habits are often difficult to break. But the change from how you always did things to how you can do them now can be liberating. So, be flexible and give it a try.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Once again, you delight everyone by coming up with a solution for a problem that actually works. On another note, it’s not too early to get started on those travel plans.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Before you go ahead with finalizing your plans for your new project, check them over to see if you can make some improvements or if you can find ways to cut costs.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The Fabulous Fish might have been out of the social swim for too long, and it’s time you plunge back in. Reinforce your old friendships and be open to starting new ones.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your creative talents help bring beauty to the world and the people in it. On their behalf, thank you.

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Jewelry Making Workshop Part II
Sign up for a second jewelry making session at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library to be held on Saturday, **February 1** from 2:00 to 3:30 pm lead by jewelry designer Robin Ragle-Davis. This workshop will focus on techniques used to make bead bracelets and earrings and will cover a number of different string and cord options as well as a variety of closures and how to attach properly and securely.

Tools, closures and basic and beads will be provided but participants are encouraged to bring any special beads they would like to use. The workshop is limited to the first twelve people who register. No drop-ins, please. Call the library at 508-758-4171 to register. This workshop is sponsored by the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library.

**Mattapoisett Master Plan**
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(Southeastern Regional Transit Authority) representative will share information and answer questions on Tuesday, **February 25** from 11:30 to 11:50 am.

Learn about your eligibility for a tax refund called the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit. Join us for a free lunch with the Department of Revenue’s Brian Lynch, who will present the benefits of the Senior Circuit Breaker Tax Credit, for certain residents 65 years and older, who own or rent their primary residence. To learn more, attend this free informative lunch session on Thursday, **February 27** at 12:00 noon.

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

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In the January 23, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 22!
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Seedless Green Grapes............$2.99 lb.
Crisp Iceberg Lettuce.............$1.49 lb.
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Bogle......................................$8.99
1.5 Liter California Wine, Assorted Woodbridge ..................$12.99
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Founder's Brewing Co. 12 oz. Cans Selected 15 Pack $18.99

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94 oz. 100% Food Club Apple Juice $2/$4

16 oz. Selected (Excludes Organic & w/Flaxseed) Teddie Peanut Butter $3.99

19.4 oz. Selected Dawn Dish Liquid $3.49

12 oz. Original Kellogg's Corn Flakes Cereal $3.99

12 oz. Selected Whole Bean or Ground Starbucks Coffee $7.99

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