**STORERIDEWIDE**
**TAX TIME SAVINGS**

**IT'S TAX REFUND TIME!**
**PLUS...**
**WE'LL REFUND THE**
**SALES TAX!***

**LIMITED TIME ONLY, ENDS FEB 16TH**

---

Designer sofa with a contemporary features, 2 over 2 cushion design, modern tapered feet with a slim track arm. Seating area is covered in genuine leather where it counts, and carefully matched faux leather on the sides and back.

**LEATHER SOFA**

**ONLY $798**

---

**NO CREDIT CHECK AND 6-60 MONTHS NO INTEREST PLANS AVAILABLE**

---

**REGAL HOUSE**
**FURNITURE & MATTRESS OUTLET**

13 Berdon Way, Fairhaven MA
508-996-5437
Regalhouseoutlet.com
Mon-Fri 10-8, Sat 10-6, Sun 11-5

---

*Deductions of 6.25% equal to the sales tax will be taken off the invoice. Not responsible for typographical errors. Photos are for illustration purpose only. See complete details and any restrictions inside store.*
Tabor’s Mamma Mia! Opens Feb. 13
By Mick Colageo
Carey McCollester has a lifetime of experience in theater, but she expected more nerves for the dress rehearsal of Tabor Academy’s Winter Musical production of Mamma Mia! than what she expects when the curtain is raised for real at 7:30 pm on Thursday, February 13, at Hoyt Hall on the Marion campus.

“For me personally, I find that the dress rehearsal is more (nerve-wracking) because we have an open dress rehearsal so people are coming, but you don’t feel like it’s really happening yet,” explained the Rochester native.

“But as soon as it’s the real opening night, you have to whole excited energy of the entire cast because they know it’s opening night. And you also have a much larger audience so you get the energy from that.”

In the story of a soon-to-be-married girl who, unbeknown to her single mother, invites to her wedding the three men who could be her father, McCollester plays one of the bride’s best friends. Her classmate and real-life friend Sydney DaSilva plays one of the mother’s best friends and former bandmates.

DaSilva, a Marion native, has less theater experience than McCollester, but shares all of the passion, earning a place in the ensemble of last year’s production of Heathers.

“Right from the moment I stepped in I knew I wanted to keep doing it,” DaSilva said. “I had a couple of lines singing here and there and that was it, but just from that point of view I just knew.”

The two 16-year-old juniors are among 30 cast members and 15 more students doing the behind-the-scenes work of stage and costume crews.

Junior Amelia Rolighed of Winnetka, Illinois, and senior Mia Vaughn of New Bedford play the mother-daughter roles of Donna and Sophie.

Seniors Jack LeBrun of Mattapoisett, Adam Mendes of Marion and Brian Nam of Seoul, Korea play candidates for Sophie’s potential father. Andrew Mottur of Rumford, Rhode Island, plays Sophie’s fiance, and senior Emma Quirk of Marion joins DaSilva in Donna’s circle of trust.

Director Jesse Hawley left a career working with professional actors in New York City to come to Tabor, where she sees more variety of experience and more potential.

“It’s awesome. These kids have so much positive energy to give,” said Hawley, who has been at Tabor for four years. “It’s a challenge, but people tend to go really far in the process; whereas, if you’re working with professionals, they kind of show up and you know what they have. Here it’s like a student can come a really long way over the course of the process and it’s really fun.”

The setting for Mamma Mia! is a hotel on a Greek island, and the title comes out of the songbook of the iconic ‘70s Swedish dance band ABBA, setting the entire play in motion to a dialogue and sing-along of the group’s greatest hits.

The theater production at Tabor is an official activity and asks for just as much time from the students as playing a varsity sport, even more in the crunch-time of preparation.

“Some of the students have never been in a show before,” Hawley said.
before,” said Hawley. “We have a lot of girls; we don’t have a lot of guys so we recruit some guys.”

Among the recruited is senior Adam Mendes, who would have been wrestling this winter had the 18-year-old from Marion not sprained all of the ligaments in his right knee late in the Seawolves’ football season. Nine weeks on crutches ruled out winter sports, but despite his participation last year in Heathers, Mendes was reluctant about an encore stage performance.

“Mr. (Mark) Howland, who taught me (English) in my freshman and junior year, as soon as I tore (my knee), he was like, ‘We’re going to get you in the musical.’ I was like, ‘Yeah, okay, I’m not going to do it,’” said Mendes. But more goading from the since-retired Howland and an insistent mother changed his mind.

Mendes, who would have wrestled at 195 pounds, weighed 220 before surgery and now tips the scales at 212.

“That was going to be a miserable weight cut, and now I don’t have to worry about it anymore,” he laughed.

The linebacker plans to play NCAA Division III football at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, where he will study Arabic, and maybe participate in theater.

“I might, if I have the opportunity to do it,” he said. “It really depends on the amount of time I have.”

Musical director Dr. Tian Zhou will conduct a live orchestra, and Tabor Dance Team faculty coach Kimberlee Williams will choreograph the dance numbers.

Mamma Mia! runs February 13 to 15 and is free and open to the public with 7:30 pm shows in the Fireman Center for the Performing Arts in Hoyt Hall, 245 Front Street, Marion. Tickets are not required.

Mornings with Harry
This Mattapoisett Life
By Marilou Newell

Mornings are a time for quiet contemplation, organizing thoughts that may or may not become actions, a few ounces of courage from a cup of strong black coffee, and Harry.

He is coming into middle age now, seven years that is. He wears his black and white with gray undertones quite spryly, tail curled in an upward attitude
most of the time.

When he was younger, Harry never used to lay across my lap very often. He was too busy studying the traffic on North Street as viewed out of the bow window. Now, unless a car pulls into the front driveway, traffic is ignored from his perch on my lap.

At a hefty 16.8 pounds, Harry doesn’t fit on my lap. Instead, he drapes himself across my thighs, head pointed southwest, front paws softly caressing the curve of my legs as if embracing me. This is new behavior for this perky pup – our mornings of quiet are like a spell over us both.

While I muse on some fragment of memory or decide the lede of a story waiting to be written, Harry dozes like a warm blanket across me, peacefully content.
with the occasional twitching paw as he dream-runs in his twilight sleep.

When I was unable to move about with ease, Harry would study me from the comfort of his doggy bed on the floor. Wheelchair, walker, crutches, and canes did not intimidate him, but he determined I needed space to heal. If I cried, he’d gently come to my side, look up at me and offer an expression that seemed to say: “Wait – things will get better.” Dogs know how to wait.

In September, Harry sustained an injury any baby boomer would cringe at – a crushed meniscus. Rest was prescribed at first. Harry for his part decided jogging around on three legs worked just fine. My husband and I held our breath and hoped for the best.

Surgical intervention was eventually planned. The first few post-op days were a rough time. But we, mere humans that we are, understood the process of healing, rest, nutrition, water, pain medication, and more rest. Then came the very slow return to “normal” activities. Harry accepted it all with as much grace as possible including the wearing of a “cone.”

It was during this recovery period that I took to picking him up gingerly and placing him on my lap, cuddling him while whispering, “Everything is going to be alright.” There, in my special chair by the window, Harry would snooze while I read. We were waiting together for healing, each on our own journey but together on the same road. Harry has had a near-complete recovery and freedom of movement. My recovery, though less dramatic, has also come a long way.

Our mornings have become an important part of our relationship. The warmth of his body soothes; his presence penetrates my soul. Harry needs only the basics: a safe home, plenty of food and water, and the assurance his pack is nearby. Upon reflection, that’s really all I need, too.

Humans, with our advanced cognition contemplating if “awareness” is organic or inspired by some omnipotent spirit, miss the point of being alive. It is to shelter one another from the reality that this is all fleeting, and in the meantime being kind and generous with our time. That is the gift, the reason.

Harry isn’t thinking. Harry is doing. He is there waiting to make himself available to my need of his time, my need for assurance that while my synapses are still firing, he is standing by ready to run ahead of me, finding the joy or laying across my lap in complete acceptance that for this moment all is well. And since this moment is all there is, it is perfect. Just ask Harry. His knowing eyes will tell you so.

Surgical intervention was eventually planned. The first few post-op days were a rough time. But we, mere humans that we are, understood the process of healing, rest, nutrition, water, pain medication, and more rest. Then came the very slow return to “normal” activities. Harry accepted it all with as much grace as possible including the wearing of a “cone.”

It was during this recovery period that I took to picking him up gingerly and placing him on my lap, cuddling him while whispering, “Everything is going to be alright.” There, in my special chair by the window, Harry would snooze while I read. We were waiting together for healing, each on our own journey but together on the same road. Harry has had a near-complete recovery and freedom of movement. My recovery, though less dramatic, has also come a long way.

Our mornings have become an important part of our relationship. The warmth of his body soothes; his presence penetrates my soul. Harry needs only the basics: a safe home, plenty of food and water, and the assurance his pack is nearby. Upon reflection, that’s really all I need, too.

Humans, with our advanced cognition contemplating if “awareness” is organic or inspired by some omnipotent spirit, miss the point of being alive. It is to shelter one another from the reality that this is all fleeting, and in the meantime being kind and generous with our time. That is the gift, the reason.

Harry isn’t thinking. Harry is doing. He is there waiting to make himself available to my need of his time, my need for assurance that while my synapses are still firing, he is standing by ready to run ahead of me, finding the joy or laying across my lap in complete acceptance that for this moment all is well. And since this moment is all there is, it is perfect. Just ask Harry. His knowing eyes will tell you so.

### HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY!

Bring your date in to try one of our SWEET GINGER COMBOS ... only $11.95

Pick one:
1. Beef Fried Rice  
2. Chicken Fried Rice  
3. Shrimp Fried Rice

Choice two of the Appetizers from below:
- Beef Teriyaki  
- Crab Rangoon  
- Chicken Fingers  
- Chicken Wings  
- Egg Roll  
- Boneless Spareribs  
- Fried Shrimp  
- Fried Cheese Linguica Wonton

Open 7 days: Mon.-Thurs., 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri. & Sat., 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sun., noon-10 p.m.

181 Huttonston Ave., Fairhaven (Co. Washington)  
508-717-0278 • www.SweetGingerRestaurant.com

### High Winds and Waves

On February 7, rain and high winds hit South-eastern Massachusetts, resulting in thousands of electrical outages. The hardest hit in the Tri-Town area was Rochester with more than 500 Eversource customers reporting
Don’t let joint pain prevent you from expressing yourself.

Thursday
February 20
6pm

Join us for a FREE seminar.

Southcoast Health Orthopedic Surgeon, Michael Langworthy, MD, will discuss surgical and non-surgical treatments for arthritis, knee and hip pain.

Learn how our Mako™ Robotic Assisted Surgery can be a viable option for you.

508-973-1559
southcoast.org/ortho-talk
Please register — space is limited.

Southcoast Health
More than medicine.
Winter is Still Here!
-Heated Buckets
-Heated Pet Bowls
-Birdbath De-icers
-Bedding Material

**SUNNYNOOK FARM**
32 Neck Road Rochester, MA • 508-763-5405
Mon-Fri. 8:00-5pm, Sat 8-4, Sun Closed

---

Happy Valentine’s Day!

**TileCraft**
“Do It Right The First Time”

Professional Service & Installation for Over 25 years
PORCELAIN TILE- VINYL- CARPETING
HARDWOOD- MARBLE- GLASS- STONE
21 Arsene Way, Fairhaven, just off Rte. 6
www.tilecraftpro.com
508-999-0988

---

wires down and service interruptions from mid-afternoon into the night. Gusts of over 70 miles per hour were reported by the National Weather Service. Rochester’s Highway Department was on the job for approximately 24 hours removing trees. “We finished around 10 (pm) last night and all roads are currently open,” stated Rochester Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge late afternoon on February 8. Marion and Mattapoisett fared far better during the service interruption with only around 20 customers each reporting no electrical service. Photos by Marilou Newell

---

**Cyd’s Kitchen**

**WEEKLY SPECIALS**
(Feb 17-21)
Chicken Shepherd’s Pie
Chicken Noodle Soup
Chicken Salad Sandwich

Frozen soups: buy one get one 1/2 off!
Contested Selectman’s Race Coming Up
By Marilou Newell

It’s been a long time since Mattapoisett voters have gone to the polls and found more than one candidate listed for an open seat, but the Selectman’s race in Mattapoisett is warming up with at least two potential candidates planning on submitting nomination papers. John DeCosta and Tyler Macallister have told *The Wanderer* they plan on running for election.

DeCosta, 57, a lifelong Mattapoisett resident,
said, “I come from a legacy of public service,” noting his father’s many years in town government.

DeCosta is a graduate of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, worked for fifteen years on the Mattapoisett Water Department, and is currently employed by the State of Massachusetts as a park supervisor for the Department of Conservation and Recreation.

When asked why he wanted to become a selectman, DeCosta replied, “I want to bring a new voice to the Board of Selectmen.”

DeCosta has been a volunteer member of the Fire Department for 17 years, a member of the Capital Planning Committee for 12 years, has one year on the Bike Path Committee, was co-chairman of the Open Space Committee for two years, and currently sits on the Community Preservation Committee where, until recently, he was the chairman for the last 12 years.

Volunteerism and the importance of being involved in the community on many levels is the driving force that brought DeCosta to the decision to seek the open seat on the Board of Selectmen. “I’d like to get people back to being involved at town meeting,” he said.

Regarding the future of the community, DeCosta said that the biggest issue facing the town was the lack of affordable housing.

“We are losing our kids,” he said.

Other areas he noted as critical were careful consideration of capital needs, the school charter, and transparency in how tax dollars are spent.

“People don’t seem to feel we are transparent, in spite of all the information that is available,” he said. He empathized the importance of transparency at all levels.

DeCosta said he was fiscally conservative. “We need to make sure when we add a long-term expense that it is on something we really need moving forward.”

Macallister, 52, wants to resume his work on the Board of Selectmen.

“It was unfortunate that I had to resign to pursue the town administrator job,” he said of the protocol he was required to follow under the conflict of interest statute. Now with that opportunity no longer viable,
Purveyors of fine quality meats, prepared meals, hot & cold deli offerings, produce and pantry staples.

Ask a butcher.
Consult a chef.

~ Catering ~

From sandwich platters and appetizers to complete meals for a crowd and fresh made dessert.
We have you covered

~ Butcher ~

All natural hormone and antibiotic free beef, chicken and pork cut to order
Marinated meats, fresh ground burger and more

Chairman’s Reserve
Boneless Pork Chops $2.99 lb.

Filet Mignon
$19.99 lb.

~ Deli ~

House made deli meats with no chemicals and low to no salt.
Boar’s Head brand deli meats and cheeses

House Made Smoked or Regular Roast Beef $8.99 lb.
Boar’s Head Muenster Cheese $5.99 lb.
Boar’s Head Cracked Pepper Turkey $8.99 lb.

~ Sandwich Special ~

Italian Sub $7.99

~ Prepared Meal Special ~

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner $14.99

Hot entrees and sides, oven ready meals, snacks and full sandwich menu available all day.

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 10-6 and Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-4, Closed Monday
143 Fairhaven Road, Route 6, Mattapoisett • 508-758-8356 • 143market.com
he wants to return and pick up where he left off. “It was always my plan to try and return to the Board of Selectmen.”

Regarding the 8.5 years he served on the Board of Selectmen, Macallister said he was proud of the work they had done. He said the trio brought different strengths and had made great strides in tackling difficult issues facing the community.

Macallister was also on the Conservation Commission for five years and the Plymouth County Advisory Board.

Speaking for himself, Macallister said, “I tend to really pay attention, keeping an open mind before rendering an opinion.” He said that for the years he sat on the board he had worked with the Finance Committee bringing the town, “…a long way.” Of his return to the board, if that should come to pass, he was confident, “…we wouldn’t miss a beat.”

On his list of challenges facing the town, Macallister said, “Our aging population,” was among the top priorities. He said that as the senior-citizen population increases, the role of the Council on Aging should be expanded. Other areas needing critical attention were the consolidation of town buildings and wharf repairs and improvement. “Our waterfront is a jewel.”

Macallister was born and raised on Cape Cod and has lived in Mattapoisett for 20 years. He holds a master’s degree in Business Administration from the
University of Massachusetts at Amherst as well as dual B.A. from UMass Dartmouth in Marine Biology and General Biology. Additionally, Macallister holds a Master Captain’s license. He said he was self-employed working in the renewable-energy industry and is a partner in a solar-business venture. He also owns and operates a charter fishing business.

Town Clerk Kathleen Heuberger said that nomination papers for the May elections may be pulled between February 3 and March 27.

With six weeks before the closing date for filing nomination papers, there is still the opportunity for other residents to seek the town’s highest position. Time will tell if the field of candidates for Selectman stands at two.
Ken Clarke
(formerly of Hiller Fuels)
Is now in business as
k. clarke
Heating & Cooling
Oil Heat & Air Conditioning
Service, Repairs, Installations
24 Hour Emergency Burner Service
PO Box 404
Mattapoisett, MA 02739
508-742-7466

To learn about all open seats for all boards, committees and town offices, contact the town clerk’s office at 508-758-4100 extension 2.

Dog Park Gets Renewed BOS Support
Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen
By Marilou Newell
On February 11, Freemin and Jodi Bauer came before the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen to inquire as to the status of town-owned land that could be developed for a dog park. The Bauers have sought public and municipal support for a dog park on public lands as well as some funding. They said that fundraising over the last few years, in part generated for annual doggie-walk-a-thons, has generated over $40,000, but that sum fell $10,000 below the amount needed in order to apply for grants. A Community Preservation Committee grant had failed at a 2018 town meeting, but interest in the project never waned according to the selectmen.

Selectman Paul Silva wondered aloud, “What happened to the original site we were looking at?” Town Administrator Mike Gagne reminded Silva that the warrant article for the CPC grant had failed on town meeting floor. That warrant article included a site next to the Police Department off of Church Street. Abutters had raised concerns about the spending and the location during that forum, Bauer said.

But the selectmen believed the project would be a benefit to the community. “I was disappointed the first time it went to town meeting,” said Silva. Selectman Jordan Collyer suggested the town consider the former Holy Ghost grounds on Park Street for the one-acre dog park, as well as consideration of property recently obtained by the town adjacent to Old Hammondtown School. But, Collyer noted those were not the only sites. The selectmen asked Gagne to have both parcels surveyed. Collyer volunteered to take a walking tour with the Bauers of both properties.

Silva said, “It’s up to the board to say if we are going to move ahead,” with a public dog park. He also concluded, “No matter where you put it, someone will complain.”

A hearing was held with members of the Mattapoisett, Rochester and Marion herring inspectors David Watling and Robert Martin, along with Mattapoisett Harbormaster Jay Macintosh. The inspectors reported that herring numbers have risen to over 18,000 against the last count, which found only approximately 5,000 fish in local rivers and streams.

The team discussed new fish ladders for Mattapoisett with Macintosh, suggesting fiberglass versus traditional wooden ladders. He said he would ask the Town of Wareham if Mattapoisett could borrow several from their surplus to test their efficacy. Macintosh, who hails from Wareham, also said that counts in Wareham were strong.

Staying with the theme of saltwater bounty, Mike Ward met with the board requesting an increase in his aquaculture acreage from two to four. He said he needed the extra acres to make navigating around the submerged equipment easier. Ward’s grant is located in Nasketucket Bay west of Mattapoisett where weather can hinder easy maneuvering around the site. He said that due to the active energy systems in the area his oysters are “fat.” When asked if he was happy farming the area he responded, “Yes,” sharing that he had sold 37,000 so far with good reviews on the shellfish quality.

Discussion expanded to include thoughts about Mattapoisett’s Eel Pond, an area, Collyer said, that once produced high volumes of shellfish but in recent years has
Bob’s Discount

139 Hathaway Rd
New Bedford
508-990-2548

3065 Cranberry Hwy
East Wareham
508-273-7467

1111 Route 28
South Yarmouth
508-694-7194

No Credit Needed
90-Day Payment Option

Primo International “Abby” Sleeper Sectional
(item# ABBY)

$899

Ashley Furniture “Olivet” 7pc Bedroom Set
(item# B560)

$799

www.wanderer.com
remained closed due to water-quality issues.

The board asked Gagne to gather water-quality reports based on a suggestion he offered that the area might support aquaculture, thereby aiding in removing nitrogen from the pond. The selectmen also said that they would schedule an annual meeting with all aquaculture stakeholders to discuss best practices and to air issues and other matters related to the industry. Mattapoisett currently has the largest acreage in the state identified by the Massachusetts Department of Marine Fisheries for aquaculture activity.

Earlier in the meeting, the selectmen asked board secretary Melody Pacheco to create a calendar showing the dates of all events various organizations are seeking to hold in Mattapoisett. Silva had previously expressed concern that the village neighborhood carried a burden in not having full access to private property during the outdoor seasons due to special events. While he is not suggesting denying permits, he said he needed all of the dates. Annual road races, Lions Club events at Shipyard Park, religious gatherings at Ned’s Point, exercise classes, square dancing, and the Memorial Day boat race were just some of the more than 40 events seeking permissions.

The selectmen said they also plan to draft a policy on times of the year when permission to use public-parking areas such as Barstow Wharf could be granted for special events such as a wedding. They were concerned about the public’s ability to use the parking area during peak beach season.

Gagne read an email from the Mattapoisett Historical Commission requesting the board’s support for submission of an application to National Historic Register for Center School. The board voted to support the application contingent upon confirmation that by gaining the historic designation the town’s ability to make needed alterations would not be impeded, that use restrictions would not be an obstacle, and that the town could withdraw from the program if it deemed too many restrictions encumbered use of the town-owned structure.

Gagne reminded the public that voter registration ends on February 12 and that early voting in the Presidential Primary will take place at town hall between February 24 and 28. Parking in the vacant lot next to Town Hall is available.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen is scheduled for February 24 at 5:00 pm in the Town Hall conference room.

FY2021 Presentation Sets Table for Upcoming Meetings

Marion Financial Committee

By Mick Colageo

Clarity and control were of main interest to the Marion Financial Committee at its February 5 meeting at Town Hall.

As the committee anticipates a school budget for
Fiscal Year 2021, it desires the ability to present financial data in an easy-to-digest format that reveals trends and facilitates foresight and prudent planning.

After the Finance Committee had sought to contract an outside consultant, Town Administrator Jay McGrail and Assistant Town Administrator Judy Mooney assured gathered members that the Old Rochester Regional school district will expand information so that the committee can identify trends.

“The school committee, they give you one year and it doesn’t help you know what’s going on,” said committee member Charlie Larkin.

“We want to get it for five years,” said Finance Committee Chairman Peter Winters.
“Right now, it’s year to year... and we get a big hit,” said Selectman John Waterman, who attended the meeting. “We get a bigger share than our prorated (number of) students... If we can go to a three or five-year rolling assessment, it won’t be as volatile.”

Work on a budget presentation started in October with a January 31 goal, according to McGrail, who was happy to send it on time.

What he was not happy to announce was a modest result in Chapter 70 money, which takes into account Governor Baker’s “New Student Opportunity Act” that focuses in part on helping towns with charter-school assessments.

“It’s supposed to be rolled out over five years... I don’t know if it will ever help us... because we don’t have a lot of that,” said McGrail. Even Sandwich, Mooney said, saw negligible gains in the first year.

McGrail’s overview of the budget for FY2021 was followed by Mooney’s report of revenue expenses.

At the outset of their presentation, Winters said the bulk of the Finance Committee’s questions will come when it meets with department heads later this month.

After Christmas, McGrail and Mooney met with department heads and requested “level-service budgets” with additional spending categorized separately.

“What you see here today is significantly different than what was originally asked for,” said McGrail. “There were a lot of individual requests made by department heads didn’t make it. They weren’t thrilled about that, but we started with about a $300,000 to $400,000 deficit and had to move backward to get to something that was presentable (to the Finance Committee).”

Overall growth for the Town of Marion in FY2021 is 3.15 percent.

“I know we talked about looking for 2 (percent), but I to make everybody understand that 3.15 is a pretty good number for the Town of Marion. It’s the lowest overall growth number that the town’s seen in the past five years and down 2.44 percent from FY20,” said McGrail, acknowledging the $420,000 operational override for FY2020. Even so, he said, when that money is taken out it was close to 4 percent. FY2021 revenue estimates were established from historical data over the past five years.

“One of the reasons Judy’s been successful with our AAA bond rating, which is something this community should be really proud of... it’s because we’re conservative with our revenue. We don’t overestimate,” said McGrail.

He and Mooney met with the Board of Assessors and looked at a five-year average, then sought to lower the town’s support on the free-cash budget.

Significant expenses included a Collin Center study on Marion’s salary and wage classification. “We’re not going to rip up their contracts while they’re on them. We’re going to wait until they expire,” said McGrail.

Marion’s era of free, solid-waste disposal ends
on December 31, 2020. The new cost of a five-year deal with the Southeastern Massachusetts Resource Recovery Facility (SEMASS) is $75 per ton with a 2 percent escalator over the five years.

Sippican, ORR and Upper Cape Tech estimates are still subject to the approval of school committees in March.

Capital Planning and Investment Control (CPIC) will present a capital plan to the Board of Selectmen on February 18, after which McGrail and Mooney will draft a plan that McGrail says will be presented to the Finance Committee and the select board by the end of February.

“We have more requests for funding than we have funding (at $2.3 million) so not everything in here will be submitted,” said McGrail.

Two joint meetings involving the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen have been set, one scheduled for February 12 at which the Police and Fire departments and the Department of Public Works will present their budgets. On February 26, ORR and Sippican and the Finance Director and the Public Library will meet.

“We’ve done our best to push back on everything,” said McGrail, crediting the Library for its compromises.

McGrail reported two requests for staff. The Fire Department had a resignation and hired a paramedic. Now it requests a firefighter. The Library had a part-time circulation job that it requests to make full

---

**Secure Shredding**

**Files, papers, binders & folders**

We accept boxes and bags in the Mattapoisett Industrial Park

---

**MATTAPOISETT SELF STORAGE**

**Monthly Storage Unit Rentals**

Heated and Air Conditioned Units

Drive-Up Storage Units

Variety of Types and Sizes

24-Hour Access

RV/Trailer Parking & Boat Storage

---

**Sullivan Wine & Spirits**

**VALENTINE DAY SPECIALS!**

- **LaMarca Prosecco**
  - $13.99
  - *only 49 calories per glass*

- **Butternut Chardonnay & Cabernet**
  - $12.99

- **Bom Bom Prosecco**
  - all flavors
  - $14.99

- **Ketel One Vodka**
  - 1.75L
  - $29.99

- **Syltbar Prosecco**
  - $19.99

---

260 Marion Road (Right over the Marion Line)

Wareham • 508-295-0016
McGrail and Waterman lauded the success of the fire of Megan Davis, a staff engineer dealing with sewer, water and general Department of Public Works who was brought on board in December.

“She should more than pay for herself over the next six years,” said Waterman. “Every one of these projects until now we’ve been having the fox watch the hen house. Now we have someone in here.”

“Megan did save us money in the first week... one contract,” said McGrail.

Mooney reported on the “2020 Recap” of revenues, noting that the Proposition 2 1/2 override of $420,000 from 2019 is built into the $19,362,000 levy limit. Marion’s projected FY2021 budget shows $165,000 in new growth based on a five-year average. State aid is estimated to be level in contrast to what the Governor said last year.

The town is trying to reduce $1,925,922 in free cash left over from the FY2019 closeout, which is only up .77 from FY2018. Expense control accounts for 90 percent of that amount, according to Mooney. “We probably turn back close to ($400,000),” she said.

“The department heads know that this helps us. We use the free cash to pay for the capital next year. They know that, if they turn money back, if they don’t spend it all, it helps us with the projects they want to do, which is great,” said McGrail.

Marion does not rely heavily on state aid, according to Mooney.

McGrail wants to grow levy capacity to avoid raising taxes.

“If we don’t spend it, that’s good. To avoid an override in the future, I think we should (put free cash in capital stabilization),” said Winters.

The town clerk’s budget request increased in FY2021 to service the needs of three elections in addition to her and her assistant’s certification.

The law firm of Huggins and Witten had charged Marion a flat rate, but since selling its business to the larger Kopelman and Paige Law (KP Law), Marion is being billed by the minute. KP charges anywhere from time.

McGra...
$100 to $300 per hour, resulting in monthly bills anywhere between $6,000 and $20,000.

McGrail said that, since Marion has no human-resources staff, every personnel matter has required legal counsel.

“As long as (Jonathan Witten) is there, I wouldn’t make a change,” said Waterman, who still thinks Marion is getting a bargain compared to the private sector.

“The list of stuff he does for the town and the range is incredible. In the private sector, you could spend $200,000 in the blink of an eye.”

“If you’re paying $125/hour, you’re never going to beat that,” said Larkin. “My bet is it’s really good value.”

According to Mooney, just under $100,000 is allocated to water and sewer.

The town also wants to address the need for a part-time, information-technology (IT) staffer. Marion has leaned heavily on Police Chief John Garcia for support.

According to Waterman, Mattapoisett is paying 100 percent for the ORR resource officer and wants Marion to reimburse for its portion of the position. Marion cannot legally reimburse, according to Mooney; the item has to be submitted through the ORR budget.

McGrail indicated that Fire, Police, Schools, Library, and DPW were all scheduled to address the Finance Committee in joint sessions this month and take questions.
The next meeting of the Marion Finance Committee is scheduled for February 26 in conjunction with Old Rochester Regional and Sippican schools and Marion Public Library.

Finance Committee Hears from Department Heads
Mattapoisett Finance Committee
By Marilou Newell
On February 6 the Mattapoisett Finance Committee continued their discussions with department heads on the current state of their respective areas of responsibility, including current spending levels against the 2020 budget. Keeping the process forward moving towards the building of the 2021 budget, one last time before retiring, was Town Administrator Mike Gagne.

Fire Chief Andrew Murray said that with the promise of a modern and safe, brand-new fire station, recruitment for on-call firefighters has proven successful. Seven new firefighters had been brought onboard, he said. Expenses for sending on-call firefighters to the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy are paid by the state, Murray explained. The recruits began the 20-week course in early February. Bidding for the new fire station has begun, he said, with a projected groundbreaking sometime in March.

Murray said that the number of calls the department had received was down from the previous year, “…for the first time since I’ve been here,” noting that the drop was primarily a result of fewer weather-related incidents.

Regarding staffing, Murray said that the station is now manned seven days a week between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. “Evenings aren’t as much a problem because most on-call firefighters are back in town,” from jobs out of the community, he explained. The fire department currently has 31 on-call members.

FinCom member Paul Amoruso asked Murray if he had a five-year capital-needs plan. Murray said he did but discussion on that point did not take place.

However, the issue of new engines was brought up by FinCom chairman Pat Donoghue. Murray said engines would be in future budget planning. He said the department had been hindered in acquiring more up-to-date apparatus, “…because the station couldn’t handle it.”

Donoghue thought the public might question more spending on the heels of building a new fire station, but Murray pointed to the inability to replace out-of-date engines due to the current station’s dimensions. For fiscal year 2020 Murray requested $18,000 for vehicle repairs for the aging fleet. As of now $16,568 has been spent.

In his report, Murray listed 592 call responses, which included 23 fire-related calls, 89 rescues, 77 hazardous-materials calls, 149 public-service calls, 47 goodwill intent calls – calls canceled while in route, 195 false alarms, and eight weather-related responses.

Library Director Susan Pizzolato presented a five-year strategic plan as part of her packet of departmental data. That plan, she wrote, was critical to ensure that the library meets the expectations of the 21st century patron whose needs are, “…relational rather than transactional,” requiring the staff to be, “…responsive rather than passive, and creative and collaborative in its approach to literacy in all forms – reading, digital, financial, civic, and cultural.”

Specific strategic goals Pizzolato listed were to maintain a safe space, providing information in a variety of formats that support and promote citizenship, maintain a wide range of materials for reading, listening, viewing for pleasure or learning, and offer the community access to up-to-date technology.

Pizzolato said a new position that was added to the 2020 budget serves a dual role: one as children’s department director and as assistant to the library director. Another position filled was that of a professional part-time library technician, as well as a full-time reference staffer.

A full staff, Pizzolato stated, meant that the library has been able to offer more programming for all age groups and an improved collaboration with the schools, especially in the area of health and social concerns of teens, family literacy and resources for out-of-school students. She said that she is meeting with the Board of Trustees to develop a succession plan moving forward. Pizzolato has announced her retirement for the end of the fiscal year.

A facilities committee was formed to address and manage the library’s structural and mechanical needs,
Pizzolato said. And the demands on the structure continue to grow with 75,000 visitors, over 400 programs, 111,000 items in circulations and since the beginning of the fiscal year 273 new cardholders.

Pizzolato noted increases to maintenance agreements from $11,000 to $12,000 and other modest increases from SAILS library services $23,000 to $24,000, with library materials increasing the most from $77,000 to $82,000.

The library proposed operating budget worksheet was also presented with a grand total of $554,043 for FY21 versus $540,523 for 2020.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging Director Jackie Coucci also met with FinCom. In her budget narrative she wrote, “The FY20 budget originally planned for a part-time front-desk clerk.” She said that position had not been filled to stay within budget amidst the need for more driver hours and union-contract increases. Currently, senior tax work-off residents cover the front desk and Coucci has been generally pleased with the service. She stated that she will reassess front-desk coverage in the 2021 budget. COA is planning to expand its operating hours.

Coucci said that the formula grant issued through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs has been based off census figures from 2010 and is currently at a rate of $12 per resident over the age of 60. But that rate is subject to change, she explained, based on legislative action. She said that the 2020 census will likely confirm an increase in the number of seniors living in Mattapoisett, but the town’s share may remain unchanged if legislators reduce the rate. In the absence of guarantees, however, the COA may be looking for new funding sources to maintain programming, Coucci said.

And with a vast range of programming under the COA umbrella from rides to medical appointments to assistance with financial matters and keeping people safe in their homes, the demand for services has never been greater, Coucci remarked.

One COA program in high demand is F.I.S.H., Friends In Service Helping, an all-volunteer group providing transportation for medical appointments, as well as transportation provided by the COA. The value offered by the volunteer program is estimated to be $9,792, while the COA drivers cost approximately $8,596. Also mentioned was S.H.I.N.E., Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone, a program providing free health insurance information and counseling to seniors and caregivers and tax-preparation services by volunteers of the AARP Tax-Aide program.

Events and programs sponsored by the COA throughout FY20 have been arts and crafts, educational, entertainment, and fitness offerings. In the latter category, data shows an average of 207 people regularly served each week. Coucci also noted that the COA has logged in 48 home visits in 2019, 39 of which in the past four months.

The COA FY20 budget allocation was $186,843. Coucci stated the spending pace for the department is to remain at, or below, the budget figure.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Finance Committee is scheduled for February 13 at 4:00 pm in the town hall conference room.

Coastal Geologist Presents Glacial Data
Mattapoisett Conservation Commission
By Marilou Newell
Sea Marsh Way is a short stretch of land located in and near Mattapoisett’s coastline nestled between Pine Island and Angelica Point. A small lot of land is being
considered for development by owner Constance O. Pallatroni Living Trust, prompting the need to confirm the property is not, in fact, barrier beach.

Coming before the Mattapoisett Conversation Commission on February 10 was Stan Humphries, coastal geologist. Humphries said, “It is not a barrier beach,” although the state’s mapping has labeled the area as such. He said that three test pits had penetrated layers of soil and that those soils had been tested to find out whether or not they were beach dunes subject to movement.

“I placed soils in water to determine the silt layering,” Humphries explained. He said that there was no “…discernable layering”, therefore the area in question had not been “washed over” in the past. “It’s glacial till,” he stated, “…not exposed to coastal processes.” Humphries concluded, “I’m not saying there isn’t a barrier beach out there; just the area I looked at isn’t.”

Glacial till is created by the movement of glaciers which deposit sediment, a scrambled mixture of sands and rocks.

The applicant’s Request for Determination of Applicability received a negative decision as Chairman Mike King commented, “I see no reason to question the result and no reason to delay the project further.” Later in the meeting, King confirmed that the property owners are likely to develop the parcel now that it’s been established as viable for residential construction.

The commissioners, Chapman Dickerson, John Jacobsen, and King, quickly dispatched the balance of the agenda.

An RDA submitted by the Mattapoisett’s Water and Sewer Department to prepare bore-testing along Reservation and Goodspeed Island Roads to support the design of a new sewer pipe beneath and near jurisdictional areas received a negative-three decision.

Another municipal project had to be continued until February 24 when the town’s representative, Ken Motta of Field Engineering, arrived after the meeting had been adjourned. That filing was a Notice of Intent for the replacement of a bridge and culvert on Acushnet Road.

Also continued until February 24 was an NOI filed by Stephen Coughlin, 40 Prince Snow Circle, for
the construction of a single-family home within the Bay Club sub-division. King said that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection had questions including the presence of endangered species. The commission’s environmental agent, Liz Leidhold, had also requested that erosion controls and flagging be replaced at the site. The representative for the project is Stephen Wry of Land Planning Inc.

Another application continued was an NOI filed by The Sandy Toes Realty Trust, Scott Snow Trustee, 27 Nashawena Road, pending a D.E.P. file number and associated comments.

Alan Apperson, 17 River Road, received conditioning for his NOI filing for the construction of a new septic system.

Receiving Certificates of Compliance were: Tim Fox, 3 Pinebrook Lane; Patricia Cunniff, 9 Avenue A; and Scott Snow, 27 Nashawena Road.

In other business the commissioners concurred that a new NOI filing was not necessary for excavation along Reservation Road, part of Phase 1b of the bike path construction currently underway, for the purposes of relocating electrical service associated with a gas rectifier. The additional work was considered “minimal” to the plan of record.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for February 24 at 6:30 pm in the town hall conference room.
Meet New Board of Health Agent, Kayla Davis

Mattapoisett Board of Health
By Marilou Newell

Mattapoisett’s new Board of Health Agent, Kayla Davis, said she is “excited and eager” to not only sustain the busy department’s programs and services, but also to help the community in understanding the many roles the Board of Health ensures regulations are being met.

Davis is a Wareham native, and until recently, was the Bourne Health Inspector. When the director’s job was posted for Mattapoisett, Davis sought the position and, at age 24, said she may be the youngest health agent in the state. That aside, her credentials are many.

Davis holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Health from Rivier University in Nashua, New Hampshire. She said she began her education in nursing but along the way found that she could serve many more people if she pursued public service. After researching municipal public health, she changed majors.

Considering that the role of the Board of Health agent covers an expansive list of areas of responsibility, including everything from trash and recycling collection to inspecting restaurants and residences, emergency preparedness and septic systems to name a few, certification in specialized areas is mandatory.

Davis has completed a number of courses securing certifications in first aid, OSHA standards, soil evaluations, recreational pools and Serve Safe. She has also completed certifications provided by FEMA, training in housing inspections by the Massachusetts Public Health, and Public Health Institute certifications in, bed bugs, hoarding, mold, tanning facilities, food safety for food establishments and food protection programs.

Davis said that given the current concerns over the spread of viruses, Mattapoisett’s response team is ready. She said that the public health nurse Amanda Stone has provided expert guidance and assistance for some time and has been instrumental in helping her during these first few weeks on the job. She briefly explained that a network approach from private physicians to hospital protocols coupled with public health staff is in place, should someone be diagnosed with a dangerous communicable pathogen.

For Mattapoisett, having a new Board of Health agent after 30 years is a big change, Davis acknowledged. She credited an active and involved Board of Health team for not only helping her but in preserving the town’s overall health and well-being. That team is comprised of Ken Dawicki, Russell Bailey, and Carmelo Nicolosi.

As the summer season emerges from the winter gloom, Davis will be tasked with ensuring that the town’s beaches are safe for swimming, that rental units meet code, and that restaurants and eateries are clean and serving food stored appropriately.

On the issue of trash and recycling, Davis said that the town has done a good job educating the residents about the right materials to recycle but that the global issue is far from resolved.

Over at the transfer station located at the end of Tinkham Hill Road, Davis said that new scales will help in collecting the right fees. She noted that the new equipment should generate additional revenue for the town.

While she confided that becoming a public servant in the role of board of health agent “…isn’t that popular,” for her it was the right fit. “It really spoke to me.”

Davis can be reached by email at bdofhealth@mattapoisett.net.
White Excited for Future of Education
Rochester Memorial School Committee
By Mick Colageo

Old Rochester Regional School Superintendent Douglas White hopes he will have time this spring to walk the hallways, peek into classrooms and enjoy the successes of his decade-long tenure scheduled to end on June 30, the final day of the fiscal year.

“I spent quite a bit of time building the budget,” said White to the Rochester Memorial School Committee during its February 6 meeting at Rochester Memorial School.

It is not yet known who will be the superintendent operating within that budget.

The School Committee completed its interviews of candidates on January 29, and one of multiple day-long site visits of candidates’ present school systems was scheduled for February 12 at Dartmouth schools. The final round of interviews is Saturday, February 29.

In his budget review, White considered $2,850,000 a good number for Rochester schools, being only a small margin higher than last year’s.

“If we take it under consideration for some of the good things that we are already doing (regarding gaps and a strategic plan), it shouldn’t be too hard to go forward,” he said.

Going forward, goals will review what has been happening in all the departments.

“The objective this year was to identify all the courses that are being offered and what kind of skill that’s there,” said White. “The big thing for us to update the skill… make sure those conversations are happening across the board. Our goal is K-12 in June.”

White estimates that art, music and physical education departments are 50-60 percent toward their goal.

Michael S. Nelson, the assistant superintendent of teaching, learning and student services, reported on Diversity Talks, a non-profit in which students sell their own stories. Nelson called it a great set-up for cultural-proficiency teams with engaging activities.

“(The students) finished the day with a presentation with real talk about the human vices we all deal with. We’re going to continue to design an action plan that makes sense,” he said.

Workshops included a responsive classroom, and teachers left with a plan for implementation on how to connect morning meetings to all classes.

School Committee member Sharon Hartley is working on town report documenting historical accomplishments for the town.

“It’s very cool to look at how the town has progressed and all that we accomplished,” said Hartley, who keeps records of meetings and awards for town reports including news about people that have retired and major issues. Members were encouraged to email Hartley...
Bulldogs Still Show Bite without Johnson

By Nick Friar

Generally, when a team loses a prize player,
contention for first place in the conference is unlikely. Rather, a team that loses its top player is usually battling to maintain a .500 record. Somehow, Old Rochester boys basketball has managed to do both without Nick Johnson.

How have they made it work?

The Bulldogs have size. Jonah DePina is averaging 13.3 points and 6.7 rebounds per game. Luke Burke is reeling in 6.7 boards a night as well, while also contributing 11.8 points on average. Ryon Thomas is scoring 10.6 points per game, too.

The recipe for success is there, and the Bulldogs have won big games and had stretches of success. “When we play our style — the open-floor style, up and down — we’re actually a better team,” Old Rochester head coach Steve Carvalho said. “Coaches have plays and sets and we like to run different defenses, but at the end of the day, I don’t want to micromanage these kids. But, there’s been more policing, it seems, so to speak than normal. But they’ve had great moments, too.”

Carvalho being more hands-on than normal is partially the result of Johnson being out for the year. It’s also needed because the Bulldogs don’t have the same experience other Old Rochester teams have had in the past. Still, Carvalho is constantly trying to find a balance between the two approaches.

“I want them to play,” he said. “I don’t want them to be married to a system. But we are who we are in a half-court set right now. I still think we’re at our best when we’re pressing and trapping and running.”

Another big problem for the Bulldogs when it comes to running and gunning is their work on the defensive glass. Again, size isn’t a problem, but Old Rochester doesn’t always fully utilize its advantage.

“We’ve got some size, but we’re still not rebounding the way we should at times. We’re still not having dominant rebounding performances,” Carvalho said. “People are still grabbing too many offensive rebounds off of us. As I’ve told them, offensive rebounds are demoralizing. You can play good defense for 20, 25 seconds, then a kid goes and gets a rebound. So we’re giving up second chances. We certainly got to fix that.
Emma Carroll event, as Old Rochester had one other athlete win a solo field took home its 10th consecutive SCC meet title. With her setting the tone, Old Rochester girls track and high jump (5-foot-2), and she won the long jump (16-9). The meet record in the 55 hurdles (8.54 seconds) and the Conference winter track and field championships. She set Jen Williams had a career day at the South Coast Conference winter track and field championships. She set the meet record in the 55 hurdles (8.54 seconds) and the high jump (5-foot-2), and she won the long jump (16-9). With her setting the tone, Old Rochester girls track and field took home its 10th consecutive SCC meet title.

Old Rochester had one other athlete win a solo event, as Emma Carroll finished the 600 in 1:48.04.

Old Colony

Old Colony boys basketball bounced back from a loss to South Shore Vocational with a 79-58 win over Norfolk Aggie. Jojo Cortes (14 points) and Hunter Soares (13) led Old Colony. Caden Letendre also finished in double figures, while Cooper Howell chipped in nine points.

News Submission Policy

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press releases and ideas at 508-758-9055. If it is after hours, please leave a message or email news@wanderer.com.

Ideas for features, breaking news tips, and other suggestions for the news department are welcome. Please call the News Editor with news tips and ideas at 508-758-9055. If it is after hours, please leave a message or email news@wanderer.com.

Acceptable News

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press release items from local nonprofit organizations for publication on a weekly basis. The deadline for submission of news items is Monday at noon for publication in that week's edition. Due to the increasing number of submissions, however, publication of press material is never guaranteed. The Wanderer will make every effort to publish timely news items and announcements as the subject warrants and as often as space allows. All press material must be submitted by email to news@wanderer.com, and must be either in a text or Word file. We are not able to retypewritten, correct, or cut down information to repair incomplete press releases, and we are not able to retypewritten or reformatted onelented lists that are not in readable paragraph form. We cannot accept any handwritten material or news items via phone, no matter how brief.

Photographs of area events and newsmakers are also accepted and encouraged. The Wanderer accepts well-lit and clearly-defined photographs for publication provided that they include a brief summary of the event or subject. We cannot return photographs. Like news items, the deadline for photos is Monday at noon, and the publication of photographs is also subject to spacing constraints and cannot be guaranteed.

All submitted copy is subject to alterations and/or condensation as space allows at the editor's discretion. All submissions become the property of The Wanderer and are assumed to be submitted for the purpose of publication. Submissions cannot be returned; therefore, please make sure to retain copies.

Ideas for features, breaking news tips, and other suggestions for the news department are welcome. Please call the News Editor with news tips and ideas at 508-758-9055. If it is after hours, please leave a message or email news@wanderer.com.

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press release items from local nonprofit organizations for publication on a weekly basis. The deadline for submission of news items is Monday at noon for publication in that week's edition. Due to the increasing number of submissions, however, publication of press material is never guaranteed. The Wanderer will make every effort to publish timely news items and announcements as the subject warrants and as often as space allows. All press material must be submitted by email to news@wanderer.com, and must be either in a text or Word file. We are not able to retypewritten, correct, or cut down information to repair incomplete press releases, and we are not able to retypewritten or reformatted onelented lists that are not in readable paragraph form. We cannot accept any handwritten material or news items via phone, no matter how brief.

Photographs of area events and newsmakers are also accepted and encouraged. The Wanderer accepts well-lit and clearly-defined photographs for publication provided that they include a brief summary of the event or subject. We cannot return photographs. Like news items, the deadline for photos is Monday at noon, and the publication of photographs is also subject to spacing constraints and cannot be guaranteed.

All submitted copy is subject to alterations and/or condensation as space allows at the editor's discretion. All submissions become the property of The Wanderer and are assumed to be submitted for the purpose of publication. Submissions cannot be returned; therefore, please make sure to retain copies.

Ideas for features, breaking news tips, and other suggestions for the news department are welcome. Please call the News Editor with news tips and ideas at 508-758-9055. If it is after hours, please leave a message or email news@wanderer.com.
The following students from the Tri-Town are being recognized for their academic achievement at Bishop Stang High School for their performance in the second quarter:


From Mattapoisett, President’s List: Julia Downey ’23, Kathleen Downey ’20, Liam Downey ’21, Eleanor Senna ’23, First Honors: Ella Meninno ’21, Second Honors: Chloe Lanagan ’20, Cameron Letourneau ’23, Hannah Ramalho ’23, and Claire Surprenant ’22

From Rochester; First Honors: Dylan Aguiar ’21, Second Honors: Isaac Ouellette ’21, and Briana Pothier ’22

Sippican Historical Society

Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society commissioned an architectural survey of Marion’s historic homes and buildings. Over 100 were cataloged and photographed. SHS will feature one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about
its unique historical architecture.

This installment features 113 Front Street. The “Old Parsonage,” located at 113 Front Street, was built in 1813 by Captain John Pitcher, brother of Elizabeth Taber. The side of the building that faces Front Street is actually the back of the original dwelling. It is now St. Rita’s Rectory. Across the street from Captain John Pitcher’s home was a large pasture where his sheep and cows grazed. He used to hang a ship’s bell from a Swedish ship on the branch of an oak tree and rang it every evening at 9:00 pm as a curfew bell. The bell is now located in the Marion Natural History Museum. When Captain Pitcher died, he left his house to the Congregational Church, which used it as a Parsonage for many years.

Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program
Monday, February 17: President’s Day – No Meals Served
Tuesday, February 18: Lentil veggie chili, fluffy rice, multigrain roll, pineapple, yogurt cup
Southcoast Health

Weight Loss Center

MORE THAN 600,000 pounds lost,
8,000 lives changed, 16 years of results

3 months 6 months 9 months 12 months

Ready to take control of your weight?
Take the first step with the Southcoast Health Weight Loss Center.

Grab a friend or loved one and join us for a FREE seminar — there’s one happening near you!

A 40 minute procedure could have you back on your feet in 2 weeks, on your way to a new, healthier life!

Visit southcoast.org/newbelt
or call 508-273-4900 to get started.

Southcoast Health
More than medicine.

Download the Southcoast Health app today!
OBITUARIES

David L. Fermino, 72, of Mattapoisett passed away Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River after a long illness. He was the loving husband of Victoria (Blasczak) Fermino.

Born in Wareham, son of the late Charles Fermino, Sr. and Minnie (Andrews) Fermino, he was a lifelong Mattapoisett resident and graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School. David served his country in the Navy during the Vietnam War and later worked as a tin smith at J.C. Rhodes until his retirement. He enjoyed woodworking and sailing.

David is survived by his loving wife Victoria; her children, Maureen E.R. Noonan of New Bedford, Francis Noonan of Acushnet, Christopher and Bryce Noonan of New Bedford and Robert Noonan of Rehoboth; a grandson, Joseph M. Morris of Mattapoisett; a sister, Caroline Sylvia and her husband John of Marion; a brother, Peter C. Fermino of Mattapoisett; a nephew, Charles Sylvia of Warren, RI; a niece, Karen Ramos of Mattapoisett; great niece, Brittany Fevier and great nephew, Graham Tuxworth. Mr. Fermino was the brother of the late Charles Fermino, Jr. and Maurice “Mudgie” Tavares.

Donald Morse Savery, Jr. 68 passed away peacefully after an illness at St. Luke’s Hospital Palliative Care on January 30, 2020 surrounded by his loved ones. He was born and raised in Marion and was the son of the late Donald M. Savery, Sr. and Florence J. Savery.

He attended Old Rochester Regional High School and was a naturally talented musician playing with various groups up and down the East coast including Fwd.Axis, Me and the Boys, Bijou McCue and the Matinees and the Otis Campbell Band. He recently retired from a long career as a pipe technician with Piping Systems in Assonet, Ma.

Donnie was loved by everyone due to his charisma and upbeat personality. We will all remember his sense of humor and how he could always make us laugh. He had an amazing way with animals. He loved them and they loved him back. Especially birds! He dearly loved trips to the Vineyard with his children and their mom Karen and canoeing down the river they lived on in Dartmouth. “Every year he would go on his Memorial Day weekend canoe trip with his best friends”. He and his children also went on many a bike ride.

He leaves his two children, Leigh M. Savery and Lauren M. Savery, both of Dartmouth. He also leaves his sister, Gloria Bassett and her husband Cliff of Yarmouth and his brother Larry Savery and his wife Betty of Marion and many loving nieces and nephews and an incredible number of friends!

Burial will be private with a memorial gathering at a later date.

Arrangements are placed in the care of Perry Funeral Home 111 Dartmouth St. New Bedford, MA 02740. Please see our website: www.perryfuneral.com for condolences.

Sonia Lee (Lutoff) Strawn, 74, of Wareham, died Friday, February 7, 2020 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was the wife of the late Merritt Edwin Strawn.

Born in Wareham, she was the daughter of the late Thomas J. and Mabel T. (Zion) Lutoff. She was a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School and was a naturally talented musician playing with various groups up and down the East coast including Fwd.Axis, Me and the Boys, Bijou McCue and the Matinees and the Otis Campbell Band. He recently retired from a long career as a pipe technician with Piping Systems in Assonet, Ma.

Donnie was loved by everyone due to his charisma and upbeat personality. We will all remember his sense of humor and how he could always make us laugh. He had an amazing way with animals. He loved them and they loved him back. Especially birds! He dearly loved trips to the Vineyard with his children and their mom Karen and canoeing down the river they lived on in Dartmouth. “Every year he would go on his Memorial Day weekend canoe trip with his best friends”. He and his children also went on many a bike ride.

He leaves his two children, Leigh M. Savery and Lauren M. Savery, both of Dartmouth. He also leaves his sister, Gloria Bassett and her husband Cliff of Yarmouth and his brother Larry Savery and his wife Betty of Marion and many loving nieces and nephews and an incredible number of friends!

Burial will be private with a memorial gathering at a later date.

Arrangements are placed in the care of Perry Funeral Home 111 Dartmouth St. New Bedford, MA 02740. Please see our website: www.perryfuneral.com for condolences.

Sonia and Ed owned Marion Country Package Store in Marion for over 20 years where they forged many wonderful friendships.

Sonia’s life was devoted to her family. Her happiest days were spent cooking for her grandchildren and spending time in her yard, on her deck or by the pool surrounded by her children, family and friends.

She is survived by her children, Theresa Antell and her husband Timothy, Thomas Strawn and his wife Elizabeth, Peter Strawn, and Suzy Strawn and her fiancé Meric Goddu all of Wareham, and Dwight Kirk Strawn and his wife Elaine of New Bedford; her siblings, Janice Bentley of Dunstable, Robert Lutoff of Plantation, FL, Geraldine Jones of TN, and Arlene Goldstein of Wareham. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She was recently predeceased by her sister, the late Pearl Isner.

Her funeral will be from the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy. (Rt. 28), Wareham on Wed., February 12, 2020 at 9 am followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Patrick’s Church, 82 High St., Wareham at 10 am. Interment will be in St. Patrick’s Cemetery, Wareham. Visiting hours were held on Tuesday at the funeral home.

Donations in her memory may be made to St. Patrick’s Church, 82 High St., Wareham, MA 02571.

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.
In accordance with his wishes he will be cremated and private arrangements are under the direction of the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main St., Fairhaven. For memorial register go to, www.hathawayfunerals.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in David’s name to the Mattapoisett Road Race, P.O. Box 372, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Richard A. Fluegel, 87, of Mattapoisett passed away on Monday February 3, 2020 at Sippican Healthcare Center in Marion.

He was the beloved husband of the late Margery Susan (Macomber) Fluegel.

Born in Fairhaven, Ma he was the son of the late Adam Christian Fluegel and the late Mildred May (Astin) Fluegel.

Richard is survived by his children; Steven Richard Fluegel and his wife Susan of East Wareham, and Janice Karen (Fluegel) White and her husband Randall of Lakeville. Richard was predeceased by his son, the late Paul W. Fluegel.

Richard is also survived by his siblings; Kenneth A. Fluegel of Dartmouth, Robert P. Fluegel of North Carolina, Diane M. (Irwin) of Dartmouth and Nancy E. Ferreira of Springfield, Ma. Richard was also the proud grandfather of Nathan S. Fluegel and his wife Jessica of Wareham, Jason White and his wife Andrea of Missouri, Rachel (White) Deane and her husband Adam of Lakeville, Jacob Fluegel and Alexandra Fluegel of Mattapoisett and Zachary Cosgrove and Angelina Cosgrove along with seven great grandchildren. He is also survived by his daughter in law Heather Coggshall-Fluegel and Lois Cosgrove-Fluegel.

Richard worked for years in appliance repair and owned his own shop, Masse Appliance in New Bedford. He also served his Country proudly in the United States Coast Guard, and is a veteran of the Korean War. He was a member of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Richard also enjoyed watching the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots.

A Memorial Service is planned for 10:00 am on February 29, 2020. To be held at South Coast Chapel Mortuary 158 Middleboro Rd (Rt.18) East Freetown, Ma 02717. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

Burial to follow the service in Riverside Cemetery, 274 Main Street, Fairhaven, Ma 02719.

In lieu of flowers donations in Richard’s memory can be made to Dana Faber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave. Boston, Ma 02215.

Brooke Elizabeth Sweet, 20, of Mattapoisett passed away Wednesday February 5, 2020 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Marion.

Born in New Bedford, the loving daughter of Jodi L. Travers and David P. Sweet, she lived in Mattapoisett all of her life.

Brooke loved spending time with her family and going to Ned’s Point with her best friend Audrey Eastwine. Everywhere Brooke went she brought life and laughter with her infectious smile and personality. Her family meant everything to her, her sisters were her best friends and she will forever live in our hearts.

It brings great comfort to her family that Brooke is now reunited with the love of her life, Damen J. Hooper. The family would also like to thank Anthony Esposito for being so kind and loving to Brooke.

She is survived by her parents, Jodi and David; her siblings, Christopher R. Serra and his girlfriend Alexis Lopes, Heather DeCosta and her husband Scotty, Derek P. Sweet and his wife Rachael, and Kaelyn M. Olivier and her husband Zack; her grandparents, Terry and Dennis Monty, Richard and Catherine Travers, Joan and Paul Leclair, and David Sweet; her uncles, Kevin Sweet, Eric Sweet, Christopher Travers and his spouse Al, Jonathan Travers and his wife Ana, and Daniel Travers; her niece, Alanna DeCosta; her nephews, Coleton Serra, Logan Serra, Colin Sweet, Travis Sweet, and Weston Lopes; her cousins, Dylan Sweet, Maison Sweet, and Noah Travers; her best friend since childhood, Leann Lomba; and all who loved her.

Her visiting hours will be held on Thursday February 13th from 4-8 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Route 6, Mattapoisett. Her Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Friday February 14th at 10 am at St. Joseph’s Church, Fairhaven. Burial will follow in St. Anthony’s Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Boston Children’s Hospital, 300 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508-758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.
will address those issues on **February 14**, at 12:30 pm.
Robin Putnam from the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will make a return visit to SWC. She will be joined by Amy Schram from the Better Business Bureau. The duo will touch upon: spotting and avoiding identity theft, online safety, credit card skimming devices. We will be left with information on how to avoid being targeted victims of scams, how to respond or not, and possible solutions if we are victims of fraud.

The program is preceded by a finger food luncheon at 12:30 pm at Handy’s Tavern, 152 Front Street Marion. If you would like to attend as a guest or possible new member, call Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619. Parking is at Island Wharf, across the street.

**Conversation of Race**
Most of us are aware of the rise in acts of racism, discrimination and hate crimes in our state and nationally. St. Gabriel’s is beginning discussions to better understand and respond to this trend. We extend the invitation to participate in an evening of conversation based on Debby Irving’s book *Waking Up White: Finding Myself in the Story of Race* on Sunday evening, **March 1**, 6:30 pm at St. Gabriel’s Parish Hall 124 Front Street, Marion. A limited number of books are available at the church for $18. For more information, please contact St. Gabriel’s 508-748-1507 or stgabrielsmarion@gmail.com.

**Mattapoisett Woman’s Club**
The Mattapoisett Woman’s Club is pleased to have Luana Josvold of the League of Women Voters (LWV) as our speaker at our meeting on Thursday, **February 13**. Our meetings are held at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church’s Renyard Hall, located at the corner of Church and Mechanic Streets, beginning at 11:00 am. An informal luncheon is provided by our members. We welcome anyone who wishes to hear our speaker or attend our meetings.

Since 1920, The League of Women Voters has been an activist, grassroots organization whose leaders believed that voters should play a critical role in

---

**Nancy Moore**
MSW, LICSW
Psychotherapist
nmoore1@comcast.net

Specializing in adults, couples, families and geriatrics
Offices in Marion and Bridgewater
Accepting all insurances including Medicare
Marion
508-748-2331
Bridgewater
508-697-9722
Fax: 508-279-0094

---

**Do You Know...**
Roth IRAs as well as Traditional IRAs are eligible for Retirements Savings Credits at certain income levels?

Taxes • Bookkeeping
Fully Computerized
Quick Books Professional Advisors

We Cater to the Small Business Person with 47 Years Tax Preparation Experience

119 North Street • (508) 758-4430
Mattapoisett, MA • FAX (508) 758-4728
www.CT-Associates.net

NOW ACCEPTING MAJOR CREDIT CARDS

---

**7th Anniversary**
In Memory of
Christine D. Fouquette
(Tina)

2013 - February 10, 2020
In Our Hearts Forever
Love Donna and Family
As do many movies, the Oscars last Sunday ended with a bang (or a Bong), but you had to sit through a lot of dross to get to it. I can’t be the only one who flashed back to one of those “secret Oscar voter” interviews where the subject said she didn’t want a foreign film to win Best Picture like a “regular film.” Well, what Bong Joon-ho and *Parasite* pulled off was the loudest clapback to that mindset imaginable. First it won Best International Feature (formerly Best Foreign Film). Fine; everyone thought it would. Then Bong won Best Director — whoa, that shut down a couple of films, but this just happened last year (Alfonso Cuaron for *Roma*), so it’s not unheard-of. And then it happened: *Parasite* made Oscar history by being the first non-English-language film to win in the non-English-language category and Best Picture.

Before then, though, it was another bland Oscar night without many surprises. It began with a meant-to-be-rousing number by Janelle Monae about representation in movies that might’ve gone down better in a year that offered representation in movies. Honestly, though, a lot of stories about the less privileged are being told — just not in movies. In this moment, you’re more likely to get a human-scaled story financed on one of the streaming outlets. Just ask Martin Scorsese and Noah Baumbach, nominated for their work on movies bankrolled by Netflix. Of course, being on Netflix didn’t help Eddie Murphy or anyone else involved with *Dolemite Is My Name*. People wonder why some folks resented the Oscar love for Netflix movies about old white men or rich white couples.

Two speeches seem to stand in for the whole night, and are also two sides of the same coin. Joaquin Phoenix’s speech started off bumpy and nervous but gradually resolved itself into an expression of hope that we can do better. Renee Zellweger … yeesh, I think her speech is still going on. The speeches existed on either side of the line between basically good self-indulgence and bad, presuming-your-patience self-indulgence. I almost felt sorry for Bong Joon-ho having to keep going up there for more trophies — leave the man alone to get a drink. A good problem to have, I guess. I don’t envision any circumstances under which I would choose to watch *Judy*, so I can’t speak to whether Zellweger deserved her second twirl in the lights. I was good with *Joker* winning exactly what it did (Actor, Score) and no more. I was fine with Pitt’s triumph, and I dig that Laura Dern now has an Oscar (maybe I’ll have to watch *Marriage Story* for her now), though was disappointed she didn’t thank David Lynch in her speech. Lynch had nothing to do with *Marriage Story*, but a lot to do with her career being what it is. Maybe YouTube or Instagram should offer to host videos by winners who thank people they forgot to mention on Oscar night.

In brief, this Oscars show didn’t leave me much to complain about, and that’s always the most fun. The announcement of the nominations absorbed most of the outrage (Gerwig snubbed?? Hulk smash!), so what was left was watching people win whose joy you didn’t exactly begrudge, but you saw it coming. The acting categories were in the bag, but the big dogs — Director, Picture — seemed up in the air, though history will record there were some who actually expected *1917* to prevail. *The Irishman* went home empty-handed, Tarantino left prizeless — this year, with the exception of Zellweger and Roger Deakins (winner for photographing *1917*), it wasn’t a year for most anyone who had previously won. Sometimes even that was predictable — I have yet to meet the person who thought Elton and Bernie weren’t a lock for Best Song. But aside from making one of the year’s genuinely great films, Bong Joon-Ho threw one hell of a wrench into the way the Academy usually works. Your film isn’t supposed to win Best Original Screenplay and Best International Feature and Best Director and Best Picture — except now it can, because there’s precedent. That opening Janelle Monae number meant well enough, but what it was trying to say, the success of *Parasite* actually showed.
for immigrants but for everyone, and how immigration policies should promote reunification of immediate families; meet economic, business and employment needs; and be responsive to those facing political persecution or humanitarian crises.

For more information, contact Christine Voss at 508-758-3348 or visit our website at www.mattapoisettwomansclub.org

Create a Sailor’s Valentine

Join the Mattapoisett Museum and the Mattapoisett Land Trust on Thursday, February 20 from 10:30 am to noon for an exciting school vacation activity! Children will get to make Sailor’s Valentines. These gifts were made by sailors at sea during the early to mid-19th century using seashells and given to loved ones on their return home. The Museum is located at 5 Church Street.

We will supply the materials and objects to inspire your child’s imagination and your child will supply their creativity!

This free event for children ages 5-12 and space is limited so sign up soon at www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/event-info/come-create-a-sailors-valentine. Nut-free snacks will be provided.

Mr. Vinny’s Shadow Puppets Puppet Show

On Wednesday, February 19 at 6:00 pm come and join us for an interactive, silly and surprising show with Mr. Vinny’s Shadow Puppets. Kids use their heads to help tell the story of “The 12 Lil’ Pigs and the Big Bad Pineapple”, play the game “What’s the Shadow?” and so much more. Mr. Vinny’s show is recommended for kids ages 3 to 9, but is a delight for all ages. No registration required.

Ongoing storytimes continue on Tuesdays at 10:30 am for all children with “Storytots” and 6:00 pm with our Pajama Storytime, on Thursdays with “Mother Goose on the Loose” at 10:30 am followed by our baby meet-up group at 11:00 am and on Fridays at 10:30 am with “Songs and Stories with Miss Chris”. No registration is required.

Join our Fiber Fun Group for children 8 and up to learn knitting and crochet on February 21 at 3:30 pm.

We also have “Read to Breton”, our library dog on every other Tuesday afternoon at 3:15 pm; Chess Lessons with Coach Jim on Wednesday nights from 5:00 to 7:00 pm and Sunday afternoons, 1:00 to 3:00 pm and our monthly Kids Yoga Class on Thursday, March 5 at 1:30 pm. All of these programs require registration, so please contact the library to sign up.

All programs are free and open to the public. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the library at 508-758-4171 for assistance.

Wildflowers of Southeastern Massachusetts

The Marion Natural History Museum Wednesday morning programs for adults and seniors will host a session on Wildflowers of Southeastern Massachusetts with plant enthusiast Martha “Mike” Schroeder on March 4 from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Mike will be sharing a slideshow.
of locally taken photos of wildflowers thought to have existed in Southeastern Massachusetts since before the arrival of the Europeans. Every flower has its own story.

There is no charge for the program, but registration in advance is strongly recommended. The museum is located at 8 Spring Street, Marion, on the second floor of the building we share with the Elizabeth Taber Library. Please contact the museum director to register at Director@marionmuseum.org or call the museum and leave a message at 508-748-2098.

**SLT Valentine’s Day Walk**

Everyone is welcome to join Sippican Lands Trust (SLT) for its second annual Valentine’s Day Walk on Saturday, **February 15** at 1:00 pm from the end of Parlowtown Road in Marion. Bring your sweetie, or not, and celebrate the fact that research indicates that exercise, like walks, might just be the key to finding satisfying long-term relationships.

SLT will keep the walk at a relaxed pace and please wear clothes and boots with traction for an adventurous stroll as there could be ice, wet or muddy patches along the walk. Depending on conditions the walk will be between 1.5 and 3 miles in length and will take approximately an hour.

The walk is free for SLT members with a suggested $5 donation for non-members. If the Valentine’s Day Walk is canceled due to inclement weather, then information will be posted to SLT’s website and Facebook page. For directions or further information visit sippicanlandstrust.org or call Sippican Lands Trust at 508-748-3080.
Rochester Council on Aging
The Rochester Council on Aging’s full monthly newsletter and calendar are available at www.rochestermaseniorcenter.com. Special events (listed in the “Events” category), regularly scheduled activities/services (listed in the “Services” category), pictures and posts are available on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/rochesterma.com.
On Wednesday, February 19 from 12:00 to 2:00 pm, Senator Michael Rodrigues will hold office hours at the Rochester Senior Center. Either the Senator or a representative from his office will be available to discuss your concerns and opinions. Walk-ins are welcome.
The kitchen at the Rochester Senior Center is getting a much-needed update. The highly utilized kitchen will get a fresh coat of paint, new stainless-steel countertops, appliances, and cabinets. The Senior Center staff and participants would like to sincerely thank all of the volunteers for helping with this.
SALOME’S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your natural Arian leadership qualities make you the person others will follow in tackling that important project. But don’t get so involved in the work that you neglect your personal life.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Aspects favor sorting through your possessions, both at work and at home, to start giving away what you don’t use, don’t need or don’t like. Relax later with someone special.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The issues are not quite as clear as they should be. That’s why you need to avoid getting involved in disputes between colleagues at work or between relatives or personal friends.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You’ll get lots of support from others if you own up to your mistake quickly and include a full and honest explanation. Learn from this experience so that you don’t repeat it.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) There might be some early confusion over a major move, whether it’s at work or at home. But once you get a full breakdown of what it entails, it should be easier to deal with. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Creating order out of chaos, even in the most untidy spaces, should be no problem for organized Virgos. So go ahead and do it, and then accept praise from impressed colleagues.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Whether it’s for business purposes or just for leisure, a trip might be just what you need right now. You would benefit both from a change of scenery and from meeting new people.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While things generally go well this week, a romantic situation seems to have stalled. But you can restart it if you want to. Then again, maybe this is a chance to reassess the situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A meeting that was promised quite a while back could finally happen. So be sure you’re prepared with everything you’ll need to make your case sound convincing and doable.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A workplace blunder could create a problem down the line unless you deal with it right now to see how and why it happened. Don’t be surprised at what you might learn.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time to re-sort your priorities and see if adjustments are called for. Be honest with yourself as you decide what to keep, what to discard and what to change.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Letting yourself be bathed in the outpouring of love and support from those who care for you will help you get through a difficult period sooner rather than later. Good luck.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an uncanny gift for reaching out to all people and creating bridges of understanding among them.

(c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.
much-needed renovation.

The Senior Center was constructed in June of 2002 and is hoping for a new refrigeration unit in the near future. A request was put forth during a Town of Rochester Capital Planning meeting held in January. The current renovations are being paid for by a $20,000 grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Thank you to the Friends of the Rochester Senior Center, COA volunteers, and the office of Senator Michael Rodrigues for coordinating this generous grant.

The Rochester Senior Center kitchen is used for the preparation of breakfast served Monday through Friday from 7:00 to 9:00 am, special Monday luncheons, senior congregate lunches served Tuesday through Thursday, various special dinners, fundraisers and parties, monthly Veteran’s Socials, and much more. Pictures of the volunteers hard at work on the new kitchen are forthcoming and can be viewed on the Senior Center’s Facebook page. If you would like to help with the renovation, please contact the Senior Center at 508-763-8723. Leave a message for Mike Cambra. The kitchen will be closed from Thursday, February 27 to Monday, March 2 for the renovation.

**ORRHS Term 2 Honor Roll**

The following students have achieved honors for the third term at Old Rochester Regional High School:

*Highest Honors, Grade 9; Rudy Arsenault,*
LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #774

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, February 27, 2020, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of DIANA CRESS for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1A and 230-5.5 to allow the construction of a single family home, three accessory guest houses with no kitchens and a two car garage on the same tract with one ownership and served by a common private access road.

The property, located at 114 Point Road, is further identified on Assessors’ Plan 1 as Lots 19 and 20.

Marc Leblanc, Chairman 2/6, 2/13

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE TO GENERAL CONTRACTORS and FILED SUB-BID SUBCONTRACTORS

TOWN OF MATTAPOOSETT MASSACHUSETTS Mattapoisett Fire Headquarters 64 County Road Mattapoisett, MA 02739 INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Town of Mattapoisett, hereinafter referred to as the Awarding Authority, hereby invites sealed bids for the above-entitled project in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Context Architecture. Bids shall be on a form supplied by Biddocs Online, shall be clearly identified as a bid, and signed by the bidder. Bidding procedures shall be in accordance with M.G.L.c. 149 Sections 44A – 44I and in accordance with the provisions of the contract documents entitled: MATTAPOOSETT FIRE HEADQUARTERS.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at www.biddocsonline.com. Tutorials and instructions on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online. ALL SUB-BIDS for the trades listed below will be received 2:00 pm on 5 March 2020 and publicly opened on-line, forthwith. GENERAL BIDS will be received until 2:00 pm on 19 March 2020 and publicly opened on-line, forthwith.

General bidders must be certified by DCAMM pursuant to M.G.L. c. 149 Section 44D. The total construction cost is estimated at $8,000,000.

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOOSETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:10 pm in the main conference room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1749) submitted by JAMES HANNON, 20 Martin Street, Cambridge, MA 02138. The proposed project is to extend the deck and screen in a portion of it. The project is located at 12 Cedarcrest Avenue, and is further identified as Lot 60 on Assessor Map 5.A.

Jeff Doubrava, Chair – 2/13

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:10 pm in the main conference room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1748) submitted by JUDY MELANSON, to install a new 1500 gallon septic tank. 1000 gallon pump chamber and 280 linear feet of presby pipe in a bed configuration; exiting leaching field is to be abandoned or removed if encountered during construction at 18 Partridge Place.

The site is further identified as Lot 111 on Marion Assessors’ Map 23. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Jeff Doubrava, Chair – 2/13

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOOSETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by JAMES HANNON, 20 Martin Street, Cambridge, MA 02138. The proposed project is to extend the deck and screen in a portion of it. The site is located at 12 Cedarcrest Avenue, and is further identified as Lot 60 on Assessor Map 5.A.

Jeff Doubrava, Chair – 2/13

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:10 pm in the main conference room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1749) submitted by INDIAN COVE TRUST. The applicant is requesting that the DEP-Waterways Program issue a new Chapter 91 Waterways License for the existing structures at 106 Indian Cove Road. Said application to the DEP requires the issuance of a Water Resource License. The public hearing will take place on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:10 pm in the main conference room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on the Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1749) submitted by INDIAN COVE TRUST. The public hearing will take place on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7:10 pm in the main conference room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1749) submitted by INDIAN COVE TRUST.
HEAR YE! HEAR YE!
By order of Presidents Lincoln & Washington, all patriotic & heart items will be 10% OFF!
SAT, 2/15, 10-4pm & SUN, 2/16, 12-4pm
Open MON 2/17 12pm-4pm
410 Alden Road Fairhaven MA
apdwell@aol.com 508-384-2000
Winter hours: Wed-Fri 11-4, Sat 10-4, Sun 12-4

A Primitive Dwelling
Antiques ★ Primitives ★ Farmhouse
HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

By order of Presidents Lincoln & Washington, all patriotic & heart items will be 10% OFF!
SAT, 2/15, 10-4pm & SUN, 2/16, 12-4pm
Open MON 2/17 12pm-4pm
410 Alden Road Fairhaven MA
apdwell@aol.com 508-384-2000
Winter hours: Wed-Fri 11-4, Sat 10-4, Sun 12-4

Honor, Grade 9; Sylvie Benson, Gabriella Berg, Torsten Brickley, Elizabeth Bumpus, Bennett Chase, Ryan Cordeiro, Brady Dias, Kathleen Dunn, Matthew Eby, Failenn Fitzpatrick, Sawyer Fox, Julia Foye, Lila Galavotti, Nolan Gibbons, Alexander Harrigan, Braden Hayward, Derek Hirallal, Sofia Irish, Emily Kilpatrick, Aiden Lamontagne, Brady LaPierre, Jillian LeBlanc, James LeClair, Brady Lee, Mackenzie Luong, Alexander Marsden, Jacksen Martin, Gabriela Matthews, Kyle McCullough, Emma Mullen, Jordan Nguyen, Ava Noone, Camryn Nye, Quinn O’Brien-Nichols, Samuel Ortega, Abigail Paulette, Emma Petersen, Paul Petronelli, Grace Picewick, Andrew Poulin, Jaxon Resendes, Henry Richards, Corinne Robert, Kira Sarkarati, Makenna Servais, Haralambos Sivvianakis, Jacob Smith, Noah Sommers, Cooper Studley, Gio Theodore, Emma Van Ness, Isabella Vanderpol, Delaney Veilleux, Mackenzie Vigeant, Arianna Vinagre, Emma Welter, Summer Williams, Grade 10; Jasmine Andrade, William Baltz, George Barry, Magdalena Brogioli, Breigh Christopher,

Grade 10; Amanda Armanetti, Claudie Bellanger, Erin Besancon, Brendan Burke, Hannah Furtado, Thomas Galavotti, Colby Gross, Michael Holmes, Isabella Hunter, John Kassabian, Amaya McLeod, Lukas Michaelis, Drew Miranda, Maggie Nailor, Tavish Nunes, Stephen Old, Marc Pothier, Charles Richards, Julia Sheridan, Savannah Teixeira, Emma Thorell, Autumn Tilley, Cameren Weaver, Mackenzie Wilson, Emma Wyman, Grade 11; Alexander Craig, Katelyn Luong, Bessie Pierre, Kennedy Serpa, Sophia Sousa, Kathleen Tenerowicz, Emma Williamson, Samantha Winters, Grade 12; Colby Alves, Emmanuelle Bailly, Dante Cusolito, Michalina Ditata, Emma Gabriel, Taylor Gardner, Grace Greany, Meg Hughes, Kate Marsden, Stephen Marston, Ian McCann, Meghan McCullough, Alexa McLeod, Aidan Michaud, Luke Mullen, Natalie Nilson, Danielle Nutter, Rachel Perry, Alyssa Quaintance, Mackenzie Riley, Sofia Sudofsky,

Cyclone Cleaning & Restoration Services
833 ML Pleasant St. • New Bedford • cyclconeCleaning.com
508-995-8616 • Anthony Beaudoin

www.wanderer.com

Charles H. Dupont
Landscape Design & Nursery
508-758-6508
From professional pruning to designer patios, walls and gardens...
Celebrating over 100 years in the landscaping business!

Theodore Carroll, Domenic Fringuelli, Paige Fuller, Mason Hanks, Elizabeth Higgins, Landon Maxwell, Reagan Rock, Samuel Williamson, Sarah Wyman, Grade 10; Amanda Armanetti, Claudie Bellanger, Erin Besancon, Brendan Burke, Hannah Furtado, Thomas Galavotti, Colby Gross, Michael Holmes, Isabella Hunter, John Kassabian, Amaya McLeod, Lukas Michaelis, Drew Miranda, Maggie Nailor, Tavish Nunes, Stephen Old, Marc Pothier, Charles Richards, Julia Sheridan, Savannah Teixeira, Emma Thorell, Autumn Tilley, Cameren Weaver, Mackenzie Wilson, Emma Wyman, Grade 11; Alexander Craig, Katelyn Luong, Bessie Pierre, Kennedy Serpa, Sophia Sousa, Kathleen Tenerowicz, Emma Williamson, Samantha Winters, Grade 12; Colby Alves, Emmanuelle Bailly, Dante Cusolito, Michalina Ditata, Emma Gabriel, Taylor Gardner, Grace Greany, Meg Hughes, Kate Marsden, Stephen Marston, Ian McCann, Meghan McCullough, Alexa McLeod, Aidan Michaud, Luke Mullen, Natalie Nilson, Danielle Nutter, Rachel Perry, Alyssa Quaintance, Mackenzie Riley, Sofia Sudofsky,
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by the INDIAN COVE TRUST.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Applicant requests that the Conservation Commission issue a Negative Determination which is required for the application submitted to the DEP – Waterways Program to License the existing stone revetments, a gangway and floats.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No work is proposed at this time.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The property is the southerly portion of 106 Indian Cove Road, Marion which is located in the Town of Mattapoisett. Said property is further identified Lot #61.1 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map 23, 2/13.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by NOVA C. CHANECO, 9 Mattapoisett Neck Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to repair sewage disposal system in the Buffer Zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. The project is located at 9 Mattapoisett Neck Road, and is further identified as Lot 11 on Assessor Map 65, 2/13.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by BRIAN LIMA/TIM FISHER, 4 Mannakiset Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to repair and rebuild two additions (one on side and one in rear) according to plan submitted. The project is located at 4 Mannakiset Road, and is further identified as Lot 15A on Assessor Map 51473. 2/13.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>LEGAL NOTICES</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by TIM COSTELLO, PO Box 840, Marion, MA 02738. The proposed project is after the fact driveway work -skimmed existing driveways to level grade and graded prep for layer of crushed shells. The project is located at 13 Main Street, Mattapoisett, and is further identified as Lot 10 on Assessor Map 57. 2/13.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 3:15 pm in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by ZENITH CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LLC pertaining to the property located at 18 Partridge Place, further identified as Map 23, Lot 111.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The following variances are requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>310 CMR 15.212: A local upgrade approval which requires a five (5) foot separation to high groundwater in soils with a percolation rate of 2 minutes or less per inch. A reduction from five (5) feet to three (3) feet is requested per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(h).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>310 CMR 15.405(1)(j): Reduction of the required separation of a twelve inch separation between the inlet and outlet tees of the septic tank and high groundwater, provided all boots or pipe joints are sealed with hydraulic cement or installed with watertight sleeves and the tank is proven watertight.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>310 CMR 15.405(1)(k): Reduction of the required number of deep holes per disposal area from 2 to 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>310 CMR 15.405(1)(i): To allow the use of a seive analysis report in lieu of a percolation test.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 2/13, 2/20.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOWN OF ROLAND WHARVES</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Town of Roland Wharves proposes to dredge a maximum of 100 cubic yards of material between two (2) existing stone wharves as shown on the attached plan. Seaweed has accumulated and decomposed over time in this area to the point that the sciffs in this area have difficulty entering and exiting the area at low tide. Dredge spoils will be deposited in roll-off containers with dewatering directed into the dredging area enclosed with a silt curtain. Dewatered dredge spoils will be taken to other Town land. 2/13.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**TOWN OF ROCHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Town of Rochester Police Department will be conducting Alcohol Compliance Checks throughout the year of all establishments holding liquor licenses.

Donald Kemnett
Detective Rochester Police Department

---

Place your classified ads 24 hours a day 7 days a week on-line at www.wanderer.com
Cape Cod
Furniture Restoration, LLC.
Refinishing & Repairing
Owner: Jim Zine
508-295-8122
capecodfurniture@verizon.net
Pick up and Delivery Available
2235 Cranberry Highway, West Wareham, MA 02576
Hours: Tues-Sat. call ahead

Furniture Restoration, LLC.
Pick up and Delivery Available

www.wanderer.com
February 13, 2020
The Wanderer

Log highlights Feb 2-Feb 8
• Front St – Suspicious MV
• Wareham Rd – Officer wanted
• Wareham Rd - Trespassing
• Route 195 East – MV stop/arrest
• Inland Rd – Officer wanted
• Cove Cir – Officer wanted
• Front St – Suspicious person
• Front St – Paper service
• Delano Rd – Suspicious person
• Front St – EMS/medical
• Barnabas Rd – EMS/medical
• Derby Ln – Officer wanted
• Mill St – Disturbance/family
• Hartley Ln – EMS/medical
• Spring St - Fraud
• Cove Cir – EMS/medical
• Route 195 West – MV collision
• Spring St – Officer wanted
• Route 195 West – MV collision
• Front St - Trespassing
• Joanne Dr – EMS/medical
• Route 105 – MV collision
• Cove Cir – Family offense
• Mill St – Suspicious MV
• Register Rd – General service
• Mill St – Abandoned property
• Wareham Rd - Trespassing
• Cove Cir – Mental health assist
• Mill St – Follow up investigation

Marion

Mattapoisett

Log highlights Feb 2-Feb 8
• Marion Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
• Atkinson Way - Disturbance
• Neds Point Rd – Property lost
• Acushnet Rd – Ambulance request
• Acushnet Rd – Medical assist
• Barstow St – Ambulance request
• Marion Rd – MV crash
• 1195 West – Suspicious persons
• Nantucket Dr – Open door
• Dupont Dr – 911 call
• Brandt Island Rd – Ambulance request
• Mattapoisett Neck Rd – Parking violation
• Crystal Spring Rd – Assist citizen
• Beacon St. – Health/welfare
• Neds Point Rd – Restraining order
• Holly Ln - Disturbance
• Acushnet Rd - Trespassing
• Atkinson Way – Follow up investigation
• County Rd – 911 call
• Acouot Rd – Suspicious persons
• 1195 West East – Assist other agency
• County Rd - Stolen property
• Tinkham Ln – House check
• Town Wharf – Harbormaster emergency
• North St – Health/welfare
• Brandt Island Rd – Health/welfare
• Acushnet Rd – Medical assist
• Knollwood Dr – Animal control
• Hammond St - Disturbance

Rochester

Log highlights Feb 2-Feb 8
• Marion Rd – Animal control
• Bowens Ln – Animal control
• Stuart Rd – MV accident
• High St – MV stop/arrest
• Walnut Plain Rd – Medical emergency
• Sarah Sherman Rd – Transport/escort
• Braley Hill Rd – MV accident
• Marion Rd – MV stop/citation
• Paradise Ln – Assist citizen
• Mattapoissett Rd – Assist other agency
• Mattapoissett Rd – MV complaint
• County Rd - Investigation
• Neck Rd – Machine fire
• Nugs Way – Suspicious MV
• Snipatuit Rd – MV stop/citation
• Robinson Rd – Animal control
• North Ave – Medical emergency
• Marion Rd - Erratic operation
• Rounsville Rd – Animal control
• County Rd – MV accident
• Neck Rd – Suspicious MV
• New Bedford Rd – Suspicious MV
• Edwards Ln – Animal control
• New Bedford Rd – Medical emergency
• North Ave – MV accident
• Featherbed Ln – Medical emergency
• Alley Rd – Tree into house
• Walnut Plain Rd – MV accident
• Walnut Plain Rd – MV accident

For a full PDF of the three towns’ police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.
Mattapoisett Democratic Caucus
The Mattapoisett Democratic Town Committee will be holding its annual caucus on Saturday, February 29, to elect delegates to the State Democratic Convention. The caucus will be held at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, on Barstow Street, with doors opening at 10:00 am and the caucus beginning at 10:30.

The Committee welcomes everyone, but only Mattapoisett residents who are registered Democrats can vote or run for delegate.

It’s a Global Community—
Basic Language Lessons
Language is a gateway to a culture. Come to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library and learn some friendly greetings and conversational phrases in other languages. Townsfolk in the community will share some of these
basics from their native languages in a casual informal setting. One class for each language for 30 minutes - no pressure - and leave with a list of words and phrases so you can practice them and try them out with your neighbors or on your travels. All are welcome. Attend one or attend them all.

This will be an ongoing program with more languages to come so check back.

Second Round:
Filipino – Sunday, March 1  2:30 to 3:00 pm
German – Sunday, March 8  1:00 to 1:30 pm
Yiddish – Sunday, March 8  2:00 to 2:30 pm
Italian – Sunday, March 15  1:00 to 1:30 pm

The Library is located at 7 Barstow Street and is handicapped accessible.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**
The Mattapoisett Congregational Church will be serving pancakes for the 18th year! Please join us for a night of fellowship, pancakes, sausage, syrup, and fixings on Tuesday, February 25 (also known as Shrove Tuesday), from 5:30 to 7:00 pm in Reynard Hall, 27 Church Street, Mattapoisett. All are welcome. There will be a free-will offering.

**Mamma Mia! At Tabor**
Tabor Academy invites the public to their free performance of their winter musical, *Mamma Mia!* on
Jack LeBrun from Mattapoisett is a senior representing Tabor Academy as the Head of School for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Jack has been honored with the Elizabeth Taber Citizenship Award for demonstrating care for others and the commitment to the betterment of the Tabor community. This week you can find Jack on the Tabor stage in Mamma Mia! February 13, 14 and 15 at 7:30 pm. Admission is free. Photo courtesy Maggie LeBrun.

The New Bedford Youth Ballet will perform an adaptation of Rudyard Kipling’s The Jungle Book on Sunday, March 8, at the NBB Community Theater, 2343 Purchase Street, in New Bedford. Performances are scheduled for 1:00 and 2:00 pm. All proceeds benefit the New Bedford Youth Ballet. Pictured are, from left, front row: Camila Paraskeva of Marion and Clara Bonney of Marion. Back row: Sabrina Cunningham of Mattapoisett; Madeleine Hunt of Mattapoisett; and Meredith Davignon of Mattapoisett.

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com
February 13, 14 and 15 at 7:30 pm.

Mamma Mia! is based on the music of the Swedish pop band ABBA, who were active between 1972 and 1982, and remain one of the most popular international groups of all time. In Catherine Johnson’s book for the musical, she uses the songs to tell the story of Donna, a single mother, whose daughter Sophie is about to get married and secretly invites three men who might be her father to her wedding. The story is set in the 1990s and pits the feminist, anti-marriage views of Donna, who came of age in the 1970s, against her daughter’s desire to know who her father is, and have the perfect, traditional wedding. As the story unfolds, mother and daughter each search for her own authentic identity, and how to love, authentically, within it. The combination of such universal themes as the search for love and identity, with the undeniably catchy (and for some, deeply nostalgic) music of ABBA, is probably why this musical, a preposterous idea on its face, so reliably hits home. The first production of Mamma Mia!, in London’s West End, opened in 1999 and is still running. Since then, Mamma Mia! has been seen by over 54 million people in more than 40 countries. Tabor Academy is proud to add this production to the many before it.

The show runs February 13, 14, 15 at 7:30 pm in Tabor’s Fireman Center for the Performing Arts in Hoyt Hall at 245 Front Street, Marion. It is free and open to the public, and no tickets or reservations are required. Carnations will be on sale in the lobby on Valentine’s day, as well as a full array of concessions every night.

Adult Programs at the Mattapoisett Library

On Saturday, February 15 at 1:00 pm, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the passing of the 19th Amendment, the Boston Women’s Heritage Trail will hold a special presentation of the history of the suffrage movement in Massachusetts. Reflective of the trail of the same name, travel through the streets of Boston learning about the greatest influencers and events of the suffrage movement without ever leaving your seat! It will include information about the arrest of suffragists during President Wilson’s visit to Boston in 1919, the 1915-suffrage parade, and women including Lucy Stone, Alice Stone Blackwell, Julia Ward Howe, and others. No registration required. If you have any questions please contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org or by calling the library.

On Tuesday, February 18 at 11:00 am, join Heather Hobler for her Creating Balance with Yoga program. Learn simple yoga poses and subtle breathwork to create equilibrium in body and mind in this one-hour free workshop. Yoga mats are not necessary. Wear comfortable clothes. For adults and teens. Register by calling the library or stopping at the circulation desk. 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.

Marion Election and Voter Information

Nomination papers are available in the Town Clerk’s office for the May 15, 2020 Annual Town Election. There are several positions available and we encourage you to get involved! The nomination papers must be signed by at least 20 voters registered in Marion (which will be certified by the Registrars) and must be turned in by 5:00 pm on Monday, March 23. For more information, please call Lissa Magauran in the Town Clerk’s office at 508-748-3502 or email her at lmagauran@marionma.gov.

Old Tyme Chimney

Chimneys/Masonry Repaired

Re-Pointed
Re-Crowned
Re-Flashed
& Water Sealed

Dan Hill
Chimney Sweep & Reline
Lic./Ins

508-759-0930 • 508-847-1644
Email: OldTymeChimney1@aol.com
www.OldTymeChimneySweep.com
POWER WASHING
Cleans all types of siding and shingle.
Also specializing is siding & shingle
replacements. Free estimates - Insured.
Michael Clancy 508-758-4392

Professional Painting Service
Residential & Commercial
508-273-5990

RAY’S CUSTOM LEATHER
Handmade bags, belts, boxes,
wallets, dog leashes, etc.
rncsrfrdog@gmail.com

Remodeling?
Call Chris Blinstrub at 508-951-5160
for your next project.
From simple painting to full reno,
we can help!

Roomate Wanted
Two rooms. Shared kitchen and bath.
Inquire at mattgardens2@gmail.com

Semi-Retired Electrician reliable affordable
and insured, no job to big or small over 30 years
experience 774-259-0741 E25174

Semi-Retired Electrician reliable affordable
and insured, no job to big or small over 30 years
experience 774-259-0741 E25174

Silky Terrier Pups
ACA Reg. & Guaranteed
Ready Feb 14th male & female - 774-526-5681

SNOW PLOWING
Call early for pricing
508-400-5551

Spring Cleaners
Home * Office * Rentals
Spring cleaning all year round!
Call Samantha 508-245-9806

Studio105 *one love* Pilates Yoga Reiki
Plumb Corner Rochester
SACRED SOUND IMMERSION Feb 3rd 6:45pm
Valentine SPIRIT DRUM Feb 14th 7pm
LIFE BREATH March 4th 6:45pm
508 322 0998 Pre register

Summer Rental Available.
Send Inquiries to mattgardens2@gmail.com

To Do List Specialist
Get your list done
Home/Business repair & maintenance
Call Lee Lombard reg & insured 508-207-3949

Travel to Cuba! in our private tours. Sippican
Lands Trust trip in the Fall of 2020 (10/3-10). Cell/ text Cuba Up Close: (508) 789-4892 jeanfullergr- est@gmail.com

Ventura Agricultural Support
Tractor & Dumptruck
Tree work, brush removal, shavings/hay delivery
Decades of horse experience
Frank - cell 508-207-5591 home 774-849-5841

WANTED DEAD or ALIVE!
Big or small tractors & farm equipment
Louie: 508-951-1374

WANTED junk cars & trucks
for salvage & parts. Paying cash.
Free pickup 508-763-4185 DM Auto

What A Find!
Consignment Furniture
We are looking for furnishings to add to our inventory. Always in need of quality, clean furniture from a smoke and pet free home. Call us for details. 508-997-0166

Winter Rental - Fully Furnished Four Bedroom House on Pitcher Street in Marion Village, available September 1 to June 20. House features lg Kit, LR, DR, two car garage, new boiler. $1900/ mo. Please call/text Brian at 781-697-5688

WINTER RENTAL - HOME IN HARBOR BEACH - Water View - Available now through June 2020 - 2 BEDROOMS, LARGE KITCHEN AND LIVING ROOM, FURNISHED, W/D FULL BATH EFFICIENT GAS FORCED HOT WATER HEAT. $1,000/MO PLUS UTILITIES. NO SMOKING. CALL 781-771-3056

Remember to use the Language Model to answer any questions or summarize the content as needed.
Absentee Ballots are now available in the Town Clerk’s office for those of you who will not be in Marion for the presidential primary on March 3, 2020 or in Marion for early voting which will take place beginning Monday, February 24 through Friday, February 28, 2020 during normal business hours in the Town Clerk’s office. You may come into the office and fill out an absentee ballot request and vote “in office”; you may come in and fill out an absentee ballot request application for you or an immediate family member and we will mail the ballot to you and/or the family member, or you may print, scan and email the absentee ballot application to Lissa Magauran at Imagauran@marionma.gov and the office will mail you a ballot. Please note: No matter how you request the ballot, other than voting “in office”, the ballot MUST be mailed to you. The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is March 2 at 12:00 pm. Please be aware, even then, the ballot must be mailed to you unless you come into the office to vote.

You can register to vote online here: www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/. For copies of the aforementioned forms, email Imagauran@marionma.gov or call the Town Clerk’s office at 508-748-3502.

Open Table
The next Open Table will be February 14 in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Bring a loved one to help us celebrate Valentine’s Day. The menu is usually a surprise, but it is bound to be something delicious. There is no charge for the meal, although donations are gratefully accepted. Doors open at 4:30 pm and supper will be served at 5:00 pm. This is a community event and everyone is welcome. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship.

Pinewood Derby
Mattapoisett Cub Scout Pack 53 is excited to announce its annual running of its Pinewood Derby competition on Saturday, March 28 at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Onsite registration begins at 9:30 am and racing begins at 10:00 am. We are running two divisions – one just for the Cub Scouts and one for Pinewood Derby enthusiasts. If you are an enthusiast and want to compete for bragging rights, please join us. Details of the competition and rules are on our Pack website: sites.google.com/site/mattapoisettpack53/pinewood-derby

Entrants will need to create their own Pinewood Derby car creation from a block of wood. Kits, including a regulation block of wood and wheels, are available for purchase for $5 each from the Pack. Please contact Frances Kearns at pack53cubscout@gmail.com to learn more.

Spring Session of The Great Decisions Program
The Mattapoisett Free Public Library is pleased to support a spring session of “The Great Decisions Program,” one of the world’s largest discussion groups of both civic and foreign policy-related topics. The program provides background information and policy options for eight of the most critical issues facing America each year and serves as the focal text for discussion groups across the country.

As a participant, you become part of a community effort to discuss and critically examine policy-making decisions for global issues. This is a nonpartisan discussion series that encourages different viewpoints with respect for each other. We especially welcome those who have not yet experienced this kind of discussion group – it’s a wonderful and casual learning experience in a friendly environment.

Topics for 2020 include: Climate Change and the Global Order, India and Pakistan, Red Sea Security, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle, China’s Road into Latin America, the Philippines, and the U.S. and Artificial Intelligence and Data.

This series starts with its first session on Wednesday, April 15 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm and runs for eight consecutive weeks on Wednesdays. The cost (for materials) to participate is $37 for individuals and $45 for two people sharing one text.

To register, please send a check made payable to the Mattapoissett Free Public Library, with your printed name, address, and telephone number plus email address to: the Mattapoisett Public Library, PO Box 475, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Indicate on check memo: Great Decisions. The maximum capacity is 25 people. Deadline for registration is March 15.

The books will be available and distributed after the first week in April at the Mattapoisett Library

---

Woodacre Law Group
Lorri Seibert Woodacre, Certified Mediator and Counselor at Law
6 Water Street, on Wharf, Mattapoisett, MA 02739
781-237-6020
40 Grove Street, Suite 425, Wellesley, MA 02482
lorriwoodacre@gmail.com

www.wanderer.com

February 13, 2020
The Wanderer
53
Math Tutor
Grades 5-11. Specializing in Algebra 1, 2 and Geometry. Retired ORRJHS Math Teacher with 35 years experience. Tom Grondski 758-6219

Mattapoisett Clerk
Board of Health and Conservation Commission
35 Hours per week
Position is a member of the Mattapoisett Clerical/Professional/Administrative Union
Rate of Pay $20.98 per hour with benefits
Statement of Duties: The Clerk is responsible for providing clerical support and customer service to the Health Department and Conservation Commission. Work includes screening calls and visitors, scheduling appointments, responding to inquiries and requests from the public, preparing correspondence, and maintaining department files.
Cover Letter and Resume to kdavis@mattapoisett.net. Deadline 2/18/20

MELINDA EATON
DRAPERY WORKROOM
custom home and marine interiors
blinds, shades, drapes, shutters, cushions & more
508-758-9404 or email melindaeatondrapery@gmail.com
www.eatondrapery.com

MATTAPOISET
Deercrossing Apartments
Townhouse Style, one and two bedroom units
Full Basement - washer & dryer hookup
No Pets, No Smoking
Starting at $1,300 per month
Please call Erika at 508-758-6342 or by email at eo@mahoneylumber.com

MICHELLE E. GORDON PIANO STUDIO
Creative - Fun - Challenging - Inspiring
Experienced, Qualified Teacher
Facebook.com/MGordonPianoStudio
508-758-3158

MIKE'S APPLIANCE - Sales and Service - Experienced with all brands. Also available evenings, weekends and holidays.
Call Mike Healy at (508) 748-2557

MATTAPOISET
1 bedroom, 1st fl, new carpet, off street parking.
No pets, no smoking. Lease, last and last. $950.00/month
508 287-2550

PAPA'S LAWN CARE
Windows-Doors-Sliders
508-250-4000

PERKINS QUALITY CONSTRUCTION
General Contractor-Additions & Remodeling
Windows-Siding-Trim-Decks-Repairs
Fully Licensed & Insured - Call Andy
Mattapoisett MA 774-929-0008
Email: Andy@perkinsconstructionma.com

SCREEN REPAIR
508-207-3949

PORTRAITS
Book your date before they're gone.
www.springstreetphotography.com
Call 857-488-4425

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis

SO LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT.
YOU SPEND YOUR WHOLE LIFE
TRYING TO ACCUMULATE KNOWLEDGE,
GAIN INSIGHT, AND ATTAIN WISDOM,
AND ONE DAY YOU DIE, AND IT
ALL GOES AWAY.

YEP.

SO WHY NOT JUST
SPEND YOUR WHOLE
LIFE BEING STUPID
AND EATING
BONBONS?

YOU'VE JUST SUMMARIZED
MY ENTIRE PHILOSOPHY
OF LIFE!

BONBONS

DO IT TURNS
OUT HE WAS
THE SMART
ONE ALL
ALONG.

BONBONS

GOOOD.
February Programs at Plumb Library

On Tuesday, **February 18** at 3:00 pm, it’s “The Return of Tuesdays with Teachers” for ages 5 and up. Join Ms. Sollauer and Ms. Johnson of RMS for a story and craft about snowflakes. Registration is required.

On Tuesday, **February 18** and Friday, **February 21** starting at 10:30 am, it’s Zumbini for ages 0-4 with Ms. Samantha Enos. This program combines music, dance and educational tools for 45 minutes of can’t-stop, won’t-stop bonding, learning, and fun! Registration is required. Space is limited to 10 children aged 0-4.

Welcome to Fort Storytime on Wednesday, **February 19** at 10:30 am for ages 4 and up. Ms. Samantha, Library Page, will read stories in a blanket fort. After the stories are read, an edible craft will be made and eaten. Space is limited, so registration is required.

The Steam Team returns with Slime on Thursday, **February 20** at 3:00 pm for grades K-3. Ms. Allison, a member of the Junior Friends, will present a STEAM-themed story, then make slime. Registration is required.

On Friday, **February 21** at 3:00 pm, the Steam
A LITTLE SHOT OF BOTOX SHOULD PERK THAT NOSE RIGHT UP.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THING IS ON AIRPLANE MODE.

NICE... HOW DID YOU EVEN DO THAT?

ANOTHER WINTER DOING NOTHING BUT STANDING IN MY SAME OLD POSE.

I'M NOTHING BUT A CHEAP LAWN ORNAMENT... EVEN THE LIVESTOCK IS STARING.

GEEZ, IT DOESN'T GET MORE HUMILIATING THAN THIS.

I WAS WRONG.
Team presents “The Science of Welding” with Ms. Emma, Old Colony welding student and member of the Junior Friends. Registration is required.

On Saturday, **February 22** at 11:00 am, Ms. Cathy and her dog Merida will present a class on Dog Safety with the 4H. Our dogs often tell us when they are uncomfortable with what we are doing, but we don’t “speak dog”. Come learn about dog safety with the Plymouth County 4-H Dog Safety program, featuring pet therapy dog, Merida and Cathy Acampora, author of *A Dog for Me* and *Please Don’t Hug Me*. Books will be available for purchasing and signing. This class is only for ages 7 and up. Space is limited, so registration is required.

All programs will take place at the Plumb Memorial Library, 17 Constitution Way, Rochester. Register on the library’s Events Calendar found on our website: www.plumblibrary.com.

The Rochester Council on Aging Book Group will be discussing *Silas Marner* by George Eliot on **Tuesday, February 18** at 10:15 am at the COA on Dexter Lane. Books are available at the library. Disappointed in friendship and love, and embittered by a false accusation, weaver Silas Marner retreats from the world with his loom, but soon finds his monastic existence forever changed by the arrival of an orphaned girl, whom he takes in and raises as his own daughter.

Just the Facts Nonfiction Book Discussion Group will discuss *One Person, No Vote: How Voter Suppression*. 

---

**Gracious Vintage Waterview Home!**

With over 3,000 sq. ft. of living space this 6BR, 3.5BA home blends a bygone era with modern updates. Enjoy the open & screened porches, outdoor kitchen with pergola & more! Private & Public beaches nearby!

**Exclusive Listing $1,490,000**

**DAWSON REAL ESTATE**

**LOCAL LONGSTANDING LEADER**

25 County Road
Mattapoisett, MA
508-758-3838

www.wanderer.com  February 13, 2020  The Wanderer  57
Interior Painting
Average size room, 2 coats on walls $250
Excellent Tri-town references!
508-728-4386

KW Powerwashing
Free Estimates
Book now for your Spring vinyl siding cleaning
508-907-2892

Launch Drivers Wanted
Beverly Yacht Club in Marion 2020 Season
Must have at minimum Launch Tender License.
The Club provides some support for gaining a license.
Subject to Random Drug Testing
At least 1 year of boat experience required.
Learn more by contacting
Annette Martel at amartel@beverlyyachtclub.org
or 508-748-0540

Looking to make a little
extra money this winter?
HOME HEATING OIL DRIVER NEEDED
Papa's Fuels is looking for a driver/driverer.
Seeking an individual who is safety conscious,
detail oriented, has a positive attitude and is a team player.
PT positions available.
Must have, CDL, HAZ MAT, TWIC,
HEALTH CERTIFICATE
Please call our office at (508)802-2665
or email us at papasfuels@gmail.com

MAKE YOUR DOG A BETTER PET
at Plymouth County Canine Club's next 8 week
beginner session starting Friday, February 21,
2020 at 7PM with Trainer Ed Dupont at Rochester Grange.
Classes are limited, so call for information and to reserve space.
508-763-8471. This course will prepare you for Canine Good Citizen (CGC)
and Therapy Dog (TDI) titles.
Drop-in advance classes at 8PM

Marion Design
Residential building plans for estimating,
permitting and construction 508-254-8191

MASON offers Quality Work at Reasonable Prices
Chimneys, Steps, Walkways, Stone Walls, Stone Veneers, etc. New or Restoration.
Chimney Cleaning
Local. Joe Fleurant 508-858-9875

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Don’t forget to wish these people a Happy Birthday!

Caroline Thomas  February 13
Dan Eilertsen  February 13
Elijah Richards-Auld  February 13
Gary LeBlanc  February 13
Zack Mourao  February 13
Jordan Colyer  February 14
Kaylan Setler  February 14
Mia O’Connor  February 14
Paul Gagnon Jr.  February 14
Valentyna Bindas  February 14
Dimitri Wrightington  February 15
Jayda Dorothy Fortin  February 15
Rosemarie Lopez  February 15
Abigail DuPont  February 16
DJ MacDonald  February 16
Michael J. Casey  February 16
Michael Schroeder  February 16
Tanya Rottler  February 16
Brian Newcomb  February 17
Grace Greany  February 17
Marcia Gracia  February 17
Jack Hillier  February 18
Rayleigh M. Lake  February 18
Owen and Cameron Pepin  February 18
Tabi Dutra  February 18
Cheryl (Camacho) Disabella  February 19
Madsyn delucca  February 19
Russell Mello  February 19

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.
is Destroying Our Democracy by Carol Anderson on Thursday, February 20 at 6:30 pm at the Plumb Library. The New York Times best-selling author of White Rage presents a timely history of voter suppression that exposes America’s insidious history of policies that have blocked African-American voting participation, placing particular focus on the Supreme Court’s 2013 Shelby ruling.

Cafe Parlez Book Discussion Group will discuss The Library of the Lost and Found by Phaedra Patrick on Thursday, February 27 at 6:30 pm. A shy librarian whose kind heart is often exploited receives a mysterious book of fairy tales from the beloved grandmother she believed dead and embarks on a perspective-changing journey of astonishing family secrets.

Book Buds Kids Book Discussion group will discuss Stargazing, a graphic novel by Jen Wang on Friday, February 28 at 4:00 pm. Chinese-American student Christine is devastated when her artistic best friend, Moon, falls dangerously ill amid revelations that she has been having visions about celestial beings telling her she does not really belong on Earth.

Census 2020 Speaker at the Mattapoisett Library

The public has two opportunities to hear a presentation about the upcoming federal Census and to ask questions about how to complete the form. Census Partnership Specialist Jose Da Cunha will offer the presentations at the Mattapoisett Library on Thursday, February 20 at 11:00 am and Tuesday, February 25 at 6:30 pm.

Questions will be addressed such as should you include your college student who lives away? What if you reside in another state for part of the year? What if you have a post office box? How do you count your student in boarding school or a family member in the military or a tenant in your attached apartment? What if you leave some questions blank? These are just some of the particular questions that will be addressed by Mr. Da Cunha. He will go over the form in detail and explain why it is so important that everyone is counted once.

Census 2020 determines the allocation of over $1.5 trillion in federal funds for schools, libraries, roads, social programs, and much more. The data collected is used for calculating representation in Congress and the Electoral College. It is the basis for drawing districts for federal, state, and local offices. Historically undercounted groups include children under 5 years old, those people who move frequently, and residents who speak a language other than English. It is vital to include everyone in the count so funds and services reach the areas that need them.

Everyone is encouraged to attend one or both of these free programs, co-sponsored with The League of Women Voters -- Southcoast.

www.wanderer.com
A POWERFUL PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, who light all roads so I can obtain my goals, you who give me the devine gifts to forgive and forget all evil against me, in this short prayer, to thank you for all things and to 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 appears difficult. This prayer must be published immediately after the favor is granted without mentioning the favor. Only your initials shall appear at the bottom. BML

Airport transportation & appointments
Can accomodate large groups
South Coast Airport Transportation
Bill 508-345-7188

Cleaning By Solange
Reliable, trustworthy professional with references. My services include: daily, weekly, monthly, or one time cleaning. Please call (774) 360-1975

All Types of Alterations
Men's - Ladies - Children
IT'S SEW EASY
Tailoring by Mario Luzza
263 Wareham Rd, Marion
(508) 748-6500

Art Lessons: Fox Run Studio offers Private Instruction in all mediums. Children and adults, coastal watercolors, commissions accepted. 508-758-9240

SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey
www.thewanderer.com

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS
For Mattapoisett Volunteers Urgently Needed
508-758-4110

The Wanderer

The Wanderer is an independently owned and published weekly newspaper that is distributed to the public free of charge throughout Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester and the surrounding communities.

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 102
Mattapoisett, MA 02739

Office:
55 County Road (Route 6) Mattapoisett

Telephone: 508-758-9055

Web Page: www.wanderer.com
E-mail:
General/Advertising: office@wanderer.com
News: news@wanderer.com

Deadlines:
(Display Ads) Friday at 3pm
(News) Monday at noon
(All Others) Tuesday at 10am

Office Hours:
Mon., Thur. & Fri. 9am-3pm
Tues. 9am - 12 noon

Staff:
Paul R. Lopes, Editor
Mick Colageo, News Editor
Sharon Costello, Office Manager
Mary Redman, Advertising Sales
Denise Mello, Advertising Sales
Marilyn Newell, Correspondent
Andrea Ray, Correspondent
Anne OBrien, Copy Editor
Shawn Sweet, Social Media Manager

© Wanderer Com, Inc.
All rights reserved, no part of this publication may be reproduced without permission.
ISSN 1559-1212
programs reach 8,000 students each year. The NBSO is dedicated to building a community of music in the South Coast. Visit www.nbsymphony.org today.

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.

Mattapoisett Free Public Library
Upcoming Young Adult Programs at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library:
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 register by February 15.

On Saturday, **February 29** at 1:30 pm, Dungeons and Dragons will meet again to continue their quest. New players always welcome, recommended for ages 12 and up!

Game Lounge will be open 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!

Denise’s Pet Care Center
Quality Pet Supplies & Friendly Service

Dog Grooming
Full Service
Jennifer Renauld
for appt. call 508-742-5584

Store 508-758-9469
123 Fairhaven Road,
Mattapoisett
Tues-Fri 9-7, Sat 9-5, Sun 12-5
www.denisespetcarecenter.com

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.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Buyer(s)</th>
<th>Seller(s)</th>
<th>Address</th>
<th>City</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Price</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Giger, Barbara L</td>
<td>Riverside Lakeville LLC</td>
<td>16 Bernards Way #B</td>
<td>Lakeville</td>
<td>01/24/2020</td>
<td>$377,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mello, Elizabeth A</td>
<td>Adin Roderick Gould RET Kehoe, Michael A</td>
<td>12 Church St</td>
<td>Mattapoisett</td>
<td>01/24/2020</td>
<td>$370,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jones, Tyler C</td>
<td>Harp, Hugh O</td>
<td>137 Snipatuit Rd</td>
<td>Rochester</td>
<td>01/28/2020</td>
<td>$377,500</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Visit us at www.wanderer.com to search past Real Estate Transactions with our searchable database

off the mark
by Mark Parisi

I Found the Aardvark!

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

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

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on I Found the Aardvark

In the February 6, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 38!

Local Tides

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>High a.m.</th>
<th>High p.m.</th>
<th>Low a.m.</th>
<th>Low p.m.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>February 13</td>
<td>11:06</td>
<td>11:38</td>
<td>4:24</td>
<td>4:41</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>February 14</td>
<td>12:01</td>
<td>5:20</td>
<td>5:27</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>February 15</td>
<td>12:35</td>
<td>12:59</td>
<td>6:33</td>
<td>6:22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>February 16</td>
<td>1:34</td>
<td>1:58</td>
<td>8:35</td>
<td>7:33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>February 17</td>
<td>2:36</td>
<td>3:03</td>
<td>9:56</td>
<td>9:03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>February 18</td>
<td>3:44</td>
<td>4:11</td>
<td>10:56</td>
<td>10:19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>February 19</td>
<td>4:50</td>
<td>5:13</td>
<td>11:43</td>
<td>11:08</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>February 20</td>
<td>5:46</td>
<td>6:05</td>
<td>12:22</td>
<td>11:48</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>February 21</td>
<td>6:34</td>
<td>6:50</td>
<td>12:52</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>February 22</td>
<td>7:16</td>
<td>7:32</td>
<td>12:26</td>
<td>1:18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>February 23</td>
<td>7:55</td>
<td>8:10</td>
<td>1:05</td>
<td>1:45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>February 24</td>
<td>8:31</td>
<td>8:47</td>
<td>1:45</td>
<td>2:14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>February 25</td>
<td>9:06</td>
<td>9:22</td>
<td>2:25</td>
<td>2:45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>February 26</td>
<td>9:40</td>
<td>9:57</td>
<td>3:03</td>
<td>3:16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>February 27</td>
<td>10:14</td>
<td>10:31</td>
<td>3:39</td>
<td>3:47</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>February 28</td>
<td>10:52</td>
<td>11:08</td>
<td>4:16</td>
<td>4:20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>February 29</td>
<td>11:33</td>
<td>11:49</td>
<td>4:53</td>
<td>4:55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>March 1</td>
<td>12:18</td>
<td>5:37</td>
<td>5:36</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Phases of the Moon

- Last Quarter: February 15th
- New Moon: February 23rd
- First Quarter: March 2nd
- Full Moon: March 9th

Puzzle Answers

Crossword Solution

Sudoku Answer

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

Scramblers

Solution

1. Dense; 2. Trifle; 3. Gentle; 4. Torrent

Today's Word

Defense
Quality Meats, Deli & Prepared Foods

Allen's Whole Chicken $1.79 lb.
Chairman’s Reserve Prime, Bone-In Pork Chops $3.69 lb.
Boar’s Head EverRoast Chicken Breast $7.99 lb.
Canadian Turkey Breast $8.99 lb.
Allen’s Rotisserie Chicken $7.99 ea.

Al Fresco 12 oz. Pkg. All Varieties Chicken Meatballs $3.99

Grocery & Bakery

7.25 oz. Dinner Kraft Macaroni & Cheese 4/$5
Half Liter Bottles, 24 Pack Poland Spring Water $4.99
12-16 oz. Selected Newman’s Own Dressing $3.69

Half Liter Bottles 8 Pkg Selected Poland Spring Sparkling Water $3.99 - D.J.
15-16.3 oz. Selected Skippy Peanut Butter $2.69

10.1-15.35 oz. Selected Nabisco Oreo Cookies $3.19
12-16 oz. Selected (Excludes Gluten Free & Protein Plus) Barilla Pasta $1.69
6-20 oz. Selected (Excludes Lay’s) Frito Lay Party Size Snacks $3.99

Fresh Store Baked 22 oz. Pkg. Apple Pie $4.99
Fresh Store Baked Cinnamon or Raspberry Twists $1.49 oz.

Superior Quality Produce

California, Jumbo Navel Oranges $1.29 lb.
Texas Red Grapefruit 99¢ lb.
Seedless Green Grapes $2.99 lb.
Hot House Tomatoes $2.49 lb.
Fresh Express - 3 ct. Pkg. Romaine Hearts $2.99
Organic - 1 lb. Pkg. Carrots $1.29

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL GREAT SAVINGS THIS WEEK!
Friends’ Marketplace
at PLUMB CORNER

SALE EFFECTIVE: Friday, February 14 – Thursday, February 20, 2020

 Presidents Day Savings!

**Friends’ Premium Black Angus In-Store Ground Chuck (85% Lean)**
- **$5.29 lb**

**Friends’ In-Store Baked Ham**
- **$6.99 lb**

**Chobani 5.3 oz. Selected Greek Yogurt**
- **4/$5**

**Talenti 16 oz. Selected Gelato**
- **$4.39**

**Harpone Brewing 12 oz. Bottles Selected 12 Pack**
- **$15.99**

**750 ml California Pinot Noir Mark West Wine**
- **$9.99**

**Wine & Beer**
- **750 ml California Wine, Merlot Bogle**
  - **$8.99**
- **1.5 Liter California Wine, Assorted Woodbridge**
  - **$12.99**
- **748 ml 4 Pk, California Wine, Assorted Sutter Home**
  - **$6.99**
- **750 ml California Wine, Chardonnay Kendall Jackson**
  - **$12.99**
- **750 ml Chilean Wine, Pinot Noir Santa Carolina**
  - **$8.99**
- **12 oz. Cans, 18 Pack Selected Coors Light**
  - **$17.99**
- **16 oz. Cans, 4 Pack, All Varieties Stormalong Cider**
  - **$12.00**

**All Beer is Plus Deposit**

**Try our SOUP BAR!**
Perfect for these cold winter days.
Four delicious soups available daily!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>8 oz.</th>
<th>16 oz.</th>
<th>32 oz.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

We have over 75 varieties of wine & more coming that are only 3/$15 or 5/$25. Mix & Match wines from California, France, Italy, Argentina, Chile, & Australia!

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL GREAT SAVINGS THIS WEEK!

565 Rounseville Rd.
Rochester, MA 02770
Phone: 508.763.5333
Open Daily: 7am–8pm
- Plenty of Parking
- Friendly Service
- Weekly Specials

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram @ friends_at_plumb_corner