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Jones in Flight as Peter Pan
Old Colony Drama Club
By Mick Colageo

Emma Jones, who will play the title character Peter Pan in the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School Drama Club’s production that begins Saturday night on the Rochester campus, has taken the act out of acting and put in into self-actualization.

“I was not a very confident person as a kid, so when I started doing this it kind of gave me confidence in a sense, and on top of that it fueled my absolute love for Broadway and musical theater and all that. I kind of feel like it came hand in hand,” said Jones, who is playing a lead character for the first time.

As the flying character, the 16-year-old sophomore from Rochester is not afraid to wing it.

“It helped that I have a great co-lead (14-year-old freshman Megan Correia of Freetown plays Wendy Darling). We work really well off of each other,” said Jones, who admits to lingering opening-night jitters. “It’s still that feeling of pure anxiety beforehand. Last year we had a little bit of a fumble where I had a scene with one

Above & on the Cover: Robert Hiller III finally returned on March 3 to his Eastover Farms-area home to a grand welcome of family and friends after a bout with the EEE virus that put the Rochester resident in a coma for 19 days and held him in hospital care for seven months. “Excited, happy to be home, happy to see my family, my house and all my friends,” Hiller said from his driveway amidst a couple of hundred supporters and media coverage including WCVB Channel 5 Boston. “I was worried this day may not come. I’ve been told I’m a miracle. I guess maybe I am.” It is suspected Hiller was bitten by an infected mosquito while on the job managing a cranberry bog. He was admitted on August 5, 2019 and diagnosed on August 10, according to his wife Sandi who described the ordeal as “scary and devastating.” After spending six weeks additional weeks in neural intensive care, two months in Cambridge Spaulding Rehabilitation Center, almost four months at the Cape Cod Spaulding facility and finally the skilled nursing facility, Care-One in New Bedford, Hiller is home. Photo by Mick Colageo
other person here and... he forgot his line completely so I just had to come up with something.”

Jones performed in two shows in junior high school and one prior show at Old Colony.

The famous play by James Matthew Barrie (aka “The Boy Who Wouldn’t Grow Up” and “Peter and Wendy”) received a new take from director Megan Pierce in her second show as director at Old Colony. Last year she directed The Jungle Book.

Pierce’s version of Peter Pan will follow the Darling children as they travel to Neverland, and learn to fly and engage in daring sword fights.

Jonah Duke, a 15-year-old sophomore from Mattapoisett, plays John Napoleon Darling.

“I’ve been villains - last year, I was the main villain. Back in eighth grade it was Snow White and I was Prince Charming. It’s a bit to manage, but you get by,” said Duke, who was part of Old Colony’s robotics team (he writes computer code).

Duke does not know what career he will pursue, but he has an impressive start on some options.

“Some of my dreams is electrical engineer and another big thing I’ve been thinking about is history teacher. I could see myself going into either of those,” said Duke, who enjoys the personalities involved. “You’re not putting you out there. It’s more getting into a role.

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It’s becoming something that I am not always... It’s a challenge and it’s fun to do. It’s interesting, I love it.”

Duke’s father John Duke, a home farmer who used to be an electrician, helped staging the sets. “I always tell everybody my dad’s a worm farmer... he composts and then distributes to other farms,” said Jonah Duke.

In addition to a literal family presence, Jones says the sense of family in the cast and production team extends beyond the theater.

“Most of my friends are here so it’s one of those things where we’re close here, we’re close there, it doesn’t really matter,” said Jones. “And on top of that we do stuff throughout the summer like little parties and get-togethers.”

Jones dreams of someday playing a part in Beetlejuice.

“Anything in musical theater I would love to do,” she said.

Alec Taylor, a 15-year-old sophomore from Rochester, plays Michael Darling, and the cast is rounded out by Faryn Leverone as Captain Hook, with supporting
The Butterfly Man Lands in Marion
Marion Natural History Museum
By Marilou Newell

The Marion Natural History Museum has been educating and exciting the imaginations of youngster and oldsters since 1867. Mrs. Elizabeth Taber’s generosity is still evident today especially in her beloved Marion, where she gifted the town with a glorious library that also houses a museum on the second floor. (The building is fully handicapped accessible with an elevator located on the first floor.)

Taber purchased 10 acres from Captain Allen along Spring Street and had a library erected with the second floor dedicated to the display of materials from the natural world. Taber’s own collections of insects, shells and corals was latter added to with collections donated by the New Bedford Young Men’s Natural History Society in 1874. Another collection containing birds’ nests and eggs was purchased for the royal sum of $100 in 1891. Today many rare and interesting objects are still on display in cases donated by Taber.

Elizabeth Leidhold, MNHM’s director, has been at the helm guiding the museum’s programming for many years. As the headline notes on its website, the museum is, “creating interest, knowledge and awareness of natural history.” As for Leidhold, she takes her job seriously and with joy.

But in today’s world it’s no small task keeping a distracted public engaged. Museum directors must remain vigilant keeping an eye focused on the needs of the community. And like many small communities in the Commonwealth, Marion is an aging community.

With a more-senior population in mind, the museum has launched a series of Wednesday morning presentations geared to a more-mature audience. On February 26, Leidhold hosted the “Butterfly Man”, Joe Dwelly.

Dwelly’s hour-long presentation was filled with all things macrolepidopteran clade Rhopalocera from the order Lepidoptera – aka, butterflies.

Dwelly discussed butterfly characteristics for such beauties as the Painted Lady, Red Admiral, Monarch,
Spice Bush Swallowtail, Black Swallowtail, Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, American Copper, and American Lady. Beyond merely displaying vivid images of one of the most breathtaking species of insects on the plant, Dwelly talked about gardening.

Empathizing the importance of planting native flowering bushes and flowers to attract the butterflies to suburban landscapes, Dwelly also shared that some butterflies “over-winter.” In the northeast, they spin a cocoon around their bodies and hide in leaf piles, or slip under tree bark or house shingles protected from winter weather. To protect the hibernating butterflies, Dwelly suggested not raking up leaves or cleaning garden beds until late spring to give the butterflies an opportunity to
awaken. He advised which types of plants to introduce into home gardens, such plants as narrow-leaved mountain mint, Queen Anne's Lace, milkweed, and a variety of herbs.

Dwelly's photographs, many of which he has taken, showed a thrilling array of wing designs and colored patterns that puts stained glass to shame. Only in nature would we find wings that appear like soft fur coats, edged with ivory lace, and dotted with ruby gemstones. It's interesting to note here that most butterflies have wings that are different from top and bottom. This allows the insects to maintain their glorious coloring from above, while possibly not attracting as much detection from below.

In tandem with this presentation, the museum scheduled a March 4, 10:30 am presentation on wildflowers, just in time to start planting a pollinating garden for butterflies. To learn more about native plants, visit www.nativeplanttrust.org, www.grownativemass.org or www.nanaps.org.

To learn more about butterflies, like Joe Dwelly on Facebook. For more information regarding the Marion Natural History Museum, visit www.marionmuseum.org.

The Prolific Bonaparte’s Gull
By George B. Emmons

The Bonaparte’s gull is named for the French zoologist Charles Lucien Bonaparte, a nephew of Emperor Napoleon. It is the only gull that nests in trees, at the base of fir, hemlocks, or pines, as illustrated. It is also the only gull that can hover to make a shallow dive underwater for fish, just like the osprey.
For the winter migration south along the coast, the Bonaparte gull fades in body color to camouflage with its changing habitat. Along the way, the swept-back top of the black head fades entirely, leaving only one dark spot behind its eye until migrating back here next summer.

Most other local gulls such as the larger herring gull, the vocal laughing gull, the ringed billed gull, and the larger black-headed gull, also morph with age in three phases while migrating. They first lighten in color as they get older. Second, the dark edges of back and wing feathers become more clearly defined in gray like the Bonaparte. Last of all shades of summer are morphed while migrating to camouflage with the winter habitat.

Surprisingly, the necessity to protect gulls with
exotic plumage from extinction from the feather trade has been part of the National Audubon and Science Organization since its founding with passage of the Migratory Bird Act of 1918. It is estimated that, of the 314 species of gulls on this continent, as many as 85 of those species may be extinct by the year 2080 due to global climate change and pollution.

The term ‘seagull’ is a misnomer because many inland species like the Bonaparte gull never get to see the ocean. The Bonaparte, for instance, flocks along almost any aquatic environment, including lakes, ponds, and streams. It is a prolific survivor, able to hover and then make a shallow dive below the water’s surface, much like the osprey. Because of their small size and frantic wing beats, it often can supplement a fish diet with insects as well as wading for crustaceans.

The shrill cry of Bonaparte’s cheer, cheer, cheer heard gregariously over both the coastal and inland waterways is one of the most iconic sounds announcing the coming of spring. As the Earth is now slowly turning its face of the northern hemisphere into the direct rays of the sun, the prolific Bonaparte gull will once again appear on the wings of the Vernal Equinox.

46 Water Street a Home of National Distinction
By Marilou Newell

Marion’s village neighborhood is known for its quaint seaside qualities, residences maintained to impeccable standards, gardens designed to frame landscapes, and many properties with a backdrop of Sippican Harbor. Among the numerous examples of architectural elegance, one has added to its storied history with recognition by the US Department of the Interior - 46 Water Street.

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Purchased in 1986, the couple has continuously renewed the interior to more closely resemble its original colors and themes. Judith said when they acquired the home, “The house had not been decorated since the mid-1960s.” She said the colors were all wrong for a home built in 1893.

Yet the exterior of the structure was intact with its unique shingle-style, a favored style choice for expansive summer homes of the era. The architect was James Templeton Kelley who designed the unifying shingle covering with a front façade distinguished by a large gambrel roof and three dormer windows across the second story.

Judith has always had a strong interest in history and over more than two decades has been an active member of the Sippican Historical Society. The society attempted to help preserve old homes in the community via adoption of a bylaw.

Several failed attempts to have Town Meeting adopt such bylaw measures, measures that would give old homes slated for demolition one last chance, still troubles Judith. “We just wanted to slow down the demolition long enough to maybe find another option for the property and the seller,” she said.

Turning her focus to her own home, Rosbe began the long process of having the home recognized by the Massachusetts Historical Commission, which was no
small task. “It is a long and complicated process,” Rosbe said. On the advice of the MHC, the couple hired a specialist with knowledge of the process and the research required.

Judith said of the MHC advice, “They gave me a list of people who do this type of work.” She explained that the very first step, however, was having the town surveyed for historical purposes. Marion had already completed that process some years prior. All that was left was to hire the right expert and two more years.

It worked. The home was recognized for its shingled architecture and one special summer visitor, President Grover Cleveland. Cleveland was an avid fisherman whose friend encouraged him to visit Marion for the fishing. The Clevelands spent two summer seasons in the Water Street home. There was talk that they were interested in buying the property. Failure to reach an agreement with the owner resulted in the first family selecting a summer retreat in Bourne that would be known as Gray Gables.

The MHC, Rosbe said, forwarded on the completed application to the Department of the Interior.

After review and acceptance of the documentation, the National Register of Historic Places sign is now affixed to the wall next to the front door. A true accomplishment and, while such recognition does not guarantee perpetual protection, Rosbe said with conviction, “This home will never be torn down.”
Coronavirus Preparation and Prevention
Mattapoisett Public Health Nurse, Marion, and Rochester
Public Health Departments, Marion Public Health Nurse,
Southeast Health Systems
By Marilou Newell
It may be surprising to learn that in February 2019,
national and international health agencies were aware of
the coronavirus now known as COVID-19. The Centers
for Disease Control and Prevention at that time noted it
was “an emerging, rapidly evolving situation.” However,
the disease was not then and still is not well-understood.
By January 31, 2020, the CDC was reporting “…this is a
public health emergency of international concern.” This
week, the World Health Organization (WHO) stated,
“It is now at the highest level of alert… it can go in any
direction.”

So what are local agencies doing at this point?
They are actively solidifying their plans and their teams,
checking supplies, reaching out to civilian medical
volunteers, and striving to ensure that first responders
have what they need to not only do their job but assist the
public.

Old Rochester Regional School District
Superintendent Douglas White said in a letter to
parents on February 28, “…The Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention is providing daily updates and
recommendations.” Parents were encouraged to visit the
CDC website www.cdc.gov. The letter also stated, “…
while this is a public health concern, the CDC continues
to report that the immediate risk to the general public
remains low.” The letter goes on to urge good hygiene
practices, with number one “hand washing” and number
two “don’t touch your face” and, of course, keeping
sick students home. That letter is available on the school

The Wanderer also reached out to Karen Walega,
Board of Health Director for Marion and Health Director
for Rochester. She said that local teams, which include not
only schools and public health officials but fire and police
departments, are all gearing up.

“We had a table-top exercise with all Tri-Town
entities on February 11,” Walega said. Sandwich Fire
Chief John Burke conducted the exercise, which gave
the attendees the opportunity to share ideas and best
practices for various emergency scenarios. “We are
dusting off our plans,” Walega stated, “…getting feedback
on plans, making improvements, making sure we have
our volunteers ready, checking supply inventories.” It
would be a multi-layered response, she said.

Dr. Dani Hackner, physician-in-chief for Southcoast
Health System which operates Tobey, St. Luke’s, and
Charlton hospitals, told the Wanderer, “Travel is a
personal decision,” but he urged serious consideration
before embarking on any unnecessary travel. “There are
no restrictions other than those posted by the CDC,”
regarding travel out of the country, he noted, but when
asked if he would suggest suspending all travel he said,
“I’d avoid any nonessential travel at this point.”

“It’s a challenging situation,” Hackner said, given
that the COVID-19 symptoms are akin to any flu more
commonly known, symptoms such as fever, coughing,
sneezing, chills, headache lasting for a few days. But he
said there was increasing “goodwill” between national
and international agencies with accompanying good
collaboration which will help with containment. “We are
preparing for the worst and hoping for the best,” he said.

Hackner said the steps to follow if feeling sick

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is to first and foremost call the doctor. “They’ll know whether you should come into the office and be seen.” He emphasized the importance of staying home before seeking medical treatment unless symptoms were more than normal flu-like symptoms. If the doctor does elect to have a patient seen in the office, “…by calling ahead they can be prepared for your arrival.” And what was the doctor’s advice for protecting oneself against infection, “…handwashing for a full 30 seconds and not touching your face.” Hackner reiterated what news outlets have been reporting: there is no treatment, no medications, only standard management of the disease should someone become ill.

Kathleen Downey, Marion’s Public Health Nurse, agreed that the disease is not well understood at this time, meaning, “People could be walking around with it, pass it on and never have symptoms themselves.” She said she is advising everyone to “not shake hands” or “hug” when greeting one another. “People are going to have to take personal responsibility,” she stated. Regarding any emergency situation she said, “We should all be able to take care of ourselves in our homes for at least two weeks.” This means having enough food and other essential materials at the ready in the event personal confinement is required. Downey stressed this point, saying, “If someone is ill they should isolate themselves from others, (and) stay home.”

Downey said sourcing critical gear for first responders and those working directly with the sick is paramount. “There aren’t enough N-95 respirators right now.” And while the message seems to be escalating in its urgency, Downey said she wanted people to feel empowered by stocking up on food and other essentials in the event they have to isolate themselves for a period of time.

It is a cautionary story for sure. “Not everyone will get better, (and) not everyone will get sick. There wouldn’t be enough beds locally if there are many cases needing medical support services; we just don’t know right now what all that would look like,” Downey said of widespread infection.

Mattapoisett’s Public Health Nurse, Amanda Stone, added her voice, saying, “The most timely information is on the CDC website.” She said that, given the rapidly changing status of COVID-19, the CDC is the best place for people to get information. Those people who do not have internet access may call her directly at 508-758-4100.

“People need to know that prevention is the most important thing… social distancing 3-6 feet… not hugging… handwashing. It seems simple but it’s critical,” Stone said. Yet the same hygiene practices are employed for any communicable disease, she explained.

Regarding the workforce, Stone said, “We need employers to support employees who are sick and staying home, letting them work from home if possible.”

Travelers can access specific travel-related information from the CDC, Stone added, by visiting

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The wearing of masks for those who are not sick is not necessary, Stone stated. She said that unless someone is ill or in a clinical environment, the wearing of masks by healthy persons will not help them. Masks help to contain the spread of disease from those already sick, she explained.

Back at the CDC, they are reporting, “…we are operationalizing all pandemic preparedness and response plans… on multiple fronts, including assisting communities to respond to local transmissions.” Their guidance also includes halting all non-essential travel to China and 46 other countries.

Everyone we spoke to for this report agreed that
this was likely just the beginning. The World Health Organization has reported 2,900 deaths globally with 85,000 reported cases of COVID-19. On March 1, the first cases were reported in Rhode Island.

ORR Superintendent Finalists Interviewed  
By Mick Colageo
Having formally interviewed the three finalists to replace Doug White as superintendent of schools, the ORR District School Committee, Superintendency Union No. 55 and the Tri-Town school committees are facing a decision that may come down to which kind of experience they most trust to lead the next generation of Tri-Town

students; the most or the most direct.
That decision will be made in a meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 5, at 6:30 pm in the media room at Old Rochester Junior High School.
On February 29 at the same location, the three finalists for superintendent of schools, Gary Reese, Michael Nelson, and Michelle Roy, were interviewed in succession for approximately 90 minutes each.
The ORR School Committee presided with delegates and participants representing Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester.
Each candidate opened with an introductory statement, then fielded a lengthy list of prepared and later unprepared questions, many of which were repeated in some form for each candidate. Then each candidate was given the opportunity to ask questions of the committees and, finally, make closing remarks.
Of critical importance based on a survey of residents was the criteria of experience communicating, preparing, reviewing and presenting budgets.
None of the three finalists has gone through an entire budget process from start to finish as a superintendent or in a single school district, but all three pointed to experiences in related parts and/or roles that they consider applicable.
While serving as assistant superintendent in Amesbury, Reese faced staffing losses necessitating that he act as the director of special education, then when the school lost its business manager, he served in that capacity at the start of the budget process.
“It was stressful,” he said, “but it was helpful because I delved into the budget in a way I wouldn’t have.”
As Westport’s assistant superintendent, Reese said had success negotiating with teaching assistants, cafeteria, custodial and office staff to annualize to 26 rather than “21 or 22” pay periods. In addition to his last five years in a major role identifying curriculum, he said that Amesbury had been outsourcing the transportation of a group of students and by getting the school its own van saved $170,000.
As assistant superintendent at ORR the past six
years, Nelson has overseen the special education budgets. “In six years, I have not had to go back to the town and ask for additional funds,” he said. In Walpole Public Schools, Nelson said he managed and oversaw the special-education budget to make sure the superintendent there understood for his budget at large.

Roy negotiated in five of her six years at Dartmouth, working with teachers, teachers’ assistants, nurses and other staff. She noted that she had not previously seen the high school schedule being subject to the teachers’ contract.

She described her participation at Dartmouth beginning with a team approach to the budget including the five-member school committee and school principals.
The essential-office team, as she called it, coded each item green, yellow and red, tried to meet somewhere in the middle and then formulated a presentation to the school committee and finance committee.

“We look at if there are any efficiencies that we can combine,” she explained, noting a recent opportunity to make two retirements into one staff replacement.

Asked how he saw his relationship to the school committee, Reese answered, “I’m a member of the team, but I’m also team captain.”

Nelson said he wants to extend his relationship with members of the school committees beyond budget meetings to build trust.

Roy said her math background influences her to work from the outside in, understand all the roles and then delve into the middle.

Hypothetical questions were posed, one of them asking the finalists what would be first item cut in a $200,000 budget shortfall.

Reese said he would sit down with the administration team and discuss potential areas of savings, alluding to a four-year study done leading to a discovery at Westport that resulted in cutting the heating and electricity budgets.

Nelson said he would tighten the belt around supplies and look for entitlement grants that could shift parts of the budget. “I would not want to try to impact the rate of services, rather the content areas,” he said.

Roy was asked what she would do with a $200,000 surplus, saying she would investigate the needs and alluded to a recent situation in which Dartmouth was able to open up its therapeutic program involving trauma aid, transitioning the grade spans to make it work. She also spoke about upgrading technology in the classroom.

The process was lengthy but provided an opportunity for the committees to get to know each finalist as well as banter over some complex questions.

Reese said knowing that social and emotional well-being as “an area of focus for ORR” attracted him to the school. Reese said that Westport’s “beliefs” did not match his own, adding the ORR’s beliefs focus on social/emotional learning and the impact that can have on a student’s academic performance.
He also alluded to an incident during his visit to ORR in which a student-athlete was wearing headphones and a faculty member addressed the misstep with tact, something he wished he saw more of in other places he had worked.

For the past two years, Reese has been the superintendent of Westport Community Schools, and during his 25 years in education has in addition to Amesbury also held administration positions in Millbury and Woburn. Woburn has 14 schools.

All three finalists for the superintendent’s job are in the process of completing work toward a doctoral degree.

Given several job changes in recent years, Reese’s main challenge is convincing the committee that he is in it for the long haul. He said he moved to southeastern Massachusetts for personal reasons, and that rendered Amesbury too long a commute to keep a job that he enjoyed. He stopped short of saying he would want to live in the Tri-Town area, citing the value of a commute for decompressing from a long day’s or week’s work.

“I’m looking for a place to call home, finish out my career,” he said, stressing the importance of making himself visible and accessible especially during the first school year on the job.

Nelson sees his greatest challenge in delegating. He also must convince the district that his experience as an assistant superintendent at ORR is enough for position repeatedly referred to in questions as one suited for the
Nelson articulated respect and praise for outgoing superintendent Doug White but made a point of he will try to make the office more responsive “in real time”. “We have very different leadership style,” said Nelson.

To bridge his unique gap having held a role in the school system the past six years to becoming the superintendent of schools, Nelson said, “Whether it’s a new district or not, I need to reintroduce myself. Some people know exactly what I do and for some it’s ambiguous. I would need to design an entry plan.”

Nelson plans to make himself visible and approachable by attending extracurricular activities, including sporting events where people have a comfort

Potential Route 6 Solutions Considered

Marion Board of Selectmen and Water/Sewer Commissioners

By Mick Colageo

Jed Cornock, principal and comprehensive planner with Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), presented the organization’s Route 6 Corridor Study Results and offered the Marion Board of Selectmen options for the town to consider during its March 3 meeting at the Town House.

Route 6 has been discussed frequently as a sore subject in desperate need of repair.

Cornock’s main question to the board was broken down into four options, two with four-lane scenarios and two with two lanes.

Route 6 is a four-lane highway through its Marion stretch, unlike part of the route that reduces to two lanes in the commercial districts of Wareham and Mattapoisett.

Cornock identified main areas of concern including the nearby intersections of Route 6 with Spring and Front streets, the “S-curve area,” and the angular entries from Creek and Converse roads.

Recommendations included a light signal or rotary at Spring Street, protected lanes from Front Street for left turns onto Route 105 in both directions, and geometric improvements for the turning forks at Creek and Converse.

zone away the trappings of the school building.

Nearing the end of his sixth year in the ORR district after serving as Walpole district-wide coordinator of special education, the Plymout resident initially thought the invitation to apply for the superintendent position was out of courtesy until he evaluated his experience and realized he considers himself an excellent candidate.

Roy entered Dartmouth amidst an upheaval of administrative staff and contentious relationship with the union. The school system has lost its superintendent, assistant superintendent, and Roy was hired by the interim superintendent. Her immediate tasks were to build the culture, work with the team and regain the trust.

Today she considers herself happy at her job, and her interest in coming back to ORR is based on a rare opportunity to complete her career circle.

Roy’s self-admitted challenge is in getting out of her social comfort zone. An adept presenter in large gatherings, she said it was challenging for her in a less formal setting.

A Rochester resident with local education history - from 1985 to 2005 she was director of personal instruction for grades K-12 at ORR - Roy has a math background and is currently assistant superintendent of Dartmouth Public Schools.

“I’m a Rhode Island girl and, if you know anything about Rhode Island, we don’t usually leave the state,” said Roy, who had intended to raise her family closer to home but fell in love with the Tri-Town region right out of college. “In the time I left, my skillset has grown. I would love to come back and finish my career where I started.”

I’m confused about rabies vaccines for my dog and cat. I hear about 1,2 and 3 year vaccines. What’s the deal?

Talk to your vet about the specifics of their wellness programs, but the Massachusetts law requires that dogs and cats be vaccinated for rabies by 6 months of age. A booster shot should follow in 9 to 12 months. The second shot is good for three years assuming that the vaccine is licensed for 3 years. If the second shot is even a day late over the 12 month period the vaccine is automatically only legal for 1 year. So don’t delay after getting a reminder card saying your pet is overdue for shots.

The same law applies to cats but some people prefer 1 year rabies shot in cats as a 3 year vaccines contain a substance that can cause cancer at the vaccination site in a very small percentage of cats. Again, talk to your vet about your preferences.

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Illustrated plans showed proposals to fill in around those roads and made them into 90-degree turns to curb speed leaving Route 6, and for improving visibility turning onto Route 6.

Two-lane scenarios would widen sidewalks and give the option of having bicycles share the sidewalk or have their own lane either on the same elevation as the sidewalk or level with the traffic lanes.

Other improvements proposed include: retroreflective signage; LED lighting; “continental” and “ladder” style crosswalks; reconstructed drains; the removal of telephone poles to achieve ADA compliance; and (if the road is left in its current configuration) the addition of bicycle signage. “In Massachusetts, bicycles are considered to be a vehicle,” said Cornock.

Marion resident Mike Tracy spoke in opposition to the two-lane option. “I sit in Boston traffic every day, and I feel like reducing to two lanes will cause traffic congestion. The other concern I have is, God forbid, we have a hurricane,” he said.

Selectboard Vice Chairman John Waterman assured Tracy that nothing has been decided, but that it is time for the town to start considering different options, including varying solutions for different parts of Route 6 in Marion.

The Board also approved Marion Board of Health’s February 18 vote to withdraw from the Tri-Town Health District effective June 2021. The town is examining options for a potential future association or to go it alone.
“We have time to do a good job and do it right,” said Health Board member Dot Brown.

Police Chief John B. Garcia appeared to take questions on his upcoming retirement and the process of selecting his replacement. The procedure used when Garcia was selected in 2017 will invite sergeants and lieutenants to apply with letters due on April 24, setting the table for interviews to be conducted during the May 18 week, which falls after Town Meeting.

Town Administrator Jay McGrail recommended that Garcia sit in on the interview process.

Garcia said, “We’re not only preparing people for the positions they’re in but for the positions above them. I might be biased, but I think it worked out pretty well (in my case).”

The board approved adjusted hours of operation for Town Hall from May 26 through Tuesday, September 28. The “summer” hours will be Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm, and from 8:00 am to noon on Fridays. The approval was given on a one-year basis for 2020.

McGrail’s report included a board update on the town’s preparation for a potential outbreak of COVID-19 (aka Coronavirus). “We’ve been as proactive as we can,” he told the board. “I think we have a pretty good team.”

A meeting was scheduled for March 4 with the command team of department leaders.

The board indicated it will write a letter on behalf of the Kittansett Club regarding its application for an alcohol license.

Citing some 60 articles, McGrail has scheduled a “pre-town meeting” briefing for Monday, April 27, at 6:00 pm at the Music Hall.

There will also be a Massachusetts principals’ legislative breakfast from 8:00 to 10:00 am on Friday, March 6, in Carver.

Rochester Green Grant Monies Helping

By Marilou Newell

With just over $1-million in energy upgrades identified throughout Rochester’s municipal buildings,
Facilities Manager Andrew Daniel said, “We’re getting the biggest band for our buck.”

Daniel told the Rochester Board of Selectmen on March 2 that the $135,960 grant received from the Massachusetts Green Communities Program has been utilized to improve various municipal buildings in ways that provide energy cost savings.

After identifying a massive list of potential energy improvements and prioritizing those improvements, Daniel said the town would be saving approximately $30,000 in energy expenditures. Seemingly small changes will equate to big improvements, he indicated.

Daniel pointed to LED lighting upgrades at the Council on Aging, Highway Department, Town Hall, and Police Department which will bring $20,000 in savings, he said. Other improvements include weather stripping at Rochester Memorial, pipe wrapping for HVAC systems and insulation to building(s). Other upgrades include automatic controllers, smart light switches, thermostats and heat pumps, he said.

“These are good savings on the budget,” Daniel stated, then added, “Now it’s implementation time... we feel good about this.” He also indicated that a small unused portion of the grant will be earmarked for additional consulting fees for Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) without whose assistance, he said, would have made the project much more difficult. Daniel also said that
additional grant applications would be considered.

In other business the selectmen voted in agreement with the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board in exercising the town’s Right-Of-First-Refusal for property identified as Map 43A Lots 34, 66, and 68, passing on the option to buy.

The selectmen also voted to accept FEMA flood-plain mapping changes and have those changes reflected in the town’s bylaw with the Planning Board implementing the updated mapping details. The annual town meeting warrant will have an article asking voters to approve the mapping updates. The FEMA mapping changes have resulted in some property owners getting relief from the necessity of having to purchase flood insurance, Selectman Greenwood Hartley noted.

Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon stated that FEMA mapping changes would be adopted by the agency and published on July 22, 2022, but that the town needed to change corresponding bylaw language in advance of that date.

The board also discussed with Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar upcoming road race permitting. Hartley expressed concern that some roads were simply “dangerous” for such activities. He asked that at the next safety meeting the topic of where to allow these recreational activities to take place be reviewed.

On the issue of the expanding COVID-19 outbreak, Szyndlar said all public health officials, schools, and first responders had been meeting and monitoring all available information. She said that table-top exercises had been taking place to ensure planning was adequate, including meetings with Old Colony Regional Technical Vocational High School, the town’s dispensing center, in the event of area-wide emergencies. “We are all in this together,” Szyndlar said.

The selectmen took no action on this night regarding affordable-housing planning. Instead they asked that it be put on the agenda for their next meeting when the full board would be in attendance.

The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen is scheduled for March 16 at 6:00 pm in the town house meeting room.
Highs and Lows of Marion’s Commitment to School Budgets
Marion Board of Selectmen Joint Session with FinCom, School Committees, Water and Sewer
By Mick Colageo

The good news and bad news of Marion’s education budget came out during the February 26 joint session to review and discuss the draft budgets for Fiscal Year 2021 with the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee and Old Rochester Regional and Sippican School Committees at the Town House.

Marion’s contribution of 82.5 percent for FY2021 is the most it can be.

The good news was prefaced by Town Administrator Jay McGrail, who took the floor from Board of Selectmen Chairman Randy Parker and informed the meeting that the town managed to maintain the requested growth rate.

“The Finance Committee came to me and said they want to see growth at 2 percent, and that’s what we tried to do here. (ORR superintendent Doug White) listened to that, that’s what I passed on to Doug, and as far as the Sippican budget and the ORR budget, he came pretty close to that,” announced McGrail.

When delving into the Sippican School budget, White explained that Chapter 70 (money that comes from the state into the Tri-Town area to support education in the local region and at Upper Cape Tech) gleans
information from FY2018 and uses 2017 for income information.

The state also took into consideration residents’ property valuation and income and arrived at a contribution of 17.5 percent to the town’s public education. That leaves the town holding the bag for the other 82.5 percent.

“They’re funding us at the minimum number they possibly can,” said White of the state.

The Student Opportunity Act designed to bring additional education money into Marion will contribute no more than $30 per student, slightly up from the $25 the town had received per student (a 1.5 percent change).

“Education in our three communities and in Marion has been supported through the taxpayers and the citizens of the community, and they’ve provided the support and education that we’ve been able to do,” said White. “And we’re thankful for that because I think we’re supported well as we’re moving forward.”

Board of Selectmen Vice Chairman John Waterman asked for and received confirmation that the state’s formula to calculating aid is not subject to any influence from towns.

“We’re not getting a lot of support,” said White. The budget was set on Oct. 1, 2019, then enrollment increased from 432 to 444 students in anticipated enrollment for the 2020-21 school year.

Sippican has from 18-22 students per classroom, three rooms at each grade level, a preschool with 23 students as a whole (some of those students for two days a week). White indicated that the same number of teachers will keep class sizes in the 20-22 range.

FinCom Chairman Peter Winters was not satisfied with the presentation because the format had income offsetting expenses before FinCom was able to see the numbers.

“The budget is offset by the circuit-breakers. There is an operating budget and a circuit-breaker budget. Those are net,” said Lincoln Lynch, who assisted White in preparing the budget for presentation.

“They don’t accurately reflect expenses,” said Winters. “We just got this tonight. How are we supposed to review this and figure out what the cost of something actually is?”

Judy Mooney, Assistant Town Administrator, explained that the method is necessary in the effort to arrive at a budget, and thus the presentation with offsets.

Waterman said that budget and analysis are two different disciplines, implying that analysis cannot force its way into the budget process without becoming counterproductive.

ORR Assistant Superintendent Mike Nelson explained circuit-breakers as “relief for students that are high needs fitting a certain fiscal (profile)”.

“So essentially the home district owns the first $45,000 of special-education services for a special-education student, and any cost above that foundation rate of $45,000, we put in for state reimbursement and typically we are reimbursed at a rate of 75 percent. Those funds then come back into the district and then we’re able to use them either for unexpected education costs such as a move-in or for budget offset because we have to use that reimbursement within a two-year window.”

The ORR school committee is asking for social and emotional support that goes along with its strategic plan. A couple of years ago, ORR moved from a social worker to a behaviorist. Differences between the two include a social worker works with DCF, whereas a behaviorist would not. A social worker would also support families by making connections with the community for shelter and food. Another program ORR has is transitioning sports teams’ coaches to the union contract.

Mattapoisett Receives $1.071-Million in Grants
Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee
By Marilou Newell

On February 28, before the Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee opened its meeting, Town Administrator Mike Gagne said the town had been awarded several grants.

The town received a much sought-after U.S. Economic Development Administration grant, totaling $735,000. Gagne said he had been learned of the award on February 28. The grant is earmarked for infrastructure
and roadway improvements to Industrial Drive.

Adding to the big payday, Representative Bill Straus’ office announced two grant awards known as Coastal Community Grants. Straus stated, “Mattapoisett will receive two separate awards. Improvements at Long Wharf will benefit from a $216,000 coastal-infrastructure grant, and the town will also receive a $120,000 planning grant for the development of a municipal waterways plan.” That’s a stunning total of $1.071 million, Gagne said.

Continuing on with good news, school facility director Gene Jones had some to share when he met with the Capital Planning Committee. He shared that a whopping $1.2 million had been spent by Eversource to upgrade lighting throughout the schools located in Mattapoisett. “This means a savings of about $8,000 a month,” he said of energy-cost savings from the retrofit program.

Local schools’ capital needs were also discussed with Jones saying it was necessary to advance a request for telephone upgrades in the amount of $30,000 from FY23 to FY21. He said copper telecommunication lines are not functioning properly and that an internet-based system was mandatory to ensure that security systems and interagency communications were functional.

Gagne inquired if the Old Rochester Regional District School Committee was ready to present its capital needs. Jones responded that in two weeks that plan would be ready for review. Gagne acknowledged that funding of capital needs for the ORR schools still needed to be worked out between among the Tri-Town communities, but having the plan was critical towards understanding short and long-term funding requirements, he said. Jones said the ORR report would include a breakdown for each town indicating their portions.

Jones also reported that the roof system at Old Hammondtown School was at the end of its warranty and that cost estimates were $1.3 million. However, he said that a program offered by the Massachusetts School Building Authority would offset that figure. Jones stated that he would draft a letter to MSBA outlining the need for the building’s roof replacement. He said the letter was...
a prerequisite before applying for funding.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee is scheduled for March 5 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall conference room.

55+ Subdivision Moving Forward
Rochester Conservation Commission
By Marilou Newell

After many, many hearings, REpurpose Properties, LLC finally received conditions for the construction of 22 duplex units for people over the age of 55. During the Rochester Conservation Commission March 3 meeting, Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon presented a long list of conditions for the commissioners to consider. Nearly 40 conditions, ranging from those related to the construction process to those that will reach into perpetuity, were discussed.

Chairman Michael Conway added the requirement for keeping logs for various aspects of maintenance. Those logs would cover such systems, as stormwater discharge rates, maintenance of surface infiltration systems and that copies of the logs be provided to the Conservation office.

The commissioners were unanimous in closing the public hearing and issuing the order-of-conditions. The project has not completed processes related to the Planning Board, but Brian Wallace of J.C. Engineering, the developer’s representative, said that at that board’s next meeting he anticipates receiving a draft decision.

Also coming before the commission were members of SEMASS/Covanta for an Emergency Certification for tree pruning and removal within a 25-foot “no-touch zone.”

Daniel Peters, Sr., Environmental Engineer for SEMASS/Covanta, explained in detail the necessity of removing 51 trees and pruning nearly double that number. He said that during plant upgrades, it was found that a critical fiberoptic cable was in imminent danger of being severed by tree branches. He said that discussions with Eversource, owner of the communications cable, uncovered the importance of the line – if it goes down the plant goes dark.

Peters said that the resource-recovery facility handles more than a third of all waste in the Commonwealth. “…the cable is a critical link between Eversource and SEMASS/Covanta,” he said.

The 1,500 feet of cable is suspended between utility poles, prompting discussion between the commissioners that it should be placed underground. Peters agreed that in retrospect that should have been considered. However, time was of the essence to protect the cable now, he asserted, while admitting that the last thing anyone wanted to do was work within a no-touch zone.

“If this facility goes black, it would be a catastrophe for the Commonwealth,” Peters concluded. The work was approved.

Continued until April 7 was the RDA for improvements to Leonard Pond Recreational Area off Mary’s Pond Road, as well as the NOI filed by Steen Realty and Development Corporation for construction of 208 affordable-housing units off of Route 28 near the junction of Route 58.

The next meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission is scheduled for March 17 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall meeting room.

SRPEDD Report Cites Route 6 Needs
Marion Planning Board
By Mick Colageo

Town Planner Gil Hilario told the Marion Planning Board at its March 2 meeting that the report on the Route

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6 Corridor Study Draft from the Southeastern Regional Planning Economic and Development District (SRPEDD) has been updated on the town website, MarionMA.gov. Comments are due by March 17 and can be mailed to SRPEDD Project Manager Jed Cornock at 88 Broadway, Taunton, MA 02780.

The report recognizes the need for more crosswalks, LED lights and making sidewalks (American Disabilities Act) compliant. The Spring Street intersection had a poor score, and Hilario said that a lot of results are screaming that Marion has some of the worst Route 6 conditions.

Selectman John Waterman, who attended the meeting, said, “The challenge for us... we’re afraid this plan is going to go on the shelf and nothing’s going to get done unless we push... Getting it from study to reality is another thing.”

Board member Eileen Marum noted that sidewalks were reconstructed in Fairhaven but left the utility poles in the middle, making them unusable for the disabled.

Board member Christopher Collings said the condominium projects proposed at the Wareham town line will add 25 percent more traffic “in one fell swoop.” Waterman countered that the development does not compare to traffic that the marijuana dispensary will pose (i.e. 2,000 cars per day).

What was clear from both comments was the challenges Marion is facing on Route 6 and with infrastructure.
"We don’t have enough sewer to support these projects," said Collings. "If we’re not at max capacity, with this (condominium) project we will be."

Of the 575 gallons processed each day at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, half of it is infiltration of water, according to Waterman. "We’re never going to get rid of 250,000 gallons of water a day, but if we can do half of that…," he said would make a significant difference.

Earlier in the meeting, Hilario’s Green Communities Projects Update outlined ideas to meet the next grant-round deadline of March 27.

After a walkthrough at Sippican School, the Harbormaster building and other town facilities, Hilario said his search for new-project ideas and strategizing on what to apply for this year in order to make Marion competitive for aid yielded options in the area of conversion from oil to gas. Furnace conversion, replacement, and insulation at some facilities around town were discussed.

“I did look at Town House a little bit,” he said regarding its windows.

Marum asked Hilario if he had considered a heat pump to get away from fossil fuel. Hilario said a heat pump works better in small spaces. “We are looking at it. We’re looking at the options with the most payback,” he said.

Marum also brought up electronic controllers, and Hilario said geothermal could work in a new building.

Andrew Daniel, the vice-chairman acting as chairman in Will Saltonstall’s absence, stressed the importance of what he called “the envelope” and “air-gapping.”

The specialty windows at Town House rule out a grant, according to the board.

“So you may not get a grant for new windows, but they’re still worth doing,” said board member Joe Rocha.

Board member Norman A. Hills said the town removed and reinstalled the windows in the Music Hall and it made a difference.

Hilario recapped his presentation by noting that the ventilation system at Sippican School that went on and off received CO2 sensors resulting in a savings of $12,000 a year. The total savings on such projects is $22,000 for the year.

“I thought that report was very comprehensive because in the end, they ask you, ‘What did you earn?’” said Marum.

The Planning Board also discussed two cases currently before the Zoning Board of Appeals, one at Heron Cove Estates, Plan 7 Lot 28, and the other at 36 Main Street, where Albert and Julia Menino wish to give adjacent St. Gabriel’s Parish the property it already uses as a parking lot.

“They’re having problems selling their house with the parking lot in the back. What they want to do is make it clean, give it to the church,” said Marum.

The current easement, said Waterman, allows the
church to use the lot in perpetuity, which it paid to do. “It’s not a buildable lot. There’s nothing to protect the buyer of the house from liability. This cleans it up,” he said of a transfer of ownership to the parish.

At Heron Cove Estates, Collings discussed the importance of a bicycle lane or a combined bicycle-and-pedestrian path, noting that the separated driveway appears to include 12 feet of elevation. “People have to understand what’s coming,” he said.

In other business, $150 in funding was approved to cover the costs of attendance by Marum and Hills at the Citizens Planner Training Collaborative Conference on Saturday, March 21, at Holy Cross College in Worcester. Marum plans to attend seminars on inclusive zoning and zoning pratfalls and pitfalls. She hopes that she glean fresh ideas on how to attract young families and small businesses to Marion.

**Solar Bylaw Drafting Begins**

*Mattapoisett Planning Board*

*By Marilou Newell*

The Mattapoisett Planning Board has begun in earnest to draft a bylaw that would regulate the construction of large solar arrays in Mattapoisett. The undertaking will prove to be no small task indeed, with a plethora of material to wade through from state and federal agencies as well as reviewing bylaws already in place in surrounding towns.
Taking the lead at this point in time is Planning Board member Janice Robbins. During the March 2 meeting, the board members discussed Robbins’ first-round draft.

Robbins posed a number of questions to her fellow board members such as acreage requirements, what kilowatt measurement should be employed as the standard for Planning Board oversight, and what exactly should the board be regulating.

Board member and acting chairman Nathan Ketchel thought any array 25 kilowatt and greater might be the benchmark for local bylaw regulation. When Robbins raised concerns regarding how the electrical connections and systems should be monitored in the field, Ketchel assured her that such matters were under the control of the utility partnering with the developer.

Regarding the possibility of future modifications to an existing array such as battery storage units onsite, Ketchel said that the National Fire Protection Association was currently writing standards but that if an existing array wanted to utilize battery storage for energy

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**Movie Review**

**Monster in the Closet**

By Rob Gonsalves

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*Scream, Queen! My Nightmare on Elm Street*. A documentary featuring Mark Patton and directed by Roman Chimienti and Tyler Jensen. Running time: 98 minutes. No MPAA rating. Now in limited theatrical release and on physical and streaming home media this week.

You never know what disreputable pop-culture skunk will be excoriated, and then eventually re-evaluated and appreciated, by the same beleaguered community. The gay-themed thriller *Cruising*, for instance, was vilified by gay activists on its 1980 release for being homophobic; today it has found a thriving cult audience among gay film fans of later generations. Something similar for 1985’s *A Nightmare on Elm Street 2: Freddy’s Revenge*. For a time, this quickie sequel to Wes Craven’s major horror hit (it went into production a mere seven months after the original hit theaters) was loathed by its young (hetero) audience for gay undertones that often verged on overtones, and some gay commentators once again decried its alleged demonizing of the queer as the Other. Today it’s cherished by a wide assortment of gay fans, many of whose first big-screen glimpse of gayness (including the inside of a gay bar) the movie was.

*Scream, Queen! My Nightmare on Elm Street* focuses on Mark Patton, the then-25-year-old star of *Nightmare 2*, who was cast as the then-rare (heck, STILL rare) “final boy,” the opposite of the usual trope of the “final girl” — the smart, tough, sometimes nerdy girl who lives to give the killer a taste of his own medicine. Patton played Jesse, a teenage boy possessed by the franchise’s boogeyman, Freddy Krueger. The movie has Jesse acting out all sorts of toxic homoerotic fantasies at the spiritual behest of Freddy. Now, does that make the movie toxic, or is it just pointing out the toxins in a country that was, at the time, blaming gays for AIDS and officially ignoring their mortality rates?

Back then, Patton was gay but closeted. He knew, as did countless other actors, that to come out was to kill your career. In that case, making his starring debut in what shakes out as a very weird gay nightmare seems in retrospect not very shrewd. After the film came out, Patton was told by his agents that he couldn’t credibly play hetero. He wasn’t especially swishy in the role, but neither does he read as a straight male, and — a detail that has provoked laughter both malicious and affectation over the years — he screams like a girl. Truly, I think *Nightmare 2* was destined to go nelly when scripter David Chaskin first decided to make the protagonist a boy to go against the usual grain. The dynamic that results makes it a legitimately unique entry in the canon of American popular horror, and decidedly an outlier in its franchise.

As for the documentary itself, it’s probably more instructive for those who haven’t read a zillion thinkpieces about *Nightmare 2* as “the first gay horror film” (Nosferatu begs to differ) or “the gayest horror film ever” (it’s probably not even the gayest horror film of the ’80s). As in *Life After Flash*, the recent documentary about *Flash Gordon* star Sam J. Jones, we see the subject attending a bunch of conventions, telling the same stories, answering the same questions, posing for the same photos. Patton, though, likes to tell himself he’s done a small bit for helping gays feel less alone and persecuted, and this is borne out in the film frequently in interviews with an assortment of gay fans ranging from academics to drag queens (not that you can’t be both, of course). For a lot of teenage gay boys who hadn’t been expecting to find themselves at a movie like this, it must have been a vivid trip, and, since director Jack Sholder wasn’t shy about staging the homoerotic violence he ludicrously claims not to have been aware of, it must have put a titillating finger on a not-nice patch of their lizard brains. Watching a brutal, closeted gym coach get his comeuppance wasn’t supposed to be a turn-on, but...

*Scream, Queen!* has a built-in conflict alluded to right from the start. Screenwriter Chaskin had spent years telling anyone who’d listen that he intended none of the movie’s gay subtext and that the casting of Patton, an obvious sissy, made the film seem gay. Once the movie started picking up gay cred — celebrated for its dark queerness rather than attacked — Chaskin changed his tune, and Patton rightly calls him out on this. It’s possible, of course, that neither man has an entirely objective take on the situation — Patton seems to blame Chaskin for the end of his career. The movie leads up to the moment when the two men hash things out, and at least here it doesn’t falter. Ultimately, *Scream, Queen! *is more useful as a portrait of a survivor of the closet (and of HIV) than as a sort of Room 237-style autopsy of the movie. It’ll probably make you want to rewatch *Nightmare 2*, though. As long as you chase it with a viewing of *The Bride of Frankenstein* or the original *Cat People*. 
OBITUARIES

Thomas Lingelbach, age 80, of Raynham, MA, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on February 21, 2020. He ended this life in the embrace of his loving wife Deborah Dower, whom he adored. Tom was born in Atlantic City, son of the late Lucille (Winechester) and Louis Lingelbach. He was raised and educated in New Jersey. Mr. Lingelbach graduated from St. Mary’s College and earned his Masters Degree from Lesley College. He was a teacher at Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoisett until his retirement in 2005.

Anyone who knew Tom recognized his kindness, intelligence and passion for righteousness. He never stopped reading, writing and pursuing a deeper understanding of mankind. Tom was the epitome of a gentle man who passionately loved his family.

In addition to his wife Debbie, Thomas is survived by his daughters Lisa Hankerson of Fall River, Kristen Dower and Keith Bassett of West Bridgewater, Nancy Lingelbach and her husband Paul Stefanik of Taunton, and Rebecca Sheridan and her husband Neil of New Bedford. Tom was the brother of Daniel Lingelbach and his wife Bette of Delaware and the late Lucille and Louis Jennis. He was the endearing PopPop to 12 grandchildren Theo, Thaddeus, and Benjamin Hankerson, Zoe Stefanik, Dylan Bagley, Teagan, Brielle, Christian, and Delaney Bassett, Cassie Dicker, and Curt and Caleigh Sheridan. Visiting hours were held at the East Bridgewater location of Prophett-Chapman Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 35 Spring Street on Friday, February 28th.

A funeral service was held at The First Congregational Church (The Stone Church), 785 South Main Street, Raynham, MA, on Saturday, February 29th.

Burial at the Pleasant Street Cemetery in Raynham immediately followed the service.

In lieu of flowers, please consider honoring Tom’s memory with a donation to The First Congregational Church Memorial Fund, 785 South Main Street, Raynham, MA 02767 or Doctors Without Borders, www.donate.doctorswithoutborders

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Tuesday, March 10: Low salt crackers, kale soup, Portuguese chicken, rice pilaf, multigrain roll, pineapple
Wednesday, March 11: Beef & broccoli, mashed potatoes, whole wheat roll, brownie, diet: graham wafers, vanilla yogurt cup
Thursday, March 12: Turkey a la king, confletti rice, brussel sprouts, oatmeal, Multigrain roll, pineapple
Friday, March 13: Seafood Newburg, penne pasta, genoa blend, snowflake roll, banana

CENTER SCHOOL
Monday, March 9: Meatball submarine, spudster fries, savory green beans 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Tuesday, March 10: Asian orange chicken, vegetable fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Wednesday, March 11: French toast, sausage, sweet potato rounds, berries w/whipped topping 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Thursday, March 12: Oven fried chicken, carrots, baked beans, roasted potato wedges, dinner roll 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch

OLD HAMMONTOWN
Monday, March 9: Meatball submarine, spudster fries, savory green beans 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Tuesday, March 10: Asian orange chicken, vegetable fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Wednesday, March 11: French toast, sausage, sweet potato rounds, berries w/whipped topping 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Thursday, March 12: Oven fried chicken, carrots, baked beans, roasted potato wedges, dinner roll 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
Monday, March 9: Meatball submarine, spudster fries, savory green beans
Tuesday, March 10: Asian orange chicken, vegetable fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Wednesday, March 11: French toast, sausage, sweet potato rounds, berries w/whipped topping 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
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Friday, March 13: Personal round pizza, fresh tossed salad, fresh veggie sticks 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch

SIPPICAN SCHOOL
Monday, March 9: Meatball submarine, spudster fries, savory green beans 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
Tuesday, March 10: Asian orange chicken, vegetable fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch
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Friday, March 13: Personal round pizza, fresh tossed salad, fresh veggie sticks 2nd choice: Bug bite fun lunch

OLD COLONY REGIONAL
Monday, March 9: Sheppard’s pie & dinner roll
Tuesday, March 10: Chicken nuggets, fries, bread & steamed carrots
Wednesday, March 11: Grilled cheese, spinach & feta salad & chili
Thursday, March 12: Pulled pork sandwich, fries & baked beans
Friday, March 13: Assorted pizza & Caesar salad

MATTAPOSETT Log highlights Feb 23-March 1
• Shaw St – Suspicious persons
• Knollwood Dr – Animal control
• Industrial Dr – Animal control
• Barstow St – 911 abandoned
• County Rd – 911 call
• Neds Point Rd – MV violations
• Crystal Spring Rd – 911 call
• North St – Suspicious MV
• County Rd – Transport prisoner
• Randall Rd – Suspicious persons
• Collins Way – Assist citizen
• Fairhaven Rd – Open door
• Prospect Rd – Assist citizen
• Alderberry Ln – Domestic disturbance
• County Rd – Transport prisoner
• Edgewood Ln – Medical/assist
• Upland Way – MV violations
• Sagamore Rd – Health/welfare
• Baker Ln – Health/welfare
• Meadowbrook Ln – Follow up
• Randall Rd – Animal control
• Seabreeze Ln – Assist other agency
• Nantucket Dr – Open door
• County Rd – Unwanted person
• County Rd – Animal control
• Brant Beach Ave – Gunshots reported
• County Rd – Disturbance
• County Rd – Protective custody
• Wildwood Ter – MV violations

MATTAPOSETT Log highlights Feb 23-March 1
• Point Rd – Health/welfare
• Wareham Rd – Suspicious MV
• Converse Rd – EMS/medical
• Point Rd – Officer wanted
• Main St – EMS/medical
• Mill St – Officer wanted
• Front St – Suspicious person
• Wareham Rd – Suspicious person
• Spring St – Officer wanted
• Point Rd – Health/welfare
• County Rd – MV collision
• Point Rd – Paper service/arrest
• Point Rd – Disturbance
• Wareham Rd – Suspicious activity
• Quail Ln – Paper service
• Quail’s Crossing Rd – Officer wanted
• Point Rd – General service
• Washburn Park Rd – Animal complaint
• Joanne Dr – Paper service
• Ryders Ln – Missing person
• Cove Cir – Health/welfare
• Mill St – Suspicious MV
• Spring St – Officer wanted
• Bullivant Farm Rd – Larceny/past
• Mill St – MV collision
• Front St – EMS/medical
• Delano Rd – Suspicious MV
• Mill St – MV stop/citation
• Village Dr – EMS/medical

MARION Log highlights Feb 23-March 1
• Point Rd – Health/welfare
• Wareham Rd – Suspicious MV
• Converse Rd – EMS/medical
• Point Rd – Officer wanted
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• Bullivant Farm Rd – Larceny/past
• Mill St – MV collision
• Front St – EMS/medical
• Delano Rd – Suspicious MV
• Mill St – MV stop/citation
• Village Dr – EMS/medical

ROCHESTER Log highlights Feb 23-March 1
• Dexter Ln – Investigation
• Cranberry Hwy – 911 hang-up
• Negus Way – MV accident
• Marion Rd – MV stop/citation
• County Rd – Animal control
• Snipatuit Rd – Message delivery
• North Ave – MV stop/citation
• Braley Hill Rd – MV accident
• New Bedford Rd – MV stop/arrest
• Looks Mill Ln – Suspicious MV
• Snipatuit Rd – Medical emergency
• Walnut Plain Rd – MV complaint
• Dexter Ln – Assist other agency
• Cushman Rd – MV accident
• Thistle Ln – Medical emergency
• County Rd – MV stop
• Foss Farm Ln – Medical emergency
• Hartley Rd – Medical emergency
• Marion Rd – Medical emergency
• New Bedford Rd – MV stop/towed
• New Bedford Rd – MV stop/citation
• Alley Rd – Fraud
• High St – 911 call
• Hartley Rd – MV stop/citation
• Annies Way – Assist citizen
• Rousesville Rd – MV accident
• Taber Ln – MV accident
• Robinson Rd – 911 call
• Rousesville Rd – Road hazard

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

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basketball since 1978: the Bulldogs’ head coach, Bob Hohne.

But that will no longer be the case moving forward. Hohne’s 42-year run came to an end on Monday when No. 3 Old Rochester’s 2020 postseason run ended in the MIAA Division 2 South Semi-Finals, where No. 2 Foxboro once again got the better of the Bulldogs, winning 46-29.

Although the Bulldogs weren’t able to cap off Hohne’s career with a win later on in the postseason rather than a loss, they were able to help their head coach reach the postseason for the 39th time in his 42 years. Additionally, the Bulldogs’ 20-4 record in 2019-20 helped Hohne reach 652 career wins.

To put it all into perspective how long Hohne has done his job and thrived in the role: his run as Old Rochester girls basketball head coach has seen seven presidents, the cinematic release of 10 out of the 11 Star Wars movies, and 15 titles won by Boston’s four major sports teams.

Old Rochester’s leading scorer in Hohne’s final game as head coach was Meg Horan. She scored 12 of the Bulldogs’ 29 points in the loss, and Logan Fernandes finished with nine.

On their way to the South Semi-Finals, the Bulldogs had to get past No. 6 New Mission, whom they defeated 61-49, and No. 14 Canton, whom they eliminated, 56-37. Foxboro will face No. 4 Hingham in the South Sectional Finals.

Old Rochester boys basketball did not experience the same level of success as the girls basketball team in postseason play. Entering the MIAA Division 3 South sectional tournament as the No. 14 seed, the Bulldogs were matched up against No. 3 Monomoy in the First Round and fell, 49-39.

With the Bulldogs missing key offensive pieces due to injury, Jonah DePina was the only Old Rochester player able to reach double figures. He scored 10 points and Luke Burke finished with eight.

With the loss, the Bulldogs finished the season at 10-11.

Old Colony

After winning its opening-round matchup against No. 11 Sturgis East, 47-44, No. 6 Old Colony girls basketball saw its postseason run in MIAA Division 4 South tournament come to an end. Third-seeded Cathedral played spoiler, knocking off the Cougars, 78-30, in the Quarter Finals.

Hailey Hathaway was the only member of the Cougars who scored in both postseason games. After scoring 15 points against Sturgis East, she put up 16 against Cathedral. Savanna Halle scored 14 against Sturgis East, and Isabel Souza was second in scoring for Old Colony against Cathedral with five points.

Just like the Old Colony girls basketball team, the vocational high school’s boys team lost in the Quarter Finals of the MIAA Division 4 South tournament. The third-seeded Cougars defeated No. 14 Atlantis Charter, 72-71, but lost, 77-56, to No. 11 Cape Cod Academy.

Jojo Cortes led the Cougars with 16 points in the matchup with Atlantis Charter, while Hunter Soares (13), Caden Letendre (13) and Cooper Howell each finished in double figures, as well.

Soares was the only Cougar to post double digits in the scoring column against Cape Cod Academy. The senior scored a whopping 28 points in the loss.

Correction

On Page 20 of the February 27, 2020 issue of The Wanderer, the article beginning on Page 16 titled, “Residents Updated on Town Projects,” contained
incorrect information on the Wastewater Treatment Plant due to a reporting error. At the February 24 Informational Meeting at the Marion Music Hall, Board of Selectmen member Norman A. Hills presented a progress update and stated that the contractor and its subcontractors were completing EPA-required paperwork and that the work expected to start soon will not be obvious, taking place mainly inside buildings with upgrades to associated piping to the lagoons. That work, he said, is expected to last throughout the summer with work on Lagoon 1 ready to begin in August. Lagoon 1 will be taken off-line, making Lagoon 2 the primary working lagoon. At that time, Lagoon 1 will be drained, have its residue removed, at which point modifications will be made and the lagoon lined. Upon completion of the Lagoon 1 work, it will become the primary service lagoon with Lagoon 2 being used as its emergency overflow back-up. Lagoon 3 will remain as a pond. Hills stated that, if after 10 or 15 years, Lagoon 3 is no longer needed, then alternate uses will be reevaluated. The town has until January 2021 to complete the lining sequence and get Lagoon 1 back online.

Letters to the Editor

The views expressed in the “Letters to the Editor” column are not necessarily those of The Wanderer, its staff or advertisers. The Wanderer will gladly accept any and all correspondence relating to timely and pertinent issues in the great Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester area, provided they include the author’s name, address and phone number for verification. We cannot publish anonymous, unsigned or unconfirmed submissions. The Wanderer reserves the right to edit, condense and otherwise alter submissions for purposes of clarity and/or spacing considerations. The Wanderer may choose to not run letters that thank businesses, and The Wanderer has the right to edit letters to omit business names. The Wanderer also reserves the right to deny publication of any submitted correspondence.

To the Editor;

Sippican Harbor, Aucoot Cove, and the Wewantic River in Marion are not improving in health. More and more nitrogen is finding its way into our waters. When nitrogen pollutes the water, our waters become cloudy and murky and algae begin to grow. Algae growth leads to the loss of eelgrass and less oxygen in the water. The result is our fish and shellfish begin to disappear. As I talk with people in Marion, I consistently hear how
important clean water is to our joy of living in a beautiful community. They want to know; how can they help?

Every homeowner can help by limiting the amount of your sewerage and fertilizer that finds its way to our coves, harbors and rivers.

Solving the fertilizer problem is simple; don’t use any until you or your landscaper have had your soil tested and know what specific improvement is needed. Don’t let your hired landscaper use a one size fits all solution. Have them test your soil before they add any fertilizer. If you do choose to use fertilizer, use an organic slow-release fertilizer.

The largest single source of nitrogen pollution to our coastal waters is residential septic systems. Most residents feel good when they upgrade their old septic systems to a Title V approved system. Unfortunately, the new Title V system continues to pollute our water. Title V rules were written to prevent bacteria contamination of drinking water, but they do little to protect our coastal waters from nitrogen pollution. In Marion, as in other waterfront communities, the majority of the nitrogen from our septic systems is making its way to our beloved coastal waters.

To reduce pollution, the Marion Board of Health is considering a regulation for new septic systems and failed systems identified at the time of sale. The regulation would require these systems to install an approved denitrification septic system that decreases the nitrogen by at least 50% over a Title V system. With this minor
SALOME’S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Having second thoughts could be a good thing, even if you’re determined to go through with your plans. You might find it worthwhile to take a fresh look at how things have been set up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Financial matters could continue to be a problem until you’re able to straighten out some of the more pesky situations. Once that happens, the rest should be easier to unravel.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Once again take center stage, and should be dealt with competently and quickly. And, again, insist on others taking on their fair share of the responsibilities.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your creative pursuits seem to be running into a roadblock. But rather than blame outside factors, look within to see if you might be holding back your efforts for some reason.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Keep that keen Cat’s Eye focused on relevant aspects of this new situation in your life. Don’t be distracted by trivial matters. You need the pertinent facts before making a decision.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) As much as you prefer doing things on your own, continue to accept help if you still need to resolve the problem affecting your project. Some cheerful news is about to come your way.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) While you might begrudge the added time it will take to get your project from point A to B to C, etc., you might benefit from the facts that will emerge over this expanded time span.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Regarding your workplace suggestions, be prepared to produce the facts to counter reactions from skeptics who feel your approach is unreasonable or even impossible.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Savvy Sagittarians will look for work-related answers on their own rather than rely on unproved assumptions. It might take more time to do so, but the payoff is worth it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your aspects continue to favor family issues, with special emphasis this week on changes in and around your home. Get everyone to suggest what he or she would like to see done.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A matter you thought had been settled might still produce surprises. Best advice: Continue to gather facts to bolster your position just in case you need to produce them quickly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) While your instincts are usually right when discerning ‘twixt truth and deception, you could benefit from doing more research on the new “prospect” that you’ve pitched.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your wisdom is only matched by your generosity, making you the sort of friend everyone hopes to have.
change, we will stop hundreds of pounds of new nitrogen from entering our waters every year. Wareham and Tisbury have already adopted this regulation to reduce future pollution.

If this regulation had been in effect in 2018, it would have prevented approximately 300 pounds of nitrogen from entering our waters in that year alone.

While the new regulation will initially apply only to new construction and failed systems at the time of transfer, we encourage current residents to have their septic systems inspected and, if their system is not performing, to consider upgrading to one of these denitrification systems.

The Board of Health will hold a workshop on Saturday, March 21, 9-11 AM in the conference room at Town Hall in Marion led by George Heufelder, manager of the Massachusetts Alternative Septic System Test Center in Barnstable County for any residents interested in learning about denitrification systems. A public hearing will be held on the proposed regulation by the Board of Health at their meeting on April 21, 2020. Questions? Call the Marion Board of Health at 508-748-3530

Dot Brown, Marion

Academic Achievements

The following Tri-Town students were named to the dean’s list at the University of Massachusetts Amherst for the fall 2019 semester:
**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #775**

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 12, 2020, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, pursuant to M.G.L., Ch. 40B on the application of HERON COVE ESTATES, LLC, c/o Steen Realty and Development Corp. The application is the subject of a Local Initiative Program application made to the Board of Selectmen and endorsed by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with 760 CMR 45.00.

The property, located on the south side of Wareham Street, is further identified on Assessors’ Plan 7 as Lot 28.

Copies of the application materials are available for public inspection during regular Town Hall business hours.

Marc Leblanc, Chairman 2/27, 3/5

**TOWN OF MATTAPoissett PLANNING BOARD**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on March 16, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at the Mattapoisett Town Hall, located at 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA, regarding an application for Site Plan Review and Approval submitted by NEXT GRID BOWMAN, LLC, for construction of two large-scale ground mounted solar photovoltaic installations totaling 1.23 (+/-) MW (DC) on property located at 0 Bowman Road, identified as Lot #47 on Mattapoisett Assessor’s Map #3. Plans are available for review at the Town Clerk’s Office during regular business hours Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. 2/27, 3/5

**TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

On February 18, 2020, the Marion Board of Health unanimously approved an amendment to the Marion Sanitary Code Regulation, Section 12, 1.1, to incorporate the “Maximum Number of Tobacco Product Sales Permits”. At any given time, there shall be no more than five (5) Tobacco Product Sales Permits issued to Tobacco Stores in Marion.

As of the publication date of this order, no Adult Only Retail Tobacco Store shall operate in Marion.

Copies of the regulation are available in the Marion Board of Health office.

John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 2/27, 3/5

**TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

On February 18, 2020, the Marion Board of Health unanimously approved an amendment to the Marion Sanitary Code Regulation, Section 9.20, Bathing Beaches and Swimming Pools Regulation. The purpose of the regulation is for all outdoor swimming pools, including in-ground, above-ground and on-ground pools, hot tubs and spas shall be provided with a barrier that is four (4) feet in height which complies with the requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code, appendix 129.3, Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs, as may be amended from time-to-time, and such requirements are incorporated herein.

Copies of the regulation are available in the Marion Board of Health office.

John B. Howard, MD, Chairman 2/27, 3/5

**TOWN OF MATTAPoissett CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 23, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by GAF ENGINEERING, INC., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA. The proposed project is to upgrade existing Subsurface Sewage Design System. The project is located at 14 Melissa Anne Lane, and is further identified as Lot 121 on Assessor’s Map 20. 3/5

**TOWN OF MATTAPoissett PLANNING BOARD**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Planning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm.

Case #1444: Application of: MAUREEN L. ST. ARMAND, 20 Crook’s Way, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE: 20 Crook’s Way. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under section 5.1.5.4.5.2 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to transfer ownership of a family related apartment to the new homeowner. The property is further described as Plot 19, Lot 63, on the Assessor’s Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Case #1445: Petition of: CHARLES H. & KAREN DUPONTE, P.O. Box 375, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE: Prospect and Pine Island Road. The applicant is seeking a Petition for a Variances under section 3.1.2.2, 3.1.2.3 and 5.1.5.4.5.2 of By-Law as provided by Section 7.2.3. of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a 2,600 square foot single family home under grandfathered setbacks. The property is further described as Plot 5, Lot 116, on the Assessor’s Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Case #1446: Application of: JOHN J GRANT JR., 105 Lyman Road, Milton MA 02186; RE: 5 North Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to demolish and rebuild a single-family home in conformance with flood zone requirements. The property is further described as Plot 4, Lot 173, on the Assessor’s Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Case #1447: Application of: KENNY & MARY Barger, 105 Lyman Road, Milton MA 02186; RE: 5 North Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to demolish and rebuild a single-family home in conformance with flood zone requirements. The property is further described as Plot 4, Lot 173, on the Assessor’s Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.

Sincerely,

Susan Akin, Chairperson
Mary Anne Bogan, Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottier, Anthony Tranfiglia 3/5, 3/12

**TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7:20 pm in the main conference room at the MARION TOWN HOUSE, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent (File No. SE 041-xxxx) submitted by MICHAEL R. DELAND TRUST of 1978, to repair portions of the concrete deck surface which have significant cracks at 498C Point Road.

The site is further identified as Lot 11 F on Assessors Map 2. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Jeff Doubrava – Chair 3/5

**TOWN OF MARION TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

**INVITATION TO BID**

The Town of Marion, acting through the Office of the Town Administrator/CPO, is accepting sealed bids for the SILVERSHELL BEACH CONCESSION STAND for 2020. Information regarding this bid is available by contacting Recreation Director Jonathan Dickerson at jdickerson@marionma.gov or 508-748-3537. Bids are due no later than 11:00 am on Friday, March 27, 2020. The Town of Marion reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to waive any defects, informalities, and minor irregularities; to accept exceptions to these specifications; to award contracts or to cancel this Invitation to Bid if it is in the Town’s best interest to do so. 3/5

**TOWNS OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Meeting Room, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by property owners RICHARD & LYNN AMICUCCI, for work located on property located at 79 Haskell Ridge Road, designated as Lot 14 on Rochester Assessor’s Map 29A.

The applicant proposes the installation of a small 28’X45’ private, ground-mounted photovoltaic system sixty-five (65) horizontal feet from bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW). The interconnection lines will be laid underground, outside the 100 Foot Buffer Zone. The proposed project will not adversely affect the adjacent BVW.

The applicant’s representative is Brian Butler of Oxbow Associates, Inc., P.O. Box 971, Acton, MA 01720

This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.

Michael Conway, Chairman 3/5

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From Marion: Julia M Barrett, Marisa Cofone, Jacob Dorothy, Nicole Wu Sha Fantoni, William Riley Garcia, Lauren Elizabeth Gonsalves, Hannah Elizabeth Guard, Daniel Yunhui Hartley, and Benjamin Marshall Snow

From Mattapoisett: Samantha Lynn Ball, Colleen D. Beatriz, Danya Hildreth Bichsel, Sophia Kelley Clingman, Louis Depace, Aidan Patrick Downey, Megan McGregor Field, Eryn Elizabeth Horan, Adrian Paul Kavanagh, Carly Angel O’Connell, Jahn A. Pothier Jr., Jacob Spevack, and Alexander Michael Wurl


In order to qualify, an undergraduate student must receive a 3.5 grade-point average or better on a four-point scale.

Rochester resident, Hannah Nadeau, has been named to Husson University’s Dean’s List for the fall 2019 semester. Nadeau is a junior who is currently enrolled in Husson’s Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Studies / Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (MSOT) program. Students who make the Dean’s List must carry at least 12 graded credit hours during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.60 to 3.79 during the period.

Lily S. Youngberg of Mattapoisett has been named to second honors on the Clark University Dean’s List. This selection marks outstanding academic achievement during the fall 2019 semester. To be eligible for second honors, students must have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, of a maximum of 4.3.

The following Tri-Town students have been named to the UMass Dartmouth fall 2019 Dean’s and Chancellors Lists:


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 9 Main Street. The cape at 9 Main Street was built in 1780. The narrow front yard...
TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Meeting Room, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Pedro Rodriguez of SOLAR MA PROJECT MANAGEMENT LLC, Series XXXVI, 143 West Street, Suite C201, New Milford, CT 06776 for properties located at 0 Walnut Plain Road/0 Old Middleboro Road, designated as Map 21, Lot 33; Map 22, Lots 1 & 3; and Map 23, Lots 6, 6D, 7, 21, 23, and 31.

The applicant proposes the construction of a ground-mounted photovoltaic solar array generation facility and roadway improvements to Old Middleboro Road, an unpaved road that provides access to the array. The project will not alter any wetland resource areas but requires the alteration of portions of the 100-foot Buffer Zone, which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Rochester Wetlands Bylaw.

The property owners of record are Decas Cranberry Co., Inc., 4 Old Forge Drive, Carver, MA 02330, Diana Murphy, Trustee Midchester Realty Trust, 24 Old Powerhouse Road, Lakeville, MA 02347, MWH, LLC, 405 Washington Street, Braintree, MA 02184, and the Town of Rochester, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770. This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection Bylaw.

Michael Conway, Chairman

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TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Conference Room, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Notice of Intent filed by MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, for properties located at 45 Kings Highway, designated as Lot 21 on Rochester Assessors Map 17.

The Notice of Intent application requests permission to install security fencing around the facility and restore the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, pursuant to an Enforcement Order that issued to the MBTA on February 4, 2020.

The applicant’s representative is Jacobs Engineering Group, 120 Saint James Avenue, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02116. The property owner of record is Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116. This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection Bylaw.

Michael Conway, Chairman

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off the mark
by Mark Parisi

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MOTION DETECTOR
EMOTION DETECTOR

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SHERMAN’S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis

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is enclosed by a granite block border, picket fence, and shrubbery. This home was Richard Harding Davis’s workshop at one time and Admiral Byrd is known to have summered here. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt stayed in this house when he visited his friend, Dr. William McDonald of 99 Water Street, who treated the president for polio.

**MLT Showing of “A Plastic Ocean”**

The Mattapoisett Land Trust Education Committee is sponsoring a free showing of the environmental movie, *A Plastic Ocean*, on Wednesday, March 11 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. The documentary is directed by the Australian journalist Craig Leeson. It dives into and investigates the devastating impacts that plastic has caused to our environment, especially our marine life; and offers various strategies that can be implemented to reduce the impact of plastics. Light refreshments will be served. The Mattapoisett Land Trust Education Program promotes access to and excellence in the environmental sciences in order to improve the quality of life for all area residents and to contribute to the vitality of our community.

**Romeo and Winifred at ORRJH**

The Old Rochester Regional Junior High Drama Club is proud to present *Romeo and Winifred*, a family-friendly production for all audiences in the tri-town and beyond.

Opening night will be Friday, March 20 at 7:00 pm at the Junior High School auditorium, with an additional performance to be held on Saturday, March 21 at 2:00 pm. Tickets will be sold at the door only. Adults: $10,
kids 5-18 and senior citizens: $5, Under age 4: free; $25 per family

The concession stand will be open with a variety of snacks available for purchase during intermission. Come join us for an entertaining time.

The ORRJHS Drama Club is run by parent volunteers. If you would like to learn more about our club and who runs it, contact us at orrjrhighdrama@gmail.com

Open Table

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day a little early at Open Table on Friday, March 13 in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. The menu is a surprise, but it will be something delicious for the Lenten season. There is no charge for the meal, although donations are gratefully accepted. At Open Table, it is all about the food, fun, and fellowship. Doors open at 4:30 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm. This is a community event and everyone is welcome.

Alumni Hoops Classic

The Old Rochester Regional Athletic Hall of Fame would like your support again this year at their annual “Alumni Hoops Classic” basketball event to be held in the ORRHS gymnasium on Sunday, March 22 starting at 2:00 pm. The featured two basketball games are between the High School boys’ and girls’ basketball teams vs. returning ORR alumni stalwarts. The fun begins with the girls’ game at 2:00 pm and followed by the boys’ event at 3:30 pm.

Now in our 10th year, the ORRHOF committee will also announce the names of the 2020 chosen candidates to be inducted into the ORR Athletic Hall of Fame this June during the June 13 and 14 HOF Induction Weekend. Our list of inductees this year features a 50-0 undefeated in singles match tennis player, a Shriner’s chosen football standout, a girls track high jump and hurdle record holder, a basketball champion point guard, a boys baseball pitcher who threw the only “perfect game” for ORR, a retired 30-year pioneer coach, and a “significant contributor” well-respected administrator who fought to keep all high school sports during trying financial times. Stay tuned for our announcement.

Marion Democrats to Elect Delegates

Democrats from Marion are invited to a caucus at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 10, at Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, to elect up to six delegates to the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. The convention will be held May 29-30, 2020, at Tsongas Center, University of Massachusetts, 300 Arena Drive, Lowell. At the convention, delegates from across the state will meet to vote for the Senator of their choice, either Senator Ed Markey, or Congressman Joseph Kennedy III.

Those interested in representing Marion should arrive at the Marion Music Hall by 6:45 pm on March 10.
to register. Attendees must be at the meeting by 7:15 pm to be allowed to participate and to vote for delegates. The meeting is open to all registered Democrats; however, unregistered or unenrolled voters may register on-site that evening prior to the start of the meeting. Six delegates will be elected from Marion, evenly divided between men and women. Youth, minorities, and people with disabilities may apply to be “add-ons.” (For more information contact www.massdems.org.)

Although meeting attendees will be given preference as delegates to the state convention, if people cannot attend the meeting, and would like to be a delegate, they may indicate that in writing prior to March 10. The letter should be sent to Sharon Matzek at the address noted above. For general information on the Convention, you may call 617-939-0800 or contact@massdems.org.

**NG9-1-1 Institute Industry Professional of the Year**

Rochester Board of Selectmen announced on March 2 that Tracy Eldridge of Rochester has received the NG9-1-1 Institute Industry Professional of the Year Award. The award was announced on February 12 at the 17th Annual 911 Awards Ceremony held by the NG 911 Institute Industry.

The NG9-1-1 Institute is a not-for-profit organization working with Congressional members for the advancement of effective 911 services throughout the nation.

Eldridge’s award recognizes her as an industry leader possessing professionalism, creativity, leadership and the ability to solve critical 911 issues. Eldridge is also well known for her work with local youth, she is the
The architecturally magnificent 46 Water Street, home of Robert and Judith Rosbe, is now distinguished with listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Photos by Marilou Newell

During Wednesday’s “Soil Critters” afterschool program, students had the opportunity to learn about what makes up a healthy soil and how varying numbers of insects populate different types of soil. The soil from the compost pile had the highest number of animals, with 17 pill bugs, 26 worms, two beetles, 34 springtails, two millipedes and one nematode. Maggie Payne of the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service shared her expertise with the after-school group. Photo courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com
manager of the Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester Hose Company Explorer Post 343 where young people learn about and practice first responder skills and techniques.

**Wareham Garden Club**

The March 2020, meeting of the Wareham Garden Club will be held Thursday, March 12, 2020, 9:30 am at the St. Patrick’s Church Hall, 82 High Street, Wareham. The speaker at the March meeting is Colin Zeigler from the Buzzards Bay Coalition. Mr. Zeigler will speak about some of the activities in which the Coalition has been involved in our area. The Wareham Garden Club encourages prospective new members to attend a meeting and consider joining. For more information, contact Linda MacKenzie, the Membership Chair, at 508-295-2243.

**Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner**

There will be a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Saturday, March 14 at the Knights Hall, 57 Fairhaven Road in Mattapoisett. Serving time is at 5:30 pm and is $15 per person. For tickets, call 508-863-3496 or 508-758-6787.

**Mattapoisett Museum Charity Yard Sale**

Mattapoisett Museum is now accepting items for our 2020 Charity Yard Sale. Clearing out your closet? Downsizing your house? Kids heading off to college? Want to get organized? Whatever your reason may be, consider donating to the Mattapoisett Museum’s Yard Sale. All proceeds from the sale (Saturday, May 9, 8:00 to 11:00 am) support the Mattapoisett Museum. Donating items for the sale is easy. We accept donations at 5 Church Street in Mattapoisett (beginning on March 20 and 22) on Fridays and Sundays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm except for Good Friday and Easter. Please be sure to call 508-758-2844 before you come and do not leave items at the door. We accept gently used household items suitable for resale. We do not accept: appliances, large furniture, electronics, building products, CDs, records, books or clothing. If you have questions or want to arrange to drop off items, please call 508-758-2844 or email director@mattapoisettmuseum.org.

**MCC Celebrates Ken Stickney**

On Sunday, March 8, the Mattapoisett Congregational Church (MCC) will honor Ken Stickney and celebrate his 60 years of dedicated service to the church in worship, with lunch immediately following. Ken and his wife, Ollie, joined the Church in 1958 and almost immediately, both became active in its many activities and programs. Ken joined the choir, singing bass although “not very loudly” and then switching to tenor as the choir was “short of tenors”. Subsequently, he took on various roles including chairman of the church council and responsibilities as a member of the board of deacons, finance committee, and moderator. Suffice it to say, there is no board or committee in the church to which he has not played an important part.

Ken has also given an incalculable number of hours over 30-40 years as a volunteer in civic organizations in Mattapoisett, such as the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen, FISH, Sippican Choral Society, the Intergenerational Chorus at Center School and many others.

Should you wish to attend this celebration, please call the church office at 508-758-2671 no later than Friday, March 7 between the hours of 8:30 am and 1:00 pm.

**Celebrating Louisa May Alcott at the Mattapoisett Library**

We’re celebrating Women’s History Month with a special look at Louisa May Alcott and her groundbreaking work. She was a writer and activist who wrote about equality for women, children’s rights, and women’s rights. She is best known for her novel *Little Women*.

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:**

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women's Instructional Shooting Clinic

The Fin, Fur, and Feather Club of Mattapoisett will host a full day Women's Instructional Shooting Clinic on May 16. This is an instructional shooting clinic designed to introduce women to the number one participatory sport in the country, namely, the shooting sports.

The day’s schedule includes a morning session with instruction on gun safety and the Massachusetts Gun Laws. Lunch will be provided. In the afternoon, participants will be divided into small groups and assigned to four areas including archery, trap shooting, pistol range, and rifle range. Club member volunteers will serve as instructors in these areas. Each student receives one to one instruction. The course fee is $100.

At the end of the day, students receive their certificates of course completion. This certificate is required when applying for licenses. The class size will be limited and tends to fill quickly. Apply early to ensure a spot. Applications are available by contacting Mary Ellen at 508-742-7680.

Rochester Council on Aging

The full monthly newsletter and calendar are available on our website, 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/rochestermaseniorcenter.com.

On Monday, March 9 at 12:00 pm, Hanna Milhench, and friends are preparing a special luncheon. All are welcome to attend the Monday special lunches held at the Rochester Senior Center. Reservations can be made by dropping by the Senior Center. A donation of $5 is appreciated.

The Rochester Senior Center will be serving a festive St. Patrick's Day Luncheon on Monday, March 16 at 12:00 pm. Lorraine Thompson and her team are preparing a traditional corned beef and cabbage meal with a special St. Patrick's Day dessert. There will be Irish music, a 50/50 raffle, and awards for the snappiest Irish attire. The cost for this luncheon is $10, and reservations should be made in advance.

On Friday, March 13 at 1:30 pm, Library Director, Gail Roberts, and Senior Center Director, Cheryl Randall-Mach, are presenting information about the upcoming Federal census. Every 10 years the United States counts everyone in order to determine program funding and governmental representation. Funding includes things like first responders, Medicare Part B, housing, libraries, and community centers. A soup and sandwich lunch is being served at noon. A donation of $5 is being requested for the lunch. Come for one or the other, or both. All are welcome.

The Rochester Senior Book Club is meeting on Tuesday, March 17 at 10:15. The book being discussed is The Lager Queen of Minnesota, written by J. Ryan Stradel. It is the story of two sisters, one farm and a brewery. The Senior Book Club meets monthly at the Rochester Senior Center. Next month’s book is, Educated, written by Tara Westover.

On Thursday, March 19, the Rochester Senior Center has a day trip planned to the Boston Flower Show. The van will leave the Senior Center at 8:30 am. Call the Senior Center for details about this trip. Reservations should be made in advance.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging

Creative outlets and appreciation are happening in March at the Mattapoisett COA. Join the new painting class (for beginners to intermediate); learn about mixed media technique; color mixing and more with instructor, Bernie Klim, every Friday from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Registration is requested. Cost for 60+ is free; under 60, there is a $5 cost that does not include materials. Call for details.

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How did Impressionist painters, such as Monet, Renoir, Degas, and others inspire the art world and inspire artists with their new techniques? Find out on Tuesday, March 17 at 12:30 pm as art historian, Jill Sanford teaches Art History: Famous Impressions. There is no cost but registration is required: 508-758-4110.

Pieces of fabric, scissors, glue, and an open mind are what you will find at the Fabric Art Workshop on Friday, March 20 at 1:00 pm. Lauren Langevin leads this free session (with all materials provided). Registration is requested.

Music is in the air during the Lunch and Sing-a-long with pianist and singer, Steve Richardson. Sit and enjoy, or join him at the guest mic for entertaining fun on Thursday, March 26 at 12:30 pm. The cost is $3 for lunch and registration is required.
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Enjoy the Lunch and Learn with Lauren Langevin’s “Healthy Eating for One” session on Tuesday, March 10 at 12:00 pm. There is no cost for but registration is required: 508-758-4110.

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To learn more and to register for any programs, contact the Mattapoisett COA, 17 Barstow St., Mattapoisett, via telephone at 508-758-4110 or e-mail: coadirector@mattapoisett.net. For more information about all programs and services, please find the newsletter online at www.ourseniorcenter.com/find/mattapoisett-council-on-aging and on Facebook at Mattapoisett Council on Aging.

**Marion Art Center**

March Poetry Club - The next meeting of the MAC Open Poetry Club will be on Thursday, March 5 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm at the Marion Art Center. The MAC Open Poetry Club meets on the first Thursday of each month. Laurie Knight, B.A., M.Ed., and former English teacher, leads the poetry group in a workshop format. Bring a poem to share, give and receive feedback, refine your style and contribute to the MAC poetry collection. Get creative and come join us!

Adult Classes - Registration is now open for the new five-week Botanical Drawing course. Instructor Jane Bregoli will lead the class on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, March 17-April 14. Description: Capture the beauty of flowers, plants, and fruits in your drawings! We will use colored pencils to explore the complex shapes and intricate surfaces of botanical subject matter, with a focus on value, color, and composition. This class is suitable for beginning and intermediate students. Course supplies: A pad of 9” x 12” Bristol paper (smooth surface), a 2H graphite pencil, a kneaded eraser, and a package of Crayola’s erasable colored pencil set of 24 or Professional Prismacolor colored pencils (not student grade) – pack of 24 or more. Cost: $135 for MAC members (plus $10 materials fee), $155 for nonmembers (plus $10 materials fee).

Beginning & Continuing Watercolor Painting - Instructor Jay Ryan will teach this course beginning March 12. The session features eight two-hour classes on Thursdays in the MAC Studio, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. After a brief introduction each week, students will explore different techniques while working on landscape, still life, figurative, and/or imaginative painting in a welcoming environment. Cost for the eight-class session: $195 for MAC members, $220 for non-members. (The MAC’s
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regular instructor Patricia White will return to teach the course in the fall.) Jay Ryan will also teach Continuing and Advanced Watercolor Painting beginning March 13. The session includes eight three-hour classes on Fridays in the MAC Studio, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. This course is a perfect “next step” for those who would like to explore watercolor painting beyond a basic understanding of color and brush strokes. Cost for eight-week session: $280 for MAC members, $320 for non-members. For more information about the instructors or classes, or to register online visit marionartcenter.org/classes/art-classes

Children’s Art Lab at the MAC – New classes announced for April vacation week - Children’s Art Lab classes continue at the Marion Art Center with the spring schedule. Art + Music is scheduled on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 am in the MAC Studio. The program is for children four and under, accompanied by an adult, and includes music, movement, and creative art exploration. The eight-class spring session runs April 1 to May 27 (no class on April 22) and costs $125 for MAC members, or $145 for non-members. There is also a drop-in option at $20 per day.

There will be two spring sessions of Art in the Afternoon. This Friday afternoon class runs 3:00 to 4:00 pm in the MAC studio, and parents can arrange for their children to be walked over from Sippican School. The Art in the Afternoon program is for children ages 5-10. Pricing for each of the four-week sessions is $80 for MAC members and $95 for non-members, with no drop-in option. Spring Session 1: Art Elements runs April 3, 17, and May 1, 8 and Spring Session 2: Art + Nature runs May 22, 29, and June 5, 12.

Art Lab April Vacation Week runs Monday, April 20 through Friday, April 24. The camp runs 9:00 am to 12:00 pm daily and is for ages 5-10. The cost is $40 per day for MAC members and $45 per day for non-members. Receive a discount for registering for three or more days! Children will explore a different theme each day of camp: Mixed Up and Messy; Art + Science; Moon + Stars; Plants + Flowers; Amazing Animals. Please visit marionartcenter.org/art-lab-at-the-mac for more information or to register.

**Shrek, Jr. at Friends Academy**
Come enjoy a free morning performance of the musical Shrek, Jr. at Friends Academy (1088 Tucker Rd., North Dartmouth) on Friday, March 6. Seventh and eighth-grade students at Friends Academy will make up the cast and crew. Doors open at 10:00 am for a 10:30 am show start time.

Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film, Shrek, Jr. tells the story of an ogre and his fairy tale friends as they rescue Princess Fiona and face the evil Lord Farquaad together. It is a silly and family-friendly show with a heartwarming message about belonging. The direction is by Friends Academy music teachers Jim Bean and Putnam Murdoch.

Admission is free and open to the public. No tickets or pre-registration required. Individuals, families, and groups of all ages are welcome. The play will run for approximately one hour and 15 minutes. For additional information, please contact Susan Yao, Head of Middle School, at 508-999-1356.

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other schools.

“We are excited to have Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School competing in JA’s Titan Business Challenge this year,” said Jeffrey Pelletier, JA President. “Thanks to the support of the Bank and our other community partners, more than 1,000 students over the past six years have had the opportunity to participate in this hands-on, dynamic learning experience while gaining knowledge from some of the region’s top business leaders and competing for scholarship awards that can help make a higher education possible.”

During the event, the students will compete for scholarships while gaining insight into the world of business, at no cost to the students or their high schools. In addition to developing budgets and interpreting financial reports, students can expect to increase their knowledge of pricing, production, capital investment, R&D, marketing and charitable giving.

**Destruction of Student Records**

Please be advised that in accordance with state regulations, the Old Rochester Regional High School will be destroying the temporary records of students who have graduated or transferred from ORRHS in 2012 and 2013. Temporary records include testing reports, report cards, and other materials on file. These records may be picked up by the student before disposal, by calling 508-758-3745 ext. 1424 from now until the end of June 2020. The school will begin destroying temporary records on or after July 1, 2020.

Please note that the permanent record (student’s transcript), shall be maintained by the school department for 60 years following graduation, transfer or withdrawal from the school system.

**Lenten Movie and Discussion Series**

The Mattapoisett Congregational Church will host a six-week series of movies and discussions about the journeys through life that shape our faith. The Lenten Movie and Discussion Series: Faith for the Journey will be at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church on Mondays at 6:30 pm through April 6. Each week includes a themed potluck dinner. The movie and discussion schedule follows:

- March 9 – Movie discussion
- March 16 – Travel photos
- March 23 – Movie “Breakthrough”
- March 30 – Movie discussion
- April 6 – Movie “Jesus Christ Superstar”

Join us at 27 Church Street, Mattapoisett, or call the church office (508-758-2671) for more information.

**Pasta for a Purpose**

The First Congregational Church of Rochester is hosting a Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner on Saturday, March 14 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm in their Fellowship Hall at 11 Constitution Way in the center of Rochester. Enjoy a hearty meal of spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, and dessert while supporting Geneva Smith (ORR ’19) and her missions trip to central Asia this summer. Open-seating tickets, which are $10 for adults and $5 for kids (ages 12 and under), are available until March 11 and all proceeds go towards offsetting the cost of her five-week trip. For more information or to reserve your tickets, please call the church office at 508-763-4314 (leave a message with name, phone number, and the number of tickets if no answer). Tickets will not be sold at the door.
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 27, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 1!
SALE EFFECTIVE:
Friday, March 6 – Thursday, March 12, 2020

565 Rounseville Road • Rochester, MA 02770
Phone: 508.763.5333
Open Daily: 7am–8pm

Grocery & Bakery

4.3-5.7 oz. Selected Knorr Pasta or Rice Sides $4.99
8 oz. Selected Wish-Bone Dressing $2.00
330 ml Cans, 8 Pack Selected SanPellegrino Sparkling Drinks $4.99
12-16 oz. Selected Prince Pasta $1.39
15.9-166 oz. Selected Kellogg’s Raisin Bran Cereal $2.00
14 oz. Selected Stauffer’s Snaps $1.99
9-14 oz. Selected Tostitos Tortilla Chips $2.00
9.25-11.25 oz. Selected Doritos Tortilla Chips $2.00

La Bree’s Bakery

Donuts $3.49
Fresh Store Baked 22 oz. Blueberry Pie $4.99

Superior Quality Produce

Jumbo, California Navel Oranges $1.29 lb.
Seedless Green Grapes $2.49 lb.
Great for St. Patty’s Day Dinner! Green Cabbage $0.49 lb.
1 lb. Pkg. Carrots $0.79 lb.
5 lb. Bag, Maine Grown, All Purpose White Potatoes $2.49
Organic Crisp Royal Gala Apples $1.99 lb.

Wine & Beer

3 Liter Box, California Wine, Assorted $19.99
BOTA Box $8.99
19 Crimes $10.99
750 ml California Wine, Chardonnay $8.99
Line 39 $8.99
750 ml California Wine, Pinot Grigio $8.99
Gnarly Head $8.99
750 ml Chilean Wine, Pinot Noir $8.99
Santa Carolina $8.99
12 oz. Cans, 18 Pack Coors Light $17.99
12 oz. Cans, 12 Pack, All Varieties Twisted Tea $15.99

All Beer is Plus Deposit

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

8 oz. $3.99 16 oz. $5.99 32 oz. $9.99

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St. Patty’s Day Savings!

Buckley Straight Cut Corned Beef
$5.99 lb.

Point Cut Corned Beef
$3.99 lb.

Friends’ In-Store Baked Turkey Breast
$7.99 lb.

Chobani 5.3 oz. Selected Greek Yogurt
$1.29

Gifford’s 32 oz. Selected Frozen Yogurt or Ice Cream
$4.49

Heineken 12 oz. Bottles Selected
12 Pack $15.99 Plus Tap

1.5 Liter California Barefoot Wine
$8.99

Quality Meats, Deli & Prepared Foods

Allen’s Whole Chicken
$1.79 lb.

Boar’s Head 16 oz. Pkg.
Kielbasa
$6.49

Boar’s Head Maple Honey Turkey
$6.99 lb.

Land O Lakes American Cheese
$4.99 lb.

Allen’s Rotisserie Chicken
$7.99 ea.

Oscar Mayer 2.5 oz. Pkg. Fully Cooked Regular or Thick Cut Bacon
$3.99

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