



## DeSousa: Going Underground Would Save Trees

Mattapoisett Tree Committee **By Marilou Newell** 

Public meetings in Mattapoisett rarely require overflow rooms to accommodate attendees, but such was the case when the Mattapoisett Tree Committee held its February 29 meeting. The Fire Station training room was packed, requiring Town Administrator Mike Lorenco to open up Town Hall. A streaming of the meeting via Zoom granted those audience members audio and video coverage.

Tree Committee Chairman Sandy Hering expressed her delight at the turnout, giving validation to her belief that townspeople wanted and needed more details on the proposed village streets project.

The project, now heading towards the 25% design as required by Massachusetts Department of Transportation, is on the 2026 TIP list for state and federal funding. However, the Tree Committee believes the loss of old oaks and other mature trees that line the waterfront area would be a "tragedy." Hering said several times during the meeting that the removal of trees to comply with state and federal regulations would change the character of the village area for a lifetime.

The information offered was detailed in scope, outlining specific trees that would be slated for removal, width of sidewalks for ADA compliance, location of new sidewalks and where new trees would be planted.

Presenters for the evening (including Hering) were Bonne DeSousa, Carlos DeSousa and committee member Dianne Tsitsos. While Hering carried the bulk of information to the attendees, Carlos DeSousa spoke to a redesign of the project that would include underground conduits for electrical and network cables. He asserted that by placing these utilities underground, the need to remove so many trees (some 30 at last count) would

On the Cover: The village area in Mattapoisett has been front and center of late with the town's Tree Committee leading the charge for more detailed information on the village street reconstruction project. To provide better visuals that illustrate where trees will have to be removed or where new trees will be planted, the town has placed flags and tags throughout the impacted area. Photo by Marilou Newell

be mitigated, shade canopies would be untouched and critical services would become more viable during storm events.

Tsitsos shared images of the village area in full summer mode with events being enjoyed where sidewalks currently exist and shade trees are in full, leafy bloom.

Noting that the Fire Station planning and associated costs had necessitated the inclusion of a steering committee to navigate all the moving parts, Hering wondered aloud why a steering committee had



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not been put in place for a project with such wide-ranging impact.

Hering also stated that public hearings under the jurisdiction of the Planning Board regarding the fate of each and every tree currently tagged for removal should be scheduled. In a follow-up with Lorenco, he stated that the Scenic Streets Bylaw will require the trees scheduled for removal to follow the tree-removal process of public hearings.

Rising to speak once questions and answers began was Select Board member Tyler Macallister, providing a timeline of how the project has progressed thus far and the need to move the project along to the final funding stages.

Pointing out the number of public meetings the project has undergone, 20, that began in 2014, Macallister said that since April 2021 there had been six public meetings not including this one. He said that the November 2016 Town Meeting approved the spending of \$300,000 for the project's engineering and permitting and again during the May 2021 annual Town Meeting another \$450,000 to reach 75% design.

Macallister further noted that original estimates for the project had been around \$4,500,000 but now were closer to \$11,000,000. From prepared notes, Macallister stated, "The average annual debt impact (should the town decide to pay for the project from borrowing) would be approximately 35 cents on the tax rate, which would calculate to approximately \$257.48 for the average singlefamily home. Over 20 years, the taxpayer would pay \$3,862." Culvert replacements have also impacted total cost estimates.

Regarding underground conduits, Macallister said that Eversource is unwilling to entertain that option due to the high costs, some, if not most would be passed along to the town.

In the beginning, 2014, the seed was planted for the village streets project. Concerns and considerations resulting for aging gas and water lines propelled the town and the then-sitting Select Board of Paul Silva, Jordan Collyer and Macallister to explore design and funding options for the large road-improvement project. Mike



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Gagne was the town administrator.

When asked what their next steps might be, Hering asked that the public let their voices be heard by writing to the Select Board.

As for now, the town awaits a final acceptable 25% engineered design, as requested from its consultants, VHB. A variety of tweaks were discussed at their last meeting with the Select Board, including trees to be removed and new trees to be planted.

## **Wondering What to Write About**

Thoughts on...

## By Dick Morgado

I've been sitting here for what seems like hours trying to think of something to write about for this week's column. I considered writing about suspenders, but that idea didn't hold up. Then belts came to mind, but that story had too many holes.

Looking into the refrigerator at lunchtime, I thought I might write about leftovers. Perhaps chicken soup, maybe meat loaf or Chinese food, but none of those

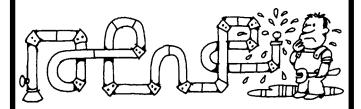
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satisfied my hunger for a proper subject. Glancing at my newsfeed on my phone, I spotted the headline... "Flaco died."

In case you have not been paying attention to the news from New York City (and why would you?), Flaco is an owl, a Eurasian eagle-owl to be precise. A rare bird in these parts. The majestic bird had become the talk of the town in the Big Apple recently. It seems that Flaco, a resident of the Central Park Zoo, had escaped a year ago, thanks to a vandal who cut the protective netting surrounding his home of the past 14 years.

Flaco, wanting freedom but perhaps a bit nervous about venturing from the city he knew from birth, took up residence in and around the park. He – I presume he was a he – became the darling of the city folks and tourists as well. Flaco's adventure took on a life of its own. TV

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stations did stories about him. He even made the national news. Newspapers wrote editorials about him. Some people with little else in their lives said he had become a symbol of their own desire to escape the confines of their wretched lives. (Aw, come on!)

Anyway, upon his untimely demise (he died of severe head trauma from flying into a high-rise building), even the governor and the mayor memorialized him. I'm sure the mayor was particularly upset because of Flaco's contribution to reducing the rat population, the bird's primary source of food, in the city. A *New Yorker* article said that he was "a neighbor they could look up to."

I'm sure a statue of Flaco will soon be erected somewhere in Central Park.

This would not be unprecedented. Some years ago, a cow escaped execution right here in Massachusetts. A slaughterhouse in Hopkinton had plans to turn the bovine into steaks. Emily, as she had come to be known, managed to evade capture for over a month by foraging for food in the backyards of nearby homes.

Like the New Yorkers, the good people of Hopkinton took a liking to Emily and often helped her to evade the authorities who had been ordered to shoot her on sight. Appalled, a local family purchased Emily from the slaughterhouse and when she was captured, arranged for her to stay at the Peace Abbey in nearby Sherborn.

Emily became famous and was visited by celebrities and visitors from around the world. Like Flaco, she became a symbol of freedom to many. She was even a bridesmaid at two weddings. Really?

When she passed on to the great pasture in the sky, a life-size, bronze statue was erected in her memory at the Abbey. It stands between statues of Mahatma Gandi and Mother Teresa. I kid you not.

Freedom stories about animals abound. Nigel, a parrot who lived with a British man and spoke with an English accent, escaped captivity to seek freedom. Alas, Nigel was captured far, far away and sold at a yard sale to a gentleman named Fernandes.

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owners who weren't sure he was their bird. Nigel ... er Morgan, now spoke fluent Spanish.

If one looks hard enough, there is always something to write about. Maybe next week I'll write about those suspenders.

Editor's note: Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and retired newspaper columnist whose musings are, after some years, back in The Wanderer under the subtitle "Thoughts on ...." Morgado's opinions have also appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.

## Who Will Care for Me When I'm Old and Gray?

What Does The Doctor Say?

#### By Dr. Ed Hoffer

Every day, 12,000 Americans turn 65. In 2022, 58,000,000 were over 65 - 17% of the population – and estimates are that by 2040, seniors will make up 22% of the population.

While most people over 65 are healthy, as we age illnesses and frailty become increasingly common, and growing numbers need at least some care in their daily lives. How do they get that care?

Unlike many other western countries, the United States has no organized program to help seniors who are unable to live and function independently. In many cases, particularly for those over 80, the choices come down to



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placement in a nursing home or a lot of help at home to allow them to avoid that dreaded option.

Many elders and their families are surprised to learn that Medicare does not pay for anything but short-term rehabilitation, either for nursing-home stays or home healthcare. If you have a hip replaced, Medicare will cover a week or so at a rehab facility and a few weeks of home physical therapy and visiting nurses, but if you are simply too frail and sick to live independently, you are on your own.

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In the end, it often falls to family members to provide needed care, difficult at best when families are scattered around the country and often trying to hold down a job while assisting their parent(s.)

Medicaid will pay for nursing home care, but to be eligible, the recipient must spend down most of their assets and become impoverished. They cannot give away assets to their family – this is carefully scrutinized. Moreover, Medicaid rates are generally so low that you will not find many "upscale" homes willing to take you.

What can you do? Don't get old. Seriously, one important factor is to stay as fit as you can to avoid the need for help. While exercise increases longevity, its more important benefit is to keep you independent longer.

If you can afford it, investigate long-term care insurance. Be very careful in reading the policy and assessing the likelihood that the policy will cover your needs.

While you are healthy, begin to make your home more "aging-friendly." Get grab bars in the shower, railings on all stairs, better handles on doors and cabinets and put shelves lower.

Write to your state and federal legislators and ask them to start working on a plan, either at the state or national level, to improve the care we offer our frail elders. Part of any such plan must include better pay for home health aides to encourage people to make this a career.

Dr. Ed Hoffer is the chairman of the Marion Board of Health, a graduate of MIT and Harvard Medical School. He is Associate Professor of Medicine, part-time, at Harvard and a Senior Scientist at the Massachusetts General Hospital.





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## **FY25 Capital Planning**

Mattapoisett Select Board

## **By Marilou Newell**

On March 4, the Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee, chaired by Mike Dahill, presented the Select Board with the town's FY25 plan.

Dahill began his presentation by first stating that the biggest expense the town is facing is the upgrades project required at the Fairhaven Sewer Plant. While final cost estimates are still being calculated (\$8,000,000), Dahill said that grant funding was being sought, thus bringing the town's share a bit lower.

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The Waterfront Enterprise Fund will cover costs of \$25,000 for a new stretcher (with another 50% coming from the Police Department.) Also, \$25,000 will be allocated for docks and floats and \$10,000 for a pump-out engine.

There are 19 non-enterprise-fund, capital needs being requested. Those are: \$360,000 new ambulance, ambulance stretcher \$40,000, fire-helmet replacements \$11,000, fire hose replacements \$18,000; Highway Department Ford F250 Pick-up truck (2007) \$75,000; annual road improvements \$300,000, Center and Old Hammondtown schools paging servers \$65,800, replacement pump for Fire Department truck \$8,000, Town Hall exterior trim painting \$50,000, Highway Department exhaust fan \$10,000, Old Hammondtown and Center schools water-heater replacements \$36,000, library elevator upgrade \$25,000, Pine Island culvert design and engineering \$130,000, Center School fire doors replace and repair \$26,000, Center School window-seal replacements \$20,000 and Old Hammondtown School VCT flooring replacement \$25,000.

Enterprise requests total \$11,060,000, and nonenterprise needs are \$1,224,800.

Dahill said the committee is awaiting Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior high schools' capital needs but indicated the list would be substantial.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board was not announced upon adjournment.

## **OPM Request Met with Scrutiny**

Rochester Select Board

## By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Select Board Monday rejected Public Safety Building Committee Chairman Arnold Johnson's request to hire an owner project manager with \$140,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, preferring to learn first what exactly an OPM would accomplish for them at this stage of the project to combine, replace or rehab the town's space-challenged police and fire stations.

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Johnson said his committee, which recently received the project's feasibility study, wants to take the next step by using the ARPA funds for an OPM with the expertise to evaluate design and cost options for the rehab/replace plans being proposed.

Select Board member Brad Morse did not agree with this plan. He said he wants to recommend putting this expense before town voters for their approval first, noting the town doesn't even have a specific replace or rehab plan yet. "This is putting the cart before the horse," said Morse.

Johnson responded that the committee can't do any more evaluating of the feasibility study's conclusions until it gets an OPM's expertise. However, fellow Select Board member Adam Murphy agreed with Morse. "I think voters will question this," Murphy said.

A resident added to the pushback by noting the town has yet to share the feasibility study with the public. "To hire a project manager is way premature," he said. Very cart before the horse. There has been zero communication with the townspeople."

Johnson countered that the feasibility study has been discussed in open meetings, televised on local cable and reported in the press. "We are doing our due diligence," he said. "To bring a big number to town voters in the past was a waste of time. We just need to get a better next step this time. No one's disrespecting the voters. I'm not against bringing this to the voters."

The Select Board concluded discussion by tabling a decision, after Murphy moved to have Town Administrator Glenn Cannon put together information on what an OPM does and what that person would be doing in this case. "For \$140,000?" Murphy said. "We don't even know what we'd be getting for that."

In other action Monday, the board opened the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, which it noted is scheduled for May 13. The warrant will remain open until Friday, March 22.

The board appointed police officers Connor Leddin and Austin Alves for detail work at the March 5 Presidential Primary election.

Cannon reported that the transfer station site



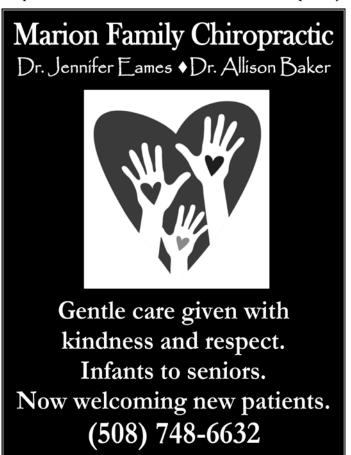


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Cannon reported the Massachusetts Cultural Council has received a \$5,800 grant for its dispersal this year.

On February 27, the Select Board met briefly and approved spending \$1,300,000 of ARPA funds on town priorities.

Prior to the vote, Cannon explained to Select Board Chairman Paul Ciaburri and Murphy, who were present in person, and Morse, who was attending via a telephone link, that by March 1 the Plymouth County commissioners need an estimate of what the town wants to spend its ARPA funds on. If those funds aren't spent by



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the town by the end of the year, they will be reallocated for other county priorities.

The board swiftly approved forwarding to Plymouth County the memo that allocates \$1,309,227.77 of ARPA funds for the following town needs: new ambulance at \$384,000, Revenue Loss Allocation \$218,226.35, Technical Upgrades \$250,000, Overtime Reimbursement \$150,00, Emergency Services Power Stretcher \$30,262.46, two Defibrillators \$4,938.98, COVID tests \$5,000 and Dispatch/jail-cell doors \$100,000.

The last item became this designation after Murphy noted it is uncertain whether police cell doors, the initial intent for that amount, would qualify for ARPA funding, which must be related to the negative financial

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impacts of the COVID pandemic and public health and safety needs. Murphy suggested adding dispatchcenter costs to this item, as the town will need its own equipment should the regional dispatch center Rochester now relies on ever shuts down. Cannon said he will research further as to whether cell doors will so qualify for these funds.

The technical-upgrades priority will be spent on new radios and radio repeaters for the Fire Department, said Chief Scott Weigel. Officials previously reported that \$216,413 of ARPA funds would be used to acquire digital radios; this amount is in the new \$250,000 sum. Overtime Reimbursement will be for the costs paid during COVID for employees who had to work in the office despite the pandemic.

Rochester was initially awarded \$1,021,846.89 in total ARPA funds. Cannon explained in a later interview that the county asked the town to calculate extra funding into its estimate in case a reallocation of funds occurs.

The Rochester Select Board set its next meeting for Monday, March 18, at 6:00 pm at the Senior Center, 67 Dexter Lane.

## **Capital Requests Rearranged**

Marion Select Board

## By Mick Colageo

The Marion Select Board is rearranging the lists of FY25 capital requests as recently presented by the Capital Improvements Planning Committee.

On Tuesday night, Town Administrator Geoff Gorman told the Select Board that the requests presented in two basic categories – those relating to the Department of Public Works versus anything else – could for the board's consumption be further divided, separating out Sewer and Water requests.

A Hazard Mitigation program grant from FEMA, said Gorman, will effectively takes the Creek Road Pumping Station out of the capital equation. Citing positive feedback from DPW personnel, Gorman said, "We do anticipate 100% grant funding for the station."

In summarizing other sewer-related projects, Gorman said the North Well on Perry Hill is in the wetlands and will need capital to construct an access road. Board member Norm Hills asked if the item might require application to the Rochester Conservation Commission.

Other water-related capital needs include funding for four generators at the Marion-owned wells, a replacement of the Island Wharf water main that also feeds Bardon's Boat Yard.

Gorman folded Highway Department needs into the projects requiring assistance from the General Fund because it has no enterprise fund.

He then summarized a 21-item list, finishing with two items that were not submitted in time for consideration by the CIPC before the committee made its rankings and reported to the Select Board.



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The two items not included in the CIPC report were Town House security at the main entrance doors at \$50,000 and \$19,322 to upgrade harbor radios to digital.

The paving of the Cushing Community Center parking lot estimated at \$1,800,000 for construction (the design is several years old but "complete") was recommended by Parker to be held "until the 44 acres in back are decided."

Gorman said that removal of the request for a patrol boat, which would cost from \$750,000 to \$800,000 (from the Waterways Account or as a debt exclusion) is possible but said that patrol-boat grants are "very competitive."

The Select Board has two more meetings (March 19 and April 2) to finalize the warrant. Parker said the board could vote in all the requests and then retract their inclusion, mitigating the deadline.

Marion is estimating a 5% increase in the Old Rochester Regional School District budget for FY25.

Finance Director Heather O'Brien reported that the town has maintained its AAA bond rating.

A 6:00 pm Pole Hearing with N-Star Electric Company (dba Eversource Energy) covering the installation of 44 feet of conduit and two handholes on Front Street raised questions from resident electrician Randy Parker. The plan is for new underground service and the removal of overground service, including a pole.

Parker asked N-Star representative Faye

Sweatman where the transformer would be located, noting from a site visit a large house on Front Street with a 400-amp service and another with a 200-amp service. He also noted that the pole has already been installed. Sweatman said the plan is to run underground wire pole to pole.

"I love the underground, a little more detail would be good. We need to know if there's going to be a transformer there and if it'll be a pole mount or a pad mount," said Parker.

While Sweatman assured the board she would seek and report answers to Parker's questions, Marion resident George TJ Walker was on hand in hopes of getting answers to questions he had about three poles on Point Road that are leaning. Walker considers them dangerous and said he put in two calls to each organization with no result.

"No one knows who owns them," said Walker. "If it falls over, there's no guidewires and it's leaning. There's a lot of wires up there.

Parker clarified that while Eversource has rights to all utility poles in Marion, Verizon is the "pole setter" and owner. Parker then added that the pole located in front of the Police Department on Route 6 opposite Benson Brook Road is in similar condition. "That one's really listing," he said.

Walker will meet with Gorman and give him pole numbers. "This will be an education for me too," said



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Gorman.

The public hearing was continued to March 19 at 6:15 pm.

Tom Farrell represented the Holmes Woods Forest Stewardship Plan in an appointment to bring the Select Board up to date on the grant-funded bird habitat. In reviewing the forest's history, Farrell noted some facts and made recommendations for the forest's health.

Three decades after a 1902 donation and maintenance as a forest, two hurricanes demolished the forest, and the town invested in a replanting featuring red pine. Farrell said that until 2010 and 2017, not much had been done and by then the red pine died out completely. He said the tree was "not really in its home range" and

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Crowded trees, he said, do poorly, while a thinner planting allows the sun to work more effectively. Farrell said he worked with forester Bill Benjamin, and the white pines that were thinned out "started really exploding into that sunlight."

Noting the trees' resiliency, Farrell recommended removing some of the smaller trees to make more room for more vigorous trees. The more diversity in tree species, he said, the better for birds and also in resisting disease.

Norm Hills asked Farrell for advice on invasive species.

Farrell advised against chemicals such as RoundUp and recommended manually cutting and pulling the plants. "Some of those who pull, pull, pull, they do have some results," he said. "If you can't remove the invasives, just cutting them when they start to fruit and flower, (helps because it keeps insects away).

"Really, you're identifying the most vigorous trees out there and just removing the little stuff around it."

In his Town Administrator's Report, Gorman said the new Harbormaster building's pillars are in progress and publicly credited Building Commissioner Bob Grillo for support on the project.

Bid documents for the new DPW building are complete and posted; general bids are due on March 28. Gorman says Marion has received 21 requests for documents.

The Police Accreditation visit was a success, said Gorman, referencing a February 29 site review resulting in "zero repair work." The next step will be approval of those results by the state Police Accreditation Commission. Gorman publicly credited Lieutenant Jeff Habicht for his preparation effort and the department, noting that the facilitators said Marion "made it easy because they do the right things every day."

Gorman reported that MassDEP is considering regulation revisions for waterways, including elevation of new development areas in coastal floodplains, etc.





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Comments are open until April 30; Gorman said he is attending sessions and will bring back feedback for a town comment.

Gorman also reported that the Buzzards Bay Coalition has received grant funding that will result in the replacement of two culverts on Delano Road to be done in conjunction with the Marion DPW.

"We've been waiting to do that for a long time," said Parker.

Longtime Rochester Water Commissioner Fred Underhill attended the meeting and noting his age (85), said he is not sure how much longer he will be involved in public service.

Underhill encouraged the Marion Select Board to "please keep the lines of communication with Rochester open. ... I've been through three periods when, at least from Rochester's standpoint, things weren't working very well. When you're doing anything out there, (communication) helps solve any rumor mills."

The board approved a Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) Renewal for various approved debt projects. Parker thinks the town should reconsider bonding a septic betterment loan.

"Maybe there's some grant funding out there, I'm not sure this is a good idea," he said, noting the importance of what would happen should a property be sold.

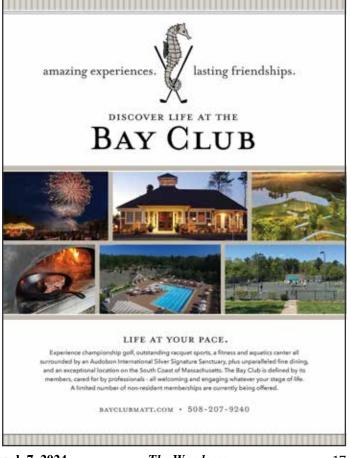
Gorman said he will review the contract.

"I think it's a great idea, but I don't think we should bond it with what we normally bond. There's got to be some other money out there," said Parker, asking, "... how are we going to get our money back? I think we can sort it out. I'm not crazy about bonding the taxpayers' money against septic."

The board also approved a Motion of Intentions to discontinue Wells Road (portion) as a Town Way. This action is meant to support further commercial development on area properties. Gorman said the abutters' attorney is working to get an easement in place for the four-part plan to convey the land to the abutters, hold a 45-day comment period to the Planning Board; see if Town Meeting will authorize the Select Board to







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negotiate with the abutters and get legal easements in place.

Gorman said there is no pressure to get this process to the May 13 Annual Town Meeting, but he said if the town can arrive at a compensation agreement, that would be in the warrant article.

The board approved the reappointments of Kristen Saint Don-Campbell to the Marion Cultural Council, Randy Parker as wiring inspector and Stephen Dixon as alternate wiring inspector.

The board approved a special one-day alcohol beverage license for ICJ Corporation for an August 17 (3:00 pm to 9:00 pm) wedding at the Marion Music Hall where 50 guests are expected.



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The board approved Water/Sewer commitments of \$150 (water service January 10) and \$740.31 (final readings February 27) but held off from voting on a Water & Sewer Abatement Policy. The board intends to vote at its next meeting.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19, at 6:00 pm at the Town House Annex meeting room.

## **Fieldstone Abutters Concerned for Future**

Marion Planning Board

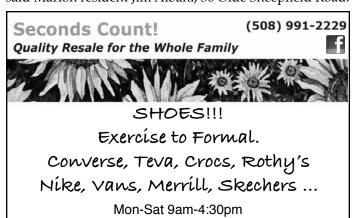
## By Mick Colageo

The backside abutters living on Olde Sheepfield Road came out to Monday night's Marion Planning Board meeting to weigh in on Arnie Johnson's expansion proposal for Fieldstone Market on Route 6.

Given the floor during the public hearing, some abutters rejected elements of the expansion plan itself, but more abutters seemed to be primarily concerned about what would happen should Johnson someday sell his store. One abutter wondered aloud what would stop 7-Eleven from someday buying Fieldstone.

(Johnson told the meeting his son is going to graduate this spring from Bentley University and plans to commit to the family business.)

"Really our concern is process. People make mistakes, and I think this really needs to be looked at," said Marion resident Jim Albani, 36 Olde Sheepfield Road.



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"Look, we don't want to stop this ... we just want to make sure the process is done legally and to the fullest extent of the law. We just want to make sure the next guy who's not an Arnie Johnson ... let's make sure we're doing this right."

Hinting at his role as chairman of the Rochester Planning Board, Johnson insisted he is committed to the public-vetting process but also cautioned Marion residents suggesting he apply for a variance with the Zoning Board of Appeals.

"ZBA's set precedent, planning boards don't. They judge on what's in front of them," said Johnson. "If I have to go to the ZBA, I will, but the ZBA sets precedent, and that may make it difficult for the town (to limit a future expansion proposal)."

The Marion Planning Board had much to digest before voting to continue the case to its March 18 meeting (7:10 pm), at which time Johnson will receive his final answer regarding Town Counsel's advice on the single zoning issue that would allow him time to apply to the ZBA. The project at large will presumably need multiple sessions of vetting in the continued public hearing.

The application filed by Johnson Family Investments includes major site-plan review for expansion at Fieldstone Farms, 806 Mill Street (Route 6), Map 17 Lots 12 and 15A (zoned Residence C). Presenting on Johnson's behalf was Bill Madden of G.A.F. Engineering, who summarized the plan for a

2,044 square-foot building expansion, the absorption of a neighboring lot that his attorney Doug Troyer of Pierce Atwood LLP explained would dissolve that 812 Mill Street, a residence, into 806 and automatically rezone the land so that it could play a role in the expansion of the 41,000 square-foot site.

The building expansion will include 1,500 square feet of additional retail floor space and 500 square feet of additional storage.

Conditions of major site-plan review as decided by the board in November 2023 granted waivers on an environmental assessment and a traffic study. Madden said he has not issued revisions to the plans submitted on February 7, preferring to get the Planning Boards to minimize the number of revisions.

"We understand there have been a few comments raised by a few neighborhood groups," he said, noting the acquisition of 812 Mill Street, adjacent property formerly owned by Carl and Karen Correia.

The plan is to submit an Approval Not Required application to combine the two lots but not until "we have some certainty that the project is going to meet with Planning Board approval as we think it should and will," said Madden.

Madden said original plans to seek a variance from the ZBA to exceed the allowable amount of parking spaces have been changed. "Our feeling was we're going to have a tough time with that variance so we're looking



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at alternatives."

As a result, the new parking lot would consist in part of a porous, recycled asphalt product (RAP), providing just under the 40% threshold triggering the need for a variance. This will also alter how drainage from the site is accomplished.

Madden said a large portion of stormwater will be under that parking lot and that the erosion control barrier will allow no sediment to be washed off the parking lot and into the system.

Alterations to the original concept, Madden said, has cut down tree-clearing. "We feel that the tree line is substantial and not in need of supplemental plantings," he said.

The existing transformer and electrical on the site will be upgraded.

Planning Board Chairman Tucker Burr struggled with the "merger doctrine" and the ANR scenario and its zoning implications as outlined by Troyer. Calling the nonconformities a "giant elephant in the room," Burr saw a nonconforming use spreading and asked, "what's stopping this from every single lot ...?"

Troyer argued that Johnson's plan will, in the end, be less nonconforming. Alluding to the former restaurant at the Fieldstone site, Troyer described the permit to continue a preexisting legal use.

"It's our opinion that the site is operated as a market. They're not changing that use, they're not



expanding that use," he said, arguing that the plan actually mitigates the existing nonconformities because the absorption of 812 Mill Street by 806 (Fieldstone) will make the activity more conforming to the space provided.

"They're not increasing any nonconformities at all. They're actually making the nonconformity better," he said. "It's basically ... legal retail use ... not increasing the quality, character or degree. And there's no adverse effect on the neighborhood."

Along with some of the neighbors themselves, board members needed more convincing.

"Their concern remains, what's going to stop Mr. Johnson from attaching another lot and turning this Residence C area into commercial property?" asked board member Eileen Marum. "The residents need a reassurance that they're not going to be living in a commercial area."

Acknowledging "two very well-written letters" that Marum had referenced, Troyer asserted that no zoning change is needed to execute the plan as proposed.

Resident Dina Nichols, while praising Johnson for his store and commitment to the community, told of her consultation with an attorney that she said had served as town counsel in multiple Massachusetts municipalities and gave her a very different interpretation of the law where it concerns the ANR plan and its implication on zoning.

Member Andrew Daniel asked if Town Counsel had advised the board on the zoning issue. Town Planner



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Doug Guey-Lee said the board solicited an opinion from Town Counsel.

Johnson would later speak and inform anyone who hadn't known that he in fact sought these opinions himself through the town's Building Department in order to most efficiently set his application in motion.

Drawing again on his experience serving on the Rochester Planning Board, Johnson added that the Marion Planning Board can condition an approval against further expansion.

Madden added that Johnson has funded a 53G account for site-plan review.

The public hearing was continued to March 18 at 7:10 pm.

After hearing from Representative Jennifer Jones during a public hearing, the board voted to send FSJ Holdings LLC's application for a zoning change from General Business District to Residence E at 207-215 Wareham Road (Route 6) to the warrant for the May13 Annual Town Meeting.

Citing the last Open Space Plan sustainability and coastal resiliency, Open Space Acquisition Commission Chairman John Rockwell was critical of the plan.

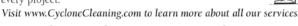
"I don't see how that helps to rezone land in the coastal flood plain for high-density housing. It would be better to find spots for high-density housing where there is not flooding now or likely later," said Rockwell. "You want to create a situation where to manage ... that's not done by increasing the density in these areas."

Rockwell's comments apparently had more influence on the board's disposition toward the town's proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment to add Article XX (Chapter 230-20, Stormwater Management) necessary to ensure compliance with the national discharge system. Approval would put the proposal on the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting on May 13.

Rockwell said that while EPA requires towns to have a MS4 plan, including a stormwater bylaw, "it doesn't have to be this stormwater bylaw," he said, advising against imposing the bylaw as proposed "on everyone in town." Rockwell said the bylaw does not address bacteria or control nitrogen. "You have to look at



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the problems in Marion and craft a bylaw" that addresses those problems.

The board closed the public hearing and voted to make no recommendation but will put the subject on its next agenda as a discussion item.

A continued public hearing for the 48-unit, market-rate, housing project proposed at 78 Wareham Road was not attended by developer Matt Zuker.

"Continuation is probably moot at this point," said Guey-Lee, indicating he would reach out and referencing "some outstanding issues" and the possibility that Zuker may need to readvertise. At Guey-Lee's recommendation, the board continued the public hearing beyond Town Meeting, settling on June 3 at 7:05 pm.

Further discussion on the proposed Short-Term Rental Bylaw being tweaked by the board pushed the meeting to nearly three hours before it was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, March 18, at 7:00 pm at the Police Station on Route 6.



## **Subdivision Proposal for Holly Woods**

Mattapoisett Planning Board

## By Marilou Newell

The March 4 meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board had one agenda item, an informal meeting to discuss a proposed, eight-lot subdivision off Holly Woods Road. The property owner is Collin Labrie, 7 Holly Woods Road, represented on this night by Chris Vandenberghe of Civil and Environmental Consultants.

The primary plans call for a traditional clearing of lots and an extended driveway of 650 feet. Vandenberghe said waivers to be considered would be elimination of sidewalks with nothing more requested and acceptance of the extended driveway.

Abutters were present and voiced their concern over the ruination of the natural woodlands and increased traffic flow from the 9-acre site. Things became a bit testy, but Planning Board Chairman Tom Tucker assured them that Monday's discussion was preliminary, that there are many steps yet to be walked before approval might occur and that notice of the future public hearing would be sent to all abutters via registered mail.

Planning Board member Bill Westerberg suggested to the owner that he could develop the project in a manner that would make people proud. Westerberg is in favor of sidewalk(s), and said that vegetation including trees left in place for greenery, "... remove a minimum of trees for a better project." Lot sizes are planned at 30,000 square feet.

Labrie was told he needed sign-off on the driveway by the Mattapoisett Police and Fire departments before submitting the definitive plans.

Member John Mathieu asked the board to set aside time at subsequent meetings to discuss possible changes to the density requirements in the village district overlay. He said the board should consider extending the use of zero lot lines to allow for the development of condominiums for empty nesters. The members agreed to discuss the matter further.

Also in attendance was Sandy Hering, chairman of the Mattapoisett Tree Committee, asking the board to invite the town administrator to a future meeting to

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discuss a tree-removal hearing, removals anticipated by the village street roadway project. Tucker said he would reach out to Town Administrator Mike Lorenco.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, March 18, at 7:00 pm.

#### Castles Get Castle in Order

Marion Conservation Commission

## By Mick Colageo

The Marion Conservation Commission voted Jonathan and Jill Castle an Amended Order of Conditions for their thrice-amended project at 406 Point Road.

Representative Rick Charon described the project as "fits and starts," noting the discovery of structural issues with the house resulting in a reinvention of the project to raze the house and rebuild.

The final plan extends the level area at the rear of the house as part of a previously amended scope to raze and rebuild the remaining two-story portion of the original house and relocate and install a new septic system.

Charon said that once it was determined the house would be a teardown and a new construction, the Board of Health rescinded a previously granted variance that would have allowed a repair job without replacement of a five-year-old Title 5 septic system. The Board of Health went back to its bylaw requiring a new system with denitrification technology.

The new denitrification system, said Charon, will require two tanks and two filters as dictated by the number of bedrooms (five) in the new house. Charon said the 800 cubic yards of fill going into the property is, in his opinion, less detrimental than the old septic system.

Vice Chairman Emil Assing, running the meeting in the absence of Chairman Jeff Doubrava, asked what would happen to the old septic system. Charon said the tank would be crushed and backfilled.

In other business, a request for comment to the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding the case of Carlos and Jennifer Varum at 534D Point Road was quick to arrive at an agreement between Assing and Walsh that the case is jurisdictional to the Conservation Commission.



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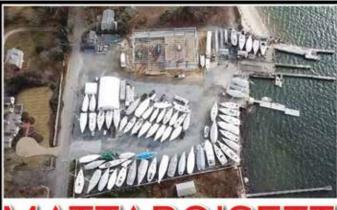
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Walsh recalled a question as to the nature of a stream in the flood zone and a wetland to the north end of the lot. The commissioners are recommending a filing.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 pm at the Police Station on Route 6.

## Large Garage to Re-Apply

Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Zoning Board of Appeals on February 29 approved a request to withdraw without prejudice the variance application for the construction of a 1,600-square-foot garage at 405 Neck Road, which would be larger than the 1,000 square feet allowed by town zoning bylaw.

Acting Chairman Thomas Flynn said the applicant, Michael Walsh, needs to withdraw his current petition because he wishes to bring in a new application with two variance requests at a future date.

The original application sparked alarm at the board's January 25 meeting after members learned the new structure would be placed at the front of the property, which in itself violates the zoning bylaw. Yet this aspect of the plan was not on the application.

On that date, Walsh explained he recently moved from a larger home in Lakeville and needs a four-bay garage for his vehicles, boat and other storage. Board



member Richard Cutler explained to Walsh that he might have problems selling the property in the future if the panel approved his plan as submitted on February 29.

In other action, the board approved a FY25 budget request of \$1,000, which is no change from this fiscal year's ZBA budget. "We should stick to our last budget amount," board member Davis Sullivan said.

Board administrator Andreia Lacerda reported she has received no petitions for the March 14 meeting. Therefore, the Zoning Board of Appeals will meet next on March 28 at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester.

## Martin Sparks Bulldogs to Playoff Win

ORR Basketball Roundup

## **By Aiden Comorosky**

The Old Rochester Regional High School boys' basketball team opened the MIAA Division 3 state tournament on March 1 with a 65-59 victory over Foxborough in Mattapoisett.

Gavin Martin was named the player of the game, dropping 18 points, 5 assists and 4 steals. Zach Maurao added 18 points. The host Bulldogs, seeded second, were behind in the first quarter and were down one point at the half. After scoring 20 third-quarter points, the Bulldogs led 50-45 going into the fourth. In a back-and-forth final quarter, the Bulldogs ultimately pulled away with the win.

"The boys displayed resilience and did what they had to, securing a gritty win and advance," said ORR head coach Steve Carvalho.

ORR took an 18-4 record into its March 6, Round of 16 home game against 15-seed Salem (6:30 pm tipoff at the ORR gym for Wednesday's online readers).

## Girls Basketball

ORR, seeded 22<sup>nd</sup>, fell at Watertown, 47-28, on March 1 in the MIAA Division 3 Round of 32. The Bulldogs finished the season 15-7.

## **Skaters Stymied by Hanover**

ORR/Fairhaven Hockey

## By Mick Colageo

Down 2-0 on the scoreboard, the Old Rochester/ Fairhaven coop hockey team got the pushback it was looking for entering the second period of Saturday's MIAA Division 4 tournament game against Hanover. But an unlucky bounce and an untimely turnover conspired to undermine the Bulldogs' effort in a season-ending 4-1 defeat at the Hobomock Arena in Pembroke.

"I think it took a little while for the kids to realize the speed of the game ... they dominated the first shift. The second and third lines had some trouble," said ORR/ Fairhaven coach Zach Ledogar, whose team found its rhythm in the second period.

Hanover senior Myles Joyce scored 8:20 into the game, and just 22 seconds later, Mehki Bryan made it 2-0

when Tucker Roy's save on Bryan's original shot caromed off the Hanover senior's body and fell into the ORR/ Fairhaven net.

Junior forward Caleb Bousquet got ORR/ Fairhaven on the board 5:09 into the second period when he stole the puck right off Hanover winger Christopher Doherty's stick and flung a shot before goalie Thomas Perkins could reset.

But Doherty made amends for his lapse, capitalizing on an ORR/Fairhaven turnover and scoring with one minute left in the period to restore the Hawks' two-goal lead. Although they still trailed by two, the second was a better period for the Bulldogs (13-9-1.)

"We weren't timid on the puck, we started outskating the other team and outshot them that period as well," said Ledogar, whose team had advanced with a convincing 7-2 win over Cohasset on February 29 at Tabor Academy.

Down 3-1 at second intermission thanks in part to Roy's 34-save performance, the Bulldogs had a revived optimism heading into the third period. Only Henry Phillips scored just 12 seconds after the third-period faceoff to make it a 4-1 game.

"It was really deflating at that point. ... They kept fighting right to the end," said Ledogar, proud of his team.

The Bulldogs' best shift of the third period included sustained pressure in the Hanover zone, but

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they had trouble getting pucks through to Perkins as three shots were blocked and two others missed their target.

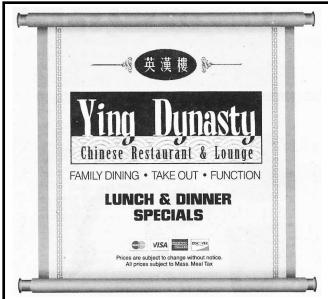
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Towering Hanover sophomore Cole Hendrickson got caught up trying to joust with burly ORR/Fairhaven junior Justin Marques, who had sent multiple Hanover bodies flying upon impact.

Bousquet and Connor Galligan had five points each in the win over Cohasset.

While Hanover advanced to play third-seeded Norwell (17-5-1) in the quarterfinals, ORR/Fairhaven looks to next year.

The young Bulldogs will lose their all-purpose defense pairing of Barrett Becotte and Austin Branco to graduation, along with forward Jack Finn, who skated



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Thursday March 7, 2024 7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

8:00 AM Cape Conversations 8:30 AM For Your Health 9:00 AM A Conversation With... 9:30 AM Pete on the Street

10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:30 AM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education 11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment

11:30 AM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz

12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking? 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes

2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Lee Gunschel 3:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Black Bear Ecology

4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today 5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus

on Europe 5:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US

6:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx 6:30 PM Tri-Town TV 7:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review

7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show 8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report 9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian

Church 10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band Blue October

11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday March 8, 2024 7:00 AM Seniorcize

7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shane

8:00 AM Bulldog Sports Show 8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities

9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club 11:00 AM Cape Conversations 11:30 AM A Conversation With... 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?

1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment

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2:30 PM Two Grannies on the Road 3:00 PM Fur. Fins and Feathers 3:30 PM. This is America and the World 4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren

Paltowitz 4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV 5:00 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert

6:00 PM Tri-Town TV 6:30 PM Mattapoisett Fire Department Awards Ceremony

8:00 PM Sippican Historical Society -The Revolutionary Temper with Robert

9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review

10:00 PM Gay USA 11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday March 9, 2024 6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon

9:00 AM Health Source 9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:30 AM A Conversation With..

11:00 AM Auto Sense 11:30 AM Science 360 12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie

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Experience 4:30 PM Mattapoisett Fire Department Awards Ceremony 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today

7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe

7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000 8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Conflict

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10:00 PM Two Tones with George 10:30 PM Let's Talk Business 11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday March 10, 2024 6:00 AM Health Source 6:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape 7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian

Church 8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church 9:00 AM First Congregational Church

of Rochester 10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal

Church of Marion 11:00 AM Sippican Memorial

11:30 AM Tri-Town TV 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking? 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with

Rededication

Coastline 1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre

1:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show 2:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider 3:00 PM Bulldog Sports Show

3:30 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz 4:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers 4:30 PM The World Fusion Show

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on Europe 7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000 8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx 8:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Conflict

Zone 9:00 PM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

9:30 PM Mattapoisett Fire Department Awards Ceremony

11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report 11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday March 11, 2024

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8:00 AM For Your Health 9:00 AM Reeing: The Movie Review

9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:00 AM A Conversation With... 10:30 AM Cape Conversations

11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road 11:30 AM Tri-Town TV

12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking? 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:00 PM In the Toy Box 1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntvre

2:00 PM Southcoast Matters 2:30 PM The Collective Chat 3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe

4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000 4:30 PM Mattapoisett Fire Department Awards Ceremony 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV

6:30 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert 7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show

8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show 9:00 PM Let's Talk Business

9:30 PM Building the Future 10:00 PM Gay USA 11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday March 12, 2024 7:00 AM Seniorcize

7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good

8:00 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment 9:30 AM The Collective Chat 10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe 10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club 11:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartooning

11:30 AM In the Toy Box 12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking? 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with

Coastline 1:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider 2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre

2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today 3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus

on Europe 3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000 4:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Black Bear Ecology 5:30 PM Tri-Town TV

6:00 PM Marion Art Center - The Importance of Being Earnest 8:40 PM The Beacon Hill Report 9:10 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series

10:00 PM Gay USA 11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday March 13, 2024 7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape 8:30 AM For Your Health

9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road 9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show 10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment 11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church

12:00 PM Tri-Town TV 12:20 PM Christmas in the Tri-Town 12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking? 1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV 2:00 PM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education

2:10 PM Mattapoisett Harbor Days 2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday 3:00 PM A Conversation With. 3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston

Bernard 4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz

4:30 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert

5:30 PM Building the Future 6:00 PM Tri-Town TV 6:30 PM The World Fusion Show

7:00 PM Let's Talk Business 7:30 PM Mattapoisett Fire Department Awards Ceremony 9:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs

Bourne 10:00 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Seekonk

11:00 PM Democracy Now!

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8:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission 9:30 AM Marion Planning Board 10:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of

Appeals 1:30 PM Marion Open Space Commission 2:00 PM Marion Board of Health

3:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing 3:30 PM Marion Marine Resource

5:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen 6:30 PM ORR School Committee 8:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen 10:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission

11:00 PM Marion Planning Board

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#### Verizon Channel 40 **Daily Schedule**

7:00 AM Rochester Board of

8:00 AM Rochester Planning Board 9:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission

10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

12:00 PM Rochester School Committee

1:30 PM ORR School Committee 3:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen

4:30 PM Rochester Planning Board 5:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission

7:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

8:30 PM Rochester School Committee 10:00 PM ORR School Committee 11:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee

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**Daily Schedule** 7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly 7:30 AM RMS 5th and 6th Grade

Concert 8:30 AM Center School Family Q&A's 9:00 AM Sippican 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony

10:30 AM Center School Tribute to Principal Bowman 11:30 AM Old Colony TV 12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly

12:30 PM Old Colony Football vs Holbrook 2:00 PM Old Colony Volleyball vs Blue Hills

3:30 PM ORRJHS Drama - Alien Invasion!

4:30 PM Cable History of Old Colony 6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly

6:30 PM Gun Saftey Forum at GNBV 8:30 PM ORR Unified Basketball vs Tri-Town Police 9:30 PM ORR Girls Volleyball vs

Annonequet 10:30 PM ORR Senior Superlatives

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Thanks.





second and third-line wing. "He played hard, he's fast and got to every loose puck, in every dirty area," said Ledogar.

Ledogar entered his fifth season behind the ORR/ Fairhaven with a goal that goes back to the day he was hired.

"In five years, I wanted to compete for a championship with Old Rochester," he said. While admitting Saturday night did not present the result that every team wants, he feels the Bulldogs have shown they can compete outside of the region and have turned the corner as a program.

"Right from the start when we beat Dartmouth, we beat Stang, we were on a 4-0 run from the start. We had a couple downslopes, but we rallied back and beat all the teams we were supposed to beat," he said.

ORR/Fairhaven was only ever over its head against Nantucket and Nauset, and that exposure to higher-pace hockey worked in the Bulldogs' favor. "I didn't want to schedule lower opponents, I wanted to schedule tougher opponents for the end of the season," said Ledogar.

Five years into the job, he becomes aware of opportunities to climb the coaching ladder but says, "I love coaching in the town I grew up in. ... This ... has been one of the favorite things in my life."



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## **OBITUARIES**



**Eleanor L. (Smith) Galligan** 82, Of New Bedford, Ma, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at home on Feb 29, 2024 after a long courageous battle with cancer.

She was the daughter of Alexander J and Marjorie M (Alexander) Smith, whom she lovingly cared for. She was raised in Rochester, Ma. Ellie was the owner of Elvira J's in Fairhaven for several years. She retired

from Acushnet Company, was a 1955 graduate of Waterman School and a 1959 graduate of New Bedford Vocational.

Ellie was especially proud of her 6 beautiful girls whom she raised to be strong and independent women. Donna Jacques (Norman), Betty Walker (Kenny), Leona Andre (Tony), Christine Galligan, Debra Garabedian, Tracie Martin (David), 15 Grandchildren, 21 Great-Grandchildren and her Godchild Sherry Thomas (James).

She was extremely talented at many things, a wonderful cook, seamstress, and loved to crochet. She was known for making many matching clothes for the girls and for donating many of her handmade items to the VA and other organizations. She totally remodeled an Old Farmhouse as her home. She made and sold Shabby Chic Furniture, upcycling before it became popular.

She leaves her siblings Cecelia Hall (Rick) and Marjorie Higgenbotham, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was predeceased by her siblings Joseph A. Smith and Laura E. Lebeau

Arrangements by Rock Funeral Home. Private burial at Acushnet Cemetery.

In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Friends of The Rochester Council on Aging.



**Donald C. Smith**, "Smitty", "Rammie", 100, of Wareham passed away at home on Wednesday February 28, 2024. He was the husband of 68 years to the late Lydia (Hinckley) Smith. He was born in Marion the son of the late Herbert and Edith (Potter) Smith.

A graduate of New Bedford Vocational High School and a WWII Navy Veteran and was one of the oldest WWII veterans

in the State and in the Town of Wareham. From 1945-1964 he was the Parts Manager at Suddard Ford in Wareham. He was the Town of Rochester Tow Truck operator and ran the Junk Yard on the corner of Vaughn Hill Road and 105. He was also the owner and operator of Smitty's Excavation Services. He loved a good western and collected antique automobiles and model cars.

He is survived by his children Alan D. Smith and Rebecca A. Tetrault both of Wareham and Donna E. Voss of West Wareham. Grandfather of 8, great grandfather of 24, great-great grandfather of 14. He was also survived by many relatives, friends and his faithful companion "Sammy". Brother of the late Alton, Theo, Robert, Morris Smith and Idella Smith Tabor.

Visiting hours Friday March 8, from 5-7pm in the Wareham Village Funeral Home 5 Center Street Wareham. Funeral service Saturday March 9, at 10:00am in the Tabernacle of Praise 187 Hathaway Street, Wareham. Burial will follow in Centre Cemetery, Tihonet Road Wareham. Relatives and friends

are cordially invited to attend. Memorial gifts may be made to the Tabernacle of Praise. To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit www.warehamvillagefuneralhome.com



Mary Anne Lucas passed away at her daughter's home in Orlando, Florida on February 17th at the age of 90. Mary was born in Rhode Island and worked as a switchboard operator for the telephone company after high school. She married Robert Lucas in 1959, and they moved to Martha's Vineyard where he served as a state trooper. Together, they raised 3 children and owned and operated the Flying Horses Carousel in Oak

Bluffs from 1969 to 1984. During that time, the family relocated to Sandwich, selling the carousel in the process. Mary owned and operated an antique store and metaphysical bookstore while living in Sandwich. She was a skilled gardener and was passionate about holistic health. In retirement Mary resurrected her love for painting, which she enjoyed well into her 80's. Her door was always open to friends who often enjoyed a meal or a slice of her homemade apple pie. Mary is predeceased by her husband, Robert P. Lucas, Sr. and her son, Robert P. Lucas, Jr and her beloved 20-year-old cat. She is survived by her daughter, Betsy (who lives in Orlando with her family), her son, Daniel (who lives in Mattapoisett with his family), and her dear lifelong friends, Carol Rhoads and Madelyn Medeiros, both of Marion. A celebration of life is planned for Mary, Robert, and Bobby, this summer.



William J. Loughman, known to many as Bill or Billy, passed away Friday, February 16th, 2024 with his family by his side. Born and raised in West Roxbury, he was the son of the late John and Mary (Burke) Loughman. He is survived by his siblings, Susan Cabe of Cramerton, NC, Nancy Giovannucci and husband John of Norwood and Lisa Gillis and husband Jimmy of West Roxbury,

one niece and three nephews, as well as several great nieces and nephews. Billy also leaves many loving and caring friends.

Bill was gifted with a special quality to brighten other people's days wherever he went. He went about life with a smile on his face and a passion to help others. His love and passion for his work in the community was something to be admired. For those who knew Bill, his love for gardening and making flower arrangements was like no other. It's no wonder his home was on the Marion Garden Club House Tour, for which he was very proud. Billy loved being by the ocean, going out on the boat, swimming in his pool, and even just hanging out on the beach collecting shells. He was a beloved employee and friend to numerous tri-town families who will miss him very much. Whether it was volunteering at the cat shelter, the senior center, the Sippican Historical Society, or even just giving up his time to those that needed him, Billy was a giving person and our community will miss him very much. A celebration of his life will be held sometime in the upcoming months.

telephone, no matter how brief.

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

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## **Elks Student of the Month**

The Elks of Wareham / New Bedford Lodge No. 73 sponsors the Elks Student of the Month and Student of the Year Awards for students enrolled in local area high schools. The criteria used in nominating a student includes a student who excels in scholarship, citizenship, performing arts, fine arts, hobbies, athletics, church, school and community service, industry and farming.

We congratulate Senior Amber Engel of Acushnet



for being selected as Student of the Month for the month of February by the Old Rochester Regional High School Faculty and Staff.

Amber personifies kindness, positivity, and compassion. She is a student leader who is always willing to help others and is a role model amongst her peers. She is a dedicated student who goes above and beyond.



## **ORRJH Students of the Month**

Silas D. Coellner, Principal of Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, announces the following Students of the Month for February, 2024 Green Team: **Rebecca A. Schaefer and John P. Ferreira** Orange Team: **Caden J. Gonsalves and Claire M. Vergoni** Blue Team: **Ava E. Dzerkacz and Oliver A. Hutchison** Red Team: **Aurora J. Froes and Richard H. Redsicker** Exploratory Team: **Isabella D. Hollis & Rose E. Bouley** 

### Letters to the Editor

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#### To the Editor:

Let's hope that the next meeting to discuss the proposed road work in Mattapoisett will be held in a venue that can accommodate all of us who want to be present.

I have a fondness for old things and think they



## MOVIE REVIEW



## Joyride

By Rob Gonsalves www.robsmovievault.com

Drive-Away Dolls. Starring Margaret Qualley and Geraldine Viswanathan. Directed by Ethan Coen. Running time: 84 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters; coming to home streaming March 12.

It's probably too simplistic, and possibly wrong, but on the evidence of Ethan Coen's solo debut feature *Drive-Away Dolls*, he's the goofy one in the Coen partnership and his brother Joel (who directed *The Tragedy of Macbeth* a few years back) is the serious one. *Drive-Away Dolls*, which Ethan also co-wrote with his wife Tricia Cooke, is blessedly short (77 minutes less seven minutes of end credits) and full of sex, violence, and jokes. The jokes sometimes land and sometimes don't, but overall it's a pleasant enough trifle. Not everything the Coens are involved in, separately or together, has to be a cinematic game-changer.

The dolls (the original title was *Drive-Away Dykes*) are buddies Jamie (Margaret Qualley) and Marian (Geraldine Viswanathan). They get a car from a driveaway service and head to Tallahassee, not knowing there's something in the trunk. Violent men hired by a powerful figure are after this something, for reasons I should let the movie tell you. Jamie, a lascivious sort, and Marian, who brings a Henry James novel with her, are generally the kind of diametrically opposed friends you only meet in B-movies. But Coen never pretends this is anything but a B-movie. Full of psychedelic scene transitions that recall the knockout daydreams in *The Big Lebowski*, it's informed by any number of exploitation flicks of the '70s, though I feel sure none of those had references to *The Europeans*.

The movie is all over the place — its tone is the '70s, but it's set in 1999 for some reason, and sports some anachronisms like someone saying women can marry each other in Massachusetts (they couldn't until 2004). A small dog is treated somewhat cavalierly (though not cruelly, thankfully), its only purpose being an excuse to get Jamie's ex (Beanie Feldstein, funny as usual) on her trail. The terrific character actor Bill Camp scores every time as the drive-away manager Curlie, who's sort of the comedic flip side of the elderly clerk who almost loses the coin toss in *No Country for Old Men*. As often happens



in Coen movies, the desperate criminals are ruinously stupid, and their quarry is only innocent in comparison. Stars Pedro Pascal and Matt Damon drop in briefly, adding to the tapestry.

It may also be simplistic to imagine that Coen came up with the knockabout male crime stuff while Tricia Cooke (who identifies as queer; she and Coen have an open marriage) handled the lesbian stuff. Certainly the scenes inside various lesbian bars (an endangered species these days) were informed by someone who's been there. Apparently "basement parties" are or were a thing; Jamie and Marian find themselves at one such shindig hosted by a women's soccer team, and are invited to another. The South in 1999, presumably, was a lava pool of activity for like-minded young women to pursue glory or humiliation. In this universe, men mostly exist to be laughable or menacing (Colman Domingo holds up the "menacing" portion as imposingly as he did in @Zola). This is the kind of movie where Beanie Feldstein comes to the rescue, gun blazing.

Weirdly, of the two solo Coen efforts, I prefer Ethan's sex-positive, consolateur-laden goof to Joel's starkly artsy Shakespeare. (The two films couldn't be less alike.) For one thing, it's more fun, and fun is as rare nowadays as lesbian bars. The loosey-goosey Qualley and the stoically suffering Viswanathan are an engaging match; if their Jamie and Marian headlined a TV series I'd be there for it. If you don't relish their company, you're only with them for slightly north of an hour, and there are other strange divertissements throughout, such as Miley Cyrus' bit as a character named Tiffany Plastercaster, or a heavy who emphasizes people skills as a path to persuasion (with dialogue you can imagine hearing, slightly tweaked, in Miller's Crossing), or the funniest front-page headline since Arrested Development's heyday. It's silly and soft and bound for the cult-movie section, where it will find the following it lacks right now.

epitomize strength, durability, charm, and character, just as the trees lining our shady roads add to our vision of Mattapoisett as an old New England seaside town.

I fear that the proposed tree removal will turn our lovely village into something resembling a supermarket parking lot.

Sharon Schneider

To the Editor;

A sincere "Thanks for Coming" to the February 28th Mattapoisett Tree Committee meeting last week. We estimate around 200 people attended between an overcapacity Fire Station meeting room, a spillover at capacity in Town Hall on Zoom, and 70 connecting from their own homes via Zoom on a night of terrible weather. This demonstrates the interest of our citizens in the current state of the proposed road project and the Tree Committee and other committed citizens were pleased to present a project specific meeting on this topic to all.

The question I have been asked since last weeks meeting is, "What can we do to help?" and I will recap this.

We concluded that the road project is needed. We discussed that rules had changed since the project began, decreasing our town's abilities to use 'exceptions' to DOT standards to protect trees and maintain the Village character. This in turn, means the project complexity has increased significantly from when the Select Board and







## TRI-TOWN POLICE

#### MARION

## Log highlights Feb 25-March 2

- Wareham Rd MV collision
- Front St Health/welfare
- Meadow Lark Dr EMS/medical
- Point Rd Found property
- Front St Noise complaint
- Point Rd bogs Follow up
- Rvders Ln General service
- Front St Health/welfare
- Mill St Suspicious activity
- Converse Rd Suspicious activity
- Spring St Animal complaint
- Front St General service
- Briggs Ln EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd MV collision
- Wianno Rd General service
- Riverview Ln EMS/medical.
- Front St Suspicious activity
- Marion Rd Officer wanted
- Joanne Dr B&E/in progress
- Pumping Station Rd MV complaint
- Ichabod Ln Follow up
- Wareham Rd MV collision
- Olde Sheepfield Rd MV collision
- Main St ĖMS/medical
- I195 East MV fire
- Spring St General service
- Point Rd Identity theft
- Pleasant St Animal complaint
- Ichabod Ln Vandalism/past

#### **MATTAPOISETT**

## Log highlights Feb 25-March 2

- Angelica Ave 911 call
- Fairhaven Rd MV violations
- Mechanic St MV violations
- County Rd Animal control
- Boat Rock Rd Abandoned 911
- Shaw St Suspicious persons
- Marion Rd Warrant service
- North St B&E
- Noyes Ave Property lost
- Marion Rd 911 call
- Upland Way MV crash
- River Rd General service
- River Rd Follow up investigation
- Sagamore Rd General service
- Ridgewood Rd General service
- Church St MV-stolen/theft
- County Rd Restraining order
- Marion Rd MV violations
- Tinkham Ln Notification
- Pearl St Officer wanted
- County Rd Juvenile offenses
- Aucoot Rd General service
- Marion Rd Notification
- Fairhaven Rd MV crash
- Acushnet Rd Summons service
- Aucoot Rd General service
- Fairhaven Rd Medical/assist
- Marion Rd Animal control
- Pine Island Rd Medical assist

#### ROCHESTER

#### Log highlights Feb 25-March 2

- Dexter Ln General services
- North Ave MV stop/towed
- Braley Hill Rd Well being check
- Neck Rd 911 call
- Dexter Ln General services
- Stevens Rd Assist other agency
- Vaughn Hill Rd Road hazard
- Cranberry Hwy Noise complaint
- Dexter Ln Follow up
- North Ave General services
- Dexter Ln Firearms surrender
- Cranberry Hwy General services
- Mattapoisett Rd Road hazard
- Forbes Rd General services
- North Ave 911 call
- County Rd MV collision
- Marion Rd Disturbance
- Vaughn Hill Rd Animal control
- Walnut Plain Rd Animal control
- Walnut Plain Rd Noise complaint
- Hiller Rd General services
- Edwards Ln Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy 911 call
- North Ave General services
- Mattapoisett Rd MV lockout
- Neck Rd Investigation
- Cranberry Hwy Medical alarm
- Marion Rd MV stop/towed
- Snipatuit Rd Burglar alarm

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



## EGIONAL LUNCH

## **COASTLINE ELDERLY**

**NUTRITION PROGRAM** Monday, March 11: Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, peppers & onions, tortilla, peaches

Tuesday, March 12: Meatloaf, onion gravy, au gratin potatoes, garden peas, multigrain bread, banana

Wednesday, March 13: Tossed salad w/Italian dressing, baked mac & cheese, green beans, whole wheat roll, tropical fruit Thursday, March 14: Corned beef hash, cabbage & carrots, raisin bread, sugar cookie, diet: graham wafers

Friday, March 15: Spinach & feta omelet, hash browns, tomato Florentine, fruit loaf, orange juice

#### **CENTER SCHOOL**

Monday, March 11: Philly chicken and cheese sub, steamed carrots, pasta salad Tuesday, March 12: Taco nacho platter, brown rice, taco toppings bar, black bean salad

Wednesday, March 13: Whole

grain French toast sticks, maple

syrup, cheese stick, tator tots

Thursday, March 14: Grilled chicken parmesan served over buttered pasta, savory green beans, garlic breadstick Friday, March 15: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, steamed

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grain French toast sticks, maple

syrup, cheese stick, tator tots

Thursday, March 14: Grilled

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## SIPPICAN SCHOOL

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**OLD COLONY REGIONAL** 

Monday, March 11: Crispy chicken bowl w/mashed potato, corn, gravy & biscuit Tuesday, March 12: Mini corn dogs, fries & baked beans Wednesday, March 13: Chicken broccoli alfredo & garlic bread Thursday, March 14: Loaded buffalo chicken tator tots Friday, March 15: Assorted pizza

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previous Town Administrator began working on the project, and therefore, We concluded that the formation of a steering committee for this project would be a wise move for our Town to take. The Tree Committee should have a seat on this committee. It will be this steering committee that will take up the important issues that we talked about in the meeting; issues that influence the outcome of a final plan which will deliver the things that we want: walkable sidewalks, traffic calming, climate resilency, and shade and beauty provided by trees. We urge the Select Board to address this request as the project moves forward. Your letters to the Select Board will make a difference and insure that they learn that this is of Town Wide importance.

Our Facebook page, Friends of Mattapoisett Trees will remain open for your comments and concerns as well as the Mattapoisett Tree Committee's Facebook page, and the Tree Committee's email, mattapoisetttreecom@gmail.

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Sandra Hering

## Marion Garden Group

If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?" Peeking up through the crusty old sticks and leaves, the wonder of rebirth dazzles our senses. And gardeners throughout the world are looking for their gloves, rakes and trowels to help Mother Nature with her magic transformation.

The Marion Garden Group has not been idle these last few months. Enlightening, informative programs have been held via Zoom. In-person meetings resume in March. Plans are underway for refurbishing the beautification projects around town. Window boxes, planters, urns and of course the horse trough will be tended by MGG teams of volunteers. Tree tagging continues too.

The popular Plant Sale will be held on **May** 11 in Bicentennial Park. Annuals, perennials, cuttings and bulbs from local gardens plus seedlings nurtured over the winter will be for sale at the biannual event.

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## **MNHM Coastal Explorations**

The Marion Natural History Museum is offering two summer sessions of Coastal Explorations. During our weeklong programs, we explore some of Marion's unique natural areas, including shorelines, salt marshes, estuaries, riverbanks, ponds, swamps and bogs. These programs are designed for small groups of students entering grades 3-6. We meet from 9 - 12 in a variety of locations in town. Our first session is **July 8 to 12** and second session is **August 6 to 10** and registrations are now open at the museum's website www.marionmuseum.org. Come join us for a week of summer fun exploring our natural areas.

## Book (re)Marks: What's up this month at Plumb?

Welcome to Book (re)Marks, all the info you need about what's happening at the Library this month. March brings us the start of Spring and most importantly, the beginning of Daylight Savings. Don't forget to change your clocks.

Do you love traveling and having adventures? Or maybe you're more of an armchair traveler? Join us for an author talk with Matt Davis at 12:30 pm, Saturday, **March 9** as he presents his book "At Home in the World: reflections of a travel addict." Matt will share stories

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SALOME'S STARS ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The adventurous Arian won't be disappointed when taking on a new challenge, despite some initial misgivings. Look for this move to open up other opportunities down the line. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Let that beautiful Bovine smile not only put you at ease, but also show that you're ready, willing and more than able to confound the naysayers around you. Meanwhile, a new admirer has important news. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful how you handle a relationship that you're hoping to save. You already have the facts on your side. Avoid weakening your position by embellishing it with dramatics. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Taking definitive stands isn't easy for the often-wavering Moon Child. But you not only need to stay with your decision, but also reassure others that it was the right thing to do. LEO (July 23 to August 22) As a proud Lion, you're right to be upset about those who might be lying about you to others. But the best revenge is proving them wrong by succeeding at what you set out to do. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Caution is still advised before making a financial commitment to a "promising" project. Look for the facts behind the fluff. Devote the weekend to loved ones LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A Taurus offers comfort and advice as you deal with an upsetting event. Use this as a learning experience that will help you avoid similar problems in the future. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A romantic situation creates some chaos for single Scorpions, but it's well worth the

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effort to work things out. A trusted friend can offer some helpful advice.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Expect to make new friends as your social circle expands. Also, remember to tell a certain family member how proud you are of their achievements.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) New ventures continue to be favored. And with your self-confidence rising all the time, you'll want to see how well you can do with a new challenge. So, go toward it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time for the usually serious-minded Aquarian to let loose and enjoy some fun times. Expect to get good news about a workplace issue.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Changed plans might upset some people, but your needs should be respected. Offer explanations when necessary. But don't let yourself get talked into changing your decisions. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for bringing people together. You would make a fine judge or counselor.

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from his world travels, as well as photos. Books will be available for purchase (\$20 cash or check.) Space is limited and registration is required. Sign up on the Events Calendar on our website.

The COA Book club will meet at 1 pm Tuesday March 19 to discuss "The Light Pirate" by Lily Brooks-Dalton. Books & Babble Book club will be discussing "The Ride of Her Life: the true story of a woman, her horse and their last-chance journey across America" by Elizabeth Letts at 6:30 pm, Thursday, March 28. Books for both clubs are available for pick-up at the Library or on the Libby app.

We also have 4 book clubs for kids. BookBuds meet the first Friday (4 pm and 5 pm) and Saturday (10 am and 11 am) of the month. There are groups for kids from ages 6-teen. See our Events Calendar for more info.

Do you like to knit, crochet, or cross-stitch? If so, join us on Monday nights from 6-8 pm for a social gathering of handcrafters. Bring your latest project or something from the stash. Maybe your creative outlet involves pen and paper? Join our Writer's Group the third Thursday of every month to keep those ideas flowing. Open to anyone 18+. Next meeting is 6:30 pm, March 21.

Do your kids love to doodle? Sign them up for our Doodle and Tranquility Workshop with Cara Bean at 10:30 am, Saturday **March 16**. This workshop is designed for kids ages 8+. Space is limited and registration is required.

The Friends of the Library will meet at 6:30 pm, Thursday, March 7. This meeting is open to the public. Join us for discussion of upcoming fundraising effort, including the spring book sale. The Friends will also be holding their semi-annual Savers Clothing Drive on Friday March 22 (2-6 pm) and Saturday March 23 (8 amnoon.) Bag up your soft household goods and clothing/shoes for donation directly into the truck in our parking lot. Boxed books will also be accepted. All items should be in resale condition.

The Board of Library Trustees is meeting at 6:30 pm, Thursday, **March 14**. This meeting is open to the public and the agenda is posted here: www. townofrochestermass.com/node/425/agenda

Questions? Please call (508-763-8600) or email (info@plumblibrary.com). As always, we hope to see you soon at the Library.

## Author Roxana Robinson at the Mattapoisett Library

With her newly published novel "Leaving" one of Oprah's most anticipated books of 2024, Roxana Robinson is making the rounds and gathering praise once again. The award-winning author of six novels and three short story collections will speak at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Saturday, **March 16** at 2 pm. The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library is sponsoring the event and will welcome Ms. Robinson on her return visit with a

reception and remarks by President Kathleen Sites. The public is invited to attend.

"Her last visit to the library filled the room, and she was a wonderful speaker," offered Susan Pizzolato, Interim Library Director. "Everyone got to ask their questions about her books and writing process. Roxana is very entertaining as well as being an engaging reader of her work. I've read "Leaving" and I think it will be very appealing to our patrons."

Author of "Horse," Geraldine Brooks said of "Leaving" [it is} a searing interrogation of honor and passion. It dissects the hidden cost of the choices we make, and the consequences with which we must endeavor to live."

Robinson's fiction has appeared in The New Yorker, Atlantic, Harper's and other publications. She lives in New York City and Connecticut, spends as much time as she can in Maine and teaches in the MFA program at Hunter College. During the pandemic, she taught novels online to benefit her local library in Connecticut.

Copies of "Leaving" will be available for purchase at the reception, and Robinson will be there to sign copies. The audience is encouraged to register in advance, though walk-ins are welcome, space permitting. Call the library at 508-758-4171 circulation desk, or email spizzolato@sailsinc.org.

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#### A Celtic Afternoon

The Mattapoisett Museum at 5 Church Street invites one and all on Saturday, March 16 from 4:00 to 5:30 to a rollicking afternoon of Celtic music with Mark Roberts and Benedict Gagliardi.

Mattapoisett native, Mark Roberts discovered traditional music hanging around the Tryworks Coffeehouse and SMU's Eistedfod Festival. Mark is primarily known as a flute and banjo player but is also comfortable playing guitar, bouzouki and percussion. He has been in a number of groundbreaking bands in Traditional Music including: The Red Clay Ramblers,



Touchstone, The Sevens, The Clayfoot Strutters and Childsplay. His flute and pennywhistle feature prominently in the film, Secret of Roan Innish.

Benedict Gagliardi is a Rhode Island-based musician and folksinger and one-half of the duo "The Vox Hunters" with his partner Armand Aromin. A selftaught instrumentalist, he plays traditional tunes and

accompanies old songs on Anglo concertina, harmonica, and tenor guitar and is particularly fond of digging through old archives and tune books for unusual material. He leads social singing events and supports community

music in the Providence area and is locally recognized as a strong tradition-bearer in his generation.

Mark and Benedict are old friends and musical acquaintances. This program will feature traditional instrumental music, mostly of an Irish nature but with some other widely flung musical traditions thrown in for good measure. As a gifted singer Ben will be dipping into his vast repertoire of songs familiar and obscure.

Guests are encouraged to bring their own instruments to participate in an Irish jam session to close out this exciting event.

Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Please register at mattapoisett museum.org/events.

## Leprechaun Loot Hike

Mattapoisett Land Trust is leading a Leprechaun Loot Hike again this year. After school on Friday, March 15, join MLT at the Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. parking area (Angelica Ave.) from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. We're setting off to find where the leprechauns have hidden their loot ahead of this St. Patrick's Day. We'll take a short hike through the woods searching for gold (of the chocolate variety.) Please RSVP on our events page so the leprechauns know how much gold to hide: mattlandtrust. org/events. Dress accordingly for the weather and join us for some fun. Email manager@mattlandtrust.org with any questions.

## Marion Republican Town Committee

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conduct its next monthly meeting on Monday, **March** 11 at 7:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. The Public and new members welcome.

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

The seed library is back. Check out seeds and educational materials to get your garden growing.

Join the Library for A Banned Book Club Special Presentation – Think of the Children: Banned Picture Books, Tuesday, **March 12** at 6:30 pm. Learn about the picture books and juvenile literature titles that have been banned or challenged in the United States. All welcome.

Come and hunt for lucky ducks at our Golden Duck Scavenger Hunt: Friday **March 15** at 3 pm.

Join actress Sheryl Faye and the Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library for a showing of the one-woman show "Her Majesty — Queen Elizabeth II" Sunday, March 24 at 3:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall. The performance will be preceded by an afternoon tea featuring a selection of sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and preserves, and a variety of special sweets. Tickets can be purchased at the library for \$40. Proceeds will benefit the Elizabeth Taber Library.

Get your team together to challenge friends and neighbors in a battle of wits at the Third Annual Lizzy T Trivia Bee – Friday, **April 5** at 7 pm at the Marion Music Hall. \$200 for team registration, team sizes limited to 5-6 people. Silent auction, cash bar, and free table snacks

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available. Spaces are limited, get your registration form at the library.

Storytimes for all ages Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library, visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or call us at 508-748-1252.

# From the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

In early New England, the most important man in town was most likely not the owner of the biggest house, the town clerk, or a selectman, but rather the minister of the town's church. Rochester's first two



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ministers, Reverends Arnold and Ruggles, both served for many conflict-free years while growing the size of the congregation to over 300 parishioners.

Upon the death of Rev. Ruggles, a recently ordained Harvard graduate, Jonathan Moore became his successor. While he had preached at Brattle Street Church Boston prior to his ordination, this was his first official position. He came to the Rochester Center Church during the lead up to the Revolutionary War. When it became time for Rochester men to march off to war, he "shouldered his musket" and joined them as chaplain to one of the companies.

The first of his ministerial years saw him providing "good services" to his congregation and

during his tenure, his recordkeeping and other writing provided valuable information to the historic records.

Unfortunately, he became a minister at a time of change in the church and society. A new doctrine, the half-way Covenant, caused some disagreement among parishioners and a perceived decline in religion blamed on the French influence from the war made congregational calm less easy to come by. However, in the case of



Rev. Moore (most frequently referred to as Mr. Moore in Abraham Holmes memoirs), it was more likely his personality that led to conflicts. Holmes refers to him as an impudent man and an anonymous writer in 1815 said that Moore "was a man of constitutional fearlessness of heart. The face of men in any garb had no terror for him." This meant he was happy to argue and disagree with just about anyone. As time passed, he was more and more involved in "disputes and lawsuits with his parish".

He openly feuded with Justice N. Ruggles. It is



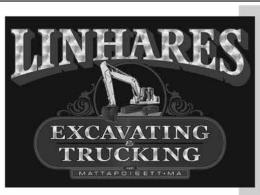
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obvious in some of Holmes accounts how much the two men disliked each other. When a prayer was proposed for an important meeting, "Ruggles said if there must be prayer, he hoped it would not be by Mr. Moore, for he had heard so much of his praying on Sundays that he could not bear to hear him on a weekday, for that man had done more hurt in Rochester than he ever did, or ever would, or ever could do good".

Not to be outdone when called upon to offer a prayer, Moore proceeded to offer a few opinions of Ruggles, referring to his "depraved and wicket heart" and then led the group in prayer.

In 1789-90, it became apparent that the Rochester Church's enrollment was declining. This was blamed on Rev. Moore by a committee studying the situation. This "brot on a violent discussion in the meeting." Things went from bad to worse and after many, many church and committee meetings, Moore was dismissed in 1792. For quite a while after this, he refused to accept his dismissal and held competing services in his home. He also sued for back salary that he felt was due him. The suit went to court and after a lengthy trial, the jurors decided against him even though the court felt that he was in the right.

Even though he was removed from the roll of the church at that time, upon his death in 1814, he was taken back into the church. He is buried in the Rochester Center Cemetery beside his first wife.



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TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the Town of Mattapoisett Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land, the Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. This hearing will be on the petition of Phillip & Gaynor Frost, 2 Oaks LLC, 112 Mattapoisett Neck Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 to approve a Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land located at 112 Mattapoisett Neck Road (Assessors Map 15, Lots 29 and 30). Thomas M. Tucker, Chair 2/29, 3/7

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TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The public hearing will be held via Teams

The public hearing will be held via Teams\* at 7:05 pm.

On March 18, 2024, the Marion Planning Board will hold a public hearing on proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaw pursuant to the requirements of G.L. c.40A, s.5 and the Town's General Bylaws. To see if the Town will vote at the Town Meeting, to approve the proposed revisions as follows:

Zoning Map Changes

- 1. Update the Aquifer Protection District (Identification # 4169000-04G) to comply with that shown on the map provided by Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection letter dated April 20, 2021
- 2. Changes zoning of three parcels (1) Map 11/lot 24E, (2) Map 11/lot 25, NS (3) MAP 11/LOT43 from current zoning designation of Residence A

and C to the zoning designation of General Business as approved by Article 10 of the October 21, 2019, Special Town Meeting.

- 3. Changes zoning of (1) Map 24/Lot 36A, (2) Map24/Lot 37, (3) Map 24/Lot 37A, and (4) Map 24/Lot 38 to zoning designation Residence E as approved by Article 33 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting.
- 4. Changes of zoning of (1) Map 7/Lot 24, (2) Map 7/Lot 25, (3) Map 7/Lot 27, (4) Map 7 Lot 28C, (5) Map 7 Lot 29 from current zoning designation of Residence C to zoning designation Residence E as approved by Article 32 of the May 9, 2022, Annual Town Meeting.

The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full text at the Town Hall, 2 Spring Street, Office of the Planning Board, Town Clerk or online at: https://www.marionma.gov.

\* Please email Doug Guey-Lee for the remote meeting information during regular business hours: dgueylee@marionma.gov. If you are a resident attending the public hearing, we request you identify your name and address for the record.

Tucker Burr, Chair

Andrew Daniel, Vice Chair 2/29, 3/7

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing has been scheduled for March 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA and ZOOM, upon the application of Shipyard Inn Group, 13 Water Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Requesting a transfer of Entertainment License and Lodging

License from The Inn on Shipyard Park.

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Jodi L. Bauer, Chairman Jordan Collyer, Vice Chair R. Tyler Macallister, Clerk 2/29, 3/7

TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1204

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Michael Walsh, for property located at 405 Neck Rd, identified on Assessor's Map 26, Lot 17, who is seeking two Variances from the provisions of Chapter 20.40, Section E.2., of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws for the construction of a garage greater than 1000 square feet to be located in front yard of the property.

The public hearing will be on March 28, 2024, at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA.

David Arancio, Chairman 3/7, 3/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

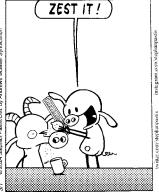
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis









**Lundra** by Chad Carpenter



# **Rochester Christian Learning Center**

Rochester Christian Learning Center is a homeschool cooperative whose doors will open in September 2024 for Grades K-8 at First Congregational Church of Rochester. Homeschooling is a growing popular option for parents who want to directly educate their children. A Learning Center is an organized group of home-schooled children that meet at a facility sponsored by an organization such as a church. The advantage of a Learning Center is that families can pool their resources to help with their children's education and activities. Parents remain the primary educators of their children.

To learn more about Rochester Christian Learning Center, there are two presentations offered to families on Saturday, **March 23** and Saturday, **April 13**, at 10:00 am at First Congregational Church of Rochester.

Families can register to attend one of these sessions via email at RochesterChristianLC@gmail.com.

# More Music at the MAC in April

The Marion Art Center's second Unplugged event this year features Don Legge (guitar) and Jack Coleman (piano), upstairs in the MAC Gallery on Friday, April 12. There will be two 45-minute sessions, with the first seating at 7:00 pm and the second at 8:15 pm. Find a spot at a cabaret table to listen to a mix of jazz standards and original compositions by both artists. Guests will enjoy a refreshing setting at this "unplugged" performance featuring mainly acoustic sound, without the volume and density often experienced during larger concerts in the MAC Theater. Guests may bring their own beverages and snacks to enjoy in this intimate setting. With only 24 guests per seating, advanced reservations are strongly recommended. Tickets are just \$12 for members and \$15 for nonmembers, and can be purchased online at marionartcenter.org/events.

Paul Bielatowicz returns to the MAC with his Solo Tour 2024: A Musical Journey - A multimedia adventure of music and stories from a 20-year touring career on Saturday, April 6 at 7:30 pm in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. Paul Bielatowicz has recorded and toured with some of the biggest names in progressive rock, including Carl Palmer, Neal Morse, Dream Theater, Yes, Todd Rundgren, Arthur Brown, Alan Parsons Project and more. When the great plague of 2020 stopped all touring, Paul turned his attention to composing and spent a few prolific years writing various projects, including a prog rock soundtrack for the 1922 classic silent horror Nosferatu, which he performed on the MAC stage in 2023. Tickets for MAC members (\$20) are on sale now, while tickets for nonmembers (\$25) go on sale March 1. For more information, to purchase tickets, or to become a member, visit marionartcenter.org/events.

# **Rochester Republican Town Committee**

The Rochester Republican Town Committee

will meet on Wednesday, **March 13**, at 6:30 pm, at the North Rochester Congregational Church, located at 247 North Ave, Rochester. You do not have to be a committee member to attend. All are welcome.

# "Little Shop of Horrors" at ORRHS

The Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club's Spring production of "Little Shop of Horrors" will take the stage on March 21, 22, and 23 at 7 pm and March 24 at 2 pm. This will be the sixth show for Director Maxx Domingos and fifth show for Assistant Director Sarah Whinnem as they end their third year with the ORRHS Drama Club. Music direction will be done by Jenna Kendall. Principal cast members include Jorge Carrillo as Seymour Krelborn, Mackenzye Caton as Audrey, Aidan Silk as Mr. Mushnick, Jackson Veugen as Orin, Emerson Roy as Audrey II (Voice) and the following students as Urchins; Chloe Bean, Eloise Casi, Alia Cusolito, Kennedy McKay, Amanda Tomasso and Emily Wyman. Sound design by John Farrell. The play would best be enjoyed by adults and young patrons grade 5 and above. Since the story contains topics of death, it may be inappropriate for younger audiences. Please note the ORR High School is currently a latex-free building.

Tickets are for sale at the Marion General Store, Isabelle's in Mattapoisett, Friends' Marketplace in Rochester beginning **March 1, 2024** and at the door for all performances. Also, tickets can be purchased for a

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R. Bradford, 10 Oakland Terrace, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 RE:10 Oakland Terrace. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under section 3.1.3.1.&5.1.5.4 as provided by Section 7.2.2. of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to Construct a Family related apartment under 700 Square Feet. The property is further described as Plot 8, Lots 153&62 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 21, 2024

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 Anthony Tranfaglia, Co Chair Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Jordan Rodrigues 3/7, 3/14

# TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 4:45 pm in the conference room of the Marion Town House at 2 Spring Street to amend the regulation entitled "Guidance for Body Art Establishments".

A copy of the proposed changes to the regulation is available from the Board of Health office.

Edward P. Hoffer, MD, Chair 3/7, 3/14

# TOWN OF ROCHESTER SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138, Section 12 of the MA General Laws that a Select Board Meeting will be held at the Rochester Town Hall, which is located at 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA, in the meeting room on Thursday, March 14th, 2024, at 9:00 am to transfer a Restaurant Wine and Malt License from Matt's Blackboard (Matthew P. Gurney, Manager) to Costa's Kitchen (Michael Costa, Manager). The premises consist of 2,900 square feet, on the first floor of Plumb Corner Mall Complex, occupancy 94, seating capacity 90, one main exit, two emergency exits. The business is located at 565 Rounseville Road, Rochester MA 02770.

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by Linda Thistle

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Show Summary for "Little Shop of Horrors": Shy amateur botanist Seymour tinkers his nights away in the basement of Mushnik's failing Flower Shop, hoping to create a fetching plant which will save the 'skid row' business on skids (and his much-needed job.) His only other work perk is working alongside floral designer Audrey, a lovely girl that looks for love but lands a sadist - Orin Scrivello, DDS. Seymour's salvation falls to earth in the form of a man-eating plant from outer space - Audrey II - with the power to give poor Seymour everything he lacks in life. When Audrey II's appetite becomes insatiable, Seymour must choose between the high life or the high road. The plant grows and grows, as does Seymour's infatuation for Audrey, but who will get her first?

# **Plumb Library Events**

Local Author Matt Davis - Matt Davis was born and raised in New Bedford, but his career as a professor and researcher at a university in California provided him with many opportunities to explore the world. In his new book, At Home in the World: Reflections of a Travel Addict, Matt shares some of his favorite experiences while traveling internationally. Please join us on Saturday, March 9 at 12:30 pm for a talk where he will share photos and some stories from the book and discuss how his passion for travel developed during his childhood years. Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase (\$20.00, cash or check, please.) There are 25 spots available for this event. Please register through our online Events Calendar.

Doodle & Tranquility Workshop with Cara Bean (ages 8+) -Would you like to have fun drawing in a relaxed environment helping you achieve mindfulness? Sign up for an interactive doodling workshop on Saturday, **March 16** from 10:30 am -12:30 pm with Cara Bean, local author, teacher and artist. This workshop for ages 8 and up will begin with a quick presentation about the mental benefits of doodling Then the group is led





through a calming mindful drawing activity. There will also be fun doodling games. This program is funded by a grant from the Rochester Cultural Council.

Find out about more upcoming programs by viewing our Events Calendar on plumblibrary.com.

# Mattapoisett Yacht Club 2024 Season

MYC has set up its 2024 calendar with an exciting blend of social gatherings, a summer cruising schedule for powerboats and sailboats along with our multiple racing regattas and one design series. There is something for everyone. Two big events start the season:

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shortly. It's always great to start the season with a party. MYC members and their guests celebrate the beginning of summer and start making their plans. The most discussed topic: "when is your boat going in?" Appetizers and drinks are provided. It's a great way to catch up after a long winter.

The next event is on **June 1**, Skippers/Cruisers meeting and Social. Open to everyone who would like more information about the Mattapoisett Yacht Club. Find out what we do, where we go, and who we are. Various information tables will be set up and members will be able to answer any questions you might have. The number one question is usually "Why should I join?" followed by question number two, which is "How can I join?" Racing and cruising agendas are discussed as well. Appetizers and drinks of course. Visit our website ahead of time and see you all there. www.mattapoisettyc.org.

# Greater New Bedford Garden Club Scholarship

The Greater New Bedford Garden Club is offering two \$2000 scholarships to residents of the Greater New Bedford area who are high school seniors graduating in June and who are planning to attend a four year college and pursue a career in horticulture, agriculture, landscape design, agriculture design, forestry, conservation or environmental design.

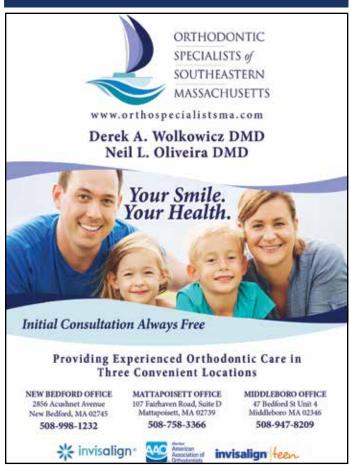
The goals of The Greater New Bedford Garden Club are to offer educational and inspirational programs and to encourage the advancement of gardening, flower arranging, horticulture, the beautification of the community and the conservation of natural resources. Scholarships are given out every year as a way to support these objectives.

The scholarship applications are available to high school seniors in the guidance offices of New Bedford High School, Fairhaven High School, Greater New Bedford Vocational Technical Regional High School, Dartmouth High School, Westport High School, Old Rochester High School, Old Colony Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Global Learning High School and Bristol County Agriculture High School.

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# Looking Back & Stepping Into the Parlor

Those attending the Sippican Woman's Club's monthly meeting on Friday, March 8 will have an opportunity to visit "The Gay Nineties" (1880's – 1899's) when families entertained friends in "The Parlor." It was a time before radio, TV, or computers and the internet. Mack and Cathy Phinney, a local West Wareham couple, whose interests are focused on history have prepared a power point presentation which will bring us back to a time when families entertained both family and friends in their home's parlor/parlour where both fun and games were enjoyed.

Mack and Cathy Phinney love sharing history and continue to do so as docents for the "Wareham Historical Society" museum, and the "Rochester Historical Society" museum. They are living history reenactors with the "Wareham Minutemen and Militia" and the "Rehoboth Minutemen." They have presented programs to the Sippican Elementary School as well.

Our monthly meetings are held at our clubhouse "Handy's Tavern", 152 Front Street, Marion. We start at 12:15 pm with social time with finger-foods, coffee/tea & sweet, followed by a business meeting at 1:00 pm and program to follow at 1:30/1:45 pm.

Parking is available across from the Music Hall in the lot accessed via Island Wharf Road by the Bandstand. Membership is open to anyone whose interests are in the Town of Marion. Guests are always welcome. Please visit our website: www.sippicanwomansclub.org.

# **Turning Point Golf Tournament**

Turning Point is hosting their 8th Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, April 28 at The Bay Pointe Club in Buzzards Bay. The entry fee is \$125 per person (\$500/team) and includes 18 holes of golf, carts, and the post tournament dinner. The Bay Pointe Club's recent renovations will create a new experience for golfers. Non-golfers can help by sponsoring a Tee Sign on one of the holes, marked by a sign naming the company or individual donating. Businesses, individuals, and organizations can become Event Sponsors, with gold, silver and bronze level options. "It will be a fun day for everyone, commented Turning Point Executive Director Shirley Santos, "and a great way to support neighbors in need."

This event is the culmination of Turning Point's 20th Anniversary celebration, and all proceeds benefit Turning Point programs and services for homeless or near homeless individuals and families. For more information on golf registration, sponsorship levels, to purchase a Tee Sign or make a donation, please call Turning Point's golf tournament organizer Rick Duffy at 508-759-7872,

the Turning Point mobile at 508-728-5384, or email turningpointwareham@gmail.com with the subject Golf Tournament.

# Matt Congo Pancake Breakfast

The Matt Congo Pancake Breakfast has been scheduled for Saturday, **March 30** from 9:30-11:30 am in Reynard Hall, 27 Church Street in Mattapoisett. All are welcome to attend for pancakes, sausage, toppings, drinks, and fellowship. Freewill offering will be accepted to help support the church's work. For more information, please call the church office Monday-Thursday 8:00 - 1:00 at 508-758-2671.

# Mattapoisett Woman's Club Offers Scholarships

For this, the 2023-24 academic year, the Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to be able to offer two (2) \$2,500.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents, male or female, who are high school seniors planning to graduate during the current academic year.

Scholarship applications are available in the Guidance Offices at Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural, or other certified secondary school and online at www.mattapoisettwomansclub.org (see Scholarships.)

The final deadline for returning completed applications is **March 31**. Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

In addition, this spring the Club will also be offering one (1) Continuing Education \$1,500.00 scholarship award to a Mattapoisett resident who is planning to pursue a bachelors, masters, CAGS, doctorate, or other academic degree or advanced career or trade certification during the coming year.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising events to help generate the revenue for these and other charitable donations. Our scholarships are intended to support the club's belief in the importance of education as well as its



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# **PEARLS BEFORE SWINE** by Stephan Pastis









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Membership in the Mattapoisett Woman's Club is open to any woman interested in furthering and supporting the philanthropic, academic, civic, and social goals and objectives of the organization.

# **BBAHFH Ramp Donation Program**

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAHFH) is seeking metal wheelchair ramp donations for their recently introduced Ramp Donation Program. The ramps will be loaned to homeowners needing accessible access into their homes. When a family no longer requires the ramp, it will be picked up by BBAHFH and will be loaned to another family in need. The Ramp Donation Program will be helpful for those with existing accessibility issues, temporary injury, or checking out of rehabilitation facilities.

Explains Executive Director Christine Lacourse, "Along with building homes that are affordable for low-income families along the SouthCoast, we also service the community by helping with other homeowners' critical housing repair needs. By collecting and storing metal ramps, we will have an inventory available to be installed by our volunteers when needed by a local family. Ramps are surprisingly expensive, often needed on short notice, and frequently are needed only temporarily. Our ramp program can give homeowners the accessibility that is needed to keep their independence and remain in their homes."

According to Lacourse, "When we installed a ramp for one housebound woman this past year, she was so excited that she raced down the ramp in her wheelchair calling out, 'I'm free. I'm free.' Her first trip was to get an ice cream cone."

BBAHFH is currently both looking for ramps to add to their inventory and for applicants in need of a ramp. The organization collaborates with other nonprofits in the region including the Councils of Aging, Coastal



Neighbors Network, and the Association for Relief of Aged Women.

In addition to providing ramps, BBAHFH's Brush with Kindness program also helps low-income people with critical home exteriors such as painting, minor exterior repairs, wheelchair ramps, weatherization, and exterior clean-up, as well as other Aging-in-Place renovations. BBAHFH can often keep repair costs to a minimum due to discounted materials and volunteer labor and may even provide the family with a no-interest loan to cover the expenses.

Since Habitat for Humanity is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, ramp donations are tax deductible per IRS code. In addition to tax deductions, donors benefit from the removal of unwanted ramps and can feel good about helping families in need of housing.

BBAHFH was first established in 1996 and serves the nine communities of Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, New Bedford, Rochester, Wareham and Westport.

For more information on donating or requesting ramps, email Christine Lacourse at BuzzardsBayAreaHabitat@yahoo.com, or call (508) 758-4517.

REAL ESTATE TRANS	SACTIONS	See past listing on our website: www.wanderer.com					
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Robb, Lisa Pacheco	Steever, Patricia F	5 Holly Lane	Mattapoisett	2/14/24	1,250,000		
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	Paladino, Catherine J						
	Paladini, Paul F						
Connolly, Nicholas	Designer Home Properties	38 Rocky Knook Ln	Marion	2/25/24	380,000		
Matson, Carol Ann	Dumas, Robert W	51 Long Plain Road	Mattapoisett	2/20/24	675,000		
	Dumas, Jennifer T						
Kirby, Michelle D.	Kirby, Meryden	350 Cushman Road	Rochester	2/20/24	120,000		

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by Mark Parisi



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Saturday	March 9	6:51	7:14	12:18	12:55		
Sunday	March 10	8:40	9:03	1:12	2:36		
Monday	March 11	9:28	9:52	3:06	3:17		
Tuesday	March 12	10:16	10:41	3:57	3:57		
Wednesday	March 13	11:06	11:33	4:45	4:36		
Thursday	March 14	11:59		5:32	5:17		
Friday	March 15	12:27	12:55	6:25	6:01		
Saturday	March 16	1:25	1:53	7:58	6:54		
Sunday	March 17	2:25	2:53	9:52	8:05		
Monday	March 18	3:31	3:57	11:00	10:02		
Tuesday	March 19	4:43	5:04	11:51	11:20		
Wednesday	March 20	5:49	6:03		12:27		
Thursday	March 21	6:39	6:51	12:02	12:55		
Friday	March 22	7:20	7:32	12:38	1:18		
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# I Found the Aardvark!

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

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

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*In the February 29, 2024 edition the Aardvark was on page 22

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

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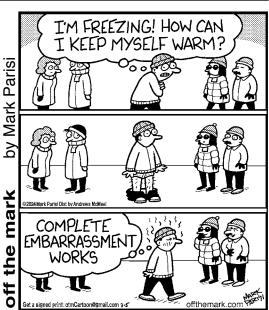
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Friday, March 8 — Thursday, March 14, 2024

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at PLUMB CORNER

General Mills 10.5 oz. Original Lucky Charms Cereal

Nabisco 11.75-13 oz. Selected Chips Ahoy! Cookies

Keogh's 4.4 oz. Selected Irish Potato Chips

Blue Diamond 6 oz. Selected Almonds



Post 12 oz. Selected Honey Bunches of Oats \$399 Cereal..... DiBruno Bros. 7.04 oz. Selected 2/\$7 Crostini Crackers .....

# Sea Salt ..... King Arthur 24 oz. Gluten Free Baking Mix or \$599 Flour..... Kellogg's - 9.5-13.8 oz. Selected \$399 Crackers.....

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Chicken Pot Pie .....

Shepherd's

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Friends' Store Baked Roast Beef



Fresh Baked 16 oz. Loaf Irish Soda Bread





Cabot 8 oz. Selected Cheese Slices



Häagen-Dazs 9-14 oz. Selected Sorbet, Bars or ice Cream



St. Patty's Day Favorite! Green Cabbage..... 5 lb. Bag. Eastern White Potatoes ..... 1 lb. Pkg. Peeled Mini Carrots..... Crisp \$199 Broccoli Crowns..... 1 lb. Pkg. Florida Grown Strawberries..... Navel Oranges.....

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