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Artists Honored for Exceptional Work

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to share that artworks of 15 students from Old Rochester Regional High School were featured in the annual 9th Congressional District Art Show held at the Plymouth Center for the Arts on Friday, April 4.

Three of those students from Old Rochester Regional High School received Honorable Mention recognition for their works of art. That's out of a total of 199 works of art that were showcased in the 9th Congressional District Art Show, which featured welcoming remarks and award presentations by U.S. Congressman Bill Keating.

MJ Brissette won an Honorable Mention in the painting category for his work, titled "My American Gothic." Devyn Southern also won an Honorable Mention in the painting category for his work, titled "Devyn Devyn Devyn Devyn."

In the mixed media category, Owen Osterday won an Honorable Mention for a collage made from cardboard, called "Layers of Personality."

Also representing Old Rochester Regional High School were Georgia Bailey, Kelsi Chick, Sara Duane, Phoenix Ducharme, Eden Dupre, Lily Hinds, Cy Huggins, Varunyu Phimolmas, Lauren Sherpa, Madison Spangler, and Tessa Winslow.

In his opening remarks, welcoming guests to the event, Congressman Keating emphasized the power of the arts to connect people across diverse backgrounds. Congressman Keating spoke thoughtfully about the artistic process as a vital form of communication, and he commended art educators for their role in fostering creativity and self-expression in students.

Karen Wasielewski, Deputy District Director for Congressman Keating, has organized this celebration of student art for more than a decade.

The reception for the event included light

refreshments, providing attendees the chance to view the artwork, which was on display from April 4-6.

Superintendent Nelson and Principal Devoll congratulated the artists and thanked Congressman Keating for hosting the art show, along with Wasielewski for organizing the event.

"I am incredibly proud of our art students," said Principal Devoll. "I'd like to congratulate all of them for their efforts to put their works on display as part of the Congressional District Art Show, and we also offer a special congratulations to our Honorable Mention winners. And thank you to Congressman Keating and his staff for hosting and organizing such an awesome event each year."

"These students, and our art teachers, have a deep commitment and passion for the arts. That's very clear by just looking at the works they produce and the excitement that they express," said Superintendent Nelson. "Thank you to Congressman Keating for hosting this event and for the opportunity it provides our art students to share

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On the Cover: US Congressman Bill Keating congratulated Old Rochester Regional High School's Owen Osterday after the student artist received an Honorable Mention in the mixed media category at the 9th Congressional District Art Show on April 4. Photo Courtesy Old Rochester Regional School District and MA Superintendency Union #55

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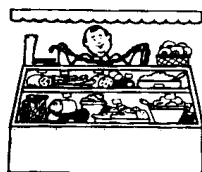
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American Semiquincentennial

By Sam Bishop

The war for the nation's independence was simmering to boil 250 years ago. This past week on April 18 was the 250th anniversary of Paul Revere and William Dawes' "the British are coming!" April 19 marked the 250th anniversary of the Battles of Concord and Lexington. April 22 was the Gunpowder Incident, where, following the battles in Massachusetts, the Royal Governor of the Colony of Virginia, Lord John Dunmore, attempted to seize gunpowder from the powder magazine in Williamsburg. This brought violent clashes and militia uprisings south. Things are heating up. Or, were.

Events in the area and across the country are slated for the next few years. So far, festivities have primarily been seen in Boston, Concord, and Lexington. Though, as we pass the anniversary of other historic events, other celebrations will pop up.

The United States Semiquincentennial Commission Act, signed in 2016, instructs numerous public offices to carry out various activities of historic importance. The law also pushes for "such activities as the issuance of coins, medals, certificates of recognition, stamps, and the naming of vessels." Former Presidents Barack Obama and George W. Bush serve as Honorary Co-Chairs of the Act's committee.

Another fun fact: Americans Centennial celebrations in 1876 coincided with the country's first hosting of the World's Fair.

For more information on events across Massachusetts, you can visit the MA250 website at massachusetts250.org. The Wanderer will continue to update and cover local events in the Tri-Town as they are announced.

Reminiscing While Waiting until This Year

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

Luis Tiant was sitting in an aisle seat about six rows up from the stage watching his grandson perform

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in the company of a high school musical I was directing. It appeared that no one recognized him. At the end of the show, he quickly escaped up the aisle and exited out a side door.

Tiant was, of course, the star pitcher of the Boston Red Sox back in 1975 when the *Olde Towne Team* reached the World Series against the Cincinnati Reds. "El Tiante" shut out the "Big Red Machine" in Game 1, allowing only five hits and went on to throw a complete-game win in Game 4 as well.

Dan Shaughnessy, the sage of the sports page of that big city broadside north of here, has declared it was the "greatest World Series of all time." Maybe, but I say the sixth game was the greatest game ever when Carlson Fisk hit a walk-off home run, raising the hopes that another win would clinch the series. Alas, it was not to be, the Sox lost in seven. What is it they say, "Wait 'til next year."

El Tiante died last October at the age of 83, never making the Baseball Hall of Fame. The Sox honored him at their opening game a few weeks ago.

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I was lucky enough to attend two games of the '75 series. It was so long ago, and my memory is so fussy that I can't remember which two. I do know that the tickets were free! Thanks to my bride's uncle who used to own a minor league team down south. Once in professional baseball, always in pro baseball.

Every morning there were tickets available at the American League hotel. Every team allotted 30 or 40 tickets to their players. Few players used them. Viola! They were there for the taking. Thanks Uncle Arthur.

World Series games are like no other. I consider myself lucky to have had the experience. Unlike the 1967 "Impossible Dream" year when I actually lived on Jersey Street, a homerun ball away from Fenway Park. With no

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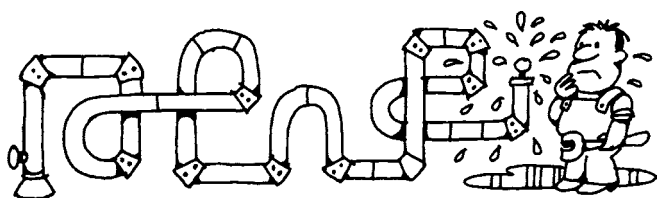
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money for tickets – as a poor college kid without a nickel to spare, I didn't have the \$4 they cost – open windows had to suffice to experience the noise of the crowd while watching the games on my 14-inch Emerson TV.

After a win, I'd run down to the ballpark to quietly celebrate with the crowd (True story. I wouldn't lie to my cherished readers.) Years later, The Boston Globe published a retrospective with a photo of the other crazy fans – not me – climbing phone poles and milling around. The photo showed a Boston mounted policeman. Standing next to the horse was... yup, me, horned-rim glasses and all.

The next time I was at Fenway was on my honeymoon. My bride and I sat in the bleachers, and I got nauseous from the... er, odor. You get my drift?

I hope Luis Tiant finally makes the Hall of Fame posthumously.

Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and happily retired writer. His newspaper columns appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.

I Am Sick... Where Should I Go?

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

In the "old days," say the 1950s and '60s, getting sick was much simpler. If you did not feel well, you called your doctor and either went to his (and 90%-plus were male) office or he made a house call. Now, the set of choices is overwhelming – but where you decide to go can have a major impact on your health and your wallet. Your choices include:

The Emergency Department (ED). Pros: always open, prepared to handle just about anything acute that you may have. Cons: usually no idea who you are or your underlying health issues; very expensive – even if you have good insurance, there is usually a high co-pay; little continuity of care, and, unless you are critically ill, a long wait, often a very long wait.

Urgent care center. Pros: extended hours including weekends; can handle most minor emergencies; usually have X-ray and lab; less expensive than ED. Cons: Not 24/7, so be sure to check if they are open; no

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continuity of care; moderately expensive.

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Your doctor's office: Pros: they know you and can generally avoid over-testing; continuity of care automatic; least expensive. Cons: limited hours; may not be able to see you quickly.

So, what should you do?

As the ubiquitous phone message says, if you are having a medical emergency, hang up and dial 911. If you are experiencing chest pain, sudden shortness of

breath, severe abdominal pain or are bleeding profusely, you belong in the ED. Calling 911 will get you there more safely than driving and will ensure you are seen more promptly. Ambulance patients are almost always seen before those who drive themselves or are driven. Most insurance covers emergency ambulance transport (but not "convenience" rides).

If you need urgent attention but are not severely ill – think foreign object in your eye, a deep cut that will need suturing or a red swollen arm on a Saturday – the closest Urgent Care Center is probably your best bet.

For the myriad other "minor emergencies" that need prompt attention such as a bad sore throat, an earache, a possible urinary infection or a very itchy rash,



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try your doctor's office first. If they are unable to see you, a convenience clinic at the local pharmacy will probably be able to help you at lowest cost and least waiting. These are the kinds of problems that do *not* belong in the ED.

Edward Hoffer MD is Associate Professor of Medicine, part-time, at Harvard.

Sounds of the Past

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Sippican Choral Society is marking its 60th Birthday with a concert perfectly tuned to both its past and its legacy for quality choral musicianship.

Its "Anniversary Celebration: 60s Songs for 60

Years" presentation will be performed at Wickendon Chapel, Tabor Academy, Marion, on May 4. The 41-member choral group will begin

with the two musical selection that opened its first concert in 1965, pieces by Bach and Aaron Copeland. Then the concert will honor its birth year with 1960s tunes for the remainder of the event. Society president Kelli McSweeney said pop, folk, jazz and Broadway samplings including the works of The Beatles, Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell, Frank Sinatra, Burt Bacharach, and Antonio Carlos Jobin will be featured. "We wanted to honor the decade of the 60s," she said, "and our first concert."

That concert, McSweeney said, was performed in 1965 in what was then the Bristol Auditorium at Old Rochester Regional High School. The group was then called the "Regional Civic Chorus" and consisted of 15 members, and it was part of the Tri-County Symphony Orchestra under the direction of the late John Pandolfi. It was renamed as the "Sippican Choral Society" in 1972. "It started as a small group," she said, "made of people who wanted to start a local choral group. They were members of local church choir groups who wanted to start a group that did other than church music."

Jeanne Sheets, an alto voice in the group, has been a member of the choir for 26 years. "I grew up in a musical family and have been a singer my entire life," she said. She recalled that a local "League of Women's Voters" member, a tenor in the group, told her to join. She was hooked from the first rehearsal she attended. "I love the group," she said. "I love the camaraderie. Love the singing. Love the practices."

Jerry Bardwell has been a tenor in the choir for



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27 years. He said he's loved singing since high school. He sang in the Navy Chorus when he served in the armed forces. He moved to Marion 30 years ago and joined the Sippican chorus soon afterwards. "I'm here for just the sheer joy of singing," he said.

He said he's also there because of the valuable skills of the choir's piano accompanist for the past 30 years, Michelle Gordon, and the director, Darry Dolezal "He brings out the artistry in our performances," Bardwell said of Dolezal. "His persona is very relaxed. But he's an expert. He knows what he wants from us. He can put something complex and turn it into language us non-professionals can understand and get a professional sound."

Bardwell noted the choral members have ranged in age from 14 to as old as the late 80s, and their concerts are always well-attended. The chapel, where the choir has performed the most times over the years, is usually 70-80 percent full, he said.

"People here just want to be a part of a musical community," he added. "We come here for the friends, the camaraderie and to share the gift of music."

The Sippican Choral Society's "Anniversary Celebration: 60s Songs for 60 Years" will be performed at Wickendon Chapel, Tabor Academy, 88 Spring St., Marion, on May 4 at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 general admission, \$10.00 for Students, Free for Children 14 and under, and free to anyone born in 1965, the year of its

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
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More Town House Security Fobs Granted

Marion Select Board

By Sam Bishop

On April 15, the Marion Select Board met to tackle a long list of action items, as well as hearing reports from Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman.

After the approval of minutes from the group's last meeting, the board held a review of a dog complaint for 20 Vine Street per an agreement from March 2024. Animal Control Officer Susan Connor, who was present, stated that "nothing has changed. We've had numerous complaints, violations; I myself have witnessed violations." Connor then recommended the board move ahead with a Dangerous Dog Hearing.

The dog owners were not present, and the board discussed with the town administrator what the next course of action should be as there is no applicable fee in place. A hearing was scheduled for May 20.

A sewer application waiver request was granted to the residents of 24 West Drive. They had requested two waivers for a tie in for two of the property's houses. The first is for the installation of a 4-inch, Schedule 40 pipe that runs approximately 92 feet from both homes to the grinder pump. The second for the existing condition of the sewer pipes leaving the foundation with less than 3 feet of cover. The board mentioned an independent review may be necessary to analyze the site's sewer compliance.

The Board of Accessors had requested security fobs for access to the Town House after hours in preparation for the upcoming election. Currently, there is a limited number of key fobs. The three Select Board members agreed that elected officials should have access to the Town House. In the past, the board discussed there being numerous people with keys and there not being a registry of who possessed them. The board is apprehensive to allow for many other people to have keys





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due to security concerns of limiting the restriction.

Members of the Board of Assessors was present to defend their request, with one saying, "I'm just going to get this off my chest. We are not essential personnel as far as security or public safety, but if we don't get our work done, this town's going down the drain because you're not going to get tax rates set."

After much discussion, the Select Board allowed the Planning Board, Board of Assessors, and Board of Health or "any other elected official that has an office in the Town House" to have security fobs to enter the building after hours.

The board then approved the appointment of Tom Drechsler as associate member of the Conservation

Commission. An amendment was made to the Ever Auto Sales License to include a Doing Business As (DBA) on the license per RMV requirement. A Special One Day Alcohol Beverage License was granted to OCD Beverage Catering LLC for the Tri County Music Association Fundraiser on June 8 at Tabor Academy, where beer and wine will be served to approximately 300 people. The approval of the donation of a 2004, 14-foot Mercury Quicksilver Inflatable Boat from the Town of Rockland Fire Department was also approved.

A discussion on the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer) Bylaw, to be voted on at the fall Town Meeting, was levied. Where pressure from the Environmental Protection Agency has notified the board of the necessity in notifying them of the status of the bylaw, they stated they need to see a complete MS4 Bylaw by April 21. The Select Board said the town would use October 20 as a placeholder date for fall Town Meeting.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, at 6:00 pm in the Marion Town House.

Mattapoisett Town Meeting Warrant Approved

Mattapoisett Select Board

By Marilou Newell

On April 22, the Mattapoisett Select Board met with the Finance Committee to review and approve the Spring Town Meeting scheduled for May 22. But the Board ended up waiting for the arrival of several members of the committee sliding forward their meeting with Jenny Martin, candidate for the open position of Mattapoisett Library Director.

Martin shared her background that included project management, database development, grant-writing, donor outreach and staff development. She also shared coming from a small town where the library was a favored place, "...it was my home."

Martin said that her family would be moving to the New England area through an upcoming marriage and so it made sense to move closer to their ultimate location. She said that the Mattapoisett Library is a treasure for the community and commented on the

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building's physical appearance. Regarding programming Martin said that if you lined up what Mattapoisett offered against other communities Mattapoisett was equal.

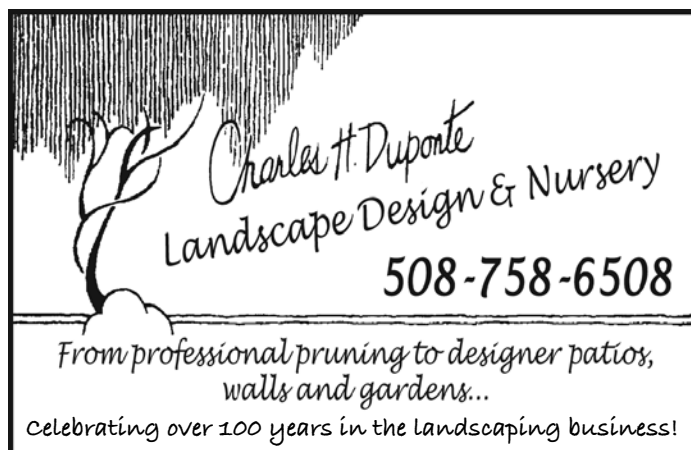
Martin responded to questions about what she might do in her first few weeks if she became director. She said it was important to review the collections and build on what is working while stating the library could "dream bigger." Martin said regarding how best to engage teenagers it was important to, "meet them where they are," suggesting that if they are interested in podcasting a program for building podcasts might prove beneficial.

But Martin emphasized the importance of taking time to observe the library operations and not change things for the sake of changing.

Of the three candidates that originally were vying for consideration as the next director, Martin was the favorite of the Library Trustees. Mike Rosa, the trustees, said Martin's extensive experience, which includes having been an educator, impressed them.

The board then moved on to the warrant. The May 2024 Spring Town Meeting will have 34 Articles. They are:

Article 1: Elected Officers Compensation; Moderator \$303, Select Board Chairman \$6,186, (each) Select Board Members \$5,602, (each) Assessors \$5,602, Town Clerk \$79,825, Board of Health (each) \$724, Highway Surveyor \$92,185, Mattapoisett School Committee (each) \$724, Tree Warden \$10,978, and Herring



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Article 6: Amendment to Conservation Commission Revolving Fund; Article 7: Memorial Brick Revolving Fund; Article 8: Police Department Vehicle Revolving Fund; Article 9: EV Charging Stations Revolving Fund; Article 10: Dissolve Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund.

Article 11: Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund; Article 12: Water Reserve Account; Article 13: Sewer Reserve Account; Article 14: Cyclical Annual Property

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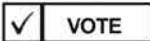
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Article 30: CPA Funding Transfer for Affordable Housing \$250,000; Article 31: Acceptance if Statutes Relating to Veterans; Article 32: Amendment to Bylaws for Parking of Trailers on Public Ways; Article 33: Permanent Easements Pearl Street; Article 34: Increase Mattapoisett Select Board from three to five members.



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Marion Planning Board

By Sam Bishop

The Marion Planning Board met this past Tuesday and began with a continued hearing from last meeting's hearing on a Special Permit request from Derek A. Maksy and Denise Allard of 61 & 63 Oakdale Avenue. It was cited that the two lots were one until a few years ago. The property owners were present and seek to receive a Special Permit for both properties to add a pier onto the property. The proposed pier would be 127 feet in length with 16 feet of that being a ramp from land down over the

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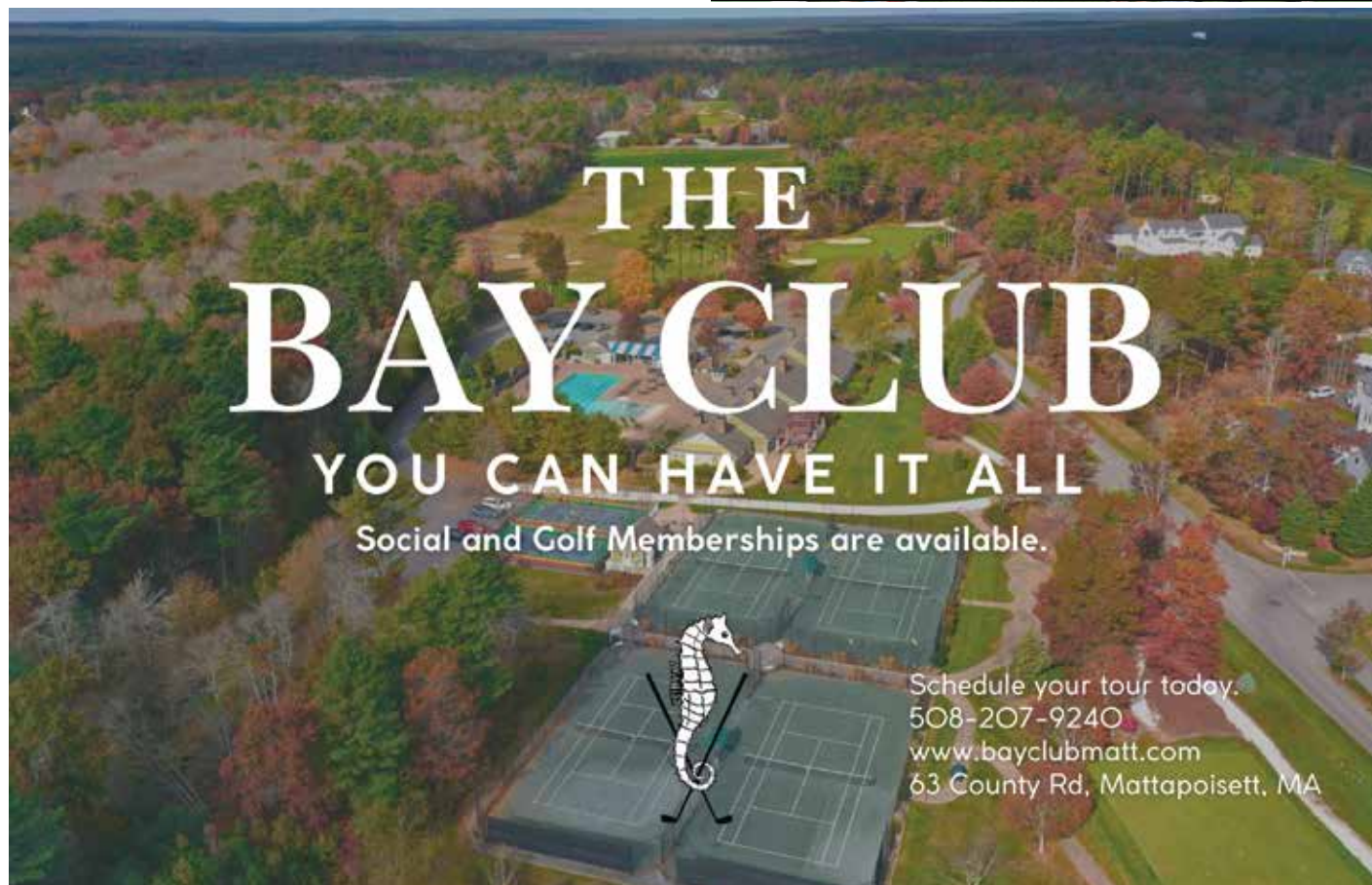


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sea wall. There will also be a bench at the end. The two properties would act as a single association, both sharing the pier.

There were numerous concerns raised from concerned locals. Worries over waterways navigational travel led to the request for a temporary marker to mark off where the pier would be to gauge its effect on maritime traffic. Chair Andrew Daniel said, "getting a boat through at high tide would be impossible." Other members of the public were weary of boats passing, stating two boats could not pass side-by-side. Another from the community said, "please visit at low tide before you vote."

The proliferation of docks, piers, and other

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coastal structures led to the citation of fears of the status of submerged aquatic vegetation. The properties' representative stated, using GIS mapping, there have been no detection of sea grass or eelgrass in the proposed work area. There will also only be two piles into the water to reduce effects.

The Chair also stated the creation of an association pier and the implication that two properties can serve as an association "seems like a loophole." He also said he would need to speak with Town Council on this.

A continuance was asked for by both the Board and the properties' representative. The Chair stressed the need to cut the pier back as much as possible, with Member W. Dale Jones stressing the need for compromise.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, May 5 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Police Department Conference Room.

Land Swap Proposal Questioned

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Planning Board began its meeting Tuesday with further review of a proposal to modify the Special Permit and Groundwater Protection District Special Permit for Cushman Road Solar, Cushman Road, a plan to construct additional sub-drainage improvements within the existing driveway off of Robinson Road.



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Board Chair Arnold Johnson explained members have visited the site out of concern over the Hutchins property where utility piping must be properly covered and graded per the property owner's requests. This was all they had to focus on until "at the last minute" they heard the project managers also wanted to address easement concerns lodged by the neighboring Koczera property owners, Johnson said.

This led the board to continue the hearing until its next meeting after Johnson said he wanted the Koczeras' input as to whether they agree with the plan changes. He also asked project engineer Joseph Harrison, who attended the meeting on Zoom, for full-sized plans of all the changes. Johnson said the small size plans he was

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reviewing were not adequate. "I left my seeing dog home tonight," he quipped.

Next, the board approved a plan a land swap between 194 and 198 Burgess Avenue by endorsing the project's Approval Not Required application. Both properties are owned by members of the Britto family and the plan here is to build a new garage where there is adequate space.

The Planning Board then voted to recommend the Zoning Bylaw Amendment article on the May 19 Annual Town Meeting warrant that would revise the 40R Smart Growth Development District on Cranberry Highway to add a new Townhouse sub-district and expand the district to encompass an additional parcel after a public hearing

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on the proposal. Johnson explained two A-form lots outside the district needed to be added to it they may be more viable financing-wise.

The Board spent the most time on its last agenda. Snipatuit Estates Marc Wilson is proposing a land swap from a permanent open space portion of the development so another house lot can be built there. Wilson's attorney Robert Pellegrini said he wanted to know from the Planning Board what kind of filing should be done for this request.

Board members responded with resistance to the idea. Board member John DiMaggio said he didn't like setting the precedence of changing a 'permanent' property to something else. Board member Ben Bailey, attending the meeting on Zoom, said it was a fraud to portray the land being swapped as being worthy or of equal value, as Pelligrini characterized the move. "I am totally opposed to putting another house on Snipatuit Pond and so will the neighbors and town residents," Bailey said. Johnson instructed Pelligrini to have properties under consideration be marked and flagged so the board can conduct a site visit.

In other action, the board appointed the new Town Planner, Michaela Shoemaker, as the town's At-Large SRPEDD commissioner.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Helicopter Unavailable for Vaccine Distribution

Marion Board of Health
By Sam Bishop

The Marion Board of Health met on April 17 and began with a discussion on mosquito control and Rabies vaccinations. For mosquito control, locals can apply to have their wetland area sprayed; 500 acres in Marion and 50 acres in Rochester are eligible.

The board then spoke on a letter regarding a variance approval and conditions of approval for 80 Delano Road. Chair John B. Howard MD stated "we don't have to discuss that," citing other municipal jurisdiction.

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There were septic updates from 15 West Avenue. The owner was present to discuss plans to add a bathroom in the space present above the garage and a plan to tie it into the current septic system. The house had been listed on Airbnb as a four-bedroom, though the septic tank is listed as a three-bedroom unit. The fourth room counted as a bedroom was discussed by the board to be below regulation height, being a 6-foot, 4-inch maximum ceiling height rather than the required 7-foot average. The owner stated the proposed bathroom would be used with the gym that is also located above the garage. The bathroom was confirmed by the board with the stipulation that the room be exclusively a lavatory, having just a sink and a toilet.

There will be a farmers' market at Washburn Park on Tuesdays in May through October, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

For the orally administered and baited Rabies vaccine, there was originally a scheduled drop on May 5. However, the town has been notified there is no helicopter available for the spring distribution this year. The board was still unsure as to what the solution or method of baiting will be used. Hand baiting and distribution was discussed, though manpower is an issue.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is currently scheduled for Thursday, May 1, at 4:30 pm at the Marion Town House.

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Old Landing Usage Depends on Town Meeting

Marion Marine Resources Commission

By Sam Bishop

On April 16, the Marion Marine Resources Commission met to discuss various facets of harbor management for the FY26 budget.

The commission spoke on a new patrol boat for the Harbormaster Department, currently located in Washington state undergoing sea trials. Harbormaster Adam Murphy said he would fly out the following Wednesday, and if everything looks good, the boat will be shipped cross-country the week after, saying "we should see it the second week in May." The current patrol boat will become surplus to be sold off, seeing its revenue

added to the town's "free cash" General Fund.

For harbor management, Bird Island had its floats installed and gangway repaired. Murphy said the current float was "pretty much trash" and they would add plywood to it to make it through this summer, though it will need to be replaced for next year. Mass Wildlife has created new sheds for birdhouses, which were also delivered by barge. The harbormaster wanted everything in place before the arrival of birds.

Murphy said they were not successful in capital funding this year, having not received a forklift nor funds to build a new dock at Old Landing. He added there is not enough funds in the current budget to install a float either, stating the "deterioration is pretty bad" and the town would have to close it due to it being unsafe for use. It was clarified that the money for a forklift and the Old Landing float replacement is in the newest version of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, to be voted upon on May 12.

Speaking on shell fishing permits, the harbormaster said the number of applicants and funds has "fallen off." He cited an aging population as a possibility.

The next meeting of the Marion Marine Resources Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, at 6:00 pm in the Marion Maritime Center Conference Room.

Bulldogs on Track toward Successful Season

ORR Sports Roundup

By Aiden Comorosky

The Old Rochester Regional High School boys and girls track-and-field teams hosted Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech on April 17. ORR's boys won 84-52, and ORR's girls won 83-53.

Wesner Archelus and Audrey Thomas were named the runners of the meet. Archelus won the 200 meter race and the 110 meter hurdles. Thomas won the 100 meter and 400 meter races. Both boys and girls teams are 3-0 on the season and will host Somerset Berkley on May 1.

Boys Lacrosse

The Bulldogs played at Seekonk (3-4) on April 16 and won 17-5. Caleb Bousquet scored 7 goals and had 4 assists, and David Lally scored 4 goals and had 6 assists, as they were named the players of the game. ORR took a 4-2

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record into Wednesday's game at Dighton-Rehoboth (3-2).

Girls Tennis

Old Rochester is a perfect 3-0 on the season after the Bulldogs won a South Coast Conference showdown, 4-1, against visiting Apponequet (5-2) on April 17. Delaney Chase and Caroline Houdelette were named the players of the match. The Bulldogs took their momentum into Wednesday's match at undefeated Somerset Berkley (6-0).

Baseball

Old Rochester played at West Bridgewater (1-4) and won 11-4 on April 16. Ben Wesoly was named the player of the game. The Bulldogs took a 2-3 record into Wednesday's game Somerset Berkley (4-2).

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ORRHS AP Students Present Research Projects

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Sharlene Fedorowicz and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to congratulate this year's AP Research students at Old Rochester Regional High School, following the

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completion of the Presentation and Oral Defense component of their research inquiries in the Media Center on Friday, April 11.

The Presentation and Oral Defense component for the AP Research students was the culmination of a research process that started at the beginning of the school year. The research process involved the selection of a topic of academic inquiry, before empowering the AP Research students to explore preexisting scholarship through a review of literature. The 12 AP Research students then designed and carried out an appropriate and well-defended research method, before analyzing the results in order to address a gap in the existing research.

"Congratulations to all of this year's AP Research students, who completed the Presentation and Oral Defense component of their research inquiries," said Social Studies Teacher Andrew Apperson, who oversaw



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the student research. "The students have worked hard to reach this immense accomplishment. The students did absolutely amazing work, and they brought forth a wide array of fascinating topics. As always, it was a delight to see it all come together, and I'm tremendously proud of their accomplishments."

The Presentation and Oral Defense Panel, a group of teachers who judged the research projects, were treated to AP Research student presentations on the following topics:

To what extent did US Foreign Policy Contribute to Russia's Decision to Invade Ukraine?

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COVID-19's Isolation Effects on Infants' Developmental Levels.

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Superintendent Michael S. Nelson, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Sharlene Fedorowicz and Principal Michael Devoll thanked Mr. Apperson for his role guiding AP Research. And they commended the students for exploring these complicated topics with academic rigor, scholarly discipline and sound logic.

"We're extremely proud of these students for their achievements on their AP Research projects," said Principal Devoll. "By taking on this challenge, our AP Research students have gone above and beyond. The experience they've gained will serve them well as they continue with their education and engage in scholarly research. Thank you to Mr. Apperson for guiding these students and empowering them to make such scholarly and well-researched presentations."

"Congratulations to these students on this impressive achievement," said Assistant Superintendent Dr. Fedorowicz. "We always want students to be able to learn about things that interest them, and the AP Research program allows them to do just that while also helping them develop valuable skills that can be used down the line, no matter what they pursue after high school."

The AP Research program is rigorous and challenging. Completing this program is an indication of the high level of dedication and scholarly discipline."

"Kudos to all of our AP Research students for completing their Presentation and Oral Defense," said Superintendent Nelson. "This AP Research program enables our students to explore real-world issues in great depth through research and collaboration. This was an excellent opportunity for our students to write and present their work effectively, demonstrating scholarship, hard work and remarkable insight into some of the most intriguing and challenging topics facing our world today."

ORRHS Holds Second Annual Credit for Life Fair to Teach Financial Literacy

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to share that the second annual Credit for Life Fair was held at Old Rochester Regional High School, to teach seniors about financial literacy, on Tuesday, April 8.

The event is coordinated by Cape Cod 5 community bank together with Assistant Principal Lauren Millette. Cape Cod 5 also donated \$1,000 toward the event to be used as prizes for the students.

In addition to Cape Cod 5, Credit for Life was supported by Eastern Bank and Abington Bank, with all three banks operating booths set up for the event.

"We are grateful to our community volunteers from Cape Cod 5, Abington Bank, and Eastern Bank for their invaluable support in helping prepare our students for real-world financial decisions," said Assistant Principal Lauren Millette. "Each of the banks has expressed interest in working with our students in the past and were all excited to be a part of this experience, knowing the value for our students in learning financial wellness. Their involvement and expertise in the Credit for Life Fair empowers our students to navigate their futures with confidence and financial literacy. We are very thankful for their time and expertise."

During the fair, students chose professions, were assigned monthly take-home salaries, then navigated online checkpoints to either accumulate savings or make

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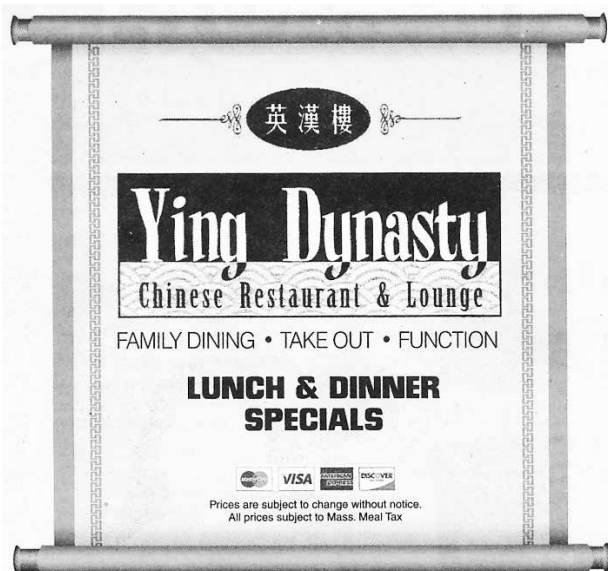
"It is plainly evident to me how the school's leadership is committed to preparing their students for real life, in this case by emphasizing the importance of financial wellness," said Jim Curran, Director of Financial Know-How for Cape Cod 5. "There are two things I hear at every fair: One, adults saying they wish something like this was around when they were a student. Two, students asking how their parents do all of this?"

The Credit for Life Fair is held in light of 2019 findings by the Barr Foundation showing that 86% of high school students say the most important skill they need post-graduation is an understanding of personal finance, while only 30% believe their schools are preparing them

on this topic.

The booths operated by volunteer bank representatives provided students with insight into topics like charitable giving, education and training, food and nutrition, health and wellness, housing costs, furniture spending, utilities, lifestyle choices, fun activities, part-time jobs, planning for the future, transportation and more, including one table devoted to prize giveaways for the event. Students got the chance to earn extra entries into the prize giveaway by earning a Financial Fit Certificate prior to the fair.

The goal was for students to learn to live within a budget, learn fiscal responsibility and plan for the future, all while having fun.



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"The focus is on basic budgeting, giving the students an idea of some of the things that are going to pop up in their lives and how to focus on good financial habits," Curran said. "One of Cape Cod 5's five ways of community engagement is the advancement of financial know-how, so what we want to do is meet each of these students where they are on their financial journey. I can always tell they are getting into it when I hear the students reacting to various situations, such as seeing their savings account go down when they have to pay a security deposit. It's important to recreate the feelings, not just explain the math."

Participants in the Credit for Life Fair included Eastern Bank, with its employees Ambra Brown, Andrew Bichsel and Scott Stephenson; Abington Bank, with its employees Amanda Anderson, Carolyn Brunette, Rachel Swanson, John McCabe, Joao Jatoba and Joyce Davis; and Cape Cod 5, with its employees Laurie Zell, Janice McCarthy, Jo Marie Pollock, Alexis Parker, Jim Curran, Ben Dewey and Michelle Mahoney.

The fair on April 8 was the second part of the Credit for Life program this year. The first part was on March 28, featuring a presentation by Jim Curran, of Cape Cod 5, covering topics including "5 Habits for Financial Wellness" and "How to Think About Money."

Students who participated in the Credit for Life Fair said it was an engaging, eye-opening experience, providing practical insight into finances and planning for the future.

"The Credit for Life Fair was very informative and interactive," said senior Avery Tavares. "As a student, I understand that it's very hard for kids my age to engage in an activity when it's not something that they picked, but this event had everyone contributing, and I did not see a single student sitting down. The financial experts were able to teach us not just financial stuff, but other helpful tips on how to go about the future. I would definitely recommend this for future classes, or anyone seeking help."

"I had a great experience at the Credit for Life Fair," said senior Emerson Gonet. "I learned a lot of financial information that I can use further down the road

in my life. Something that I took away from the fair is that you should always put a little bit of money into your savings account every month. Also, when buying things, you should use your checking account, and you should rarely touch your savings."

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Sharlene Fedorowicz, who both attended the Credit for Life Fair, said this event is providing crucial life lessons for Old Rochester Regional High School students before they move onto college and the working world.

"This is a subject that normally does not get nearly enough attention. But we are glad to bring it to the forefront to give our seniors an opportunity to begin to learn these extremely important life skills," Dr. Fedorowicz said. "We'd like to thank Ms. Millette for her leadership and for coordinating this event with our partners. Without her work on this, none of this would be possible. Due to her efforts and the participation of Cape Cod 5, Eastern Bank and Abington Bank, our students were able to learn directly from financial experts about developing healthy financial habits."

"Budgeting, saving and other lessons that our students were able to practice during the Credit for Life Fair will become invaluable skills that they will remember and put into use for the rest of their lives," Superintendent Nelson said. "We are proud that our students got to experience this valuable opportunity to further their financial literacy. We are grateful to all of our partners from Cape Cod 5, Eastern Bank and Abington Bank for making this possible, providing hands-on, realistic learning experiences and the chance to ask direct questions to financial experts."

Five ORRHS Seniors Honored as SCC Academic All-Stars

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to recognize five Old Rochester Regional High School seniors who were honored for their academic accomplishments at the 36th annual South Coast Conference Academic All-Star Banquet.

On Thursday, April 17, Old Rochester Regional High School seniors Nolan Bushnell, Dillon Furtado, Caitlin O'Donnell, Xavier Pateakos and Aubrey Sylvia-Everett were recognized as South Coast Conference Academic All-Stars during the banquet held at Independence Harbor in Assonet.

The event was also attended by Superintendent Nelson, Principal Devoll and National Honors Society advisors Kathleen Brunelle and Randy Allain.

Each year, South Coast Conference schools recognize the top five students of the graduating class with the South Coast Conference Academic All-Star Award. The chosen students reflect each of the National Honor Society's four pillars - Service, Character,





Scholarship and Citizenship - and have positively impacted their schools and community.

The South Coast Conference includes Apponequet Regional High School, Bourne High School, Joseph Case High School, Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School, Fairhaven High School, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, Old Rochester Regional High School, Seekonk High School, Somerset Berkley Regional High School and West Bridgewater High School.

"I am so proud of these five students, and I look forward to seeing all the great things they accomplish in the future after graduation," said Superintendent Nelson. "These distinctions as South Coast Conference Academic All-Stars were highly deserved. It is such a privilege to have them represent Old Rochester Regional High School and watch them receive this recognition."

"Each year, I look forward to this event and I couldn't be any prouder of our five South Coast Conference Academic All-Stars. This is such a fitting way to kick off the celebration of accomplishments for our Class of 2025," Principal Devoll said. "I have been privileged to attend 17 of these banquets over the years, and each one perfectly captures the amazing accomplishments of our top five ranked seniors."

ORRHS Hosts Mattapoisett Police for 'Sullivan's Message' Presentation

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Michael Devoll are pleased to share that, thanks to a partnership with the Mattapoisett Police Department, a special presentation of "Sullivan Message" was held at Old Rochester Regional High School on Wednesday, April 16.

The presentation, which focuses on the dangers of drug use, was funded by the Town of Mattapoisett, using resources received through national opioid lawsuit settlement funds.

"Sullivan's Message" shares the tragic story of Taylor Meyer, a 17-year-old high school senior from Plainville, who drowned in 2008 after wandering away from an outdoor underage drinking party. Her mother, Kathi Sullivan, shares her story to raise awareness about the dangers of alcohol use and the importance of making



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In addition to Kathi Sullivan's presentation, her husband Chris Sullivan gave a presentation in each of the two sessions called "Not in the Playbook," speaking on his personal story of recovery from substance use disorder, anxiety and depression. Sullivan is a former NFL football player for the New England Patriots, who went from winning the Super Bowl to fighting for his life, battling anxiety and an addiction to drugs. But now he shares a message of hope, coping and mental health wellness.


The presentations, given to all Old Rochester Regional High School students during two separate sessions, featured a heavy focus on substance use,



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alcohol awareness, mental health and wellness. Instead of succumbing to short-term temptations and misguided loyalty, the presentations encouraged students to prioritize health, integrity and long-term goals.

After their presentations, the Sullivans handed out pink and blue bracelets for students, and they also passed around Sullivan's Super Bowl ring. The pink bracelet carries the message "Taylor Lee Meyer" and "I'm Here 4 A Reason," while the blue bracelet makes a statement, "Sullivan's Message" and "you matter."

For more information about "Sullivan's Message" and "Not in the Playbook," go online to www.sullivansmessage.com.

The presentations were coordinated with the help



of Mattapoisett Police Department in partnership with Old Rochester Regional High School staff and Sgt. Junior Cardoso, who previously served as a school resource officer.

"As a former school resource officer, the mission was always to create and ensure a safe learning and working environment for our students," said Sgt. Cardoso. "I also made it a point in teaching life lessons to the students - something they could take with them outside of school to help them make good decisions, with safety being the objective. I believe this presentation is something that will help with that in their lives moving forward."

Mattapoisett Police Chief Jason King emphasized the department's commitment to prevention and community engagement, explaining that "Sullivan's Message" provides a powerful lesson on the importance of making good decisions regarding drug and alcohol use. Chief King said the Police Department is grateful for the Town of Mattapoisett's continued support for proactive, life-saving education.

"Our job isn't just about enforcement - it's about education, support, and giving our young people the tools to make good choices," Chief King said. "'Sullivan's Message' delivers a lesson that can stay with them long after graduation. We thank the Town of Mattapoisett and Town Administrator Michael Lorencio for recognizing the strong value of turning settlement funds into a meaningful investment in our students' futures."

Superintendent Nelson and Principal Devoll both thanked Kathi and Chris Sullivan for delivering powerful, touching presentations about the dangers of substance use and the importance of making good decisions.

"We were grateful to be able to bring this presentation Old Rochester Regional High School to provide this important message to our students about the dangers that can result from alcohol and drugs, and the tremendous challenge that addiction poses for people in recovery," Principal Devoll said. "Thank you to the Mattapoisett Police Department and the Town of Mattapoisett for making this event possible. We want the best for our students and want to see them all grow to live happy, healthy lives."

"'Sullivan's Message' is a heartbreaking but

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inspiring story, and we thank Kathi and Chris Sullivan for all they've done to share this with all of us," said Superintendent Nelson. "This presentation provided not just a dire warning but also heartfelt encouragement for our students to make safe, thoughtful decisions. We'd like to thank Mattapoisett Police Department and Mattapoisett Town Administrator Michael Lorencio for supporting this important event for our students. We are grateful for all of your help in our collective efforts to look out for the safety and wellbeing of our students."

Sippican School 'Arts in Action' Event

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Lynn Dessert are pleased to share that Sippican Elementary School students participated in the annual "Arts in Action" show on Wednesday night, April 16.

With the theme "A Sea of Creativity," more than 1,000 works of art created by students in grades K-6 were showcased during the "Arts in Action" show. The free event featured an exhibit called "Under the Sea Glow Show," a scavenger hunt, live artist demonstrations, make-and-take art centers, longways dancing, live music from Sippican musicians



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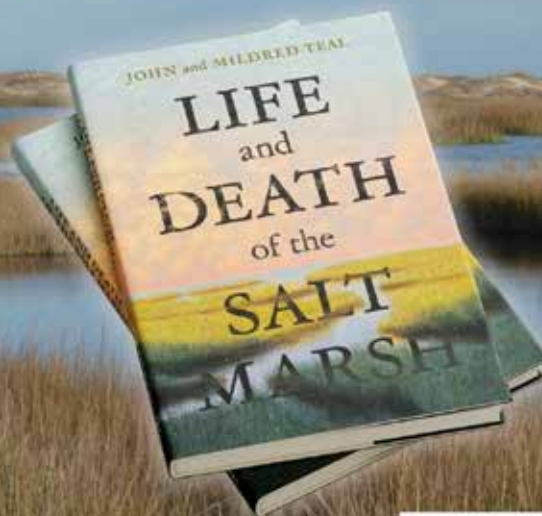
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Robert "Bob" Stuart Reardon, 86, of Marion, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully on April 15th, 2025, surrounded by his loving family and friends.

Bob was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, to the late Stuart Reardon and Viola (Backstrom) Reardon, where he lived and worked for over 40 years. Bob's love of the ocean inspired him to design and build his dream home in Marion, where he and his family moved in 1981.

Bob was a kind-hearted man who never spoke ill of anyone. He was unassuming and ever-present, a steady hand that guided his children and grandchildren without meddling or judging. At the end of each weekend, like clockwork, "The Sunday Night Caller" would telephone his children and grandchildren to see how everybody was doing – a tradition so appreciated, that it will no-doubt carry forward for generations. Bob loved the Boston sports teams. He could often be found lying on his bed listening to Red Sox games on the radio or wearing his classic Celtics jacket around town. He instilled the love of the ocean in his children and would take his boat, the Lil' Jay, out for hours fishing for tautog and bluefish. He also enjoyed clam-digging and even had special quahog sneakers. In his earlier years, he cherished hunting in Maine with his father, family, and friends, building connections and memories. Bob loved his pickup trucks, golfing on Tuesdays with his Little Harbor golf league, playing cards, and taking walks with his dog and grandchildren. Bob gave freely of his time and supported numerous charities. He was involved in Boy Scouts of America, Little League Baseball and Dollars for Scholars. Bob enjoyed spending his time watching and cheering at his grandchildren's games, time with the grandkids that they will remember and cherish.

Bob graduated from Brockton High School, served on active duty and in the reserves in the US Coast Guard, and graduated from Northeastern University with an associate's degree in Engineering. He worked for over 40 years at Bay State Gas Company as a mechanical engineer.

In addition to his parents and brother, Bruce Marshall Reardon, Bob was also predeceased by his loving wife, Elizabeth (Betty) Reardon, his daughter, Deborah Lynn Reardon, and stepson, Daniel DiPierro. His beloved children will miss him: Daniel Robert Reardon (wife Mary Kate) of Berkley, Massachusetts, Amy Reardon Doherty (husband Brendan) of Westwood, and James Stuart Reardon (wife Marianne) of Sudbury, as will their mother, Dianne (Maynard) Reardon of Tiverton, RI. He also leaves behind his cherished grandchildren, Logan Reardon; Owen, Eamon, and Meredith Doherty; and August and Leif Reardon. When Bob remarried, he gained and was survived by loving stepchildren and step grandchildren that he considered to be his own: Lisa and Myles Cambridge, Clifford and Christina Parrott, Antonette and Peter O'Rourke, Carolyn DiPierro, and Lauren, Chris, Ethan,

Connor, Finn, and Stella.

Friends and family are welcome to pay their respects on Thursday, May 8th, from 4 to 7 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. A private burial will take place on Buzzards Bay this summer. Memorial donations in Bob's name may be made to the Buzzards Bay Coalition, 114 Front Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, www.savebuzzardsbay.org. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Jami (Nunes) Midence 48, of Johnston RI, formerly of Mattapoisett, passed away unexpectedly at home on April 13, 2025. She was the daughter of the late Raymond and Sharon Nunes. She was the wife of Herman Midence for 25 years.

Jami was kind and caring. She loved taking care of anyone in need. Jami loved all animals, especially her 2 cats and her dog Lucy.

In addition to her husband she was survived by her three children, Brandan Midence and his fiancé Alyssa Cardoso, Justin Midence, and Tylesha Irizarry and her husband, four grandchildren, Reece Midence, Amyalese, Amani and Aviah Irizarry. A brother Paul Nunes, Three sisters Sharon Nunes, Annette Mackay and Robin Gonsalves.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 am on Friday May 2, at Cushing cemetery Mattapoisett. A celebration of life will be held at Whalers Inn, Hathaway Rd, New Bedford immediately following the service.



Claire Frances Belrose, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, of Rochester, passed away peacefully at her home on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at the age of 81, surrounded by family after a long illness.

Born in Boston on January 16, 1944, Claire was the cherished daughter of the late James E. Thom and Catherine M. McKenna. She graduated from Dorchester High School and attended the Boston College Business School. Known for her strong work ethic and warm spirit, Claire held various roles throughout her life, including working as a waitress at the Riverside Restaurant in Middleborough and later retiring from the IBEW Local 2322 Union Office, where she was a valued member of the team.

Claire shared 37 years of love and devotion with her husband, Ronald Belrose of Rochester, MA. Her greatest joy came from her family. She is survived by her loving children: son Joseph Campisi, Jr. & his girlfriend Wendy; daughter Gina Campisi; son Thom Jones; adored granddaughter, Madison Jones; daughter-in-law and devoted caregiver Jenn Payette; and stepdaughter Sara Mann & her husband Eric. Claire was a woman of great heart and humor, always finding time to

and food that was available to purchase from the Music Cafe, with all proceeds supporting Sippican arts programs.

“‘Arts in Action’ is a yearly event at Sippican School that takes months of planning and organizing through a team effort,” said Art Teacher Joanne Smith. “This fun event is all about celebrating the arts in our school, bringing the community together and creating joyful memories for our students.”

Smith gave credit for the event to volunteers from the Music Department, the Art Department, and VASE (Volunteers At Sippican Elementary), along with parent volunteers, the Sippican Scoop, and high schoolers from Old Rochester Regional High School.

“It is truly amazing how all the pieces come together behind the scenes with the help of so many volunteers to create this wonderful event of the arts,” Smith said.

Smith praised the diversity of artwork that was featured in the “Arts in Action” show.

“We had a bit of all types of art from weaving, printmaking, pottery, painting, to dance, the band and choir,” Smith said.

In addition to student art, the event showcased art by members of the Pokanoket Tribe, wood burning by local artist Kristin Canto, cupola paintings by New Bedford artist Roy Rossow. VASE sponsored an “artist experience” with Rossow, whose cupola artwork has been featured at the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

Smith credited Instrumental Music Teacher Hannah Moore and General Music and Choral Teacher Patty Richard with creating a fun atmosphere for everyone.

“Seeing all of the families enjoying themselves - as they viewed children’s artwork, participated in Mrs. Moore’s music cafe, joined in on Mrs. Richards’ longway dances and learned a new art technique from a community artist - is what ‘Arts in Action’ is all about,” Smith said

Superintendent Nelson, Principal Dessert, and Assistant Principal Gregory Thomas thanked all the volunteers who helped make the “Arts in Action” event possible, along with all the students, teachers and community members who participated.

“‘Arts in Action’ is a such an awesome way for our students to demonstrate their talents, get inspired and

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laugh, listen, and offer kindness to those around her.

She was predeceased by her parents; her sister, Joan Murray; and her brother, James Thom Jr., all of whom she held close in her heart.

Claire will be remembered for her grace, her resilience, and the unconditional love she gave her family and friends. Her memory will live on in the lives she touched and the stories shared by those who loved her.

Family and friends are welcome to the visiting hours at the Ashley Funeral Home, 35 Oak Street, Middleborough, on Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 9:00-11:00 am, followed by a funeral service starting at 11:00 am.

Interment at the Titicut Parish Cemetery, Plymouth Street, North Middleborough.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Claire’s name to the Colon and Rectal Cancer Program at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215.

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Greenwich, Rhode Island. He spent his childhood exploring the great outdoors, which became his lifelong passion. George attended the Moses Brown School, Middlesex School and Harvard University. He was a tremendous athlete: a pitcher famous for his blooper ball, varsity football player, golf club champion, prodigious hunter and fisherman; he excelled at it all. For 30 years he worked for textile giant Cannon Mills in New York City, specializing in military sales. He was very involved with his church and many cultural and charitable institutions, especially the Berkshire National Fish Hatchery and the Bidwell House Museum in Monterey, MA. At his home in Fairhaven on the beautiful marsh he spent his time drawing and writing articles for this newspaper, watching the Ospreys and scoring free coffee at the Dunkin drive-through. He loved it here!

George is predeceased by his wife of 64 years, Janice Pinkham Emmons. He is survived by his daughters Alice Emmons Maciejowski of Hamilton, MA and Liz Emmons Mulroy of Fairhaven, their husbands Timothy Maciejowski and Michael Mulroy. And by his highly prized grandsons: Ames Colt, John and Robin Connery and Alex Colt.

The family is deeply grateful for the wonderful care he received at Our Lady’s Haven in Fairhaven.

Services will be private.

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9:00 AM Marion Harbormaster Building Open House
9:30 AM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
11:00 AM Tri-Town Holiday Events
11:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Diane Lopes Flaherty
3:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Sea Turtles in MA
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Shift
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 Show
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 Evening Conversation with Senator Mike Rodrigues
11:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Tremont Advent Christian Camp

Friday April 25, 2025
7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM The World Fusion Show
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
9:30 AM Mattapoisett Land Trust
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM A Conversation With...
11:30 AM Cape Conversations
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
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Coastline
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
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 Beacon Hill Report
5:00 PM Volunteering - Gifts to Give
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Accessory Dwelling Units in MA and the Affordable Homes Act
7:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Mysteries of the Midwater
9:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball MIAA State Finals vs Norwell
11:00 PM Gay USA
11:30 PM Mattapoisett Historic Consultant Presentation

Saturday April 26, 2025

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
10:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson
12:30 PM Mid-Day Movie
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Diane Lopes Flaherty
2:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
3:30 PM South Coast Matters
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
4:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - Revolutionary War Veterans Ceremony
5:30 PM Accessory Dwelling Units in MA and the Affordable Homes Act
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 - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Mattapoisett Land Trust
9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday April 27, 2025

6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM MAC Arts in the Park
11:00 AM Tri-Town Holiday Events
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
1:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
2:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider
3:00 PM Bulldog Sports Show
3:30 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
4:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Speaker Series: Mehetabel Chandler Colt
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 - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Mysteries of the Midwater
10:00 PM Volunteering - Gifts to Give
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business
11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday April 28, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:00 AM Tri-Town Holiday Events
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 McIntyre
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters
2:30 PM The Collective Chat
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today

Tuesday April 29, 2025
7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM For Your Health: Nicotine Pouches
8:30 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 - Euromaxx
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
5:00 PM Tri-Town Holiday Events
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV
6:00 PM Rochester Historical Society - Mary's Pond with Peter Balzarini
8:00 PM The Beacon Hill Report
9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Classic Movie

Wednesday April 30, 2025
7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good

Shape
8:00 AM Cape Conversations
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
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
3:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs St. Marys
4:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball MIAA State Finals vs Norwell
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM Let's Talk Business
7:30 PM Sippican Historical Speaker Series - Notre Dame
8:30 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert
9:30 PM ORR/Fairhaven Boys Hockey vs Monomoy
11:00 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Bourne

MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 39 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen
9:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission
9:30 AM Marion Planning Board
11:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
11:30 AM Marion School Committee
12:30 PM Marion Finance Committee
2:30 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission
3:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
4:00 PM Marion Board of Health
5:30 PM Marion Marine Resources Commission
6:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
8:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission
9:00 PM Marion Planning Board
10:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of

Appeals

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 40 Daily Schedule

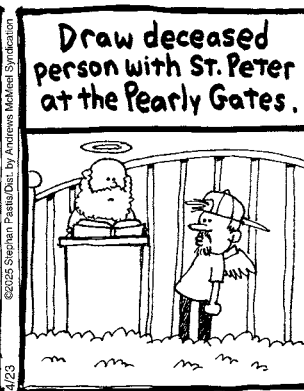
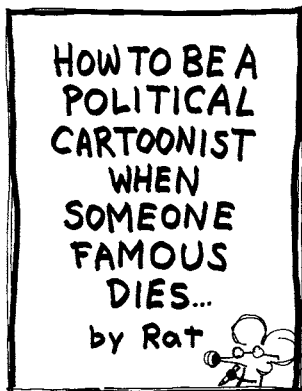
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7:00 PM Rochester Planning Board
7:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
8:00 PM Rochester School Committee
10:00 PM ORR School Committee

EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 8 Verizon Channel 37 Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
8:00 AM Bulldog Sports
10:00 AM Old Hammondton Spring Concert
11:00 AM Cable History of Old Colony
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
1:00 PM Bulldog Sports
2:00 PM Old Colony Senior Awards Night
3:00 PM Old Colony National Honor Society
4:00 PM Old Colony Graduation
5:00 PM ORR Drama
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
7:00 PM Bulldog Sports
8:00 PM ORR FORM Brunch
9:30 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Apponequet
10:30 PM ORR Football vs Apponequet

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 38

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



learn more about the arts from all the hands-on exhibits and stations that we ran throughout this wonderful event," said Assistant Principal Thomas. "Thank you to everyone who helped out to organize, set up and operate this event."

"It was great to see so many works of art created by our students. We have so much young talent at Sippican. It's really all so impressive," said Principal Dessert. "I'd also like to offer a special thanks to Ms. Moore and Ms. Richard for help making this such a fun time for everyone, along with all of our community artists and Ms. Smith for all the hard work put into this event. This was an amazing night and a big success."

"Our annual 'Arts in Action' is an annual tradition and it is one of the biggest highlights of the year for our students, showcasing all of their creativity and hard work for us all to enjoy," said Superintendent Nelson. "We also saw some fantastic artwork by members of the community, and some amazing musical performances. I'd like to congratulate everyone who participated, showcasing their works of art, and I'd like to thank our hardworking staff and volunteers who made the event possible."

Academic Achievements

Graduating Psychology major and student-athlete Carly Drew from Rochester, is the student speaker at the 76th Annual Commencement Ceremony at Anna Maria

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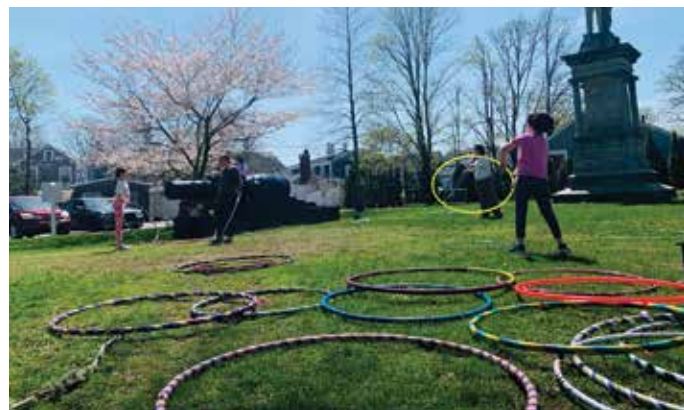
TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Tuesday afternoon hula-hoop workshop with WildKat Hoops! Host Kat Suwalski led a beginner-friendly lesson on the library's lawn. Everyone had a blast! Photo by Amanda Lawrence



Tree Warden Jeffrey Eldridge recently procured 500 (small) trees to be distributed to the youth of Rochester in honor of Arbor Day, which is Friday, April 25, to take home and plant. Photo courtesy Matthew Monteiro



The Mattapoissett Congregational Church held an Ester Egg Hunt flowing Pastor Michael's service on Sunday. Photo courtesy Jennifer Shepley



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Letters to the Editor

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To the Residents of Marion,

My family has resided in Marion continuously for over 150 years, and the village has great significance for us. I support the Historic District Commission's proposal for new guidelines to protect Marion as I believe that the beauty and value of our town is now under threat.

We are witnessing a change in the fabric of Marion, in slow motion; the signs are there. One of the letters published in your paper on this topic (3/20/25) noted that "there is increasing pressure to demolish smaller, historically valuable houses or to purchase vacant lots or non-historical properties and maximize the profit potential without consideration the overall effect will have on the immediate neighborhood." This is the root of the problem, and the transformation is underway. It creeps in slowly. If we do nothing it will accelerate.

We are therefore in dire need of a stronger zoning system that will protect our village, its historic architecture and its value. Just because the town has remained much the same for two hundred years does not mean that it will continue to do so. We must all think bigger: if structures are demolished or McMansions go up next to your house or business (and there is already evidence of this "maximization of profit"), this will in fact decrease the value of the property you own, and in the long run make Marion a less desirable town to live in.

New rules are not bad things. And in any case, the changes proposed for future construction are minor. The proposal by the Historic District Study Committee is fair and considered, and what I call "Historic Lite", compared to many other Massachusetts towns. It is not an onerous burden to have an extra layer of supervision before a building is torn down or largely altered, and I do not believe this would place an undue burden on property owners. One reaction to the proposed Historic District in your pages (3/20/25) suggested that the plan to designate the district would add layers of complexity and delay and that we have existed perfectly well without a commission so far. I disagree, times are changing and adding an extra layer of oversight or experiencing a minor delay is far from onerous, in fact it will protect our investment and is a small sacrifice we should make in the

name of a greater good.

I believe that we must all, as a community, endorse this alteration in the town rules as a collective good and as a vote for maintaining the value of our property and the integrity of the village. It is a vote for the future of Marion.

Sydney Weinberg

To The Editor:

As pediatric healthcare providers, we are privileged to care for families through every stage of childhood - and one of the most essential parts of our work is ensuring that children receive their vaccines on time, every time.

National Infant Immunization Week, observed this year from April 21-28, is a reminder of how far we've come in the fight against once-devastating diseases, and how much is at stake if we let our guard down. The modern immunization schedule is one of the most effective tools in medicine, developed through rigorous science to protect children when they are most vulnerable.

Here in Massachusetts, we are incredibly fortunate. Our state provides all recommended childhood vaccines free of charge to pediatric practices. That means families aren't burdened by cost at the point of care, and healthcare providers like us aren't forced to choose between protecting children and bearing enormous up-front costs to stock vaccines. It's a model other states



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MOVIE REVIEW

Soul

By Rob Gonsalves
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Sinners. Starring Michael B. Jordan and Delroy Lindo. Directed by Ryan Coogler. Running time: 138 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters.

Some directors we just feel safe with. That's not to say "safe" as to indicate bland, mediocre material — it's more like a sense of security, assurance that we're in stable storytelling hands. Ryan Coogler's *Sinners* runs for a long time on our willingness to hang with these characters in this milieu — which for most of those characters is an unpleasant reality, Mississippi 1932, the Jim Crow south. Yet the world is so credibly built, and the relations between people so vibrantly drawn, that it's just a pleasure to exist in this world for an afternoon.

The last two-thirds of the film unfold at a newly opened juke joint, owned and operated by the twin Smokestack Brothers, Smoke and Stack Moore, both smoothly played by Michael B. Jordan. After some time killing for Capone in Chicago, the brothers return home and recruit various folks of their acquaintance to pitch in on opening night — it's like a heist film or men-on-a-mission film where the leader assembles a crack team. Their MVP is their cousin Sammie (Miles Caton), a blues virtuoso on the guitar. His playing, and the collective joy it feeds, seem to rupture time and space and summon good spirits (various avatars of the past and future of Black music) ... and evil spirits. The kind that want blood.

All along, Coogler has been showing us that vampires exist in this world he's set up, so it's not a complete 180 like the movie *Sinners* has been inevitably compared to, Robert Rodriguez and Quentin Tarantino's *From Dusk Till Dawn*. Now, that foreshortened double feature (first the escaped-thieves Tarantino half, then the insane vampire Rodriguez half) was a lot of fun. But *Sinners* has a hell of a lot more under its hood, to the point of striking some as sloppy or scattershot. Me, I took it as a generous overhelping of rich ice cream; some falls out of the bowl, but whatever makes it to where it's going is great. The movie will almost certainly benefit from more than one viewing.

Some of the stuff feels more thematically relevant than dramatically sound, such as the Irish vampires who want entry into the packed juke joint. It turns out they're quite the musicians too, and we're treated to



a sort of vamp Riverdance interlude. I can read about why Coogler included this detail, and it makes sense. But in the moment, when you're immersed in the story, it can feel a little random — not necessarily *unpleasantly* random. It does help to know that past a certain point, Coogler is engaging in new-style mythmaking, and some of it clicks better as subtext than as text. But he does it by plugging into our pleasure centers; the realization of 1932 Mississippi and its cars and storefronts and clothes is impeccable.

The great music intertwines with great sex; calling *Sinners* the horniest vampire movie since last year's *Nosferatu* is a limited assessment but not technically inaccurate. Here, the sex is frantic, realistically fumbly and hungry, in semi-public spaces, always on the verge of being interrupted. This sort of hurried slap-and-tickle, usually good-natured and undertaken in gratitude, is still just physical and can't compete with the souls merging together with the music. Vampires are great at the physical but don't have souls. They stand at the door of the juke joint, waiting to be invited in. They have their own music, but what they want to bring to the folks inside is not music. If you want to be invited past the gates of this Heaven on Earth, which includes a literal musical barnburner, you had best come correct. The vampires speak the language of racial unity, but they lie.

This thing feels huge, and gets more so in the rearview. Coogler is spinning so many plates here so skillfully that even the ones he drops don't break; they spin by themselves on the floor. It turns out, for instance, that these vampires have a hive mind, so their leader's jibber-jabber about unity may not be lies after all. So there might also be a message about cults rattling around in here somewhere. *Sinners* will inspire a lot of conversation, which unfortunately these days amounts to dozens of "what the ending means" internet thinkpieces. I keep wondering what Tarantino would say about it, but we'll probably all find out soon enough.

would do well to follow - and one that reflects our state's commitment to public health.

But even with access, we face a growing challenge: misinformation and vaccine refusal. In recent months, we've seen alarming outbreaks of preventable diseases, like the measles outbreak centered in Texas, directly linked to declining vaccination rates. These are not just headlines - they are real children in real hospitals, suffering from diseases we know how to prevent.

Let's be clear: measles, whooping cough, polio - these are not diseases of the past. They are waiting in the wings, ready to return whenever immunity slips below a critical level. And when parents choose to skip or delay vaccines, it doesn't just affect their own child, it puts newborns, medically vulnerable children and adults, and whole communities at risk.

To protect the health of all citizens, states must reconsider allowing non-medical exemptions to school and daycare vaccine requirements, exemptions that include religious or philosophical objections. These exemptions, often based on misinformation rather than evidence or doctrine, weaken community immunity and increase the risk of outbreaks. Vaccination policy should be guided by science and public health, not personal belief.

We understand that parents want to make the best decisions for their children. That's why we're always here to listen, answer questions, and provide evidence-based guidance. But delaying or refusing vaccines doesn't just increase a child's risk - it erodes the community protection that keeps all of us safe.

This National Infant Immunization Week, we urge families to stay on schedule. Vaccines are safe, effective, and free. When we vaccinate every child on time, every time, we are investing in a healthier, safer future - not just for our own families, but for our entire community.

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Jason Reynolds, MD
Jennifer Russell, MD
Michelle Anderson, PNP
Elizabeth Coughlin, FNP
Amanda Conley, PNP
Kaitlyn Gibson, PNP
Kelly Flaherty, PNP
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Meghan Swinehart, MD

Dear Editor:

Earlier this year, I filed a complaint with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD) regarding the actions of my fellow Town of Marion Planning Board Members. My complaint relates to numerous occasions during the past several years when the male members had engaged in bullying behavior toward me during board meetings. The aggressive and abusive behavior consisted of shouting at me,

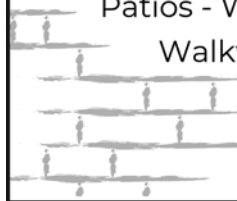
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interrupting me, ignoring me, and cutting me off, and ignoring my raised hand, all with the intent of silencing me. This misogynistic behavior was also directed at my female colleague on the board.

My complaint against my fellow Board Members was submitted to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD). It has been dismissed under "804 CMR 1.08 (1)(c) (2020)" for the reason that the Commission lacks jurisdiction over the parties or the subject matter of the complaint. I am aware that I retain the statutory right to file a lawsuit in Superior Court based on essentially the same claim.

The leader of the Board (i.e., Chairperson) should possess both competency and humanity in their dealings with fellow Board Members and with the public, particularly in a town known for its beauty and history like Marion.

There should be no difference in the treatment of Board Members based on gender. My only "offense" has been my attempt to provide competent and effective views in performing my job as a Board Member. I believe the abusive behavior I have experienced is directly linked to my gender, competency, and age.

I am an 80-year-old woman. I graduated as a Government major from Smith College. I have taken thirty (30) Citizen Planning Training Collaborative courses and understand how town government and a planning board can work effectively for the benefit of all

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights April 7 – April 19

- Wareham Rd – Suspicious person
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – General service
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Front St – Animal complaint
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Spring St – General service
- Marion Rd - Transport
- Front St – Paper service
- Point Rd - MV collision
- Route 195 West – MV collision
- Point Rd – General service
- Front St – Officer wanted
- County Rd – Suspicious person
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- County Rd – MV collision
- Ichabod Ln – EMS/medical
- Route 195 East – Wildlife services
- Wareham Rd - Disturbance
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Sherman's Boggs – Officer wanted
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious activity
- Front St – Lost property
- Oakdale Ave - Disturbance
- Front St – MV collision
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Parking enforcement

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights April 7 – April 19

- 1195 East – MV violations
- County Rd – Officer wanted
- Cannon St – Medical assist
- Acushnet Rd – Property lost
- Acorn Ln – Medical assist
- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- North St – MV violations
- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- Maplewood St – 911 call
- Pearl St – Suspicious MV
- West Hill Rd – General service
- Angelica Ave – MV violations
- Water St – Open door
- Acushnet Rd – Health/welfare
- Fairhaven Rd – Disturbance
- River Bend Ln – General service
- Michelle Ln – MV violations
- Martin Ave – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Sex offense
- Mechanic St – Animal control
- Barstow St – MV crash
- Long Plain Rd - Complaint
- Pearl St - Complaint
- Homestead Ct – Arrest/warrant
- Edgewood Ln – General service
- Greenbough Dr – Assist citizen
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash
- Shaw St – Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd – Animal control

ROCHESTER

Log highlights April 7 – April 19

- North Ave – Assist other agency
- Coombs Rd – Assist other agency
- Cranberry Hwy – Suspicious activity
- Bates Rd – Suspicious activity
- Walnut Plain Rd – Road hazard
- Cushman Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Traffic control
- New Bedford Rd – MV stop/towed
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Marys Pond Rd - Larceny
- Marys Pond Rd – Civil complaint
- Vaughn Hill Rd – MV stop/citation
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious activity
- Neck Rd – Road hazard
- Mendell Rd - Disturbance
- Kings Hwy – Animal control
- North Ave - Disturbance
- County Rd – 911 call
- Marys Pond Rd – Parking complaint
- Cranberry Hwy - Larceny
- Dexter Ln – Suspicious activity
- Burgess Ave - Fraud
- North Ave – Well-being check
- Hiller Rd – Drone training
- Marion Rd – MV stop/towed
- Marys Pond Rd – Parking complaint
- North Ave – Noise complaint
- Stuart Rd – 911 call
- Bowens Ln – Animal control

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



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, April 28: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, green beans & peppers, hamburger bun, ketchup, clementine

Tuesday, April 29: Spinach salad, American chop suey, whole grain pasta, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, oatmeal cookie

Wednesday, April 30: BBQ chicken, baked beans, carrots, cornbread loaf, banana

Thursday, May 1: Teriyaki beef, white rice, green peas, wheat roll, orange

Friday, May 2: Shrimp Alfredo, whole grain pasta, broccoli, wheat roll, pudding, diet: fruit

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, April 28: Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries

Tuesday, April 29: Taco Tuesday: taco w/crunchy taco shell, taco toppings bar, brown rice, black bean salad

Wednesday, April 30: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

Thursday, May 1: Baked creamy chicken penne, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli

Friday, May 2: Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, April 28: Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries

Tuesday, April 29: Taco Tuesday: taco w/crunchy taco shell, taco toppings bar, brown rice, black bean salad

Wednesday, April 30: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

Thursday, May 1: Baked creamy chicken penne, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli

Friday, May 2: Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, April 28: Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries

Tuesday, April 29: Taco Tuesday:

taco w/crunchy taco shell, taco toppings bar, brown rice, black bean salad

Wednesday, April 30: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

Thursday, May 1: Baked creamy chicken penne, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli

Friday, May 2: Appetizer basket: meatballs, onion rings, breaded mozzarella stick served w/warm marinara sauce

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, April 28: Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries

Tuesday, April 29: Taco Tuesday: taco w/crunchy taco shell, taco toppings bar, brown rice, black bean salad

Wednesday, April 30: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

Thursday, May 1: Baked creamy chicken penne, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli

Friday, May 2: Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, April 28: Kayem hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries

Tuesday, April 29: Taco Tuesday: taco w/crunchy taco shell, taco toppings bar, brown rice, black bean salad

Wednesday, April 30: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles

Thursday, May 1: Baked creamy chicken penne, garlic breadstick, steamed broccoli

Friday, May 2: Stuffed crust pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, April 28: Orange chicken bowl & dinner roll

Tuesday, April 29: Hot dog & fries

Wednesday, April 30: Spaghetti & meatballs, green beans & garlic bread

Thursday, May 1: Appetizer sampler & carrot sticks

Friday, May 2: Assorted pizza

town residents.

The abusive behavior has been stressful, demoralizing, and destructive both to me personally and to fellow Board Members. The abusive behavior of the Chair has consisted of talking over me, shouting at me, interrupting me, cutting me off, and ignoring my raised hand, effectively silencing me.

A Boston attorney, Regina Ryan, was hired by the Town of Marion to deal with the public relations resulting from my complaints against fellow Board Members. Instead of rendering an objective criticism of the male members' conduct toward me, she characterized their actions as a "robust exchange of ideas."

When a Town Administration engages a public relations attorney to produce a comprehensive report mitigating the perception of harassment and bullying perpetrated by male Board Members, it raises significant concerns regarding the efficacy of managerial practices within local government. Such an approach to addressing issues suggests a tendency to suppress rather than resolve underlying problems. Although her public relations report did, to some extent, momentarily mitigate the conduct of the male Board Members, it did not permanently eliminate the tendency of male Board Members to engage in misogyny, bullying, and ageism.

I believe that the Superior Court would likely reach a conclusion with the same rationale that was provided by the MCAD in regard to my claim. Consequently, I have decided not to pursue this claim further, and I rest on the fact that I navigated this process with integrity and honor.

Sincerely,

Eileen J. Marum, MPP, MPW, AB

Arbor Day at RMS

Tree Warden Jeffrey Eldridge recently procured 500 (small) trees to be distributed to the youth of Rochester in honor of Arbor Day, which is Friday, April 25, to take home and plant.

Arbor Day is a day to celebrate trees. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, reduce energy consumption, clean the air, and produce life-giving oxygen.

They positively affect the local ecosystem by helping to clean water and create habitats for wildlife, which encourages biodiversity. They are renewable resources giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products. Trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

Arbor Day is observed throughout the nation and the world, and, on Friday, April 25 in our town of Rochester. Hopefully RMS students will enjoy the opportunity to plant a tree and observe it over time as they both grow up here in our town.

Upcoming Sippican Lands Trust Events

Enjoy a "Guided Woodland Walk" at the White Eagle/Hoff Property (Marion) on Saturday, **May 3** at 10:00 am. Join Jim Rassman, Service Forester with the State Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, for a walk in Aucoot Woods. We'll begin at Hoff parking area and tour the early spring woods, including opened areas, older forested areas, and formerly farmed spots. We hope you'll come to appreciate the woods a bit more from this experienced and knowledgeable guide. Perhaps you meet some new "buds". Registration is requested. Register at sippicanlandstrust.org/events.

Explore Brainard Marsh (Marion) during "Spring Tidepooling" on Saturday, **April 26** at 12:30 pm. Join SLT and Dr. Carolyn Tepolt on our seasonal visit to Brainard Marsh and its tidepool critters. Bring your curiosity and shoes that can get wet. This event is kid-friendly. Register at sippicanlandstrust.org/events.

Spring Hike with MLT and OutHounds Adventure Club

Are you home with your kids during School Vacation Week? On Friday **April 25** at 10:00 am Mattapoisett Land Trust is excited to collaborate with the OutHounds Adventure Club to bring you a co-hosted dog hiking Adventure. We can't think of a better way to spend a couple of hours on a Friday morning than hiking with friends and dogs in the woods. Bring your own dog or meet new ones on this Adventure Hike. We will meet at the new Grace Pond parking lot (please continue past the Bowman Rd. kiosk to the new lot) for a walk through Old Aucoot District. The Old Aucoot District is a collection of properties making up 397 acres of protected land and trails. Don't have a dog to bring? No problem - there will be plenty of dogs to share. We will begin by heading down the red trail towards the water, then loop back and meander up Old Slough Road to the parking lot for an approximately 1 ½ hour walk. What a great way to close out school vacation week. This event is free and will happen rain or shine. Wear sturdy shoes, and your dog should be on leash. Questions? Email manager@mattlandtrust.org.

Mattapoisett Annual Town Meeting And Election Information

The Annual Town Meeting in Mattapoisett is scheduled for Monday, **May 12** at 6:30 pm at the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium. Please arrive and check in early as we are hoping for a prompt start. The Annual Town Election will be held on Tuesday, **May 20** at Old Hammondtown School. Polls will be open from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm. Vote by mail ballots can be requested and will be available for mailing soon. Check the town website for more information. Please call the Town Clerk's Office at 508-758-4100 x 2 with questions regarding these two important events.

Super Crossword

ALL THERE

ACROSS

- 1 Taunt in fun
5 Pinball fouls
10 Tram loads
14 Raisin, at first
19 \$/hour, e.g.
20 Maker of the RDX SUV
21 Leading man
22 Greased
23 "Pardon me"
24 — One (vodka option)
25 Suspenseful situations
27 Test giving information about red and white cells
30 Throws
31 Actor Chaney
32 Country west of Uru.
33 — Lanka
36 Triscuit or Ritz tidbit
43 Faint streak
47 Clean air gp.
48 Comet's path
49 "Us" director Jordan
50 Gamut
54 Remitted
55 Wiped away
56 — -cone
57 Carrell of "Date Night"

- 59 Clearasil or Stridex target
60 Jobs at hair salons
61 Roomy car
63 Doctors' gp.
65 "— So Fine"
66 Sun-hiding phenomenon
72 Suffix with lemon
74 — -Blo (fuse type)
75 Beauty in "Beauty and the Beast"
76 Stuns with a charge
79 "There, I did it!"
81 "By gar!"
85 Whoop-de- — (fuss)
86 Like sweethearts
87 Not at all dense
89 Withholding of no relevant facts
92 "Bam!"
93 Pitcher — Nomo
94 Subj. for U.S. immigrants
95 "Back —!" ("Ditto!")

- 96 Larger version of a dictionary, say
101 Article in Essen
102 Bill for services: Abbr.
103 Scientist — Ho Lee
104 Triceps, e.g.
109 What you are giving when you contemplate this puzzle's theme?
115 Like some canvassing
118 Orem native
119 Eager
120 Wise truism
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122 Physicist Marie
123 Inferno
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127 Turned tail

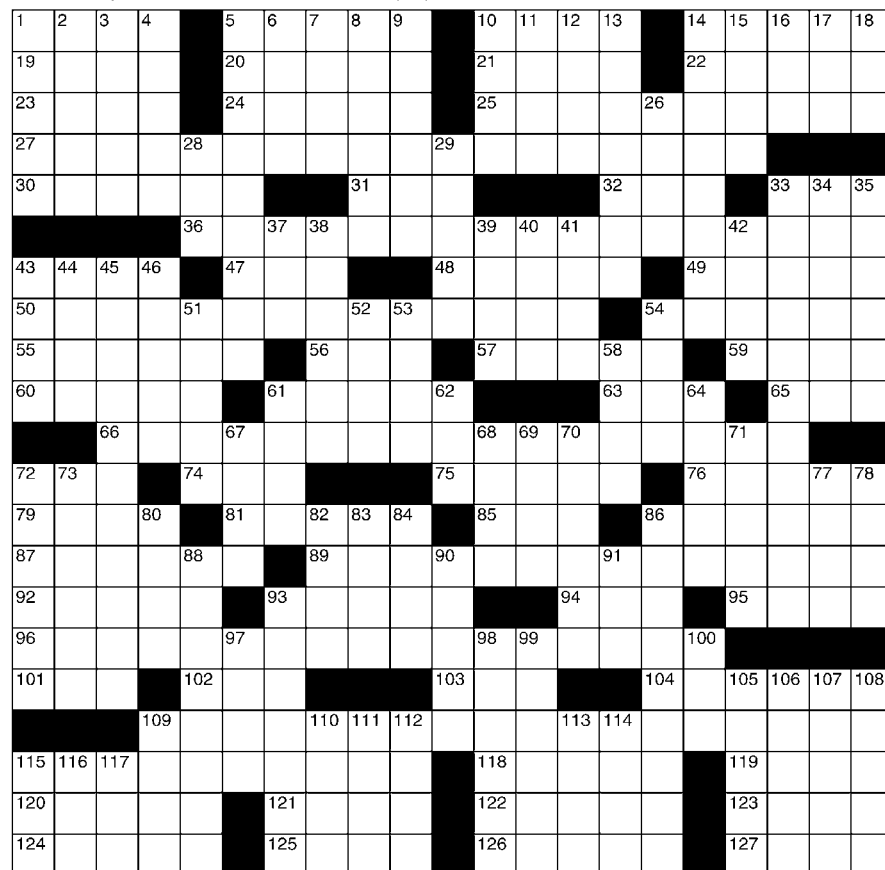
DOWN

- 1 Chunk of land
2 Cowboy cry

- 3 Agenda parts
4 Office subs
5 Listens carefully
6 "Law & Order: SVU" actor
7 Guitar's kin
8 High-pitched
9 Sickly yellow
10 "This is bad!"
11 Part of ROM
12 "Layla" singer Clapton
13 Single-person show
14 Freaking out
15 "Norma Rae" director Martin
16 Bristol brew
17 Part of rpm
18 Mag VIPs
26 Hamilton's duel rival
28 "Holiday" actor Ayres
29 Like a stove burner turned way up
33 Does a rough plan of
34 Mend the inner layer of
35 Castle and Cara
37 Intel missions, e.g.
38 Backslides
39 Is mistaken

- 40 Lie next to
41 Clock info
42 Pro wrestler John
43 Sob
44 As to
45 Provoked major fighting
46 California's — Beach
51 Respite
52 Root canal performer, informally
53 Either of Frosty's eyes
54 Hauling truck
58 Hollow between hills
61 Plod heavily
62 Snag
64 Abbr. in many urban addresses
67 Not aweather
68 Actor Foxx
69 Race created by H.G. Wells
70 Storeroom
71 Taco topping
72 Offered for breeding, as a horse
73 Niles' wife on "Frasier"
77 "Climb — Mountain" ("The Sound of Music" tune)

- 78 "— penny, pick it up ..."
80 Saudi, e.g.
82 Not worth —
83 Guy
84 Arctic vehicle
86 Inauspicious
88 Rapid runner
90 "Camelot" composer Frederick
91 "—: Vegas" (CBS series)
93 Sharp TV images, e.g.
97 — -Chinese
98 Subtract, as an expense
99 Like "three men" of kids' verse
100 Convent woman
105 Work group
106 Part of ACLU
107 French river
108 Ceased
109 Implore
110 Make null
111 Actress Skye
112 — Scott case
113 Poi source
114 Slender
115 Pa
116 Keats poem
117 Stumblebum



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Someone will try to pull the wool over your eyes. Trust your inborn sense of what's right and what's wrong to help you avoid getting fleeced.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Love dominates the Taurean landscape this week, but someone from the past doesn't feel so kindly to the divine Bovine. Resist an attempt to goad you into a fight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A perplexing on-the-job situation that you thought was resolved reopens with a new twist. But this time, you'll have more people willing to help you deal with it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A major move could be good for your career, but you worry that it might cause problems for your loved ones. Before making a decision, talk things over with them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Kitty's glitter dazzles the right people who react to your charm. But they'll want more proof that you can do the job they're offering.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Continue to assess both sides of a workplace situation before deciding which to support. An old friend brings potentially life-changing news. Listen well.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your natural inclination for fairness might conflict with the special needs of a friend. Weigh both issues carefully and make your decision in your usual honest way.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A misunderstanding causes a rift in a once-closed relationship. Make a move toward sealing the breach before it grows too wide to ever be repaired.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You can keep secrets like no one else can, but an unexpected development may force you to consider revealing one of them.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Someone tries once again to goad the Goat into a confrontation, but resist. Remember that you've nothing to gain by being the butt of someone else's ambitions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An opportunity that recently opened up needs to be fully explored to make sure that no unsettling surprises will emerge later on. Ask questions and demand answers.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) An old friend reveals a secret from the past that can lead to changes in relationships with family and friends. Expect a shocking reaction from a surprising source.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a reservoir of self-confidence that you can draw on forever. Your energy output makes you seem like a living example of perpetual motion.
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MAC Auditions for Miss Witherspoon

The MAC Theater will be conducting auditions for the MAC's August production of *Miss Witherspoon*, on Saturday, **May 3** from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and on Sunday, **May 4**, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at 80 Pleasant St. Marion. The play, written by Tony award-winning playwright Christopher Durang will be directed by Kate Fishman.

Miss Witherspoon is a hilariously thought-provoking comedy about a woman's reluctant journey through reincarnation and the afterlife. The title character, Miss Witherspoon, has given up on life but finds herself caught in the "Bardo," a cosmic waiting room. Guided - or rather prodded - by Maryamma, an unwavering yet kind South Asian woman, Miss Witherspoon confronts her resistance to reincarnation and learns unexpected lessons through her short-lived lives on earth. With biting wit and poignant moments, this play explores themes of mortality, growth, and redemption with a humorous touch.

The nine performance dates are August 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 2025 with evening shows at 7:30 pm and Sunday matinees at 2:00 pm. More information, including a list of characters and descriptions, is available at www.marionartcenter.org/auditions.

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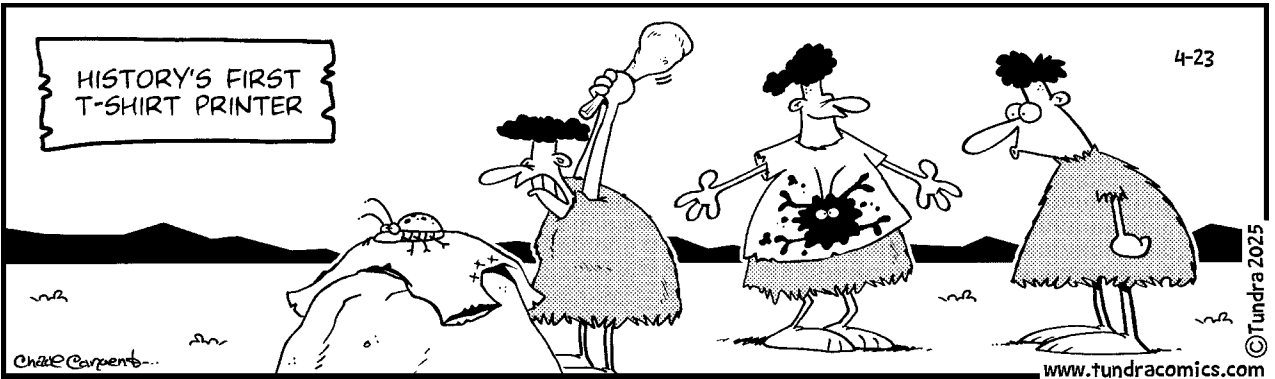


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offering an opportunity to explore some of Marion's unique natural areas. We will be exploring our rocky inter-tidal shorelines, salt marshes, estuaries as well as freshwater riverbanks, forest, swamps, ponds and bogs. Daily we will take trips to look for the birds, amphibians, fish and invertebrates that make these areas so special.

Each morning will involve hands-on exploration, experiments, crafts and journaling while being outdoors. Your child will enjoy being a Coastal Explorer with the Marion Natural History Museum. Space is limited to 15 per session so make sure to register early. Perfect for children entering grades 2-6.

This year we will also be offering a full-day option in partnership with the Marion Recreation Department. Spend half the day with us, and then if you want extended hours, Marion Recreation will be busing from our location to Silvershell beach for the remainder of the day.

Register at www.marionmuseum.org for both options. Event dates are July 7 to 11, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and August 4 to 8, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Saint Gabriel's Hosts Choral Evensong

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church warmly invites the public to a special Choral Evensong on Sunday, **April 27** at 5:00 pm at 124 Front Street, Marion.

This beautiful and contemplative service, rooted in the Anglican tradition, will feature scripture, prayer, and sacred music offered by the Saint Gabriel's choir. Choral Evensong is an opportunity to step away from the busyness of everyday life and experience spiritual peace through timeless music and worship.

All are welcome to attend this free event, regardless of faith background. For more information, please visit stgabrielmarion.org or call 508-748-1507.

Local Writers Monthly Meeting

A group of local writers meet once a month to share their writing and offer feedback. If you are interested in honing your writing and want to share a rough draft in a supportive setting, come join us. No need to bring a piece of writing every time. Current members

write mystery / crime, picture books, humor, memoir, etc.

The group meets on the 4th Friday of each month (e.g., April 25, May 23, etc.) 10:15 am to 12:15 pm at the Mattapoisett Library's basement-level Community Room, 7 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett.

Mattapoisett Democrats Candidates' Night

On Wednesday **May 7** from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, The Mattapoisett Democratic Town Committee will host a Candidates' Night in the downstairs public meeting room of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

All candidates for any elected position in our upcoming Municipal Election on May 20 will be extended an invitation and provided an opportunity to give a brief opening statement to the public and answer questions of attendees.

The uncontested race candidates (Select Board, Mattapoisett School Committee, Library Board of Trustee, etc.) will proceed first and then the two main contested races for the Board of Health and the Old Rochester Regional School Committee will be the last of our presentation.

Please come with a neighbor, family member or friend and bring any questions you might have for the candidates or just listen in. For more information, please reach out to Nicki Demakis, Chair, at ndemakis@tidlaw.com.

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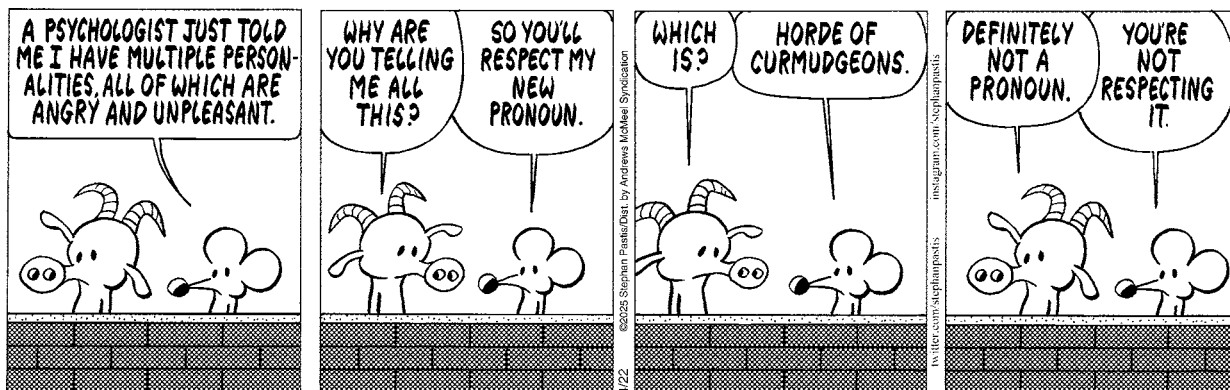
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<p>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #829</p> <p>The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 8, 2025 in the conference room of the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street, on the application of John and Ann Morgan, for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1.C.1 of the zoning by-law to allow the expansion of a pre-existing, non-conforming garage for parking one car on ground level and creating storage space above.</p> <p>The property, located at 73 Pleasant Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 78. Cynthia Callow, Chairperson 4/24, 5/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Marion Select Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm, in the Conference Room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, to address a complaint concerning a dog owned by Verena Hultsch, 20 Vine Street, Marion. Norman A. Hills, Chair 4/24, 5/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Town of Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770, regarding a Special Permit with Site Plan Review application filed by Logging Swamp Solar, LLC c/o ReWild Renewables, for the property located at 0 Snipatuit Road identified on Assessor's Map 47, Lot 13.</p> <p>The applicant is proposing a ground-mounted large-scale photovoltaic solar array system and associated site work. The Property is located within the Residential-Agricultural (RE/AG) District. The Property is also within the Mattapoisset River Watershed District and partially within the Groundwater Protection District. The applicant's representative is Beals and Thomas, 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772.</p> <p>Further information may be obtained by contacting the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, during normal business hours. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85112507267 Meeting ID: 851 1250 7267 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923</p>	<p>Arnold Johnson, Chairman 4/24, 5/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Town of Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770, regarding a Site Plan Review application in the Industrial Zoning District, filed by Sealord Enterprises, LLC, for the property located at 0 Cranberry Highway identified on Assessor's Map 17, Lot(s) 31C and 31D.</p> <p>The applicant is proposing the construction of a 20,000 square foot commercial building containing ten separate contractor bays. The applicant's representative is G.A.F. Engineering, Inc., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA 02571.</p> <p>Further information may be obtained by contacting the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, during normal business hours. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85112507267 Meeting ID: 851 1250 7267 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Arnold Johnson, Chairman 4/24, 5/1</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>A public hearing of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Sealord Enterprises LLC, for property located at 0 Cranberry Highway, designated as Lot 31C and 31D on Assessor's Map 17. The project consists of the construction of a 20,000 square foot commercial building with associated access drives, parking areas, utilities, and stormwater management system. The work is located within the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands.</p> <p>The applicant's representative is G.A.F. Engineering, Inc., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA 02571.</p> <p>This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82893305901 Meeting ID: 828 9330 5901 Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson 4/24</p>	<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>A public hearing of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Justin Pavao, for property located at 56 Marion Road, designated as Lot 7 on Assessor's Map 6. The applicant is proposing yard renovations that will include tree cutting. The work is located within the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands.</p> <p>This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82893305901 Meeting ID: 828 9330 5901 Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson 4/24</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>A public hearing of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Logging Swamp Solar, LLC c/o ReWild Renewables, for property located at 0 Snipatuit Road, designated as Lot 13 on Assessor's Map 47. The applicant is proposing work within Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW), the 200-foot Riverfront Area (RFA) associated with an on-site perennial stream, the 100-foot buffer zone to BVW, as well as within the local 25-foot No-Disturb Zone. The work proposed within these jurisdictional areas is limited to improvement of an existing access and wetland crossing and is limited to that which is necessary to provide access to utilities sited on uplands at the rear of the parcel. The proposed development includes a ground-mounted solar array system, associated site work and utility interconnection.</p> <p>This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82893305901 Meeting ID: 828 9330 5901 Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson 4/24</p>

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis



Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Find exciting afternoon activities for kids grades K through 4 every Thursday in May from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Elizabeth Taber Library. On **May 1**, kids can make metal bookmarks and learn the difference between embossing and debossing.

Banned Book Club will return Tuesday **May 12** at 6:00 pm. May's banned book title is "Year of Wonders" by Geraldine Brooks. Find copies available at the circulation desk.

Starting this May: The Cozy Cup Book Club will begin meeting Wednesday mornings at the library. Join us for snacks, sips, and cozy conversations. The first meeting will be Wednesday, **May 14** at 11:00 am. The first title selection is "The Gardener's Plot" by Deborah Benoint. Find copies available at the circulation desk.

The Friends will be holding a book sale at the Marion COA on Saturday **April 26** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Donations for the sale will be accepted the sale day from 8:00 am to 10:00 am, also at the COA.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or email the library at ETLibrary@sailsinc.org.

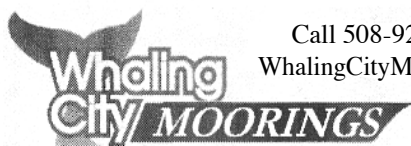
Hello from Plumb Library

The Friends of the Library Spring Booksale will take place from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm on Friday **April 25** and from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm on Saturday **April 26** in the Library's Downstairs Program Room. On sale will be gently-used books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, and games for kids and adults. This area is handicapped accessible via a lift and there is a ramp on the far end of the building. All proceeds benefit the Friends, who in turn, support Library programs, events, and special collections.

The Friends will also be hosting a clothing and book collection in collaboration with Savers from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Saturday **May 10**. Drop off any resale condition clothing, shoes, bedding, accessories, purses, curtains, tablecloths, small kitchen goods, and books (bagged and boxed please) directly into the truck. Donations will only be accepted on the collection day.

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Other Upcoming Meetings: Books and Babble Bookclub 6:30 pm Thursday, **April 24**. We will be discussing "The Wife" by Meg Wolitzer ; Board of Trustees 6:30 pm Monday, **May 12**; Oral History Workshop 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm on Saturday, **May 17** (registration required); COA Bookgroup 1:00 pm. Tuesday, **May 20** to discuss "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston; Local Author Talk with Richard Cutler 12:30 pm on Saturday **May 31**.

The Library will be closed Monday, **May 26** for Memorial Day.

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By Fifi Rodriguez

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2. HISTORY: When were cigarette commercials banned from American television?
3. MOVIES: Whose life is depicted in the movie "Raging Bull"?
4. U.S. STATES: In which state are the Catskill Mountains located?
5. TELEVISION: Which long-running TV drama was set in Cabot Cove, Maine?
6. MEASUREMENTS: How long is the ancient measurement called a cubit?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is a dish called Cullen Skink?
8. CHEMISTRY: A diamond is composed of which single element?
9. GEOGRAPHY: What country is home to the Baffin, Victoria and Ellesmere islands?
10. ANATOMY: What is another name for the condition called "pilo-erection"?

1. A centenarian.
2. Jan. 2, 1971.
3. Jake LaMotta (played by Robert De Niro).
4. New York.
5. "Murder, She Wrote."
6. 1.5 feet.
7. Scottish soup made of smoked haddock, potatoes and onions.
8. Carbon.
9. Canada.
10. Goosebumps.

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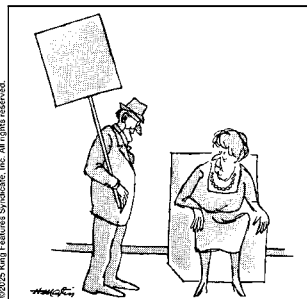
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From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

This article is in part a look back at a previous article that I wrote in February of 2021 regarding a factory located in Rochester. The factory was the F.T. Anderson and Son Piano Manufacturers, and it was located in the woods off Walnut Plain Rd.

Frederick Anderson came from Sweden in 1883 and began a career in the piano making industry. He worked for the Vose Piano Factory in Boston and at Kurtzman's in Buffalo, New York. After 41 yrs. in the industry, he retired with his family to their longtime vacation home in Rochester.

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Now for the reason for this repeat article. I received an email from a woman who works for AARP in their Wish of a Lifetime department. The 94

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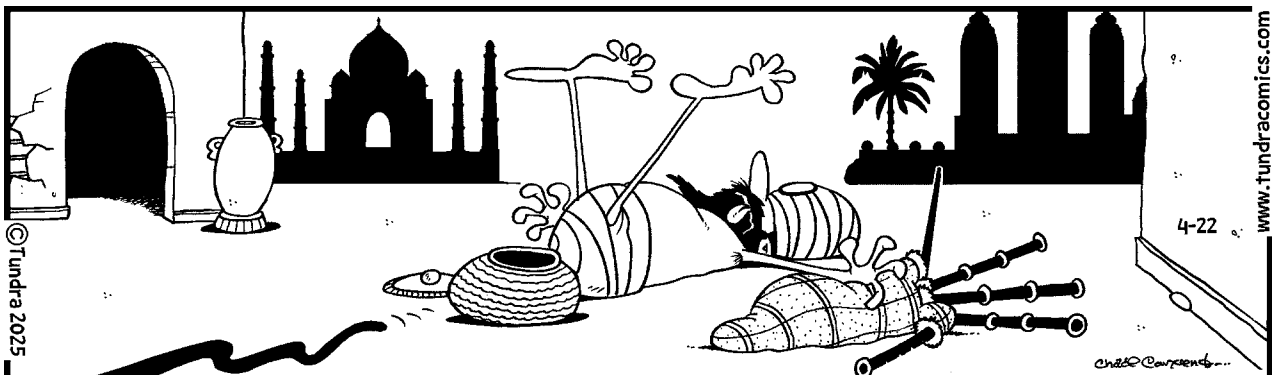
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by Chad Carpenter



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The Mattapoissett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fund-raising events including the Taste of the Town and the biennial garden tour to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. These scholarships are intended to support the club's belief in the importance of education and to demonstrate its grateful dedication to the community. Membership in the Mattapoissett Woman's Club is open to any woman who is interested in the objectives of the organization.

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May 3, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. This special event will feature the election of new Board Officers, the presentation of the annual financial report, and a year-in-review summary. The highlight of the meeting will be a keynote address by award-winning author Michelle Cusolito.

Michelle Cusolito is renowned for her captivating books that explore the wonders of ocean science. She is the author of *Flying Deep: Climb Inside Deep-Sea Submersible ALVIN* and *Diving Deep: Using Machines to Explore the Ocean*. Her latest work, *A Window into the Ocean Twilight Zone: Twenty-Four Days of Science at Sea*, is inspired by her participation in a three-week research expedition with Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. In 2025, she will release *Jellyfish Scientist: Maude Delap and Her Mesmerizing Medusas* and *In the World of Whales*. Michelle's passion for science, communication, and exploration makes her a fascinating speaker, and attendees will have the opportunity to hear firsthand about her experiences at sea.

This event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit www.michellecusolito.com or contact the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

Marion Town Meeting and Town Election

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, **May 12** at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium (16 Spring St), followed by the Town Election on Friday, May 16.

If you wish to vote at the town meeting OR the election, you must register to vote by Friday, May 2. The Town Clerk's Office will be open until 5:00 pm on that day, or you have until 11:59 pm to register to vote online (www.sec.state.ma.us). You must vote in person at the Annual Town Meeting – there is no early or absentee voting available.

If you would like to request a mail-in ballot, please go to www.marionma.gov/272/Town-Meeting-Election-Information for the application. You may mail it, place it in the locked blue drop box outside or email it to

the Town Clerk's Office. The last day to request a mail-in ballot is Friday, May 9.

We are offering in-person Early Voting during regular business hours (Monday-Thursday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Friday 8:00 am to 3:30 pm) at the Town Clerk's Office beginning Wednesday, May 7 through Wednesday, May 14. Voting at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center (465 Mill St.) on Friday, **May 16** will be held from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm.

If you have any questions, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 508-748-3502 or email Lmagauran@marionma.gov.

Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library will sponsor a Book Sale at the Marion COA, 465 Mill St, Marion on Saturday, **April 26** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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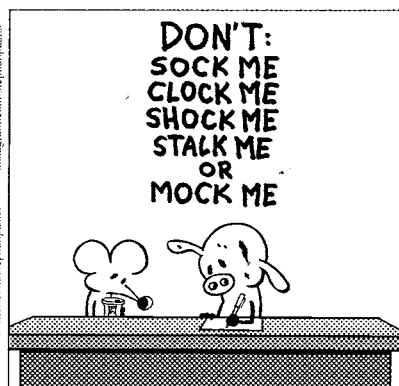
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



MNHM Annual Meeting

Marion Natural History Museum's Annual Meeting featuring Chris German of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution will give a talk on "From Submarine Vents to Life on other Ocean Worlds" on **May 16** from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

The first Alvin dives to submarine vents, together with the discovery that they hosted new species of animals never seen before on Earth, was hailed as one of the top scientific discoveries of the entire 20th Century. But what was not yet known, as the millennium turned, was that Earth is not the only planetary body in our solar system that has deep saltwater oceans. In the past ~25 years it has become apparent that there may be as many as 20 such "ocean worlds" among the moons of the Giant Planets that orbit beyond our Solar System's "snow line": Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune & Uranus. While the outer pair have not been revisited since the Voyager expeditions of the 1970s-80s, NASA's Galileo and Cassini missions to the Jupiter and Saturn systems, respectively, have revealed the presence of a number of ice-covered moons, similar in size to Earth's moons, but with salt-water oceans underneath. In the case of Jupiter's moon Europa and Saturn's moon Enceladus, careful study has revealed that those oceans are in contact with an underlying rocky seafloor. Exactly the kind of setting that could host submarine venting of a kind that could host microbial life at the base of a food chain that is independent of sunlight – just like Earth's submarine vents.

In this talk Chris will share some of the insights from WHOI scientists that are helping shape NASA's strategies to explore for life in future space missions to icy moons – including the Europa Clipper mission, just launched in October 2024 - and how engineering at WHOI is helping to develop technologies that will be needed to explore further, using audacious, robotics-led approaches to gain access to, and explore within, their underlying oceans.

The event is free however we ask that you register online at the museum's website: www.marionmuseum.org.

The Misconceptions of Science Fiction

The Mattapoisett Free Library will host a local author talk on Saturday, **May 10** from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Local resident Richard Cutler is the author of what has been described as "speculative fiction." This is a subgenre of science fiction of which there are many genres



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including horror and space cowboy adventures. Those exposed to only one kind of science fiction believe it is the only type and proclaim, "I don't like science fiction." However, science fiction literature in general falls behind only children's and young adult literature in popularity and is read by many but they may not fully understand the variety in the genre. Mary Shelley is credited for writing the first science fiction novel (horror) in 1818 with her story of Frankenstein. Jules Verne, however, helped popularize science fiction with what can now be considered speculative fiction with stories such as 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea. Much of what he considered has come to pass!

Today, people speculate about what will happen when man goes to Mars or how far AI might evolve. A lot of what people saw and experienced thousands of year ago was misunderstood and what they saw speculated on, correctly or incorrectly. For example, no one considered the giant bones they saw to be dinosaur bones. People might have thought they were from giant humans. If they saw an alien or alien spacecraft, how would they rationalize what they saw? These are the concepts that will be explored interactively to better understand the general topic of science fiction. Cutler will then read a couple of sections from a couple of his books and offer signed copies. Cutler is an engineer living in Rochester and retired from the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole. He has spent much of career writing technical material working with other engineers and scientists, creating a fertile playground for his mind to consider many "what ifs." Those "what ifs" are now put into print by Cutler. His stories are appropriate reading for teenagers and up.

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CAN'T SHUT OFF ADORABLE

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Local Tides					
Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	April 24	5:30	6:00	11:31	
Friday	April 25	6:27	6:53	12:11	12:14
Saturday	April 26	7:20	7:44	1:04	12:57
Sunday	April 27	8:11	8:33	1:57	1:42
Monday	April 28	9:01	9:24	2:50	2:29
Tuesday	April 29	9:52	10:16	3:43	3:18
Wednesday	April 30	10:46	11:10	4:34	4:07
Thursday	May 1	11:41		5:25	4:57
Friday	May 2	12:08	12:40	6:27	5:50
Saturday	May 3	1:08	1:39	8:04	6:56
Sunday	May 4	2:09	2:38	9:23	9:01
Monday	May 5	3:08	3:38	10:19	10:30
Tuesday	May 6	4:08	4:38	11:00	11:19
Wednesday	May 7	5:07	5:35	11:28	11:56
Thursday	May 8	6:00	6:23	11:49	
Friday	May 9	6:44	7:04	12:28	12:13
Saturday	May 10	7:24	7:42	1:01	12:44
Sunday	May 11	8:01	8:16	1:37	1:18
Phases of the Moon		New Moon First Quarter Full Moon Last Quarter		April 27th May 4th May 12th May 20th	

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*

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

TWIT	TILTS	ORES	GRAPE
RATE	ACURA	HERO	OILED
AHEM	KETEL	NAILBITERS	
COMPLETE	BLOOD	COUNT	
TOSS	ES	LON	ARG
	WHOLE	HEAT	CRACKER
WISP	EPA	ORBIT	PEELE
ENTIRE	SPECTRUM	SENTIN	
ERASED	SNO	STEVE	ACNE
PERMS	SEDAN	AMA	HES
TOTAL	SOLAR	ARECLIPSE	
ADE	SLO	BELLE	TASES
TADA	EGADS	DOO	INLOVE
SPARSE	FULL	DISCLOSURE	
THWAP	HIDEO	ESL	ATYA
UNABRIDGED	EDIT	ION	
DER	INV	WEN	MUSCLE
	UNDIV	EDATTENTION	
DOORTO	DOOR	UTAHN	AVID
ADAGE	EINE	CURIE	FIRE
DEFER	ODED	TBOND	FLED

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Certify 2. Chaste;
3.Extend; 4. Scope

Today's Word

EXERCISE

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

MEW-TOPIA

BLANKET BISCUITS

SOLAR STRETCH

FUR TWENTY

TAIL TWIRLER

SIBERIAN SNUGGLE

CHONKY CHIMERA

ZOOM EASE

CATNIP DISPENSARIES #4



GROCERY, DAIRY & FROZEN

8.8-12.5 oz. Selected Variety
Old El Paso
Taco Dinner Kits

2/\$7

Cinco Mayo



16 oz. Selected Variety
Old El Paso
Refried Beans

\$1.69

Cinco Mayo



10 oz. Original
Ro-Tel
Tomatoes

2/\$3

Cinco Mayo



28 oz. Selected Variety
Gatorade
Sports Drinks

2/\$5
Must Buy 2!

12 oz. Selected Variety
Celsius
Energy Drink

2/\$5
+Dep. Must Buy 2!

5 oz. Original
Cholula
Hot Sauce

\$3.69

4 oz.
Old El Paso
Chopped Green Chiles

\$1.59

5.75-6 oz. Selected Variety
Lindsay
Olives

\$2.99

16-32 oz. Selected Variety
Vlasic
Pickles

2/\$6

6.7-7.33 oz. Selected Variety
Stacy's
Bagel or Pita Chips

\$3.49

52-64 oz. Selected Variety
Lactaid
Milk

\$4.49

16 oz. Selected Variety
Hood
Cottage Cheese

\$2.99

11.16 oz. Selected Variety Bars or
Talenti
Gelato or Sorbetto

\$4.99

WINE

750 ml.
Kris Pinot Grigio Wine

\$12.99

Reg. Price - \$14.99

750 ml.
Cloudline Pinot Noir

\$18.99

Reg. Price - \$21.99

BAKERY

14-16 oz. Loaf, Selected Variety
Chabaso Ciabatta Bread

\$3.99

Selected Variety
4 Pack Brownies

\$4.99

CHEF PREPARED

Spicy Peanut Noodles

\$10.99
lb

Deviled Eggs (4 Pack)

\$5.99

Mexican Lasagna

\$12.99
ea

Take'n Bake Pizzas
Various Styles - Cheese,
Pepperoni, Margherita, etc.

\$8.99
to **\$10.99**

Shepherd's Pie Large Size
Small Size - \$12.99ea

\$19.99
ea

Chicken Pot Pie Large Size
Small Size - \$13.99ea

\$19.99
ea

MEAT, DELI, PREPARED FOODS & CHEESE

Bell & Evans
Boneless & Skinless
Chicken
Thighs

\$4.49
lb



Fresh, Center Cut
Boneless Pork Chops

\$4.99
lb

Fresh
Boneless Pork Roast

\$4.49
lb

Oscar Mayer 2.52 oz. Pkg.
Fully Cooked Bacon

\$6.99

Kayem 14 oz. Pkg.
Fenway Meat Franks

\$4.99

Store Made
Loaded Baked Potato Salad

\$9.99
lb

Store Packaged
Beet & Onion Salad

\$6.99
lb

Boar's Head, Deli Sliced
Deluxe Ham

\$9.99
lb

Boar's Head, Deli Sliced
American Cheese

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lb

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6 Pack Annuals (Flats - 48 Plants - \$19.99)

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Assorted Colors!
6" Potted Pansies

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Vegetables & Herbs
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SALE EFFECTIVE: Friday, April 25th Thru Thursday, May 1st, 2025

BLOCKBUSTER SAVINGS!

Certified Angus Beef®
Premium. Boneless
Flank
Steaks
\$11⁹⁹
lb



Deli Sliced
Store Baked
Turkey
Breast
\$9⁹⁹
lb



14 oz. Sorbet or
Selected Variety
Häagen-Dazs
Ice Cream
\$5²⁹



64 oz. 100% Juice
Food Club
Apple Juice
\$1⁹⁹



8 oz. Selected Variety
Food Club
Cheese Bars
2/\$5



8 oz. Selected Variety
Food Club
Shredded
Cheese
2/\$5



QUALITY PRODUCE



1 lb. Pkg.
Strawberries **\$3⁹⁹**

3 lb. Bag
Peelz Mandarins **\$5⁹⁹**

Fresh
Red Seedless Grapes **\$2⁹⁹**
lb



5 lb. Bag
Russet Potatoes **\$3⁹⁹**

Fresh
Heirloom Tomatoes **\$2⁹⁹**
lb

12 oz. Pkg. Wild Wonders
Sunset Tomatoes **2/\$4**

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