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## Music in the Marion Air

*Marion Friday Night Concerts*

**By Sam Bishop**

On Friday, July 11, Marion was full of song. The Marion Town Band played at the amphitheater by the Harbormaster building while the Buzzards Bay Musicfest took place at Tabor's Fireman Performing Arts Center up the road. Downtown Marion was flooded with concert goers.

The Marion Concert Band, playing every Friday throughout their 2025 concert season, performed "A Young People's Concert" with arrangements focusing on captivating youth with the magic of song. From popular songs to those found in movie soundtracks, many children arrived via family car or bike gang to listen along, eat ice cream and snacks, or even get cotton candy.

"I love it here! Wow!" exclaimed 6-year-old Margaret, from Marion.

Over at Tabor, the Buzzards Bay Musicfest was in full swing, literally, with the BBMF Swing Band performing various hits from the era of swing and jazz like *Scrabble From The Apple* by Charlie Parker and *Take Five* by Paul Desmond (though made famous by Dave Brubeck). Both bands began at nearly the same time, and both saw huge crowds and full parking lots. The main lot near Tabor's football field was full, so many were bused in from lots up the road. The same goes for the other concert at Island Wharf up the road, with the lot being full though many walked or biked from their homes.

The Buzzards Bay Musicfest came to an end on Sunday, July 13 though the Marion Concert Band continues to play Fridays throughout the summer.

## Mattapoisett Historical Commission Installs Informational Panel

Superintendent Michael S. Nelson and Principal Linda Ashley are pleased to share that a panel describing

the history of the Center School was recently installed in front of the building by the Mattapoisett Historical Commission.

The 36-inch-wide, 30-inch-high panel sits on a metal beam planted into the ground, telling the story of the Center School's founding, including pictures provided by the Mattapoisett Historical Society that depict the building's early days. The panel, with the title "Historically Speaking... Center School," also includes an image of a handwritten note from the philanthropist who funded the construction of the building, describing his intentions to provide the property to the town so that "the children are made happier and healthier."

The installation of the "Historically Speaking" panel at the Center School was approved by the

## Don't Forget

**Mattapoisett Lion's Club Harbor Days**

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*See the whole schedule on page 30*

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**On the Cover:** The Marion Concert Band performing "A Young People's Concert" at the amphitheater by Island Warf on July 11. The band performed, led by Music Director Tobias Monte, music tuned to the young ear such as "Happy" from *Despicable me* and many others. Cotton candy was given out via cart to kids who lined up excitedly. Photo by Sam Bishop

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Mattapoisett School Committee in late March. The Center School panel is similar to another "Historically Speaking" panel installed by the Mattapoisett Historical Commission at the Mattapoisett Wharves.

The Center School history panel installation was first proposed by the Mattapoisett Historical Commission in January.

The new panel at the Center School describes how the building opened in 1899, when it was first known as the Mattapoisett School. The property was donated to the town by an industrialist and financier from Fairhaven named Henry Huttleston Rogers.

## Historically Speaking... CENTER SCHOOL

The Center School Building (Mattapoisett School) was donated to the town by Henry Huttleston Rogers (1860-1950), an industrialist and financier from nearby Fairhaven. The son of a former sea captain, Henry H. Rogers had spent his early childhood in Mattapoisett. Rogers made his initial fortune in the oil refining business. Later his financial interests included railroads, steel making, and copper mining. A philanthropist, he was particularly committed to education and provided the funds for a number of public buildings, including a school, in Fairhaven.

The Mattapoisett School was dedicated on January 6, 1899 with the donor Henry H. Rogers in attendance to make an address. It served to educate students in grades 1-12 until 1969, when Rogers donated a new high school in Fairhaven, also designed by Charles Brigham. Mr. Rogers donated that the new Fairhaven High School be free to all Mattapoisett high school age children. The Mattapoisett School continued to serve elementary grades and in 1962, Mattapoisett built its own high school.



Center School Street View

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Two small additions were made to the original building, including a six-room addition added in 1918 and a entrance and kitchen in 1925. The original building was measured and a large wing added in 2004 to house grades kindergarten to three.



Class 1920



Early 1900s Mattapoisett School Building

"The son of a former sea captain, Henry H. Rogers had spent his early childhood in Mattapoisett," the panel states. "Rogers made his initial fortune in the oil refining business. Later his financial interests included railroads, steel making, and copper mining. A philanthropist, he was particularly committed to education and provided the funds for a number of public buildings, including a school in Fairhaven."

Rogers and his wife Abbie attended the dedication of the new Mattapoisett Town Hall in 1897, when he was approached by a prominent member of the community, who told him that what the community really

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The four-acre parcel of land used for the new school was purchased from the estate of Leonard Hammond for \$1,500, and the architect selected for the project was Charles Brigham, one of the most important and prolific architects of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Following construction, the Mattapoisett School was dedicated on Jan. 4, 1899, with Rogers in attendance to make an address. The Mattapoisett School then provided an education to students in the first through 12th grade until 1905, when Rogers donated a new high school in Fairhaven, which was also designed by Brigham. The Mattapoisett School then continued to serve elementary grades.

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Two small additions were made to the original Mattapoisett School building, including a six-room addition constructed in 1936, along with a cafeteria and kitchen in 1950. The original building was later renovated, and a large wing was added in 2004 to house kindergarten through the third grade, the panel states.

The Mattapoisett Historical Commission celebrated the installation of the "Historically Speaking" panel as a way to educate the public about the legacy of such an important institution in the community.

"The Historical Commission is very pleased to be able to honor the history of Center School with the placement of a panel," said Rachel McGourthy, chairperson of the commission.

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Superintendent Nelson, Principal Ashley, Mattapoisett School Committee Chairperson Carly Lavin and Town Administrator Michael Lorenzo all thanked the Mattapoisett Historical Commission for the valued contribution to the Center School property.

"It's amazing to see the history of the Center School acknowledged and celebrated in this new panel," said Town Administrator Lorenzo. "I'd like to thank the Mattapoisett Historical Commission for this contribution, educating all of our students and community members about the history of this beloved building."

"This historical panel is a beautiful addition to the Center School property," said Chairperson Lavin. "It's awesome to see our history acknowledged in such a way."

Thank you to the Mattapoisett Historical Commission for taking the initiative to install this much-appreciated historical panel."

"The 'Historically Speaking' panel has been a great addition to our Center School property," said Principal Ashley. "The new installation is already receiving plenty of attention. This is a great way for our students, staff, parents and community members to learn about the history of the Center School."

"The Center School has been a beloved institution in our community for nearly 130 years. I think the new panel is an excellent way to acknowledge that history and teach our students about the story behind the building," said Superintendent Nelson. "I'd like to express our gratitude to the Mattapoisett Historical Commission for this valuable contribution. We deeply appreciate this effort to make our shared history accessible to all of our students, teachers and anyone who visits the Center School."

### Matos Inspired by Familiar Return By Mick Colageo

The touring professionals' annual visit to the International Tennis Hall of Fame in Newport, Rhode Island, arrived with major changes in 2025, and one of those changes was the reintroduction of a women's tournament that was won on Sunday by resurgent American Caty McNally.

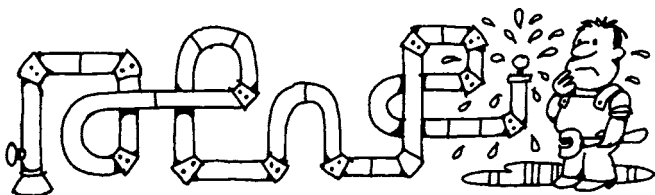
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Bringing back the women via a WTA Tour 125 event provided a fresh sense of inspiration for many attendees, including a particular ball kid.

"It's pretty cool, considering it's only been men. Now with the women it's even cooler, because it's more similar to my own game. And they're closer to my age, which is crazy," said Neva Matos.

The 17-year-old, Rochester native just completed her fifth year serving as a ball kid for the only tour event played on grass courts in the United States. Traditionally beginning as Wimbledon ends, the revised Hall of Fame Open was held this year during the second week of Wimbledon.

Matos and the ATP and WTA tours turn almost

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"I think one day my mom (Darbi) saw that they were taking kids on the website. They separate you into different courts," recalls Matos, who eventually worked her way up to being a crew leader. "Your job is to make sure your team is on time, that they're (in uniform) and doing their job on and off court."



On the court, ball kids are like fire ants, scurrying about frenetically but with a unified purpose to serve the needs of huffing, puffing, sweating tennis players who are trying to make the very best of anywhere from 10 to 25 seconds in between points.

Sometimes ball retrieval involves the one that got away and might be sent back by a well-meaning spectator but at a poorly timed moment. Somehow, the crews

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There were 121 points played in the ATP Challenger (men's) singles final and 161 points played in the women's final. Given all that running around, Matos and the other crew leaders help the chair umpire notice when a ball kid might be lacking proper hydration.

"What we do is we actually have typically more than six people on a team, that way the kids can rotate out on changeovers," said Matos. "There's no one staying on the whole match, there's a time to eat. It's definitely a long day with back-to-back matches on a hot day."

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men's and women's draws, the Hall of Fame Open was challenged with a rainy week. Players, officials, spectators and ball kids did a lot of sitting around for a Thursday session that never got started. Sometimes tennis is a game of hurry up and wait.

"We came in about 11:00 (am) or so and it was still raining," said Matos, whose team was instructed that tennis would not begin before 2:30 pm. "We got out there... (through the playing of the national anthem before rain resumed), and we left the court."

Matos continues her playing career throughout the summer. She played two USTA, age-group events prior to the Hall of Fame Open and has two more scheduled. In between competitions, she works on her game at Montoya Tennis Training based in Acton and Tewksbury.

"There's not a lot of players in our league (South Coast Conference) who play USTA," she noted. "I play tennis all year round."

The offseason work will make the rising senior a prohibitive favorite to repeat as SCC Player of the Year, but her mind is more trained on helping the Old Rochester Regional High School girls tennis team achieve its potential.

The Bulldogs went undefeated this past spring through the regular schedule and won the conference tournament before a disappointing, second-round loss in the MIAA Division 3 state tournament.

Matos took up tennis at age nine, started playing competitively at 11, and for the last six years has been a single-sport athlete. Her passion for the game notwithstanding, she keeps tennis in perspective.

"I know I definitely want to go to college... I'm more academically driven... if tennis follows, it follows. Tennis won't be a deciding factor," says Matos, who added she would like to major in biology and probably pre-med. "I definitely would still want to play, whether it's club..."

As for her career as a ball kid at the International Tennis Hall of Fame, that road may continue as well.

"Maybe a few more years," she said. "I enjoy it a lot, it's a fun time, you get best seat in the house."

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## Getting a Good Taste of Mattapoissett

*Mattapoissett Taste the Town*

**By Sam Bishop**

On Tuesday, July 15, the big white tent is set up for Harbor Days the coming weekend and food is already filling all available corners for this year's "Taste the Town" event at Shipyard Park in Mattapoissett. The event, hosted by The Mattapoissett Woman's Club, saw many local restaurants and food vendors come to one location to allow visitors to get a quick taste of a wide-array of different flavors offered in the area.

Tables were filled, but within the tent and without, and those with plates had plates of filled with seafood, Chinese food, pizza, burgers, soups, and many other options. Some even sat on the rocks behind the tent, looking out at the harbor. The Showstoppers were also present, singing and showing their prowess with soloists, duos, and full-group performances.

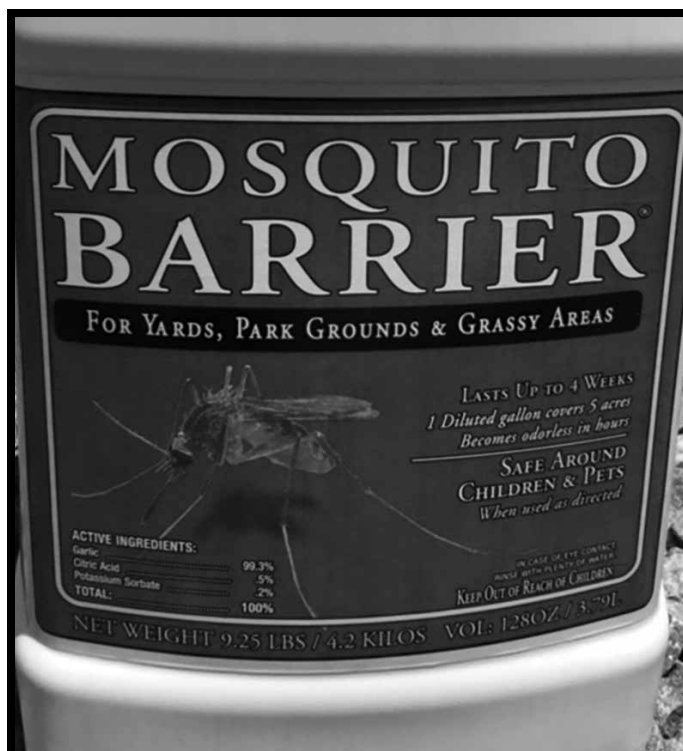
The event went from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm where many trickled in to munch on local treats, chat, and listen to the music.

## Updating the People's House

*Thoughts on...*

**By Dick Morgado**

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Broadway play about him, he apparently sure knew how to rap. They have been joined by 13 other portraits in newly gold leafed frames. These have been augmented by a collection of shiny golden bling...some people call them trophies...which are said to have been awarded to the president when he won tournaments at his many golf courses. (But that may be fake news).

There are big new, beautiful, ornate gold appliques on the walls above and on the fireplace. The White House says they were created by the same artisan who decorated his home in Florida. (Some sharp internet sleuths claim to have found the same decorations for sale at Home Depot). And, finally, golden cherubs rest above the doorways. All of it looks so... er... shiny.

Did I mention his infamous mug shot, in a gold frame of course, is hanging just outside the Oval Office? (It's true. You can't make this stuff up). If the Palace of Versailles were to be refurbished, they could use our People's House as a model.

But wait! There's more!

The beautiful Rose Garden, first created in 1902 by First Lady Edith Roosevelt, later renovated by President Wilson's wife Ellen, again by Jackie Kennedy in 1962, and more recently by the 45th president's wife, is having yet another makeover. When last renovated the red roses and crabapple trees were replaced with white roses and a concrete walkway around the grass lawn area.

Now all of it is being paved over by a "hardscape." A big, beautiful... the biggest, most beautiful patio" so says the leader of the free world, so women "won't get their heels stuck in the wet grass." "The grass is always wet." he says.

The redecorating continues in the Cabinet Room. More paintings have been replaced with new ones of lesser-known presidents in, yup, giant gold frames. "I'm a frame person" he said. "I liked the frames more than I liked the presidents." Also added were a gold-framed mirror and ceiling medallions around the hanging lamps. The crown moldings are to be gold leafed soon.

Next to come is a new grand ballroom modeled on the one at Mar-a-Lago, gold ceiling and giant chandeliers included.

Well, since it is the People's House I have a

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suggestion. The building is pretty old, built in 1792. It is built of sandstone and needs painting every year. In fact, as soon as the painting is completed, they start again. So, I suggest... vinyl siding, the best, most beautiful vinyl siding. It would go a long way to protect the fragile walls and eliminate costly, wasteful repainting.

Do they make gold vinyl siding?

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

## West Nile Virus - What It Is, How To Avoid It

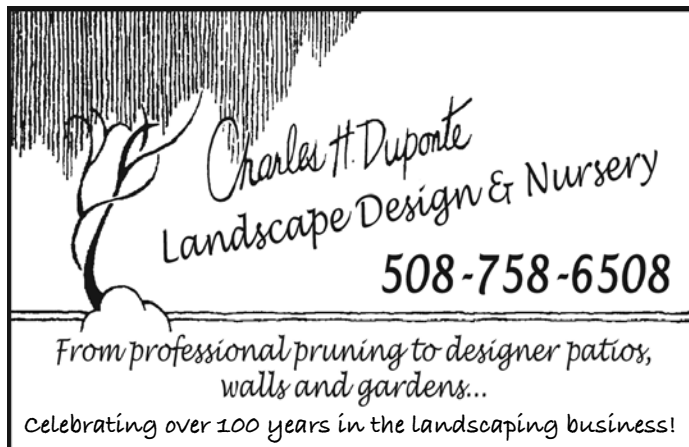
*What Does The Doctor Say?*

**By Dr. Edward Hoffer**

The West Nile virus (WNV) was first identified in 1937 in Uganda, and it remained confined to East Africa for many decades. With travel and climate change, it has dramatically expanded its range since the late 1990's, and is now found in every U.S. state, southern Canada and southern and eastern Europe.

Birds are the main host for WNV, and the virus is spread by mosquitoes, both bird to bird and bird to human. Humans are infected when a mosquito feeds on an infected bird and then bites a person. There is no direct person-to-person spread.

Fortunately, 80% of people infected have no symptoms, but about 20% develop a fever and a variety of other symptoms. Common symptoms are headache, pain



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behind the eyes, weakness, muscle aches, rash, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. These come on anywhere from 2 days to 2 weeks after being bitten, so you may well not remember the bite. Symptoms may last for weeks.

A small percentage (less than 1%) of those with WNV symptoms can have much more serious illness, with the virus infecting the brain (encephalitis) and/or the tissues around the spine (meningitis).

There is no treatment for West Nile illness. For those with mild or moderate symptoms, acetaminophen, fluids and rest are advised. If you are among the severely infected, hospitalization is needed, and one in ten with neurologic disease dies, while many more are left with persistent deficits.

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Since there is no treatment, and to date no vaccine, preventing mosquito bites is our best defense.

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Avoiding mosquito bites will also reduce the risk of many other mosquito-borne diseases. These vary with your geographic region but include Eastern Equine Encephalitis in Mass, Florida and Michigan; Zika, dengue

fever and chikungunya in the southern U.S., and malaria in many parts of Africa, Asia and Central and South America.

"Better DEET than dead."

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

## **Duets is Double The Pleasure**

*Marion Art Center*

**By Marilou Newell**

The Marion Art Center has once again brought splendor, wonder, and artistic talent to our doorsteps with the opening of their latest exhibit titled "Duets: Two Artists and Our Blue Planet" featuring the visual expertise of long-time friends Lisa Goren and Heather Stivison.

The two artists' works complement one another in a variety of ways, most notably their shared interest in the natural world and the exquisite manner in which art can and does open that world to us mere mortals.

Stivison's paintings have been exhibited throughout the US and in juried shows in Europe and Asia. Influenced by her mother an art teacher and her father a research scientist, the artist work steps into the crossroads of art and science. Stivison also draws inspiration from philosophical and scientific concepts. Her use of color, form and shapes that seem to move across her canvases adds depths of meaning.

Another aspect not to be overlooked regarding Stivison is her commitment to serving the art community. She currently serves as the chairman of the board of South Coast Artists, Inc. She is an elected Signature Member of the National Association of Women Artists (NAWA) and is on the Board of Directors of NAWA's Massachusetts Chapter. She was the founding president of the Dartmouth Cultural Center and the co-chair of the Dartmouth Cultural Council.

Her visual presentations bring the heavens to mind as well as floral-like shapes and forms that play high above us in a magical marriage of earth and space, far away from the trials of the moment. To give you a sense of just how deep Stivison's analytical emotions run, she quotes Carl Sagan to punctuate a point she wants to

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This phenomenal artist is also a published author.

Lisa Goren works in watercolor creating images from nature. She told us, "I wanted to use water to paint." And the water she selected to paint is nothing short of humongous. "I started painting I knew from the beginning that I wanted to use

watercolors to paint water which would be the ice and the ocean." She has traveled to Antarctica and Alaska where the abundance of water in all its forms became inspirational to her painting.

During the pandemic zoo animals were given human spaces to explore such as museums. Goren painted some of those animals during this time of isolation and anxiety like gifts from the animal world. These images surely aided in steadying our collective souls. She also jokingly noted that it's okay to have an animal head on your walls as long as it's a painting, not a taxidermy.

Regarding watercolors, Goren said, "I never left watercolors, I just stuck with them and love them. I'm trying different ways to show them." "My watercolors are big, they're messy, they're vibrant that's the goal."

"Duets: Two Artists and Our Blue Planet" is available for viewing from now until August 15. And you can join Goren and Stivison on August 2 at 11:00 am when they will be giving a gallery talk.



### "This Just In!"

*Revolutionary News*

**By Sam Bishop**

Today, should one want to figure out what's



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going on, there are plenty of sources to turn to, from *The Wanderer*, for local goings-on, to The Boston Globe for more state-wide news, to the big APs, NBCs, and Foxs focusing national/international coverage. However, at the time of the nation's founding, how would we have figured out what is going on and how long after the fact would we be hearing about it?

Firstly, as is the case with Paul Revere's famous ride, word of mouth was crucial and generally the first means by which revolutionary Yankees would hear about what was going on. Word traveled fast, for the time, but electronic (radio and telegraph) means for information transfer were a ways off, so news could only travel as quickly as a horse; for international news, as quickly as an English frigate.

When the fields of the Battles of Concord and Lexington settled north of us here in the Tri-Town, the information had to travel about 70 miles until it reached us. This means it was about a day's ride, so it's likely the locals in the area probably started hearing about it a couple days later.

For a bit more concise information, beginning in Boston in 1772 were the formation of "Committees of Correspondence." Samuel Adams and others in the Sons of Liberty organized these committees from Faneuil Hall, which would become present in many towns across first the state, and then the Thirteen Colonies. These committees, made up of town representatives, sought out

information of injustice or exploitation by the hand of the British and distributed it to their local government bodies and town peoples. Nearing the start of the war itself, there was a network of nearly 100 towns across Massachusetts with such committees especially around Boston and on the South Coast.

Finally, is the distribution of printed news in the form of pamphlets, posters, and newspapers. The first regularly printed newspaper in America was The Boston News-Letter, first printed and circulated by Postmaster John Campbell in 1704. There had been others before it, but it was the first that resembles what we expect to see as a regular flow of news.

The big newspapers of the time were based out of Boston, Cambridge, Salem, and Worcester. There was the Boston Gazette, The Massachusetts Spy, The New England Chronicle, and dozens of others. The Providence Gazette was also nearby and began printing in 1762. The proliferation of these newspapers would prove to be instrumental in the spread of information and drumming up support for revolutionary causes, especially militia recruitment.

Of course, there was also The Royal Gazette, published and printed out of New York City from 1777 to 1783. The city was held by the British for most of the war and was a staging post to spread pro-British leaflets and papers.

Unlike today, it was generally a small operation



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handled by the printer and some apprentices without much monetary feedback to be gained. Often, the Continental Congress or Officers' after-action reports would be sent directly to newspapers to be circulated. Speaking of, the town of Rochester, then including the lands of Marion and Mattapoissett, voted to uphold and grant powers to the Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1775. It is also said to have sent a larger-than-average number of volunteers from the Plymouth area to serve in the army.

All in all, there were many ways in which the average American would get their news. Literacy was exceptionally high, being well over 90% for adults during the time (at least in New England), meaning



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there was no setback in picking up a paper or pamphlet as one may suspect. Generally, it would take a while for the information to trickle in from across the colonies, there was immense effort from Congress to expedite information. If you had read a number of troops were in a standoff in Virginia (i.e. Boston, New York, Yorktown) you would have to anxiously wait a number of days to hear the final results. Did newspapers win the war? They certainly helped.

### **Washington's Organization**

*This Week In Revolutionary History...*

**By Sam Bishop**

This week in Revolutionary War History, let's discuss what was going on 250 years ago. As we know, this July 4 was the 249th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Though before the actual signing of the Declaration, there were plenty of pivotal events going on in the area at this time, 250 years ago.

Early July, Massachusetts, 1775, George Washington is stationed outside Boston in Cambridge. Massachusetts militias had been besieging the city just after the Battles of Concord and Lexington on April 19. Following this, the Continental Congress in Philadelphia established the Continental Army on June 14 and the next day, with John Adam's recommendation, appointed Washington as Commander-in-Chief. Two days later, the British seized Bunker Hill and Breed's Hill north

of the city. Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island militia companies would trickle in to bolster the newly formed army, with Washington reorganizing the command structure based on who performed well or poorly during the Battle of Bunker Hill.

As seen in Washington's personal writings, each day, Washington's General Orders were released to army officers and other prominent figures. On July 13, Washington reorganized his army into brigades and specialized regiments. On July 14, his orders proclaimed "As the Health of an Army principally depends upon cleanliness; it is recommended in the strongest manner, to the Commanding Officer of Corps, Posts and Detachments, to be strictly diligent, in ordering the necessaries to be filled up once a week, and new ones dug; the streets of the encampments and lines to be swept daily, and all offal and carrion, near the camp, to be immediately buried..." or in other words, be clean as to not contact any disease. He also told officers of varying ranks wore different colored ribbons, so as to easily differentiate who was in command. On July 17, Washington, seemingly irritated, demanded officers who received his daily General Orders pass them on to other officers and fellow soldiers, and any withholding of information could result in a court martial.

Throughout this week, Washington was in regular contact with John Trumbull, John Hancock, and the Continental Congress. This was primarily a time of organization and preparation for more fighting to come. The Siege of Boston would last until March of the following year and would claim the lives of nearly 1500.

How does this directly relate to the Tri-Town and the South Coast? According to the official provincial census of 1776, the population of Rochester (then including the lands of Marion and Mattapoisett), was 2,449. News was not instantaneous and would take a few days to reach the people. Still reeling from news of Concord and Lexington, many would not have had time to digest that war was here when the local militias were joined into an army.

The Olive Branch Petition had been sent to George III on July 8 in a last-ditch attempt to halt

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hostilities. It and the goings on in Boston would directly lead to the Proclamation of Rebellion on August 23.

### Power Restored, Roads Cleared

*July 3 Storm Rochester Fire Department Update*

**By Sam Bishop**

Thursday, July 3 saw a storm surge that turned out to be far more powerful than the public, and many agencies, had predicted. The storm hit all of New England and left 50,000 homes without power going into the busy holiday weekend. The following day, many in the Tri-Town were worried whether the Mattapoisett Road Race or the Marion Independence Day Parade would go on; they did! However, many were still without power, especially in Rochester. With the storm subsided and the sun risen, Eversource reported the entire town had been without power at points.

Rochester town departments worked tirelessly throughout the holiday weekend to restore power, especially as the summer heat sweltered. Eversource reported on Saturday, July 5 that power had been restored, though much work was still to be done to clear roads and debris and assist in the repair of damaged properties. The Rochester Fire Department released a statement on Facebook the following Monday, saying:

"It has been one of the busiest 4th of July holiday weekends on record for our Fire Department, all Public Safety Departments and our Highway Department.

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The Rochester Fire Department claimed they did not do it alone, and thanked other town agencies as well as the departments of neighboring communities who lent a hand during the ordeal, saying, "We want to thank the following departments and agencies for their much needed assistance during these numerous emergencies: The ROCCC (Rochester Old Colony Communications

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There has been some concern raised at town meetings, primarily the Select Board, as to the ROCCC having moved dispatching services to a central shared location in Duxbury, with some saying dispatching should be moved back. However, the Fire Department thanked the ROCCC and reported no issues with dispatching.

### **Mattapoisett Year End Transfers**

*Mattapoisett Finance Committee*

**By Marilou Newell**

"That's a wrap," as they say, as Mattapoisett's fiscal year came to an end. The total amount being shifted from saving realized when employee group health enjoyed a savings of \$323,500. The transfers are in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 33B of the Massachusetts General laws.

The transfers were as follows: \$50,000 to cover temporary library director and building inspector. A sum of \$30,000 was transferred to cover employee benefits for numerous employee retirements and year end buyouts that were more than anticipated.

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The sum of \$23,000 was transferred to cover town building expenses for the repair and painting of Center school including the clock tower which was more than anticipated based on bids received.

The sum of \$750 was transferred for record management expenses for more files held in storage than anticipated.

A sum of \$27,100 was transferred to cover Planning Board salaries. The Town Planner's salary is split between Acushnet and Mattapoisett. However, that arrangement requires that Mattapoisett pay the full salary and is later reimbursed by Acushnet.

The sum of \$3,000 was transferred to cover police expenses for the electric car charging station located at the Police Department which was unbudgeted for FY25.

Also being transferred from employee group insurance was \$10,000 for salaries for the natural resources department due to an extended absence of an animal control officer.

\$100 was transferred for the natural resources department for unanticipated expenses associated with a rabies shot which was necessary when an employee was bitten.

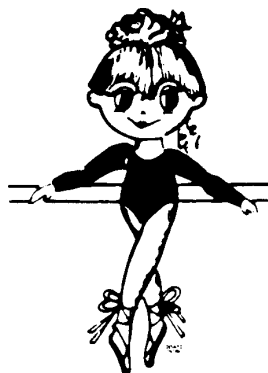
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salaries at the fire department for unexpected costs to outfit a new ladder truck.

\$5,000 was transferred to the Council on Aging for vehicle repairs and maintenance costs more than anticipated on the department's van.

The sum of \$7,000 was transferred to the veterans' administration salaries for unexpected buyout when an employee left that department.

\$3,800 was transferred to the parks salaries for janitorial expenses that were unanticipated. The sum of \$6,500 also went to the parks department expenses for building repairs and Portage John rentals that were more than anticipated.

The sum of \$31,000 was transferred to cover utility expenses due to a rate change and incorrect billing from Eversource for the fire station.

\$10,000 was transferred to the Medicare tax expense due to that expense being due for unexpected employee buyouts.

And last but not least, \$2,000 was needed for the tax collector's department as billings were required to include seven different languages.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Finance Committee was not scheduled at adjournment.

## Variance Granted for Garage Construction

*Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

Long-time Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals member Davis Sullivan sat on the other side of the meeting room table on July 10 as he asked the panel to approve his variance request to allow the construction of a detached garage at 6 Union Church Terrace.

The board granted Sullivan a variance of the 40-foot side setback requirement for his plan to build a 20x34-foot steel pole garage with a concrete floor at a 20-foot setback on his side yard. Sullivan said the two small sheds currently on his property are a terrible place to store his motorcycles and electronic tools. They don't prevent the weather and moisture from potentially affecting this equipment.

He said his plan is to demolish his wooden shed

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and garden shed to make room for larger garage storage. He noted his house sits in the middle of his lot, meaning that placing his garage on his rather small 6.7-acre lot is a financial hardship because of the excavation and driveway work that will be needed. He noted he needs to situate his driveway so as not to go over his septic system. He added that what he will be storing are "six motorcycles and a lawn mower."

The four voting members present for the hearing quickly endorsed the variance request after the lone abutter in attendance, Mark Wellington, said he supported the plan. "I have no objections," Wellington said. "It's a good use of the property. We are in favor of it."

The variance passed with the following conditions: that the garage does not house farm animals, that it not become a commercial use building, that it not be converted into housing, and that the existing sheds be completely demolished.

In other business, the board's new chairman Donald Spirlet announced that the Select Board recently elevated Zoning Board Associate Member Dennis McCarthy to full-time member and appointed Douglas Sims, a carpentry teacher at Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School, as a new associate member.

Spirlet said there will be no regular meeting on July 24 as no petitions have been filed for that date. The

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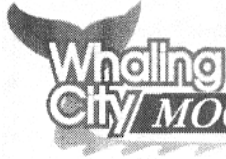
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next Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 14 at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

### Alex Hansell Promoted to Full Commissioner

*Marion Conservation Commission*

**By Jeffrey D. Wagner**

The Conservation Commission at its July 9 Meeting in the police station conference room had a light agenda but still managed to promote associate member Alex Hansell to full commissioner status.

Previously, Hansell was an associate member. The commission's unanimous decision to promote him is still pending Select Board approval.



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The commission, last Wednesday, reviewed other town projects and discussed the commission's jurisdiction for those projects: a condominium development at 78 Wareham Road, the conversion of an industrial building on Barnabas Road, and a single-family home being proposed on Point Road.

Commissioners noted that the Wareham Road development is proposing walking trails, a feature that might trigger commission oversight at a later time.

For the Point Road project, an applicant wants to construct a single-family home but does not meet frontage requirements. The Planning Board recently discussed the case and did not take any issue with the proposal. Commissioners also had no issue with it.

The Planning Board recently took issue with the former Lockheed Martin facility's proposal to be converted into affordable apartments. The facility closed down four years ago and for nearly two decades it produced naval products.

The Planning Board mostly took issue with the zoning configuration, which under town bylaws allows for residential use within industrial areas.

The developer of the project, dubbed Sippican Holdings LLC, pleaded a hardship to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) as it was once asked to demolish the building. After research, the ZBA decided that demolition would not be needed, and the building could still be rehabbed and reused.

The ZBA granted approval to turn the building into a residential area. Commissioners last Wednesday there is nothing within the proposal that would garner Conservation Commissioner concerns.

In other business, Town Planning Doug-Guey-Lee said the commission has some consultant applicants for a project that will look to diminish invasive species, notable phragmites, from the Brainard Marsh area.

Guey-Lee said oversight falls within the Department of Public Works and town engineer Meghan Davis will assume the role.

The meeting lasted less than 15 minutes and also included the payment of routine bills and approval of minutes from the June 25 meeting.

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The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Police Department's conference room.

### All Cases Continued

*Mattapoisett Conservation Commission*

**By Marilou Newell**

On July 14 the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission, chaired by David Nicolosi, read through a list of cases that were scheduled to be heard. However, as the proceedings began it was announced that all cases would be continued to the next meeting on July 28.

The agenda had included a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Chapman Dickerson, 6 River Rd. Dickerson is proposing to remove 2 clumps of trees adjacent to the edge of a bordering wetlands and to grind stumps to grade. He'll be represented when the case is reopened by Rick Charon of Charon and Associates.

The next case being continued was a Notice of Intent filed by Adam Walorz, 0 Nantucket Dr., seeking permission for the construction of a new single-family dwelling with an associated driveway, grading, and utilities had previously been continued it was once again once continued on this night.

A Notice of Intent filed by the Town of Mattapoisett for wharf repairs also previously continued, was again postponed on this night. The engineer of record



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In its request the town is proposing the rehabilitation of Long Wharf by driving sheet piles around an existing stone sea wall strengthening the foundation and excavating fill within the Wharf area. Plans also include constructing a new reinforced concrete retaining wall with the veneer built of salvaged granite blocks to maintain the current historic appearance of the sea wall. Additional scope of the project and various materials that will be used will be discussed when the case is reopened at the next meeting.

Finally, a Notice of Intent filed by NSTAR Electric Company for the installation of an overhead electrical transmission line at their solar array off Crystal Springs



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Road within an existing transmission right of way will be represented by Epsilon Associates when the case is reopened on July 28.

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### Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program

Monday, July 21: Beef stew w/ buttermilk biscuit, green beans & peppers, applesauce

Tuesday, July 22: Rosemary & garlic chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots, wheat roll, pudding, diet: fruit


Wednesday, July 23: Herb crusted fish w/ lemon, orzo, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, fruit cup

Thursday, July 24: Cheeseburger, sweet potato wedges, broccoli, hamburger bun, fig newton, diet: fruit, ketchup

Friday, July 25: Honey jerk chicken thigh, white rice, green peas, oatmeal roll, banana

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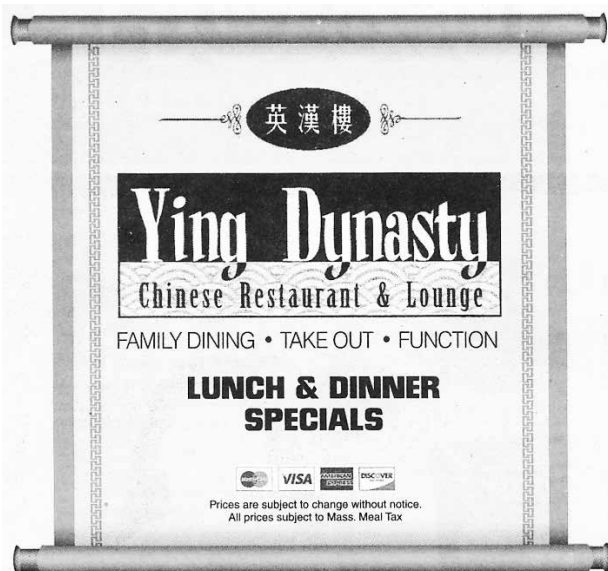
-**Jack Martin** of Marion, graduated with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree in Physical Therapy.

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the spring 2025 semester. Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater. The list includes; **Lauren Cohen**, Class of 2028, of Marion, **Fiona Hoben**, Class of 2028, of Mattapoisett, **Theo Jacobsen**, Class of 2028, of Mattapoisett, and **Emma Vivino**, Class of 2025, of Marion

**Emma Vivino** of Marion graduated Summa Cum Laude with a degree in Applied Environmental Stud(BA) from Tufts University.

**Leo Grondin** of Marion, **Brady Lee** of Mattapoisett, **Drew Mastovsky** of Marion, **Gracie McCarthy** of Marion, and **Zachary Zutaut** of Rochester have been named to the Spring 2025 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

**Gracie McCarthy** of Marion and **Anthony Steele** of Rochester received their degrees in May as part of the Class of 2025 at Roger Williams University.



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**Date:** Thursday, July 24, 2025

**Time:** Doors open at 5:30, Lecture begins at 6:00.

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**Cameron Gonzalez**, of Mattapoisett, earned dean's list honors at University of Tampa as a Freshman in the Spring 2025 semester. Gonzalez is majoring in Biochemistry BS ASBMB-Accredited.

### Mattapoisett Community Tennis Association Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Community Tennis Association (MCTA) is pleased to announce the winners of a \$500 scholarship for a senior member of the Old Rochester Regional High School tennis team.

The recipients this year are Elizabeth Houdelette and Emily Wyman, both from Marion. Elizabeth plans to attend Springfield College to pursue Physician Assistant Studies, while Emily plans to attend Boston College to pursue a program of study in Elementary Education.

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### Mattapoisett Democratic Town Committee

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7PM – 8:30PM Town Band Concert, Shipyard Park

## Thursday, July 17

6PM – 8PM Adult Paint Nigh

## Friday, July 18

5PM – 7:30PM Fish Fry by *On the Go*, Strawberry Shortcake  
5PM - 7pm Indigo Shore/Jillian Zucco

## Saturday July 19

9 AM-4 PM Silent Auction, 50/50 Raffle, Craft Fair 100+ Vendors  
9 AM-5 PM U Pick 'Em Auction  
11AM – 4PM Lions Club Grill, Strawberry Shorcake  
11AM-1PM The Ghost Riders  
1:30-3PM North Woods Band (Seth Asser)  
3:30-5PM The Alternatives (former Xtreme Accustic (Ken)  
5:30-7:30PM Lobster Fest  
5:30-7PM Eric Beau

## Sunday, July 20

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8AM-10:30AM CAL Wingate (Carolyn)  
9 AM – 3 PM U Pick 'Em Auction  
9 AM – 4 PM 50/50 Raffle, Craft Fair 100+ Vendors  
11AM – 4PM Lions Club Grill, Strawberry Shorcake (until they're gone!!!)  
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Hope to see you there. Our next Matt Dems meeting will be held on Wednesday, **July 23** at 6:00 pm in the downstairs public meeting room of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

### St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The 141st. Summer Season of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, located next to the Town Beach in Mattapoisett, will host The Rev. Marc Eames, Priest-in-Charge St. John's Church, Vernon, CT. on July 20. Services will be held at 8:00 am and 10:00 am using the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. All are welcome.

### From Jazz to Rock: America's Popular Music

On Friday, **July 18**, the Marion Concert Band continues its Friday evening concert series with a program of American popular music. The program, which features a variety of popular music styles from the 1890's to the present, is as follows:

Washington Post March - J.P. Sousa  
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The Symphonic Gershwin - G. Gershwin  
Carnival of Melody - arr. R. Hawkins  
Satchmo. - arr. T. Ricketts  
Mary St. Laurent-Sheehan, trumpet  
Sinatra. - arr. S. Bulla  
Pop and Rock Legends: The Beatles - arr. M.

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Blues Brothers Revue - arr. J. Bocook

Thundercrest March - E. Osterling

Mary St. Laurent-Sheehan, trumpet, has performed with the Narragansett Bay Symphony, the Tri-County Symphonic Band, the Marion Concert Band, and the Band of America's Few. She is an alumnus of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra (1992) and is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps where she performed with the Parris Island Marine Band. With the Band of American's Few, a band comprised of former Marine bandsmen who have either retired or have been honorably discharged, she has performed at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Virginia, and at the Royal International Nova Scotia Tattoo in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She has been a member of the Marion Concert Band since

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### Mattapoisett Yacht Club Results

The Tues night Ensign race on was unfortunately abandoned after only a couple minutes after the first start as thunder and lightning was bearing down toward the harbor. The boats all made it to their moorings in time as the storm mostly passed just north of Mattapoisett.

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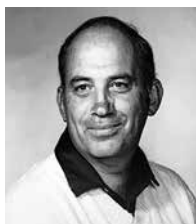
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# OBITUARIES



Ronald Noel Normand, 87, of Marion and Plymouth, passed away peacefully on June 6, 2025. He was married to Patricia (Connors) Normand for 64 years. He is predeceased by his parents Everett Normand and Germaine (Jobin) Normand also of Marion.

Ron was born in 1938 and lived in Marion for 40 years. He was a graduate of Fitchburg State College where he met his wife, Patricia. He also earned a master's degree in education from Bridgewater State University. Ron was a beloved teacher at Old Rochester Regional High School for 25 years, sharing his passion for learning with thousands of children over the years. He not only shared his love of history with his students, but also his love of sports. At various times in his teaching career, he served as the ORR boys' baseball, soccer and golf coach.

After retiring, Ron and Patricia moved to Plymouth and began to fulfill Ron's lifelong goal of exploring every nook and cranny of the U.S. with historical significance. When not traveling, he would be immersed in political or spy novels, cheering on his beloved New England sports teams or maintaining his lawn of envy.

Family and friends enjoyed Ron's wry sense of humor. He reveled in playing the role of devil's advocate often snaring the unsuspecting visitor with an innocuous "so what do you think about..." His friends, children and grandchildren spent countless hours in both earnest and lighthearted verbal duels with Ron.

He is survived by his wife Patricia, and four children Ronald F. Normand (Sandwich MA), Suzanne Barrett and her husband Patrick Barrett (Annapolis MD), Kerry Hayes (Marion MA), and Elizabeth Hiller and her husband Andrew Hiller (Marion MA), as well as his cherished grandchildren Jennifer Barrett, Allison Barrett, Megan Hayes, Connor Hayes, Emily Hiller and Drew Hiller.

Ron left a lasting impact on all who had the pleasure of knowing him. The family is deeply grateful for the wonderful care Ron received at Laurelwood.

A memorial service will be held at St. Bonaventure Church in Plymouth at 10 am on July 24. A reception will follow at the Great Island Clubhouse, 140 Great Island Rd, Plymouth.

**Karen Ann Taylor** of Marion, MA, passed away peacefully on the morning of July 12 at Tobey Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Captain Michael Taylor of Marion, and her son, Jonathan "JT" Taylor of Washington, D.C.

Originally from New Britain, CT, Karen was an avid reader, collector of cookbooks, and a devoted crossword puzzle aficionado. She thoroughly enjoyed her time traveling the globe with Michael, at sea and on land.

Thanks to Tobey Hospital and Sippican Healthcare Center for their care and comfort, and to our dear family

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Donations in her memory may be made to your local library - a fitting tribute to her passion for reading. For online guestbook, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com)



**Ralph Walston Eustis Jr.**, 92, passed into the hands of our Lord on July 6, 2025, surrounded by loving family and friends. His long life's voyage has reached a peaceful harbor. He was born in Dalton, MA on January 2, 1933, the first of three children to the late Ralph W. Eustis and Margorie (King) Eustis. Ralph graduated from Westfield High School in 1950. Then

he went on to the Coast Guard Academy. In 1955 he graduated with a BA in Engineering and was commissioned as an Ensign US Coast Guard officer; followed by Deputy Commander Far East Section, Tokyo. After an assignment in Washington, DC, Ralph was promoted in 1968 to Commanding Officer of the USCGC Vigilant, whose home port was New Bedford, MA. He had expressed how grateful he was to not only realize his dream of going to sea but to be in command of an excellent crew who knew their job well and could be relied upon to perform it with skill and integrity. After 20 years of service in the Coast Guard, followed by a brief stint of boat building in Mattapoisett, he then spent the next 20 years at Sippican Ocean Systems in Marion, MA where he retired in 1998 as their International Marketing Director. Ralph was predeceased by his beloved wife Marilyn "Merry" Hodgson Eustis and their second son William "Billy" Eustis. Ralph and Merry's partnership of 63 years took them on many adventures; raising two sons; cruising on their sailboat; traveling all over the world; building their own home on the shores of Mattapoisett, MA. Here in their retirement, husband and wife created a wonderful garden to surround themselves with the beauty of nature. They became an integral part of the community and were happy to have friendships grow among their many neighbors. Skiing was a passion, and Ralph became a long-time member of the National Ski Patrol. Rowing with the Gray Buzzards in New Bedford was another favorite pastime. For over 20 years until a few weeks before his passing, Ralph rowed year-round followed by coffee, discussions and camaraderie. Also in his retirement, Ralph served on the Coast Guard Academy Alumni Board and was part of the design team for the CGA Alumni Center. He had served as Board Chairman and Director of the New Bedford Art Museum. Other institutions close to his heart were the New Bedford Symphony, Habitat for Humanity and the First Congregational Church in Mattapoisett where Ralph had the honor of serving as a deacon. Survivors include his son Ralph Eustis III and wife Karen Perilli Eustis, granddaughter Heather Eustis Ray and husband Jacques Ray; grandson Stephen Eustis; great grandsons Cassius and Oliver Eustis Ray; sister Bette Ascheffenburg; brother Gordon Eustis

Quarter Given held on to second followed by Restless and Coconuts.

B Fleet adding two new boats for the July series, Big Dipper and Seven Belles, however it was Fir Na Tine that captured the win.

Results: 1. Fir Na Tine, 2. Chickadee, 3. Lindisfarne, 4. Kinsail, 5. Big Dipper, 6. Seven Belles

### MAC Theater presents "Miss Witherspoon"

The MAC Theater Presents the darkly funny Christopher Durang classic, Miss Witherspoon, directed by Kate Fishman. Performances are held at the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater, located at 80 Pleasant

Street, Marion.

The cast includes: Maura Van Voris, Laura Stevens (Sunday Matinees), Natalya Carreiro, Ben Freeman, Rachel Richardson, Cynthia Johnson

Director: Kate Fishman

Shadow Director: Phoebe Van Inwegen

Stage Manager: Andrea Audette

Light/Sound: Steve McManus

The performances will be on **August 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, and 24** with Friday and Saturday shows at 7:30 pm and Sunday shows at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 for MAC members and \$23 for nonmembers. More information and tickets: [marionartcenter.org/events](http://marionartcenter.org/events)

## OBITUARIES

and his wife Joan Eustis; sister-in-law Joelle Bentley; sister-in-law Julie Broom and her husband Tony Broom; best friend Ginny Hayden and several nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends far away and local. In his twilight years Buzzards Bay became home. At Keystone Place, the assisted living and hospice staff guided him in his final days. His family will be forever grateful to the many staff who provided such a caring and nurturing environment for final goodbyes. Celebration of life services will be held at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church on Friday, August 8, 2025, at 11:00 am followed by a reception in the church hall. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to The Coast Guard Academy Alumni Association, Class of 55 Fund, 47 Mohegan Ave., New London, CT 06320-8111. For online guestbook, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com)



(Chace) Medeiros.

**Heidi Lee (Medeiros) Correia**, 54, of Mattapoisett passed from this world on July 11, 2025, surrounded by her devoted family, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born and raised in New Bedford, Massachusetts, she was the daughter of William "Billy" Medeiros and Bonnie

Heidi was a graduate of New Bedford High School and went on to earn an associate's degree in Early Childhood Education. She served as both a teacher and director at childcare centers in Boston and later had a career in corporate training. She lived abroad in Germany for several years before returning to Mattapoisett, where she raised her family and worked for MattSail - the Mattapoisett Community Sailing Association - blending her love of the ocean with her commitment to the community. Heidi was proud to have helped start the Old Rochester HS varsity sail team.

The ocean was a tremendous part of Heidi's life. She spent every summer of her life at her family cottage on the beach at Angelica Point in Mattapoisett. She loved swimming, sailing, boating and - especially - quahogging. She could dig a bucket of quahogs in record time and was renowned for

her delicious quahog chowder and zuppa dishes. She loved a beach party and could throw together a buffet and a bonfire at a moment's notice. She was also an excellent listener - she was a sponsor, a source of support and a steady friend to countless people over the years and found great purpose in doing so.

The greatest accomplishment of Heidi's life was, by far, her children. Above all else, she loved being a mother and the success and achievements of her children were an enormous source of pride for her. She poured her heart into their lives-cheering the loudest at games, nurturing their dreams, and reminding them every day that they were deeply loved and capable of anything.

She is survived by her parents and her beloved children; a son, William and a daughter, Ellie, her spoiled dog, Milo, and her former husband, Craig Correia, all of Mattapoisett, as well as many, many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who adored her.

Heidi and her family would like to thank Erin Knowles, her lifelong best friend and cousin who supported her during her battle. Thank you also to Erica, the nurses and the aids with Community Nurse.

Heidi's heroic battle with aggressive colon cancer was an inspiration to everyone who knew her, and her will to live in the face of overwhelming odds was awesome to witness. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the ORR High School sailing program via MattSail, P.O. Box 947, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, or to Community Nurse Home Care, 62 Center St., Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Her Funeral Service will be held Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at 10 am in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. Burial will follow in Riverside Cemetery. Visiting hours were held on Tuesday, July 15th from 4-8 pm. For directions and guestbook, visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

*If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at [office@wanderer.com](mailto:office@wanderer.com).*

# LOCAL CABLE PROGRAMMING

Check [www.orctv.org](http://www.orctv.org) for the latest updates to the schedule.



## PUBLIC ACCESS

### Comcast Channel 9

### Verizon Channel 36

Thursday July 17, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
8:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson  
8:30 AM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Cynthia Bryden  
9:30 AM Rochester Historical Society - Revolutionary War Veterans Ceremony  
10:30 AM Sippican Historical Society - Percy Brown House  
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 Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
2:00 PM The Collective Chat  
2:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
3:00 PM Sippican Choral Society  
4:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band: Jazz Through the Decades  
6:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow Today  
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US  
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
8:00 PM NolanFest 2025  
11:00 PM Classic Movie

Friday July 18, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
8:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
8:30 AM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow Today  
9:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Global US  
9:30 AM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
10:00 AM Southcoast Matters  
11:30 AM Volunteering - My Brothers Keeper  
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 The Collective Chat

2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
2:30 PM Tri-Town July 4th Events 2024  
3:30 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson  
4:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Cynthia Bryden  
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Wampanoag Art for the Ages  
6:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - From Submarine Vents to Life on Other Ocean Worlds!  
7:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
8:30 PM Paltrocst with Darren Paltrowitz  
9:00 PM A Conversation With...  
9:30 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers  
10:00 PM For Your Health  
10:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Saturday July 19, 2025

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival  
9:30 AM Tri-Town Memorial Day Events  
10:30 AM Volunteering - My Brothers Keeper  
11:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson  
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie  
1:30 PM The Human Truth - with Chuck McIntyre  
2:00 PM The Collective Chat  
2:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
4:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Cynthia Bryden  
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6:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - From Submarine Vents to Life on Other Ocean Worlds!  
7:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
8:30 PM Paltrocst - with Darren Paltrowitz  
9:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
9:30 PM A Conversation with...  
10:00 PM Beacon Hill Report  
10:30 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday July 20, 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 St Gabriel's Church  
11:00 AM Volunteering - My Brothers Keeper  
11:30 AM For Your Health  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
1:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow Today  
2:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US  
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Shift  
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
3:30 PM NolanFest 2025  
7:00 PM Old Colony Graduation  
10:00 PM Old Colony Senior Awards Night  
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday July 21, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape  
8:00 AM For Your Health  
9:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson  
10:30 AM A Conversation With...  
11:00 AM Volunteering - Walts Mobile Closet  
11:30 AM Pete on the Street  
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  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Shift  
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Hurricane  
6:00 PM Four Deep Sports  
6:30 PM Old Colony Graduation  
7:30 PM ORR Graduation  
9:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

9:30 PM Building the Future  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Classic Movie

Tuesday July 22, 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 Mike Paige Doodle Club  
10:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartooning  
10:30 AM The Collective Chat  
11:00 AM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
11:30 AM In the Toy Box  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM Volunteering - Walts Mobile Closet  
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 Four Deep Sports Talk  
6:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Percy Brown House  
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 July 23, 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  
10:00 AM Tri-Town Memorial Day Events  
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with

Coastline  
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:00 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson  
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday  
3:00 PM A Conversation With...  
3:30 PM Old Colony Graduation  
4:30 PM ORR Graduation  
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
6:00 PM Building the Future  
6:30 PM Pete on the Street  
7:00 PM World Fusion Show  
7:30 PM Sippican Historical Speaker Series - Notre Dame  
8:30 PM Evening Conversation with Senator Mike Rodrigues  
9:30 PM The Old Colony Band Concert  
11:00 PM Sippican Spring Concert

## MARION

## GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 26

### Verizon Channel 39

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen  
8:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission  
9:30 AM Marion Planning Board  
10:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:00 AM Marion School Committee  
12:30 PM Marion Opening Space Acquisition  
1:30 PM Marion Finance Committee  
2:30 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust  
3:30 PM Marion Board of Health  
4:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission  
5:30 PM Marion Pathways Committee  
6:00 PM Marion Municipal Resources Commission  
7:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen  
9:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission  
10:00 PM Marion Planning Board  
10:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:30 PM Marion School Committee

## ROCHESTER

## GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 26

### Verizon Channel 40

## Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
8:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission  
9:00 AM Rochester Planning Board  
10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:30 AM Rochester School Committee  
1:30 PM ORR School Committee  
4:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee  
6:00 PM Rochester Select Board  
7:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
8:00 PM Rochester Planning Board  
9:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
10:30 PM Rochester School Committee

## EDUCATION

## CHANNEL

### Comcast Channel 8

### Verizon Channel 37

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:30 AM Nolanfest  
11:00 AM RMS Chorus Concert  
11:30 AM Old Colony 8th Grade Exploratory Day  
12:00 AM Bulldog Sports  
1:00 PM Bulldog Pride Alumni Association  
1:30 PM Old Colony Skills USA Ceremony  
2:00 PM Chuck McIntyre Presentation  
3:00 PM ORR FORM Brunch  
4:30 PM Cable History of Old Colony  
5:30 PM Old Colony 8th Grade Exploratory Day  
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
6:30 PM ORR Volleyball vs Dartmouth  
8:00 PM ORR Boys Lacrosse vs Apponequet  
9:30 PM ORR Spring Concert  
11:00 PM ORR Class Olympics  
11:30 PM Bulldog Sports

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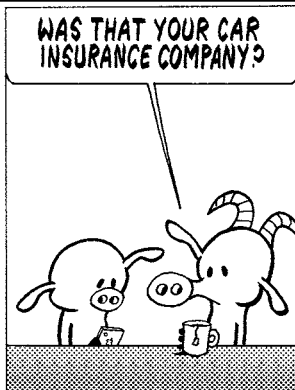
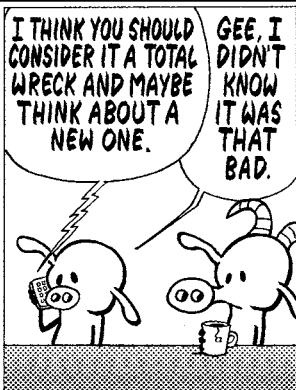
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## Mattapoissett Republican Town Committee Meeting

The Mattapoissett GOP will hold a community meeting at the Niemad Facility, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoissett on Thursday, **July 17** from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Join us to discuss important topics affecting our town, including matters related to the structure of the Select Board. Mattapoissett residents, your voice matters.

There will be light snacks, cash bar and good conversation. If you have any questions contact Paul Criscuolo, Chairperson, Mattapoissett Republican Town Committee at [PCMattyGOP@proton.me](mailto:PCMattyGOP@proton.me)

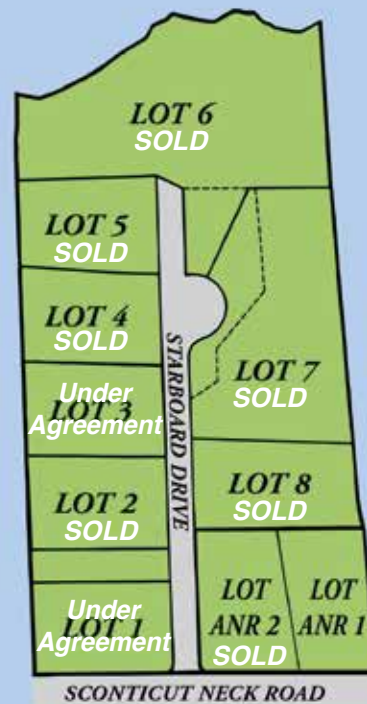
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# MOVIE REVIEW

## He's Back

By Rob Gonsalves  
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**Superman.** Starring David Corenswet and Nicholas Hoult. Directed by James Gunn. Running time: 129 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13. Now playing in theaters.

James Gunn's new *Superman* is generally more satisfying as subtext than as text. Which means it may be more satisfying to mull over later than to sit through. This *Superman* is jokey and weightless and colorful, and begins *in medias res*; it feels quite a bit like a *Superman* comic book from the '70s, when stories were self-contained to one issue, or at the most were two-parters. This seems to be the second part, following from an unseen first chapter in which Superman (David Corenswet) gets in the middle of a battle between invading Borovia and invaded Jarhanpur. Superman gets trounced by another metahuman, "the hammer of Borovia," and as the movie opens, Superman is whisked off to safety by Krypto, a similarly superpowered dog, ill-behaved but loyal.

The appearance of Krypto, making his live-action feature debut, tells us that Gunn's *Superman* eschews the grimness and grit of Zack Snyder's vision as laid out in the DC Extended Universe films (2013-2023). The current DC Universe films, overseen by Gunn himself, will seemingly lean more towards a Marvel-movie tone and flavor. It seems to be working for a lot of moviegoers, and making pundits of a certain stripe angry. I wanted to be carried aloft on a wave of superheroics, but I found the movie only sporadically stirring or exciting; it's a constant blur of computer-generated effects and plot that goes whizzing by. In that respect it's no worse — and no better — than nine out of ten blockbusters, including the decreasingly attended Marvels.

Eventually Superman is slandered in the media and shipped off to a "pocket universe" created by Lex Luthor (Nicholas Hoult), a resentful billionaire smart enough to make tech to defeat Superman but stupid enough to leave incriminating papers and maps in clear view. Luthor hates Superman. Superman must stop Luthor. That's the essential story of *Superman*. But there are so many characters, and so many convolutions, that the narrative keeps stepping on its own cape. There are three, possibly four, other superheroes, and a superpowered baddie named the Engineer, and another named Ultraman. Lois Lane (Rachel Brosnahan) actually affects the story a little less than do Jimmy Olsen (Skyler Gisondo) and his secret flame Eve Teschmacher (Sara



Sampaio), who is also Luthor's squeeze. Like I said, the movie often has the feel of a Bronze Age comic straining to cram everything it can into 32 pages, with any exposition handled by captions referring to some past issue. Which is fine in a *Superman* comic from 1977, not so much in a *Superman* film from 2025.

The cast is deep, with ringers like Nathan Fillion as the arrogant Green Lantern Corps member Guy Gardner. Hoult seems to be going for a mix of Musk and Bezos, either of whose recent behavior would be too goofball for a DC comic from 1977; he settles on disdainful snottiness and never bothers to depart from it or to paint in any shadings. Corenswet makes a fine, stalwart Superman, though the true test of any screen Superman is how well he plays his human disguise, dorky reporter Clark Kent, and we don't get to see much of Clark at all. Christopher Reeve remains the undisputed champ. But Corenswet is allowed to show more human fear, pain and vulnerability than Henry Cavill was.

I wanted to like it, and in fits and starts I did. It deals in good neighborly feelings, in the core values Clark learned from Ma and Pa in Kansas. It doesn't really resolve the thorny issue of metahumans getting involved in geopolitical brawls, though. You'd think that Superman, who gets a speech towards the end about how he's just as human as the next Earthling, would take the opportunity to hand human problems off to humans and only take care of the globe-threatening monsters that present themselves. But the war between Russia and Ukraine — sorry, Borovia and Jarhanpur — has to be *physically* impeded by fancy-pants in the sky. Gunn, who conceived the movie three years ago and only finished shooting last summer, has more faith in the media's ability to reverse course on their narrative and demonize the demons than the media have, of late, displayed. Like those old comics, *Superman* is a wishful fantasy about benevolent godlike power that doesn't leave us mortals much to do except look up and hope to be saved. Maybe Zack Snyder was right to question it.



## **Mattapoisett Town Band**

The fourth scheduled concert for the Mattapoisett Town Band will take place on **July 23** at 7:00 pm at Shipyard Park in Mattapoisett. Thank you to everyone who attended last week's concert for making it such a wonderful evening. Please visit our Facebook page for updates regarding any weather conditions.

This concert is all about Real Heroes, Musical Heroes, and Superheroes.

## **Scrumptious Summer Lobster Roll And Bake Sale**

The First Congregational Church of Marion announces that its Summer Lobster Roll and Bake Sale is coming soon. This fundraising event takes place on Saturday, **July 26** from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in front of Penny Pinchers Exchange at 39 Main Street, Marion.

Delicious Lobster Rolls, at \$25 each, will be limited, so to ensure availability you are strongly encouraged to preorder and pay at the Church Office (144 Front Street, Marion Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 1:30 pm) or at Penny Pinchers Exchange (39 Main Street, Marion Wednesday and Saturday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm). The deadline for pre-orders will be Sunday, July 20. We do accept cash, credit cards and checks.

The Bake Sale will take place in the grassy area in front of Penny Pinchers Exchange. Our Bake Sale is filled with yummy desserts, homemade pies, cakes, cookies, candy and more from the church's best cooks. Stop by to get a delicious dessert to top off your Lobster Roll lunch or get some treats to take home to enjoy later.

The Chapel Café in the Community Center will be open and air conditioned, offering comfortable seating for enjoying lobster rolls, cold drinks and live entertainment.

Also, the air-conditioned Penny Pinchers Exchange will be open during the sale and is cooking up a few surprises for the special day. Come shop for clothes, household goods and many other special finds. This is the area's best place to find amazing prices and selection.

Come support The First Congregational Church of Marion. Savor a luscious lobster roll, explore great bargains at Penny Pinchers Exchange, and take home some delicious baked goods. All are welcome. For more information, please contact the church office at 508-748-1053 or visit the church website at: [www.marionfirstchurch.org](http://www.marionfirstchurch.org).

Parking is available at the Island Wharf public lot (Front Street across from the Music Hall) and on streets surrounding Penny Pinchers Exchange. Come one, come all.

## **Level Up At The Library This Summer**

Our six-week Summer Yoga Series continues on Thursday, **July 17** at 10:30 am on the library's lawn. Grab your mat and mark your calendars for the remaining classes on Thursday, July 24 and 31 and August 7 and 14

at 10:30 am. Stretch, unwind, and relax with a beginner-friendly yoga flow series. This adaptable experience suits all ability levels and is recommended for ages 12 and up. Class will be held outside, weather permitting - please dress accordingly. No registration required.

Need a break from the summer chaos? Join us for Sticker and Chill at the library on Wednesday, **July 23** at 1:00 pm. Relax, get creative, and build your own 3D sticker scene with one of our soothing sticker kits - yours to customize and keep. Space is limited, and registration is required. Recommended for ages 12 to 16. Please see the library website to sign up.

ZMakesBeads will be at the library on Tuesday, **July 29**, at 12:00 pm for an expressive arts workshop that teaches participants the basics of making beaded jewelry. Semi-precious stones and other natural jewelry materials will be used. The workshop atmosphere is a tranquil, meditative, interactive space that encourages participants to be present and at ease while creating. This event is intended for ages 12 and up. Space is limited and registration is required. Please see the library website to sign up.

Don't forget to snag your exclusive book BINGO card. Read books you love, complete a few challenges, and explore your beautiful surroundings from now until August 31. Recommended for ages 13 to 17. Please see a librarian for more information.

As always, program participation is free and open to all teens. Visit, explore, and unwind with us - we can't wait to see your smiling faces. Sign up in person at 7 Barstow Street, online at [www.mattapoisettlibrary.org](http://www.mattapoisettlibrary.org), or by calling the library at 508-758-4171. Make your summer vacation magical at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

## **From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach**

Looking through pictures, newspaper articles and scrapbooks, it is apparent that in the past the people of Rochester have always supported the various organizations in town and those organizations have supported each other. The Women's Club met at the

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25 Verity or falsity of a proposition  
27 Gershwin or Glass  
28 Physics  
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30 Camera part  
31 Choosing a "lesser evil" candidate at the polls  
35 Central rd. through town  
37 Moral climate  
38 Bana of "Troy"  
39 Scary ghost, say  
40 Encounter  
41 Any of 12 spinal bones  
46 Couple  
47 Advocate of a lawless state, archaically

- 48 Document allowing passage through a country  
55 Phillies' div.  
56 Astrologer  
Sydney  
61 Cleveland, e.g.  
62 Faux pas at a dinner table  
64 "My Baby" rapper of 2001  
66 Fisher's lure  
67 Creeper in the bignonia family  
71 Football player  
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72 Types, as data  
74 Ample, in dialect  
75 Cooling appliance, in brief  
77 Singer  
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78 E. Coast ocean  
80 Amount of seawater that periodically rises  
83 One feeling sympathy  
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- 87 Fastest speed of a freely falling object  
94 Twirl  
98 Six Nations members  
99 Festive party  
100 School, in Somme  
101 Finally  
102 Central cavity of the brain  
107 Did pool laps  
108 Black-and-white cookies  
109 Alternative to Levi's  
110 Large Brit. lexicon  
111 Lower-leg blood vessel  
114 10 things featured in this puzzle?  
117 Dir. from Ariz. to Ky.  
118 "Burnt" color  
119 Cries loudly in brief  
120 Castle trench  
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122 Paper Mate competitor  
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12 Held tightly  
13 Like a very low-carb diet  
14 Archaic verb ending  
15 "seaQuest —" (1990s series)  
16 Feature of the word "thumb"  
17 Father or son auto-racing star  
18 Fake fat  
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26 Flared skirt  
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32 Little tyke  
33 Edition: Abbr.  
34 "... cup — cone?"  
35 Podcaster  
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39 Found on this page  
41 Sullies  
42 Hugs seller

- 43 Redenbacher of popcorn, for short  
44 Erin Burnett's channel  
45 Frankie with a falsetto  
46 Ad Council ad, e.g.  
48 Sauna wear  
49 Arles' river  
50 — -surface missile  
51 All-female club's policy  
52 Classic PC  
53 Apartment building VIP  
54 "— we all?"  
57 City in Iraq  
58 "Would you like to see —?" (waiter's question)  
59 Draw a better bead on  
60 Path  
63 Spitting sound  
65 "Megan —" (2017 biopic)  
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69 Up to such time as  
70 Hook-and-ladder co.  
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76 Scam  
79 Bible book after Exod.

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84 — the finish  
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88 Interweave  
89 Tag anew  
90 Florida port  
91 Filmmaker — von Trier  
92 Antiquated  
93 Cleveland hoopster  
94 Chem., e.g.  
95 Pennsylvania resort range  
96 Not lawful  
97 Really must  
100 Once, once  
102 Ex-senator  
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103 Poet  
Heinrich  
104 Kemper of "The Office"  
105 Sam of "Dead Calm"  
106 Thompson of "Selma"  
108 Broiler, e.g.  
112 African viper  
113 False story  
114 Bygone  
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115 Wet/dry —  
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your honesty is, as always, admirable. But you might want to be more tactful when discussing a sensitive issue with a family member. Remember, you can give advice without giving offense.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unexpected workplace snag should be handled quickly and efficiently so that it leaves you time for family get-togethers. Also, you might soon get a long-sought apology.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Aspects favor family matters, especially where children might be involved. Spending time with loved ones helps restore some much-needed balance to your typically busy schedule.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A seemingly clear-cut agreement might not be quite so straightforward after all. Recheck for language that could make you liable for hidden costs and other unpleasant surprises.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Careful, Kitty! It's better to deal with someone with proven reliability than a big talker who promises much but can't confirm that they will deliver. Meanwhile, your social life really zings this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your matchmaking skills are at peak performance levels -- both in helping to staff workplace teams for upcoming projects and for bringing people together on a more personal basis.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You're finally seeing some progress with your new venture, but be prepared for it to continue at a slower pace than you're used to. Meanwhile, a loved one could be preparing a surprise.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A family member's success pulls you into the spotlight as well. Enjoy it, but don't let it overshadow or otherwise obstruct what you're doing with your own creative projects.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Using what you already know might not be quite enough to get a proposed project off the ground. Look for any new information that might help tilt the scales in your favor.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Good news! While a changing workplace environment can be daunting for some, it could be the challenge you've been hoping for. If so, confront it with confidence and move on.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to recheck travel arrangements for any changes that could work to your advantage. Aspects also favor strengthening and restoring old, fraying relationships.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Using your intuitive reasoning helps you cut right through the double talk and straight to what's really going on around you. Stay the course until all your questions are answered.

BORN THIS WEEK: You radiate light and warmth, and others love being close to you. You also might be quite nurturing with children.

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Men's Club and at the First Rochester Congregational Church before they had their own building. The Boy Scouts and the Brotherhood were also both supported by the Church and the Brotherhood could not have put on its shows and concerts without the Rochester Grange. The Grange for many years was the location for many town events including graduations.

I am happy to say that this co-operation and collaboration continues today. Last year the Rochester Boy Scout Troop was integral to the success of our Historic Weekend and just this past Saturday, the Rochester Land Trust stepped in to save the day. We had originally planned to be in front of George Church's Museum, because in addition to the sale, we were kicking off our



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upcoming exhibit: "The Tools and Industries That Made Rochester." The museum which George had founded to preserve tools used in early Rochester industry, especially sawmills, seemed like a fitting spot. However, when we had to change our location, the Land Trust instantly offered us the use of George's Pony Pasture, one of their properties.

It was a perfect spot, near the sunken garden and in the shade for most of the day. Members of the Land Trust baked and shopped at our bake sale and bought tickets at the raffle. We want to thank them as well as all the others who did the same. I want to thank the Rochester Historical Society members who answered the call with their bake goods and donations. It looks like

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



*Taste the Town was held at Shipyard Park in Mattapoisett on Tuesday evening. Hosted by the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, the event saw dozens of local food businesses show what they're known for and what draws in foodies. The large white tent is ready to go for Harbor Days this weekend. Photos by Sam Bishop*



*The Marion Concert Band performing their "A Young People's Concert" at the amphitheater by Island Warf on Friday, July 11. The band, led by Music Director Tobias Monte, played music from kids' movies such as "Happy" from Despicable me and many others. There was a cotton candy cart, and many brought popcorn or biked over from houses nearby. The band was present and performed at the July 4 celebrations the week prior. Photos by Sam Bishop*



*The Mattapoisett Town Band played to a spectator-filled Shipyard Park on Wednesday, July 9. Folding lawn chairs were set up, kids paraded around and played soccer while listening, with many eating foods from local shops. Photos by Sam Bishop*



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we have baked our way out of the financial hole caused by recent unavoidable electrical work. Ah, the joys of maintaining an historic building. Fingers crossed that all stays well.



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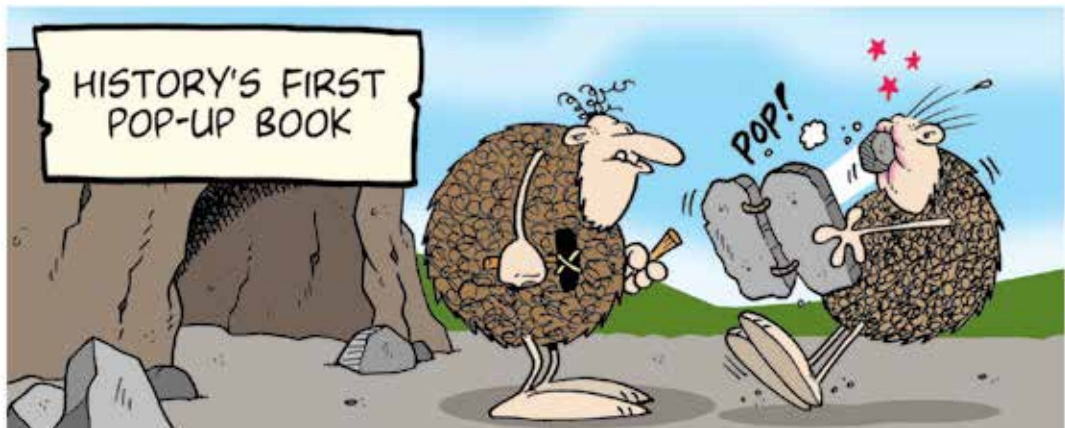
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honor their wishes.

A special thanks to Lorraine Vaughan for the abundant and delicious baked goods that she made for the bake sale. They were greatly appreciated and helped us work toward our financial goal.

### Annual Rochester Historical Yard Sale

The Yard Sale will be at the Museum at 355 County Rd. Drop off dates are July 21 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, July 23 10:30 am to 12:30 pm, July 29 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. If you have items, but can't make those dates, please call me at 617-750-2818. We're looking for clean, usable items. We don't take clothing or large electronics. Any electric items (lamps, clocks, etc.) should be in good working order. Please, drive around the building to the side door. Please don't drop items at the foot of the stairs, thank you.

### Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library

The Wareham Gatemen baseball team is coming to Plumb Library. From 10:30 am to 11:30 am Friday, **July 18** members of the Gatemen will join us for stories, Q&A, a game of catch, and autograph signing. This is an all-ages event, and no registration is necessary. The Gatemen will also be celebrating Literacy Night later the same day at Spillane Field at 5 pm before the game.

Local author Michelle Cusolito will join us from 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm Monday, **July 21** in our Downstairs Program Room to read her newest book "Inside the World

of Whales," a picture book perfect for kids ages 4-8 years. The Storytime will be followed by a themed craft and then attendees are welcome to head outside to check out Delilah the Whale (see below). Michelle's book will be available for sale and signing at this event, cash or check only. Please register on our website's Event Calendar, as space is limited.

Have you ever wondered what a whale looks like from the inside? Here's your chance to find out. The Whale and Dolphin Conservation will be at the Library with Delilah from 5-6 pm Monday, **July 21**. Delilah is an inflatable, life-sized, North Atlantic Right Whale. She'll be outside on the Library lawn, weather permitting. This event is all-ages and no registration is required.

Other upcoming events:

Writers Group 6:30 pm Thursday **July 17**. Open to anyone 19+ who is interested in fiction writing of any genre. Writing prompts are provided, sharing is encouraged, light refreshments are served, all are welcome.

Knitting Group 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Mondays (**July 21, 28**). All levels of adult handcrafters are welcome at this social gathering. Bring your latest projects.

New program - Boards and Cards 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Saturday July 26 This is a new, volunteer run program held in the Downstairs Program Room. Come by and join in this social gathering of adults who like games. Bring a favorite to share or try one here.

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<p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoissett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings are held at the Mattapoissett Town Hall Conference Room, 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted). The start time is 6 pm.</p> <p><b>**The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, July 17, 2025.**</b></p> <p><b>CASE #1569:</b> Petition of: Kathy Myatt, 7 Spruce Street, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. RE: The applicant is requesting a Special Permit as provided by Sections 3.1.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law and as provided by Section 7.2.2 to remove the existing deck and replace it with an enclosed 3-season room using the same footprint. The property is further described as Plot 4.0, Lot 135.0 on the Assessor's Map. Zoning District W30. Recorded in the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 618, Page 94. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 6 pm.</p> <p><b>CASE #1570:</b> Petition of: Joan Louden-Black, 9 Oakland Terrace, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. RE: The applicant is requesting a Special Permit as provided by Sections 3.1 to 3.1.6 of the Zoning By-Law and as provided by Section 7.2.2. The applicant proposes to construct a 16 X 28 addition to the existing single-family dwelling on a pre-existing non-conforming lot. The applicant is seeking relief from the side yard setback requirement from 20' to 18.2'. The property is further described as Plot 8, Lot 50 on the Assessor's Map. Zoning District R30 (R20-Pre 1973). Recorded</p>	<p>with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 56401, Page 208. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 6 pm.</p> <p><b>CASE #1571</b> Petition of: Attorney Christopher Markley, 555 Pleasant Street, 5A New Bedford, MA 02740 RE: The applicant is requesting a Special Permit as provided by Sections 3.1.2.2 of By-Law and as provided by Sec. 7.2.2. Location of premises: 4 Beach Road, Property Owner David and Carol Ryan. The applicant requests permission to demolish the existing garage and build a new garage with a finished space above. The footprint is slightly larger on the interior portions of the property. There is no change in the setbacks to the west and south. The property is further described as Plot 2.A Lot 60.0 on the Assessor's Map. Zoning District W30. Recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 17791, Page 0313. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 6 pm. 7/10, 7/17</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoissett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Randolph Alexander, 537 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205. The proposed project is to install a timber bridge at an existing stream crossing on existing concrete abutments. The project is located</p>	<p>at 7 Wolf Island Road, and is further identified as lot 1 on Assessor Map 20.</p> <p><b>**Contact concomm@mattapoissett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 7/17</b></p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoissett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Chapman Dickerson, 6 River Road, Mattapoissett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to remove two clumps of trees adjacent to edge of wetlands, grind stumps to grade and remove trees from site. The project is located at 6 River Road, and is further identified as Lot 285 on Assessor Map 17.</p> <p><b>**Contact concomm@mattapoissett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 7/17</b></p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoissett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm for a Notice of Intent submitted by Joseph &amp; Shanleigh Heelan, 0 Harbor Acres Lane (Subdivision Lot 1), Portion of Assessors Map 12, Lot 53, Mattapoissett, MA. The applicant proposes to construct a single-family dwelling with associated septic system and well within the buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland. 7/17</p> <p>-----</p>

# TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



## MARION

### Log highlights July 6 – July 12

- Perry's Ln – General service
- Mill St – EMS/Medical
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Hill St – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – MV complaint
- Front St – Animal complaint
- Front St – UAS Deployment
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Barros Dr – General service
- Point Rd – Wildlife services
- Spring St – MV stop/citation
- Bullivant Farm Rd – EMS/medical
- Rogers Dr – EMS/medical
- Abels Way – Burglar alarm
- Water St – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – General service
- Lewis St – MV complaint/citation
- Point Rd – MV complaint
- Ichabod Ln – General service
- Island Wharf Rd – General service
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Bell Guzzle Ln – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Wareham Rd – Road hazard
- Delano Rd – Health/welfare
- West Ave – Noise complaint
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious MV
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Cottage St – Parking enforcement

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights July 6 – July 12

- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- Reservation Rd – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Crystal Spring Rd – 911 call
- Pinehurst Ave – Ambulance request
- Wendell St – Medical assist
- Pine Island Rd – Medical assist
- Park St - Complaint
- Acushnet Rd – Officer wanted
- Bowman Rd – Suspicious MV
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash
- Water St – General service
- Prospect Rd – Animal control
- Angelica Ave – Animal control
- River Rd – MV crash
- Barstow St – General service
- County Rd - Assault
- Water St – MV violations
- Waterview Ln - Larceny/forgery
- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- Coopers Way – Suspicious MV
- Union Ave – 911 call
- Route 195 West – MV violations
- Railroad Ave – Parking violation
- Acushnet Rd – Follow up
- Brookside Dr – Health/welfare
- Good speed Island – Boat violation
- County Rd - Vandalism
- Waterman St – Safety/road hazard

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights July 6 – July 12

- Mayflower Ln – 911 call
- Forster Rd – Animal control
- North Ave – MV collision
- Pine St – Animal control
- High St – 911 call
- Dexter Ln – Prisoner watch
- Benson Rd – Lost animal
- Walnut Plain Rd - Harassment
- High St – General services
- Pine St – Suspicious activity
- Alley Rd – Inside investigation
- Mayflower Ln - Larceny
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- North Ave – MV stop/citation
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Snipatuit Rd – Appliance fire
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- High St – Assist other agency
- Cranberry Hwy – General services
- Cranberry Hwy - Fraud
- Clapp Rd – Road hazard
- Thistle Ln – Firearms licensing
- Rt 495 South – MV collision
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- North Ave – MV stop/arrest
- Walnut Plain Rd – Well-being check
- Clapp Rd – Animal control
- Rounseville Rd – Message delivery
- Woodland Rd – Parking complaint

Friends of the Library 6:00 pm Thursday **July 31**. Meeting is open to the public. We are in search of new board members (and members in general). Come to this meeting if you'd like to help out.

Books and Babble Book Club 6:30 pm Thursday July 31 to discuss "L A Weather" by Maria Escandon. Books are available for pick up at the Library.

FYI: The Creative Crafters (the Rochester COA knitting group) will be meeting at the Library while the Council on Aging is being renovated. 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Thursdays through the end of July.

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Young readers can visit the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout June for exciting library programs. Our Book Explorers program for grades 1-3 meets at 11:00 am on Tuesdays or 2:00 pm on Thursdays. Library Adventurers for grades 4-6 meets Tuesdays at 2:00 pm or 11:00 am on Thursdays. Make crafts, discover exciting new books, and level up at your library this summer.

Jill Pimental of MIY Studio will teach machine and hand sewing techniques to adults and young adults at the Elizabeth Taber Library. Workshops will be held on Tuesdays in July from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Don't have a sewing machine? Starting this summer, the Elizabeth Taber Library will have sewing machines and supplies available for check out. Spaces are limited. Register for one or more sessions. For more information or to register contact the library at 508-748-1252 or email [ETLibrary@sailsinc.org](mailto:ETLibrary@sailsinc.org).

The Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library will be hosting "Donation Days" at the library on Saturday, **July 19**, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, and Saturday, **July 26**, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in anticipation of the annual Summer Book Sale on Friday and Saturday, **August 8 & 9**, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Music Hall in Marion located at 164 Front Street. Additionally, Friends will accept donations on Thursday, August 7 and Friday, August 8 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Music Hall. Books in good condition (no textbooks) are requested, as well as items like DVDs, puzzles, games, and Legos. All proceeds support

programming at the library. Please do not bring donations to the Elizabeth Taber Library outside of the Friends' hosted Donation Days.

The Elizabeth Taber Library is excited to host baseball players from the Wareham Gatemen at 10:30 am on Friday, **July 25**. Listen to the players read stories, and then play catch.

In lieu of our regular storytime on Wednesday, July 30 we'll be hosting children's musician Matt Heaton for a special concert at 11:00 am. Come prepared to sing and dance along to a lively, engaging show. This program is recommended for kids ages 0-5, but all are welcome.

Join the Library throughout the summer for yoga on the lawn, Tuesdays starting at 8:30am. Please bring your own mat.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library visit us at [www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org](http://www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org) or email the library at [ETLibrary@sailsinc.org](mailto:ETLibrary@sailsinc.org).

### Upcoming Summer Programs With The Marion Natural History Museum

Butterfly Walk With Andrew Griffith Of Mass. Butterfly Association: **July 16**, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Join the Marion Natural History Museum for a summer butterfly walk. Andrew Griffith of the Massachusetts Butterfly Association will be leading the walk in Nasketucket State Park, Mattapoissett. We will be identifying local butterfly and moth species while talking

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Large Whale Vocalizations: **July 25**, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Erin Burke, Protected Species Program Manager - MA Division of Marine Fisheries, will be sharing DMF's new passive acoustic monitoring network in Massachusetts state waters and adjacent



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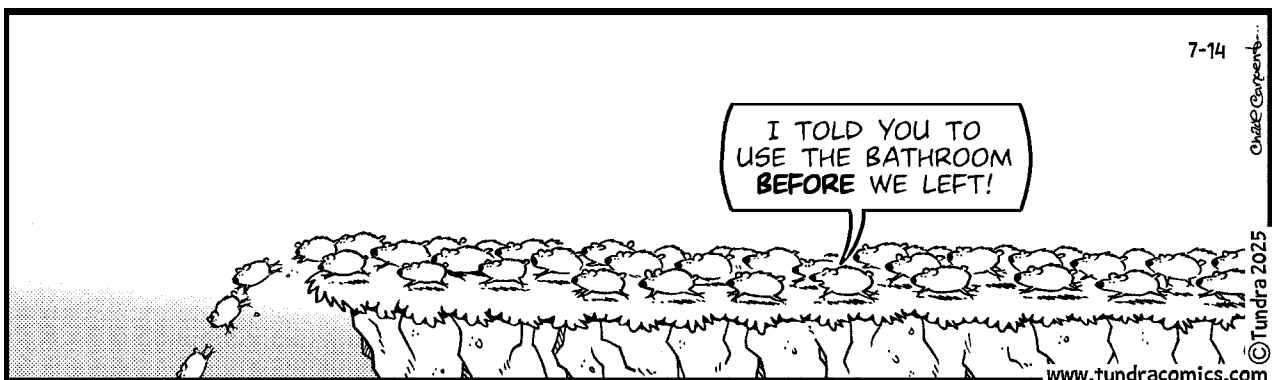
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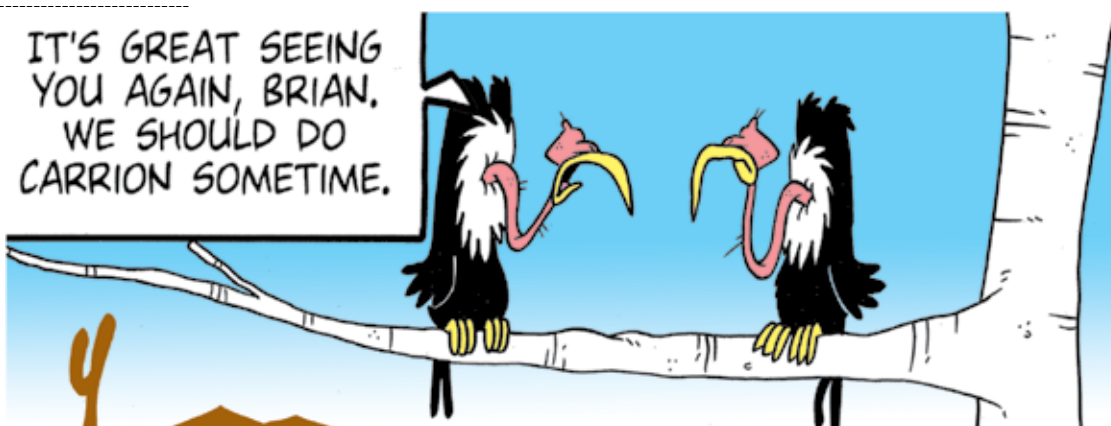
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## Summer Members' Show Call for Entries

The Marion Art Center is issuing a call for entries for its Summer Members' Show, which runs from August 21 to September 19 at the MAC, located at 80 Pleasant St, Marion. The opening reception will be held on Thursday, **August 21** from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. This year, the MAC asks members to submit only one piece to allow enough room for all to participate without overcrowding (Our artist membership has grown but our building has not). Drop-off dates for the show are from Saturday, August 16 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and Tuesday, August 19 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

This year, in an exciting collaboration with the Sippican Lands Trust, the MAC encourages members to utilize the new "en plein air" benches now located at Osprey Marsh, Peirson Woods, and White Eagle for their entries for the Summer Members' show. Works created on SLT properties will be recognized as such in the members' show, with a special label to identify the location. Additionally, any artists (nonmembers invited) creating works as part of the SLT's Summer of Art event (sippicanlandstrust.org/events) are invited to exhibit their works during a pop-up event scheduled at the end of the MAC's Summer Members' show, Wednesday September 17 through Friday, September 19. The MAC will use floor and tabletop easels, and pedestals to display the additional SLT works for the final three days of the show. All pop-up entries must be delivered to the MAC on Tuesday, September 16 between 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, or by arrangement with a MAC staff member. Contact info@marionartcenter.org for more information.

## The MAC offers Theater Program for Summer

The MAC is pleased to announce All Things Theater, a late summer theater program for ages 10-15. The camp is meant to show participants multiple facets of theater craft both on stage and behind the scenes. Activities may include acting, improvisation, costume creation, stage management, tech, and movement. Featuring working professionals from the area, the camp will operate for one week, Monday, **July 28** through Friday, **August 1** from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm each day. The MAC theater at 80 Pleasant St, Marion, MA will host



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The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library invite book lovers of all ages to their upcoming Harbor Days Book Sale on Friday, **July 18** and Saturday **July 19**, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Library Community Room at 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. This event is a great opportunity to find gently used books at affordable prices while supporting the library's valuable programs and activities.

In preparation for the sale, the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library will also be accepting book donations on Monday, July 14 through Thursday, July 17, from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Community members are encouraged to donate gently used books to help make the event a success.

In addition, a "Pop-Up" Jewelry Sale will be held on Friday, July 18 and Saturday July 19, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Jewelry donations can be dropped off at any time at the Front Desk.

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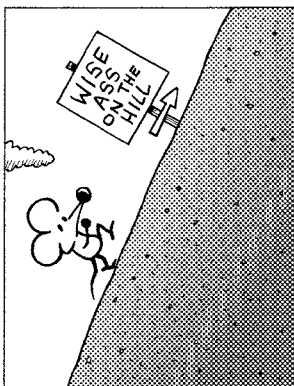
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## PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis





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### Mattapoissett Museum

The Mattapoissett Museum at 5 Church Street is open for the 2025 summer season. Please drop by on Friday and Saturday afternoons from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. You can also visit by appointment (contact [info@mattapoissettmuseum.org](mailto:info@mattapoissettmuseum.org)) from now to September 27.

Currently on display is "Wanderer100: The Legacy and Afterlife of Mattapoissett's Last Whaler" - an exploration of the last century that has seen the Wanderer grow from a shipwreck to an unofficial town mascot for Mattapoissett. Also on display is a new mini-exhibit display, "This Just In: Recent Acquisitions of the Mattapoissett Museum," featuring a selection of artifacts and documents donated over the last year or two that have not yet been shared with the public. Among the artifacts are local property deeds, letters postmarked in Mattapoissett, Troop 53 memorabilia, a 19th century oil painting portrait, and much more.

Later in the summer, the Museum will proudly unveil a new, permanent exhibit about the Wampanoag, who inhabited Mattapoissett for thousands of years before the arrival of Europeans. Consultant Linda Coombs is the primary curator and writer of this new exhibit. She is an author of books illustrating Native American culture from a Native American perspective, and a historian from the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah). This exhibit is expected to open in mid-July. Details will be forthcoming.



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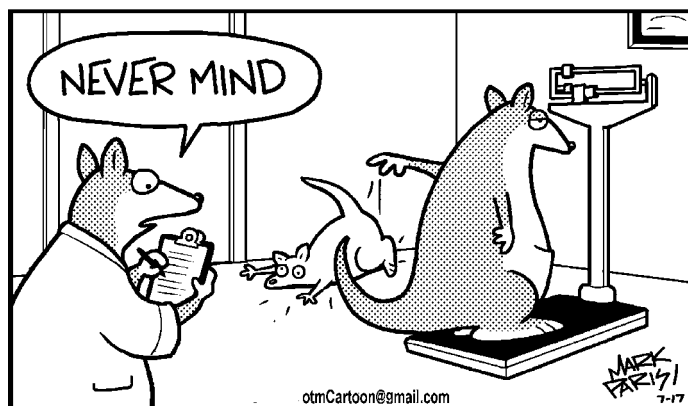
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Leal, Domingos	Captains Lane LLC	5 Captains Ln	Mattapoissett	06/26/2025	605,000.00
Kane, John	Mansulla, William J	278a Delano Rd	Marion	06/27/2025	900,000.00
Buzzards Bay Coalition Inc	Gayoski, Kathleen Mary	See Book	Rochester	06/27/2025	176,352.00
Menard, Janelle Lynne Bates, Christopher Michael	Menard, David Menard, Daniel	3 Pine St	Rochester	06/27/2025	500,000.00
Adao, Michael Adao, Sarah	Eilertsen, Derek R Eilertsen, Jenna	6 Deer Run	Mattapoissett	06/30/2025	1,250,000.00
Rocha, Bruce Jr	Soroka, Paula TR A & E Teixeira RGT 2015 Aguiar, Jennifer TR	10 Parker St	Mattapoissett	06/30/2025	100,000.00
Mccaffrey, Noel	Captains Lane LLC	10 Captains Ln	Mattapoissett	06/30/2025	645,000.00
Hannemann, Kevin Hannemann, Lauren	Czerkowicz, James M Czerkowicz, Lauren M	1 White Pine Ln	Mattapoissett	06/30/2025	1,250,000.00



## Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	July 17	1:16	1:49	6:43	7:42
Friday	July 18	2:11	2:44	7:37	9:17
Saturday	July 19	3:09	3:44	8:38	10:46
Sunday	July 20	4:14	4:51	9:44	11:52
Monday	July 21	5:22	5:58	10:50	
Tuesday	July 22	6:25	6:58	12:48	12:05
Wednesday	July 23	7:22	7:52	1:41	12:48
Thursday	July 24	8:14	8:42	2:31	1:43
Friday	July 25	9:03	9:29	3:16	2:36
Saturday	July 26	9:51	10:14	3:51	3:26
Sunday	July 27	10:38	10:58	4:20	4:11
Monday	July 28	11:25	11:41	4:47	4:54
Tuesday	July 29		12:11	5:15	5:37
Wednesday	July 30	12:25	12:57	5:48	6:23
Thursday	July 31	1:09	1:41	6:25	7:19
Friday	August 1	1:52	2:25	7:10	8:29
Saturday	August 2	2:36	3:11	8:04	9:46
Sunday	August 3	3:26	4:04	9:05	10:50

Phases of the Moon	Last Quarter	July 18th
	New Moon	July 24th
	First Quarter	August 1st
	Full Moon	August 9th

## 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](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

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## PUZZLE ANSWERS

## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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## SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Dismal 2. Enjoy;  
3. Cringe; 4. Swipe

Today's Word  
**NOISIER**

Sudoku Answer

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

off the mark by Mark Parisi



## GROCERY, DAIRY & FROZEN

Half Liter Bottles, 24 pk.  
 Poland Spring  
 Water  
**\$5<sup>99</sup>**



7.4-8.98 oz.  
 Selected Variety  
 Nature Valley  
 Granola Bars  
**2/\$6**



3.625-5.125 oz.  
 Selected Variety  
 Frito Lay  
 Minis Snacks  
**2/\$5**



48 oz. Selected Variety  
 Friendly's  
 Ice Cream  
**\$4<sup>99</sup>**



5 oz. In Water or Oil  
 Bumble Bee  
 Albacore Tuna

**2/\$4**

12 oz.  
 Gulden  
 Spicy Brown Mustard

**\$2<sup>19</sup>**

25.3 oz.  
 Filippo Berio  
 Olive Oil

**\$12<sup>99</sup>**

25.3 oz.  
 Filippo Berio  
 Extra Virgin Olive Oil

**\$14<sup>99</sup>**

6 oz.  
 Pam  
 Cooking Spray

**\$3<sup>99</sup>**

8 oz. Selected Variety Shredded or  
 Food Club  
 Cheese Bars

**2/\$5**

## MEAT, DELI, PREPARED FOODS & CHEESE

10 oz. Pkg. Fully Cooked  
 Amylu  
 Chicken Meatballs **\$7<sup>99</sup>**

14 oz. Pkg. Beef  
 Boar's Head  
 Natural Casing Franks **\$9<sup>99</sup>**

Deli Sliced  
 Friends' Store  
 Roast Beef **\$15<sup>49</sup><sup>th</sup>**

Deli Sliced  
 Friends' Store  
 Turkey Breast **\$9<sup>99</sup><sup>th</sup>**

Deli Sliced  
 Land O Lakes  
 American Cheese **\$7<sup>99</sup><sup>th</sup>**

Deli Fresh  
 Friends' Store Made  
 Loaded Baked Potato Salad **\$8<sup>99</sup><sup>th</sup>**

Deli Fresh  
 Friends' Store Packaged  
 Four Bean Salad **\$5<sup>99</sup><sup>th</sup>**

8 oz. Pkg. Vermont  
 Boar's Head  
 Cheddar Cheese **\$4<sup>99</sup>**

6.5 oz. Pkg.  
 Boar's Head  
 Pepperoni Stick **\$3<sup>99</sup>**

8 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety  
 Président  
 Cheddar Pub Cheese **\$5<sup>99</sup>**

Ready to Serve  
 Allen's  
 Rotisserie Chicken **\$9<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup>**

## WINE

### Summer Wine Deals To Raise A Glass To!

750 ml. Italy  
 Covalli Barbaresco **\$17<sup>99</sup>**  
 Reg. - \$20.99

750 ml. California  
 Banshee Pinot Noir **\$16<sup>99</sup>**  
 Reg. - \$19.99

750 ml. California  
 Fitvine Pinot Grigio **\$13<sup>99</sup>**  
 Reg. - \$15.99

750 ml. Massachusetts  
 Westport Rivers Dry Rieslings **\$19<sup>99</sup>**  
 Reg. - \$23.99

## CHEF PREPARED

Spicy Peanut Noodles **\$10<sup>99</sup><sup>th</sup>**

16 oz. Pkg.  
 Mexican Streetcorn Salad **\$9<sup>99</sup>**

16 oz. Pkg. With Roasted Vegetables & Feta Cheese  
 Orzo Salad **\$9<sup>99</sup>**

Garden Side Salad **\$6<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup>**

Mediterranean  
 Chickpea Salad **\$9<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup>**

Various Styles  
 Take & Bake Pizza **\$8<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup> - \$10<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup>**

Homemade  
 Savory Pies to Go!  
 Chicken Pot Pie **\$13<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup> Small \$19<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup> Large**

Shepherd's Pie **\$12<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup> \$19<sup>99</sup><sup>ea</sup>**

## BAKERY

4-5.75 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety  
 Our Specialty Treat Shop  
 Parfaits **2/\$6**

8 oz. Pkg.  
 Superior on Main  
 Black & White Cookies **\$3<sup>99</sup>**

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## BLOCKBUSTER SAVINGS!

Friends' Premium  
Certified Black Angus,  
Boneless  
Ribeye Steak  
**\$21<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**



Fresh, Boneless  
Center Cut  
Pork Chops  
**\$4<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**



8.9-10.8 oz.  
Honey Nut or Original  
General Mills  
Cheerios  
Cereal  
**\$3<sup>99</sup>**



8 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety  
Cedar's  
Hommus  
**2/\$5**



7-8 oz. Selected Variety  
Slices or Cracker Cut  
Cabot  
Cheese  
**2/\$7**



9-14 oz. Raspberry Sorbet,  
Selected Variety Mini Bars or  
Häagen-Dazs  
Ice Cream  
**\$5<sup>99</sup>**



## QUALITY PRODUCE



Washington State  
Cherries **\$3<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**

Fresh  
Red or Green Grapes **\$3<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**

6 oz. Pkg.  
Blackberries **2/\$7**



Fresh  
Zucchini Squash **\$1<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**

Fresh  
Summer Squash **\$1<sup>99</sup><sub>lb</sub>**

4 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety  
Little Leaf Farms Lettuce **\$3<sup>99</sup>**

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