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Manatee Sighting in Mattapoisett

The Bike Path Manatee Rescue

By Sam Bishop

At 5:40 am on the warm morning of July 29, a group of friends were out running on the Mattapoisett Rail Trail.

As Erin Carr of Mattapoisett explained, she and her friends, David Gerber, Stephanie Poyant Moran, Jonathan Barratt, Nicole Reedy and Allie Straus, were out on an ordinary run until they began crossing the bridge over Eel Pond, when they were stopped by a man walking his dog along the path. The man, Lou, told the running friends of an "unusual mass" he observed not far from shore.

"From a distance, it appeared to be a large rock. But as he got closer, he realized that it was some sort of animal that was caught on the beach during low tide," says Carr. The six friends, the man, and the dog all approached the shoreline together to ascertain what was out there.

"As we got closer, we discovered it was a Manatee! We weren't quite sure what to do. We would have liked to have helped it to deeper water, but we weren't sure why it was beached in the first place," Carr said.

Wanting to help but not wanting to disturb or jeopardize the status of the creature, the group called the Harbormaster and Mattapoisett Police for help. She added that sharp oyster shells made it difficult to get close to the Manatee, which itself seemed to have been cut up by the sharp shells. The group waited with the Manatee until the officers arrived. Upon arrival, the officers stated nothing should be done until wildlife experts arrived and could strategize the best path forward. The six friends ran back to their cars quickly, promising to turn right back.

About half-an-hour later, Carr says, "everyone was gone – including the Manatee!" Poof! The friends weren't sure what happened. It seemed the whole ordeal had just disappeared without a trace. Upon

On the Cover: The manatee found on the seashore of Mattapoisett Harbor on Tuesday, July 29. This photo was taken before the arrival of the Harbormaster or police. Eventually, the tide rose, and the manatee safety swam back to sea on its own. Photo courtesy Erin Carr calling dispatch, they were informed once the tide rose a bit, the Manatee was able to swim back out into the harbor unassisted. There were no signs the Manatee was seriously harmed from its stint on land.

Carr added, "Stephanie called her husband who operates a local land trust and has connections with local wildlife rehabilitation organizations. He reached out to a contact that he had been in touch with on a different occasion to report another sea animal that washed ashore in Westport. Turns out, they had been tracking the Manatee!"

Many local experts and organizations have been aware over Manatee presence in the area. Generally, this seems to be a worrying sign for the mammals. Per Rhode Island PBS, "A Manatee was recently spotted off the coast of Massachusetts for the first time in almost a decade, and scientists want to monitor its condition to see if a rescue is necessary before it succumbs to the cold water or lack of food."

Following the sighting in Mattapoisett, the Manatee has yet to be seen again. Manatees typically don't go farther than the warmer waters of the Caribbean Sea and coast of Florida, leaving experts confused and concerned as to why exactly this "sea cow" is so far north.

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Sunset on The Harbor

The 2025 Great Community Picnic

By Sam Bishop

On Thursday, August 7, the Mattapoisett Museum and the Mattapoisett Land Trust hosted their annual Great Community Picnic at Mattapoisett's Munro Preserve on the waterfront. Every seat was filled, and tickets were sold out to the event of which proceeds went to the two organizations.

While oysters and beer could be picked up at the venue tents, every table was in charge of bringing their own spread to their own "smorgasbords." Along with food, each table had a theme, a centerpiece, and costumes to match.

Table 5, or the Disney-themed table, won the night and a victor's ribbon. Other themes included shark attacks (with a barbie mimicking the poster from Jaws), tie-dye hippies, beach party, and many more. Those not participating in the theming event simply came for a good time.

Volunteers Gary Brown and Bill Santos were in charge of jamming, playing hits from Bob Dylan, Harry Nilson, Tom Petty, and many more classics. Not all of Munro Preserve was covered with tables though, with many wandering about watching the bees and butterflies. The event went throughout "golden hour" and ended just after sunset.

The winning team, Table 5, Disney Princesses: Caitlyn Potter – Jasmin, Jennifer Risio – Merida, Kerin McKinnon – Cinderella, Aimee Bayles Wilson – Ariel, Nicole Doyon Lynch – Moana, Sue O'Connell – Snow White, Jo Norton – Maleficent, Stacy Marino – Belle, Shawn Sweet (not in attendance) – Pocahontas.

Rochester Summer Remembrances By Michael J. DeCicco

Summers in Rochester haven't changed in over a quarter century. They still carry the same vibe. I can attest to this from personal experience. When I was a child growing up in the North End of New Bedford, my father, John DeCicco, frequently took me to Snow's Pond, where his cousin owned a cottage and we had a key that let us

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past a padlock-chained road to enjoy swimming and picnicking.

Today, the roads we traveled to the cottage are still mostly pristine scenes of modest homes and open fields in shades of green and tree-bark brown. There's still a crisp smell of pine and fresh air. Back then, "The Country Whip" near the top of Robinson Road had just opened. The same ice cream cone sign there now marked the spot (or it's an exact replica of the original one). The only ice cream flavor choices then, though, were vanilla or coffee.

Just past the "Entering Rochester" sign on Robinson Road, the "Ponderosa" was already open, though then my young mind wondered if it had any connection to the "Bonanza" television show. We'd pass the "Hartley Saw Mill" shack that's still there on Hartley Road. A little farther down the road, I saw the early frame of the Rochester Memorial School.

Then we arrived at my favorite place to swim as a child and my favorite memory of my late father. The visit to the cottage was our regular routine, Saturdays and



Tuesdays in the summer (mom never liked going to the beach but also must have known that father-son time was important).

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Dad was the oven man at a baking company in New Bedford, and those two days were his only time off. His hands were rough (he was an army veteran of World War II, Pacific Theater, Philippines), but his touch was gentle when he made sure I was dry and clean after a day of swimming there, and he checked me for rashes.

Old tire inner tubes were available at the cottage in place of the typical store-bought inflatable swimming tubes for floating in from the pond shore. They were a lot bigger, for sure. But I did end up with a red rash once or twice.

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I remember my dad's patience on those days. Patience with my boyish energy back then. Patience as my older cousins that we sometimes brought along tried to get pop tunes from WPRO on his scratchy AM radio. The only time I ever saw him angry was when my younger cousin Jimmy spilled his ice cream (from "Country Whip", of course) all over the back seat of his car. He stopped the car halfway down Hartley Road to tell Jimmy he was licking the cone the wrong way. I learned the right way to lick an ice cream cone that day!

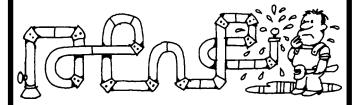
He called our "Snow's Pond" destination, "Phil's Cottage." Only years later did I learn it was named after a cousin, Philomena. Maybe he didn't want my young mind confused by his nickname for his female cousin.

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He always gave me a choice of going to "Phil's Cottage" or "Mary's Pond" (when it was more of a sandy beach). I always chose the cottage. I was more comfortable there. It meant more peaceful, quiet privacy.

I dare say these attributes are more of what the summer swimming areas of Rochester and the roads that lead to them offer even today. Let it always be so. Rochester, thank you for the memories!

Journeying Through Time at Hampton Court and Other Gems of London

The Seaside Gardener

By Laura McLean

Note: This is the first part of a series exploring Europe's diverse landscapes and gardens, from formal designs to wild, natural beauty. The goal is to share my love for both cultivated and untouched nature.

Travel, even today, is still fundamentally about exploration and discovery. When you travel for an extended period, it's a delight for both the mind and the soul. I tend to capture these experiences mentally, as well as through my camera, and by taking detailed notes whenever I venture beyond my home. Whether it's a visit to Walden Pond or a distant, far-flung destination, my approach is to stay open and let my senses absorb everything around me.

Reflecting on my experiences from a month ago feels like a journey through time, especially when

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I think about the trees and gardens that have stood for centuries. It's fascinating to realize how the landscapes I explored this summer are as unique as the people who created them - ranging from the Tudor monarch Henry VIII to the surrealist painter Salvador Dalí. The beauty of these gardens lies in their magical quality, born from imagination and vision.

My adventure started in England and ended in southern Spain, with France and the Costa Brava in northern Spain in between. The purpose of the journey was my daughter's wedding in the south of France, and around that the itinerary was shaped. We touched down in late June to London's welcoming weather. A full-blown English summer is rare, but our three-day stint exceeded









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all expectations: dry, sunny, 80-ish temperatures; summer as good as it gets anywhere! After an extensive walk through Hyde and Kensington Parks, the heat moved us to remove our footwear and paddle in the Princess of Wales Memorial Fountain while children did the same. Hey, when in Rome (er London)!



As always, part of my personal agenda would be looking at gardens and hoping to learn something new. As in my past travels here, my overwhelming realization was that England is one big, well-tended garden! In the height of summer this was peak floral season with explosions





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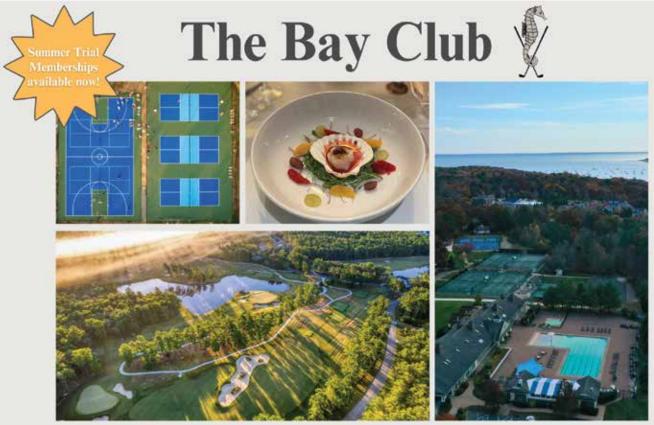
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of growth of classic flowers that define English gardens: delphinium, roses, hardy geraniums, foxglove, poppies, hollyhock, and sundry tropicals. The flush of leaf growth on the trees that canopy meadows, roads and London's lovely parks showed the mastery of planning such plantings.

The London plane tree, impervious to pollution and known for its flaky, camouflage bark, caught my eye as it framed views of such architectural wonders as the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey are as ubiquitous as red telephone booths and double-decker buses here. Walking the banks of the Thames in Richmond, I marveled at the age of the trees, imagining how it might have looked as Henry VIII sailed past on his





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barge headed home to Hampton Court. Talk about aging gracefully (the trees, not the king!).

After touring Hampton Court Palace absorbing its storied past, we wandered its vast grounds. Just a few acres of its 60 acres are dedicated to assorted gardens. I'd had a glimpse of the grounds from inside and was utterly amazed at the green architecture that met me in the sunny outdoors: ancient trees sculpted to perfection. "How do they do it?" I wondered.

I paused at the sight of the yew trees that fanned out in avenues in the great fountain garden. These ancient yews grew to their present height (between 33 and 66 feet) when Lancelot "Capability" Brown, known for his naturalistic landscaping, allowed them to grow more freely in the 18th century - resulting in gigantic topiaries.

Formerly part of the monarch's hunting park, this area is what you think of when you imagine palace gardens: rows upon rows of perennial borders flanking the outer walls of the castle, like foundation plantings on a grand scale. This area became more colorful with the introduction of seasonal and flamboyant bedding displays under Queen Victoria when the gardens were opened to the public in 1838.

Over time and under different monarchs, the gardens have undergone alterations as with the transformation of the Pond Gardens. These sunken compartments of Henry's ponds were stocked with fish for the palace kitchens but by 1690 the ponds had been drained. Queen Mary II thought it an ideal site to house the collection of 'exotic' plants she brought with her from the Netherlands... today these gardens are famed for their dazzling array of spring and summer flowers.

Looking at the map given to me on the tour, I noted how the various compartments of garden space served the palace. From the Privy Garden with its hornbeam bower and cut parterres of pyramid yews and round-headed holly trees interspersed with summer annuals to the exotic Orangery Garden to the Rose Garden (with statues of Flora, Adonis, and Abundance within a fragrant cloud of scented roses) to the Wilderness Maze not to mention the Long Water and Tennis Courts, there seemed to be a garden for every sort of purpose.



The Home Park, once part of Henry's hunting ground, has today become a Site of Special Scientific Interest: its acid grassland and ancient oak and lime trees providing habitat for a variety of rare insects and other wildlife including a 300-strong herd of fallow deer derived from the king's original stock.

I would be remiss not to mention the Great Vine, located in the lower Orangerie in a sheltering glasshouse, planted by "Capability" Brown in 1768. After 250 years, the vine is still going strong, producing an average of 500 pounds of fine dessert grapes each year. The Great Vine came as a cutting from the Black Hamburg Vine in Essex, which no longer survives.

As with all travel, we were momentarily transported to another time and space, but only temporarily. New adventures beckoned as we boarded the Eurostar to Paris, the train sweeping past vast, rolling landscapes that revealed the agricultural heart of Northern France. I couldn't help but feel as though I was collecting a gallery of images: rich fields, quaint villages, and open skies - to fuel my imagination long after the journey had ended.

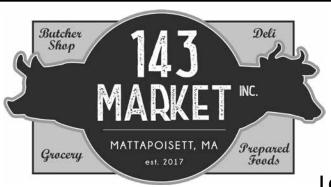
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Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

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the roof of the White House. When asked by reporters, shouting from the ground, what he was up to, he said he was finding a way "to spend my money for the American people."

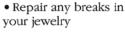
Official word is that he was checking out the area where his new grand ballroom is about to be built. The structure is so big, Senator Chuck Schumer of New York suggested the President can house his new, free Saudi gifted plane there. But I digress.

One pundit, citing the President's arching hand gestures, surmised he was looking to build a golden dome on the Peoples' House. After all, he is the self-proclaimed CCO (Chief Construction Officer) of the United States. Who knows? We'll have to wait and see.

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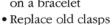
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Let's get onto something more important, shall we pardner?

The rodeo has come to our neck of the woods. Best you brush up on your cowboy lingo 'cuzz over yonder in Rochester, the New England Rodeo has hunkered down at the old Rochester Fair Grounds with performances every couple of weekends. Well, butter me and call me a biscuit. If you are lookin' to have' a rootin-tootin' good time, put on your ten-gallon hat and mosey on over real soon, you all. I'm told thar's buckin' bronchos, bull ridin' and rodeo clowns. Yippee-ki-yay!

I'm not surprised that the rodeo is more popular than ever in our area. Why else would a new western boot store be opening up at the Dartmouth Mall? Before heading to Rochester, you can stop by and pick up a new pair of snakeskin boots or a nice, fringed cowboy shirt, and one for your favorite cowgirl too.

Up in Boston, the Professional Bull Riders League will be stampeding into the Boston Garden in January. In preparation, 50 trucks will unload 750 tons of genuine dirt on the floor. A half ton of bull... that doesn't sound right... one hundred bulls weighing a half ton each will challenge professional riders to stay on them for 8 seconds.

During the 1950's, Mattapoisett had their own rodeos... sort of. Back then, the town was still a rural community. Beyond the village there were many farms with cows, chickens, bulls, goats, and horses. With so many horses, riding clubs were created followed by horse shows. Old-fashioned wood-slat snow fences would be set up around the perimeter of the Center School playground. Wearing their western finery, the local cowboys would strut around showing off their steeds, riding and jumping to the delight of the gathered audience. Occasionally they might even lasso a calf of two.

I would be remiss if I didn't find a way to get Washington into this essay about rodeos. After all, it is the epicenter of clowns and bull. I've been thinking that the grand ballroom coming soon to the People's House would be a great place for a rodeo. Don't you agree?

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to the White House and fill the new place up to it gold leafed windowsills.

The late President Lyndon Johnson, a real cowboy from Texas, would have been thrilled to attend a real rodeo there instead of the one down the street. I'm sure George W. Bush, also from Texas, would approve. The bulls and horses could graze on the South Lawn. And the current occupant could sell gold spurs at the concession stand.

Yes, siree buckaroos. It would be a rootin' tootin' good time.

And that's no bull.

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

Lithium - Good for the Brain?

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

Lithium? Yes, that lithium – the silver-white metal that is used in batteries and which burns easily.

Lithium has been used in medicine for over 100 years. Lithium carbonate is currently widely used to stabilize the mood swings of bipolar disorder (manic-depressive illness).

There have been tantalizing clues for many decades about a possible role for lithium in preventing or treating dementia. A "meta-analysis," which combines the

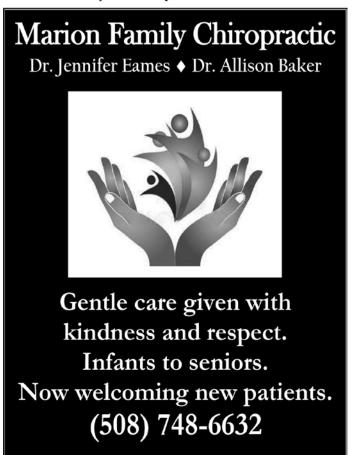




findings from multiple trials, found that lithium benefited cognitive function, though each trial was small and none individually reached statistical significance.

A study from Denmark found that higher levels of lithium in the local drinking water were associated with lower rates of Alzheimer's disease. Another study found that among bipolar patients, those given higher dose and longer duration lithium treatment had less dementia, which was not seen in those given other medications.

The new studies found evidence from human brain samples that lithium is involved in the progression of Alzheimer's disease, that lithium-deficient mice were much more likely to develop an Alzheimer's-like illness



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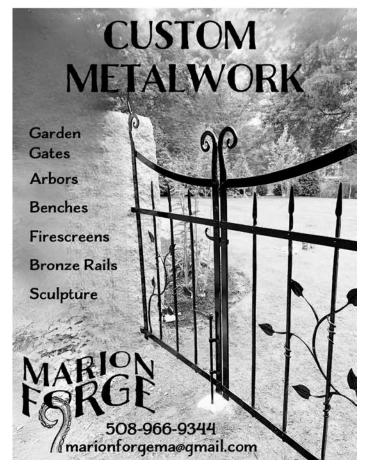
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and that feeding lithium orotate to the mice reversed their dementia.

Should we all take lithium? Probably not quite yet. Mice are not humans, and there is no guarantee that what works in mice will work in us.

When used for bipolar disorder, lithium has a very narrow range in which it is effective but not toxic. Toxic effects of lithium are many, including underactive thyroid, inability of the kidneys to retain water, tremors, nausea, rash and heart rhythm disorders. Prescribing doctors must regularly check blood levels.

What we can do now is increase our intake of natural food sources of lithium: fruits, leafy greens, potatoes and other root vegetables and cereals. The



lithium content depends on the lithium in the soil, so it can vary a lot.

Some mineral waters are very rich in lithium. These would include Vidago from Portugal and Heilwasser from Germany. Unfortunately, it is rare to see lithium content on a label (though this may now change!).

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Preparing for A Raid on Bermuda?

This Week in Revolutionary History...

By Sam Bishop

This week in Revolutionary War History, let's discuss what was going on 250 years ago in and around the colonial Province of Massachusetts Bay. The best way to figure out what was going on was to read Washington's papers and General Orders of the time period, as there was daily correspondence and orders put out to his officers and troops. Last week, Washington had mounting stresses over the lack of discipline in his army, as well as their dwindling supplies. A plan was being formulated to strike the British stores on Bermuda and smuggle arms and ammunition back to Massachusetts.

Washington's greatest concern isn't necessarily British troop movements or the situation in Boston, but with his men's own supplies. From his position in Cambridge to Major General Philip Schuyler in Ticonderoga, New Hampshire, the newly formed Continental Army is struggling to arm itself adequately. Not to mention, they are fighting the most advanced and well-supplied army the planet had ever seen at that point. On August 7, Schuyler mentions in writing he is struggling to even ascertain how much armaments he has, as well as worrying of a counterattack from Canada in the north. We are still a few months off from the march of artillery south to Boston.

In continuing appointments for army officers, Washington responds to English-born, Quincy-based entrepreneur and commanding officer at Concord, Joseph Palmer, saying he cannot promote Palmer's son to the position of Quartermaster General of the Army. In his selections for these positions, Washington states he is





avoiding "jealousies" and must spread appointments to those who qualify across all 13 colonies. The same day, Washington receives a note from Norwich, Connecticut, warning of eight or nine large ships around New London and possibly moving up the Thames River. Governor of Connecticut Johnathan Trumbull would later take account of these ships instead moving to supply at Fisher Island.

At this time, ammunition isn't the only dwindling supply. Washington is weary of soldiers abusing the leave system and taking supplies away from the army. In his August 8 General Orders, he warns his men that if anyone is caught "defrauding" the army, exemplary punishment and disgrace" are due. He also outlines official rations for Continental soldiers. Per week, they'd receive: "One



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On August 10, two men, Lambert Bromitt and Benjamin Silsby, wash ashore at Marblehead. Saying they left Boston, they are escorted to Washington's encampment under fear of them being British spies. The next day, Washington receives news from Watertown of Continental troops raiding the local village of Watertown, west of Boston. He states, "Any person who shall for the future be detected in such flagitious, wicked practices, will be punished without mercy." The same day, Washington writes to British General and Military Governor of Massachusetts Thomas Gage in Boston, lambasting his treatment of captured Americans. He threatens anything Cage does to Continental soldiers, will be done likewise to the British. Although, he states he will treat his prisoners kindly should Cage change his treatment.

On August 12, Washington sides against an incursion into Nova Scotia. He says he does not want an army of conquest, though his reservations are likely due to dwindling supplies. Nicholas Cooke in Providence

informs him the gunpowder in Bermuda would be "easily obtainable." The stage is set for a gunpowder heist that will take place on the night of Monday, August 14.

MS4 Needs Agreement by September 2

Marion Planning Board

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

The Marion Planning Board on August 4 could not decide on whether a potential municipal separate stormwater systems bylaw, also known as MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems), should be a general or zoning bylaw.

The board, however, went through a draft written by a subcommittee, and will decide on August 18 which direction this potential bylaw should take.

Board Chairman Andrew Daniel, citing his conversation with Town Administrator Geoff Gorman, said the town has been in violation for many years for not having a bylaw in place. He said a general bylaw does not have to undergo a public hearing or the legal advertising which would come with it, saving the board time. Daniel said, per his conversation with Gorman, the town could adopt MS4 as a general bylaw.

Board member and Pleasant Street resident Sean Sweeney, who has worked with state agencies, warned that it might be wise to classify it as a zoning bylaw rather than rush through the process.

Daniel also said that if a zoning bylaw were to fail





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at a Special Town Meeting in November, it would have to pass at the Annual Town Meeting in the spring or face a further delay. Daniel said a general bylaw does not face the same legal hurdles.

Some planning officials last week estimated that the town is around eight years late with adopting an MS4 bylaw.

"Right now, we are in non-compliance. They (the Environmental Planning Agency) are going to do something. We don't know what. Are they going to fine us or stomp their feet and pout."

Sweeney and some members of the board cautioned against rushing it and finding out later that the bylaw must fall under zoning, especially since the EPA



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has delineated some areas of town as flood zones.

"I'm very surprised that it is up for negotiation (being a general bylaw or zoning). I am just surprised we can do that," board member Tucker Burr said.

Daniel said that some communities have passed it as a general bylaw. He said that, as long as the bylaw is clear in making the Planning Board the enforcement authority and not making applicants meet with several boards, it should not be an issue.

Not all board members felt the same, so the board will determine at its August 18 meeting as to whether it should try to pass it as a general or zoning bylaw. The board, by September 2, must agree on a potential bylaw, according to Town Planner Doug Guey-Lee.

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Ken Clarke PO Box 404 Mattapoisett, MA 02739 508-742-7466 Guey-Lee said it is possible for the board to hold hearings and advertise but said the schedule allows for little room for delay. The town has been given a December deadline to pass a bylaw, and Town Meeting is in November.

The board went through the bylaw draft that a subcommittee helped develop. Daniel mentioned one section that states that any alteration to land of an acre or more should require a permit if it is within an MS4 zone. He said that might be a difficult requirement for an applicant looking to build a single-family home.

Board members also indicated that there should be language that points out how the EPA map that delineates flood zones, or MS4 areas, is in flux.

Guey-Lee mentioned how one section for Point Street falls within the MS4 map, but the other section does not. He said neighbors only a few feet apart might face different requirements.

Planning Board Vice Chair Alanna Nelson was not present but, in a written document to the board, said that the rules must be clear and consistent for businesses. Daniel also said that the definitions and language within the bylaw should be consistent with planning regulations and bylaws now in place.

The board will meet again on Monday, August 18 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Police Department and will continue discussion on this matter.



Athletic Fields Get Green Light

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

The Old Rochester Regional High School's athletic fields will finally be getting some much-needed repairs and improvements beginning with bids opening on August 20.

Representatives Megan Kearns and Josh Millonig from the engineering firm Weston & Sampson stated during the August 11 meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission that the project is in bufferzoned areas of the property, will be contained to the existing footprint and did not require a Notice of Intent filing. Instead, the project will require the lesser filing of a Request for Determination of Applicability.

Mattapoisett Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said that the project is being funded in total by a \$750,000 state bond bill authored by recently retired Representative Bill Straus. The estimated costs for the project were not discussed at this meeting, but Lorenco stated that funds are not coming from local taxes.

Kearns and Millonig detailed the construction methods primarily noting that grassed areas will be contoured for better drainage and new grass planted. The commission rendered a Negative 3 decision.

Mike Dahill, 0 Shore Drive, filed an RDA for the installation of a platform and stairs fabricated from aluminum to repair concrete stairs that allow water access



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to his property. Dahill said the 4-foot by 8-foot platform will be constructed over existing stairs and footings, which are now under the beach sand. He also said that the stairs will be removed during the winter season. He received a Negative 2 decision.

Bill Madden, 11 Melissa Lane, also filed an RDA request for the construction of a 26-foot by 20-foot garage with pea stone driveway. Madden, of GAF Engineering, represented himself. During the discussion, it was determined that the request would be continued, pending notification from Natural Heritage.

Nat DaSilva of Farland Corporation, representing Adam Walorz of 0 Nantucket Drive, received conditioning for a Notice of Intent filing for the construction of a



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In other matters, the commission will be pursuing possible parking at the town owned Cove Street property for purposes of giving residents access to the area for recreating and shell fishing. The commissioners are researching options.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for August 25 at 6:30 pm in Town Hall.

Johnson Takes Aim at Denitrification Bylaw

Marion Board of Health

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

The Marion Board of Health on August 7 met at the Marion Police Station and had a long discussion on whether new or updated homes should be mandated to use the more expensive denitrification septic systems.

Board Chairman Albin Johnson III was adamant that residential septic systems do not contribute much, if anything, to polluting waterways. He estimated that 90% of pollution to town waterways or marine habitat is caused by stormwater runoff. He contended that the Board of Health adopted this new regulation during the Covid-19 shutdown and with insufficient public input on the matter.

The board asked health officials to compile data of how many municipalities statewide have adopted this regulation. Johnson said that the Marion's regulation requiring the septic upgrade to denitrification technology for any new construction or footprint expansion puts an unnecessary burden on new homeowners without a sewer connection, especially without enough data to prove that the older Title V (state-compliant) septic systems are responsible for polluting waterways.

"It's way overkill. It's like a sledgehammer for a fly," Johnson said of this regulation, which is in Section 4 of the Board of Health Regulations.

Health Board Vice Chairman Dr. Ed Hoffer said the board should consider seeking and applying for a grant for comprehensive data. To that, Johnson said



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the state should have compiled that data before urging Marion to adopt a regulation of this sort. He contended that per local regulations, septic systems only have to be 100 feet from drinking-water wells. Hoffer asserted that the regulation is in place to protect marine life. He said most forms of nitrogen are not toxic to people but are a problem for marine life.

To that, Johnson said that the waterways are filled with excrement from birds and marine animals. He said that there is not enough data that private septic systems are a problem. These new systems, according to Johnson, are more than septic systems, describing denitrification systems as a treatment plant on private property. These systems are inspected annually by health officials and costly to homeowners.

Johnson also used the word "swamp" to describe Marion's landscape, adding that there is a large number of brooks and other streams that flow into the harbor, making it difficult to blame septic system run-offs for pollution. Johnson used Westport as an example, saying that there are many more septic systems in that community and few public sewer lines, but some officials there have claimed that water pollutants are mostly from dairy farms and fertilizers.

Westport has this regulation in place, but Johnson several times said it might be "overkill" for Marion, which has more public water and sewer-disposal systems.

Board of Health member Dr. John Howard agreed

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that more data should be compiled, leading to the board asking health officials to compile a database of how many communities statewide have this regulation.

In other Board of Health news, Health Director Lori Desmarais reported that the number of tick-borne illnesses is about the same as last year. She advised that the public should have a tick panel conducted by a physician if they have any symptoms such as lethargy or a fever.

Desmarais said there have been seven cases of mosquitoes with EEE found in the state this year, including four in Plymouth County (one in Bridgewater and three in Halifax). She advised that the public take precautions, especially during dusk and dawn, when



mosquitoes are most active.

Desmarais said the Board of Health will be offering flu clinics in the fall and that anyone over the age of 65 is encouraged to get a Covid-19 vaccination.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for Thursday, August 21 at 4:30 pm in the Marion Town House Annex, 14 Barnabas Road, due to construction at the Town House proper.

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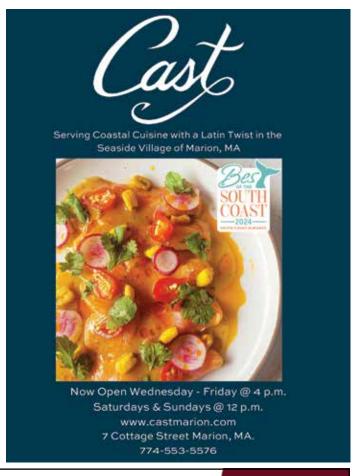
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To the Editor:

It seems like the petitioner desiring to rescind our May 12 Town Meeting vote to increase the number of Mattapoisett Select Board members is mixing apples and oranges. His misinformation of the different town projects continues to muddy the waters in his recent letter to the editor. His disrespectful profiling of its supporters is mean spirited as well.

Let me be clear. The vote on May 12 came after nearly an hour of discussion regarding the benefits of adding additional knowledgeable and skilled members to our Select Board. There was much discussion in the community prior to the meeting about this issue. The Mattapoisett residents who chose to attend Town Meeting knew this was going to be discussed and that a vote would be taken.

During our Town Meeting, there were many votes taken where the hands raised were clearly in support of the motion that a hand count was deemed not necessary by the Town Moderator. On this issue, the Moderator chose not to have a hand count because the number of hands raised in support of the motion to increase the number of Select Board members was very clear and not only a mere 20 votes as the petitioner reports. And what about the other votes on May 12? Do they need to be rescinded as well? There was certainly less discussion on other items as we allocated hundreds of thousands of dollars for the work in our town.





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Over the past year, Select Board members had to recuse themselves from voting due to conflicts of interest. Additionally, when Select Board members were not in attendance at the meetings, only two members made decisions impacting progress made on town projects. Town Meeting voters understood that bringing additional expertise to our Select Board is what makes sense at this point in our town's history.

Let's move forward and reject the petitioner's request for a Special Town Meeting and bring more workers on to the Select Board to move our town projects forward. We don't need to waste time, effort and money rehashing what made sense to the May 12 Town Meeting voters.





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Liz DiCarlo, Mattapoisett

To The Editor:

The ongoing debate in Marion over whether to convert a cherished open space at Island Wharf into temporary parking is about much more than just convenience - it's a textbook example of what ecologist Garrett Hardin famously called the Tragedy of the Commons.

At first glance, the proposal seems practical. The Marion Select Board recently agreed to create approximately 75 temporary lined parking spots at Island Wharf to address parking shortages in the village. A subcommittee has been tasked with studying the issue in more detail.

But the area in question is not just any open space. It's a grassy, waterfront commons used year-round by families for picnics, by residents attending concerts at the bandstand, and by patrons of local businesses. It's also used by boaters with trailers, who currently face parking limits and logistical challenges. Now, some town officials want to prioritize that space for boat trailer parking - at the expense of nearly everyone else.

The harbormaster argues that without access to the grassy area, boaters may park on side streets during their allowed 72-hour window, which he says could be a "nuisance" for officials and boaters alike. But it's worth questioning whether that's a compelling justification for turning a shared open space into a temporary storage lot. Is preserving government convenience more important than protecting a valued public asset?

One Select Board member raised a valid concern: that using the green space for boat parking could deter community use altogether. And rightly so. If a family wants to enjoy a picnic or attend a concert, they shouldn't have to navigate around parked trailers and marine equipment. Safety also becomes an issue - especially when crowds and vehicles compete in the same congested space.

This is where Hardin's Tragedy of the Commons comes into sharp focus. In his theory, individuals acting in their self-interest can exploit shared resources - like open land - until those resources are degraded or lost altogether. That's precisely what's at stake here: short-term convenience for one group could destroy the long-term value of this commons for everyone. So what's the solution?

Hardin didn't believe the commons could survive without some form of management. In this case, that could mean designated off-site parking for boaters, shuttle services, stricter time-based parking regulations, or permit systems that discourage overuse. Most importantly, the town must reaffirm its commitment to preserving shared spaces for passive recreation - a need that is just as valid, if not more so, than vehicle storage.

Island Wharf is not just a patch of grass; it's a symbol of what makes Marion special. Sacrificing that for

short-term convenience would be a mistake we'd all pay for.

Sincerely, Eileen J. Marum

To the Editor:

Much debate and awareness has now occurred regarding the 3 vs 5 select board vote taken at a recent town meeting where the 297 voters in attendance discussed this issue. The resulting "simple majority" spoke for the 5,970 voters in town. Here are some thoughts to ponder. A few years ago, Mr. George Pierce Randall upset a long-term incumbent to win a seat on the select board. His win ousted a long term, popular incumbent. His bid showed that if the message and timing are right, long-term incumbents certainly can be voted out.

Diversity has many faces, and that particular select board proved to be one of the most diverse, having both the oldest (age 80) plus the youngest members in the state of Massachusetts. This certainly made for some robust discussions. Upon losing his re-election bid Mr. Randll did not seek to change the form of governmental structure - just to have a seat at the table. He continued to work for his town. He attended all town meetings in their entirety, and educated people on the history of his town.

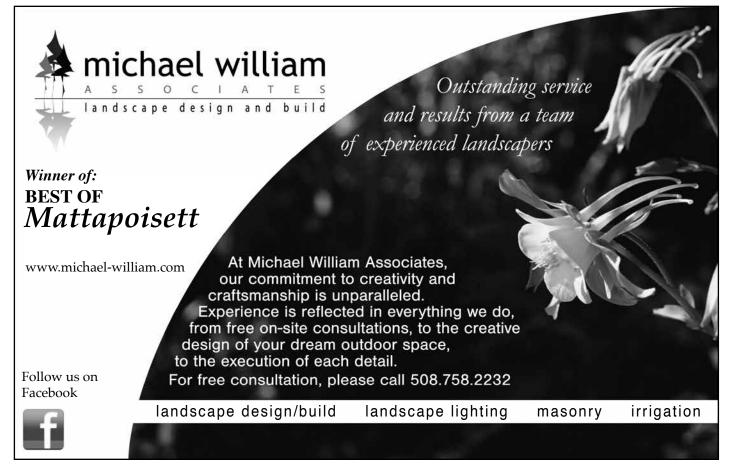
People come to, and remain for generations, in small towns for many diverse and meaningful reasons.



Many changes within small towns are out of our local control Not this issue however.

Let's keep our government small to minimize costs and complexity. Why does one of the smallest towns in the state need one of the biggest select boards? If petitions are signed, as in the original effort to bring this before the town, and another town meeting is held, or better yet a special town election, I hope that more of my small-town neighbors will have the opportunity to voice their opinion to enable this to be a more complete picture of the will of the people in this special town.

Respectfully, Cheryl A. Randall-Mach, Mattapoisett





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Jocelyn Paulo is a jazz vocalist from Berkley, Massachusetts. She is currently studying music at UMass Dartmouth, where she will be entering her junior year in the fall. A graduate of Bishop Stang High School, she is making her first appearance with the Marion Concert Band this season.

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in Marion. All concerts are free and open to the public. "Like" us on Facebook at "Marion Town Band" for up-to-date announcements and rain cancellation notices.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church

St. Philip's Church located next to the Town Beach in Mattapoisett will host visiting clergy, The Rev. Michael Pearson, Assisting Priest, St. Stephen's Church, Providence, RI on **August 17**. The services are at 8:00 am and 10:00 am and use the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. All are welcome to attend.

MLT Now Owns the Pine Islands and Strawberry Point

Lauri Carlson, John Jenney and Faith Ball recently donated Strawberry Point and the Pine Islands south and west of Pine Island Pond to the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT.) All three are the children of David (deceased) and Janet Jenney, well-known and remembered Mattapoisett residents. These lands have been loved by the family since the early 1930's beginning with Janet Jenney's parents Eddie and Cappie Ferry.

Faith Ball reported "Our family has cherished these lands for three generations for camping, hiking and enjoying the natural beauty of the landscape and wildlife. We want them protected in their natural, wild state for many, many generations to come."

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of 26 acres of iconic coastal landscape including cobble and sand beaches, coastal dunes, salt marsh and the Pine Islands themselves" said Mike Huguenin, MLT's President. He continued "Public access will be available by small boat or walking via Pine Island Pond, and we plan to create hiking paths over the next few years. We are deeply honored that the family chose MLT to care for these beautiful lands in perpetuity."

The Pine Islands have been a well-known feature of Mattapoisett since colonial times. Their first mention as "Second Island, Middle Island, Great Island, and Goat Island" is found in Book 3 of the Proprietors" Records of the Town of Rochester and reportedly shown on a plan drawn by Benjamin Hammond on May 30, 1749. Early settlers used the surrounding salt marsh for grazing livestock and may have kept animals on the islands themselves.

John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly

The Bristol County Radio Control Club, Inc., will hold its annual John Nicolaci Memorial Float Fly on Saturday, **August 16**. The event will run from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. It will be held at Mary's Pond in Rochester, Massachusetts. Parking opposite 507 Mary's Pond Road.

This is a non-competitive AMA sanctioned event. All AMA members are welcome to fly. \$10.00 landing fee. There is no fee for spectators. Electric and glow-powered planes only. No gas-powered planes. Come see scale models of World War II aircraft, light aircraft float planes like Piper Cubs, and a variety of sport models.

Mattapoisett Town Band

The Mattapoisett Town Band would like to thank everyone who attended our recent concert, featuring movie music. Our final concert of the season will take





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10:00 AM Rochester School

12:30 PM ORR Joint School

12:00 PM ORR School Committee

2:30 PM Rochester Select Board

PUBLIC ACCESS Comcast Channel 9 Verizon Channel 36 Thursday August 14, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good

8:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson 8:30 AM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Andrew Santos 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 Buzzards Bay Music Fest -Chamber Music

4:30 PM Buzzards Bay Music Fest - Orchestra 6:00 PM Deutsche Welle -Euromaxx

6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow

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 August 15, 2025

7:00 AM Seniorcize 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 Easton Fire Department -Close Before You Doze 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

3:30 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson 4:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Andrew Santos 5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Women's Involvement in the History of Preservation in New England 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 Paltrocast 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 August 16, 2025 6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival 9:30 AM Tri-Town Memorial Day

Events 10:30 AM Easton Fire Department -Close Before You Doze 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 - Andrew Santos 5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Cathedral at Notre Dame

6:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Mysteries of the Midwater 7:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

8:30 PM Paltrocast - 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 August 17, 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 Easton Fire Department -Close Before You Doze 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 August 18, 2025 7:00 AM Seniorcize 7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shane 8:00 AM Deutsche Welle -

Euromaxx 8:30 AM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow

9:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Global

9:30 AM Deutsche Welle - Focus

on Europe 10:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Shift 10:30 AM A Conversation With...

11:00 AM For Your Health 11:30 AM Money Matters

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

1:00 PM Beacon Hill Report 1:30 PM Southcoast Matters

2:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment 3:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren

Paltrowitz 3:30 PM Reeling: The Movie

Review Show 4:30 PM The Human Truth 5:00 PM Tri-Town Memorial Day

6:00 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson 6:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Andrew Santos 7:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Women's Involvement in the History of Preservation in New England 8:30 PM Marion Natural History

Museum - From Submarine Vents to Life on Other Ocean Worlds! 10:00 PM The Collective Chat 10:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience 11:00 PM Classic Movie

Tuesday August 19, 2025 7:00 AM Seniorcize

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 Easton Fire Department -Close Before You Doze 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 August 20, 2025 7:00 AM Seniorcize

7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape 8:00 AM Cape Conversations 8:30 AM For Your Health 9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road 10:00 AM Tri-Town Memorial Day 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

Burr and Brooke Johnson 2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday 3:00 PM A Conversation With.

4:30 PM ORR Graduation 5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report

7:00 PM World Fusion Show

Chamber Music

MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26 Verizon Channel 39 **Daily Schedule** 7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen

9:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission 9:30 AM Marion Planning Board 11:30 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals

12:30 PM Marion School Committee 2:00 PM Marion Finance Committee 3:00 PM Marion Stewards of Community Open Space 3:30 PM Marion Open Space

Committee 4:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing

4:30 PM Marion Marine Resources Commission 6:00 PM Marion Separate Storm Sewer System Subcommittee 7:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen

8:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission

8:30 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 7:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission 8:30 AM Rochester Planning Board

9:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board

2:00 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie 3:30 PM Old Colony Graduation

6:00 PM Building the Future 6:30 PM Pete on the Street

7:30 PM Buzzards Bay Music Fest - Orchestra 9:00 PM Buzzards Bay Music Fest -

3:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission 4:30 PM Rochester Planning Board 5:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals 5:30 PM Rochester School Committee 7:30 PM ORR School Committee 8:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee 10:00 PM Rochester Select Board 11:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission

EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 8 Verizon Channel 37 **Daily Schedule**

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly 7:30 AM ORR Joint School Committee

9:30 AM Sippican Talent Show 11:00 AM RMS 6th Grade Promotion 11:30 PM Bulldog Sports 12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly

12:30 PM ORR Volleyball vs Cardinal Spellman 1:30 PM ORR Field Hockey vs

Dighton Rehoboth 2:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs

Seekonk 3:30 PM ORR Baseball vs Apponequet 5:00 PM Old Colony 8th Grade

Exploratory Day 5:30 PM ORR Promenade 6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly 6:30 PM ORR Football vs

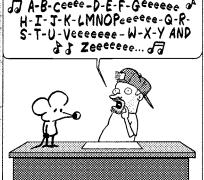
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10:30 PM ORR Girls Lacrosse vs Plymouth North

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place on **August 20**. This concert will feature a selection of requests received throughout the summer, as well as a few from last year. At this time, we are no longer accepting requests for this concert. However, if you have a request, please message us on our Facebook page, and we will save it for consideration for the following year. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to making our 125th season such a success.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

The Elizabeth Taber Library is launching our brand-new Makerspace. Marion Makes will launch Tuesday, **August 19** from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Join us for giveaways, demos, and crafts. Meet our new in-library and circulating crafting equipment including sewing and embroidery machines, paper and laser cutters, and so much more. Become a maker with Marion Makes.

Celebrate the end of summer reading with Mini Golf from One Up Games on Friday, **August 15** between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Rain or shine you can come play 9 holes of glowing golf at the Library.

Learn all about Disc Golf at a family disc golf clinic presented by the Elizabeth Taber library and the ORR Disc Golf Club, Saturday **August 16**, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Old Rochester Regional High School. Learn the rules of the game and where you can play, throw some discs and play a round at ORR High School's new disc

golf course. This is an all-ages event.

Make your own spice blends and explore fruit dehydration at Elizabeth Taber Library's Cooking Club, Friday, **August 22** at 6:00 pm. Call the library to register for this free event.

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

Hello from Plumb Library

Calling all crafters. This is your heads up to save the dates for the upcoming Friends of Plumb Library Crafting Sale. The Friends of the Library will be holding their first ever sale of craft supplies on Friday **August 22** from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm and Saturday **August 23** from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. The sale will take place in the Library's Downstairs Program Room, which is handicapped accessible. Items for sale include fabric, yarn, notions, patterns, crafting magazines, needles and hooks and hoops, scrapbooking materials, and so much more. Payment accepted by cash or check and all proceeds support the Friends of the Library in their mission to bring programs, events, and activities for all ages to the Library.

Donations of items for the sale can be dropped off at the Library during open hours through Saturday August 16 at 2:00 pm. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email the Library.

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OBITUARIES



Mary Worden of Mattapoisett passed away peacefully on July 21 in Pinehurst, NC. Hers was a joyful life-filled with art, music, and theater-dedicated to educating and serving others and being with her family.

Born in Nantucket in 1927, Mary was the daughter of immigrants Kathleen

Cronin Moriarty and Alan Moriarty. After a childhood in Nantucket and New Bedford, she attended Emmanuel College and graduated with a BA in Social Sciences. She later received an MA in Religious Education from Emmanuel and an MEd from Bridgewater State College.

After teaching several years in the New Bedford public school system Mary wanted to see more of the world, so she taught one year in Madrid, Spain and another year in Etajima, Japan. Her plan to spend a year teaching in Alaska changed because she met Vincent Worden, whom she married in 1959. Forever after it was his fault that she never made it to Alaska. For the last twenty years of her career, Mary was the principal of Dunbar Elementary School. Her art program there won a national award and the musicals she directed had huge casts that included all students.

For decades, Mary and Vincent helped run bingo at St. James. Each year they also hosted four Bingo Parties for the volunteers. Their grandest celebration was a sit-down dinner for 112, possible because dinner was served on the patio and in every hallway and bedroom of the house; having five children and four Moriarty cousins with years of experience serving at these parties helped as well. Mary organized the Brandt Beach celebrations of the 4th of July, including the parade and the races on the beach. She also began the annual summer show and directed it until her daughter was old enough to direct the show herself.

Camp Worden hosted grandchildren in the summertime who needed to follow the "Rules for Campers" posted by their grandmother. Mary was quite happy with this system until her grandchildren reached adolescence and followed her example by posting "Rules for Grandma."

After retiring, Mary taught theater, art, and music at St. James-St. John School and served as the Director of Religious Education at St. James Parish for 20 years. She taught public speaking, art, theater, and mock trial at the Nativity Preparatory School for 15 years. She was also an active member of Voice of the Faithful and the Women's Circle of Sacred Threads.

Mary was an accomplished painter who took art classes at UMass Dartmouth and RISD. She sketched, painted, and traveled extensively in most of Europe including Russia, China, Thailand, Mexico, and other countries, but never made it to Canada. Her artwork was sold in a gallery in New York, but the most fervent collectors of her paintings are her children and grandchildren.

Mary was predeceased by her husband Vincent Worden, her sister Kate Ackerman, and her brother Chris Moriarty. She is lovingly remembered by her children Mary Kate (Douglas) DeSimone of Charlottesville, VA; Ann (Kevin) Fitzpatrick of Pinehurst, NC; Margaret of Hanover, NH; William (Deirdre Gilligan) of Tuscaloosa, AL; and Alan (Victoria Powers) of Bethesda, MD. She has also left wonderful memories for her fifteen rule-following grandchildren: Michael, Tim, Mary, and Will DeSimone; Meghan, Kathleen, and Sean Fitzpatrick; Eamon and Liam Worden; John and Kate Worden; and Henry, Charlie, Alexandra, and Isabelle Worden.

A funeral service was held at St. Cecilia Parish in Boston on Friday, August 1. There was a graveside ceremony at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Bedford followed by a reception. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial donation to the Nativity Preparatory School of New Bedford.

Online condolences may be made at www.bolesfuneralhome.com



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of **John A. Hopkins**, age 96, on July 26, 2025. He was surrounded by his four loving children at his home in Rochester, MA.

John was born and raised in Westwood, MA. It was there he met Sally, his wife of 70 years. John and Sally were high school sweethearts and neighbors.

A devoted husband and father, he embodied the principles of love, kindness, and hard work. John lived a rich and fulfilling life, touching the hearts of everyone who knew him. He had a humorous nature, and he especially joked about family events.

John was a history buff, and he witnessed a lot of it. He served in the National Guard and the US Army in Korea. After his service in the Army, he graduated from Bentley College. In 1968, his family moved to Marion, MA where he worked at Sippican Ocean Systems.

After his retirement, he and Sally built their dream house in Rochester, MA. They were avid gardeners, creating a beautiful landscape. They loved nature, especially birds. In the afternoons, they enjoyed a drink and relaxed on the back deck.

John was a lifelong Red Sox and Patriots fan. He knew all the statistics of current and former players.

He is preceded in death by his wife Sally. He leaves his children, John Jr. and spouse Sharon, Laura, Julie and spouse Paul Forman, Patricia and spouse Peter Guilday. He also leaves his grandchildren and great granddaughter. Lauren, Lisa, Kate, Jenny, and Julie will forever hold his memory in their hearts.

His remains will be buried at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a donation in his name can be made to the National Audobon Society.

Please consider becoming a member of the Friends. Membership forms are available at the Library.

Library hours: Monday and Thursday 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm; closed on Sundays and Holidays. Contact us: call 508-763-8600 or email at info@plumblibrary.com during regular hours. Check our Events Calendar, Newsletter, Facebook, and Instagram pages for information, upcoming events, and more.

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Mattapoisett Free Public Library

Mattapoisett Free Public Library Artist Series presents visual prints by A. Santos. The exhibit, entitled "Ad(h)orable: Half Horrible, Half Adorable," is on display through **August 31**.

Visit the Mattapoisett Library at 7 Barstow Street and feast your eyes on the newest art exhibit you didn't know you needed by New Bedford native, A. Santos. From sweet creatures to unsettling grins, "Ad(h)orable" delivers and showcases a local artist who dares to blur the line between delightful and disturbing. Cuteness meets chaos all month long in the library's Reading Room. This exhibit is free and open to all.

Need a break from the summer chaos and stress of preparing your kids to head back to school? Join us for Sticker and Chill, adult edition, at the library on Wednesday, **August 20**, at 11:00 am. Relax, get creative, and build your own 3D sticker scene with one of our soothing sticker kits - yours to customize and keep. This event is intended for adults 18 and older. Grab a friend and your reading glasses and sign up today. Space is limited. Registration is required; please register on the library's website. For more information, please visit us at 7 Barstow Street, online at www.mattapoisettlibrary.org, or call the library at 508-758-4171. Add some serenity to your morning at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

Fall into Fun - Adult classes at the MAC

The MAC has a full slate of fun activities to get your mind, body and soul back into the swing of things.

Tap Fit - Instructor Teah Keogh is back with TapFit - this 60-minute class is designed for adults who want to add a little more happiness and a little less seriousness to their week. Classes will continue at the MAC's partner location, the First Congregational Church's Community Center located at 144 Front St, Marion, just a few blocks away from the MAC. Classes for ages 18+ will run every Tuesday evening from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm (except November 11 or other dates determined by the instructor), September 2 to December 16.

Want to sign up but might need to skip a few dates? A new 10-class punch card allows you to attend when your schedule allows. Drop-in classes are also available. A 10-class punch card (each class is 60 minutes) is \$215 for MAC members and \$255 for nonmembers. The cost for a drop-in class is \$25 for MAC members and \$30 for nonmembers. Students may bring their own tap shoes or borrow a gently loved pair from the MAC (available on a first-come, first-served basis). Pre-registration is required. Drop-ins must be registered by 4:00 pm on the day of class. No stress, just steps and smiles. Registration and information at: www.marionartcenter.org/adult-music-movement.

Writing Class: 6 Weeks, 6 Stories - The MAC is thrilled to announce a new program with instructor Sarah Banse, that focuses on your writing skills. 6 Weeks, 6 Stories is an opportunity to experiment with new forms and share fresh work in a supportive environment. This generative class is for anyone ready to begin a writing practice, whether you're a seasoned writer or brand new to the world of fiction. You can expect to write a new story draft (ranging from 300-1000 words) each week, and to be workshopped by the class with written feedback from the instructor. The Fall Session starts on September 16 and runs on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm through October 21 in the MAC Studio, 80 Pleasant St. Marion. The cost for the 6-week program is \$235 for MAC members and \$275 for nonmembers. More





Young golfers from a group of 55 attending three training sessions last week take aim under the watchful eye of volunteers. Photos courtesy Paul Jellison







Seagulls at rest. Photo by Jennifer Shepley



Ruth Griffin shared this photo taken from Island Street at Crescent Beach overlooking the marsh towards Angelica Point.



Flowers in the historic center of Mattapoisett on Mechanic Street. Photo by Jennifer Shepley

information and registration for limited places at: www. marionartcenter.org/adult-classes.

Watercolor Painting for Beginners - Instructor Patty White returns to the MAC for a course designed for adults who would like to try watercolor painting, but have limited experience with the medium. Throughout the eight weeks, students will learn about materials, and begin mixing colors and experimenting with varied brush strokes, while working on still life, landscape and/or imaginative painting - all in a nurturing environment. The two-hour classes will be held on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the MAC Studio. The Fall program starts on September 9 and runs through October 28. The cost is \$195 for MAC members and \$225 for nonmembers. Materials are not provided for this class, but there is a supply list provided by the instructor. Learn more and register at www.marionartcenter.org/adult-classes.

All Levels Watercolor Painting for Adults - Instructor Jay Ryan continues at the MAC with a new Fall schedule. His course is great for those with a little painting experience and is also



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a perfect "next step" for those who would like to explore watercolor painting beyond a basic understanding of color and brush strokes. In each class, students will start a new painting together using landscape, still life, the figure, abstract or imaginative thought, or narrative ideas as subjects. At the end of the class there will be a brief and supportive group "critique". Students will leave with expanded knowledge of technique and traditional and contemporary use of watercolors. Ryan offers a two-hour Thursday session from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the MAC studio, and a 3-hour Friday session from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The eight-week session begins September 11/12 and

RI-TOWN POLICE

Log highlights Aug 3 - Aug 9

Shaw St - General service

Marion Rd – Health/welfare

Railroad Ave - Parking violation Marion Rd - Health/welfare

Railroad Ave - Parking violation

Holly Ln – Medical alarm

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Aug 3 - Aug 9

- Not available at press time

- Angelica Ave 911 call Cove St - Complaint
 - Reservation Rd Follow up Grand Ave - MV crash
 - Fairhaven Rd MV violation
 - Atkinson Way Property found
 - Brookside Dr Animal control
 - Cannon St Medical assist
 - Grand View Ave Unattended death
 - Aucoot Rd Suspicious persons
 - Railroad Ave Parking complaint
 - County Rd Stolen property
 - North St Ambulance request
 - Water St Parking violation
 - Goodspeed Isl Marine/shellfish
 - Beacon St MV crash
 - Industrial Dr Property damage
 - Route 195 East Suspicious persons
 - Barstow St Open door
 - Angelica Ave MV violations
 - Church St Animal control

 - Upland Way Health/welfare Fairhaven Rd MV violations

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Aug 3 - Aug 9

- High St MV collision
- Bennett Rd 911 call
- High St Suspicious activity
- County Rd Firearms licensing
- North Ave Animal control
- Bates Rd Civil complaint/arrest
- Alley Rd Fraud
- Stuart Rd Animal control
- New Bedford Rd Firearm licensing New Bedford Rd Message delivery
- Dexter Ln Larceny
- Paulines Way General services
- Morse Ct Disturbance
- Cranberry Hwy 911 call Walnut Plain Rd Well-being check
- Cranberry Hwy MV collision
- Hartley Rd Animal control
- Marion Rd Suspicious activity
- Neck Rd Suspicious activity
- Hartley Rd General services
- Marion Rd Traffic complaint
- Boxberry Ln Follow up
- North Ave Animal control
- Morse Ct General services
- Cranberry Hwy MV stop/citation
- Cross Rd Erratic MV
- New Bedford Rd MV stop/citation
- Walnut Plain Rd Suspicious activity
- Pine St 911 call

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

Movie Review



Misfire

By Rob Gonsalves www.robsmovievault.com

Weapons. Starring Josh Brolin and Julia Garner. Directed by Zach Cregger. Running time: 128 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters.

Weapons, the new horror movie from writer/director Zach Cregger (2002's Barbarian), dominated the box office on its opening weekend and seems to be making audiences happily squirmy and screamy. It's good, and masterfully set up, but you've seen better. Much of it is compelling; it engages the part of us that wants to see a mystery solved, order brought to chaos. It's told in a non-linear mode, focusing on one character at a time and exploring his or her travails. It seems as though it's going to be one thing, but then veers off down a whole other road. The finale, when all is explained, is vividly crowd-pleasing but can't quite stick the landing. It's going to be one of the all-time post-film parking-lot "Wait a minute" films.

As may be clear by now, I have to find a way to talk about *Weapons* without spoiling its surprises or its impact. The movie essentially runs on freakish, sudden, unexpected violence, and the mood of dread that creates. The camera movement is smooth and expressive, the scenes marinated in an eerie quietude. What may be unique about *Weapons* in contemporary American horror is that it shows the human consequences of its dark central secret spreading out like a spider web and catching a bunch of people in a small Pennsylvania town, some of whom are connected, some barely or not at all, but joined by ghastly events that call back to Grimm.

We meet Justine (Julia Garner), who teaches a class of 18 kids. All but one of them disappear one night at the same time, running out of their houses with their arms out as though they were imitating airplanes. The one kid who stays, Alex (Cary Christopher), isn't much help to the police. Neither is Justine, who gets blamed for the disappearances. One of the parents whose kid vanished, Archer (Josh Brolin), also suspects Justine but is intelligent and sees patterns others have missed (or have been *made* to miss). There are also a cop (Alden Ehrenreich) and a junkie (Austin Abrams) and a principal (Benedict Wong). And an unrecognizable Amy Madigan plays



a character who will set viewers abuzz. That's all I should say about her.

All the actors bring their best game, with Ehrenreich and Abrams playing hostile duets of mutual contempt and fear, while Garner bravely leans into the script's refusal to soften Justine — she's realistically jagged emotionally, in her responses to being hated (and not even entirely because of the children's disappearance). Cregger was inspired partly by Paul Thomas Anderson's Magnolia, and it shows in Weapons' group portrait of a whole community brought together and broken apart at the same time by shared trauma and suspicion. It's possible to want to see the movie again just to enjoy the subtle actors' moments as Cregger trusts them to convey in a sigh or a glance what pages of script can't. It's possible to want to do that while not quite being sold on Weapons as the genre's new silverback gorilla.

For Weapons manipulates skillfully, and with robust craft, but in the final analysis doesn't seem to be about much. When all is revealed it feels a little cheesy in the manner of TV horror movies of the 1970s. A movie like this might pay a price for the ominous build of its first act, establishing the mystery and how it affects the world around it, which leads eventually to what Stephen King described as, in effect, sooner or later you gotta open the door and show the monster behind it. The characters have been delineated with attention paid to the damaged ways they try to cope. But nothing relevant to the community causes its troubles. The call, as it were, is coming from outside the house. For this to be the great movie some overimpressed critics claim, it would have to show an unconscious complicity on the parts of the parents, the teachers — the adults in the town — in the vanishing and possible doom of the children (like, say, the parents of Hamelin). Again: it's good. It's terrifically welldirected. The problem is conceptual.

runs through October 30/31. The 2-hour Thursday session costs \$195 for MAC members and \$225 for nonmembers, while the 3-hour expanded Friday session costs \$295 for MAC members and \$325 for nonmembers. Drop-ins are also welcome, \$30-\$45 per day. Learn more and register at www.marionartcenter.org/adult-classes.

Weaving on a Rigid Heddle Loom - Lisa Elliott returns to the MAC to teach a new skill or help students refine their weaving techniques. Over five weeks, students can create and take home a woven project. Students will weave one of the following: a scarf, table runner, set of placemats, or set of tea towels. Looms and weaving equipment are provided for a \$10 fee, but let us know if you have your own rigid heddle loom that you would like to bring to class. Classes are held on Thursday evenings, 6:00 pm to 8:30pm in the MAC Studio from September 11 through October 9. The 5-week class costs \$150 MAC members and \$160 for nonmembers. More information and registration at: www.marionartcenter. org/adult-classes.

Four Week Abstract Acrylics: Boats & Stormy Seas - Instructor Elyse Laurelle is back and will help students delve deeper into the method of abstract painting with acrylics, beyond a one-day workshop. In this class, attendees will learn how to work with acrylic paint to create their own boat and stormy sea paintings. The instructor will provide demos and examples while working on a painting with participants throughout the class. This four-week program gives students time to develop their paintings through layering, color exploration, and classroom discussion. Elyse will share techniques and offer advice with constructive feedback. The goal of this class is for participants to feel more comfortable working abstractly with acrylic paints and to create a painting, or paintings, of their very own. The instructor will offer demonstrations and examples, but students are encouraged to explore their own artistic styles with their boat- and sea-inspired artworks. Classes start on **September 27** and run on Saturday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm noon until October 18th in the MAC Studio. The cost is \$110 for MAC members and \$125 for nonmembers. More information and registration at



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The Search for Revolutionary War Soldiers

The August meeting at the Rochester Historical Society Museum will be hosted by both the Society and the Historical Commission on **August 20** at 7:00 pm at the Historical Society Museum at 355 County Road, Rochester.

Cemeteries, Genealogy and the Revolutionary War will be the topic of the evening in the context of beginning a project to find the graves and histories of Rochester's veterans of the Revolutionary War. We hope to include the information gathered in the 250 anniversary celebrations with the hope of officially recognizing



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A more harmonious aspect favors all relationships. Family ties with mates and children are strengthened. LIBRA is Cupid's choice to win the amorous Arian's heart.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The bold Bull is ready to take on fresh challenges. Expect some opposition as you plough up new ground, but supporters will outnumber detractors.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An upcoming job change could mean uprooting your family to a far-distant location. Weigh all considerations carefully before making a decision one way or the other.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A long-standing problem is resolved by a mutually agreed upon compromise. You can now focus on getting the facts you'll need for a decision that you'll soon be asked to make.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat needs to be wary of what appears to be a golden investment opportunity. This "sure thing" could turn out to be nothing more than a sack of kitty litter.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You give of yourself generously to help others, but right now, you must allow people to help you. Confide your problems to family and trusted friends.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Relationships benefit from a strong harmonious aspect. Things also go more smoothly at work. Someone you thought you'd never see again asks for a reconciliation.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A minor distraction interferes with travel plans, but the delay is temporary. Meanwhile, expect to play peacemaker once again for feuding family members.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Keep positive momentum going on the home front. Arrange your schedule to spend more time with your family. You'll soon have news about a certain job change.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Control your possessive tendency that sometimes goads you into an unnecessary display of jealousy. You could be creating problems where none currently exist.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new project holds some challenges that you hadn't expected. But don't be discouraged; you'll find that you're more prepared to deal with them than you realized.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Yours is the sign of the celestial chemist, so don't be surprised if you experience a pleasant "chemistry" betwixt yourself and a new LEO in your life.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy being fussed over, as befits your "royal" LEOnine nature. You also have a strong loyalty to family and friends.

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cemeteries with those veterans' graves.

Wednesday night will provide information on all the aspects of this search, and the program is opened to any and all who are interested. We are looking forward to a good turnout.

Naval Sea Cadet Corps

Gosnold Division and Training Ship Patriot State of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps are welcoming new applicants to the training program at Mass. Maritime Academy. Young men and women between the ages of 11 and 17 who may be interested in nautical or military opportunities are encouraged to join.

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Training is conducted on alternating Saturdays between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm at Mass. Maritime Academy. Interested applicants should contact Lt. Cdr. James McLoughlin at 508-759-8606. View us on "Facebook" at Gosnold Division.

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

The new exhibit that will open at the Rochester



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Historical Society Museum this fall is "The Tools and Industry that Made Rochester" and it is supported by the Rochester Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. The picture accompanying this article is one of the tools that will be part of the exhibit, and it is part of the museum's permanent collection.

Since it's a very warm day today, it's nice to think about a tool used in the winter. This ice axe was donated to the museum by Fred Tripp. When I was a pretty, young child, my grandfather took some of us over to Snow's Pond in the middle of winter. The pond was solidly frozen in a way that doesn't seem to happen these days. It was a sunny day with a blue sky, and we were bundled



TriTown Happenings





Mattapoisett Museum and the Mattapoisett Land Trust held The Great Community Picnic on Thursday, August 7 at Munro Preserve on the water. Tickets were sold out and the venue was filled up. Oysters were served alongside beer and whatever food the over 20 different tables decided to bring. As with previous years, the table with the best theme won the night, that being Table 5 with their Disney theme. Photos by Sam Bishop









The Marion Natural History Museum hosted Bethany Boucher of Amazing Animal Ambassadors Monday afternoon. We met Milo the Fennec Fox and had a chance to compare attributes of Peter Quill the hedgehog to Iris the tenrec. We also met a skunk, a ferret, and a very friendly chinchilla. Many thanks to the Marion Cultural Council for partially funding this event. Photos courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

up against the cold.

With Grandpa we walked out on the ice toward the center of the pond. After a yard or so, we stopped. I can still remember being in awe that we were standing on top of the water that we had been swimming in months before. The water was so clear that you could see all the way to the sandy bottom. I seem to remember seeing turtles hibernating on the pond floor.

Grampa told us that when he was growing up,

there was no electricity to run refrigerators and people had ice chests to keep their food cold. He explained how men



would use ice axes to cut blocks of ice out of the pond. It would be loaded on wagons or trucks on beds of sawdust from the mill and delivered to homes around town. It wasn't until I was at the museum that I actually saw an ice axe.

We are looking for anyone who has an old tool that would/could have been used in Rochester's past. It



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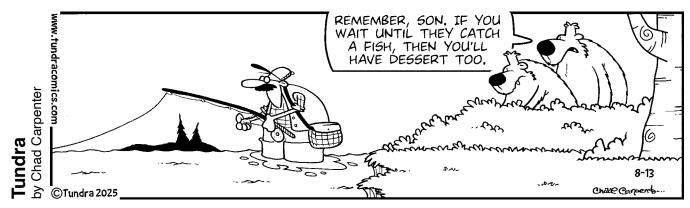
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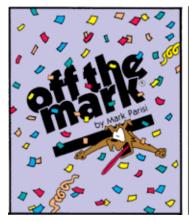
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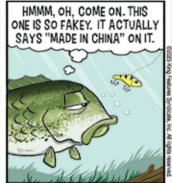




Amber Waves









could be something used in farming, at one of the mills, in a dairy or used on a cranberry bog. Tools like the axe that were used to accomplish jobs around town are also welcomed. You can loan items for the length of the exhibit or donate them outright. If you have something that you are willing to share and that we are able to use, please, contact me at eshbach2@aol.com or call 508-763-5492 or 617-750-2818.

Evenings at the Fort with the Fairhaven Village Militia

Join the Fairhaven Village Militia for the last "Evenings at the Fort" of the 2025 season on Wednesday, **August 20**, at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

Step back in time and chat with men and women in period clothing to learn about the fort's history and daily life in the 1770s. You can also tour the Fort Phoenix bunker and watch musket firing demonstrations every 15 minutes, starting at the top of the hour.

A special seacoast cannon firing will take place at 6:30 pm in honor of Deb Charpentier, the former Town of Fairhaven archivist at the Millicent Library who passed away on March 14, 2025. Mrs. Charpentier was a dedicated member of the Fairhaven community, serving on the Fairhaven Historical Commission from 1991-2017 and working at the library for over four decades. Her dedication to the town is greatly missed.

This event is weather permitting and handicap

accessible.

It's Jazz Jam Time

Once again, the MAC invites musicians from across the SouthCoast to join us for the annual Jazz Jam at the MAC. On Saturday, **August 30** become part of the long tradition of the jazz jam session, complete with participation from community musicians. The event will begin at 7:00 pm and will take place at the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater located at 80 Pleasant St, Marion.

Our house band - Matt Richard on piano, Paul Del Nero on bass, and Gary Johnson on drums - will support the improvisers as they interpret many "jazz standards" in various style formats. Learn about the inner workings of a jam session as trombonist Phil Sanborn leads a question-and-answer session and explains how the songs are structured and how the "road map" for each selection helps the improvisers.

Join us to listen in, or if you're a musician, sign up to join us on stage. If you'd like to join the Jazz Jam players on stage, please email info@marionartcenter. org with "Jazz Jam" in the subject line. Please include your name, phone number, and list how you want to participate (instrument, vocals, etc.). Band leader Phil Sanborn will contact all players before the event.

Tickets for the event are on sale at marionartcenter.org/events and cost \$20 for members



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TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #832

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, August 28, 2025 in the conference room of the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street, on the application of Mark Verville, for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1.C of the zoning by-law to allow the removal of a 10'x13' shed to be replaced by a 16'x24' shed that would be closer to the lot line than allowed by zoning.

The property, located at 74 Allen Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot

Cynthia Callow, Chairperson. 8/7, 8/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings are held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room, 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted). New format of meetings; the start time is 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, August 21, 2025.

Continuation of CASE #1563. This will be the last continuation for the Petition of: Michael and Elizabeth King, Wyandotte Farm, 88 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Location of premises: 84 North Street, Property owner: Christopher and Jessica Ferguson. The property is further described as Lot 39, Sub Lot 16 on the Assessor's Map. The lot is in Zoning District R30 & RR30. It is recorded in the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 40970, Page 50. The Variance Permit is to meet the requirements of the Massachusetts Food Code of the Board of Health. Michael and Elizabeth King, Wyandotte Farms, request a Variance for a Farm to Fork Stand and Farmers Market.

The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, August 21, 2025.

CASE #1572 Petition of: Richard Cantwell, 611 Belleville Ave. New Bedford, MA. 02061 RE: The applicant is requesting a Special Permit as provided by Article 3, Section 3.1.2.2 of By-Law and as provided by Paragraph 7.2.2.2 thru 7.2.2.2.7 Location of premises:11 Mechanic Street, Property owner: Richard Cantwell. The property is further described as Map 9.0, Lot 118.0 on the Assessor's Map. The lot is in Zoning District RR80. It is recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 59571, Page 256. The applicant proposes to add second-floor dormers.

The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, August 21, 2025.

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

Susan Akin, Chair

Tony Tranfaglia, Colby Rottier, Jordan Rodrigues 8/7, 8/14

TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1223

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning

Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Jorge Rodriguez for property located at 12 Mayflower Ln, identified on Assessor's Map 21A, Lot 43, who is seeking a Special Permit to conduct a personal fitness training business out of his home, pursuant to Chapter 20.40, Section F.6., of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws.

The public hearing will be on Thursday, August 28th, 2025, at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA. Donald Spirlet, Chairman. 8/7, 8/14

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

A public meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Kirsten Mammola for property located at 50 Box Turtle Drive in Rochester and is designated as Lot 88A on Assessor's Map 19A. The applicant is seeking to add fill to their yard which was previously a wetland.

This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86522305715 Meeting ID: 865 2230 5715

Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson. 8/14

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

A public hearing of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Buzzards Bay Coalition for property located at 0 Walnut Plain Road, designated as Lots 2, 2G, 2H, 3, and 11 on Assessors Map 27. The proposed work includes an ecological restoration of the site including removal of berms, culverts, and irrigation lines, fill removal and re-grading of the bog surface, ditch filling and recreational improvements

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

Join Zoom Meeting

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Christopher Gerrior, Chairperson. 8/14

TOWN OF ROCHESTER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Historic District Commission will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, August 28, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Conference Room regarding an application received from Nelson Bernardo to build a house at 28 Mary's Pond Rd. Rochester, MA 02770, further identified on Assessor's Map 6, Lots 3 and 4.

The application and associated submittal documents will be available for review at the Building Department at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, during their business

hours Monday through Friday starting no later than 14 days prior to the meeting. Matthew Monteiro, Chairperson 8/14, 8/21

TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770, regarding a Site Plan Review application in the General Commercial Subdistrict and the Cranberry Highway Smart Growth Overlay District, filed by Steen Realty and Development, Corp., for the property located within Rochester Crossroads at 22 Cranberry Highway identified on Assessor's Map 17, Lot 41.C14.

The applicant is proposing the construction of a senior living (over 55) apartment building with associated drive aisle for access and infrastructure to support the project including a septic system, drainage network, underground utilities, site lighting, and surface parking. The applicant's representative is Allen & Major Associates., 10 Main Street, Lakeville, MA 02347.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, during normal business hours. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81738138456 Meeting ID: 817 3813 8456 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Arnold Johnson, Chairman. 8/14, 8/21

TOWN OF MARION

PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING To be held at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street Also Available via Teams (Remote Participation Option)

On Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 7:05 pm, the Marion Planning Board, pursuant to M.G.L. 40A, §5 and the Town's General Bylaws, will hold a public hearing to consider a legally mandated bylaw addition to the Town of Marion Zoning Bylaws as it relates to Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) General Permits:

· Add a new section to the Zoning Bylaw to address Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) General Permits

The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full text at the Town Hall Annex, 14 Barnabas Road, Office of the Planning Board or at the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Please email Olivia Prior for the remote meeting information: oprior@marionma.gov. If you are a resident attending the public hearing, we request you identify your name and address for the record.

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and \$25 for nonmembers. Musicians may join for free, but donations in any amount are always appreciated.

MAC Auditions

The MAC Theater is auditioning for roles in the award-winning play, Proof, by David Auburn, directed by Richard Sherburne. Auditions will be held at the MAC Theater, located at 80 Pleasant St., Marion on Saturday, **August 16** from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and on Sunday, **August 17** from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Catherine has been dealing with a lot. For four years, she has been the sole caretaker for her father, Robert, a genius mathematician who was dealing with mental wellness. After his death, she's left wondering if her advanced penchant for mathematics indicates an inclination toward mental illness in herself. This concern is shared by her sister, Claire, who encourages her to leave her family home and live with her in New York. Along the way, Catherine becomes involved with Hal, one of her father's admirers and former students. Catherine is put in the position of proving that some of the mathematical genius left behind in Robert's office was actually her own work.

The available roles are: Catherine, 24, Claire, her sister, late 20s, Hal, Robert's former student, late 20s and Robert, a professor, 50s+. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. More information can be found at marionartcenter.org/auditions.

Timeless Tunes, Tales and Tributes

Who wrote "White Christmas", one of the most popular holiday songs on Earth? Many people think it was Bing Crosby. It was not.

Who wrote "God Bless America," a beloved patriotic song? Many people think it was Kate Smith. It was not.

The answer to both - and to thousands of America's most memorable tunes - is a poor immigrant from Siberia, named Irving Berlin.

This September, Marion audiences are invited to discover the genius behind the American songbook in a dazzling live performance:

Timeless Tunes, Tales and Tributes shows are **September 5** and **6** at 7:30 pm and **September 7** at 4:00 pm at the Congregational Community Center, 144 Front Street, Marion

Directed by Paul Sardinha, this lively, joy-filled revue features singers, musicians, and local narrators, with the first public performance on the church's newly restored Truman Terrell grand piano.

The evening blends legendary melodies, behindthe-scenes stories, and spirited sing-alongs into a tribute to one of the most influential composers in American history.

Berlin couldn't read music and composed primarily on the black keys of a special transposing piano

- yet he wrote more than 3,000 songs, including scores for 30 Broadway shows and 17 Hollywood films.

Berlin's restless imagination gifted us with songs like "There's No Business Like Show Business," "Cheek to Cheek," "Puttin' on the Ritz," "Easter Parade," and "Anything You Can Do (I Can Do Better)." Composer Jerome Kern said, "Irving Berlin has no place in American music - he is American music."

Tickets are \$35 and available online or at the Marion General Store, the church office, Penny Pinchers, or by emailing office@marionfirstchurch.org. The venue is equipped with a stairlift.

This night of celebration will give all of us something more to celebrate.

Proceeds from this event will support the ongoing restoration of our historic E. Howard clockworks and bell - installed just after the Civil War. The community has already rallied behind the cause, and this special concert brings everyone one step closer to hearing those hourly chimes ring out once more. Don't miss your chance to enjoy the timeless music you love - live, local, and lifted by the spirit of community. For more information, call 508-748-1053 or visit marionfirstchurch.org.

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TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 27, at 7:05 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Notice of Intent, submitted by Toll Brothers, Inc., for the construction of a 48-unit condominium development with associated clearing, grading, roadways, utilities, and a stormwater management system at 78 Wareham Road.

The site is further identified as Lots 24, 25, 27, 28C, & 29 on Marion Assessors' Map 7. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Matthew Shultz, Chair

*Please contact Olivia Prior at oprior@marionma. gov for the Microsoft Teams link and for meeting information. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV. 8/14

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

A public meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Michael and Ann Cambra for property located on 157 Clapp Road in Rochester and is designated as Lot 10N on Assessor's Map 29. The applicant is proposing an addition attached to an existing dwelling with the removal of trees and brush within the 100-foot buffer zone to the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands.

This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetlands Protection By-Law. Join Zoom Meeting

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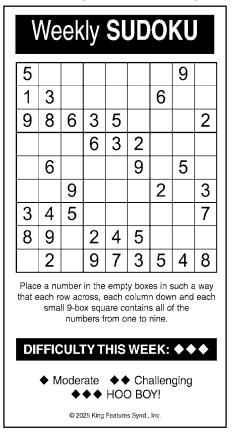
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Rochester Grange Fair

Here's a reminder to mark **August 16** on your calendar. Once again, Rochester Grange will hold its agricultural fair, our 113th. Printing of our books has been completed and are being distributed throughout the Tri-





Town. Here's what you need to know.

The fair will be held on Saturday, August 16 from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Our Ham & Bean Supper will be at 6:00 pm. Tickets for adults are \$10.00 and children-under-10 \$5.00. There will be an auction of produce, flowers and baked goods from the fair and raffle drawings beginning at about 7:15 pm.

Entries will be taken in on Friday August 15 from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm (a time change from the book) and again at night from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm (also a change). Judging will start as soon as all entries are in place. Having the entry form in the book or a list on a sheet of paper filled out ahead will help greatly. Remember, anyone can enter from any town and age. If a child is old enough to pull weeds, they are old enough to enter the fair. The Youth categories are up to the age of 16 as of January 2025.

Hope to see many of you there. For information call Sue at 508-295-8908 or email sash48@comcast.net.

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Please join the Mattapoisett Museum, 5 Church Street, on Saturday, **August 23**, at 3:00 pm for a free concert by the New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus.

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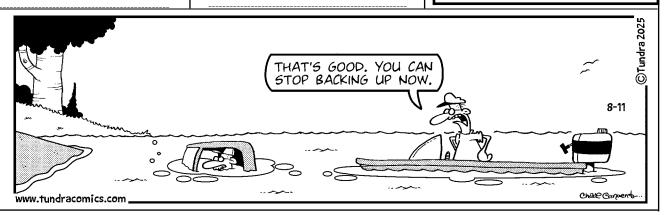
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The New Bedford Harbor Sea Chantey Chorus is a volunteer group of the Schooner Ernestina-Morrissey. This event is free, but donations are gladly accepted.

Marion Town House Renovations

The Marion Town House will undergo renovations starting **September 1**.

Town House functions will move to the Town House Annex, 14 Barnabas Road at Sippican Office Park. Specific dates are:

August 11 to 15 -Town House closed for routine business (limited access to emails and phones).

August 18 - Town House Annex opens for normal business.

Summer 2026 - estimated time for project completion.

The drop-off boxes for payments will be available at the Town House at 2 Spring Street until September 1. At that time, the drop-off boxes will be relocated to the Annex.

If you need emergency assistance during the week of August 11, please call 508-748-3540 and leave a message for the department you need to contact. Messages will be answered in a timely manner. Emails will be replied to as soon as possible.

We appreciate your patience during this transition.

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



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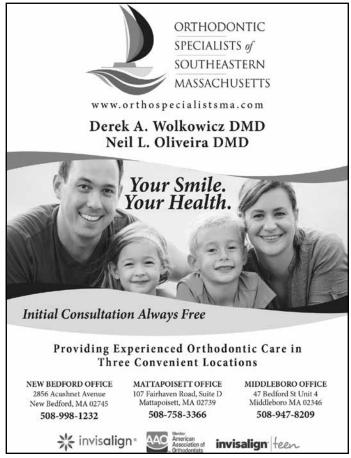
- Director: Kate Fishman.
- -Shadow Director: Phoebe Van Inwegen.
- -Stage Manager: Andrea Audette.
- -Light/Sound: Steve McManus.

The performances will be on **August 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 Tickets are on sale now for members and will go on sale to the general public on July 18.

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

Mattapoisett Museum

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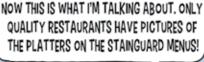
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Linda Lindsey	August 20
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pm. You can also visit by appointment (contact info@ mattapoisettmuseum.org) from now to September 27.

Currently on display is "Wanderer100: The Legacy and Afterlife of Mattapoisett's Last Whaler" - an exploration of the last century that has seen the Wanderer grow from a shipwreck to an unofficial town mascot for Mattapoisett. Also on display is a new miniexhibit display, "This Just In: Recent Acquisitions of the Mattapoisett 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 Mattapoisett, 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 Mattapoisett 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.

Timeless Tunes, Tales and Tributes

An evening of Timeless Tunes, Tales and Tributes highlights The Irving Berlin Revue, opening September **5 & 6** at 7:30 pm and **September 7** at 4:00 pm. That's the weekend after Labor Day. Directed by Paul Sardinha, the musical revue features singers, musicians and local narrators plus the debut of the Truman Terrell grand piano. It is a benefit performance for the restoration of the historic clockworks in the tower of the First Congregational church. The fund-raising committee is grateful for much community support so far, but more is needed to reach the goal. The show highlights many of the Classic songs written by Russian immigrant, Irving Berlin, who truly lived the American Dream. His 101 years spanned 19 presidents, 2 World Wars, while creating the American Songbook including patriotic icons like "God Bless America," humorous novelty numbers, upbeat Broadway Show tunes and numerous movie scores and ballads. Stories and songs interspersed with audience sing-alongs promise a joyous, uplifting end of summertime.

Ticket sales begin on July 1st. The show will be held in the Congregational Community Center in the village at 144 Front Street, Marion. Handicap accessible. Tickets are \$35.00. Available at Marion General Store, Church office, Penny Pinchers, office@marionfirstchurch.

ORR Class of 1975 50th Reunion

The 50th reunion will take place on Saturday, **September 20** from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Reservation Golf and Beach Club, 10 Reservation Road, Mattapoisett.

Please share this information with anyone who may not have been contacted so that we can forward an invitation to them. Contact email: orrhs1975@gmail.com.

Local Writers Monthly Meeting

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

The group meets on the 4th Friday of each month 10:15 am to 12:15 pm at the Mattapoisett Library's basement-level Community Room, 7 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett.

Marion Vaccination Information

The Marion Board of Health would like to let residents know that they still have flu and COVID-19 vaccines available.

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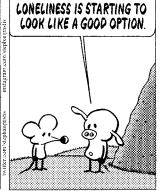
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis









Mattapoisett Congregational Church

The Mattapoisett Congregational Church's steeple is lit nightly and is a beacon of welcome and comfort to all. The Beacon of Light was started as a way to celebrate and honor loved ones or special occasions. If you would like the steeple to be lit in remembrance of, in celebration of, or in honor of a loved one or blessed event, please call the church office at 508-758-2671 or email mattcongchurch@gmail.com for more information. We welcome and encourage multiple entries each month. This is a special way to celebrate our beautiful steeple, as a Beacon of Light in Mattapoisett, and to financially support our church. Thank you for your donation.

American Legion: Florence Eastman Post #28

All Southcoast Active Service Military, Reservists and Veterans are invited to join the monthly meetings of the American Legion: Florence Eastman Post #28.

(Serving the Tri-Town area of Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester and beyond).

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 1900 (7:00 pm).

Florence Eastman Post is located at 3 Depot Street, Mattapoisett. Tri-Town Veterans Office: www. mattapoisett.net/tri-town-veterans-office.

Birthday Parties at the MAC

The Marion Art Center's Arts & Crafts instructor Aylin Cetik is offering birthday parties in the MAC Studio. Parties for ages 4 and up will be scheduled on Saturdays and Sundays, with 15 to 20 minutes reserved at the end of the party for a sweet treat. Available times are 10:00 am to 11:30 am or 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Suggested



party themes include: mermaids, fairies, outer space, pirates, art and science, or custom. The cost is \$275 for up to ten guests and \$15 for each additional child with a maximum of 15 children. Add-on options include outdoor lawn games or other activities by request, for an additional fee. For more information and to inquire about dates, email aylincetik@gmail.com.

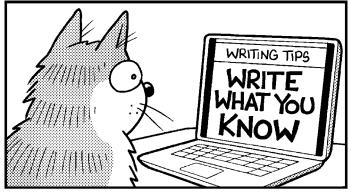
Marion Natural History Museum

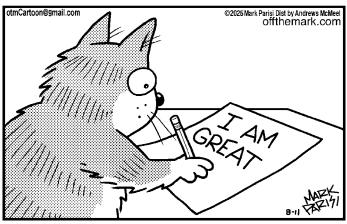
Attention Pre-Schoolers and Home Schoolers, the Marion Natural History Museum is now open to the public on Friday mornings. The museum features collections of minerals, fossils, butterflies, birds of prey, and many other specimens. Appointments may be made for field trips. If you would like to schedule a time to come in and view these specimens as part of a lesson or just for fun, please contact the director for an appointment. We are open on Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Fridays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

REAL ESTATE TRANS	SACTIONS	See past listing on our website: www.wanderer.com					
Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price		
Ryan, Nathaniel P	Ongemach, Scott	301 County Rd	Marion	07/23/2025	430,000.00		
Chaves, Celina B	Ongemach, Michelle						
	Dewar, Michelle						
Moniz, Gary	Alma, Angelo	0 Brandt Island Rd	Mattapoisett	07/23/2025	10,000.00		
Moniz, Nancy							
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	Hiller, Seth T						
Stanley, Nicole	Kaeterle, Edouard J Jr	27 Stuart Rd	Rochester	07/24/2025	675,000.00		
Stanley, Jacob	Kaeterle, Lynne A						
Mendes, Louis J III TR	Dubiel, AlexisTR	30 Indian Cove Rd	Marion	07/25/2025	1,750,000.00		
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Tougas, Camden	Gryska, Alexander R	15 Upland Way	Marion	07/25/2025	1,200,000.00		
Tougas, Audrey	Gryska, Garrett F						
Boateng, Isaac	Farland Estates III LLC	13 Nantucket Dr	Mattapoisett	07/28/2025	760,000.00		
Agyei, Doris							
Mendonca, Sharon A	Oslin, John T	20 Shagbark Cir	Mattapoisett	07/29/2025	1,150,000.00		
	Ducharme, Elaine E						
Flynn, Joseph G	Captains Lane LLC	4 Captains Ln	Mattapoisett	07/29/2025	240,000.00		

off the mark

by Mark Parisi





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Thursday	August 14	12:02	12:33	5:29	6:18			
Friday	August 15	12:57	1:28	6:14	7:30			
Saturday	August 16	1:55	2:27	7:09	9:32			
Sunday	August 17	2:55	3:30	8:15	10:56			
Monday	August 18	4:00	4:40	9:34	11:57			
Tuesday	August 19	5:09	5:49	10:53				
Wednesday	August 20	6:13	6:48	12:47	12:05			
Thursday	August 21	7:08	7:38	1:32	12:50			
Friday	August 22	7:57	8:24	2:11	1:38			
Saturday	August 23	8:43	9:06	2:42	2:23			
Sunday	August 24	9:27	9:46	3:08	3:06			
Monday	August 25	10:09	10:26	3:33	3:47			
Tuesday	August 26	10:50	11:05	4:01	4:26			
Wednesday	August 27	11:30	11:45	4:32	5:04			
Thursday	August 28		12:11	5:05	5:45			
Friday	August 29	12:26	12:53	5:41	6:31			
Saturday	August 30	1:10	1:36	6:22	7:30			
Sunday	August 31	1:56	2:23	7:13	8:56			
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I Found the Aardvark!

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

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

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark* In the August 7, 2025 edition the Aardvark was on page 8

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Friday, August 15 thru Thursday, August 21, 2025

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12 oz. Selected Variety Post Honey Bunches of Oats Cereal



16 oz. Selected Variety Peanut Butter 2/S**5**



6.7 oz. 8 pk. Selected Variety Quaker Chewy Granola Bars



8.5-8.8 oz. Selected Variety Ben's Original Ready Rice	\$ 2 69
6 oz. Selected Variety Annie's Pasta & Cheese	2/\$5
16-17 oz. Selected Variety Chi-Chi's Flour Tortillas	2/\$6
16 oz. Natural, Creamy Smucker's Peanut Butter	\$399
18 oz. Orange Marmalade or Selected Variety Smucker's Preserve	\$ 3 99
6 oz. 6 pk. Sun•Maid Raisins	2/\$5
2.875-5.125 oz. Selected Variety Frito Lay Minis Snacks	\$2 69
12.4 oz. Cheez-It Crackers	\$4 99
52 oz. Selected Variety Chobani Oatmilk	\$4 99
1.5 qt. Selected Variety Tillamook Ice Cream	\$ 6 49

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Summer Wine Deals To Raise A Glass To!

Austin Paso Robles 750 ml. California \$1799 Cabernet Sauvignon

Alamos - 750 ml. Argentina Malbec

Cantina Zaccagnini - 750 ml. Italy Montepulciano D'Abruzzo

Apothic - 750 ml. California Red Wine

Reg. - \$20.99

\$**10**99 Reg. - \$13.99

\$16⁹⁹ Reg. - \$18.99

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Mediterranean \$**Q**99 Chickpea Salad 16 oz. Pkg. With Roasted Vegetables & Feta Cheese Orzo Salad

\$1099 Mango Salsa \$699 Garden Side Salad

Various Styles

Take & Bake Pizza Homemade

Savory Pies to Go! Chicken Pot Pie

Shepherd's Pie

Small \$**13**99 **\$19**99

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Large

Fresh. Boneless Center Cut Pork Chops

\$<u>/1</u>49

Fresh, Boneless Center Cut Pork Roast \$299



Deli Sliced Friends' Roast Beef

Deli Fresh

Friends' Store Made Macaroni Salad

Dessert Special! Friends'

\$**5**99 Yogurt Parfaits

10 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety Ithaca

Hummus 9 oz. Pkg.

Boar's Head Genoa Salami \$**Д**99

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BAKERY

14.4 oz. Pkg.

Jessica's Brick Oven Bakery Brioche Rolls

6.5-9 oz. Pkg. Selected Variety

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\$**Q**99

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Friends' Premium Sirloin Strip

Friends'
Store Made
Tuna Salad
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32 oz. Frozen Yogurt or Selected Variety Gifford's Ice Cream \$#99



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Seedless
Green Grapes

\$249

Pint Blueberries \$299

Tangy Limes 2/\$1

Grown in New England
Broccoli Crowns
\$199

Grown in New England
Cauliflower
\$199

Fresh Speen Peppers \$299

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