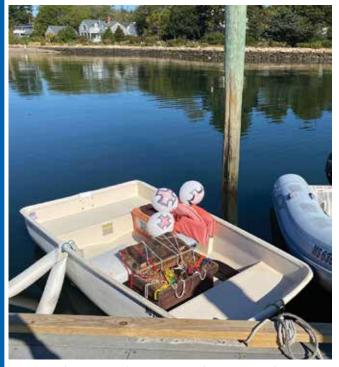


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Judy Sullivan shared this photo taken in Rochester at the Village at Plumb Corner, a dog-loving community.



The final destination for a 5-year-old pirate birthday party... Arggh matey! Photo by Jean Cole



Sunset at Mattapoisett harbor. Photo by Rob Grant



Mattapoisett Harbor in early Autumn. Photo by Ruth A. Griffin



The Elizabeth Taber Library hosted photographer Frank Grace and author Jeff Belanger of Wicked Strange New England on October 10. Belanger showcased some oddities of New England, accompanied by photos of the two exploring the strange, paranormal, weird, and silly sites of the region. Photo by Sam Bishop

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

The Proof Is in The Proof

Marion Art Center Presents: Proof

By Sam Bishop

Starting on October 10 and ongoing, the Marion Art Center has begun their presentation of the play *Proof*, directed by Rick Sherburne.

Proof was originally created by playwright David Auburn in 2000, where it was soon transferred to Broadway stages and won the Tony Award for Best Play and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama the following year. The play explores troubles with a father/daughter relationship and the struggles of mental illness. The father, Robert, and daughter, Catherine, also happen to be mathematical geniuses.

For the MAC's presentation of the play, Catherine is played by Jade Beauregard who has appeared in many plays in the area and numerous MAC performances since 2021. Robert is played by Donn Tyler who first performed in the 1980s in Virginia and has acted in over three dozen different plays. Hal is played by Oliver Asker, actor in many other recent MAC plays. Finally, Claire is played by Charlotte Baxter who began acting in Orlando and has since toured the country acting at various festivals, having finally returned to Massachusetts.

The director is Rick Sherburne, having last worked at the MAC in 2022 for the presentation of *A Christmas Carol: A Radio Play*. He has directed plays at many other studios all around the South Coast and Cape Cod. Steve McManus, a long-time staff member of the MAC at many performances and events, is in charge of sound and lighting design. Hannah Bessey serves as a sound/lighting technician, having previously worked at the MAC and recently returning. Robert Mahowald is stage manager who, having gotten the "theater bug" in recent years, has acted and managed stages in the region.

The impressive set staging is incredibly detailed and pulls the audience into the scene. It was designed by Jacob Sherburne and constructed by Rick Sherburn,

On the Cover: The Marion Art Center is hosting the play Proof, directed by Rick Sherburne. Jade Beaurefard, left, and Donn Tyler, right, play the father/daughter duo, Robert and Catherine. This scene is from the play's emotional first act. The play's opening night was Saturday, October 10 with it running throughout October. Photo by Sam Bishop Robert Mahowald, and Jack Sherburne.

The MAC's presentation of *Proof* began on October 10, with various other showings scheduled during October weekends.

Bulbs: Cinderellas of The Garden

The Coastal Gardener

By Laura McLean

Doff the crocs and don the wellies, I like to say. It's nearly time to plant spring blooming bulbs. Ever the gardener, there's no end to these labors. Even when the cold weather ensnares us, we can plan ahead, make revisions, troubleshoot, and dream.

One thing you could find me doing over this soggy weekend was to be ogling the huge variety of bulbs from my go-to catalog, "Beauty from Bulbs" by John Scheepers. Their motto: "Never underestimate the power of planting" is one I can definitely relate to. The most enticing varieties of all kinds of bulbs revived my imaginative powers as to what parts of my established

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garden could use a little pick me up.

The thing I like most about bulbs is that you sort of forget that you installed them and when they appear, it's like discovering a hidden gem. You seal them into the ground and forget about them for six months. It's fascinating how you literally do not see them until they bloom because you planted them as a plain bulb with the character of an onion. It's pretty amazing how a plain thing can transform into absolute wonder. Let's dub them the "Cinderellas of the garden."

This time of the year is when I like to order up my bulbs. Perhaps you're thinking that is late, but I stubbornly hold off installing them so as to stave off rustlers – namely squirrels. I've had my share of past bulb burglaries, and my tactic is to simply wait until just before the ground hardens over. This ideology harkens back to when my daughter Olivia was born one late November day, and I had not yet planted my tulip bulbs. A week after the birth and following Thanksgiving, I finally got them in the ground and voila – they emerged perfectly in spring. "No bulbs for you," I'd hinted at the thieving squirrels who by then had secured their food storage.

I used to use a number of sources for bulbs, but I've narrowed it down to one company which is John Scheepers in Bantam, Connecticut. I love their descriptions and color photos and vast choices, added to the fact that I've had wonderful results. I sometimes purchase them at a local greenhouse as well when the desirable bulb appears.

I was thinking of a spread of bulbs in my woodland garden that would, if timed right, bloom alongside wildflowers that grow in profusion – epimedium and bluebells and lily of the valley. I always try to think through how I'm going to map it out. Sometimes it works, sometimes it does not. A few years ago, I had the idea of installing leucojum (a diminutive bulb with a white bell flower) in a bed under my Elizabeth magnolia. But somehow, they look lost there; I think the addition of a companion might help. I will keep you posted on my upcoming plantings (I'm still reviewing the selections as well as where to plant what).

For now, I have some basic advice for those of

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you who are new to gardening or need re-briefing. Here are 12 tips – on planting bulbs – that I hope will result in what you envision.

- 1. Think three-dimensionally. Before placing them in the ground, sketch it out as it will look from a bird's-eye view and/or ground view.
- 2. With so many ways to use bulbs for a big impact, think of how you want to stage them. Will it be part of a formal bed or a naturalized effect in the border? Hyacinths and tulips are classic bedding bulbs for their strong sculptural form. Plant in blocks of color for a formal look.
- 3. In mixed herbaceous and shrub borders, bulbs provide splashes of bright color, adding vitality to the permanent plantings. Grow some through low groundcover plants so that their blooms appear to float above the mat of foliage. For cottage borders, use species bulbs, which will look less ornate.
- 4. Bulbs can add a fresh array of color beginning in late winter until the early summer. Try to envision the various stages of your garden. While the herbaceous



perennials and deciduous plants are slowly coming back to life, think about masking the front of the border with colorful bulbs: small daffodils, snowdrops, reticulata irises, or clumps of winter aconites.

- 5. Know your bulb's soil and light requirements. Most bulbs will rot if they are in constantly damp soil or shade. Camassia and leucojum are exceptions as are certain daffodil species that will thrive in moist, partially shaded environments.
- 6. Use a painterly eye when siting bulbs, considering size, shape and color, as well as time of bloom. Delicate bell-like flowers of fritillaria may show up better in small-scale plantings. Mixing white snowdrops amid a sea of crocuses will help accentuate the deeper

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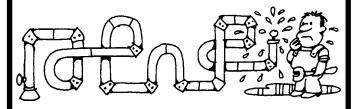
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color. Dwarf bulbs look attractive when planted in pockets of rock and away from direct contact with ground in an alpine garden – less mud winds up on the flower, and the petite size is more proportionate than a taller bulb species.

- 7. Partner bulbs with trees that have lighter deciduous canopies. Ideal bulbs for this setting include anemones, crocuses, daffodils or scilla, according to The American Horticultural Society. For fall carpeting try hardy fall flowering cyclamen. Complement the tree by underplanting with flowers that reflect its habit or color. Goblet-shaped crocuses pair well with a magnolia's floral form, as a pendulous flower will mimic a weeping tree.
- 8. Daffodils are among the easiest bulbs to grow. If you live in deer territory, these are among the flowers deer don't fancy. Snowdrops and leucojum are also critter proof, as they are poisonous. Also, many species will naturalize over time, giving you a return on your initial investment. "Daffs" will grow in almost any soil type, but prefer well-drained, moist, slightly alkaline conditions. They thrive in sun or lightly dappled shade. Daffodils come in a wide variety of shapes and forms and in shades ranging from the classic golden yellow to white, pink and orange, some with splashes of red or green.
- 9. When digging a bed, bore a couple of inches deeper than the required depth for your bulb. Use a 2-inch layer of compost and humps mix to fill the extra space, creating a cozy environment for the bulbs to root in.
- 10. Dust some fertilizer in the hole one high in phosphorus, calcium and magnesium or bone meal. It's not required, since most bulbs have food stored in them for the first season, but it will foster future growth

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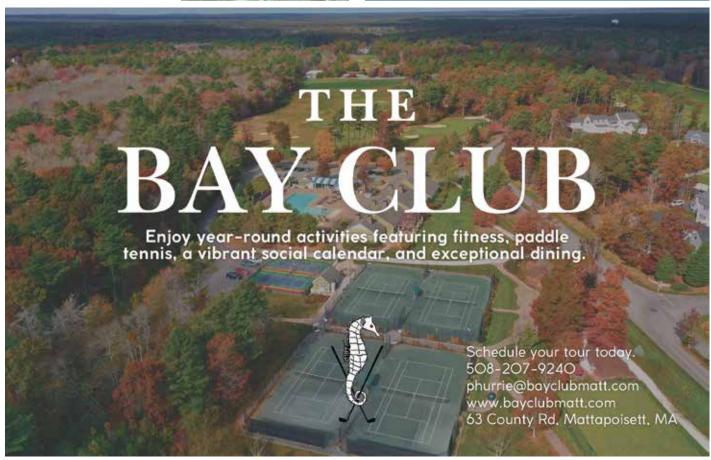
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and help them root faster. Alternately, when filling the hole, apply 9-9-6 NPK slow-release fertilizer such as Bulb Booster on top and water. You can add more in the spring when you see green growth emerging.

11. Best not to plant bulbs in containers now but rather lift them from the ground later when they are about to bloom and transplant them into pots or









window boxes. Scheepers warns against planting bulbs in outdoor containers: "Flower bulbs planted in outdoor containers will not thrive and flower... Bulbs in outdoor containers do not experience a true winter, suffering from wild temperature extremes that cause root-system destruction, damaged flower development and failure to thrive."

12. When your bulbs do finally bloom, take a photo to map their place. This will better help you chart where to dig future installations. If you don't have photos to rely on, use a slender forked trowel to dig and feel your way through as when you go quahogging.

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New Exhibit Draws Nature Close

Marion Art Center

By Marilou Newell

As I've often said, we are so very fortunate to have in our mists an art center that enriches our lives with theater, song and visual arts, from the one and only Marion Art Center.

The Nor'Easta couldn't stop us from traveling down Route 6 to take in the newest art installation that opened on October 13, featuring the creative pursuits of Nanci Worthington and Margaret Bruzelius.

Both artists draw inspiration from the natural world and have presented visitors with examples of just how magnificent imagination and skill can be.

Worthington has spent decades drawing

butterflies as well as flora and fauna that surrounds her Berkshire home. She is a practitioner of nature journaling, a process by which one becomes an intentional observer of the natural world, from the minuscule seeds spread by animals to the towering white pines and oaks that are shade canopies, from the fungi to the insects and birds. Everything captured by the eye becomes a page in such journals.



As an artist who has provided nature illustrations for Audubon publications, Worthington butterflies, now on exhibit, also demonstrate her amazing ability to capture not only the spirit of animals but bring them realistically to life, animals that could easily lift themselves from the page.

I asked how she achieved such velvety quality to the butterfly wings created from pencil. She explained





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that many of the butterflies were intended to be painted in watercolor. Technical aspects of managing watercolors changed her mission to employing color pencils, applied meticulously, layer upon layer, until a near-3D quality emerges.

After taking in Worthington's art, for you really must, you may find yourself nature journaling in your own backyard.

Margaret Bruzelius' works employ a variety of skills. First and foremost, the inspiration and imagination needed to take woolen materials and through a laborintensive process turn them into felt.

Bruzelius said that by taking old woolen articles of clothing she "up-cycles" them. She cuts the soon-to-





be-woven items into strips, washes and prepares the textiles for the next phase of their rebirth, as a hooked rug, or wall-hanging. Her use of one of nature's most hardworking products, wool, connects this artist to a centuries old craft.

Bruzelius previously worked in the fashion business as a designer for handknits for magazines such as Vogue Knitting and McCall's Craft and Needlework.

After shifting her career direction, Bruzelius earned a PhD in comparative literature from Yale University and proceeded to teach in literature programs at Harvard University and Smith College. For the last several years she has dedicated her time to the art of hooking.

She claims to be retired, but methinks that is just another way of letting the world know she's focusing on what brings her joy, taking a piece of woven fabric and turning it into a textural work of art.

On Saturday, November 1, between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm, Worthington and Bruzelius will hold an Artist's Presentation at the art center.

Is It "Taber" Or Is It 'Tabor?'

Sippican Historical Society: In Her World Exhibit **By Sam Bishop**

Sippican Historical Society's new exhibit, "In Her World: The Life & Legacy of Elizabeth Taber," opened on Friday, October 10 and will be viewable until next spring.



The exhibit showcases much of the history of Elizabeth Pitcher Taber, the altruistic woman who donated much to the development of the Town of Marion and its institutions. Many of the town's most notorious buildings draw their origin to Taber, including Tabor Academy, the Elizabeth Taber Library, the Congressional Chapel, the Marion Town House, the Marion Music Hall, and many others.

Containing many artifacts from Taber's home and life, the exhibit, presented in the historical society's Ellis Gallery facing Front Street, showcases the times and life of the town's important historic benefactor. A chair from one of her homes, a diatonic button accordion, some local maps, a doll and doll bed, and a collection of books from her home, including hymns, poems, and even *One Thousand and One Nights*.

There are also a reproduction of an oil painting portrait and examples of her signature through the years. The first showcased signature originates from some time before 1872, having her last name spelt "Taber" with an "E." Around 1880, signing a diploma, she signed her name "Tabor," with an "O." Why did she change? Sippican Historical Society Executive Director Alanna Nelson explained, "Well, we're not really sure." At some point around 1880, she just began signing her name differently. This led to the strange difference between sites in town, like "Tabor" Academy and "Taber" Library.

Though she died 137 years ago at the age of 97, Elizabeth Taber's legacy is present all over town and, for a few months more, can be further inspected and learned of in the Sippican Historical Society.

General Gage Exiled from Boston

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. Last week, preparations for the winter siege of Boston were set in motion, though supplies still trickle in. A British supply ship is captured in New Hampshire, and gambling for those in the army is clamped down on. Finally, Chief Physician of the Army Benjamin Church is tried for treason, with the Continental Congress weighing their options.

On October 8, 1775, a Council of War meeting is called in Cambridge. George Washington meets with Major Generals and Brigadier Generals to discuss army composition, soldier pay and frequency of such, and winter preparations. The council agrees on a total army size of 20,372 men, broken into 26 regiments. Pay is not to be reduced, and all men currently enlisted will maintain their positions until December 1776. The council unanimously rejects the enlistment of enslaved people. With a majority, the council also rejects further enlistment of African or Black soldiers.

In his General Orders the following day,

Washington's message is directed solely at the minimal Black soldiers currently enlisted. He states any solider not rising or "straggling after Taptoo" is to be "seized and confined until sun-rise." For an army sorely lacking in men and equipment and in need of new ideas and experiences, this measure is not an advance of any call of liberty. African Americans would be first allowed in the army following the Militia Act of 1862, only belonging to segregated regiments. Desegregation of the armed forces would be finalized on July 26, 1948, with an Executive Order from President Harry Truman.

Back to 1775, although Washington is not aware of it yet, on October 10, Loyalist General Thomas Gage receives his letter from London. Having notified the British of his performance at Bunker Hill on June 17, the Crown quickly sent a response three days later, with him just now receiving it. Gage is to be removed of his position and stripped of his title of Governor of Massachusetts. He was already unpopular back home, but his momentous defeat would seal his fate. His position in Boston and command over British troops on the continent would be transferred to Viscount and General William Howe.

On October 12, Washington writes to John Hancock and the Continental Congress in another plea for supplies and winter assistance. For general strategy, he asks "From the various accounts received from Europe, there may be reason to expect troops will be landed at





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New York or some other middle Colony – I should be glad to know the pleasure of the Congress, whether upon such an event it would be expected that a part of this army should be detached," as Washington expects a British invasion into New York. The capture of New York city would occur less than a year later, in September 1776. He also updates the congress on Colonel Benedict Arnold's performance in the north, saying, "Our last Accounts from Col: Arnold are very favorable." He is still enroute to Quebec, but would write to Washington the next day, saying, "Your Excellency may possibly think we have been tardy in our march, as we have gained so little."

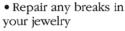
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Philadelphia affirmed the creation of a Continental Navy. The Rhode Island General Assembly had gotten the ball rolling the past June with the construction of ships to protect merchants. The congress took over funding of the Rhode Island navy, per that province's suggestion, and agreed there should be a single navy. There were still few ships in the navy, with many in construction, some purchased from friendly nations or British rivals, and many other captured. The first Chairman of the Marine Committee, in charge of the Continental Navy, would be John Adams of Braintree.

Public Health is Not a Partisan Issue

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Edward Hoffer

This fall has seen a major outbreak of listeria, a bacterium that can spread via many foods, sickening people in 15 states, with at least 19 hospitalized and four deaths. The outbreak has been tied to packaged pasta meals made by Fresh Realm.

How did we know this and so were able to recall products sold by Fresh Realm? We knew it because of the Foodborne Diseases Active Surveillance Network, commonly called FoodNet. This highly successful program monitors labs in 10 states around the country and actively investigates possible food-borne illnesses.

Despite its critical role in protecting Americans from food-borne illness, the program was drastically curtailed recently. While not closed, staffing was cut and henceforth only two of the prior eight pathogens will be monitored – listeria one of the six cut, along with campylobacter, even though these two bacteria made thousands sick and killed 72 people in 2022.

More recently, draconian cuts were made to the staff of the Communicable Disease Center (CDC), supposedly due to the government shut-down and President Trump's goal of destroying "Democrat programs." [Note that about half the staff fired on Friday were reinstated over the weekend!]

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the world, the first place I look is the CDC-published MMWR (Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports). This publication is usually the first to report on new and emerging infectious diseases.

No longer, I guess, as virtually the entire staff of MMWR were fired last Friday.

Despite RFK Jr's insistence that his top priority was the burden of chronic disease in America, most of the staff guiding our response to chronic disease was also fired, along with those monitoring and responding to the opioid crisis.

The Director of the CDC was fired last month because she refused to be a rubber stamp for ideologues



and said she would rely on science rather than politics in her decision-making.

I have met many CDC employees over the years. They are dedicated professionals who could generally be earning more in the private sector but believe in the life-saving mission of the CDC.

We cannot sit idly by while the agencies that keep us healthy are gutted. Write to the White House. Write to your senators and representative. Public health protects Republicans, Democrats and independents. It must not be allowed to fall victim to partisan politics.

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

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Building Commissioner Selected

Mattapoisett Select Board

By Marilou Newell

During the October 4 meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board, candidates for the position of Building Commissioner were interviewed.

Ken Murphy of Sagamore Beach told the board he had been a building commissioner for six years. Presently Murphy is the building commissioner for the town of Bourne. Murphy also shared that he has held the position of building inspector for the towns of Harwich and Dennis.

Murphy said that he was proud of the work he had done in other communities, especially those communities that had expanded commercial activities. He emphasized that he was not only familiar with FEMA, but that the Town of Bourne is completely mapped by FEMA as a flood zone.

Murphy said he can help guide property owners through the process of securing permitting for commercial structures, which will help Mattapoisett as the town looks for new commercial expansion possibilities.

A well-known figure to those that follow the town's School Committee, James Muse, also met with the board on this night to discuss what he would bring to the position of building commissioner.

Muse detailed his extensive experience in construction. His resume lists his current position as a



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While the board was impressed with both candidates, they said the need for a building commissioner outweighed other factors and thusly plan to offer the position to Murphy.

In other business, shell fishing was opened for the season. Check the town's website for details.

Faust Fiore was appointed to the Bike Path Committee, a one-day liquor license was permitted to St. Anthony for their parish dinner, and the board approved a Santa 5K race for MS on December 6.

It was announced that Community Preservation grant applications are now available from the town's website. The annual Halloween Costume Contest will be held in Shipyard Park on October 31 at 6:00 pm.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco noted that there wasn't any pressing business before the voters now, nothing that would warrant a Fall Town Meeting. He said that certified cash was pending and that there weren't any budget issues that required voters' participation.

As the meeting was drawing to a close, from the back of the conference room an unidentified speaker asked the board when they would make a decision on the Board of Health vacancy. Select Board Chair Tyler Macallister said to hold a meeting to make that decision required a joint meeting of the board and the BOH with quorums coming together from both boards. "Do you see anyone here from the Board of Health?" he replied.

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

Water-Meter Petition on Warrant

Marion Select Board

By Sam Bishop

On Tuesday night, the Marion Select Board met to vote on a long list of action items, but the board's acceptance of the warrant for the November 24 Special Town Meeting was preceded by a critical response toward the Citizens Petition submitted by resident Andrew Daniel. With 120 signatures, the petition will nonetheless appear on the warrant.

Town Administrator Geoffrey Gorman read from the petition, which states, "The town will vote to authorize and direct the Marion Water Department to



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establish policy permitting property owners to install, at their own expense, a secondary meter for outdoor water usage, such as non-irrigation, gardening, feeding of livestock, swimming pools, or other non-sewer activities." Gorman continued, "It also included additional guidance on permitting inspections, billing and fees, and administration and oversight. The petition asks for a change of water and sewer regulations to allow us to separately install and build [secondary] meters."

Select Board member Norm Hills said he believed it was "generally not a good idea in my opinion" to which the other board members, and the town administrator, agreed. Referring to the next 20 years, Hills added, "we're going to sewer up a lot more of the town."

Daniel, the petitioner and Planning Board chair, responded, saying the idea was "consistent with what Mattapoisett and Fairhaven do." Discussions over the town's large sewer deficit would linger, with the board arguing this petition would exacerbate the town's sewer debts.

The board would agree, with Gorman, that they did not support the measure, and Hills added, "we're not here trying to screw the town (homeowners), we're trying to make sure the town stays financially stable." The town administrator would argue "a citizens petition is a hammer, and everything looks like a nail."

The board agreed to cease discussions and move on, where they would finally agree to accept the Fall



Town Meeting Warrant as written, including the Citizens Petition.

The meeting also included some appointments, a Front Street art project, and the Main Street/Front Street stop sign.

The board began the evening by continuing a Public Hearing scheduled for a dog complaint at 116 Dexter Road. Owner Angela Brodeau could not make the meeting, so the hearing was continued to the board's October 28 meeting.

Next, Richard DePina was recognized by the Select Board for his years of service to Marion's young students. DePina served as a crossing guard for 16 years at Sippican Elementary School, with Police Chief Richard



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Nighelli publicly thanking him for his dedication and hard work.

The chief wasn't done. Next, he spoke on behalf of three officers being appointed as student police officers. Peter O'Brien, Brandon Cardelli and Robert Caldas were all confirmed for this role by the board. They will all begin training in the coming weeks.

Finally for Nighelli, he requested the appointment of retiring Police officer Edward Johnson as special police officer. Though he is retiring, Johnson would like to work details and, with the Select Board's unanimous approval, will be able to.

The Select Board then approved the appointment of Natalie Burgo to both the Conservation Commission



and the Parks & Tree Committee. Candidate Vin Malkoski was not present, but the board still appointed him to the Stewards of Community Open Space.

Mike Malone then presented his ideas for an art installation down Front Street. The proposed project would see Malone paint six 30x30-inch nautical flags, each representing a different letter to spell out "Marion." Malone's presentation was of interest to all Select Board members, with Gorman agreeing to work with Malone to make a more concrete plan. Malone did say he would like to complete the art installation before the winter holidays and annual Marion Village Christmas Stroll.

The Marion Fall Town Meeting will be held on Monday, November 24 at 6:45 pm at Sippican Elementary School.

Farming under Panels Ruled Minor

Rochester Planning Board By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester Planning Board began its meeting Tuesday by endorsing a plan to allow farming underneath the solar arrays at 109 Neck Road as a minor change rather than one that requires a new public hearing.

The applicant's representative, Hank Moinet, attending the meeting on Zoom, said the plan is to plant rye grass in the winter and other types in other seasons. He said he was appearing before the board to see whether the new plan would be judged as a major change, which would require posting a new public hearing for a new permit, or a minor change which would be more of a procedural approval change.

The board unanimously approved the new cropping plan as a minor change after noting an extensive plan that excludes grazing animals has been submitted with the request for a decision. Chair Arnold Johnson said the fire chief was concerned that winter grass could dry out and cause a fire hazard. Moinet said he could live with a condition that the grass be regularly mowed.

Next, the board reviewed new information on the plan for a floating and ground-mounted solar array at 53 Dexter Lane before ultimately continuing its Site



Plan Review and Special Permit hearing until October 28. Project representative Sarah Sterns of Beals and Thomas Engineering reported that floating panels have been removed from the northern end of the project site. The height of the panels is being reduced by 2 feet. A more extensive screening plan will include an olive-green stockade fence behind a raised berm with a long row of evergreens and other trees.

Abutter Lena Finch of 70 Parlowtown Road reenforced her past concerns about the project's impact on her and her husband's property. She wanted to know what happens when the fence blows down in a storm. She said the glare of the panels would directly hit her home. "My concern is safety and glare," she said. "If it isn't properly screened, it will impact the value of our property."

Both Planning Board members and the applicants' representatives responded that the screening would work and be durable.

"I think this proposed screening is the best possible," said Johnson, who asked the applicant if there will be screening around the battery storage area as well. Sterns said yes.

After reviewing new information, the board continued to October 28 the Site Plan Review hearing for a 68-unit, age-55-and-over, senior-living apartment building at 22 Cranberry Highway within Rochester Crossroads.

Joseph Sanda, representing developer Ken Steen Realty, revealed that, after reviewing notes from the town's consulting engineer, Ken Motta, the apartment building with 68 units for residents ages 55 and up on a 24,000-square-foot lot has been enlarged by 20 feet. The water drainage will now connect to the other developments on the lot. Three hydrants will be installed. Fellow Steen representative Phil Cordeiro cautioned they are responding to Motta's penciled notes. Motta's written comments and more documentation on easements and other expected obligations will be filed soon.

In other action, the board continued to its November 10 meeting the Definitive Subdivision application hearing for a plan to turn an 8.67-acre parcel at 19 County Road into three lots, involving a plan to



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retain the existing house lot and create two new lots for additional four-bedroom residential housing.

The Rochester Planning Board's next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 27 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

Garage Hearing Continued Again

Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals' short October 9 meeting continued again its hearing into the variance application for a plan to build a three-car garage in excess of the permitted 1,000 square feet at 447 Neck Road.





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At the board's September 25 meeting, applicants Chris and Molly Fournier filed the first continuance request for their hearing. The continuance request on October 9 clarified why. Chair Donald Spirlet reported the Fourniers have announced they've received a civil engineer's site plan for their proposal. But that plan is "incorrect and missing pieces required by the town." He added, "the wheels of engineering move slowly."

Spirlet agreed with that sentiment. "I'll go along with that," he said as he motioned to continue the hearing to October 23. Board administrator Andreia Lacerda reported the case will be heard on that date.

In other business, Lacerda reported a new Zoning Board associate member, Keith Riquinha, has been appointed by the Select Board. Riquinha did not, however, attend the October 9 meeting. Town Clerk Marjorie

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The next meeting of the Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 23 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

School Meals Specialized by Need

ORR Joint School Committee

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Joint School Committee of the Old Rochester Regional District met on October 9 and passed new policies on school nutrition and access to career technical education information.

In a meeting that reviewed a variety of schoolsystem goals and new and revised school policies, the 18-member committee that joins the nine-member ORR School Committee with the nine-member Superintendents Union #55 (three delegates each from the Rochester, Mattapoisett and Marion school committees) approved two new federal and state mandates that Superintendent Michael Nelson said needed to be put in place right away.

The first of these policies is that the ORR District will now provide meal modifications, at no additional cost "for students with disabilities or other special dietary reasons that restrict the student's diet, on a case-by-case basis, per (United States Food & Drug Administration) requirements." ORR's Policy Subcommittee reviewed and recommended the policy at its September 25 meeting.

The second new policy adopts the state Middle School Pathway Exploration Policy that ensures that middle school (junior high) students are made aware of information on career technical education. This new policy applies to sharing information on schools and programming available in their district, regional, agricultural and other public high schools. (Mattapoisett and Rochester students are eligible to attend Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School, and Marion students are eligible to attend Upper Cape Technical High School.)

Even though this was the first reading of this policy, Nelson said, it needed to be approved locally and submitted to the state for its approval by November 1. "However, ninety-eight percent of this, we already do,"



he added.

The remainder of the JSC meeting focused on revising and reviewing a variety of other policies. The committee debated longest over an updated policy that staff may not organize raffles while acting as employees. Rochester School Committee member Matthew Monteiro noted the policy should specify that staff may not conduct such activities "at school." A staff member may, for instance, play Keno on their own time, he said. Nelson said he will refer this policy to the school legal counsel.

The Joint School Committee/Superintendents Union #55 announced its next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the media room at ORR Junior High School, 133 Marion Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett.

Runners Sweep at D-R

Sports Roundup

By Aiden Comorosky

Old Rochester's boys and girls cross country teams ran at Dighton-Rehoboth on October 7. The boys won 24-33, and the girls won 23-38. Connor Villafranca was named the runner of the meet for the boys, as he ran the 5k race in 19:51. Genevieve Herbert ran a 22:18, and was named the runner of the meet for the girls. Their next meet is scheduled on Thursday, October 16, against Somerset Berkley.

Field Hockey

The Bulldogs defeat Apponequet 2-0 on October 7. Goals were scored by Mariana DeMelo and Addyson Spencer. Goalkeeper Reilly Patraiko had 4 saves. Sitting at 8-4, Old Rochester was scheduled to host New Bedford High School (3-8-1) on Tuesday.

Football

Old Rochester played Somerset Berkley on October 10 and won 35-12. Brody Hiles was named the player of the game with 18 tackles. The Bulldogs will look to build on the win on Friday, October 17, at Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech (0-5).

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Dear Editor,

Several years ago, I was asked by Major BethEllen Parkhurst of the Salvation Army in New Bedford, MA why I volunteered my time there. After some serious thought, this was my answer:

When I think of all the teams, civic groups, business associations, and committees I have been on during my 79 years of life, volunteering at the Salvation Army has been my most rewarding experience.

Jesus, in Matthew Chapter 25:31-46, shared something vital with those in the position to help. His pleasure lies with the compassionate folks who sacrifice to meet the needs of the less fortunate. How encouraging it is to see this in action at the Salvation Army in New Bedford

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My reader friend, please consider how you are investing your time, talents, treasures, and energies. The work to be done in our communities for those in dire need is constant, comprehensive, complex, and challenging. By God's grace and your willingness to join the cause, your local Salvation Army or comparable Christ-driven organization will have the human power and resources necessary to not only fight poverty and despair, but to win the battle in dramatic fashion.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas soon approaching, will you consider joining me as a volunteer at a Salvation Army facility or similar ministry near you? I promise -- you will find it more than worth it.

Sincerely, Steven J. Bouley

Dear Mattapoisett Voters,

Thank you to all who attended the October $4^{\rm th}$ Special Town Meeting. Town Meeting is a Mattapoisett tradition dating back to 1857 and represents true and local democracy at work.

I was excited we had 535 voters attend to consider the citizen's petition regarding the Select Board. It was especially gratifying to see so many newcomers. Understanding that Town Meeting procedures can be confusing, I hope to clarify a few elements of the Meeting.

Town Meeting is a legislative body which follows the Massachusetts laws and procedures outlined in *Town Meeting Time: A Handbook of Parliamentary Law*. These procedures are similar to *Robert's Rules of Order* and serve to manage the proceedings of each meeting and provide consistency from meeting to meeting.

During the October 4th meeting, a motion to postpone indefinitely was made directly after the presentation of the citizen's petition. Such a motion suspends debate on the current motion while the motion to postpone indefinitely is debated. If a motion to postpone indefinitely passes, debate on the paused motion ends and there is no vote. A motion to postpone indefinitely is a standard motion and was most recently used at the 2025 Annual Town Meeting during debate on article 34.

I realize it was frustrating to some Town Meeting Members that we did not directly debate article one. Please understand that a Moderator is required by our bylaws to follow the procedures described in *Town Meeting Time*. If a motion to postpone indefinitely passes, the Moderator is required to end debate on the main motion without a vote. Please rest assured that when the

motion to postpone indefinitely passed 317 to 218, proper procedure was followed when I ended debate on article one.

It was gratifying that so many Mattapoisett voters participated in the Special Town Meeting. I encourage you to get educated by reading A Citizen's Guide to Town Meeting available on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website and Mattapoisett Town Meeting Traditions & Procedures which is available on our town's website and in the Town Clerk's office. If you want indepth information, Town Meeting Time is available on the Massachusetts Moderators Association website. You may also contact me at MattapoisettModerator@gmail.com with any questions you have. I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Town Meeting on May 11, 2026.

Respectfully,

Lizanne Capper Campbell, Mattapoisett Town Moderator

Marion Fire Department Open House

The Marion Fire Department will host an Open House on Friday, **October 17** from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Meet Marion's Firefighters, Trooper Harris, and his partner Koala, Sparky the Fire Dog, and Pat Patriot. Enjoy demonstrations, education, free swag, pizza, popcorn, and bounce house.

Marion Democratic Town Committee Meeting

All interested Marion residents are invited to the Marion Democratic Town Committee meeting Thursday, **October 16**, at 5:30 pm in the Community Room, Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street. The agenda will include current outreach efforts and activities scheduled through the end of the year. MDTC welcomes residents who just want to engage in particular events or those who would like to become voting members.

Salty's Silvery Moon Soiree

Join us on Saturday **October 25** from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm for an evening of fun, family-friendly, fall activities. The soiree takes place at Dunseith Gardens park on the corner of Route 6 and North Street in Mattapoisett (aka Salty the Seahorse Park). We will have music by Jeff

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Please park in the village and walk, do not drive, to the soiree; there will not be parking available at Dunseith. Bring a flashlight with you to find your way back to your car at the end of the night.

You won't want to miss this quintessential autumn evening. All are welcome.

The Marion Art Center's Halloween Parade Returns

The volunteer witches of the Marion Art Center have been brewing up plans for their annual Halloween Parade around the town on Friday, October 31. Costumed characters of all ages are invited to join in for this fun family event. Participants should meet in front of the Marion Music Hall (we'll line up on Cottage Street) at 4:00 pm. Under the direction of Hannah Moore, the Sippican Elementary School drummers will lead the parade of witches and princesses, goblins and ghouls, wild animals, and spooky spirits. The parade route will head south on Front Street, up Main Street, north onto Spring Street and back down Cottage to the Music Hall. Don't forget to pop by the Music Hall at the end of the parade route for your treat bags, made with love by the good witches of the MAC. "Teal Pumpkin" goodie bags are available for those with allergies or food sensitivity. All are welcome - Don't



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and display the symphonic band at its fullest, spirited and most energetic, while also showing the gentle side of the flexibility of wind and percussion orchestration.

After opening with the exciting "American Salute" by Morton Gould, the band will perform



Camille Saint-Saens' "Danse Bacchanale" from his opera "Samson and Delilah", "Noah's Ark" by Bert Appermont and the march "Power and Glory" by John Philip Sousa. After intermission, the band with offer their rendition of two masterworks for symphonic band: "Jericho – Rhapsody for Symphonic Band" by Morton Gould and "Give Us This Day" by David Maslanka. "Jericho" is a highly programmatic work depicting the story of Joshua leading the Battle of Jericho complete with a battery of trumpets and a tumbling wall. "Give Us This Day" is an epic offering from Maslanka that is both emotive and reflective as well as highly energetic and intense. Both pieces are considered cornerstones of the symphonic band repertoire.

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The Children's Department at the Mattapoisett Library

On Friday, **October 17**, at 3:30 pm, the Mattapoisett Free Public Library's Children Department's Graphic Novel Book Club is having a special guest speaker visit via Zoom. Author Violet Chan Karim will be talking about her book Summer Vamp and doing a short Q&A with the group. In order to attend, library patrons must register online or over the phone and are encouraged to pick up a copy of the book - we have plenty on hand.

On Saturday, **October 18**, at 1:00 pm, we will be screening Hotel Transylvania - light snacks and refreshments will be provided, and costumes are encouraged. No registration necessary, just come on down and enjoy.

On Wednesday, **October 23**, at 3:30 pm, we will be hosting a No-Sew Halloween Plushie craft for ages 6 and up. We will be using hot glue, so adult supervision is required. Supplies are limited, so prior registration on our website or by phone is required.

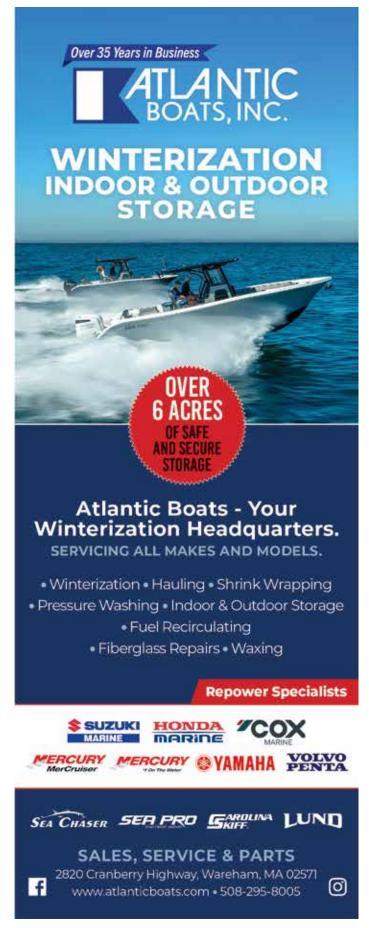
Lastly, our Fall story time sessions are set to continue until **November 21**. Family Storytime is every





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Mattapoisett Friends Meeting Yard Sale

Mattapoisett Friends Meeting will hold a Yard Sale Part II this Saturday, **October 18** from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Items are priced to sell. Baked goods, coffee, and tea will be available as well. The address is 103 Marion Rd., (Route 6) in Mattapoisett.

From the Land to the Shore: The Wampanoag of Mattapoisett

On Thursday, November 6th at 6:00 pm, the Mattapoisett Museum is proud to unveil its new, permanent exhibit entitled "From the Land to the Shore: The Wampanoag of Mattapoisett." Curator and Administrator Connor Gaudet acted as coordinator, curator, and facilitator of the exhibit. Aquinnah Wampanoag historian Linda Coombs was the consultant, curator, and primary author of the text, who writes in her voice from her perspective - that of a Wampanoag person. Steven Peters of SmokeSygnals Indigenous Creative Productions in Mashpee, MA, designed the exhibit panels.

This exhibit explores the history and culture of the Wampanoag People who have continuously inhabited this part of New England for at least 12,000 years. It follows the story of the Early Contact Period and Colonization through King Philip's War, and its outcomes on the Wampanoag culture and community as they exist today. The exhibit weaves in local, Tri-Town-Area-related examples of broader historical narratives whenever possible.

The topics that will be covered in the exhibit include: the early history and traditional life of the Wampanoag, the Great Dying, the contact period and early European settlement and colonization, causes and impacts of King Philip's War, historical erasure, and the Wampanoag today. Featured will be an authentic diorama



depicting a Wampanoag summer village. It was created in the 1990s by the Old Rochester Regional High School art teacher and students and has recently been completely restored.

Mattapoisett-specific Wampanoag history has been difficult to find because of the impacts of colonization and indigenous displacement after King Philip's War. What has been found, and some of what will be explored in the exhibit are examples of erasure of the Wampanoag presence from the Town's physical landscape as well as the historical record.

Coombs began her museum career in an internship at the Boston Children's Museum and later worked there in the Native American Program. Coombs also worked for 30 years in the Wampanoag Indigenous Program (WIP) of Plimoth Plantation, now called Plimoth Patuxet, including 15 years as WIP's Associate Director, and 9 years at the Aquinnah Cultural Center. Presently, she does independent museum consulting and cultural presentations.

In her latest book, *Colonization and the Wampanoag Story*, Coombs aims to educate students about the Wampanoag perspective of the European colonization of New England. It was published in September of 2023, as one of five titles in Penguin Random House's Race to the Truth series of similarly themed stories intended for middle grades. She is also co-author (with Mark Skipworth) of *The Massachusetts Chronicles: The History of Massachusetts from Earliest Times to the Present Day*, published in 2020 in partnership with Plymouth 400. It aims to provide a new way of looking at Massachusetts history, incorporating perspectives from both the English settlers and the Indigenous people.

Because the Museum could never fit everything into the panels, a scrapbook that expands on the information in the panel "blurbs" will be included for those who want to dive deeper into various topics and learn about primary sources.

This exhibit was supported in part by grants from the Mattapoisett Cultural Council, the Marion Cultural Council, and the Rochester Cultural Council, local agencies which are supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

For more information, please contact Katherine Gaudet at katherinegaudet52@gmail.com or visit www. mattapoisettmuseum.org. Additional imagery can be found here.

The Rochester Haunted Grange Returns

Join Troop 31 Saturday **October 25** for its 2nd Haunted Grange Halloween Event. This is an all ages, free event, will take place from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Rochester Grange, located at 205 Hartley Road in Rochester. Along with laughs and scares, there will be snacks and drinks. Parking is limited and the line last year was around the building, so come early.

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youth Scouts of Troop 31 and if your child would like to join in our shenanigans, please see one of the leaders at the event or reach out to us at 774-564-6939.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

The Elizabeth Taber Library will remain closed on Sundays for the remainder of 2025.

Pick a pumpkin at the library. Check out a free pumpkin from the Elizabeth Taber Library with your library card, decorate it in any style of your choice (no carved pumpkins, please.) and return it to the library by **October 27** to be entered into our Great Pumpkin Contest. Grab your pumpkin while supplies last.

There will be a break in regularly scheduled children's programs between **October 15** and **October 24**.

School is out early on Thursday, **October 23** and Friday, **October 24**. You can join us for Early Dismissal Lego Days from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm both days. Participate in our building challenges or free build.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or email the library at ETLibrary@sailsinc.org. 8 Spring Street Marion, MA 02738. 508-748-1252.

ORR Bulldog Pride Alumni Association

The ORR Bulldog Pride Alumni Association (BPAA) announces the 3rd annual Alumni Weekend 2025 (AW2025). Organized around the annual Homecoming game, the parallel events will be held on Friday, **October 17** and Saturday, **October 18**.

The AW2025 program is open to all ORRJHS and ORRHS alumni and friends of ORR... an all-class experience that hopes to bring together the common alumni experience spanning over seven decades from the Class of '62 to the Class of '25.

The countdown begins to the launch of our dedicated website: www.orralumni.org. We're still working on putting the final touches on the site to coincide with AW2025.

For AW2025, the BPAA is committed to exceeding last year's fundraising goal of \$4,000. For 2025-2026, the



BPAA intends to award \$5,000 in scholarships and also plans to launch a grant program for student groups, totalling over \$7,000 in financial gifts from small and large donations, earned primarily through the fundraising efforts during Alumni Weekend. This will allow BPAA funds to reach the wider ORR community by supporting projects and experiences for all students. Thanks to many local businesses who have contributed to help us in our fundraising efforts. A complete list of these businesses will be available on the website at launch.

Friday, October 17, "ORRHS Homecoming Football Game", kickoff 6:30 pm.

Join us at the dedicated alumni area behind the end zone. Connect with fellow alumni and the BPAA. We'll help you register your name and class in the alumni archive. Please note that to enter the grounds, all attendees are required to purchase a ticket. The BPAA is not involved in ticket sales for the game.

"Friday Night Lights" Social:

Join us to celebrate the Bulldogs at The Stowaway in Mattapoisett, an alumni-owned business. The event starts immediately following the game. Complimentary light refreshments will be served. Special cocktails will be on the menu, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the BPAA. A 50/50 raffle will be held. No entrance fee.

Saturday, October 18, "BPAA 3rd Annual Alumni Homecoming Celebration", 7:00 pm.



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Check www.orctv.org for the latest updates to the schedule. ROCHESTER

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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 - Connie Shepard 9:30 AM Rochester Historical Society - An Ancestor Search 10:30 AM Sippican Historical Society - The History of Marion's Portuguese, Azorean, and Cape Verdean Community 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking? 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntvre

1:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show 2:00 PM The Collective Chat

2:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience 3:00 PM MAC Jazz Jam

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

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1:00 PM Rochester Affordable Housing Inc ADU Presentation 2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre 3:30 PM The Collective Chat 3:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience

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Ambassadors 7:00 PM Point Road Park Renaming Ceremony

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 October 18, 2025 6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon

9:30 AM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Annual Pops Concert 11:00 AM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson 11:30 AM Point Road Park Renaming Ceremony 12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie 2:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show

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10:00 PM Beacon Hill Report 10:30 PM Gay USA

11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday October 19, 2025 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 Marion Art Center - Proof Promo

11:30 AM For your Health 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking? 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

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7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape

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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 Point Road Park Renaming Ceremony 1:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider 2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntvre

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Good Shape 5:00 PM Four Deep Sports Talk 6:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - 100 years of the Herreshoff H-12

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 October 22, 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 Sidewalks Entertainment 10:30 AM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz

11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church 12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking? 12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline

1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV 2:00 PM Marion Veg - with Barbie Burr and Brooke Johnson 2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday 3:00 PM A Conversation With...

3:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Annual Pops Concert 5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report 6:00 PM Building the Future 6:30 PM Pete on the Street

7:00 PM World Fusion Show 7:30 PM Buzzards Bay Music Fest - Orchestra

9:00 PM Buzzards Bay Music Fest -Chamber Music

MARION GOVERNMENT **Comcast Channel 26** Verizon Channel 39 **Daily Schedule**

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen 9:00 AM Marion School Committee 10:00 AM Marion Board of Health 10:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission

11:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals

11:30 AM Marion Water and Sewer

Commission 1:30 PM Marion Finance Committee 2:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission

3:30 PM Marion Planning Board 4:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing 5:00 PM Marion Open Space Committee

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Committee 11:30 PM Marion Board of Health **GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 26** Verizon Channel 40 **Daily Schedule**

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9:00 PM Rochester School Committee

10:30 PM ORR District School Committee

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Daily Schedule 7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly 8:00 AM ORR District School

Committee 9:30 AM ORR FORM Instrumental

Concert 10:30 AM FORM Choral Concert 12:30 PM Bulldog Weekly 1:00 PM ORR Field Hockey vs

Westport 2:30 PM ORR Girls Soccer vs

Fairhaven 4:00 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs

Bourne 5:30 PM Bulldog Weekly 6:30 PM ORR Girls Basketball vs Bourne

8:00 PM ORR Hockey vs Plymouth South

9:30 PM ORR Football vs Dartmouth 11:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs Bourne

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Saturday's celebration is to be held at alumni-owned The Bitter End in Fairhaven, featuring live music by Dave Dunn. Complimentary refreshments will be served. A silent auction will be held. No entrance fee.

The ORR BPAA is a recognized charitable organization in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and operates as a section 501(c)(3) non-profit. Donations to the BPAA are tax-deductible.

If you are a local business and are interested in supporting our efforts, reach out to the BPAA at bulldogpridealumassoc@gmail.com.

Please consider making a donation in the name of an ORR grad.

Marion's 175th Anniversary

In 2027, the Town of Marion will proudly celebrate its 175th Anniversary, and we want you to be part of the festivities. The Marion Select Board is currently seeking enthusiastic volunteers to join the 175th Anniversary Committee.

The committee will be responsible for planning and organizing events throughout the year to honor Marion's rich history, vibrant community, and bright future. Whether you're passionate about local history, event planning, arts, or simply love Marion, your ideas and energy are welcome.

Interested in volunteering? For more details, reach out to the Select Board Office at 508-748-3520 or



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dhemphill@marionma.gov. The Volunteer Application is available at the Marion Town House Annex at 14 Barnabas Road or online at www.marionma.gov/277/ Vacant-Board-Commission-Committee-Seats-.

Let's make 2027 a year to remember.

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

With all the stone walls in our area, I wonder how many people have asked themselves one or two questions concerning them. The first and easiest is the why. Our New England soil is known for being rocky and



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TRITOWN HAPPENINGS



Beautiful night from crescent beach. Photo by Faith Ball



Full Moon rising at Ned's Point. Photo by Jennifer Shepley





On Friday evening, the Marion Natural History Museum hosted Dr. Kathryn Kavanagh of UMass Dartmouth's biology department. Speaking on Humpback whales, Dr. Kavanagh covered several stages, including giving birth (tail first), and how male humpbacks shield the mother while she's giving birth by creating a bubblenet screen. She also mentioned at what point the young are the most vulnerable to entanglement and boat strikes. Many thanks to Dr. Kavanagh for her fascinating talk. Photo courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold



Early morning at Ned's Point. Photo by Linda Denise



On a beautiful Saturday morning, the Nature Journaling group met with artist Tricia Cassady to learn about some techniques for journaling in nature. We took part in some exercises to loosen up and then had fun finding our own specimens to draw. We also had a chance to discuss our different experiences and have some laughs. The museum may be starting to meet monthly so if you'd like to join us, please email the director at www.marionmuseum.org. Photo courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold

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

Rochester's soil was no different and presented the early settlers with not just how to remove the rocks, but what to do with them.



Since farm animals

would be grazing in fields, there was a need to provide a barrier to their wandering off. A stone wall was the perfect solution. In the case of larger animals, like the ones imprisoned in a town pound, such as the one on Snipatuit Road, the pound walls would simply have been built higher.

It's questions about how a farmer with his horse could move the large boulders that we see in some of our area walls that are answered by the "rock scoop" featured in our current exhibit. If you look closely at the picture, you may be able to see the hooks on the sides. There are also spaces for wooden handles. the farmer would hitch the scoop to his horse with the sharp edge facing front.

When he and his horse approached a boulder, the sharp edge would be placed under the rock and a signal to his horse would have the horse move forward scooping it into the scoop. Then it would be dragged to where the wall was being built. This very old and rusty rock scoop was found in a stone wall at the back of a farm property.

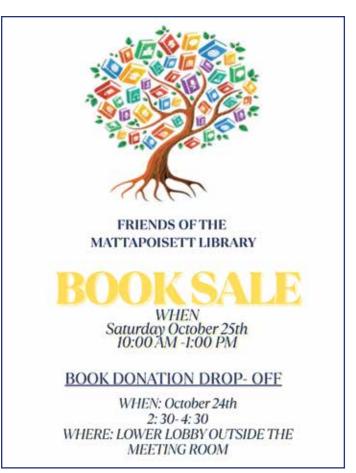
MAC Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting for the Marion Art Center will be held on Thursday, **October 16** at 4:30 pm. The meeting will take place in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. All members are invited to attend, in person or virtually. A Zoom link will be provided a few days prior to the event at www.marionartcenter.org/events.

Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee

Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee will







OBITUARIES



Peter Converse McDonald, 80, of Carver, passed away on September 22, 2025, at Royal Megansett Nursing Home in Falmouth after a brief illness.

Born in Boston, he was the son of the late Patricia (Converse) McDonald and William James McDonald. A native of Marion, Peter lived in Germany, Hadley, MA, Minneapolis, MN, and Fairfield,

Iowa, before returning to Massachusetts and settling in Carver.

A graduate of UMass and the Episcopal Theological Seminary, Peter dedicated his life to service as a minister, chaplain, and counselor to the disadvantaged. He was also a student of Transcendental Meditation and a devoted caregiver, especially to elderly families navigating grief and loss.

Peter served honorably in the U.S. Air Force in Germany during the Vietnam War. A passionate sailor, he found solace and expression later in life through writing, particularly on the topic of grief.

He is survived by two daughters, Alexa Donaher of Doylestown, PA, and Hadley Sullivan of Topsham, ME; and two brothers, Derek McDonald and Roger McDonald, both of Falmouth.

He was predeceased by his brother, Courtland Mc-Donald.

Remembrance Donations can be made in his name to The Elizabeth Taber Library at 8 Spring Street in Marion. Elizabethtaberlibrary.org

His Memorial Service and burial at sea will be held at a later date. Arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer. com.



Barbara Louise Rohrback McManus.

86, died peacefully at home, surrounded by family, after a long and courageous journey with Parkinson's disease.

Barbara was born in York, Pa., to Martin Rohrback and Dorothy Myers, who raised her in Hagerstown, Md., where she attended North Hagerstown High School. After losing both parents in her teens, she lived with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs.

Jesse B. Humphreys, in Braddock Heights. Barbara attended Hood College for two years before transferring to Boston University, where she was elected to the Delta Phi Alpha National German Honorary Society and earned a bachelor's degree in Germanic arts and literature. She later attended Katherine Gibbs School.

It was in Boston where Barbara met Gilbride, the love of her life, and an exciting new chapter began. They lived

on Commonwealth Avenue during the early years of their marriage before moving to a fairytale, stucco home nestled in the woods of Milton. There, they raised their two children and created a lifetime of beautiful memories, a golden retriever always within arm's reach. Barbara and Gil lived life to the fullest, traveling extensively with friends and family as they golfed, skied, and danced their way from one memory to the next—good times were the itinerary, and laughter was the soundtrack. Barbara's love, devotion, and impeccable taste transformed their houses into homes, filling each room in Milton, Pawlet (Vt.), and Marion, with a palpable, welcoming warmth. She relished their decades of family vacations together in Sea Island, Ga., and in Vero Beach, Fla., where she and Gil eventually lived as "snowbirds" with some of their dearest friends.

Nicknamed "Gunner" in her teens for her skill on the basketball court, Barbara could pick up any new sport with ease and enthusiasm. She enjoyed many years of tennis at Dorset Field Club and Sippican Tennis Club before catching the golf bug and retiring her racket for a driver and endless rounds at Kittansett, The Country Club, Riomar, and wherever friends and travel took her. She had never strapped on skis before meeting Gil, but Barbara learned the sport with instant and astonishing effortlessness. Long after the dynamic duo's knees could no longer take the impact of long runs and moguls, Gil continued to brag about his bride's smooth turns, and her jaw-dropping style even on the slopes—conspicuous Bogner suits and fur hats that embarrassed her children to no end, but boy did she wear them well. She enjoyed many years of skiing with her family at Stratton Mountain, followed by memorable trips to Vail, Alta, and Snowbird.

Throughout it all, Barbara was a pillar of quiet strength. She gave herself wholeheartedly to what mattered most—raising her children and providing her family with the most loving life possible. Once the grandchildren started rolling in, "Mum" became "Mumma Boo," and then, for efficiency, "Boo." In her final years, Boo returned to Marion, where she lived with her daughter and her family until her passing. The end of Barbara's life was filled with an abundance of laughter and love, entertaining teenage antics, angelic caregivers, endless football, golf, and tennis on the TV, and, much to her pleasure, the delightful bookend of one last golden retriever to love.

Barbara's legacy of love and devotion to family will be carried on by her daughter, Anne Rohrback McManus; her son-in-law, Matthew Hurlbut; their four children—William, Lila, Natalie, and Teddy; her cherished cousins, Wendy Myers Heinz and Sandra Myers Hamilton; and her daughter-in-law, Melissa McManus, and her daughter, Barbara. She is now lovingly reunited in an infinite embrace with her husband, John Gilbride McManus, and her son, John Gilbride McManus, Jr., along with countless other treasured friends and relatives.

Anne and her family extend their deepest gratitude

hold a public meeting on Thursday, **October 16**, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Neimad Facility, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett.

The meeting will address important community concerns. The evening will also feature light refreshments, a cash bar, and open conversation among community members. Please visit Facebook.com/MattapoisettGOP for information on our scheduled monthly speaker.

"This meeting is about working together to protect our local voice and ensure citizens are represented fairly," said Paul Criscuolo, Chair of the Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee. "We encourage all residents to join the discussion and learn more about these critical issues."

Marion Special Fall Town Meeting

The Marion Special Fall Town Meeting will be held on Monday, **November 24**, at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Multipurpose Room.

The Select Board and Planning Board will hold an informational Special Town Meeting Warrant Review on Monday, **November 17**, at 6:00 pm in the Music Hall. The public are invited to attend.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club invites interested local residents to its **October 16** monthly meeting featuring local author Jack Matthews. Mr. Matthews grew up in Mattapoisett, where he sailed and fished on

OBITUARIES

to the caregivers and schedulers at Attentive Home Care and Cahoon Care Associates, to the fabulous Sheila, and to the Community Nurse hospice team, for adoring Mumma Boo and going above and beyond to ensure that she was cared for by real-life angels in the hours when they needed to be off at work and school.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Barbara's name to Community Nurse Hospice (https://www.communitynurse.com/), or The Michael J. Fox Foundation (https://www.michaeljfox.org/).

A memorial service celebrating the lives of Barbara and her son John will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2025, at 10 a.m. at Saint Gabriel's Church (124 Front St., Marion), followed by a reception at The Kittansett Club (11 Point Rd).

For information about the service and to leave messages of remembrance, please visit Chapman Funerals and Cremations (2599 Cranberry Hwy, Wareham), or online at www.chapmanfuneral.com.



David Roy Anderson, known and admired for his intellect, eloquence, and the rare ability to welcome all points of view with kindness and grace, died peacefully at home with his loving wife Phoebe Girard at his side, on October 3, 2025. He was 92.

Born March 16th,1933 in Westbrook, Maine at the beginning of the New

Deal, raised by loving and able civic-minded parents and grandparents, David grew up in small-town Maine — Caribou, Dover-Foxcroft, Gorham — before attending Bowdoin College and Harvard Law School. He would go on to shape and be shaped by the distinctive places he called home: Washington, DC; Arlington, Virginia; Santa Fe, New Mexico; and his maternal family's homeplace since 1857, "Silvercroft," in Mattapoisett. Massachusetts.

Being "free and able to advance my political beliefs" was a value that David lived by. This took on many forms including participating in local and state political groups,

joining the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King's March on Washington, advocating for those on the margins, or those often overlooked. As an attorney in Washington, DC, David was most inspired by several of his pro-bono assignments like representing the indigenous people of Enewetak Atoll in the Marshall Islands for reparations from nuclear testing in the 1950's.

Beyond being a devoted father of three, his joys included a life-long love of literature, book collecting, family history, writing letters to the editor, a good hand of cribbage, the Boston Red Sox, visits with his grown children and their families, and any and all time with his marvelous wife. David always took the greatest delight in spending time with the people who kept it interesting such as his childhood chums, college classmates, personal connections, church communities, non-profit boards, and a Thursday-morning gathering of friends known affectionately as "the Rant."

David was predeceased by his first wife Maryse Haan Anderson, his sister Joan Farnsworth and so many dear friends that he cherished deeply. He is survived by his wife Phoebe Girard, three children: Marc Anderson and partner Mary; Chuck Anderson, and wife Jennifer; and Kate Anderson; his five grandchildren –Rachel, Parker, Samuel, Marcel and Muriel– and in his own words; "so very many amazing people who are so good to me."

His funeral services will be held at Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church St., in Mattapoisett on Tuesday October 28th, at 11:00am. An act of kindness is the greatest gift. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library Trust Purrington Lecture Series, P.O. Box 475, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, and/or the Mattapoissett Congregational Church Capital Campaign Fund are welcome and appreciated.

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

MOVIE REVIEW



Movie...Good

By Rob Gonsalves www.robsmovievault.com

The Bride of Frankenstein (1935). Starring Boris Karloff and Elsa Lanchester. Directed by James Whale. Running time: 74 minutes. No MPAA rating. Playing at the Millicent Library in Fairhaven on Oct. 20 at 5:30pm. Free admission.

Having directed the big hit *Frankenstein* (1931), James Whale didn't particularly want to repeat himself. So when he set out to make *The Bride of Frankenstein*, he wanted to deliver a "hoot," something heavily gay-coded and lightly disdainful of hetero normies. The result is a proto-goth, proto-punk — hell, proto-everything — slice of dark chocolate cake with purple and green icing. *The Bride of Frankenstein* is essentially a comedy, but we don't really laugh *at* it derisively, nor are the chills and thrills compromised. Everything that's a little (or more than a little) over the top, Whale allows us to laugh *with*. He thinks it's funny, so why shouldn't we?

What's scary in the film is the horrid but understandable — perhaps horrid *because* understandable — drive of the Monster (Boris Karloff, again bringing pathos to growls and occasional English words) to have a mate, or, as he conceives it, a "wife" or a "friend." The premise of the movie is a somewhat daffy spin on the passage in Mary Shelley's novel, when the Creature insists on a mate, and then, after his creator destroys the bride, promises "I will be with you on your wedding night," possibly the most frightening sentence in all of horror literature.

Because Karloff conveys flashes of consciousness from when the Monster, or his brain, was truly alive, he gives us something to grasp when we lean towards the Monster looking, as we always do as an audience, for glimmers of recognition. The Monster, like us, did not ask to be brought into this world and is merely trying to navigate it with as little trouble as possible. He wants simple things. Bread. Drink. Smoke. Friend. Wife. In this telling, Dr. Pretorius (Ernest Thesiger), trying to persuade his old pupil Henry Frankenstein (Colin Clive) to join him in his new experiment, has the Monster kidnap Henry's wife, but we don't get the sense that the Monster means to do to her what befell her in the novel. Shown kindness by a blind hermit in the woods, the Monster tries to rub against the grain of evil baked into his "corrupt" brain. Though his first impulse is towards violent self-defense, his soul transcends the spoiled meat in his skull.



None of the pretty short *Bride of Frankenstein* is dull (Dr. Pretorius' homunculi, which jabber in highpitched squeaks, provide a stellar interlude of genuinely surreal comedy), but some of it does play as throatclearing before the literally explosive finale, which lurches in tone between hope, tenderness, horror, anger, self-disgust, and ultimately the amazing bit when the Monster, shedding that one tear for himself and for humanity, utters "We belong dead" and pulls the lever to bring everything crashing down. Before that, Whale and cinematographer John J. Mescall shoot Frankenstein and Pretorius from above or below in flash-illuminated Dutch angles that put across the chiaroscuro madness of their work making the Monster's mate. Then Elsa Lanchester, who had played Mary Shelley in the film's prologue (where Lord Byron condescends to Mary and causes her to bloody her finger), makes the scene in stiff, electrified (even her hair) splendor as the Bride, who famously shrieks at the Monster at first sight, and then again when he awkwardly tries to take her hand.

Whale is twitting the squareness of hetero union here, but he doesn't deny the Monster's powerful despair upon being rejected ("She hate me, like others") by the only other creature on this godforsaken earth who is like him. Earlier, the Monster rather alarmingly says "I love dead. Hate living." (Talk about proto-punk.) Yet we feel he might have acquiesced to existence if he could have spent it with a wife. The Creature in Shelley's novel, far more articulate, laid out his plan to disappear into South America with his mate and never darken Frankenstein's door again. Here, Frankenstein keeps his end of the bargain — which may have come as a surprise to readers of the book — but it doesn't matter. The Bride, who has a mind of her own (albeit created by Pretorius), recoils from the role of wife — or wife to *this* big lug. Would she have responded more warmly if the Monster were female? Who knows? But this funny, disturbing, complicated classic leaves us with a lot of questions like that which make our brains hum pleasurably.

Buzzards Bay, the setting for his novel Arte Perdida. Jack, a retired professor, spent seven years working on the novel, traveling to Germany, the Azores, and Newfoundland, exploring background material for the book. Arte Perdida: A saga of art, love, greed, revenge and murder, has been described by readers as a thrilling page turner with complex characters and a frightening twist. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Visitors are welcome to attend this program which will begin at 12:45 pm at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church in Reynard Hall.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a civic, social, educational and philanthropic organization. Membership is always open to local women who are interested in the objectives and mission of the organization. For more information or questions please contact info@ mattapoisettwomansclub.org.

Harvest Festival at FCCR

First Congregational Church of Rochester will host a Harvest Festival on Saturday, **October 18** from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The outdoor festival will take place on the church green at 11 Constitution Way in Rochester and will include delicious treats and fun for the whole family such a pony rides, bounce house, and face painting. Linda Summer of Agape Puppet Ministries will give two performances using props and chalk art. The Harvest Festival is free of charge, but the church welcomes donations of instant potatoes, stuffing mix, or cans of soup or cranberry sauce to support community families at Thanksgiving. For questions or more information, contact the church office at rochestercongregational@comcast.net or 508-763-4314.

How to Slash Energy Costs

The Marion Energy Management Committee welcomes David Green on **October 29** to learn from his experience saving thousands of dollars annually on energy bills. The event will provide actionable, independent advice for achieving significant financial returns while cutting carbon emissions.

He will draw from personal experience, having cut his own home's carbon emissions and bills to zero and powering his house for 24 hours with his Ford F150 Lightning during an outage. The presentation will also cover subsidies in the Inflation Reduction Act (available through 2025) and Massachusetts programs that can make heat pumps free or deeply discounted for many homeowners.

A past attendee praised his talks, stating, "Minute-for-minute, point-for-point, one of the best webinars I have ever attended. Thank you." Green's advice is completely independent, as he has retired from a successful career in biotechnology and does not work for any installer or manufacturer of energy products.

David Green is the author of two books on

cutting carbon emissions, endorsed by Bill McKibben and Paul Hawken. He holds a BA in physics from Oxford University and an MBA from Harvard Business School. All attendees of the webinar will receive a complimentary copy of his book, Zero Carbon Home.

The Energy Management Committee invites the wider community to the Marion Music Hall on **October 29**, 6:30 pm. RSVP encouraged at: bit.ly/48CXiue.

Sippican Woman's Club

The magic of our Holiday by the Sea House Tour doesn't end when the doors close - it continues all year long through the good we're able to do together. Thanks to the generosity of our community and the success of last year's tour, the Sippican Woman's Club is proud to continue distributing proceeds to local organizations that make a difference every day.

Our recent giving includes support for the Taber Library, helping bridge the gap created by recent budget cuts so this cherished community resource can remain a center of education, entertainment and exploration. We're also helping Marion Recreation enhance accessibility with new handicap-accessible equipment, ensuring everyone can enjoy the town's recreational spaces.

Our philanthropy extends to Anchor Academy, a special education therapeutic day school providing vital support and opportunities for students with unique needs. We're excited to support the Rochester Council

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Tri-town Police Logs



MARION Log highlights Oct 5 - Oct 11

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MATTAPOISETT Log highlights Oct 5 - Oct 11

- County Rd Ambulance Request
- Pine Ridge Burglar Alarm
- Henshaw Rd Vehicle Crash
- Beacon St Health/Welfare County Rd Found Property
- High St Transport Prisoner North St – Radar Assignment
- Fairhaven Road Fire
- Pearl St Parking Violation
- North St 911 Call
- Angelica Ave Road Hazard
- Marion Rd Vehicle Violation
- River Rd Threats
- Wildwood Tr Medical
- Brandt Beach Ave Suspicious Person
- Long Plain Rd Domestic Disturbance
- County Rd 911 call
- Park St 209A Order
- North St Vehicle Violation
- Marion Road Radar Assignment
- County Rd Road Hazard
- Barstow St Animal Control County Rd Fire Alarm
- Neds Point Rd -Directed Patrol
- Waterview Ln Animal Control
- Marion Rd Suspicious Person
- Town Wharf Larceny/Fraud
- Pinewood Way Fire Alarm
- North St Suspicions Vehicle

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Oct 5 - Oct 11

- Cushman Rd -Vehicle Crash
- North Ave Radar Patrol
- Barksdale Ln Ambulance
- Rounseville Rd -Vehicle Crash Dexter Lane - General Service
- Mattapoisett Rd Public Assist
- Marv's Pond Rd Disabled Vehicle
- Pierce St Vehicle Stop
- Vaughn Hill Rd Animal Control
- North Ave -Vehicle Stop
- Perry's Ln. Vehicle Stop
- Cushman Rd Fraud
- Marion Rd Vehicle Stop
- Vaughn Hill Rd radar Patrol
- North Ave Investigation
- Hiller Rd Animal Control
- Dexter Ln General Service
- Ryder Rd Erratic Vehicle
- Constitution Way Vehicle Stop
- Walnut Plain Rd Erratic Vehicle
- Mattapoisett Rd Animal Control
- Cranberry Way Burglar Alarm New Bedford Rd Vehicle Stop
- North Ave Directed Patrol
- Marion Rd Medical
- Haskell Ridge Rd Vehicle Crash
- North Ave Medical
- Stevens Rd Suspicious Activity
- North Ave B&E Past

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

LUNCH GIONAL

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Oct 20: Cheese lasagna w/turkey Bolognese, Cali blend vegetables, wheat bread, orange Tuesday, Oct 21: Cheesy chicken casserole, seasoned rice, broccoli, dinner roll, pudding, diet:

Wednesday, Oct 22: Beef Stroganoff, egg noodles, carrots, wheat roll, pear cup Thursday, Oct 23: Maple

glazed salmon, cranberry & herb couscous, brussel sprouts, wheat roll, apple bites, diet: fruit Friday, Oct 24: Roast turkey w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed

vegetables, cornbread loaf, banana

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Oct 20: All beef hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries Tuesday, Oct 21: Taco Tuesday: Taco w/crunchy taco shell, brown rice, black bean salad, taco toppings bar

Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken & broccoli Alfredo, garlic bread stick Thursday, Oct 23: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles Friday, Oct 24: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Oct 20: All beef hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries Tuesday, Oct 21: Taco Tuesday: Taco w/crunchy taco shell, brown rice, black bean salad, taco toppings bar

Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken & broccoli Alfredo, garlic bread stick Thursday, Oct 23: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles Friday, Oct 24: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Oct 20: All beef hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries Tuesday, Oct 21: Taco Tuesday: Taco w/crunchy taco shell, brown

rice, black bean salad, taco toppings bar

Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken & broccoli Alfredo, garlic bread stick Thursday, Oct 23: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles Friday, Oct 24: Appetizer Basket: meatballs, onion rings, breaded mozzarella sticks served w/warm marinara sauce

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Oct 20: All beef hot dog on whole grain bun, BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries Tuesday, Oct 21: Taco Tuesday: Taco w/crunchy taco shell, brown rice, black bean salad, taco toppings bar

Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken & broccoli Alfredo, garlic bread stick Thursday, Oct 23: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles Friday, Oct 24: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Oct 20: All beef hot dog on whole grain bun. BBQ baked beans, oven baked French fries Tuesday, Oct 21: Taco Tuesday: Taco w/crunchy taco shell, brown rice, black bean salad, taco toppings bar

Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken & broccoli Alfredo, garlic bread stick Thursday, Oct 23: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles Friday, Oct 24: Cheese pizza, roasted chic peas, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Oct 20: Build your own beef tacos, salsa, cheese, lettuce, tomato, corn & black beans Tuesday, Oct 21: Macaroni & cheese OR buffalo mac & cheese, green beans & dinner roll Wednesday, Oct 22: Chicken chow mein & chop suey veggies Thursday, Oct 23: BBQ chicken bacon ranch flatbread Friday, Oct 24: Assorted pizza & Caesar salad

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on Aging, which enriches the lives of local seniors and preparing for expansion, and we continue to support the General Store's Family Fund, which partners with school nurses to assist local families in times of need.

Each of these contributions reflects the heart of who we are - a community of women dedicated to making Marion and the surrounding towns a better place. When you join us for the Holiday by the Sea House Tour on December 13, you're not just celebrating the season you're helping us create meaningful change right here at home all year long.

All women are welcome to join us. Membership in the Sippican Woman's Club is open to anyone who shares our spirit of friendship, community, and service with a connection to Marion. To learn more about what we do - and how you can be part of it - visit SippicanWomansClub.org.

St. Anthony-St. Rita **Christmas By The Sea Bazaar**

Mark your calendars and save the date. Please join us for the annual "Christmas By The Sea Bazaar" on Saturday, **December 6** from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's parish, 26 Hammond Street, Mattapoisett.

Seasonal handcrafted gifts, decorations, and stocking stuffers will be offered by local vendors, including wooden and leather wares, honey, ornaments (including the 2025 parish ornament designed by a local



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artist), seashell art, all types of sewn, crocheted, knitted and quilted items such as stuffed animals, hats, mittens and bags, carved wooden birds, jewelry, and much more.

When you arrive, you will be greeted with live festive music. As always, the Bazaar will offer a huge assortment of decorated wreaths and greens arrangements, gift baskets raffles, a grand raffle (1st prize: \$1,000, 2nd prize: \$500, 3rd prize: \$250), a toy shoppe with toys, cookie decorating, and games, and a large bake sale with all types of wonderful baked goods.

There will be refreshments as well, filling the hall with festive aromas. Refreshments will include: malasadas and coffee, "Friendship soup" (recipe to be provided), popcorn, hot chocolate bar, and more. There will even be a



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A bid for you to swoop in and take over an incomplete project could prove to be an excellent learning experience that you can take with you when a new opportunity opens up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for socializing, both with family and friends. Your aspects also favor developing new relationships, any or all of which might become especially meaningful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your success in handling a recent difficult situation prompts a request to handle another workplace problem. But this is one you should accept only if you get all of the relevant facts.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) New information about a past decision raises some unsettling questions from an old friend. Be prepared to explain your actions fully and, if necessary, make adjustments.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is not a good time to share personal secrets, even with someone you've known for a long while. What you don't reveal now won't come back to haunt you later.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Pushing yourself to meet a project deadline is admirable. But be careful not to leave out important details in your rush to complete your work and send it off.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Watch that you don't take on more than you can handle when offering to help someone with a personal problem. There might be hidden factors you weren't told about.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A major move you've been considering could come sooner than you expected. Make sure that you'll be ready with the facts you need when decision time arrives.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Languishing relationships can benefit from a break in routine. Get out of the rut, and do something new and maybe a little unpredictable this weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you don't think of yourself as a role model, your ability to make a tough decision at this time sets an example for others, who admire your courage.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You need to move any remaining obstacles out of your way before you can take on a new challenge. Seek out advice from close, trusted friends and associates.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A career change appears increasingly likely to happen during the next several weeks. It's a good idea to start now to prepare so that you can be ready to make the move when the time comes. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of obligation to justice, which inspires others to follow your example and do the right thing. (c) 2025 King Features Synd., Inc.

special appearance from Santa himself.

All proceeds will benefit St. Anthony- St. Rita parish initiatives, including providing college book scholarships to local high school seniors. Please find, like, and share our event on Facebook. If you have any questions, please reach out to Katie Silvia at katsa06@ gmail.com. We hope to see you there.

Mattapoisett Library Poetry Reading

Prize-winning regional poets will read their work on Sunday **October 19**, at 2:00 pm, at the Mattapoisett Library. This event is free and open to the public.

Featured poet Margot Wizansky will read from her most recent collection, Random Music in a Small Galaxy, whose poems explore the transcendent beauty of life even as they confront human mortality. Rich with images and emotion, Wizansky's tender poems bring attention "to war, migration, environmental crises, and religion with intimate details," in the words of poet Alexis Ivy.

Wizansky will be joined by two other members of the Mattapoisett Poets, Vivian Eyre and Eileen Paccia. Eyre's most recent collection, Ishamel's Violets, explores the endangerment of whales with its human, scientific and literary connections. A devoted steward of marine life, Eyre draws from her work monitoring whales and sea turtles in her writing and organizes the Poets in Conversation series at the Imago Gallery in Warren, RI.



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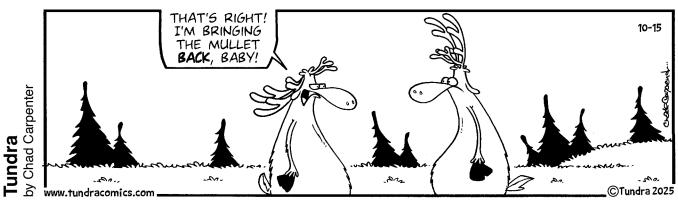
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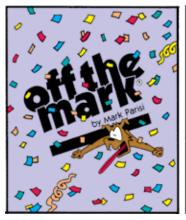
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Eileen Paccia, a New Bedford poet, works with the Martha's Vineyard Poetry Collective. Her narrative and lyrical poems explore the connections between humanity/nature in urban/ocean settings.

The poets will be introduced by Elizabeth Sylvia. Light refreshments will be served, and questions will be taken after the reading.

Sippican Historical Society Autumn Events

The Sippican Historical Society (SHS) announces its lineup of autumn events. This season's offerings include engaging lectures, family-friendly activities, and an exhibit that brings new perspectives on Marion's heritage.

Vintage enthusiasts, book lovers and bargain hunters should swing by SHS the weekend after for its Sidewalk Sale. On Friday, **October 17** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and on October 18 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, you can also find craft inspiration in the boxes of free maps and ephemera.

Stop by the Sippican Historical Society on Friday, **October 31** from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm after the Halloween parade for a bit of candy and culture - no costumes necessary.

On **November 13** at 6:30 pm, award-winning author Lauren Wolk returns to the Marion Music Hall to share her guidance on Writing Without a Map.

The Sippican Historical Society invites everyone

in the community to participate in its events. For more information and to sign up for weekly emails, go to sippicanhistoricalsociety.org.

About the Sippican Historical Society: The Sippican Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history of Marion, Massachusetts. Through its collections, exhibits, and public programs, the society works to educate the public and foster an appreciation for the rich cultural heritage of the Sippican region.

Marion Special Fall Town Meeting

The Marion Special Fall Town Meeting will now be held on Monday, **November 24**, at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Multipurpose Room.

We will host an informational Town Meeting Review, date and time to be determined.

Community Preservation Act Application Funding

The Mattapoisett Community Preservation Act Committee will be accepting project funding applications for Committee consideration and presentation at the Spring 2026 Annual Town Meeting. The Project Application and guidelines will be available on the Town Website and in paper form at the Select Board's Office on October 6. Submit Completed applications by November 7, to: Mattapoisett Community Preservation



LEGAL NOTICES

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TOWN OF MARION SELECT BOARD/BOARD OF ASSESSORS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Select Board and Board of Assessors will hold a public hearing at the Marion Police Department Conference Room, 550 Mill Street, on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 6:15 pm for the purpose of determining the classification of real property.

Randy L. Parker, Chair Select Board George T. J. Walker, Chair Board of Assessors 10/9, 10/16

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, October 16, 2025.

CASE #1575 Petition of Sonal Patel – Hillside Motel 92 Marion Road Mattapoisett, MA 02739. RE: The applicant proposes adding twenty-four motel units at the Hillside Motel site at 90-92 Marion Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit as provided by Sections 3.1 and 3.1.2 and Section 3.9 of the Mattapoisett By-Laws. The property is further described as Plot 5, Lots 142 & 143 on the Assessor's Map. The lot is in Zoning District GB – General Business. It is recorded with the

Plymouth County Registry of Deeds Book #32499, Page #162.

CASE #1576 Petition of Jeffrey & Julie Hayward - 79 Grange Park, Bridgewater, MA 02324. RE: 18 Nashawena Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The property is further described as Plot 15A, Lot 111on the Assessor's Map. The lot is in Zoning District W30. It is recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Book 40420, Page 51. The applicant is seeking 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 7.2.2.7. The applicant proposes to construct a 2-story garage with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) above the exact general location of a 165 sq. ft. accessory shed, which will be demolished. The proposed living space floor area of the ADU will be 384 sq. ft. or 50% of the living space of the primary house (768 sq. ft.), the remaining 448 sq ft of the 2nd story.

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 Rottler, Jordan Rodrigues 10/9, 10/16

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 27, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by 8 Dyar Road Nominee

Trust.

The meeting will also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.

The Applicant proposes to perform driveway & landscape improvements related to recently installed geothermal wells and a water service line.

The Applicant also requests post-construction authorization for said work.

The described work falls within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (El. 17) and partially within the 100ft. Buffer Zone of a Coastal Dune.

The property is known as 8 Dyar Road which is also identified as Lot #25 on Assessors Map #12A. 10/16

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 27, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Dennis Mahoney & Sons, Inc., PO Box 417, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to construct a single family dwelling with associated underground utilities and replace an existing culvert in Old Slough Road. The project is located at 0 Nicky's Lane, and is further identified as Lot 33 on Assessor Map 21. **Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/16

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis







Tundra by Chad Carpenter



Act Committee, c/o Mattapoisett Select Board Office, PO Box 435, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Each project request must be submitted to the CPA Committee using the Project Application Form. Nine (9) copies of the application package must be provided to the Committee. For information and questions email cwmccullough@comcast.net.

Friends of the Mattapoisett Library to Host Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the Mattapoisett Library invite book lovers of all ages to their upcoming Fall Book Sale on Saturday **October 25**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Library Community Room at 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. This event is a great opportunity to find gently used books at affordable prices while supporting the library's valuable programs and activities.

In preparation for the sale, the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library will also be accepting book donations on Friday, October 24, from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Community members are encouraged to donate gently used books to help make the event a success.

All proceeds from the sale directly benefit the library, funding programs, events, and resources that enrich the Mattapoisett community.

For more information, please contact the Friends of the Mattapoisett Library at friendsofmattapoisettlibrary@gmail.com.

Marion Historical Commission

The Marion Historical Commission is pleased to share the announcement of Preservation Massachusetts' 2026 round of the Massachusetts Historic Preservation Matching Grant Program. Funding for this program is provided by the 1772 Foundation, which has made \$125,000 available for preservation projects in the Commonwealth for 2026.

The 1772 Foundation, in cooperation with Preservation Massachusetts, is making available 1:1 matching grants of up to \$10,000 for exterior preservation projects, such as painting, finishes and surface restoration; repair to/restoration of porches, roofs, and windows; foundation and sill repairs; and masonry repairs and chimney repointing on historic buildings owned or leased by eligible non-profit organizations. Buildings must be listed in the MA State Register of Historic Places or receive local historical commission verification of their significance in order to participate. National Register districts and local historic districts are included in the MA State Register. Active religious and school organizations are not eligible to apply.

For the full announcement, important dates, criteria, and program details, visit the website of Preservation Massachusetts at: www.preservationmass. org/ma-hp-grant-requirements-details. Questions about the program may be directed to scaplanson@

preservationma.org.

Letters of Inquiry are due **November 1**. Full applications are due February 20, 2026. Grant awards will be made in May 2026.

Fall Free Family Fun Festival

The Mattapoisett Lions Club, Annual Fall Free Family Fun Festival will take place at Shipyard Park in Mattapoisett on Saturday, **November 1**, from noon until 4:00 pm, rain date Saturday, November 8.

Fall Free Family Fun Festival will include hayrides around town, goody bag and pumpkin for each child, pumpkin patch, pumpkin bowling, pin the nose on the pumpkin, face painting, positive fortune telling, coloring station, music, Mattapoisett Fire Department fire truck and fire fighters, refreshments, and more, all free No registration required.

Church of the Good Shepherd

The Good Shepherd's Table at the Church of the Good Shepherd on 74 High Street in Wareham serves a free in-person meal, which is open to the public, every Thursday at 4:30 pm. All are welcome to the church's dining hall-come as you are and enjoy free dining and fellowship. The October menu is October 2, Baked Chicken Dinner; October 9, Baby Back Ribs Dinner; October 16, Pasta with Sauce Dinner; October 23, Hamburger on Bun Dinner; and October 30, Baked Ham

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TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT SELECT BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing will be held upon the petition of EVERSOURCE to replace one pole and install guy anchor and install one new pole and guy anchor in the Right of Way of Mattapoisett Neck Road, Mattapoisett. This work is required for system reliability with direct benefits to both residents and businesses.

The Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Board meeting is also available via ZOOM. Sign on information is on the town website.

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MAC Theater Presents Proof

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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 were actually her own work.

Catherine is played by Emma Peterson, and MAC regular Donn Tyler takes a turn as Robert, Catherine's father. Oliver Asker returns to the MAC as Hal, and Charlotte Baxter plays Claire. The play is stage-managed by Robert Mahowald, and the technical director is Steve McManus, with Jacob Sherburne as Set Designer.

The show dates are Friday, Saturday and Sunday from **October 10 to October 26**. Friday and Saturday curtain time is 7:30 pm and the Sunday matinee starts at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 MAC members and \$23 for non-members. More information and bookings are at marionartcenter.org/events/proof.

Marion Natural History Museum Afterschool Programs

Amazing Adaptation: How bugs survive cold weather - **November 5** - Led by Entomologist Blake Dinius we will see how different insect species survive the cold winter months. We will have some fun looking at some examples of local insects from Blake's collection and possibly some live specimens as well.

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Mattapoisett Cultural Council

Mattapoisett Cultural Council invites grant proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs until **October 16** at massculturalcouncil. org/communities/local-cultural-council-program/application-process/. Grants are available to support cultural projects and activities in and around Mattapoisett -- including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies or performances in schools, workshops, and lectures. These programs promote the availability of rich cultural experiences for Mattapoisett residents.

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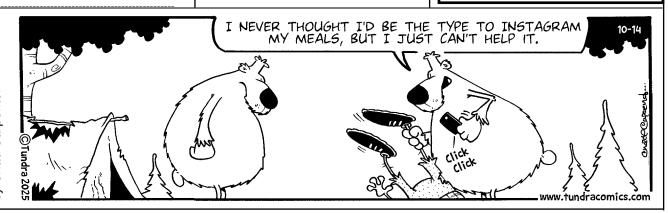
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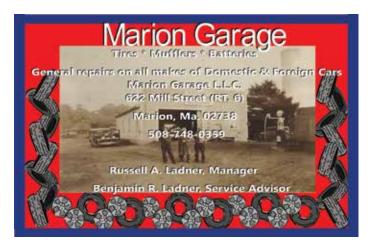




organizations under certain circumstances.

Applicants are encouraged to review local funding priorities at www.mass-culture.org/mattapoisett. Applications will be evaluated with respect to how well the program meets local priorities, community support and involvement, evidence of track record, evidence that a public benefit will result from the project, financial need, and demonstrated planning.

Recently funded projects included: theatrical, literary, and science programs for children and adults at Mattapoisett Free Public Library, concerts by Sippican Choral Society, SouthCoast Children's Chorus, and Tri-County Symphonic Band, programs and exhibits at Mattapoisett Museum, and in-school and summertime



arts and science programs sponsored by the Mattapoisett PTA, Mattapoisett Recreation, Mattapoisett Land Trust, and New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance, among others.

To contact Mattapoisett Cultural Council directly with questions, please email us at chrisbrennan1955@ comcast.net.

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Videos and/or video links should be sent to ShowstoppersME@gmail.com. Email for more information or call 508-758-4525.

Showstoppers Musical Entertainment is a subsidiary of Showstoppers Performing Arts, Inc., an all-volunteer non-profit organization. Follow them on Facebook to keep updated on their activities: www.facebook.com/showstopppers.us.

Rochester Cultural Council

The Rochester Cultural Council (RCC) will be accepting online applications from organizations, schools, and individuals for grants to support community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs.

The RCC is composed of volunteers appointed by the Rochester Select Board. Using funding provided by the Mass Cultural Council, each year the RCC awards money to arts, humanities, and sciences projects put forth by local groups to enhance the quality of life in the Rochester community.

Proposals may include programs such as school field trips, after-school programs, concerts, festivals, lectures, theater, dance, music, film and STEM projects. In 2025 the RCC awarded \$5,800 to seventeen organizations including the Rochester Council On Aging, RMS PTO, Old Colony PTO, Marion Art Center, New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance and the Mattapoisett Historical Society. A full list of 2025 grantees can be found at our MCC page at massculturalcouncil.org/local-council/rochester/.

If you have a great idea for bringing culturally enriching programming to the Rochester area and need funding to make it a reality, We can help. Quick links to tips for grant writing and the application process can also be found at bit.ly/RCCTips. The online application window will be open until **October 16**.

Finally, the RCC is always looking to welcome new members. To find out more about us, check us out at www.facebook.com/rochestermaculturalcouncil, feel free to attend one of our open meetings, or email us directly

at rochesterculturalcouncil@gmail.com. We would love to have you join us.

Marion Cultural Council

Marion Cultural Council is excited to receive online grant applications for individuals and organizations for art and STEM-related projects that will help to enrich the Marion community. The Mass Cultural Council has set an **October 16** deadline for organizations, schools, and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities and proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs in the community. These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in Marion-- including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, or performances in schools, workshops, and lectures.

The Marion Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences, and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

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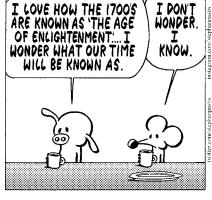
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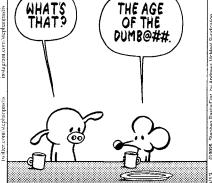
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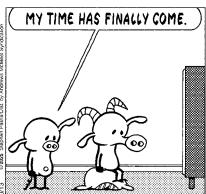
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis







Council Program and a list of the council's priorities are available online at https://www.mass-culture.org/Marion.

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.



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Veitch, Leslie A Veitch, Colin W	Cottam, Alexis Keeler, Alexis Russo Cottam, Robbie	21 Autumn Ln	Marion	09/26/2025	785,000.00				
Barn Holdings LLC	Cervelli, Alan E TR Cervelli Family RT 382 Vaughn Hill RT	382 Vaughn Hill Rd 384 Vaughn Hill Rd 386 Vaughn Hill Rd	Rochester	09/29/2025	1,092,000.00				
62 Marion Road RT Pasquill, Richard A TR Duquette, Aaron TR	62, Marion Road LLC	62 Marion Rd 0 Marion Rd	Mattapoisett	09/29/2025	426,000.00				
Souza, Robert	Nunes, Dorothy A Hohne, Catherine E Martin, Deborah	0 Off Crystal Spring Rd	Mattapoisett	09/30/2025	3,000.00				
Pastor, Stephen Pastor, Annie	Reardon, Daniel Robert TR Reardon 50 50 IT Cambridge, Lisa A TR Sullivan, Lisa Ann TR	7 Holly Pond Rd	Marion	09/30/2025	730,000.00				
Wray, Mattehw Mcgovern, Elise	Tetrault Real Estate LLC	14 Cranberry Way	Marion	09/30/2025	518,000.00				
May 23 Beacon LLC	Reilly, Katherine M TR 23 Beacon Street NT	23 Beacon St	Mattapoisett	09/30/2025	2,499,000.00				
Monteiro, William Baptista Monteiro, Masada Shalom	Downey, Kathleen M TR Downey, Matthew J TR Jose R Beatriz 2004 RT	204a North St	Mattapoisett	09/30/2025	881,250.00				
Grant, Susan M Martin, Christopher J Martin, Jennifer	Sarajon Realty LLC Bray, Gibbs V Bray, Sophie Dorothy Bray, Mabelle	507 High St Lot 2 453 Rounseville Rd	Rochester Rochester	09/30/2025 09/30/2025	739,000.00 525,000.00				

by Mark Parisi



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Thursday	October 16	4:39	5:14	11:26			
Friday	October 17	5:39	6:08	12:03	12:08		
Saturday	October 18	6:30	6:54	12:30	12:41		
Sunday	October 19	7:14	7:34	12:49	1:12		
Monday	October 20	7:54	8:12	1:09	1:44		
Tuesday	October 21	8:31	8:48	1:36	2:19		
Wednesday	October 22	9:06	9:24	2:08	2:56		
Thursday	October 23	9:40	10:00	2:44	3:34		
Friday	October 24	10:14	10:37	3:21	4:11		
Saturday	October 25	10:51	11:17	3:58	4:48		
Sunday	October 26	11:31		4:36	5:26		
Monday	October 27	12:02	12:19	5:16	6:10		
Tuesday	October 28	12:53	1:11	6:01	7:09		
Wednesday	October 29	1:45	2:05	7:01	8:31		
Thursday	October 30	2:39	3:00	8:21	9:39		
Friday	October 31	3:35	3:58	9:46	10:27		
Saturday	November 1	4:34	4:59	10:53	11:08		
Sunday	November 2	4:32	4:57	10:47	10:49		
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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!

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Food Club

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Frito Lay

Almonds

Betty Crocker

Minis Snacks

16 oz. Selected Variety

16 oz. Selected Variety

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32 oz. Selected Variety

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2.875-5.125 oz. Selected Variety

8.9-12 oz. Selected Variety General Mills Cereal

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12 oz. Selected Variety

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16 oz. Pkg. With Roasted Vegetables & Feta Cheese \$099

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