



Congratulations to Barnstable High School students Kyle McMullin, Blake Germani, and Connor Levesque, who were the winners of the Massachusetts DECA and Celtics Marketing Pitch Contest!

More information about their recent successes and future DECA events is below in the School Committee Meeting update.

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Town Council Meeting – February 6, 2020

Last night’s Town Council Meeting began with Town Council President Paul Hebert presiding over the meeting which began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence as was followed by Public Comment. Prior to his formal Town Manager Communications report, Town Manager Mark Ells responded to comments regarding the status of the Cape Cod Hospital expansion project as well as to a Panel Discussion on 5G that the Town of Barnstable will be hosting in the near future. The following items were presented during [Town Manager Communications](#) for the period January 24-February 6, 2020:

1. We are proceeding with the tasks in the [budget action calendar for FY 2021](#) as scheduled. We have prepared the proposed FY 2021 Capital Improvement Budget for submission to Town Council on February 24, 2020 as per Part VI, Section 6-5 (a) of the Charter. Town Council must adopt FY 2021 CIP before June 1, 2020. We have scheduled the fiscal year 2021 Town Manager rate hearing on March 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Town Hall in the James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town’s Open Budget website at <http://budget.townofbarnstable.us>.
2. Debra M. Blanchette, Town Treasurer, announced that the Town of Barnstable received competitive bids from bond and note underwriters on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, for a

\$10,855,000, 20-year bond issue and a \$2,052,950, 1-year taxable note issue. Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC was the winning bidder on the Bonds with an average interest rate of 1.69%. Piper Sandler & Co. was the winning bidder on the Notes with a net interest cost of 1.88%. The Town received a total of nine (9) bids on the Bonds and five (5) bids on the Notes. Bond and Note proceeds will be used to finance various capital projects. Prior to the sale, S&P Global Ratings, a municipal bond credit rating agency, affirmed the Town's 'AAA' bond rating, the highest rating attainable. The rating agency cited the Town's very strong economy, very strong management with strong financial policies and practices, strong budgetary performance, very strong budgetary flexibility, very strong liquidity, strong debt and contingent liability profile, and strong institutional framework as positive credit factors.

3. As required by our Town Charter and Administrative Code the Town's FY2019 [Comprehensive Annual Financial Report](#) is on the Town's website. This document has been audited by the CPA firm of Powers & Sullivan and they have issued their report thereupon which begins on page 19. A "clean" opinion was received. Two accompanying documents are still in progress; the management letter and statement of federal financial assistance.
4. On January 23, 2020 the Town Council voted 2020-074 Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of \$16,500 for the Barnstable Department of Public Works Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Expense Budget for the purpose of funding maintenance at the former Cotuit Elementary School, located at 140 Old Oyster Road, Cotuit, MA. On February 5, 2020, the School Committee voted favorably to transfer the remaining fund balance (\$208,611.59) in the revolving account for the Waldorf Lease at the Cotuit Elementary School to the Town of Barnstable General Fund. These funds upon transfer become a revenue source of the General Fund subject to appropriation by the Town Council. At the end of the fiscal year it closes to the General Fund surplus. We are requesting that the Cotuit Elementary School be referred by Town Council to the Asset Subcommittee of Town Council so that a recommendation can be made relative to purpose and funding for this municipal asset. We anticipate a request in the FY 2021 Operating Budget for year round maintenance of this facility Town Council Order 2020-074 was for half a fiscal year's maintenance for an unoccupied building. We can continue with this approach until the property's long-term use is identified.
5. Our Department of Public Works continue their efforts of public water supply well rehabilitation at the Mary Dunn #4 well site and are actively installing test wells on numerous sites across Barnstable. We plan to complete the test well drilling in February 2020. Public Works provided the Conservation Commission with an update on well drilling activities and continue meetings with the other water purveyors in Barnstable as we look comprehensively at water management. We shall continue to report our progress and findings relative to these efforts.
6. As part of proposed modifications to the Drinking Water Regulations, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) intends to set a Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 20 parts per trillion for Total PFAS (sum of 6 compounds). MassDEP held a series of public hearings around the state to describe the proposed modifications and solicit input. We attended and provided comments at the January 28, 2020 hearing and public comment period ends February 28, 2020. Link to website <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/310-CMR-22-the-massachusetts-drinking-water-regulations>. We will keep you advised as this matter progresses.
7. When Brian Florence, Barnstable Building Commissioner, commenced employment in 2017 there were over 90 properties that were abandoned or in various states of disrepair identified in Barnstable. Commissioner Florence and Mr. Ells met to discuss a strategic approach to enforce our codes and to abate violations at those properties (MGL 143 Section 6 through 12). We discussed the role of code officials and how it was necessary to triage those properties to address life safety concerns first and foremost and after that, turn our attention to lesser code

violations. Commissioner Florence outlined a plan to categorize the properties in terms of Critical Concern, Significant Concern and Concern and our plan to address them beginning with critical concern properties. Mr. Ells participated in a site tour of the five (5) worst properties involving building, legal, and fire. Since that meeting we have continued to review and address the identified properties and have worked to abate the most hazardous conditions. We have conducted multiple enforcement activities and have had several of the most dangerous structures in Town demolished as a result of our actions. Over the last 29 months the Building Division has worked in cooperation with Fire Officials from our various Fire Districts and utilized our collective institutional knowledge to identify structures that were unsafe and a danger to the public. During that time we conducted field inspections and made observations of dozens of properties that were ultimately posted as unsafe structures in accordance with Massachusetts General Law and the State Building Code. Once our inspectors started an enforcement action as required by law we worked closely and cooperatively with the property owners to issue building permits and render assistance as needed to help them abate the hazards on their properties. To date we permitted and concluded the inspection processes that oversaw the demolition of 22 principle structures that were extremely dangerous and posed a hazard to the public. We shall continue this effort and keep you advised of our progress on this matter.

Airport Manager Katie Servis, joined by Barnstable Municipal Airport Commission Chair John Griffin, and Assistant Airport Manager Matt Elia, presented a [Barnstable Municipal Airport Update](#). Chris Kennedy, Mobility Manager, Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA), shared information on [Smart DART-Dial-A-Ride Transportation](#), a pilot program that will launch in Barnstable. Planning and Development Director Elizabeth Jenkins and Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority Administrator Tom Cahir presented on a [Transit Oriented Development and Housing](#) proposal for the CCRTA property. **OLD BUSINESS** Town Councilor Matthew Levesque presented [Agenda Item 2020-078](#) Appointments to a Board/ Committee/ Commission: **Airport Commission; Housing Committee; Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission; Recreation Commission; Shellfish Committee** which was approved. **NEW BUSINESS** Town Manager Mark Ells presented [Agenda Item 2020-079](#) Transfer Order of **\$60,000** from the Fiscal Year 2020 Planning & Development Personnel Cost Budget to the Fiscal Year 2020 Town Manager Budget for the purpose of funding the New Communications Director Position and associated operating expenses which was approved. Mr. Ells then announced that he has appointed Community Services Director Lynne Poyant as the new Director of Communications. [Agenda Item 2020-080](#) Appropriation and Loan Order in the amount of **\$220,860** pursuant to Temporary Repairs to Private Roads Program for certain private ways regarding Goodview Way, Barnstable Village was referred to a Public Hearing on February 27, 2020. The next Town Council meeting will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Barnstable Town Hall, James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis.

School Committee Meeting – February 5, 2020

The School Committee Meeting on February 5th included the approval of the 2020-2021 School Calendar, the Initial Presentation of the FY'21 Budget, and congratulations to three Barnstable High School students on their achievement with DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America). The approved 2020-2021 School Calendar can be found on the district's website Barnstable.k12.ma.us. Superintendent Meg Mayo-Brown and Deputy Financial Director Gareth Markwell gave a big picture view of the budget for FY'21. They reviewed the revenues and resources available to the School Department including the general operating appropriation, revolving funds, savings account, grants, gifts and donations. The total operating resources are estimated at \$74,860,173. At the March 4th meeting, the Committee will take a closer, detailed look at the operating expenses. On March 18th, there will be a Public Hearing on the FY'21 Budget, along with a vote to approve the budget. Once the School

Committee approves the budget, it is forwarded onto the Town Manager and ultimately the Town Council for approval. In the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Mayo-Brown congratulated Barnstable High School students Kyle McMullin, Blake Germani, and Connor Levesque (*see picture above*), who were the winners of the Massachusetts DECA and Celtics Marketing Pitch Contest. Massachusetts DECA has teamed with the Boston Celtics to challenge high school students around the Commonwealth to create a tagline campaign and the supporting marketing components for the Celtics organization. Kyle, Blake, and Connor will receive recognition at this year's Massachusetts State DECA conference on February 27th at the Hynes Convention Center. They are so excited as it also secures their spots for the Emerging Leaders Academy at the DECA International Career and Development Conference in Nashville, Tennessee April 28th-May 3rd. They will be representing Barnstable High School DECA and Massachusetts DECA when they propose their winning campaign to the Celtics executives later this month up at the TD Garden in Boston. Their 5-page marketing campaign included in-game activation, social media campaigns and a "kick off" component. Their marketing campaign proposal was evaluated by the Celtics organization and Kyle, Connor and Blake's three winning marketing taglines "Feed the Green", "Scream Green", and "Be seen, Go green" secured the win! Imagine if their pitch goes well this month, their slogans could be seen on Causeway Street as the newest playoff push motivator this season! Good luck Kyle, Connor and Blake!

Absentee Ballots Now Available for March 3, 2020 Presidential Primaries

Town Clerk Ann Quirk would like you to know that Absentee Ballots are now available in the Town Clerk's Office for the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primaries. The deadline to register to vote for the Massachusetts presidential primary is less than one week from today – Wednesday, February 12, 2020. You can [register online](#), update and check your voter registration very easily. Early voting will be starting on Monday, February 24 and ends Friday, February 28, 2020.

Mooring Wait List Deadline is Tuesday, February 18th by 4:15 PM

Renewal applications for Mooring and Mooring Waiting Lists were mailed out for January. **Mooring Waiting List deadline is February 15th at 4:15 PM, but since this falls on a Saturday the deadline will fall to the next business day (Tuesday, February 18th because of the Presidents' Day holiday) by 4:15 PM the renewal and payment needs to be at MEA, 1189 Phinney's Lane, Centerville, MA 02632 by that deadline.** Mooring Permit Renewals are due by February 28, 2020 at 4:15 PM to the above address. Mooring deadlines link on the Town of Barnstable's website can be found [here](#).

Notice from the Town Assessor

From now until October, representatives of Vision Government Solutions, who have been contracted to conduct the Fiscal Year 2021 Town Wide Reappraisal Project, may request access to your property. The first phase of the project is: 1) the inspection of all real property that have not been inspected within the last ten years (the Bureau of Local Assessment of the Department of Revenue requires all communities to perform periodic inspections of all real property every TEN years); and 2) a full field review of residential sales during calendar 2019 to be utilized in the FY2021 assessments (the Bureau of Local Assessment of the Department of Revenue requires all communities to perform a full reappraisal of all property every FIVE years). Channel 18 has shared a [brief video](#) with Town Director of Assessing Edward F. O'Neil, MAA, explaining why this project is so important.

The scope of this part of the project is to verify the property characteristics of sold properties in calendar year 2019. Accurate property data is a critical element in the development of uniform and equitable market values.

The representatives from Vision Government Solutions will have ID badges, a letter of introduction from the Town Director of Assessing, Edward F. O'Neil, MAA, and are registered with the Barnstable

Police Department. The Board of Assessors and Vision Government Solutions appreciate your cooperation in providing the representative with access to your property or any information necessary to undertake this assignment. Please keep in mind that if your property characteristics are not accurate a less reliable assessment could result. If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact the Assessors' Office at 508-862-4022.

Hands-free Law Takes Effect February 23, 2020

The new Hands-Free law takes effect in Massachusetts in a few weeks. On Sunday, February 23, police throughout Massachusetts will be able to provide warnings for drivers who are not compliant with the new Hands-Free law. And remember, after March 31, police will be able to start citing drivers for these violations. More information can be found here: www.Mass.gov/handsfree. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to keep Massachusetts roads safe.



HYCC Hosts Children's Cove Focus Group on Wednesday, February 26th

We need YOUR help in reducing child sexual abuse! Join us on February 26th from 5:30-7:30 PM to give us feedback! Barnstable Recreation, the Hyannis Youth & Community Center (HYCC) and Children's Cove, The Cape & Islands Child Advocacy Center, work together in partnership to create a community where children enjoy healthy, safe, and empowered lives. Children's Cove is seeking input on how they are making an impact within the community, and how Children's Cove can better educate the community and reduce incidents of child sexual abuse, and other of crimes against children on Cape Cod. We are inviting parents and members of our community to attend and participate in a focus group in the Shepley Room at Hyannis Youth & Community Center on **Wednesday, February 26th, from 5:30-6:30 PM. Free childcare will be provided** by HYCC staff members during this period. Refreshments will be available for participants and **dinner will be provided for children in childcare during the session.** Participants will also receive a **\$50 Visa Gift Card.** If you would like to learn more or to participate please contact Mark Boardley at 508-790-6345 x116 or by emailing mark.boardley@town.barnstable.ma.us. Please be prepared to provide some details about yourself such as your name, contact information, if you will need childcare, ages of children, and if they have any food allergies. Signups and registration for childcare are needed by **Friday, February 21st**. Please help us in joining Children's Cove to create a community where children are free of abuse, have a voice that is heard, and where they enjoy healthy, safe, and empowered lives.

DPW's 2020 Snow & Ice Brochure

The 2020 Department of Public Works Snow and Ice Brochure is out. You can view the brochure [here](#).

What is the Census?

As mandated by the U.S. Constitution, the census is a once every-decade count of everyone living in the country. When we know how many people live in your community, organizations, and businesses are better equipped to evaluate the services and programs needed, such as clinics, schools, and roads. It also determines how seats in

Congress are distributed among the 50 states. In March of 2020, the U.S. Census Bureau will send every household an invitation to complete a simple questionnaire about who lives at your address

on April 1st. You will have the

opportunity to respond online, by phone, or by mail, and federal law keeps those responses safe and secure. Shape your future. Start here. Visit 2020CENSUS.GOV. You can view the Census 2020 PSA on What is the Census? [here](#). Click [here](#) to view Channel 18's Paula Hersey's Census 2020 interview with Town Clerk Ann Quirk.



Bismore Welcome Center Brochure Program

Registrations are now being accepted for profit and non-profit cultural organizations, businesses, and attractions to participate in the 2020 Bismore Park Welcome Center Brochure Program. Located at Hyannis Harbor and open 7 days a week from the last week of April to October 31st, the Town of Barnstable Welcome Center is staffed by skillfully trained, customer-oriented Gateway Greeters readily available to assist connecting guests to local services and experiences. Each year the Gateway Greeters create customized recommendations for over 50,000 visitors to Hyannis. For more information about this opportunity please visit us [on-line](#) or contact Liz Hartsgrove, Assistant Director of Planning and Development, at Elizabeth.hartsgrove@town.barnstable.ma.us or 508-862-4068.



'Ebb & Flow' works inspired by time spent at Sandy Neck Beach Barnstable High School Art Students, Fine Arts 4 Class

Artwork on display at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center now through April 3, 2020



The Hyannis Youth and Community Center's (HYCC) United Cultures Resource Room (also known as Barnstable Public School's Family & Community Engagement Center) now features wall exhibit panels to showcase a variety of student creative works including literary and visual art pieces by Cape Cod students throughout the year. "The Hyannis Youth and Community Center is more than just sports; our youth's talents should be highlighted in all of their achievements and passions," says

Recreation Director Patti Machado. The inaugural student spotlight exhibit features students in Abby Fay Smith's Barnstable High School Fine Arts 4 class. The exhibit is on display now through April 3, 2020. The United Cultures Resource Room is open to the general public Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Saturday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM and occasional evenings during BHS special events. The Hyannis Youth & Community Center is located at 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601. 508-790-6345. The Hyannis Youth and Community Center is a 105,000 sq. ft. full service community center featuring twin NHL size ice skating rinks, a 12,500 sq. ft. wood floor gymnasium, walking track and outdoor skate park. The purpose of the HYCC is to provide state-of-the-art accessible facilities for a variety of recreational programs and special events, competitive sports organizations, after-school activities and opportunities for the community at large to foster educational excellence and physical growth across all generations.

ABOUT THE EXHIBIT

In October 2019 students from Barnstable High School's Fine Arts 4 Class participated in a field trip out to the Sandy Neck House at the "Halfway Point," so called because of its location half way down the inner rim of Sandy Neck. The building, more of a nature camp than a "house," is nestled in the maritime forest perched above the Barnstable Great Marsh. It overlooks a thick matted patch of marsh grass, Osprey nesting sites and a cluster of bird houses opening up to a view of Barnstable Harbor. Students Celita Cadet, Triona Ferrie, Victoria Hall, Alison Kearney, Shaya Morales, Stephen Pond, Alec Rogalski, Sam Van Gelder and Elisha Watson were tasked with combining what they had previously researched regarding the ecology, history, topography, and conservation aspects of Sandy Neck with their experiences journeying out to the House out at the Halfway Point. Accompanying them were Town of Barnstable Sandy Neck Natural Resource Officer Sean Kortis and Barnstable High School art teachers Abby Fay Smith and Matt Kemp. During the day the students observed baby diamondback terrapins saved by the Town's conservation efforts, multiple tracks from a range of Sandy Neck fauna, explored the trails snaking through the maritime forest, gathered materials, and created a series of plein air sketches and wrote about their adventure. From this experience, the group created a range of artistic responses, utilizing a variety of techniques including photo collage, mixed media painting, traditional acrylic painting, printmaking, and sculpture. They tell the story of the interaction of two of Barnstable's greatest resources: the natural beauty of Sandy Neck and the bright, talented, and inspiring students of Barnstable High School. For more information on the HYCC student artwork spotlight or the adult artist excursion program out at Sandy Neck Beach, email melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us or visit on-line www.ArtsBarnstable.com.

FEATURED STUDENT ARTIST STATEMENT Sandy Neck Beach Park art excursion:

Triona Ferrie

Untitled Watercolor, embroidery thread, wood, shells, canvas, flowers, ink

My experience at Sandy Neck was very whimsical yet informative. I got to see a lot more than I thought I would. I loved seeing all of the autumn color of the beach. Most of the time when I go to Sandy Neck, I go to see the water; I had no idea that there was a whole world of trees and animals besides that. Things that came to mind during the free-writing session we had while we were there were random poems and words that all kind of spilt together. My

inspiration was: different works by Teresa Barbosa and Hokusai's Great Wave print.

What really inspired my work was going back to Sandy Neck Beach in the early morning one Sunday to watch the sunrise and seeing all the color and the waves. The materials I used were somewhat inspired by Teresa Barbosa but the watercolor and the ink are of my own. I used watercolor because it's difficult to control like the ocean itself.



George Booth - artwork on exhibit at Barnstable Town Hall

2nd Floor meeting rooms - now through March 27, 2020

The "Art on Loan" program displays the works of local artists on meeting room walls in Barnstable Town Hall. Paintings by George Booth are on display in 2nd floor meeting rooms in Barnstable Town Hall, now through March 27, 2020.

ABOUT THE ARTIST:

George Booth always had an interest in art but not beyond a sketch book. A Barnstable High School graduate, it was not until his late twenties that he became serious with his art career. He studied painting at the University of New Hampshire with Craig Hood and Melvin Zabarsky and received his BFA in 1987. He moved to Cambridge, Massachusetts where he "painted in obscurity" until moving to the Cape in 1999. He studied under Sarah Holl, who provided a great foundation and continued in Provincetown to engage in an extended study with Vicky Tomayko and Jim Peters. Booth says of his style, "I am looking at my surroundings and I am seeing the landscape. My painting is what happens for me between looking and seeing. I paint to live and live to paint."

ABOUT THE ARTWORK ON LOAN PROGRAM:

The artwork on display is located in the James H. Crocker Hearing Room and the Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd floor in Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis. Town Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM (except State and Federal holidays) and frequently opens during evening hours for scheduled meetings. Free parking in the Town Hall parking lot. For more information on this program email melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us 508-862-4767 | www.ArtsBarnstable.com



Housing Assistance Corporation is Now Taking Pre-applications for The Lofts at 57

The Town of Barnstable has expressed our commitment to the success of this important development and to our local non-profit housing collaborator Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC) with support from the Community Preservation Act and our Municipal Affordable Housing Trust. The Lofts at 57 (57 Ridgewood Avenue, Hyannis, MA) include two income restricted affordable units and six market-rate apartments that are helping to fill an important gap in our local housing inventory often called "the missing middle." These six market rate apartments are not restricted to low-income households and they are not expensive, luxury units. The townhouses are arranged around a central green with private, off-street parking, creating a pocket neighborhood in a convenient location. All units include modern finishes, 1 ½ baths, full basement storage, and in-unit laundry hook-ups as well as coin-op laundry machines in a shared building space.

Rents for the market-rate one-bedroom units will be \$1,400 plus utilities. The two-bedroom units rent for \$1,800 plus utilities. Pre-applications are available on the [HAC website](#). Applications for the restricted affordable units are also on the website. The one-bedroom affordable apartments will rent for \$1,200 and tenants cannot make more than 80% AMI (\$51,250 for a single person household).



LOFTS AT 57

57 RIDGEWOOD AVE, HYANNIS
 NEW ONE- AND TWO-BEDROOM APARTMENTS
 AVAILABLE SPRING 2020!

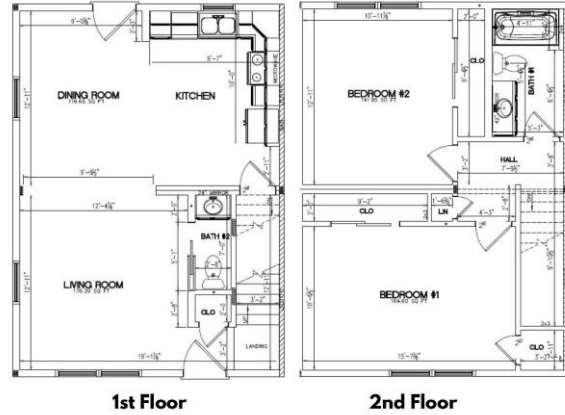
- 2 two-bedroom units (1,100 SF)
- 6 one-bedroom units (825 SF)
- All units have 1.5 bathrooms
- All units have 500 SF of private basement storage
- Off-street parking
- Washer/Dryer
- Stainless steel appliances
- Modern finishes
- Townhouse-style living
- Close to shopping, transportation, and Cape Cod Hospital
- Experienced, professional property management

One-Bedroom Rent
\$1,400, plus utilities;

Two Bedroom Rent
\$1,800, plus utilities



Example Floor Plan



PRE-APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE AT:
HACONCAPECOD.ORG/PROGRAMS/AVAILABLE-HOUSING/
 FOR ANY INQUIRIES, PLEASE CALL DAVID QUINN AT 508-771-5400

Vineyard Wind Information Sessions in the Town of Barnstable

OPEN HOUSE
FEBRUARY 20
 Barnstable Town Hall 4-7pm

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SESSIONS

THURSDAY, MARCH 5 • 4 - 6pm
 Osterville Village Library

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18 • 4 - 6pm
 Hyannis Youth and Community Center

VINEYARD WIND

vineyardwind.com/barnstable

The Barnstable Youth Commission is hosting its 4th Annual Youth Job Fair!

The Ready, Set, Work! Youth Job Fair is back again this coming year on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 from 2:30-4:30 PM at the HYCC. If you are looking to hire summer or year-round employees between the ages of 14 and 18, we welcome you to come join the fair this coming year. Please contact Amy Harwood at 508-862-4638 or Amy.Harwood@town.barnstable.ma.us if you are interested. Deadline for participating businesses to register is February 28, 2020.

Updated January 23, 2020 - Update on Water Quality Resource Management Efforts in Barnstable

Barnstable's Channel 18 has prepared a [YouTube playlist](#) of segments they have created on Water Quality Resource Efforts in the Town of Barnstable. The informative pieces include Town Manager Mark Ells talking about Water Quality Planning, Herring Run 2019, Cotuit Bay Dredging, Barnstable at Work – Hyannis Water Supply Division, Water Quality Testing in the Three Bays and more. At the January 3, 2019 Town Council meeting, DPW Director Dan Santos presented an [Update on Wastewater Management Efforts in Barnstable](#). We thought we would share this important information again in this week's eNews. Mr. Santos' presentation can be viewed [here](#). Additional updates have been provided at the [February 28, 2019 Town Council Meeting](#), [March 21, 2019 Town Council Meeting](#), [June 20, 2019 Town Council Meeting](#), [August 15, 2019 Town Council Meeting](#), as well as the [September 19, 2019 Town Council Meeting](#). Here is the [link](#) for Finance Director Mark Milne's presentation to the Town Council at their October 3, 2019 meeting. DPW Director Dan Santos, joined by Assistant DPW Director Rob Steen and Town Engineer Griffin Beaudoin, presented the [Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan](#) (CWMP) at the October 10, 2019 Town Council meeting. DPW Director Dan Santos provided an update on the CWMP during Town Manager Communications at the [November 21, 2019 Town Council meeting](#), the [December 19, 2019 Town Council meeting](#) and the [January 23, 2020 Town Council meeting](#).

ROAD WORK UPDATES

As always please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas and follow posted safety and detour signs.



***NEW* National Grid New Customer Hookups**

Neuco crews will install gas service as follows: Monday, February 10, 2020 County Seat Street, Hyannis; Tuesday, February 11, 2020 Whidden Avenue, Hyannis; Wednesday, February 12, 2020 Craigville Beach Road, Centerville; Thursday, February 13, 2020 Old Oyster Road, Cotuit; Friday, February 14, 2020 Longview Drive, Hyannis. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. This project should take about two days to complete. Visit ngrid.com/service_line to view a YouTube video explaining the replacement of the service pipe to customer homes. Operations will start promptly at 7:00 AM and run until 3:00 PM. Reduce speed, and use caution. All scheduled work is dependent on weather and/or may be impacted due to an emergency situation.

***CONTINUES* MassDOT Schedules Intersection Improvements at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road**

Construction operations began on September 5, 2019, and will continue through to April 2021

MassDOT has commenced work on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road. The road has been redesigned to include exclusive left turn lanes and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodation as part of the proposed safety improvement work. The work to be done consists of furnishing and installing of new traffic signal equipment at the intersection including emergency vehicle pre-emption system, bicycle and vehicles loop detectors, construction of ADA compliant wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, and driveways, box widening, pavement milling and resurfacing, new pavement markings and signs, drainage improvements, water distribution modifications, existing utility pole relocations, installation of granite curbing, loam and seeding.

Hours of Operation (Day/Night): Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. The initial work shall be done in four phases to allow access to local businesses for both vehicles and pedestrians. Traffic

control will include all required signage, channeling devices for lane shifts and alternating one-way traffic as required. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed.

For more information on traffic conditions travelers are encouraged to:

- Dial 511 and select a route to hear real-time conditions.
- Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.

Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

***CONTINUES* National Grid Service Road**

Construction began on November 12, 2019; National Grid will be installing a new gas main on Service Road in Sandwich and Barnstable. Work is anticipated to begin at the Barnstable/Sandwich town line on Service Road and continue westerly along Service Road into Sandwich. Work will be performed at night, Monday through Friday from 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM. Service Road will be closed during those times and only accessible for abutters and emergency vehicles. The project is scheduled to be completed in November, 2020.

***UPDATED* Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village**

Construction is scheduled to continue through May 2020. Normal work hours will be 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Main Street (Route 6A) from Rendezvous Lane to Mill Way, and Mill Way from Main Street to Barnstable Harbor Marina. The project objectives are to improve pedestrian access and overall traffic safety, rehabilitate aging infrastructure, and enhance the streetscape. The project scope includes new/improved sidewalks, landscaping, decorative street lighting in the village center, drainage, pavement, crosswalks, median islands, and traffic signals. In addition, Verizon is installing a number of new utility poles and the utility companies are responsible for transferring their lines to the new poles and then removing the obsolete poles. Traffic will be maintained on these roads throughout construction. During active construction in the roadway, there will be lane closures with police details to direct traffic. Traffic delays may occur during lane closures. When required, detours will be posted and communicated with local businesses and residents. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.

***UPDATED* Sea Street, South Street, and Ocean Avenue in Hyannis**

Construction is scheduled to continue into Spring 2020. Normal work hours will be 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Sea Street from Main Street to Ocean Avenue, Ocean Avenue from Sea Street to Keyes Memorial Beach, and the intersection of Sea Street & South Street. Comcast and Verizon are responsible for relocating overhead utility lines to the new poles and removing obsolete utility poles. Remaining work by the Town's contractor includes sidewalk work at the intersection of Sea Street & South Street; improvements at the beach parking driveway; sidewalk reconstruction and street lights installation on the east side of Sea Street between Main Street and South Street, and on the west side of Sea Street between South Street and Ocean Avenue; placing the top layer of asphalt on the roads and remaining driveway aprons; permanent pavement markings; and various punch list items. Traffic will be maintained on these roads throughout construction. During active construction in the roadway, there will be lane closures with police details to direct traffic. Traffic delays may occur during lane closures. When required, detours will be posted and communicated with local businesses and residents. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.

***UPDATED* Route 149, Main Street, and River Road in Marstons Mills**

Construction is scheduled to continue into Spring 2020. Normal work hours will be from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Route 149 from Mill Pond to Lovell's Lane, Main Street from Route 149 to the former elementary school, and River Road from Route 149 to the post office drive. Verizon is responsible for relocating overhead utility lines to the new poles and removing obsolete utility poles. Remaining work by the Town's contractor includes installing colorized stamped asphalt crosswalk surfaces; installing welcome signs; and various punch list items. Traffic will be maintained on these roads throughout construction. During active construction in the roadway, there will be lane closures with police details to direct traffic. Traffic delays may occur during lane closures. When required, detours will be posted and communicated with local businesses and residents. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.

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Marstons Mills Public Library

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Whelden Memorial Library in West Barnstable

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Barnstable Residents – become involved in your town's government, apply for a position on a board, committee or commission

The Town of Barnstable has over 40 boards, committees, and commissions with approximately 291 seats. Our citizen participation is exemplary and the Town Council appreciates each and every member who serves. If you are a resident of Barnstable and are interested, please consider submitting an application. The appointments committee consists of five Town Councilors who interview applicants and make recommendations to the Town Council. All Councilors then vote to appoint members at the Town Council meetings. If you are a resident and registered to vote in the Town of Barnstable and are interested in serving on a board or committee, please visit our web page linked from the Town [website](#) and fill out the application. For a more detailed description and responsibilities of the committees listed, please contact the Town Council office: council@town.barnstable.ma.us or phone 508-862-4738.

Looking for a Job? The Town of Barnstable is a Great Place to Work.

To see what positions are currently available, click [here](#). Apply online by clicking on the job title you are interested in and click the “Apply” link. If this is the first time you are applying using the online job application, you need to create an account and select a username and password. After your account has been established, you can build an application by clicking on the “Build Job Application” link. This application can be saved and used to apply for more than one job opening.

Are you interested in the Bids and Request for Proposals (RFPs) the Town of Barnstable puts out?

Find all the Invitations for Bid and RFPs for the Town that are currently available to the public [here](#).



e-News TRIVIA

Last Week’s Question: On Groundhog Day, Punxsutawney Phil will offer his prediction for how many more weeks of winter we will have. Cape Cod has its own prognosticator for days of summer. Can you name him? This must have been an easy question because we received lots of correct answers. Sue King was the first to respond with Doug the Quahog!

This Week’s Question: With the Osterville Chocolate Festival and Valentine’s Day fast approaching, what is the most popular chocolate bar in the United States? Please email your answer [here](#).

Thank you for receiving and reading e-news each week!

