



Exciting Peregrine Sighting on Sandy Neck

Band numbers: 1266-02023, and 62/BU black over green

Banding date and location: May 30, 2019 – MA, Plymouth Co., Brockton, Verizon tower on roof of 180 Court Street. Sex: Male Siblings: 3 male, 1 female (63/BU, 64/BU, 65/BU, & 72/BV).

This is the first Massachusetts Peregrine Falcon nest to hatch 5 eggs, and have all 5 chicks Fledged.

This is the first report of any of the 5 chicks since they fledged.

This report: February 25, 2020 – MA, Barnstable Co., Barnstable, Sandy Neck

Photographed by Sandy Neck Beach Park Operations Supervisor Donna Bragg.

Town Calendar

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Town Council Meeting – Thursday, February 27, 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 informed the Council that Barnstable Police Chief Matthew Sonnabend is convening a group to work on Corona Virus preparedness. The following items were presented during [Town Manager Communications](#) for the period February 7-27, 2020:

1. We are proceeding with the tasks in the budget action calendar for FY 2021 as scheduled. The FY 2021 Capital Budget and FY 2021 – FY 2025 Capital Improvement Plan has been submitted to Town Council and posted on the Town website at www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Finance/Budget_Information/FY21-Capital-Improvements-Plan. Town Council will conduct their first reading of FY2021 Capital Budget orders on March 5, 2020 and a second reading beginning March 19, 2020. Mark Milne and Mr. Ells will do a brief summary of the FY 2021 Capital Improvement Program when items are taken up under new business. Town Manager FY 2021 rate hearing is scheduled on March 10, 2020 at 10:00 am at Town Hall in the James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room and posted on the Town web site at https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/TownManager/Office_Updates/-Proposed-Fee-Changes-.pdf. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town's Open Budget website at <http://budget.townofbarnstable.us>.

2. Our Department of Public Works continue their efforts of public water supply well rehabilitation at the Mary Dunn #4 well site and installation of test wells on numerous sites across Barnstable including the Fish & Wildlife property immediately abutting the Hyannis Water System. We continue this effort and plan to complete these efforts by the spring of 2020. Upon receipt of test well data we plan to commence an evaluation of each test site, prioritization of the sites relative to future potential water supply well viability, and then provide Town Council with an update on the findings of that evaluation. Public Works has also continued meetings with the other water purveyors in Barnstable as we look comprehensively at water management in our community. We shall continue to report our progress and findings relative to these efforts.
3. 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 tomorrow 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.
4. On Wednesday February 26, 2020, Mr. Ells met with Vineyard Wind to discuss the schedule for their Phase I project and remaining authorizations needed from the Town to proceed with the Phase I project specifically related to construction within road ways. Vineyard Wind anticipates receiving permit approval by November of 2020 and commencing Phase I construction in the spring of 2021. Their engineer and construction supervisor continue meetings with our staff. Vineyard Wind requested an opportunity to provide Town Council an update regarding Phase I. Vineyard Wind also provided draft language for modifications to the Community Host Agreement to include a Phase III that has been taken under review. We will keep you advised of our progress on this matter.
5. On February 26, 2020, Mr. Ells attended Cape Cod Communities College's Strategic Planning Session at the Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce. This planning session was intended to define the vision and key priorities for the immediate future and will be based on analyses of critical needs and opportunities in the communities they serve. Mr. Ells have requested that the Community College reschedule the session for Hyannis as it was cancelled. Mr. Ells expressed our community's sincere desire to provide input relative to the critical needs and opportunities. Mr. Ells will keep the Council advised as to any future opportunity to participate in such a planning session.
6. The Town Council appointed the Town Manager as its representative on the Cape Cod & Islands Water Protection Fund Board. The Bylaws and Regulations subcommittee met today February 27, 2020. We continued discussion of draft regulations and expect to continue discussions through the first quarter of 2020. The website for the Board has been created by the Cape Cod commission staff and the link to the current webpage is: <https://www.capecodcommission.org/our-work/cape-cod-and-islands-water-protection-fund/>. Mr. Ells will keep you advised on the progress of this Board.
7. Dan Santos, Director of Public Works, shall provide an update on the status of the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. Zenas Crocker, Executive Director of the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, also provided the Town Council with a presentation on Innovative/Alternative Septic System Cluster Testing. Mr. Crocker referenced a longer presentation he made to the Board of Health earlier this week. That presentation can be viewed [here](#).

As Chair of the Town Council Zoning and Regulatory Subcommittee, Town Councilor Paula Schnepf introduced the [Council Workshop on Short Term Rental DRAFT Regulations \(Discussion Only\)](#).

Assistant Town Manager Andy Clyburn was joined by Town Attorney Karen Nober, Planning & Development Director Elizabeth Jenkins, and Building Commissioner/Inspectional Services Director Brian Florence for the presentation. Following the presentation, Councilor Jennifer Cullum offered the Zoning & Regulatory Committee's recommendations. Ms. Jenkins referred people to the [Short Term Rental page](#) of Planning & Development's webpage.

OLD BUSINESS

DPW Director Dan Santos presented [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 which was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Matthew Sonnabend presented [Agenda Item 2020-081](#) Acceptance of a 2020 Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant in the amount of **\$22,603** from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Office of Grant and Research, Highway Safety Division. The item was amended to **\$44,000** as was listed as the maximum grant possible in the full body of the text. The item was approved. DPW Director Dan Santos then presented the next four items: [Agenda Item 2020-131](#) Transfer Order of **\$14,000.00** from the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Personnel Budget to the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Operating Capital Budget for the Purpose of Funding the Traffic Signal Cabinet/Controller Replacement at Barnstable Road & Winter Street, Hyannis, MA; [Agenda Item 2020-132](#) Transfer Order of **\$91,000.00** from the Town Council's Operating Reserve Fund to the Fiscal Year 2020 Hyannis Youth & Community Center Enterprise Fund Operating Capital Budget for the purpose of funding the Evaporative Condenser Replacement; [Agenda Item 2020-133](#) Transfer Order of **\$17,000.00** from the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Personnel Budget to the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Operating Expense Budget for the purpose of funding the Environmental Assessment of a Hydraulic Oil Spill; and [Agenda Item 2020-134](#) Transfer Order of **\$17,000.00** from the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Personnel Budget to the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Works Department Operating Expense Budget for the Purpose of Funding the Salt Shed Field and Structural Analysis. All items were approved. [Agenda Item 2020-135](#) Authorization of a Housing Development Incentive Program Tax Increment Exemption Agreement between the Town of Barnstable and J.P. Baxter House, LLC for 8 new market rate residential units located at 0 & 17 High School Road, Hyannis, MA was referred to a Public Hearing on March 5, 2020. [Agenda Item 2020-136](#) Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of **\$400,000** of Community Preservation Funds for the creation of four affordable rental units located at 560 West Main Street, Hyannis, MA was referred to a Public Hearing on March 19, 2020. The next Town Council meeting will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Barnstable Town Hall, James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis.

Today is the last day of Early Voting - Friday, February 28th 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday, March 3rd Primaries – Polls Open 7:00 AM-8:00 PM

Town Clerk Ann Quirk would like you to know that Early Voting ends today - Friday, February 28, 2020 – at 4:30 PM. Hours each day are from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM in the Town Clerk's Office. Also, Absentee Ballots are available in the Town Clerk's Office until 12:00 Noon on Monday, March 2, 2020 at which point the Town Clerk's office closes in preparation for the election.

Election – Precinct Locations


Precinct-1	Zion Union Church	805 Attucks Lane, Hyannis
Precinct-2	St. George's Greek Orthodox Church	1130 Falmouth Road, Centerville
Precinct-3	Barnstable Adult Community Center	825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis
Precinct-4	Our Lady of Victory Hall	230 South Main Street, Centerville
Precinct-5	Osterville Fire Station	999 Main Street, Osterville
Precinct-6	Gym of Christ Chapel	2-C Oak Street, Centerville

Precinct-7	Freedom Hall	976 Main Street, Cotuit
Precinct-8	Hyannis Youth & Community Center	141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis
Precinct-9	Hyannis Youth & Community Center	141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis
Precinct-10	7th Day Adventist Community Building	2736 Falmouth Road, Marstons Mills
Precinct-11	West Barnstable Community Building	2377 Meetinghouse Way, West Barnstable
Precinct-12	7th Day Adventist Community Building	2736 Falmouth Road, Marstons Mills
Precinct-13	Hyannis Youth & Community Center	141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis

Town of Barnstable Bringing Awareness to Heart Wellness One Beat at a Time **BARNSTABLE Promoting Wear Red Day Friday; February 28, 2020**


The Town of Barnstable is promoting *Barnstable Wears Red Day* on Friday, February 28, 2020 to raise awareness that heart disease is the #1 killer of women and men and is largely preventable. **Barnstable Wears Red Day** promotes the opportunity for everyone - men and women alike - to unite in this life-saving awareness to action movement by **wearing RED on the 28th!** Barnstable has been promoting heart wellness for several years and in 2009 received an award from The American Heart Association for being a heart friendly city for women. Barnstable, also in 2013, was ranked second in a Gallup study for work evaluation, which looks at participant's perception on their work experience including job satisfaction, treatment, and office environment and interactions. Lynne Poyant, Director of Communications, encourages all residents to join the town to support this life-saving awareness by wearing red; take a photo of your group and submit your pictures to email@town.barnstable.ma.us. Pictures will then be shared to the Town of Barnstable's Facebook page. **Some facts on heart disease from The Heart Foundation:** Heart disease is the number one cause of death for men and women in the United States. It is an equal opportunity killer which claims approximately 1 million lives annually. **Women account for just over half of the total heart disease deaths** in the US each year; although many women continue to think of heart disease as a man's disease.

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




BARNSTABLE YOUTH COMMISSION
presents

Ready Set Work



A Youth Job Fair

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 2:00PM - 4:30PM



FREE ADMISSION





Open to **ALL Youth 18 and under**
BUSINESSES INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING MUST BE HIRING YOUTH.
 Contact: Amy Harwood 508-862-4638 amy.harwood@town.barnstable.ma.us

This will be a great opportunity for kids to learn how to prepare for an interview, to learn about the importance of a resume and how to write one, as well as how to complete a job application.



The Executive Suite - Warren Rutherford and representatives from MassHire Cape & Islands Career Center will be here to help get the ball rolling towards being successful in gaining employment.
STOP BY THE MASS-HIRE BOOTH AFTERWARD AND SPIN THE PRIZE WHEEL!

PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES:


Artistic Grounds Landscaping	Cape Wildlife Center	Kandy Korner	Stop 'n Shop
The Barnacle	Captain Frosty's	Katie's Ice Cream	Subway
Barnstable Recreation	Census 2020 (U.S.)	Kilwins Hyannis	Tropical Smoothies Cafe
BJ's Wholesale Club	Chick-Fil-A	Marshall/TJ Maxx	Turo Recreation & Beach Dept.
Brazilian Grill	Dennis Cycle Center	Osterville Fish/Clambakes, Etc.	Wendy's Restaurants
Cape Organization for the Rights of the Disabled	Four Seas Ice Cream	Panera Bread	West End
Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority	Home Goods	Pilio's Pizzeria	West Marine
Cape Cod Times	Hy-Line Cruises	Ryan Amusements	Wimpy's Seafood Cafe
	Hyannis Country Garden	Starbucks	YMCA Achievers
	Hyannis Harbor Hotel		MORE!

NRO Amy Croteau Joins BCWC for Marstons Mills River Herring Counter Information and Training Session on Saturday, March 7th



**Annual Marstons Mills River Herring Counter
Information and Training Session**
Saturday, March 7th from 9am-11am
Osterville Village Library, 43 Wianno Ave., Osterville



Barnstable Clean Water Coalition (BCWC) and the Barnstable Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are looking for volunteers to assist with the annual spring herring count beginning on April 1st at the Mill and Middle Pond fish ladders.

Amy Croteau (Barnstable DNR) will provide an update on the town's herring runs. John Sheppard, Diadromous Fisheries Biologist for the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), will talk about how DMF estimates herring run sizes using visual count data collected by volunteers.

Following the speakers, there will be a brief training and refresher session for all new, interested and returning volunteers.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Heather Rockwell at hrockwell@bcleanwater.org or 508-420-0780.

BCleanWater.org

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Five Year Consolidated Plan July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2025

Needs Assessment Survey 2020

The Towns of Barnstable and Yarmouth are preparing the Consolidated Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the period beginning July 1, 2020, ending June 30, 2025. The Consolidated Plan will identify community housing and development needs and present strategies to address those needs. If you're a resident, business owner, or agency that provides housing and community services to low and moderate income residents of the Towns of Barnstable or Yarmouth we want to hear from you. Please help us prioritize the housing, economic development, community service and other needs in the community by completing a short survey. Your responses to these survey questions are an essential component of the Towns' planning process. You can access the survey on the following websites: [Town of Barnstable](#) or [Town of Yarmouth](#) or [Survey Monkey](#). If you don't have access to the internet you can pick up a paper copies in the following locations:

Town of Barnstable Planning & Development
367 Main Street, 3rd floor, Hyannis, MA 02610

The Barnstable Adult Community Center
825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA 02601

The Hyannis Youth & Community Center
141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601

All Barnstable Libraries

Town of Yarmouth
1146 Route 28, South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Yarmouth Senior Center
528 Forest Road, West Yarmouth, MA 02673

All Yarmouth Libraries

The locations are handicap accessible.

Please complete surveys online or submit hard copies on or before **March 18, 2020** to:
Town of Barnstable Planning & Development Department, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601 OR
Town of Yarmouth, 1146 Route 28, South Yarmouth, MA 02664.

The results of the survey will be included in the 2020 Consolidated Plan. A draft of the plan will be available at www.townofbarnstable.us/cdbg and <http://www.yarmouth.ma.us/269/Community-Development-Block-Grant-Program> by mid-April.

For more information about the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program or to request reasonable accommodations to participate in the survey, including interpretive services, please contact:

Town of Barnstable CDBG Program
Planning and Development Department
367 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Hyannis, MA 02601
kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us
Phone 508-862-4678, TDD# 508-790-9801

Town of Yarmouth CDBG Program
Community Development
1146 Route 28, South Yarmouth, MA 02664
mwaygan@yarmouth.ma.us
Phone: 508-398-2231 x1275

Hands-free Law Took Effect February 23, 2020

The new Hands-Free law is now in effect in Massachusetts. As of Sunday, February 23, police throughout Massachusetts are 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. We encourage you to watch this [Public Service Announcement](#) Barnstable Police Chief Matthew Sonnabend prepared with Channel 18.

Take the following actions to stay focused behind the wheel.¹

- Do not use your phone while driving.
- Pull over in a safe location if you must text or make a call.
- Make necessary adjustments (e.g., adjust controls, program directions) to your car before your drive.
- Do not reach to pick up items from the floor, open the glove box, or try to catch falling objects in the vehicle.
- Avoid emotional conversations with passengers, or pull over in a safe location to continue the conversation. For normal conversation, passengers in the vehicle can often help lower crash risk for adult drivers.
- Focus on the driving environment — the vehicles around you, pedestrians, cyclists, and objects or events that may mean you need to act quickly to control or stop your vehicle.

¹National Safety Council [2019]. [Safe Driving Kitexternal icon](#) [downloadable].



Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Advisory Information

Director of Public Health Tom McKean wants you to know that the Town of Barnstable Health Division continues to monitor the COVID-19 outbreak in Asia and Europe and the progress of the COVID-19 cases in the United States. We will continue to review and post the most up-to-date information from dependable sources to keep you informed. Our Town has an emergency response plan for public health emergencies should we need to implement it. For the latest on case counts, we recommend visiting these websites with reliable information: [Center for Disease Control](http://www.cdc.gov) and the [Massachusetts Department of Public Health](http://www.mass.gov). The number of reported cases globally in real-time are listed on the [John Hopkins University](http://www.jhu.edu) site. As of this writing, Massachusetts has one confirmed case of COVID-19 and the risk to our residents remains low. At the same time, the risk for the influenza virus is very high. It is important

to note that residents are much more likely to become sick with a cold or the flu than to be exposed to COVID-19. The Barnstable Health Division is increasing efforts to provide flu prevention strategies to the public. Over 8,000 people in this country die each year from influenza. Many of the symptoms of Influenza and Coronavirus are similar and some of the precautions are the same. Basic precautions include:

- Frequent hand-washing, for 20 seconds with soap.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Cough hygiene – into a tissue when possible (throw it away immediately) or into your arm if necessary.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth, or nose with unwashed hands.
- Avoid contact with those who are ill.
- Stay home yourself from work or school when ill.

We continue to have a supply of seasonal flu vaccine available. Appointments can be scheduled with our Public Health Nurse, Margaret Stanton R.N, by calling her directly at 508-862-4648. The most recent updates can be found [here](#) on the Town of Barnstable’s website.

Census 2020 – How the Census Bureau Protects Your Data

The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by law to protect your answers and keep them strictly confidential. In fact, every employee takes an oath to protect your personal information for life.

Our Legal Duty To Protect Your Information

The Census Bureau is bound by Title 13 of the U.S. Code to keep your information confidential.

Under Title 13, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about you, your home, or your business, even to law enforcement agencies. The law ensures that your private data is protected and that your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court.

The answers you provide are used only to produce statistics. You are kept anonymous: The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or anyone else in your home.

Data Protection and Privacy Program

Being responsible stewards of your data is not only required by law, it is embedded in Census Bureau culture. Strict policies and statistical safeguards help protect the confidentiality of your information. Before releasing data products, the Census Bureau verifies that they meet its confidentiality standards.

Secure Technology

From the beginning of the data collection process, the Census Bureau follows industry best practices and federal requirements to protect your data. The security of Census Bureau systems is a top priority, and our IT infrastructure is designed to defend against and contain cyberthreats. We continually refine our approach to identifying, preventing, detecting, and responding to these threats. In mid-March, households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census. **Shape your future. Start here. Visit [2020CENSUS.GOV](https://2020census.gov). You can view the Census 2020 Public Service Announcement on Is My Census 2020 Data Safe? Affect Representation [here](#). Click [here](#) to view Channel 18’s Paula Hersey’s Census 2020 interview with Town Clerk Ann Quirk.**

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Call to artists for the 2020 Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanties.

TWO locations on Ocean Street, Hyannis: Bismore Park & Harbor Overlook

Applications available on-line at www.ArtsBarnstable.com



The Town of Barnstable is currently accepting applications for artists and artisans interested in participating in the 2020 Hyannis HyArts Cultural District Artist Shanty program.

Applications are received on a rolling basis until all spots are filled. Currently a limited number of spots remain for the 2020 season. Applications received by November 1st of each year are reviewed for first round consideration for the following season. **Applications continue to be accepted on a rolling basis until all spots are filled.** Remaining spaces are filled based on need

and availability. **Applications can be downloaded from www.ArtsBarnstable.com.** Artist shanties are located in the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District, at Bismore Park, Ocean Street, Hyannis and steps away at the Harbor Overlook, 51 Ocean Street, at the corner of South and Ocean Street, overlooking Aselton Park and Hyannis Harbor. The expansion of the Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty program to two locations creates an additional attraction for visitors walking from Main Street to Hyannis Harbor through the Hyannis Village Green along the Walkway-to-the-Sea, and at the same time provides affordable selling space and increased exposure for local artists and artisans. The Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty Program began in 2005, as the first in a series of arts oriented strategies designed to provide opportunities and exposure for local artists; enliven the economic climate in downtown Hyannis; and establish an important vibrant backdrop for year round residents and visitors. Work is handmade or hand crafted, and all artists are from Cape Cod. A variety of work is represented including jewelry, paintings, photography, visual art, woodcarving, fiber arts, ceramics, rope work, glass work, literary art, mixed media, and more. The shanties are open weekends May through mid-June; seven days a week mid-June through the end of September; October weekends and special holiday events in November and December. This artist program is made possible in cooperation with the Town of Barnstable, and Hyannis HyArts Cultural District partners including the Cape Cod Art Center (CCAC), Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID), the Greater Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce the JFK Museum Hyannis and Cape Cod Maritime Museum.

Art Visits Nature—artists in all disciplines are invited to be inspired by nature’s canvas. Sandy Neck Beach Park House at the Halfway Point - 2020 excursion dates:

Sunset trips: September 27; October 2, 4*, 9, and 11

****October 4, includes time with Naturalist and guided trip time during the day/special rates charged***

The Town of Barnstable’s Hyannis HyArts and Barnstable Village Cultural Districts in partnership with the Cape Cod Art Center offer late afternoon/sunset excursions to the House at the Halfway Point at Sandy Neck Beach. Applications are available online at www.ArtsBarnstable.com and at www.CapeCodArtCenter.org. Artists in all disciplines invited to apply. A Beach Ranger provides the 3.5 mile transport through the dunes out to the halfway point. In some of the excursions a naturalist is on hand to share knowledge and expertise. In addition for several of the programs a variety of workshops are offered. Costs are \$70.00 day/\$95.00 for members and non-members of Cape Cod Art Center. Cost for the guided trip with Sandy Neck Beach Park Ranger/Naturalist is \$80.00/\$105.00. Proceeds benefit the Sandy Neck Beach House at the Halfway Point program.

Prior participants say time at the halfway house is, "a unique opportunity to see a beautiful and remote part of the Cape." The House at the Halfway Point is a rustic cottage set in the middle of the dunes, marsh and water at Sandy Neck

Beach. Excursions to this special locale provide artists with the opportunity to "unplug" and enjoy the solitude and scenic landscapes as sources for inspiration. This program is designed for the plein air painter, photographer, musician, writer and other artists who crave the time to create without everyday interruptions. The program is sponsored by the Town of Barnstable's two cultural districts - Hyannis "HyArts" Cultural District and the Barnstable Village Cultural



District, the Cape Cod Art Center and Sandy Neck Beach Park. Contact Rachael Shetler at Cape Cod Art Center: curator@capecodartcenter.org 508-362-2909 For application and fee information on line: www.artsbarnstable.com or Capecodartcenter.org

‘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-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:

Elisha Watson

Outlook Collage and acrylic

My experience going to Sandy Neck was really different from the original idea of what I had thought it would be. I was filled with seeing a whole different side of the landscape, not just the normal beach. It was filled with turtles, sparrows, bones, marsh, and dunes. What really stood out to me was that there really was a whole other side to it besides the beach and the fact that it's not all just flat landscape, there's several hills and dunes. When I was free writing I found myself comparing the side of Sandy Neck that was open to the public vs the side that's private and how in order to protect certain parts of wildlife it's necessary to separate the two. I got my idea from two different artists; Jackie Reeves and Rocio Montoya. I had visited Jackie's studio and seen her artwork in the Cahoon Museum. She had explained that the work she was doing was focused around memories and sort of bringing them back to life on aluminum to make these really interesting pieces. I had researched Rocio Montoya because she piqued my interest with her work in collage. She uses photos that she's taken herself and collages them with other images of nature, usually plants. Both artists really inspired me to instead of just doing a simple painting of a landscape do what I'm really interested in doing. I decided, like Rocio Montoya, to use my own/Mrs. Fay's photos taken from Sandy Neck and collaging them. In the cabin we stopped at on the trip, I took a liking to the windows and was originally going to sew images of them onto canvas but had a change of mind. I still wanted to somehow keep the window idea though since it was my favorite part of the trip. My idea is to create six different and separate collages, each collage will use the pictures I took. I'll then put the collages together as if they're the glass parts of one of the windows. I used my inspiration from Jackie Reeves' work to make my own piece reflect like a memory. The window represents my favorite part of the trip and each collage will reflect some of my other favorite memories from the trip. The mediums that I'm using are collage and acrylic paint. I chose to use these mediums because I found that I'm most comfortable with them and really make my best work using them. This connects to my inspiration from Montoya in that when you've found things that work best for you,

you're able to adapt it to any criteria you are given to do. I've taken my inspiration and made it my own by using my own/Mrs.Fay's images like Rocio. My collages also reflect memories like Jackie had done in her own pieces.

Vineyard Wind Information Sessions in the Town of Barnstable

A promotional poster for Vineyard Wind information sessions in Barnstable. The background is a photograph of a wooden slat fence on a sandy beach with the ocean in the distance. In the top right corner, there is a logo for 'VINEYARD WIND' consisting of a stylized green and blue leaf-like shape next to the text 'VINEYARD WIND'. A white box with a dark border on the left side contains the following text: 'BARNSTABLE INFORMATION SESSIONS', 'THURSDAY, MARCH 5', '4 - 6pm', 'Osterville Village Library', 'WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18', '4 - 6pm', and 'Hyannis Youth and Community Center'. At the bottom right of the poster, the website 'vineyardwind.com/barnstable' is written in a dark font.

Updated February 27, 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](#), the [January 23, 2020 Town Council meeting](#) and the [February 27, 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 GAS PIPE INSTALLATION, HINCKLEY ROAD FROM FALMOUTH ROAD TO ROUTE 132**

National Grid has started installation of a new gas main in Hinckley Road in Hyannis. The project includes installation of new 10" gas main from Falmouth Road to a regulator pit within Hinckley Road and a 12" gas main from the regulator pit to a tie-in in Route 132. Weather pending; construction will be on-going, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM until completion of this phase of the project. Work within Hinckley Road is anticipated to be completed on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, with work resuming in early to mid-April. Work on Route 132 will be night work, with work starting Wednesday, March 4, 2020. Weather pending; work within Route 132 will be Sunday through Thursday nights, from 9:00 PM to 5:00 AM. Work is anticipated to take two (2) weeks.

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

Neuco Crews will install gas service as follows: Monday, March 2, 2020 Woodside Road, Marstons Mills. 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/ServiceLine](https://www.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**

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 in Barnstable will be starting the week of February 24th. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Service Road will remain open with one-lane of traffic. The project is scheduled to be completed in November, 2020.

***CONTINUES* 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.

***CONTINUES* 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.

***CONTINUES* 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.

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.

There's lots going on at the Village Libraries of Barnstable

Barnstable Libraries' Corner

Visit a Town of Barnstable Library today!

Sturgis Library in Barnstable Village

www.sturgislibrary.org

Centerville Public Library

www.centervillelibrary.org

Cotuit Library

www.cotuitlibrary.org

Hyannis Public Library

www.hyannislibrary.org

Marstons Mills Public Library

www.mmpl.org

Osterville Village Library

www.ostervillevillagelibrary.org

Whelden Memorial Library in West Barnstable

www.wheldenlibrary.org

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: Where was the only hydro-electric plant on Cape Cod? Wendy Bierwirth was the first to respond that Marstons Mills was the home of the only hydro-electric plant on Cape Cod. Wendy kindly shared this link with more information:

<http://www.marstonsmillshistorical.org/uploads/1/6/4/9/16492336/millsitesbrochure.pdf>

Wendy also provided another link to [a photo which](#), in the Marstons Mills History book has the following caption: "During World War II, there was an acute energy shortage, which steam engineer David Leland (1884-1959) met by building the first and only hydroelectric plant on Cape Cod. At the foot of the Marstons Mills River, he constructed huge concrete penstocks and turbines. On the Fourth of July in 1945, the only fireworks were the light on the lone lightbulb powered by the plant. After the war, most of the plant was wrecked."

This Week's Question: The Primaries will be held on Tuesday, March 3rd. How many precincts does the Town of Barnstable have? Please email your answer [here](#).

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

