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Stay Informed with www.BarnstableHealth.com
The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource (www.barnstablehealth.com) on March 16, 2020 to keep you up-to-date with the latest information as it relates to reducing the spread of COVID-19 and the working of Barnstable Town government. Visit and bookmark www.barnstablehealth.com.

MEMORIAL DAY | TOWN OFFICES & TRANSFER STATION CLOSED MAY 31

CENTREVILLE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

MONDAY MAY 31st
From 9:00am to 10:00 Veterans will be holding flags on Main Street in Centerville. The public is invited to drive by to honor the Veterans.
At 10:00am Main Street will be closed for Veterans to march down to Monument Square lead by the Barnstable Police Department Color Guard.
At 10:15 Salute to our Military Heroes Ceremony will begin at Monument Square.
Master of Ceremony: Steve Luciani Opening Prayer: Pastor Bruce Epperly National Anthem: Matt Levesque Guest Speaker: Larry Chase Laying of Six Wreaths Taps by Bugler

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTEND AND ESPECIALLY TO OUR MILITARY HEROES.
Town Manager Mark Ells Community Update

Town Manager Mark Ells provides a Community Update discussing the upcoming Memorial Day weekend, the opening of Town community buildings, and a reminder to follow the Governor’s guidelines as we move forward in the ongoing pandemic recovery process.

Working with Barnstable Town Hall

We are open and accessible to our residents in a variety of ways to help you navigate doing business at Town Hall. Many of our services have gained greater efficiencies this past year and we will continue to offer the convenience of getting many of our permits and licenses on-line or by mail. As we start the transition on June 1st, please check https://barnstablehealth.com/town-hall/ for helpful links to obtain parking/beach permits, yard sale permits, building permits and shellfishing licenses and more through our on-line systems. You can also review Department and Division updates for specific services and the status of community buildings. Departments and Divisions may have hybrid in-person schedules, so please call before your visit. We will have additional information regarding in-person board, committee and commission meetings starting June 15th.

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC!

12-15 year olds now eligible for Pfizer vaccine with parental/guardian consent.

Harbor Community Health Center-Hyannis, the Town of Barnstable, and the Hyannis Fire Department have opened a new COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Barnstable Adult Community Center. Appointments are open to anyone 12* years of age or older. The clinic is offering the Pfizer vaccine. You are welcome to make an appointment by calling 1-888-503-0766 and walk-ins are welcome. Appointment assistance is also available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. People may also schedule an appointment online here: https://bit.ly/3goTWQC. *A parent/guardian must be present for anyone under 18.
Town Council Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 7:00 PM. Remote Participation Instructions will be available on the meeting Agenda and on the Town of Barnstable’s website (www.townofbarnstable.us).

DOG LICENSES

It is time to renew or obtain a new 2021 Town of Barnstable Dog License. The Town of Barnstable requires that anyone who owns, keeps, possesses or has control of a dog six months of age or older must have their pet licensed and vaccinated against rabies every year. In the interest of continued social distancing, and limiting face-to-face contact with others we have converted to a touch-free payment process for your 2021 Dog License. Renewals were sent by email, so check your spam folder! For more information please click here.

Transfer Station Stickers Now Available On-line or by Mail

Transfer Station Stickers On-line  Transfer Station Mail-in Form
Important Notice regarding purchase of 2021 Beach Stickers/Parking Permits

The weeks are flying by and the beaches will soon be open. Please be advised that beach stickers are only available for purchase through our on-line portal www.barnstablema.viewpointcloud.com or through the mail by downloading an application from our website www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Recreation/Beach-Stickers

While there is a 2-3 week turnaround time to process your permit, you can print and use your online purchase receipt to gain access to beach parking lots. 2020 beach parking permits will be accepted until June 25th. Parking permits will not be available to purchase in person but applications can be picked up, filled out, and left in the drop box outside of the Hyannis Youth & Community Center at 141 Basset Lane, Hyannis.

Our staff is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM to assist you with any questions or concerns. Stay well and enjoy your upcoming summer months. See links below.

Resident and/or Taxpayer  Seasonal and Weekly  Landlord

Free Grocery Delivery Service for Barnstable County Seniors and Residents at Higher Risk

The Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps’ Delivery Service will help people who should stay home receive groceries and critical household goods.

See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options here. Slowing the spread of COVID-19 is essential for “flattening the curve” of infections, which will curb the outbreak, prevent hospitals from getting overwhelmed with patients seeking treatment, and ultimately reduce the number of deaths. For current information on the novel coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), please visit the Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment’s website: barnstablecountyhealth.org.

If you have questions or concerns, please email COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org.
Keep Active and Thrive with the BACC on Channel 18

The Barnstable Adult Community Center (BACC) and Channel 18 have teamed up to provide dedicated BACC programming hours on Comcast CH18. Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 8:00 AM and Tuesdays and Thursday at 5:00 PM you can tune to Comcast CH18 and view an hour of programming specifically geared to residents in our community who appreciate the wide range of activities provided at the BACC. The dedicated staff at the Council on Aging and Channel 18 have created programs including chair exercise classes, yoga, music programming, and updates on programs and activities. *Keep Active and Thrive with the Barnstable Adult Community Center!*  
*To view all Thrive programming on YouTube please click here!*

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

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The Barnstable Adult Community Center is very pleased to announce that our doors will be opened once more beginning on Tuesday, June 1, at 8:30am. We are excited to welcome you back, and ask that you please bear with us as we work to get our in-person programs and activities up and running. In the meantime, please continue to enjoy our virtual programs. We are looking forward to seeing your smiling faces again!

Federal Communications Commission Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

The Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) is a temporary subsidy program from the Federal Government designed to help low-income households connect to the Internet and stay connected during the COVID-19 crisis. Qualified households can receive a temporary monthly credit of up to $50/month (up to $75/month for customers in Tribal lands) toward their Internet service and leased Internet equipment until the program’s funding runs out.

Households can qualify through their use of existing assistance programs like SNAP, Medicaid, Lifeline or if a child relies on reduced-price school meals programs. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is also available to households who are eligible for a broadband provider’s existing relief program, to those who have received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year, and to those low-income households who suffered a large loss in income during the pandemic due to job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020.

There are three ways for eligible households to apply:

- In the Town of Barnstable, contact: Infinity (Comcast) at: [www.xfinity.com/learn/internet-service/ebb](http://www.xfinity.com/learn/internet-service/ebb)
- To apply online, go to [www.GetEmergencyBroadband.org](http://www.GetEmergencyBroadband.org)
- Call 833-511-0311 for a mail-in application

If you have more questions, feel free to call Jacqi Easter in our Support Service Department at 508-862-4757.

FEMA Funeral Assistance

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought overwhelming grief to many families. In an effort to help ease the financial distress caused by the virus, FEMA is providing financial assistance for funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2021, for deaths related to COVID-19. To apply, call 844-684-6333/TTY 800-462-7585 Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm. FEMA representatives will help you complete a COVID-19 Funeral Assistance application. Multilingual services are available.
Support Services Appointments
The Support Services Department continues to assist older adults with Fuel Assistance and 41C Real Estate Tax Abatement applications. For information on income guidelines and the paperwork you need for both Fuel Assistance and Real Estate Abatement programs, please call 508-862-4757 to schedule an appointment. Once you have the proper documents gathered, we’ll be able to schedule an appointment for you to process the paperwork. In June, we will be scheduling one on one appointments. Masks must be worn, and all safety protocols followed.
For ways to stay active and engaged, please call 508-862-4750 for your free copy of the BCOA’s bi-monthly *THRIVE* magazine. Each issue is full of information about classes and seminars designed to promote health, wellness, creativity and more enjoyment in your life.
The Barnstable Council on Aging’s E-newsletter is sent weekly, and contains news, resources and information for the older adult community and their families. If you’d like to receive it, please email: judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us You may also want to “like” and follow us on the Barnstable Adult Community Center Facebook page, where you’ll find helpful updates and links as well as entertainment and resources to stay engaged and informed.

Vineyard Wind Virtual Public Information Sessions
Barnstable residents can find more information here: [https://www.vineyardwind.com/barnstable](https://www.vineyardwind.com/barnstable)

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Multilingual Outdoor StoryWalk® and Storytelling Series
at the Hyannis Public Library, Hyannis Village Green and Harbor Overlook
May 3 through June 30, 2021

The Hyannis Public Library is hosting a free, Multilingual Stories Series this spring that includes StoryWalks®, storytellers and Grab-and-Go craft activities. The StoryWalks® will be featured at the Harbor Overlook, the storytellers on the Hyannis Village Green and the crafts can be picked up at the Hyannis Public Library. Four StoryWalks® will be featured for two weeks each, from May 3 - June 30, 2021. Bilingual storytelling will take place on Saturday afternoons at 2:00 pm: May 15 and 29 and two dates in June. Free Grab-and-Go craft activity kits related to each story will be available to pick up during Hyannis Public Library during open hours, while supplies last. There is no cost to participate. The StoryWalks® are in a wheelchair accessible location and all parts of the series will be recorded and made available on the Hyannis Public Library's website and YouTube channel.
WHAT IS A STORY WALK?
During May and June, four bilingual children's picture books in four community-spoken languages (Portuguese, Haitian Creole, Spanish and French), paired with English, will be featured on large signs, placed along the Walkway-to-the-Sea brick path starting near the base of the Hyannis Village Green and looping through to the Harbor Overlook. This area is steps away from the Hyannis Public Library. The placement of the signs allows visitors to walk and engage with the story as they visit this picturesque area. Each book in the series will be up for two weeks, and related Grab-and-Go craft kits will be available at the Hyannis Public Library for families to pick up.

StoryWalk® was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed with the help of Rachel Senechal, Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

STORY TELLING IN MULTI LANGUAGES:
The Hyannis Public Library will host four special storytelling programs on the Hyannis Village Green bandstand. Bring your chairs or blankets and enjoy hearing a bilingual storyteller share stories in English and in the featured language. Included among the storytellers are Antonio Rocha (May 15) and Charlot Lucien (May 29). These events are scheduled on Saturday afternoons, weather permitting. There is free parking in the Town Hall parking lot. Attendees are asked to wear masks and maintain social distancing between family groups.

STORY WALKS AND STORY TELLING DATES INCLUDE:
May 3-16: “Um Dia Chuvoso | One Rainy Day” by Valeri Gorbachev
Saturday, May 15: 2:00pm-3:00pm Brazilian Storyteller, Antonio Rocha
May 17-30: “Mwen reve | I Dream Too” by Maude Hertelou
Saturday, May 29: 2:00pm-3:00pm Haitian Storyteller, Charlot Lucien
Stories and storytelling dates for May 31-June 13 and June 14-17 coming soon! Hyannis Public Library will post all information on-line at:
http://www.hyannislibrary.org/

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:
Antonia Stephens, Executive Director of Hyannis Public Library, created this program to celebrate the cultural diversity of Hyannis through the medium of stories. “Hyannis is at the center of the Town of Barnstable’s designation as a Gateway city. There are immigrant families living here from all over, particularly South America, Mexico, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe. We believe the languages and stories of our immigrant families are a vibrant, integral part of the “story” of Hyannis.” This project is supported by grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Town of Barnstable. Hyannis Public Library’s mission is to welcome diversity, inspire creativity, stimulate intellectual curiosity and facilitate lifelong learning by providing high quality resources, programming and services to all.
Our Village Libraries are more than just books. You can check out all of the activities are our Libraries here:

- **Sturgis Library** (Barnstable Village)
- **Centerville Public Library**
- **Cotuit Library**
- **Hyannis Public Library**
- **Marstons Mills Public Library**
- **Osterville Village Library**
- **Whelden Memorial Library** (West Barnstable)

**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.

*UPDATED* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village Line striping is scheduled for the week of May 31, 2021 weather permitting. This is the final remaining activity on the project.

*UPDATED* Roadway Improvements on Winter Street in Hyannis Curb, sidewalk and pavement improvements are planned for the section of Winter Street between North Street and Barnstable Road during this calendar year. Work will include new granite curb, new paved sidewalks, repair and adjustment of utility castings within the roadway, and milling & overlay of the roadway pavement. Driveway entrances within this work zone will be adjusted and repaired as necessary during the process. Initial activities, including trimming of vegetation and removal of a limited number of trees, are tentatively planned for the week of June 7, 2021. Work will then break for the summer months and resume after Labor Day weekend. Police details will be used to direct traffic during construction. Please use alternate routes when possible to avoid delays during the project.

*CONTINUES* National Grid Gas Pipe Installation, Anchor Lane National Grid, through their contractor Fraser Engineering, is planning on replacing the Anchor Lane Regulator Station, which will include removal of the existing regulator station and installation of a prefabricated 3 layer regulator station, and new gas lines that will tie into the existing 10” gas main located along the Route 28 roadway shoulder. Work will take place on the corner of Anchor Lane and Falmouth Rd (Route 28) in Cotuit. Construction is expected to begin on April 19, 2021 and anticipated to last to September 1, 2021. Weather pending, construction will be on-going, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM until completion of this phase of the project. Portions of Anchor Lane travel lanes will be restricted, and work on Falmouth Road will include temporary lane closures, which will be controlled by police details. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.
**CONTINUES** Rendezvous Lane Wastewater Pump Station Replacement Project. The Town of Barnstable’s contractor, Robert B. Our Co., Inc., is under contract to complete a wastewater pump station replacement project at the intersection of Rendezvous Lane, Kent Road and Salten Point Road. The project involves a new below grade precast concrete wet well and valve vault, pumping system, control panel, standby generator and gravity sewer main to replace the existing wastewater pump station at the Town Right of Way to Barnstable Harbor at the end of Rendezvous Lane. The improvements are necessary to replace the existing pump station approaching the end of its intended service life and to relocate the new pump station above the FEMA base flood elevation. Typical work hours are 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with groundwater dewatering pumps and sewer bypass pumps occasionally requiring 24/7 operation. Rendezvous Lane at the southern intersection of Salten Point Road to the northern intersection of Salten Point Road will remain closed due to construction activities until May 28, 2021. The Town Way to Water will remain accessible via Kent Road to Salten Point Road for the duration of the project, unless otherwise noted.

**UPDATED** Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills. Drainage and pavement improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills are currently on-going and will continue during the week of June 1, 2021. Work will include installation of new drainage system equipment, pulverizing and grading of the roadway sub-base, installation of new asphalt pavement and restoration of all disturbed areas. Please use caution and safe speeds when traveling on Wheeler Road during construction operations.

**UPDATED** Drainage Improvements on Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills. The Towns contractor, Tasco Construction, will continue drainage improvements at five (5) locations along Head of the Pond Rd and Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills. The work includes installation of new drainage systems, repairs to existing drainage systems, adjustment of drainage structure castings, and restoration of any areas disturbed during construction. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. It is anticipated that work will be completed by June 8th. Through traffic will be maintained throughout construction. Any lane closures will be supported with police details to direct traffic. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work.

**UPDATED** Water Works Construction on Longview Drive in Centerville. The water works construction project is ongoing on Longview Drive in Hyannis. This project included installation of 500 feet of 8 inch water main and move the temporary interconnection with the COMM water system to a vacant lot on Longview Drive. This roadway work is complete. The new building enclosure has been completed. Landscaping work remains on the site. The project is anticipated to be completed by June 11, 2021. The metal container will be enclosed in a building appropriate for the neighborhood. Normal works hours will be between 8:00 AM and 4:40 PM.

**CONTINUES** MassDOT Schedules Intersection Improvements at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road: MassDOT Construction operations on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road are ongoing and will continue through to July 2021. 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. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. 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. 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.

*UPDATED* Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in Centerville/Main Street in Osterville: Work on the bridge is scheduled to continue into June 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work will include improving riprap at bridge abutments, bridge deck repairs, improving endblocks and guardrail connections, and concrete repairs. The contractor is expected to deploy their construction craft from McCarthy’s Landing (aka Hayward Landing) at 40 Hayward Road in Centerville. This may create brief delays for other users when the contractor is using the landing. The ramp will still be available for public access. The contractor is responsible for maintaining small vessel navigational access under the bridge at all times during construction. Mariners are urged to use caution and go slow when approaching and moving through the work area. Divers may be in the water at times during construction operations. Mariners are required to maintain proper distance from Dive and Alpha flags based on Maritime law. The bridge will remain open to traffic throughout construction. During this work there will be temporary single-lane closures with signs and police officers to direct traffic past the work zone.

*CONTINUES* Sidewalk, Traffic Signal, Water Distribution, and Associated Improvements on Independence Drive in Hyannis and Barnstable Village, and on Portions of Mary Dunn Road, Kidd’s Hill Road, and Attucks Lane in Barnstable Village: Construction is scheduled to end in May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM (5:30 PM during paving operations), Monday through Friday. Work will include a new sidewalk and additional drainage systems the full length of Independence Drive, on Mary Dunn Road a short distance south of Independence Drive, on Kidd’s Hill Road from Independence Drive to Merchants Way, and on Attucks Lane from Independence Drive to Wilkens Lane. The work will also include a new traffic signal system at the intersection of Attucks Lane & Wilkens Lane; a watermain extension on portions of Attucks Lane and Independence Drive; and additional street lights on portions of Independence Drive and Kidd’s Hill Road. During active construction there will be lane closures with signs, cones/construction barrels, and police details or flaggers if necessary to direct traffic past the work zones.

*CONTINUES* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village: Construction is scheduled to continue into spring 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes utility line transfers and pole removals in a few locations (by utility companies); constructing a sidewalk from Main Street to the County Complex parking lot east end; installing street lights; refurbishing traffic signals; and other associated work. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.
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.

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**BARNSTABLE RECREATION**

**WATERFRONT & LIFEGUARD TRAINING**

**REG TRAC #: 120211-B**

**DATE:** June 14 - June 19

**FEE:** $180 ($360 Non-Residents)

**AGE:** 17+ years old

**SATURDAY TIME:** 10am–4pm

**MONDAY-FRIDAY TIME:** 3:30pm - 7:00pm

*Times of classes may vary*

**LOCATION:** Craigville Beach (997 Craigville Beach Rd, Centerville)

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**SPECIAL OFFER!**

Upon successful completion of training, you may be eligible for full reimbursement of class fees! Those who complete training and are hired by the Recreation Division as lifeguards will receive full reimbursement!

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This program provides participants the knowledge and skills to prevent, recognize, and respond to aquatic emergencies and to provide care for cardiac and breathing emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until EMS personnel take over.

**PREREQUISITES:**

Minimum 17 years old by June 19th, swim 500 yards continuous freestyle under 10 minutes, tread water for two minutes using only legs, and surface dive seven to ten feet.

**REGISTRATION:**

In-person and online registration begins on June 1st. In person registration will be available Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm. Acceptable forms of payment are Mastercard, Visa, Check or Money Order made payable to the Town of Barnstable. In-person registration will be held at the Recreation Office located in the Hyannis Youth and Community Center, 141 Bassett Lane Hyannis. Spots are contingent upon availability.

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The Last Word:
"Ceremonies are important. But our gratitude has to be more than visits to the troops, and once-a-year Memorial Day ceremonies. We honor the dead best by treating the living well."
Jennifer M. Granholm

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