



From all of us at Barnstable Town Hall, we wish you a happy and healthy holiday!

Photo Courtesy of Chris Ledda, Channel 18 Video Specialist

Notice of Town Office Closures for the Holidays

Town offices will be closed on Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th for the Christmas Holiday. Offices will be closed on Friday, January 1st for the observance of New Year's Day.

Barnstable High School Virtual Choir Puts Us in the Holiday Spirit

Enjoy a special treat from the [Barnstable High School Virtual Choir's 'Tis the Season!](#)

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December 23, 2020 Color-Coded Guide:

New

Updated

Same as previous week(s)

This is the last issue of eNews for 2020. We will return January 8, 2021.

Was this issue of eNews forwarded to you? You can sign up [here](#) to receive “Barnstable eNews – weekly” directly to your email box.

Beach Water Quality Updates can be found on the [Town of Barnstable's website.](#)

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.

Double Snowy Owl Release Sandy Neck

On Monday, December 21, 2020 Division Director of Natural Resources, Nina Coleman received a call from Norman Smith who recently retired as sanctuary director for Mass Audubon's Blue Hills Trailside Museum in Milton, Massachusetts. Norman has been rescuing Snowy Owls from Boston's Logan Airport since 1981. He told Nina he wanted to come and release not one but two recently caught Snowy Owls on Sandy Neck. Nina, along with Natural Resource Officer Hannah Lawrence, and Operations Supervisor Donna Bragg, escorted Norman and the two Snowy Owls out to Beach Point for release. **Please be respectful of these magnificent birds. Do not get close to them. Should you spot one, enjoy them from a distance. These are young owls trying to survive.** We have named them Solstice and Illumination. *Pictures courtesy of Hannah Lawrence and Donna Bragg.*



NEW MASSACHUSETTS RESTRICTIONS: Effective Saturday, December 26 and for at least two weeks, capacity limits will be lowered to 25 percent for most industries, indoor gatherings will be limited to 10, and outdoor gatherings will be limited to 25, per new Governor's orders. This pause will reduce allowable occupancy from current capacity levels of 40% to 25% in multiple sectors. You can read the sector specific information [here](#). You can watch Governor Baker's press conference [here](#).

Keep your family safe during the Holiday season

COVID-19 DOESN'T TAKE HOLIDAYS OFF. THIS HAPPENED AT A DINNER PARTY.

4 families gather for a meal

11 of 15 family members infected, including some children

Elderly family member to ICU

BASED ON A REAL OUTBREAK INVESTIGATION

For more information visit [Mass.gov/Holidays](https://www.mass.gov/holidays)

Local COVID-19 Test Site Has New Telephone Number

Two COVID-19 testing sites at the Cape Cod Melody Tent in Hyannis and the Barnstable County Fairgrounds in Falmouth have a new telephone number for scheduling appointments with new prompts. The number is **508-534-7103**. The sites are funded through resources secured by Cape & Islands lawmakers in two budget bills, a contribution by Cape Cod Healthcare, and an appropriation from Barnstable County. The expansion of testing capacity arrives at a critical moment in the regional efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19. Barnstable's Channel 18 has created two public service announcements (PSAs) that provide you with the information you need to know about these sites. You can view the PSAs [here](#).

Help COVID-19 Patients

Fully Recovered from COVID-19? [Sign Up to Give Convalescent Plasma](#)

Recovered from COVID-19?
Help others battling this coronavirus!

Give convalescent plasma
Sign up to give at [RedCrossBlood.org/Plasma4COVID](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org/Plasma4COVID)

Give blood
Plasma from an antibody-positive whole blood donation can be given to a COVID-19 patient

Spread the word
Encourage others to give

Revised Massachusetts Travel Advisory

The state has revised the [Travel Advisory](#) to reduce the quarantine period to 10 days. This advisory requires that individuals (age 11 and up), who travel/return to Massachusetts from high-risk states, produce a negative COVID-19 test result or quarantine for 10 days upon arrival/return to Massachusetts.

Barnstable High School Students are Nominees for 2020 National Student Production Awards

The Foundation of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) announced the nominees for the 2020 National Student Production Awards on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. Nominees were selected from high school student entries across the country in 24 programming and craft categories. "The future journalists, analysts, correspondents and entertainers of the next generation will be found among these talented young nominees represented here," said Adam Sharp, President & CEO, NATAS. "Highlighting their work and encouraging their pursuit of excellence is one of the primary mandates of our Foundation." "We are thrilled to be able to honor the extraordinary students and their teachers at the National level and equally proud that many Student Production Award recipients cite the recognition by the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences as the validation that propelled them to choose a career in media," said Danielle Mannion, Education Chair, NATAS. Three Barnstable High School projects were selected:

Long Form – Fiction

SKETCH, Barnstable Educational Access TV (Boston/New England Chapter)

[Sketch - Long Form Fiction](#)

Brianna Brann

Jim Gilbert, Adam Farrell, Advisor

Public Affairs/Community Service

Nicotine Cessation Program, Barnstable Educational Access TV (Boston/New England Chapter)

[Nicotine Cessation - Community Affairs](#)

Shae Kullas

Jim Gilbert, Advisor

Magazine Program


BHN Halloween Edition, Barnstable Educational Access TV (Boston/New England Chapter)

[BHN Halloween Edition - Magazine Program](#)

Morgan Dardia, Alyssa DePasqua, Rachael Holzman, Samuel Howell, Chiara Marini, Lucas McFarland, Abigail Olsen, Emma Tilton, Garrett Wiseman, Lily Tordone, Chris Cordeiro
Adam Farrell, Advisor

This year's submissions were successfully culled from over 2000 entries from the regional chapters of The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. Entries were judged by selected industry professionals and media academics. "This was a really talented and creative group and a true testament to what students can achieve if they put their all into our program," said Adam Farrell, Broadcasting Teacher, Barnstable High School. "I couldn't be more proud of these students. They took our advice, developed solid production plans, and put amazing effort into their projects. The recognition is well deserved," said Jim Gilbert, Station Coordinator, Barnstable Educational Television. Recipients will be announced in early February via a web stream produced by NATAS.

Save the Date – 7th Annual Community Prevention Forum –
January 12, 2021



BARNSTABLE YOUTH COMMISSION 7TH ANNUAL
COMMUNITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION FORUM

Tuesday, January 12th
6:00-7:00 PM

30-MINUTE PRE-RECORDED PRESENTATION BY LOCAL EXPERTS FOLLOWED BY A 30-MINUTE Q&A SESSION

FREE ONLINE

CRITICAL INFORMATION ON HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT SUBSTANCES

Debra Ciavola, PhD, RN, Executive Director of Behavioral Health Services Cape Cod Healthcare
Offers supportive language and ideas for easily translatable terms and phrasing to start productive conversations with your child(ren).



Barnstable Police School Resource Officer David Downs
Discusses facts about the laws that will impact you and your child if found with substances. This knowledge will help with the Q&A discussions and prepare you for the challenges ahead if you are faced with the situation.

Barnstable Police School Resource Officer Dennis Stampfl
Shows you what is currently being found amongst our Youth who are using. New products are constantly coming out and parents need to be informed and know what they are looking at. Know and see what substances are available to your children and where they are often hidden in the home.

LIVE Q&A
FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM

Following the 30-minute presentation, registered participants will have an opportunity to ask questions and have an open live discussion with all of the professionals, moderated by members of the Barnstable Youth Commission, about what is actually happening with our youth in the community and what is being done. The Forum will be recorded and re-transmitted on Channel 18 at a later date to be announced.

General Public is Welcome to attend this free event!
Register in advance for this ZOOM meeting:
https://zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?jg9Xvw1L9FPCvm_lvl-EnuqcO
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



Cape Cod Commission Launches Climate Ambassador Program

Seeking students to work together to combat the impacts of climate change

The Cape Cod Commission is pleased to announce the launch of the Climate Ambassador Program, an initiative to educate, engage and empower young people on Cape Cod to work together to combat the impacts of climate change. Students in grades 9-12 who would like to develop a better understanding of climate change, learn how to communicate effectively about climate, and learn what actions can be taken individually and collectively to bring about change are encouraged to apply to participate in the five-month program. Selected students will participate in eight virtual meetings, to be held on Wednesday afternoons from January to May 2021. Students will learn about and discuss a variety of climate-related subjects, including local and global climate causes and impacts, carbon reduction strategies, resiliency planning, and equity considerations. Students will have a chance to show off their creativity with a small project demonstrating how they can have a personal impact on climate change at home or in their school communities. Interested students should submit a one-page letter to climate@capecodcommission.org detailing why they are interested in climate change, their current

knowledge of climate change, and what they hope to learn or accomplish by being a part of the Climate Ambassador Program. A reference from a teacher is required. Applications are due by January 8, 2021. For more information, visit www.capecodcommission.org/climate-ambassadors

Barnstable Elderly & Disabled Taxation Aid Fund

Background

The Barnstable Town Council has accepted Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 60, Section 3D which allows the Town to establish a fund to defray the real estate taxes of low income elderly and disabled persons. Taxpayers contribute to the fund through a voluntary check off on their real estate tax bills. The funds collected are distributed to needy individuals through an annual award process. To be considered for this annual award, potential recipients need to meet the following eligibility requirements and complete and submit the attached application form.

Eligibility

- ☐ **65 years or older** on July 01, 2020

OR

- ☐ **Disabled-** Applicant must be receiving benefits from a State or Federal recognized disability entity. (example: Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration)
- ☐ **Total gross household** income shall not exceed **\$35,000.00 single, or \$40,000 married. Other assets must be less than \$40,000.** Other Assets are the value of personal property and other real estate excluding domicile. This includes cars, boats, savings and checking accounts.
Gross household income is income earned in the calendar year ending 12/31/2019 and should include all income received from all sources by the applicant as well as any additional residents in the household. Please be advised that we refer to the official Town Census Listing to confirm household residents.
- Applicant(s) must be the titled owner of the property or hold a life estate in the property on July 01, 2020. If Title is held by a Trust, **the applicant must be both a trustee and at least a 50% beneficiary of the trust in order to qualify. The property must be the applicant's primary residence.**
- Please provide proof of income by attaching copies of all the following that apply:
 - Social Security Benefits Award letter Bank/Investment Account Statements
 - IRS Form W-2 IRS Form 1099
 - Pay Stubs IRS Form 1040

Timeline

Applications will be accepted through **January 15, 2021**. Awards will be announced by January 30, 2021 and will be applied directly to the applicant's residential tax bill. Applications are available at the Barnstable Senior Center, on the Town of Barnstable Website or by calling the Town of Barnstable Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656.

What To Do If You Find A Cold-Stunned Turtle

It is very important to recover these stranded turtles as quickly as possible. Do not assume a turtle is dead—turtles that appear lifeless are often still alive. If you come across a stranded sea turtle on the beach, please follow these simple steps:

1. Move the turtle above the high tide line. Never grab or hold the turtle by the head or flippers.
2. Cover it with dry seaweed or wrack.
3. Mark it with an obvious piece of debris—buoys, driftwood, or branches.
4. Call the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary hotline at 508-349-2615 x6104.



Sea turtles are federally protected under the Endangered Species Act; as such, it is illegal to harass sea turtles or transport them without a permit.

Time to Renew Your Burglar Alarm Registration with the Barnstable Police Department

All burglar alarm registrations within the Town of Barnstable will expire on **December 31, 2020**. If you own a house or business in the Town of Barnstable that is equipped with an active burglar alarm, monitored or non-monitored, you need to renew your Alarm Registration and get your 2021/2022 decal. Please complete a 2021/2022 Alarm Registration form and submit with a \$25.00 registration fee. **Electronic registration and payment is now available at www.barnstablepolice.com!** Renewal forms are still available to be downloaded on our website (above) and are available at any time in the front lobby of the Barnstable Police Department and can be mailed or delivered to:



Barnstable Police Department
1200 Phinney's Lane
Hyannis, MA 02601

Due to Covid-19, we are trying to limit the amount of people that come up to the Records Department. If you are picking up or dropping off a registration form, please obtain a form from the front lobby and drop completed forms off in the alarm bin which is also located in the front lobby. Please renew by the expiration date (December 31, 2020) to avoid costly late fees and unregistered alarm fines. Please familiarize yourself with the regulations by visiting our website (see above). If you have any questions regarding the renewal please call 508-778-3824 or email alarmadmin@barnstablepolice.com. Thank you for your continued assistance and diligence in reducing false alarms in our Town!

Wednesday Student Meals for Barnstable Public School Students

Barnstable Public Schools is providing FREE breakfast and lunch for any student free of charge. (No ID is required). All children are welcome regardless of town of residence or school attended. All meals will be offered in compliance with USDA standards and will be a "Grab and Go" option. Barnstable Public Schools' Food Services and Transportation are once again partnering on a food delivery program for our Barnstable Families that can't access grab and go sites. Multiple meals, 5 breakfast and 5 lunches will be handed out to students and parents/guardians at specific bus stop locations on Wednesdays through December 30th.



WEDNESDAY MEALS

STUDENT MEALS

Meals include 5 days worth of food!

This program starts 12/16 and runs each Wednesday, including the upcoming holiday week (12/30).

WEDNESDAY BUS STOP SCHEDULE

Centerville Plaza – 1660 Rt. 28, Centerville
12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cromwell Court – 168 Barnstable Road, Hyannis
12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Village Green Apts. – 767 Independence Drive, Hyannis
12:45 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Drive-Thru Food Distribution at Cape Cod Community College in December

The U.S. Farmers to Families Food Box program continues to be available on the Mid-Cape at Cape Cod Community College, [2040 Iyannough Road, West Barnstable, MA 02668](#). PRIOR registration is required for ALL locations (see the link after each location to register and read instructions carefully, as each site varies slightly).

- December 26, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. [Click here](#) to register.

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.

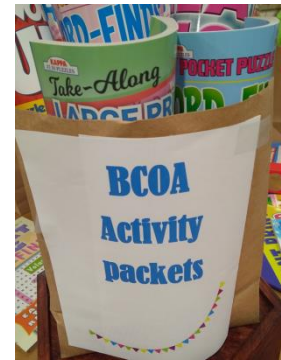
MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is a great resource for COVID-19 testing locations with its [COVID-19 Test Site Locator](#). The map provides an easy way to locate a COVID-19 test site near you. All of those experiencing symptoms or those who have been in close contact recently with a COVID positive individual should seek testing. There are different filters you can choose, such as free testing for residents, test children, referral not required, drive thru services, etc.

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

Grab & Go Activity Kits

Winter weather and stay-at-home precautions are preventing us from getting out as much as usual, but it's important to keep our minds sharp and active. We've put together fun activity kits to help you stay focused and busy while we weather the winter. Pick up one for yourself here at the BACC during our regular Tuesday and Thursday Grab & Go lunch distributions (11:30 AM-12:30 PM) or call us at [508-862-4765](tel:508-862-4765), and we'll be happy to mail one to you!



Are you feeling lonely? Join a circle of friends!

It's the most common concern we hear from the community — that many of us miss socializing with others. While it's essential to be safe and maintain physical distances, we can still telephone each other to keep up those important and caring social connections. Let us know, and you can be part of a telephone chain circle of friends staying in touch and checking in with each other. Please call Jacqi Easter at [508-862-4757](tel:508-862-4757) for more information, or to sign up. There is no need to be bored or lonely – call today and meet new friends!

Grab and Go Grocery Bags

If you're running low on food or are unable to get to the grocery store, the BCOA can help. A large array of shelf-stable foods and other grocery items are available, and we can load a bag to your car. If you don't have a means of transportation, we can also deliver a bag to you. In need of a bag? Please call Jacqi Easter at [508-862-4757](tel:508-862-4757).

Weekly Drive thru Grab and Go

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM

Swing by the BACC parking lot to pick up a healthy and delicious Grab and Go bag lunch for Barnstable residents over the age of 60. We'll be happy to see you, and will bring the food items right to your car. Masks and proper social distancing practices are always in place. This program is free, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging.

Barnstable Connects Dementia-Friendly Programs

The Barnstable Council on Aging invites caregivers and members of our community to join Barnstable Connects. Barnstable Connects is a dementia-friendly program that provides engaging programs for member of our community with memory impairments. The program focuses on keeping our bodies in motion, cognitive exercises and of course a little fun. Well-trained dementia friendly leaders lead the programs. For more information, please contact Stacey Cullen at [508-862-4765](tel:508-862-4765) or email:

stacey.cullen@town.barnstable.ma.us

The Barnstable Council on Aging's E-newsletter is sent at least once a week, and contains lots of information and resources for the older adult community. If you'd like to have it sent to you, please email: judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us. You'll 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.

Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance Payments Available

If you have been unable to pay your rent or mortgage due to a loss of income related to the coronavirus, you may be eligible for Emergency Rental or Mortgage Assistance Payments through the Workforce Housing Relief Fund administered by the Housing Assistance Corporation. The application and additional information about the Fund are available on the Housing Assistance Corporation's website. <https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/>. The Town of Barnstable's Affordable

Housing Growth and Development Trust Fund contributed \$300,000 to Housing Assistance Corporation's Workforce Housing Relief Fund.

Call to artists to participate in 2021

Applications available on line at www.ArtsBarnstable.com

2021 HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY SEASON

The Town of Barnstable is currently accepting applications for artists and artisans interested in participating in the 2021 season, May through October and November & December special events.

Applications are received on rolling basis until all spots are filled.

Application review begins November 1 of each year.

Applications can be submitted online: www.ArtsBarnstable.com

For more information contact: Melissa Chartrand, Arts & Culture Coordinator,
melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us

ABOUT THE HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY PROGRAM:

Artist shanties are located in the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District, on Ocean Street, along the Walkway-to-the-Sea from Hyannis Main Street to Hyannis Harbor. Seven shanties are located at Bismore Park, 180 Ocean Street, and steps away five shanties are located 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 more 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. The shanties are open weekends May through mid-June; seven days a week through end of September; October weekends and special events in November and December. Artist work is hand-made, hand crafted or designed 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. This artist program is made possible in cooperation with the Town of Barnstable, and its 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 Hyannis Museum and Cape Cod Maritime Museum and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority.

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.

***CONTINUES* Sewer Construction on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue**

Robert B Our Co., Inc. will be starting construction on a privately funded sewer extension on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue from 10 Hyannis Avenue to Nob Hill Road. The work will consist of the installation of approximately 1,250 feet of new sewers which, upon completion of the work, will become part of the municipal sewer system, and allow for adjacent properties to connect to the municipal sewer

system. The disturbed roadways will be trench patched (temporary pavement) for the remainder of the winter. In the spring, the disturbed roadways will be milled and paved for the full road width. Weather pending, work is scheduled to begin on December 21st and the work is anticipated to take six (6) weeks to complete. Work will be performed from 7 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Temporary detours will be necessary during the work. Police details and signage will direct motorists around the construction crews. Drivers are advised to seek alternate routes. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the construction area, and follow posted safety signs.

***CONTINUES* Water Works Construction on Longview Drive in Hyannis**

The water works construction project, originally scheduled to start December 14th, is now scheduled to start January 4, 2021 on Longview Drive in Hyannis. This project will install approximately 500 feet of 8 inch water main and move the temporary interconnection with the COMM water system to a vacant lot on Longview Drive. 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* Drainage Improvements on Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills**

Drainage improvements on Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills are on hold due to winter conditions. Contractor will be demobilizing until spring 2021.

***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 will continue through to April 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.

***CONTINUES* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village**

All drainage work is completed. The contractor will be demobilizing and returning in spring 2021 to complete roadway paving.

***CONTINUES* National Grid Service Road**

National Grid has completed the installation of new gas main on Service Road in Barnstable. The gas line was activated on December 3rd, and the contractor will start demobilizing from the site in by mid-December. 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. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed. Final re-paving of Service Road is anticipated to be completed in spring 2021.

***CONTINUES* Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in Centerville/Main Street in Osterville**

Work on the bridge supports is scheduled to continue through mid-January 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday; however, the work may be performed during nighttime and weekends based on tidal cycles and weather conditions. 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. It is expected that divers will be in the water 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 may 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, 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.



SNOW AND ICE CONTRACTORS WANTED

EXPERIENCED SNOWPLOW CONTRACTORS WITH EQUIPMENT FROM 34 TON FOUR-WHEEL-DRIVE TRUCKS TO TEN WHEELERS ARE NEEDED TO ASSIST DURING WINTER SNOW AND ICE OPERATIONS

BARNSTABLE DPW WANTS YOU TO PLOW THIS WINTER.

CALL JOE MARSHALL 508-790-6330 FOR INFORMATION

The advertisement features a background image of a snowplow clearing a snowy road. The text is overlaid on the image, with the main heading in large, bold, black letters. Below it, a smaller line of text describes the requirements for contractors. A red banner at the bottom contains the call to action in white text. At the very bottom, a white banner contains the contact information in black text.

Are You on the Town's Emergency Notification System?

The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system has been used to provide information during the ongoing COVID-19 event and for the recent COMM Water District issue. Did you know that only landlines are part of the federal and state Reverse 911 system and you must register cell phones which are not public records? Make sure you are on our list. Sign up [here](#) today. **What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?** CodeRED is an emergency notification service by which town officials can notify Barnstable residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about time-sensitive emergency situations or important community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire town. Only authorized officials are allowed access to use the system. Frequently asked questions can be reviewed [here](#). Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

Working with Barnstable Town Hall

Public access to Town Hall Offices and 200 Main Street is now by appointment only. Information on how you can work remotely with Town Offices is available on the Town of Barnstable's website (www.townofbarnstable.us) and www.BarnstableHealth.com. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Treasurer/Collector's Office will be accepting payments either through mail or payments may be placed in the drop box located outside Town Hall next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. **No cash is to be mailed or left in the drop box.**

For **Tax Title Account information** please call Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656. Payments for liened parcels that are in Tax Title may be mailed to:

Town of Barnstable, Treasurer's Office, 230 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601

Tax Collector's Office is open to the public by appointment only. Please call the office at 508-862-4054 or email taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us to make an appointment or for any questions regarding real estate and personal property taxes, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes and sewer utility bill payments. Payment options for Treasurer/Collector's office:

- Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
- Online through the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online
- Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall, or by appointment.
- Please do not leave any cash in the drop box.

The Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on July 1st. The first quarter was due on August 3, 2020 and the second quarter is due on November 2, 2020.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Abatement Applications

Abatement forms are available on the town's website at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/>

Completed forms can be mailed to Town of Barnstable Assessor, 367 Main. St. Hyannis, MA 02601.

Property Information

Inquiries regarding property values can be requested by email to assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

All other forms are available at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/>

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

A drop off location for paper applications has been established to the left of the front door at 367 Main Street. If your request does not need immediate attention, please use the drop off location for nomination papers, birth, death, and marriage certificates established in the front vestibule at 367 Main Street. Please submit your request in the lock box and call us on 508-862-4044.

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call 508-862-4044. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

200 MAIN STREET

Instructions for Dropping Off Permit Applications

- Include a contact name, and telephone number and/or e-mail address.
- DO NOT submit payment with the application. It will be collected at a later time.
- There will be a minimum 48 hour delay between the time an application is dropped off and when it is officially received.
- A staff member will contact you to confirm receipt of the application and with comments and/or instructions and to arrange payment of fees.

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is a time to gather golden moments,
embark upon a sentimental journey,
and enjoy every idle hour.
~ John Boswell**

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