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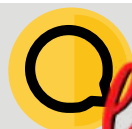
St. John Paul II High School students pose in front of their Floating Garden Installation at Eagle Pond in Cotuit - a student engaged, green infrastructure project - and joint collaboration with The Town of Barnstable, Barnstable Land Trust and St. John Paul II.

In this issue of eNews:

- We are currently in a State of Water Supply Conservation;
- Construction season has returned;
- September is National Preparedness Month;
- The Cape Cod Commission has extended the Regional Policy Plan public comment period to September 24th;
- The Town's Open Space Committee is hosting a Landowners Workshop on Monday, September 29th;
- The next round for Opioid Abatement Fund Grant applications closes on September 30th;
- The Town was awarded a grant to plant 1,300 trees within the community's Planting Zone which includes greater Hyannis - find out if you are eligible to participate in Greening Hyannis.

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CONSTRUCTION NEWS & UPDATES



**SEWER
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Contact DPW
508-790-6400

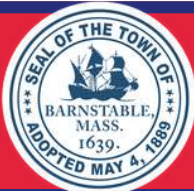
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www.barnstablewaterresources.com/news-updates/

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025



READ THE SUMMARY



**Town
Council**

WATCH THE VOD

**NEXT TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 9, 2025
@ 6PM**

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Town of Barnstable

PUBLIC MEETING CALENDAR

For the complete calendar of events and meetings,
visit <https://townofbarnstable.us/calendar.asp>

Monday, September 22:

9:00 AM | Affordable Housing Growth and Development Trust Fund Board
4:30 PM | Infrastructure and Energy Committee
6:00 PM | Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee
7:00 PM | Planning Board

Tuesday, September 23:

2:00 PM | Golf Committee
4:45 PM | Board of Assessors
6:30 PM | Conservation Commission
7:00 PM | Waterways Committee

Wednesday, September 24:

10:00 AM | Licensing Authority
6:30 PM | Old Kings Highway Historic District Committee
7:00 PM | Zoning Board of Appeals

Thursday, September 25:

4:00 PM | Housing Committee

Friday, September 26:

No Meetings

Download the new Barnstable Government Access app, stream on Apple TV, Roku or Amazon Fire Stick, or tune into Xfinity Channel 8/1070 or HD Channel 1072 for meeting coverage.



Barnstable Government Access Weekly Meeting Review

VIDEO ON DEMAND

YOUTUBE

WATCH LIVE

September 15 - September 19

 COMPREHENSIVE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AD HOC COMMITTEE	 BARNSTABLE MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY BOARD
 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE	 COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE PURPOSE, COMPOSITION, FUNCTIONALITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE TOWN
 HISTORICAL COMMISSION	 HYANNIS MAIN STREET WATERFRONT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
 AIRPORT COMMISSION	 TOWN COUNCIL

click any meeting to watch anytime on demand!



SHARE YOUR FAVORITE VILLAGE PHOTO



August 1, 2025 - Issue 31
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Want to have your Village or your favorite Barnstable locale featured in an upcoming issue of eNews?

Share your name, photo, and photo location to email@town.barnstable.ma.us
for a chance to be featured in an upcoming eNews!

**FINAL day
to return
papers!**



REMINDED

**NOMINATION PAPERS FOR ALL TOWN ELECTION
OPENINGS ARE DUE TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
BY **SEPTEMBER 19TH****



**TOWN ELECTION ARE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025**

Any questions?
Contact Town Clerk Ann Quirk
at (508) 862-4044





BARNSTABLE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025
9:00AM - 12:00PM
BARNSTABLE TRANSFER STATION

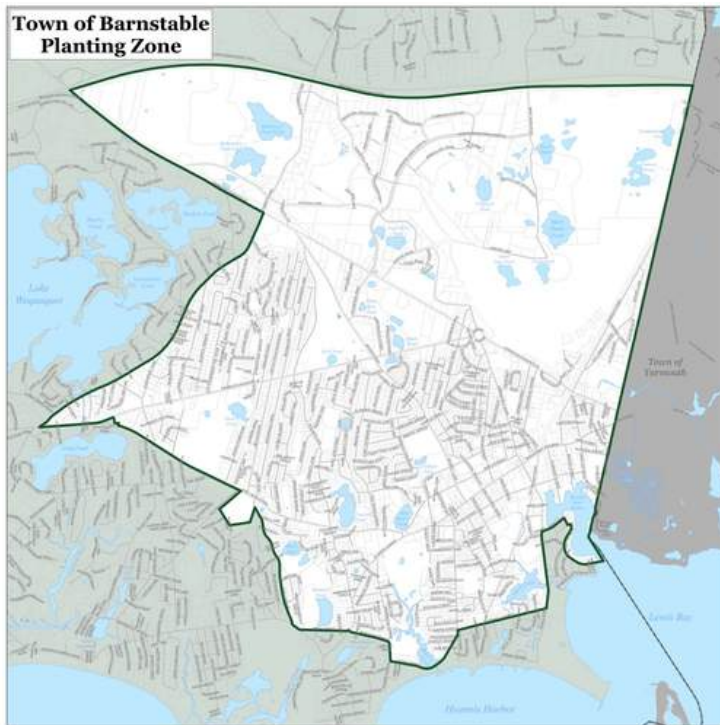


VISIT: WWW.LOVEYOURLOCALWATER.ORG
TO REVIEW WHAT ITEMS ARE ACCEPTED



GREENING
HYANNIS

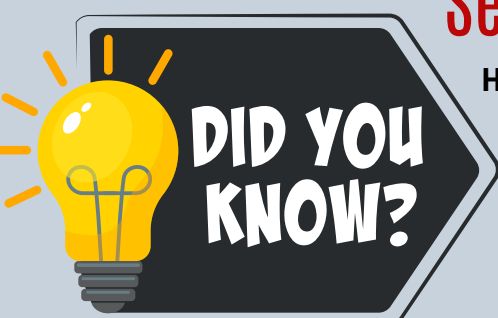
Town of Barnstable
Planting Zone



The Town was awarded a grant to plant 1,300 trees within the community's Planting Zone which includes greater Hyannis. All properties within the Planting Zone are eligible to sign up for free trees.

To learn more about this program and to verify if your property is within the Planting Zone, please visit the project website GreeningHyannis.com.

Find out more information at
www.greeninghyannis.com



September is National Preparedness Month

Highlighting preparedness to promote family and community disaster planning.



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG)



NOTICE OF DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY, PUBLIC MEETING AND COMMENT PERIOD

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS: NEXT ROUND OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Town of Barnstable is pleased to announce the availability of Opioid Abatement Funds to support local initiatives that aim to make a positive impact on the community.

Town of Barnstable based projects will be considered for grant awards from \$1,000 up to \$10,000. Projects must serve residents of the Town of Barnstable and deliver services in the areas of substance use prevention/education, harm reduction, treatment services, or recovery supports.



APPLICATION ROUND	Deadline
<u>RIZE</u> Grant Applicants	November 12, 2024 5:00 PM
Round One	December 31, 2024 12:00 PM
Round Two	March 31, 2025 5:00 PM
Round Three	June 30, 2025 5:00 PM
Round Four	September 30, 2025 5:00 PM

**FINAL
ROUND**

More information and the 2025 Small Grant Application may be found on the Town of Barnstable's website:

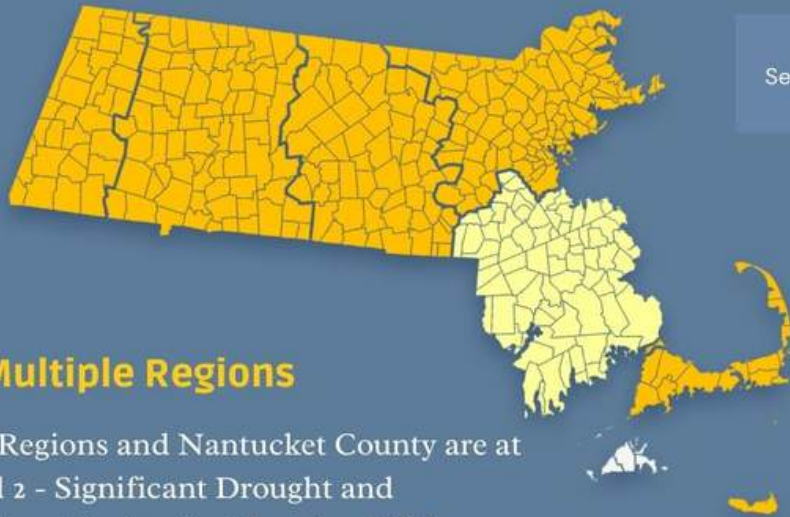
https://tobweb.town.barnstable.ma.us/Departments/TownManager/Opioid_Abatement_Funds/Opioid-Abatement-Funds.asp

Massachusetts Drought Alert

September 12, 2025



Significant Drought Conditions Across the State



Multiple Regions

Five Regions and Nantucket County are at Level 2 - Significant Drought and Southeast Region is at Level 1 - Mild Drought. With 3-months of precipitation deficits and above-normal temperatures, drying trends continue across the state and indices are showing signs of stress.

Drought Alert Issued by:
Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs: Rebecca L. Tepper
Director of MEMA: Dawn Brantley

LEVEL 2 - SIGNIFICANT DROUGHT



What does this mean?

- Rain below normal for over 2 months
- Streams and ground water low, nearing very low flows in some areas
- Fire danger steadily increasing
- Strain on some water supplies

Act Now!

IMMEDIATE STEPS FOR COMMUNITIES:

- Minimize overall water use.
- Limit outdoor watering to hoses/watering cans and only after 5pm and before 9am.
- Limit installation of new landscapes.
- Establish water-use reduction targets and conduct targeted outreach.

GET A DROUGHT UPDATE AT

[MASS.GOV/MA-DROUGHT-MANAGEMENT](https://mass.gov/ma-drought-management)

Share your drought impacts with us!

How you can help

Check with your local water system in case more stringent watering restrictions are in place. Many systems may have other local conditions and constraints on water supply.

Residents and Businesses:

- Use caution with smoking materials, power equipment, outdoor cooking, etc.
NO OPEN BURNING ALLOWED!
- Limit outdoor watering to 5pm - 9am using hand-held hoses or watering cans (**Level 2**), or one day a week (**Level 1**)
- Conduct indoor water audits to identify leaks
- Plant local/drought-resistant species and harvest rainwater
- Avoid removing outlet boards/stop logs that manage pond/lake levels

Check out the new **MA Native Plant Palette!**

A free tool to explore native plants and create custom plant lists to support water conservation and drought resilience.



Additional Resources



www.mass.gov/drought



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@masseea
@masswaters

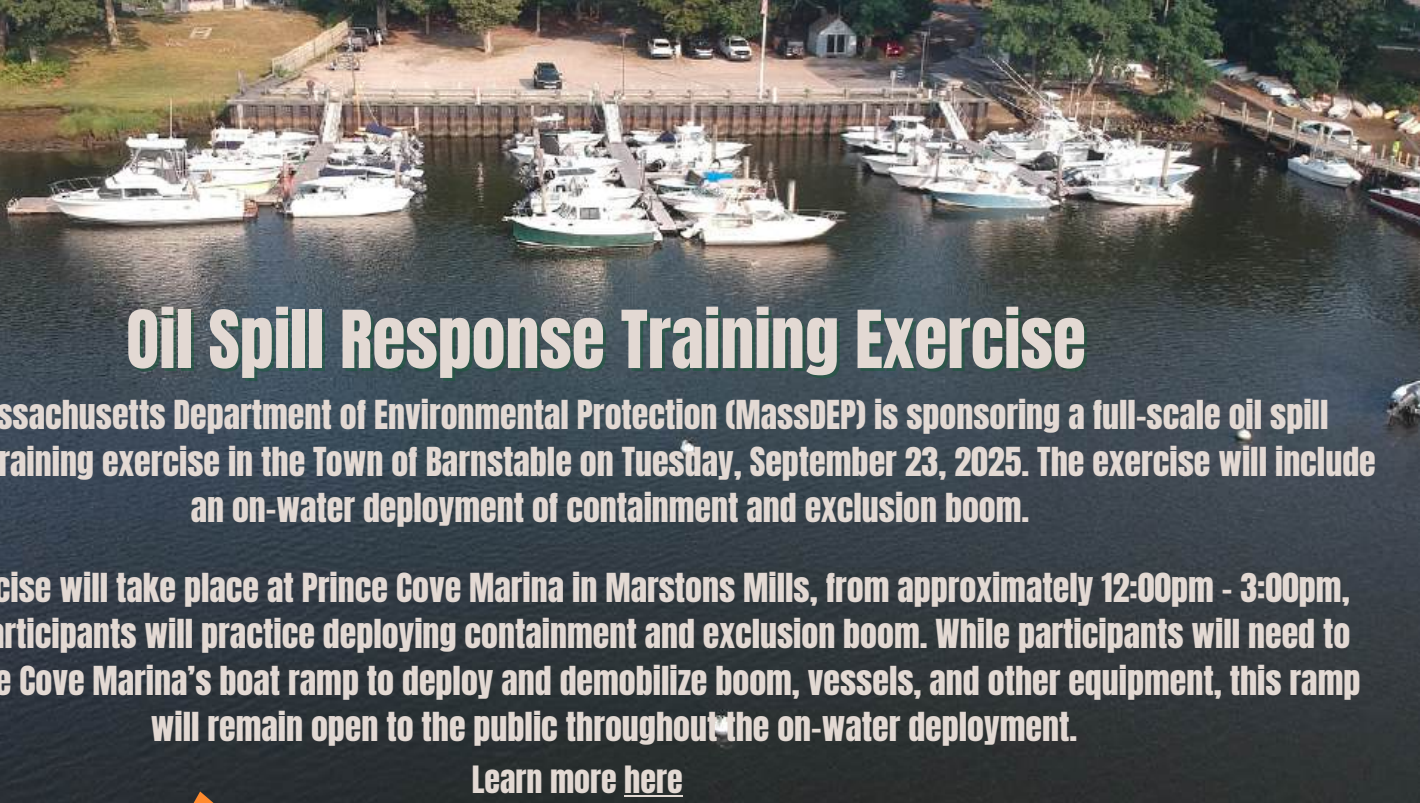


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@masswaters



Water Conservation information [click here.](#)

Private Well owners information [click here.](#)

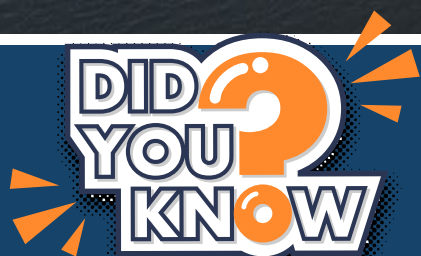


Oil Spill Response Training Exercise

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) is sponsoring a full-scale oil spill response training exercise in the Town of Barnstable on Tuesday, September 23, 2025. The exercise will include an on-water deployment of containment and exclusion boom.

The exercise will take place at Prince Cove Marina in Marstons Mills, from approximately 12:00pm - 3:00pm, where participants will practice deploying containment and exclusion boom. While participants will need to use Prince Cove Marina's boat ramp to deploy and demobilize boom, vessels, and other equipment, this ramp will remain open to the public throughout the on-water deployment.

Learn more [here](#)



September 15 thru May 15



**Dogs on
the Beach**



**Life
Jackets**



Annually from September 15 - May 15:

Dogs are permitted on Barnstable Beaches

Life Jackets MUST be worn by all canoeists and kayakers



2025 HOURS & DATES:

2025 Season	Bismore Park & Harbor Overlook Hours
LABOR DAY; Monday, Sept 1	11:00am - 4:00pm
FIVE DAYS A WEEK:	
Sept. 4- Sept. 29	Thurs - Mon; 11:00am-4:00pm
FALL WEEKENDS: Friday-Sunday	
10/3 - 10/12	Fri-Sun; 11:00am-3:00pm



CAUTION

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY

CYANOBACTERIA BLOOM OR
CYANOBACTERIA TOXINS PRESENT.

WATERBODY UNSAFE FOR PEOPLE AND PETS.
DO NOT TOUCH SCUM IN THE WATER OR ON THE SHORE.



No swimming.



Keep animals away.
Do not let pets or other
animals go into or drink
the water or eat the
scum on shore.



Do not swallow water. Do
not use this water for
drinking or cooking.
Boiling or filtering will not
make it safe.



If you have any contact
with water, rinse off
immediately.

Learn more about water quality
monitoring by visiting
[BarnstableWaterResources.com](https://barnstablewaterresources.com)
or by scanning the QR code.
Questions? Contact: 508-790-6400



Public Health Advisory

Lovells Pond, Cotuit

Parker Pond, Osterville

To receive email alerts of water quality updates sign up for
CWMP eNews at [https://barnstablewaterresources.com/water-
quality-monitoring/](https://barnstablewaterresources.com/water-quality-monitoring/) or download the MyBarnstable App to see
the current water quality notifications.

Pet Advisory

Schoolhouse Pond, Hyannis

Hinckley, Barnstable

To see a map with all monitored ponds and other town's ponds -
check out the Cyanomap at APCC at:
[https://apcc.org/our-work/science/community-
science/cyanobacteria](https://apcc.org/our-work/science/community-science/cyanobacteria)



PET ADVISORY

CYANOBACTERIA / BLUE GREEN ALGAE
MAY BE PRESENT IN THE WATER.

PROCEED WITH CAUTION.
WHEN IN DOUBT STAY OUT.



You can swim in this water,
but stay away from algae
and scum in the water.



Do not let pets or other
animals go into or drink
the water or eat the
scum on shore.



Keep children away
from algae in the water
or on the shore.



Do not drink this water
or use it for cooking.



For fish caught here, throw
away the guts and clean flaks
with tap or bottled water
before cooking.



Do not eat shellfish
from this water.

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monitoring by visiting
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LOOKING FOR AN EXCITING NEW CAREER?

THE TOWN OF BARNSTABLE IS HIRING!

To see a list of positions currently open [CLICK HERE](#)



FERTILIZER ORDINANCE REMINDER FOR LAKEFRONT RESIDENTS

The Town of Barnstable's Fertilizer Use Ordinance (Chapter 78), enacted to protect the health of our environment, drinking water, and natural resources.



Barnstable's sandy, glacial soils make our groundwater and surface water especially vulnerable to nutrient leaching. When nitrogen and phosphorus from improperly applied fertilizers enter our waters, they can accelerate nutrient enrichment (eutrophication), harming aquatic life, limiting recreational use, and posing serious risks to drinking water through increased nitrate levels.

To help protect our water resources, please follow these important standards:

DO

Maintain a minimum setback of 100 feet from all water bodies



DO

Use fertilizers with at least 20% slow-release nitrogen

DO

Limit nitrogen application to no more than 1.0 lb. of actual nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft. per application, and no more than 3.2 lbs. annually



**DO NOT
FERTILIZE**

Between November 12 and March 31

**DO NOT
FERTILIZE**

Before or during heavy rain or when soil is saturated

**DO NOT
FERTILIZE**

With phosphorus fertilizers unless a soil test (> 3 years old) indicates a deficiency or you're establishing new turf

DO NOT

Allow fertilizer or grass clippings to be deposited on impervious surfaces or within 50 feet of water bodies or storm drains

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Health Division at (508) 862-4644 or visit the Town of Barnstable's website for more information.

THE REGIONAL POLICY PLAN ARTICULATES A GROWTH POLICY AND VISION FOR THE REGION

"Growth should be focused in centers of activity and areas supported by adequate infrastructure and guided away from areas that must be protected for ecological, historical, or other reasons. Development should be responsive to context while allowing for the restoration, preservation, and protection of the Cape's unique resources while promoting economic and community resilience."

The Cape Cod Commission's draft 2025 Regional Policy Plan is available for public comment. The public is invited to review the document and submit comments by Wednesday, September 24, 2025.

[View the Regional Policy Plan Here](#)

Submit comments in writing by mail to:

Cape Cod Commission, P.O. Box 226, 3225 Main St. Barnstable, MA 02630
or online using the form located at <https://capecodcommission.org/comment>.



KNOW YOUR VA BENEFITS & PROGRAMS

Thursday, September 25, 2025

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The Bridge Center

3195 Main St, Barnstable Village, MA 02630

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PRESENTERS:

Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center: Barbara-Anne Foley
Department of Veterans Services: Barnstable District Director, Greg Quilty
CC Community College: Military & Veteran Service Advisor, Paula T. Smith, USA, LTC, (Ret.)
Cape Cod VET Center: Outreach Specialist, Adam Doerfler
Veteran Readiness & Employment: Jooyi Ryan, Employment Coordinator



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs



If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please reach out by emailing us at thebridgecenter@bsheriff.net.

Please Note: Vendors by invitation only.

Hosted by the Barnstable County Sheriff's Office

Upcoming LOCAL EVENTS

FREE FAMILY FUN! LOVELIVELocal.COM

13TH SEASON

2025

LOVE 1 local 1 FEST

• ASELTON PARK, HYANNIS •

**SUNDAY
SEPT. 28**
11AM - 5PM

THE CAPE CONNECTION BAND
HOSTING LOCAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

LOVE LOCAL

LOCAL ARTISTS + MAKERS • BEER + WINE GARDEN
LIVE MUSIC • FOOD TRUCKS • KIDS ACTIVITIES



Business and Beyond – Explore Opportunities with the State and Local Governments

Grow Your Business through Public Contracting

Hosted by: Town of Barnstable | Barnstable County | Operational Services Division (OSD)



Location: Barnstable High School Library

744 West Main Street

Hyannis, MA 02601

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Drop-In Format: 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.



Top 3 Reasons to Attend

1. OSD Training Workshop: *Doing Business with the State*

Learn the basics of how to sell your goods or services to the state.

- 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. (includes 15 minutes of Q&A)

2. Supplier Diversity Training Workshop: *Diversity Certification for Your Business*

Learn about certification opportunities from the Supplier Diversity Office, which may help your business better compete for contracts and programs.

- 5:00 – 5:45 p.m. (includes 15 minutes of Q&A)

3. Meet with Town and County Public Purchasing Officials

Why You Should Attend

Local businesses will have the chance to network, ask questions, and learn directly from state and municipal organizations about how to become a vendor or contractor on their projects.

This event is designed for:

- Small businesses
- Minority, women, veteran, service-disabled veteran, disability and LGBT-owned businesses
- Contractors and service providers

Questions?

Email: OSD-Events@mass.gov

REGISTER HERE





September 24th | 10am-2pm

Barnstable Adult Community Center | 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

This fun event being held at the Barnstable Adult Community Center, will provide educational and safety resources to our community.

Public safety and community partners will provide residents the real world tools and information to keep them safe in their home, online, and in their neighborhood.



2025 Clam Crawl

A MA Shellfish Officers Association and Cape Cod Roller Derby Scholarship Funds Benefit Run

"Walk, Run or Crawl your way to the finish line"
on your over sand 3K or 7K event located at the beautiful
Sandy Neck Beach Park!

Sunday September 28, 2025

Race starts at 9:30AM

Registration at: www.runreg.com



The Massachusetts Shellfish Officers Association is a 501-C-3 non-profit dedicated to promoting and enhancing the welfare of the shellfisheries in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
The Cape Cod Roller Derby, Inc. is a 501-C-3 non-profit dedicated to promoting physical fitness, community and sportsmanship through the training, playing and competing in roller derby and roller skating.

LANDOWNERS WORKSHOP

Learn how to preserve your land as open space and receive powerful tax benefits

Hosted by the Town of Barnstable's Open Space Committee



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025



5:30 - 7:00 PM



TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM

367 Main Street,
Hyannis, MA 02601

Light refreshments will be served



A breakout room will be available if you wish to discuss your property with a local expert.

AGENDA

WELCOME

Lev Malakhoff, Chair
Open Space Committee

BENEFITS OF PROTECTING OPEN SPACE

Janet Milkman, Executive Director
Barnstable Land Trust

LANDOWNER OPTIONS FOR PROTECTING OPEN SPACE

Kelly Grant, Director of Land Conservation
Barnstable Land Trust

STATE INCOME TAX CREDIT; FEDERAL & LOCAL TAX RELIEF

Mark Robinson, Executive Director
The Compact of Cape Cod
Conservation Trusts, Inc.

CASE STUDY AND MAPPING EXERCISE: EVALUATING LAND FOR CONSERVATION VALUE

Kelly Grant, Director of Land Conservation
Barnstable Land Trust

Find out what's going on in the newest issue of THRIVE!

RESPIRE PROGRAMS WITH STACEY CULLEN



FAR AND AWAY: DISTANT CAREGIVING

Long-distance caregiving is a type of caregiving where the caregiver lives an hour or more away from the person needing care. This can present unique challenges, but also offers ways to support loved ones despite the geographical distance.

Monday, September 22 (10AM-11AM)
Marstons Mills Library



MEMORY TECHNIQUES

The program will provide an overview of the many different ways we can jog our memory. How we process information via a learning assessment tool. The program will also review different techniques for remembering names, words and appointments.

Thursday, September 25 (10AM-11AM)
Osterville Library



Let's Talk About Death Over Dinner Book Discussion

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

Through special readings and guided questions, we will be using Michael Hebb's book, *Let's Talk about Death over Dinner*, to gain insight on why talking about death and even planning for it can be so difficult – but also, very transformative. Book pick up begins September 12, 2025
The BCOA/BACC has copies for loan and also check your village library for a copy

Please register by September 30, 2025 at (508) 862-4750

Barnstable Council on Aging is hosting a dining experience to discuss Michael Hebb's book

Let's Talk About Death Over Dinner

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 - 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Cheryl Botiei MS will lead us through a guided conversation that transforms a seemingly difficult conversation into one of deep engagement, insight and empowerment. Each course will serve as its own unique theme for discussion.

Limited to 30 guests, \$10.00 per person

Cheryl is an End-of-Life Educator/Doula and Family Support Specialist

Please register by October 7, 2025 at (508) 862-4750

BACC Weekly Calendar

September 22

10:45 AM Field Trip to
Artist Street
CANCELLED

1:00 PM Movie Mondays
(call for movie of the week)

September 23

11:00 AM Range Day &
Lunch at Olde Barney
Golf Course (\$,
registration required)

September 24

10:00 AM Barnstable
Adult Community
Safety Day



September 25

11:30 AM Senior Dining
1:00 PM Cut the Cord
Talk

September 26

9:00 AM State Rep.
Steven Xiarhos

11:00 AM Mindfulness &
Mediation with Adam
Liss

12:00 PM Friday Flix
(call for movie of the week)



SEPTEMBER IS.... LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH! CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR VILLAGE LIBRARY

[Hyannis Library](#) [Marstons Mills Library](#) [Osterville Village Library](#)
[Centerville Library](#) [Whelden Library](#) [Sturgis Library](#) [Cotuit Library](#)

ADDRESSING THE OVERDOSE CRISIS: National Challenges, Local Solutions Thursday, September 25 @ 5:30 p.m.



Leo Beletsky JD, MPH

Professor of Law and Health Sciences at Northeastern University. He is an interdisciplinary social epidemiologist who explores the role of law and law enforcement as structural determinants of health. His intervention design and implementation science research focuses on using policy interventions to improve population health and equity, with special focus on the overdose crisis.



Lianne A. Uroda PhD, MSW, LCSW

Associate Professor of Social Work at San Diego State University, core faculty for the SDSU-UCSD Joint Doctoral Program in Interdisciplinary Research on Substance Use and Adjunct Associate Professor of Global Public Health at UC San Diego's Department of Medicine. Her research focuses on developing and testing interventions for vulnerable and underserved populations in the US experiencing homelessness, human trafficking and opioid use addiction.



Ashley Weitensteiner PhD candidate

Joint Interdisciplinary Research on Substance Use (San Diego State University/University of California, San Diego). Her research interests include examining substance use outcomes among sexually exploited persons and disparities related to substance use, such as overdose and overdose response behaviors, particularly among individuals experiencing homelessness. More broadly, she studies the inequalities faced by marginalized populations in accessing the benefits of harm reduction drug policies.

Join researchers from Northeastern University, San Diego State University and University of California, San Diego in a conversation about local public health policies and enforcement and the impact on the health and safety of individuals with substance use disorders.

This presentation is free, but registration is requested.



401 Main Street, Hyannis
508-775-2280
hyannislibrary.org

FREE CPR CLASS

C.O.MM Fire will be hosting a free CPR Class at the Osterville Village Library on October 10th, 2025, 10am-Noon. This will be an educational class only and class size will be limited.

"Your attendance may just end up saving a life!"



Contact Natalia Kennedy at nkennedy@commfiredistrict.com or call 508-957-8224 to reserve your spot.



CAPE COD'S COASTAL CHALLENGES

from Sandy Neck Beach to Chatham's Morris Island

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 | 1 PM
OSTERVILLE VILLAGE LIBRARY, OSTERVILLE



The last word...

Nostalgia – that's the Autumn,
Dreaming through September
Just a million lovely things
I always will remember.
~Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis

**Thank you for receiving and reading
eNews each week!**



**BARNSTABLE
RECREATION**



**BUSINESS
BARNSTABLE**



SEVEN VILLAGES • ONE TOWN



ALL THINGS ARTS & CULTURE



HYANNIS • CAPE COD

