



Retiree Carolyn Ahern is honored for her 24 years with the Barnstable Police Department by Town Council President Paul Hebert and Town Council Vice President Jessica Rapp Grasseti.

Town of Barnstable Employees Recognized for Years of Service 2019

The Town of Barnstable celebrated its Years of Service for 12 Retirees and 82 Employees on Friday, December 13, 2019 with Town Manager Mark Ells, Town Councilors Paul Hebert, Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Matthew Levesque, Gordon Starr, and Kris Clark. Congratulations and Thank You to the following Employees:

Retired (in order of years of service)

John Corbett (48 years) Police Department; Reid Hall (45 years) Police Department; Mark Delaney (39 years) Police Department; Benjamin Baxter (33 years) Police Department; Dale Saad (33 years) DPW-Engineering Division; Stephen Estey (30 years) Police Department; Carolyn Ahern (24 years) Police Department; Debba Lavoie (24 years) Marine & Environmental Affairs; Maureen Niemi (19 years) Tax Collector; Claudette Bookbinder (18 years) Planning & Development-Conservation; Dennis Bouvier (18 years) Information Systems; and Robert Golden (16 years) DPW-Engineering Division.

5 Years of Service

Nancy Beauchamp, Community Services-Golf Division; Donna Bragg, MEA-Natural Resources Division; Kimberly Cavanaugh, Planning & Development-Conservation; Edward Clark, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Nathan Empey, Finance; Bradley Everson, Airport; Christopher Gonnella, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Elizabeth Hartsgrove, Planning & Development; Brian Jenkins, Police Department; Robert Lovell, DPW-Highway Division; Michael McBride, DPW-Highway Division; Janet Murphy, Town Clerk; Nolan O'Melia, Police Department; Amber Patterson, Purchasing; Kyle Phelan, Police Department; Joel Quinn, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Susan Robbins, Legal; Roger Santos, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Donald Sears, Airport; Kathryn Soto, Health Division; and Kathleen Thompson, Planning & Development.

10 Years of Service

Robert Bitinas, Police Department; Arden Cadrin, Planning & Development; Amy Croteau, MEA-Natural Resources Division; Debra Dagwan, Town Council; Christopher Daniels, Airport; Amy Harwood, Community Services; Laura Kelliher, Community Services-Recreation Division; Erin McRae, DPW-Water Pollution Control; Melanie Mimmo, Community Services-Recreation Division; Henry O'Shaughnessy, Community Services-Golf Division; Catarina Parache, Police Department; Dennis Stampfl, Police Department; and Margaret Stanton, Health Division.

15 Years of Service

Robert Bearse, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Armando Feliciano, Police Department; Steven Barrette, Police Department; Eugene Desruisseaux, Police Department; David Downs, Police Department; Jennifer Engelsen, Planning & Development; Kathleen Girouard, Planning & Development; Peter Ho, DPW-Water Pollution Control; Janet Logan, Town Clerk; Mary McDonald, Airport; Kenneth Morano, DPW-Solid Waste Division; Peter Myrbeck, Police Department; Dennis Noonan, Police Department; Michael Puntonio, Police Department; Jarod Smoller, MEA-Harbormaster Division; and Pamela Taylor, Assessing.

20 Years of Service

Heidi Anacki, Police Department; Brian Celia, DPW-Engineering Division; David Houghton, Legal; Jason Laber, Police Department; Anson Moore, Police Department; Patricia Otto, Community Services-Recreation Division; Judy Redd, Community Services-Council on Aging Division; Leonid Soldatov, Airport; and Angela Whelan, Human Resources.

25 Years of Service

John Alexander, Police Department; Thomas Bird, Police Department; John Caudle, DPW-Engineering Division; Nilde Diefenbach, Police Department; Eric Drifmeyer, Police Department; Brenda Evans, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; Kurt Lariviere, Police Department; Susan Maffei, Town Clerk; Steven Maher, Police Department; Thomas Marcotti, MEA-Natural Resources Division; Daniel St. Pierre, DPW-Structures & Grounds Division; and Susan Schaffer, Finance.

30 Years of Service

Sean Balcom, Police Department; Mark Ells, Town Manager; Dennis Frankio, Police Department; Deborah Gilbert, Human Resources; Robert Holzman, Airport; David Myett, Police Department; and Michael Perry, DPW-Highway Division.

35 Years of Service

Charles Lewis, MEA-Natural Resources Division; Patti Machado, Community Services-Recreation; and Thomas McKean, Health Division.



***Pictured Chris Gonnella,
DPW Structures and Grounds 5 Years***



***Pictured: Patti Machado, Recreation
35 Years***



Pictured: Town Manager Mark Ells, 30 Years



Pictured: Sue Maffei, Town Clerk 25 Years

Barnstable Community Innovation School Recognized at Barnstable County Human Rights Advisory Commission's Annual International Human Rights Day



Pictured left to right: Town of Barnstable's Theresa Santos; Barnstable Town Council President Paul Hebert; from BCIS – Krista Swanson (School Adjustment Councilor), Cathy Hamilton-Milne (Principal), Nanda DeOliveira (Family Liaison and Interpreter), and Erla Beausang (PTO President).

On Tuesday, December 10th, Barnstable County Human Rights Advisory Commission's Annual International Human Rights Day breakfast open with a moment of silence in memory of Sgt. Jason Sturgis. The program featured Keynote Speaker Rashaan Hall, Director of the Racial Justice Program of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Rev. Brenda L. Haywood received the Tim McCarthy Human Rights Champion Award. The **Barnstable Community Innovation School (BCIS) was presented with the Rosenthal Award.** From the event program: *BCIS has gone through immense changes and challenges: leadership, staffing, student population, cultural obstacles and diversity. Knowing that our youngest population brings to school a different level of life experiences, multiple cultural backgrounds, multiple languages, and so much more. BCIS staff is engaging the school and staff family to foster acceptance of, and encourage all others who look, act and speak differently resulting in a happy, healthy and empowered environment. In the immigration climate today, families seeking asylum are struggling with the documentation process and its surmounting issues, navigating language barriers and the stigma that is attached to those who seek a better life for their families. The staff, under the leadership of Principal Cathy Hamilton-Milne, has created an environment for families that embraces multiple culturally diverse population; increased awareness of staff to the warning signs of student/family struggles; adapted and increased communication, and assistance for families; ensures families that they are in a safe environment, especially for those adapting to a new environment when they have come from a place of fear and violence; works with students to develop civic skills, which is something we all should embrace; assisting families in navigation through local, legal services for documentation, counselling, and other relative circumstances; but most importantly, opening the eyes of all students and families to see the world in new and compassionate ways.*



The **Cornerstone Award** was presented to **Cape Cod PATH (People Against the Trafficking of Humans)**. PATH is a group of individuals who recognized that trafficking existed in and around Barnstable County and they started this program. Their mission statement: *to eliminate human trafficking on Cape Cod by raising awareness through education, outreach and collaboration*. Accepting the Cornerstone Award on behalf of Cape Cod PATH were: Janice Hank, Lois Hirshberg, **Barnstable Police Officer Katie Parache**, Deborah Swiss, and Chris Morin. Award winners were recognized with citations on behalf of Congressman William Keating; Senator Julian Cyr; State Representative David Viera, 3rd Barnstable District; Barnstable County Regional Commissioners; and the Barnstable Town Council. The Town of Barnstable's own Theresa Santos was recognized for her efforts with coordinating the event.

BPD Welcomes Two New Patrol Officers

On Monday, December 9, 2019, the Barnstable Police Department welcomed two new Patrol Officers with the swearing in of Officer Marcus Cunningham and Officer Eric Rogorzenski by Town Clerk Ann Quirk. Both Officers recently attended the first class of the new Cape Cod Municipal Police Academy on Joint Base Cape Cod and are graduates of Barnstable High School. The newly sworn Officers will also both be continuing a family legacy of public service on Cape Cod. Officer Cunningham is joining the Department alongside his mother, newly promoted Barnstable Police Sergeant Meaghan Cunningham and Officer Rogorzenski follows in the footsteps of his father, retired Barnstable County Sheriff's Department Superintendent John Rogorzenski.



Barnstable Police Department Wins Police & Fire Challenge for 2019 Toys for Tots

2019 Toys for Tots Stuff A Bus Police & Fire Challenge Won by Barnstable Police Department with 4,809 Toys. Thank you to everyone who contributed more than 15,000 toys to this year's Police & Fire Challenge Toys for Tots Program! Barnstable Municipal Employee Association members collected a wonderful 637 toys this year! Thank you to all who helped to make a very special holiday for so many kids!



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.



Alan M. Salvaggio - artist/painter/illustrator - Exhibit at Barnstable Town Hall
2nd Floor James H. Crocker Jr. Hearing Room and Selectmen's Conference Room - now through
January 14, 2020

The "Art on Loan" program displays the works of local artists on meeting room walls on the second floor in Barnstable Town Hall. Artwork by Alan M. Salvaggio is on display now through January 14, 2020.

About Artwork on Loan program:

The Barnstable Town Hall exhibit is open to the public and on display now through January 14, 2020, in the Barnstable Town Hall, James H. Crocker, Jr. Hearing Room and Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street,

Hyannis. There is free parking in the Town Hall parking lot. Town Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM (except State and Federal holidays) and frequently opens during evening hours for scheduled meetings. For more information on this program email

melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us 508-862-4767 | www.ArtsBarnstable.com



Important Information from the Barnstable Police Department

The Massachusetts Disability Indicator Program offers a free, voluntary service that alerts 9-1-1 personnel that an individual with a disability lives in the home and may have unique safety, communications or other needs in case of an emergency. This service is available for landline telephone service subscribers only (not cellphones). Barnstable residents can fill out the form at this [link](#) or from the front lobby of the Police Department, 1200 Phinney's Lane, Hyannis. Once completed, the form should be dropped off at the Barnstable Police Department. When 9-1-1 is dialed from a landline telephone, the 9-1-1 system will automatically display the indicator along with the caller's name, address, and telephone number on the call taker's screen. The information provided will only appear on the call taker's screen when a 9-1-1 call is placed.

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.

ROAD WORK UPDATES

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



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

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 Neuco crews will install gas service on Carlotta Avenue, Hyannis. Thursday, December 19, 2019 Neuco crews will install gas service on Putter Lane, Hyannis. Friday, December 20, 2019 Neuco crews will install gas service on Mashpee Road in Cotuit. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. This project should take about two days to complete. Visit ngrid.com/service_line to view a YouTube video explaining the replacement of the service pipe to customer homes. Operations will start promptly at 7:00 AM and run until 3:00 PM. Reduce speed, and use caution. All scheduled work is dependent on weather and/or may be impacted due to an emergency situation.

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

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

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

Hours of Operation (Day/Night): Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. The initial work shall be done in four phases to allow access to local businesses for both vehicles and pedestrians. Traffic control will include all required signage, channeling devices for lane shifts and alternating one-way traffic as required. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed.

For more information on traffic conditions travelers are encouraged to:

- Dial 511 and select a route to hear real-time conditions.
- Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.
- Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

***CONTINUES* National Grid Service Road**

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

***UPDATED* Old Kings Road /Sampson's Mill Road**

The Towns of Mashpee and Barnstable are replacing a culvert at the Santuit River on Sampson's Mill Road (Mashpee)/Old Kings Road (Barnstable). Sampson's Mill Road/Old Kings Road is now open to traffic. Temporary striping is in place and was installed on December 11, 2019. Miscellaneous items will be addressed in the Spring, but construction work is complete.

***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, and decorative street lighting in the village center, drainage, pavement, crosswalks, median islands, and traffic signals. Traffic will be maintained on these roads throughout construction. During active construction in the roadway, there will be lane closures with police details to direct traffic. Traffic delays may occur during lane closures. When required, detours will be posted and communicated with local businesses and residents. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.

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

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

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

Construction is scheduled to continue into Spring 2020. Normal work hours will be from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Route 149 from Mill Pond to Lovell's Lane, Main Street from Route 149 to the former elementary school, and River Road from Route 149 to the post office drive. Remaining work includes relocating overhead utility lines and removing obsolete utility poles – for which OpenCape, Comcast, and Verizon are responsible; installing colored stamped asphalt crosswalk surfaces; installing fencing uphill from the new stone retaining wall; 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* Phase 2 of Dredging of Cotuit Bay Entrance Channel and Western Tip of Sampson's Island**

The Department of Public Works, in collaboration with Barnstable Clean Water Coalition, Massachusetts Audubon Society, and Barnstable County, has begun operations for Phase 2 of the dredging of the Cotuit Bay Entrance Channel and the western tip of Sampson's Island. Dredging began on October 30th. This work is a continuation of the work completed last year and will widen the existing channel by approximately an additional 130 feet. The dredged material will be utilized for beach nourishment purposes on the southern side of the eastern end of the island and for a habitat enhancement area. Weather pending, dredging operations will be on-going, Monday through Saturday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM until completion of this phase of the project. Dredging operations will be completed by January 14, 2020. Boaters should use caution while navigating the waters around the dredging operation.

***UPDATED* Ropes Beach, Old Shore Road, Cotuit (Green Stormwater Project)**

Construction has been completed. Miscellaneous work (parking striping) will be completed in the Spring.

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.ostervillagelibrary.org

Whelden Memorial Library in West Barnstable

www.wheldenlibrary.org

Vineyard Wind Office Hours at Centerville Public Library



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: Which village stroll in the Town of Barnstable pre-dates the Nantucket Christmas Stroll? Jan Davis was the first to respond the correct answer - the Osterville Village Stroll!

This Week's Question: Just for fun, we ask: How many sizes did the Grinch's heart grow when the true meaning of Christmas came through? Please email your answer [here](#).

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

