



May Joy and Peace surround you, Contentment latch your door,
and Happiness be with you now and bless you evermore.

~ Irish Proverb

Wishing you safe travels and grand adventures into 2020!

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Channel 18 Introduces first “Explainer” video featuring Water Pollution Control

As the Town of Barnstable focuses on implementing the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, Channel 18 has embarked on our new Content Production strategy- keeping our residents, business and visitors informed with Content that Matters. The first week of 2020 launches [our first “Explainer” video](#), how does the Water Pollution Control (WPC) treatment and facility work. Video Specialist Chris Ledda and Video Assistant Stone Dow join WPC Supervisor Andrew Boule at the facility for a tour and an in depth look at how wastewater from the sewer collection system gets treated and discharged back into the environment. Do you wonder how initiatives, divisions or departments work in the Town of Barnstable? Send us an email ch18requests@town.barnstable.ma.us and our crew would be happy to help!

Town Census Mailing

The Town of Barnstable has mailed out the Census/Voter/Street Listing forms. They started arriving in mailing boxes this week. By responding to the census, you are providing proof of your residency to protect your voting rights. If all the information on your census is correct, simply sign the bottom of the census and send it back to the Town Clerk’s office. **Even if there are no changes you need to sign the form and send it back.** Also, if someone has moved out of your household and is a voter – please give us their address, email or phone number so that we may contact them to obtain verification. We cannot remove a voter without their verification; thus many people stay on the census for four (4) years until we can, by law, remove them. If anyone has been added to your household, just put their information down on one of the blank lines. Make any and all corrections on the form. You cannot register to vote

on the census form. If you have computer access you can go directly to the Secretary of State's website and register on line at www.sec.state.ma.us. Then click on "Elections and Voting" to register to vote; or come in to the Town Clerk's office and spend a few minutes with us as we enter your voter registration into our computer. We are always pleased to see and work with our residents. For those residents who live part of the time here in Barnstable, and part of the time in a warmer climate, you fill out the census form using the following guidelines:

- ✓ You are a Town of Barnstable resident if:
 - This is your permanent address
 - This is where are you registered to vote
 - On your Massachusetts driver's license you have a Town of Barnstable address

This year's Census mailing also includes information on the Litter Control Ordinance and Enforcement Provisions that were adopted by the Town Council on November 7, 2019. As always, if you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-862-4044. We will be happy to help you!

DPW's 2020 Snow & Ice Brochure

The 2020 Department of Public Works Snow and Ice Brochure is out. You can view the brochure [here](#).

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

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, 2019
- 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 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 12/31/2018 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, 2018. 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, 2020**. Awards will be announced by January 30, 2020 and will be applied directly to the applicant's residential tax bill. Applications are available at the Barnstable Adult Community Center, on the Town of Barnstable Website, or by calling the Town of Barnstable Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656.

News from Marine & Environmental Affairs

Renewal applications for Mooring and Mooring Waiting Lists have been mailed out for January. Mooring Waiting List deadline is February 15th at 4:15 PM, but since this falls on a Saturday the deadline will fall to the next business day (Tuesday, February 18th because of the Presidents' Day holiday) by 4:15 PM the renewal and payment needs to be at MEA, 1189 Phinney's Lane, Centerville, MA 02632 by that deadline. Mooring Permit Renewals are due by February 28, 2020 at 4:15 PM to the above address. Mooring deadlines link on the Town of Barnstable's website can be found [here](#). Marina Slip Deposit Invoices have also been mailed out for January. The deposit is due by January 31, 2020 at 4:15 PM.

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

The Ready, Set, Work! Youth Job Fair is back again this coming year on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 from 2:30-4:30 PM at the HYCC. If you are looking to hire summer employees between the ages of 14 and 18, we welcome you to come join the fair this coming year. Please contact Amy Harwood at 508-862-4638 or Amy.Harwood@town.barnstable.ma.us if you are interested.

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](#) and the [December 19, 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**

Monday, January 6, 2020 Neuco crews will install gas service on Compass Circle and Arbor Way, Hyannis. Tuesday, January 7, 2020 Neuco crews will install gas service on East Lane, Cotuit. Wednesday, January 8, 2020 Neuco crews will install gas service on Percival Drive, West Barnstable. Thursday, January 9, 2020 Neuco crews will install gas service on 191 Stoney Point Road in Barnstable. 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 devises 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.

***CONTINUES* Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village**

Construction is scheduled to continue through May 2020. Normal work hours will be 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Main Street (Route 6A) from Rendezvous Lane to Mill Way, and Mill Way from Main Street to Barnstable Harbor Marina. The project objectives are to improve pedestrian access and overall traffic safety, rehabilitate aging infrastructure, and enhance the streetscape. The project scope includes new/improved sidewalks, landscaping, decorative street lighting in the village center, drainage, pavement, crosswalks, median islands, and traffic signals. Traffic will be maintained on these roads throughout construction. During active construction in the roadway, there will be lane closures with police details to direct traffic. Traffic delays may occur during lane closures. When required, detours will be posted and communicated with local businesses and residents. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs.

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

Construction is scheduled to continue into Spring 2020. Normal work hours will be 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Sea Street from Main Street to Ocean Avenue, Ocean Avenue from Sea Street to Keyes Memorial Beach, and the intersection of Sea Street & South Street. 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.

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

Construction is scheduled to continue into Spring 2020. Normal work hours will be from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The project area is Route 149 from Mill Pond to Lovell's Lane, Main Street from Route 149 to the former elementary school, and River Road from Route 149 to the post office drive. Remaining work includes relocating overhead utility lines and removing obsolete utility poles – for which Comm-Tract, 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.

***UPDATED* 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 is complete. Beach nourishment will be on-going. The project is anticipated to be complete by the January 8, 2020.

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

Barnstable Libraries' Corner

Visit a Town of Barnstable Library today!

Sturgis Library in Barnstable Village

www.sturgislibrary.org

Centerville Public Library

www.centervillelibrary.org

Cotuit Library

www.cotuitlibrary.org

Hyannis Public Library

www.hyannislibrary.org

Marstons Mills Public Library

www.mmpl.org

Osterville Village Library

www.ostervillevillagelibrary.org

Whelden Memorial Library in West Barnstable

www.wheldenlibrary.org

Barnstable Residents – become involved in your town's government, apply for a position on a board, committee or commission

The Town of Barnstable has over 40 boards, committees, and commissions with approximately 291 seats. Our citizen participation is exemplary and the Town Council appreciates each and every member who serves. If you are a resident of Barnstable and are interested, please consider submitting an application. The appointments committee consists of five Town Councilors who interview applicants and make recommendations to the Town Council. All Councilors then vote to appoint members at the Town Council meetings. If you are a resident and registered to vote in the Town of Barnstable and are interested in serving on a board or committee, please visit our web page linked from the Town [website](#) and fill out the application. For a more detailed description and responsibilities of the committees listed, please contact the Town Council office: council@town.barnstable.ma.us or phone 508-862-4738.

Looking for a Job? The Town of Barnstable is a Great Place to Work.

To see what positions are currently available, click [here](#). Apply online by clicking on the job title you are interested in and click the "Apply" link. If this is the first time you are applying using the online job application, you need to create an account and select a username and password. After your account has been established, you can build an application by clicking on the "Build Job Application" link. This application can be saved and used to apply for more than one job opening.

Are you interested in the Bids and Request for Proposals (RFPs) the Town of Barnstable puts out?

Find all the Invitations for Bid and RFPs for the Town that are currently available to the public [here](#).



e-News TRIVIA

This Week's Question: Inside Barnstable Town Government is currently gearing up for its next session, in what year was the program started?
Please email your answer [here](#).

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