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- May is Older Americans Month and our Barnstable Adult Community Center is a hub of activity. This week's
  episode of Discover Barnstable, the official podcast of the Town of Barnstable, features a conversation
  about the Council on Aging with COA Director Kelly Howley;
- May is National Mental Health Awareness Month;
- You may comment on the Local Comprehensive Plan through Sunday, May 11th;
- The Open Space Committee invites you to join them for Spring Walking Weekend Friday, May 16 Sunday, May 18th;
- The application deadline for 2025 Downtown Hyannis Small Business Façade Improvement Grant Program is June 8th;
- The Cape Cod & Southeastern Massachusetts Rabies Task Force has begun distribution of the oral rabies vaccine:
- DPW is looking for Water Quality Monitoring Volunteers;
- The Appointments Committee would like to remind residents of availability to apply for Boards, Committees, and Commissions; and
- A Friendly Reminder to stay informed by downloading the MyBarnstable app.

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## **CONSTRUCTION NEWS & UPDATES**





CONSTRUCTION

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## ROADWORK NOTICES

**Contact DPW** 508-790-6400

Stay up to date on all CWMP News and Updates here www.barnstablewaterresources.com/news-updates/



# **NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025 @ 6PM

Watch Town of Barnstable meetings and content on the Barnstable Government Access Channel (Xfinity channel 8/HD channel 1072) or stream live via the Town website.



Stream LIVE







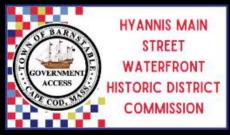
View the Schedule



# May 5 - May 9









YOUTUBE

CLICK ON ANY OF THE MEETINGS TO WATCH



## Town of Barnstable PUBLIC MEETING CALENDAR

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

### Monday, May 12:

5:00 PM | Infrastructure and Energy Committee

5:30 PM | Open Space Committee

6:00 PM | Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee

7:00 PM | Sandy Neck Board

7:00 PM | Planning Board

### Tuesday, May 13:

3:00 PM | Conservation Commission

5:30 PM | Golf Committee

6:00 PM | Great Streets Design Update

### Wednesday, May 14:

6:30 PM | Accessory Affordable Apartment Program

6:30 PM | Shellfish Committee

6:30 PM | Mid Cape Cultural Council

6:30 PM | Old Kings Highway Historical District Committee

7:00 PM | Zoning Board of Appeals

### **Thursday, May 15:**

6:00 PM | Town Council

### Friday, May 16:

None



# ARBOR DAY





at Centerville Elementary School



On Friday May, 2nd Town of Barnstable staff including Kate Maldonado, Senior Planner, Andy Bernier, Tree Warden, and Alice Marcus Krieg, Grants Coordinator, joined by Town Council President Craig Tamash and Town Council Vice President Kris Clark celebrated Barnstable's designation as a Tree City among students and staff at the Centerville Elementary School. Town Council President Craig Tamash, read aloud the Town's Arbor Day Proclamation and Alice Marcus Krieg presented on the importance of planting trees.

The school campus was improved with a Dogwood tree near the main entrance which will produce white flowers every spring. Together, students, staff and visitors of the school can watch as the tree grows stronger and taller each year offering shade and seasonal color for generations to enjoy.



# TRAFFIC ADVISORY NOTICE



# PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT TRAFFIC MAY BE HEAVIER OR DELAYED SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025 FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENT:



## **MEGHAN'S RUN 5K**

MAY 10, 2025 | 8:00 AM START MICHAEL K. ASELTON MEMORIAL PARK

PLEASE DRIVE WITH EXTRA CARE & ATTENTION

# 2025 Downtown Hyannis Façade Improvement Grant Program Grab up to \$10,000 for your small business



This grant program is available to all properties in the Hyannis Transformative Development Initiative (TDI) District. The program is intended to improve the aesthetics of downtown Hyannis and enhance the quality of commercial properties in the area. Eligible improvements include new signage, windows, planters, painting, masonry, siding, doors, awnings and/or structural or design changes.

The application deadline is June 8, 2025 and awarded projects must be completed by November 1, 2025.

Learn more by visiting https://businessbarnstable.com/2025-downtown-hyannis-facade-grant-program/



# Notice! Oral Rabies Vaccine Distribution







**Balt Station** 

Coated Sachet **Oral Rables Vaccine Baits** 

Vehicle



The current vaccination zone covers the areas from Cape Cod Canal east to Barnstable and south to Falmouth. In addition, mainland Bourne and Sandwich, Plymouth, Wareham, and portions of Carver, Kingston, Middleboro, Rochester, Marion, and Lakeville will receive baits.

Coated sachet oral rables vaccine baits will be distributed via bait station and vehicle.

### If you find a vaccine/bait packet:

- Use a glove or towel to pick it up. Throw it into the woods where children and pets will not find it. If no suitable place is available, dispose of the bait in the trash.
- · Wash your hands thoroughly after handling the vaccine/bait package.
- If you or another person has had contact with the liquid vaccine, wash the area thoroughly and call the MA Department of Public Health at (617) 983-6800.
- . If your pet has eaten or had contact with a bait, it is not harmful, but please report the contact to: Barnstable County Department of Health & Environment | (508)

For more information on the Cape Cod Oral Rabies Vaccination Programs

- D Call (508) 476-2956
- Stop by your Town Health or Natural Resources Departments.
- Visit www.mass.gov/dph/rables or www.capecod.gov/rables
- Don't forget to follow us on Facebook for updates and infol @CapeCodRablesTaskForce

# ARE YOU HURRICANE READY?



THE BEST TIME TO PREPARE FOR A HURRICANE IS BEFORE IT HAPPENS!

Download the MyBarnstable App for all the latest news and alerts













MAKE **A PLAN** 





**BUILD AN EMERGENCY KIT** THAT CAN SUSTAIN YOU AND YOUR FAMILY FOR 3-5 DAYS

BUILD **AKIT** 

STAY INFOMRED



AS A STORM APPROACHES. **CLOSELY MONITOR MEDIA REPORTS** AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FROM **PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS** 

Visit mass.gov/mema for more hurricane preparedness resources

# YOU BELONG IN BARNSTABLE

Looking for a rewarding career?

The Town of Barnstable has open positions and is looking for talented individuals to join our team! \* Whether you're passionate about public service, skilled in administration, or looking for seasonal opportunities, we have a variety of roles available.

Competitive pay & benefits

Opportunities to make a difference in your community

**Work with a great team!** 

Check out our current job openings and apply today!

Featured Jobs:

Beach Rake Operator, DPW

Administrative Assistant-Census/Voter Administration, Town Clerk

Dockmaster, Marine & Environmental Affairs

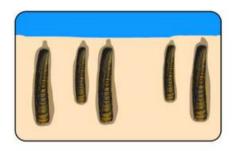


# Learn to Shelfish for Razor Clams!



Join the Town of Barnstable Shellfishing Team at Scudders Lane to learn!

Dates for classes: May 17<sup>th</sup> @9AM May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 9AM June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 10AM June 14<sup>th</sup> @10AM





These FREE 2 hour long classes will take place at Scudders Lane and all gear will be provided.
Classes limited to 20 people, first come first serve.

To register or for questions email Elizabeth.Lewis@town.barnstable.ma.us Call 508-790-6272



Enjoy the great outdoors with family and friends and help keep our village looking its best. The Civic Association will provide gloves, grabbers, trash bags, and safety vests, you just bring your self and a can-do attitude!

Meet at Lowell Park at 10:00 AM to get your equipment and area assignments.

Email your name, the names of anyone joining you, and the best phone number and we'll reserve safety vests for your group.

Rain Date: Saturday, May 1/th



Each Spring, BPS elementary schools host their own Kindergarten Screening and Orientation events. To participate, your child must be fully pre-registered. Please follow these steps to ensure you're ready:

- 1. Pre-register online here
- 2. Schedule your pre-registration appointment
- 3. Submit all <u>required documents</u> to complete the process Once your registration is complete, your family will be added to your home school's mailing list and will receive important information about Kindergarten Screening, Orientation and upcoming Welcome Events.

Kindergarten Screening & Orientation Dates: May 12 - June 6, 2025



# Calling All Musicians!

The Barnstable Town Band, one of Cape Cod's longest-running community bands, is always looking for new members to join the fun! Right now, we're especially in need of:

- Percussionists (snare, full set, or even auxiliary like tambourine & maracas!)

Can read music but don't play percussion? Many keyboard players can quickly learn bells/glockenspiel and jump right in! If you or a friend play any of these instruments, we'd love to hear from you! email at <a href="mailto:barnstabletownband@gmail.com">barnstabletownband@gmail.com</a>

Let's make music together this summer!



COME WALK, RUN, BIKE, DANCE, AND PLAY IN THE STREET!

HYANNIS MAIN STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM BARNSTABLE ROAD TO SEA STREET ENJOY FREE ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING LIVE MUSIC, DANCING, CRAFTS, A KIDS ZONE ON THE VILLAGE GREEN, AND SO MUCH MORE! GET OUTSIDE, MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS, AND ENJOY OUR HISTORIC DOWNTOWN!



# THE TOWN OF BARNSTABLE'S OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO JOIN:



Walking Weekend

# FRIDAY, MAY 16 - SUNDAY, MAY 18

Join us for various guided, interactive walks led by experienced walk leaders who will narrate points of interest along their path.

Come and experience one (or more!) of the many natural and historic landscapes in the town of Barnstable.

Visit the OSC page for more details closer to the date: TownOfBarnstable.us/OpenSpaceCommittee



## WHAT ARE CAPE CODDERS' TOP PLANNING PRIORITIES?

The Cape Cod Commission is in the process of updating the 2018 Regional Policy Plan, which provides regional planning objectives to guide development and protect the Cape's unique natural, built, and community resources. To inform this update, the Commission partnered with the UMass Donahue Institute to conduct a survey of Cape Cod residents to better understand public perspectives on the region's most pressing planning challenges.

View the survey results

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#### 2025 RESIDENTS SURVEY

1,241 resident respondents

of residents indicated their town needs more affordable ownership and rental housing cited environmental auality as either important or very important in deciding to live or maintain a home on Cane Cod

84% support or strongly REPLACEMENT

WATER QUALITY Percent of residents who noticed a decline in water quality in the last 10 years NOTICED A DECLINE IN POND

63% WATER QUALITY

NOTICED A DECLINE IN COASTAL WATER QUALITY 42%

TOP CONCERNS Percent of residents identifying as a moderate or serious problem now or in 5 years 84.0% 81.1% 75.9% 73.9%

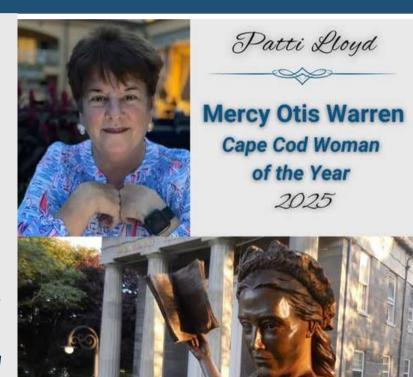
AFFORDARIE COASTAL

TRAFFIC EROSION CONGESTION

SEA LEVEL POND WATER



Known across the region as the face of Cape Cod's hospitality industry, Patti is recognized for her extraordinary contributions to tourism, business development, and community service spanning over three decades. Read more about what makes Patti extraordinary by clicking \_



## Upcoming Village Events with the Barnstable Land Trust



Wednesday, May 14, 2025 | 10 AM - 12 PM Sandy Neck Beach, W. Barnstable











Governor Healey signed an <u>Executive Order</u> and released a new age-friendly state plan which will outline improved ways for Massachusetts agencies to serve older adults

Earlier this year, Massachusetts <u>was named</u> the top destination for older adults moving to a new state specifically for retirement in 2024.



Barnstable Adult Community Center is recognized as an Age & Dementia-Friendly Community Resource.

Learn why HERE



TOOLS AND
LEARN HOW TO
BREAK THE
STIGMA HERE





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



Learn more and register for these events at:

MyActiveCenter.com/activities or call 508-862-4750.



# Mah Jong Lessons at the BACC

4 week session with Linda Baker that begins on Wednesday, 5/21-6/11
11:30-1:30 PM
\$40



Click HERE to register and learn more!



## RESPITE PROGRAMS WITH STAGEY GULLEN

### HOME SAFETY TIPS: I WANT TO STAY AT HOME! WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

Planning is hard because you never know how your needs might change. The first step is to think about the kinds of help you might want in the near future. Maybe you live alone, so there is no one living in your home who is available to help you. Maybe you don't need help right now, but you live with a spouse or family member who does. Everyone has a different situation. This program will discuss options according to the National Institute on Aging. Tuesday, May 13 (10AM-11AM) | Cotuit Library

### FINDING THE BALANCE IN CAREGIVING

If you tend to be in a certain age category, you've most likely thought about caregiving for a loved one. Whether that be for your parents, siblings, children, other relatives or even friends, it can take on a life of its own. Caregiving is no easy task, so fully thinking through how this may play out in your life is a good idea (even if it is overwhelming). By planning and being realistic about the situations in your life, you stand a better chance of decreasing the upfront stresses when you step into a caregiver role.

Thursday, May 15 (10AM-11AM) | Hyannis Library

# **BACC Weekly Calendar**

### **May 12**

10:00 AM State Rep Kip Diggs

1:00 PM Movie Monday (call for info)

### **May 13**

12:00 PM The Power of Nutrition: Cooking for One with Tara Hamms

### **May 14**

9:00 AM Ask the Nurse

9:30 AM Veteran's Café

10:00 AM Health Talks with Centerwell

1:00 PM VNA Grief Support Group

### **May 15**

11:00 AM National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day - Drop in for a sweet treat!



### **May 16**

12:00 PM Friday Flix: Classic Films with Roger

1:00 PM Friday Mini Concert with Declan Kelehan



# Thank you for receiving and reading eNews each week!

















