

## Community Notes

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### Helping neighbors

Monahan & Co., Ltd. Jewelers of Harwich Port is conducting a summer-long food drive for The Family Pantry of Harwich.

The public is welcome to drop off nonperishable food items in the two large Campbell Soup containers located in front of the store, at 540 Main St. (Route 28). The "soup cans" will remain in place 24 hours a day until the Harwich Cranberry Festival parade on Sept. 19.

Each week during this time, all donations will be loaded into the company's 1931 AA Ford farm truck and driven to the food pantry on Queen Anne Road. This restored truck was originally owned by one of the company's founders, Charles F. Monahan, grandfather of present owner, Michael O'Neill Monahan, and was used to feed the poor and homeless in Worcester in 1931.

In conjunction with this drive, the jeweler is also raffling off an Irish Navy, Irish Army Ranger and ladies Monahan & Co. watch. Tickets, \$3 each or two for \$5, may be purchased at Monahan's. All proceeds will benefit the pantry.

### Emergency training

Yarmouth Fire and Rescue is recruiting Cape Cod and Islands residents for Community Emergency Response Team training.

This CERT course is a federal program designed to help participants learn to protect themselves, their family, neighbors and co-workers in an emergency situation. It will be presented in seven three-hour classes beginning Sept. 15 at Yarmouth Fire Station No. 3, Buck Island Road, West Yarmouth. Training is free and open to ages 16 and older.

In this training, participants will learn: to manage utilities; fire safety, including appropriate use of fire extinguishers; basic first aid; to treat the three medical killers by opening airways, control bleeding and treat for shock; search for and rescue victims safely; organize themselves and spontaneous volunteers to be effective; and support the town's first-responder efforts.

For more information and an application, call Rick Todd, EMS/training supervisor, or Robert Reardon, paramedic and firefighter, at 508-398-2212.

### Against the tide

The 11th annual statewide Against the Tide benefit for the Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition and Silent Spring Institute will be held locally 7 a.m. to noon Aug. 15 at Nickerson State Park, off Route 6A, Brewster.

This fundraiser includes a one-mile competitive or recreational swim, two-mile kayak trip and three-mile fitness walk. Participants may chose to take part in one, two or all three events by raising a minimum contribution of \$150.

Registration materials, sponsor information and fundraising ideas are available at [www.mbcc.org/swim](http://www.mbcc.org/swim), where online pledges can be made after registering.

The coalition is also sponsoring an informational meeting on the organization and this fundraiser, 6 to 7 p.m. July 23 at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 625 Main St., Chatham. Featured will be a screening of the 40-minute documentary, "Toxic Bust," which focuses on three breast cancer "hot spots" — Cape Cod, San Francisco Bay area and workers in Silicon Valley, Calif. The fundraiser's co-chair, Ali Crockett, will answer questions after the film.

Also, members of St. Christopher's Green Committee will discuss the church's mission to make their parish environmentally green.

To sign up for the meeting, contact Crockett at 508-280-3422 or [alicat44@comcast.net](mailto:alicat44@comcast.net).

### Talk a walk

Thornton W. Burgess Society is offering walking tours of Historic Sandwich Village at 10:30 a.m. every other Thursday beginning this week through August from the society's museum, at 4 Water St. (Route 130), Sandwich.

Actor David B. Hobbs will portray author and naturalist Thornton Burgess as he leads this one-mile tour of the village Burgess knew as a child. Hobbs will recount stories of life in Sandwich during the 1870s and 1880s and point out buildings and sites where Burgess lived, learned, worked and prayed.

The cost is \$2 for society members, \$3 for nonmembers and \$1 for children. Advance registration is not required.

Funding is being provided by the Sandwich Visitors Board.

For more information, call 508-888-6870.

### Pops by the Sea

Tickets are on sale for the 24th annual TD Banknorth Pops by the Sea concert on Aug. 2 on the Hyannis Village Green.

General admission lawn tickets for adults are \$15 in advance and \$20 day of concert (if available) and \$5 for children ages 6 to 12. One child under age 5 is admitted free with each paid adult ticket.

It is advised tickets be purchased in advance, either online, at [www.artsfoundation.org](http://www.artsfoundation.org), or at local TD Banknorth branches and Christmas Tree Shops, Puritan Clothing in Hyannis, Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce and the Cape Cod Mall information desk.

For more information, call the Arts Foundation of Cape Cod at 508-362-0066 or visit [www.artsfoundation.org](http://www.artsfoundation.org).

### Counting butterflies

The North American Butterfly Association "Fourth of July Butterfly Count" will be held locally 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July

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