

## 1st Quarter 2017

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January 1, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Military Support Foundation Recap

**Program Description:** Now that Christmas is over, the president of the Cape Cod Military Support Foundation is praising the community for their generosity towards allowing the Foundation's annual Christmas Dinner to happen this year.

When a fire destroyed their warehouse on Joint Base Cape Cod in October, it also destroyed hundreds of toys the organization gives to the children of military families each year. But just a month later, the party saw over 800 children receive gifts, thanks to the support of thousands of Cape Codders and even from donors across the nation. Don Cox joins the program to talk about their efforts and how the community came together.

**Program Title:** Dan Wolf Farewell

**Program Description:** Cape and Islands State Senator Dan Wolf gave his final speech Monday at the State House before leaving office next month. The Democrat has served six years in that role, but announced last year that he would not seek reelection. In his nearly 30-minute speech, he praised his colleagues' welcoming attitude and the support from his family throughout his career. He also called on his fellow lawmakers to continue to seek balance in their work, especially in matters of the economy.

"An economy that gets as out of balance as this one no longer provides for low and moderate wage earners," he said. "So any system, whether it is mechanical, biological, environmental, economic or political will not be sustainable if it is out of balance." Wolf also talked about the labels he said he's acquired on the floor, such as "progressive" and "extremist." We hear segments from Wolf's speech today on the Sunday Journal.

**Program Title:** Mannal and Madden Goodbye

**Program Description:** State Representative Brian Mannal, who represents the second Barnstable district, said goodbye to Beacon Hill last week. Mannal, who originally ran for the Cape and Islands State Senate seat and then announced intentions to run for re-

election, eventually withdrew from both races. In his goodbye speech, Mannal said he enjoyed serving, but loved his wife more. “You can be focused and be the best at what you do and care only about that and nobody else, or you could walk away at the end of the day having done the hard work and be thankful and with a joyous heart, and I am so thankful to have the opportunity to come and represent the people of Barnstable and Yarmouth in this house,” said Mannal. We hear from sections of Mannal’s farewell speech. In addition, we also talk to outgoing Barnstable/Dukes/Nantucket State Representative Tim Madden of Nantucket, who also decided not to run for re-election. The Nantucket democrat has held the seat for the past eight years and said he was humbled by being the first resident on the Islands to be elected in the district. “We have great constituents,” Madden said. “They’re bright. They’re caring. They’re conscientious. They’re involved and it’s been an honor and a privilege to be able to represent them over the last eight years.” Madden said he has enjoyed every minute serving as a representative.

January 8, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Recovering Champions

**Program Description:** A Falmouth-based group, Recovering Champions, has been working on an in-patient and out-patient basis in recent years to address the opiate crisis on Cape Cod. The group is planning a forum in Plymouth to discuss their latest efforts and what they have planned in the future. “A lot of times we hear that people don’t know where to reach out for help or that there’s help available close by and we wanted to bring a bunch of those community providers together,” said Recovering Champions CEO Ken Weber.

**Program Title:** Provincetown 400

**Program Description:** The Pilgrims landed in what is now Provincetown in 1620 before heading over to Plymouth, and the town will celebrate that history in 2020. The 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration will be orchestrated by the Provincetown 400 Task Force’s latest hire: new executive director Lisa Giuffre. “We’re very proud of that part of our history, it is often left out or not stated correctly,” Giuffre said. The events of 1620, the signing of the Mayflower Compact, honoring Native Peoples and the establishment of Provincetown are all topics Giuffre said will be touched leading up to and during the year 2020. Giuffre has 25 years of experience in nonprofit work and will oversee the fundraising and operational elements of the anniversary. She said the

Provincetown 400 Task Force will work closely with sister organizations Plymouth 400 and Massachusetts 400.

**Program Title:** New Legislature

**Program Description:** The 190th session of the Massachusetts Legislature was sworn into office Tuesday, a group that includes three new members of the Cape Cod delegation. During afternoon sessions at the Statehouse, both the House of Representatives and State Senate held inauguration ceremonies presided over by Governor Charlie Baker. Among those taking the oath for the first time were Democrat Julian Cyr, the new Cape and Islands State Senator, Democrat Dylan Fernandes from the Barnstable/Dukes/Nantucket State Representative District and Republican Will Crocker from the 2nd Barnstable State Representative District. We hear from each member of the delegation about the new session.

January 15, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** George Price Retires

**Program Description:** After serving as Superintendent of the Cape Cod National Seashore for over 11 years, George Price is retiring in May. Price made an announcement to the Seashore's staff and Advisory Commission this week that his last day will be May 5, 2017. Price has spent 43 years working for the National Park Service. The 66 year old has been Superintendent at the Cape Cod National Seashore since 2005 and previously served as superintendent for the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area from 1998-2005. Price and his wife fell in love with the Cape when they first came on their honeymoon over 40 years ago. "I've been very, very fortunate, I consider myself having a blessed career in the assignments that I've had and to be here at the Seashore since '05, is very spectacular," said Price.

**Program Title:** Bourne Substance Abuse Coalition

**Program Description:** A new group has been formed in Bourne to help curb substance abuse and work on drug prevention plans for the town. The group is made up of firefighters/paramedics, police and school adjustment and guidance counselors from Bourne Public Schools and Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical School. The group will hold monthly meetings at Upper Cape Tech. "We really just wanted to get all the players in the same room, talk about it, see where we need to focus our

attentions on areas that might be lacking,” said group member and Bourne Deputy Fire Chief Joe Carrara. Carrara joins the program to talk about their effort.

**Program Title:** Jim Cummings

**Program Description:** Barnstable County Sheriff James Cummings was sworn in for his fourth term yesterday morning at Cape Cod Community College. Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito administered the oath of office to Cummings during a ceremony that nearly filled the Tilden Arts Center at Cape Cod Community College “This time we had an opponent and we worked hard and we had a lot of volunteers helping us during this campaign,” Cummings said. “I saw this as a way to kind of say thank you to all of them and bring everybody together.” Cummings said he was elected by the people and that is who he is going to serve. Cummings joins the program to talk about his new term.

January 22, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Wendy Northcross – EAP Program

**Program Description:** Workshops begin Thursday for Cape Cod employers to learn more about a new, affordable employee assistance plan to help workers and their families receive short-term counseling services. The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce and Rogers & Gray Insurance have collaborated in response to the region’s opioid epidemic to bring the services of North Carolina-based Diamond Healthcare’s REACH EAP program. The service provides confidential face-to-face, telephone and virtual counseling for employees and their family members who may need help managing stress, anxiety, anger, substance abuse or other issues. Northcross joins the program to talk about this new program.

**Program Title:** Barnstable Recreation

**Program Description:** The Barnstable Recreation Division is offering a field trip to Connecticut to watch one of the Cape’s former star athletes play for the UConn Huskies women’s basketball team. Centerville native Molly Bent is in her freshman year at UConn and is coming off the bench for the defending national champions. Bent played for 3 years at Barnstable High School and is a former Barnstable Recreation basketball player. John Gleason joins the program to talk about the trip and update us on all the improvements being made to the recreational program in

Barnstable, including new courses, athletic activities and new bathhouse under construction at Craigville Beach in Centerville.

**Program Title:** Dancing With the Docs

**Program Description:** Nine local physicians will put on their dancing shoes on Saturday to compete in support of cancer services. “Dancing With the Docs Cape Cod” will be held from 6-10 p.m. at Willowbend Country Club in Mashpee and is a fundraiser for Cape Wellness Collaborative (CWC).

The event is sponsored by the Collaborative and Cape Cod Healthcare. The physicians are paired with local professional dancers and have been practicing for months, honing their skills. Physicians competing in the event include Jennifer Crook, Kathryn Dalton, Jose Fernandez and Mary Ann Harwood. “The doctors are very excited, the hospital’s excited, the community, it’s really pulling everyone together which was my goal in the first place, was to get the whole community together,” said Dalton. A trio of judges at the formal, black tie event will score the dancers and their votes, combined with public votes online or via texts, will determine the mirror ball winner. Dr. Dalton joins the program to talk about the event.

January 29, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Cape Cod Employment

**Program Description:** The unemployment rate on Cape Cod has been declining for over a year – a sign that the economy is growing. David Augustinho with the Cape and Islands Workforce Investment Board joins the program to talk about the jobless numbers. One byproduct of the good numbers is that employers are having more difficulty in finding new workers.

**Program Title:** Animal Rescue League

**Program Description:** Tax season is coming and Massachusetts residents once again have the opportunity to donate to the Massachusetts Animal Fund (MAF). The organization is dedicated to eradicating animal homelessness through spay and neuter programs. “Right now there are 256 municipalities and about 30 veterinarians participating in the program statewide,” said Lauren Gilfeather, Coordinator for MAF. “It’s a safety net for people who are enrolled in state-funded assistance programs, and who may not be able to afford to have their pet spayed or neutered.” Gilfeather joins the program to talk about their effort.

**Program Title:** Cape Cod Curling Club

**Program Description:** An international competition between the US and Scotland dating back to 1951 will take place in Falmouth on February 4 at the Cape Cod Curling Club. Twenty curlers from across Scotland will curl their way across the US from mid-January to early February, playing in 27 different facilities, before arriving on Cape Cod toward the end of their tour. The competition takes place in the US only once a decade. Members of the public are invited and encouraged to attend. Round one begins at 9:30 and round two at 2 p.m. Organizer Russ Lemke joins the program to talk about their event.

February 5, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Seaside LeMans

**Program Description:** Organizers of the Seaside LeMans race held a kickoff party this week at BMW of Cape Cod to announce the five beneficiaries of this year's event. Sail Cape Cod, Homeless Not Hopeless, Gosnold on Cape Cod, Cape Cod Healthcare and the Cape Cod Collaborative Arts Network were all named as beneficiaries of this year's race. Paul Rumul, president of The Davenport Companies, which organizes and funds the race, said there's a lot that goes into planning the yearly event. "We start back in September right after the race choosing the beneficiaries, we just finished that part of the project in January and it came down to five different beneficiaries," said Rumul. The annual fundraiser is slated for Saturday, September 10 at Mashpee Commons and has raised over \$5 million through sponsorships and matching funds over the past 15 years. Rumul and other officials from the Davenport Companies join the program.

**Program Title:** Dennis Veterans Home

**Program Description:** Officials in Dennis are working to settle a legal dispute from a neighbor of a proposed veteran's home in order to begin construction as soon as possible. A pretrial hearing was held in Boston land court last month after Thomas Walsh filed an appeal to block the home. His lawyer Paul Driscoll is claiming the planning board did not have the authority to issue a special permit for the project. Plans call for a five-bedroom home on Route 134 near Route 6A that will serve homeless veterans in need of transitional housing or those living below the poverty

line. “If it goes to trial, that would take place in July,” said Dan Fortier, the Dennis Town Planner. “However, we’re hopeful we can get this matter resolved and break ground sometime this spring.” Fortier said work will continue to put the project together and solicit donations even with the pending legal matter.

**Program Title:** Shelter from the Storm

**Program Description:** Students from Cape Cod Academy and other Cape schools will sing and dance on Friday night while raising money for the Duffy Health Center’s Medication Assisted Treatment program. The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Shelter from the Storm concert begins at 7 p.m. Friday inside Cape Cod Community College’s Tilden Arts Center. Concert organizer and Cape Cod Academy teacher Larry Brown said that the annual event encourages young people to help with and start conversations about the region’s issues. “Most kids, if they do a bake sale or car wash, they come away with a couple of hundred dollars and they feel good for doing it but know it wasn’t a game-changing amount of money,” he said. “Last year’s concert benefited the Safe Harbor Shelter and we raised enough to rebuild ten living units there.” Brown and others from the school join the program to talk about the event.

February 12, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** STEM Journey 4

**Program Description:**

An annual Cape Cod event to showcase science, technology, engineering and math comes to Sandwich High School and STEM Academy for the first time Saturday. STEM Journey IV, which is designed to create more interest in STEM learning, features more than 40 hands-on STEM related activities and exhibitors, local resources, student projects, along with a mini college fair. The event also includes a presentation on the Mars Mission from NASA Scientist Dr. Luke Roberson. Jack Driscoll from PID Analyzers, a local technology company, said the goal of the event is to create more interest in STEM fields. “If you look at the last two decades, the advances in technology have just been incredible,” Driscoll said. “We really need more people who are involved in new technology development particularly if we want to stay ahead of other countries in the work.”

**Program Title:** Ray Tamasi - Fentanyl

**Program Description:** Ray Tamasi with Gosnold of Cape Cod joins the program to talk about increasing concern about Fentanyl. The drug is gaining favor among users and is even more potent than heroin. Tamasi says more needs to be done to stem the crisis. Quarterly data from the Department of Public Health also shows as many as 479 opioid-related deaths in the first three months of 2017. Fentanyl was present in nearly 70 percent of the deaths last year, a nearly four-fold increase from just two years earlier. By contrast, heroin was present in about one of three deaths last year, compared to as many as three of four in 2014. Tamasi joins the program to talk about the latest issues surrounding the epidemic.

**Program Title:** Teen Dating Violence

**Program Description:** Students across Cape Cod are working to create music videos this month in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. Independence House, an organization which provides services for individuals and families affected by violence, is holding a “Let Your Voice Be Heard!” music competition. The songs which are inspired by spreading awareness about the issue need to be posted on YouTube and submitted to Independence House by March 2. The community will vote for their favorite videos March 9 through the 16 at CapeCod.com. The top seven songs will be performed live on March 31 at Cape Cod Community Center in Dennis Port for a chance to win a studio recording session.

“It’s about healthy relationships,” said Chris Morin, the director of prevention and outreach for Independence House. “Being part of a society where we challenge social norms that lead to violence.” Morin joins the program to talk about the upcoming competition.

February 19, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** St. Pat’s Parade

**Program Description:** Cape Cod will officially kick off the St. Patrick’s Day festivities early this year when the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Cape Cod St. Pat’s Parade rolls through Yarmouth Saturday, despite chilly conditions forecast for the region this weekend. The annual parade begins at 11 a.m. and features dozens of marching bands, floats, Irish Step Dancers, antique cars and family entertainment. New England Patriots special teamer Brandon King will serve as the grand marshal. Friday morning, forecasters



were predicting sunny, but windy and chilly conditions for Saturday, with a high of 25 and winds 15-45 miles per hour. Among the bands performing are the Boston Police Gaelic Column, New York City Police Department Emerald Society Pipes and Drums and the James Connolly Flute Band from Scotland. Parade Co-Chair John Fallon believes that the event is boost for the local economy. “It’s things like this that help local businesses at a time when normally there wouldn’t be anybody down here that weekend,” said Fallon. “You wouldn’t have a lot of tourism down here, but now we’re hoping to have 30-40,000 people.”

**Program Title:** Alisa Galazzi – Housing Assistance

**Program Description:** The Housing Assistance Corporation has named a new CEO. Alisa Galazzi comes to HAC from Gosnold on Cape Cod, where she served as the chief operating officer. She replaces the retiring Rick Presbrey, who founded the organization in 1974. “She’s very adept at fundraising and she is a seasoned manager,” said David Augustinho, the President of the Housing Assistance Corporation Board of Directors. “We want to make sure that the Housing Assistance Corporation is well-positioned to be the leading voice for housing for all in the region.” Galazzi takes over shortly after the organization’s board voted unanimously to transfer control of the NOAH Homeless Shelter in Hyannis to Catholic Social Services of the Fall River Diocese. Community stakeholders have been looking to move the shelter out of downtown Hyannis following an increase in the homeless population near Main Street. She joins the program to talk about her new job.

February 26, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title:** Barnstable Little League

**Program Description:** A Little League-sized Fenway Park is nearing completion in Hyannis, meaning Barnstable Little Leaguers will get to play on their own version of Fenway this spring. Construction has been underway this fall on the replica field behind the Horace Mann Public Charter School in Hyannis.

“Fenway Cape Cod” is outfitted with its own Green Monster, a Citgo sign, the centerfield triangle, and right field bullpens. It is built to a scale appropriate for the 6-8 year old age group. Barnstable Little League made a deal with the Boston Red Sox to be able to use the likeness and the name Fenway Cape Cod. A deal was also made with the Cape Cod Baseball League for next year for the teams to use its team names, logos and uniforms. League officials join the program to talk about their new field.

**Program Title:** Jung Ho Pak – 10 Years

**Program Title:** The Cape Symphony and Artistic Director and Conductor Jung-Ho Pak have reached an agreement on a five-year contract extension. Pak has developed and lead the orchestra in hundreds of performances since he joined the Cape Symphony in 2007. “In Jung-Ho, we have an inspirational leader who brings focus and commitment to his conducting duties,” said Douglas MacDonald, chair of Cape Arts & Entertainment Board of Trustees. “Beyond that, Jung-Ho has a special commitment to youth and arts education. We are fortunate to have his continued leadership.” Pak said he is delighted to continue his role at the Cape Symphony. “We are more than an orchestra; we are a group of virtuosos who love to play together – and that spirit permeates every performance we give,” Pak said. “ The experience of performing on the Cape is marked by the special connection we have to our audiences, who are among the best arts patrons in the world.” Pak joins the program to talk about his new contract and the future of the Symphony.

**Program Title:** Pot of Gold

**Program Description:** Someone is guaranteed to walk away with \$10,000 on Sunday at the Cape Cod Military Foundation’s Pot of Gold fundraiser. The proceeds from the raffle and brunch event benefit the organization’s Joint Base Cape Cod Children’s Fund which provides events for Cape Cod military families throughout the year including the Christmas Party, Easter Egg Hunt, Operation Backpack and Halloween Party. “Pot of Gold was developed to raise funds to help support the childrens’ program,” said Don Cox, the founder of the Cape Cod Military Support Foundation, which helps families of military personnel on Cape Cod. The raffle, which is limited to only 500 tickets, includes prizes of \$10,000, \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (5). Cox joins the program to talk about the upcoming event.

March 5, - Sunday Journal

**Program Title:** Recovering Champions

**Program Description:** Substance Abuse treatment leaders will come together tomorrow for a community forum to discuss the services and programs available across the Cape to help individuals with addiction issues. “Cape Cod Addiction Crisis: Help is Right Here!,” hosted by Recovering Champions, a substance abuse treatment facility with locations in Falmouth and Sandwich, is Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Sandwich Town Hall. The forum will help the public navigate the numerous services offered and their limitations and advantages. “We’re coming together as a group as the leaders of the recovery community to let people know what services are offered, how they are different what insurance is – those sorts of things,” said Steven O’Connell, the director of professional relations for Recovering Champions. O’Connell joins the program to talk about their efforts.

**Program Title:** Heart Failure Clinic

**Program Description:** Cape Cod Healthcare is looking to help individuals diagnosed with heart failure stay active and avoid being hospitalized with its new Heart Failure Clinic. The clinic, which is under the direction of cardiologist Elissa Thompson, MD, is designed to educate and help patients maintain the best possible quality of life and manage their symptoms. The new facility provides access to a multidisciplinary team that will treat and educate patients. The team includes a cardiologist, nurse practitioner, nutritionist, visiting nurse and pharmacist. Once patients are referred to the clinic by their primary care physician or other specialist, they will be offered same-day or next-day appointments and other scheduled visits to manage the symptoms of their heart failure. “It’s a really unique and sort of outside the box initiative where we address congestive heart failure,” said Thompson. “At the moment the patient is admitted to the hospital or emergency room we are already planning what’s going to happen to them 30 to 90 days after they are discharged.”

March 12, Sunday Journal

**Program Title:** Red Cross Heroes

**Program Description:** Men and women who have made a difference will be honored in April at the American Red Cross of the Cape, Islands & Southeast Mass. 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Heroes Breakfast.

Those being recognized have performed selfless heroics, either through saving a life or transforming lives over the years. This year's list includes three people who donated an organ to someone in need, eight people who saved a life and volunteers who helped victims of disasters. A total of 21 people are being recognized. This year's special guest presenter and hero is Joanne Peterson. She's the founder and executive director of "Learn to Cope," a non-profit peer-led support group for parents and family members coping with a loved on addicted to opiates or other drugs. Barnstable County Sheriff Jim Cummings is this year's Honorary Chair. Cummings has been a supporter of the Heroes Breakfast almost since its inception in 2003. Executive Director Hilary Greene joins the program to talk about the event.

**Program Title:** Dolphin Strandings

**Program Description:** It has been a busy year on Cape Cod for the International Fund for Animal Welfare. Rescue crews and volunteers from the Yarmouth Port-based organization have responded to several incidents totaling just over 107 stranded marine mammals, including dolphins, porpoises and seals. IFAW Program Manager Brian Sharp said marine mammal strandings have been unusually high in 2017. The strandings kicked off on New Year's Day with the Cape's largest mass stranding of Rizzo's dolphins. Sharp said even though the year is not on a record pace, it has still been demanding.

"2012 still has that distinction and we hope we don't challenge that record breaking year," Sharp said. "We're hoping that things start slowing down." Although the number of strandings in 2017 is unusually high, mass strandings are not new to the region.

**Program Title:** Brewster Ponds

**Program Description:** The state of the water quality on Cape Cod will be the focus of a septic system forum in Brewster this spring. The Brewster Ponds Coalition is hosting a presentation by George Heufelder, the director of the Massachusetts

Alternative Septic System Test Center, on the future of septic systems in the region. Septic systems are a key contributor to Cape Cod's wastewater issues.

"We'll be giving some general education on septic systems themselves and what simple things can be done to not only maintain them but reduce the contaminant loads from them," Heufelder said. "That will involve some of the design changes we've researched over the years as well as the new technologies."

The program, which is Tuesday, May 9 at the Brewster Ladies Library at 6:30 p.m., is free for Coalition members and a suggested \$5 donation is asked from others.

Program organizers join the program to talk about the upcoming event.

March 19, - Sunday Journal Program

**Program Title** – Domestic Violence Awareness

**Program Description** - Independence House and the Cape and Islands District Attorney's office are working to raise awareness during National Crime Victims' Rights Week. Several events are being held this week to provide information on the rights and services offered to victims of domestic and sexual violence. "The overall mission is to bring awareness to the community about resources that are available to crime victims and where to reach out for help and who to reach out to for help," said Lysetta Hurge-Putnam, the executive director of Independence House, an organization which helps individuals and victims of domestic and sexual violence. Colin Mykle and others from Independence House and Community Action Committee join the program.

**Program Title** – Meet Your Farmer

**Program Description** - An event this month will showcase farmers from across Cape Cod and the products they grow. The 8<sup>th</sup> annual "Meet Your Local Farmers" event will be held at the Harwich Community Center from noon to 3:30 p.m. The collaboration between The Harwich Conservation Trust and the Cape & Islands Farm Bureau will provide an opportunity for residents to learn more about locally grown products. "We work together to bring up to 50 different farmers and farm supporting organization's under one roof," said Mike Lach, the executive director of the Harwich Conservation Trust.

Attendees will also be able to purchase products sold by the local farmers. "Folks of all ages enjoy connecting with local farmers and learning about different produce and items created and cultivated on farms from one end of the Cape to the other," Lach

said. The event, which is sponsored by the Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod, is free and open to the public.

March 26, - Sunday Journal

**Program Title – Sandwich Arts Alliance**

**Program Description -** A new event is coming to Sandwich to raise funding for arts programs in town. The inaugural Art & Soul Gala will be held at The Ridge Club in Sandwich Saturday, May 13 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Proceeds from the gala will go to the Sandwich Arts Alliance which works to increase the awareness and enjoyment of creative arts for residents and visitors through exhibitions, performances and education. The event will feature an hour of cocktails and hors d’oeuvres, live music from the Mike Persico Band, a buffet dinner, dancing and an auction. Auction items include 4 tickets to a Red Sox game behind home plate, a six-day stay at Newport Bay Club, a two-night get away to the Inn at Cook Street in Provincetown and original artwork from Alliance members. Members of the organization join the program to talk about the event.

**Program Title: Cape Cod Vets Chili Fest**

**Program Description:** The 2017 Cape Cod Veterans Chili Challenge is Sunday, meaning the region’s best chefs will be vying for the title of “best chili” while supporting a good cause. The annual event raises money for Cape Cod Veterans Inc., a local non-profit supporting veterans in need. The group benefits both veterans that served overseas and at home. Attendees can vote for the best, spiciest, tastiest, and most unusual chili at the event, which is scheduled from noon to 4 p.m. on April 9 at the Cape Cod Irish Village in South Yarmouth. So far, more than a dozen chili entries are expected from restaurant and non-restaurant chefs. Cape Cod Veterans Inc. is a “direct donation organization,” meaning all the money raised stays on Cape Cod. “We pride ourselves in reacting almost immediately to any need for a veteran,” said Richie Riehl, the Founder of Cape Cod Veterans Inc. Riehl and others from the organization join the program.