# 18 Things to do this Weekend (April 1 — April 3)

This weekend will be a wet one — we'll have plenty of rain and potentially snow. Oddly enough we will start the weekend out with nearly 60 degree temperatures, but by Sunday night drop to a frigid 21 degrees, very windy and possible snow. Grrrrr. No problem, it will take much more than that to stop those of us who are determined to enjoy all the goings-on across the South Coast and beyond.



As always, click on the title for more or detailed information on the event. Most of the events were pulled from our **event calendar** where you can find hundreds of local area events each month. The event calendar is FREE, so if you are a local business, and not taking advantage of FREE publicity, shame on you! Are you a local business and want to sponsor this high traffic, weekend guide? Contact info@newbedfordguide.com for more details. Have an event to add? Add it **here**. Know of another event this weekend? Post a reply!

# Friday, April 1st

Stone Walls of New England with Robert Thorson (Marion) (7:00pm-8:00pm)

Author and geologist Professor Robert Thorson will present an overview of New England's historic stone walls, explaining why they are the signature landforms of the region, and why they convey to us such a visceral sense of place. Professor Thorson is the author of Stone by Stone, the most well known and authoritative book on the stone walls of New England. Marion Natural History Museum, 8 Spring Street, Marion.

#### Newport Night Run 2016 (7:30pm)

Newport's only nighttime race will be held on April 1 and will once again benefit the Newport Public Education Foundation. This year's event will feature a brand new course and a lovely April 1st date. We hope you can join us for this rewarding event. Registration is now open. 304 Thames St., Newport, RI.

## Crimes of the Heart by Beth Henley (Play) (7:30pm)

The scene is Hazlehurst, Mississippi, where the three Magrath sisters have gathered to await news of the family patriarch, their grandfather, who is living out his last hours in the local hospital. Lenny the oldest sister (played by Kim Teves) is unmarried and facing diminishing marital prospects; Meg, the middle sister (played by Susan Massey) who quickly outgrew Hazlehurst, is back after a failed singing career on the West Coast; while Babe, the youngest (played by Linda Landry), is out on bail after having shot her husband in the stomach. Read more by clicking on thread title.

# Saturday, April 2nd



Get up close to a whale during the Outer Cape Birding & Whale

#### Outer Cape Birding and Whale Watching Hike (7:00am-5:00pm)

Venture by foot to the beaches of the outer Cape to observe whale behavior at close range. During spring, whales congregate close to shore to feed on the abundant zooplankton, with high numbers of whales sometimes present. Glimpses of the endangered right whales are possible. The walk will take you through Hatches Harbor to Race Point, passing through pitch pine forest, estuary, salt marsh, and dune habitats en route to the shore. In addition to the whales, spectacular vistas and a diversity of birdlife are features of the trip. Time permitting, we'll stop at other nearby locations. Organized by the Lloyd Center for the Environment.

#### Book Sale for Charity (Bishop Stang) (8:30am-2:00pm)

All proceeds are for the American Heart Association. Bishop Stang High will be offering books, movies and CDs for \$1-2. Located in the cafeteria.

# Monthly Wellness Walk (10:00am)

Join everyone for the Monthly Wellness Walk around Buttonwood park. Get Moving, Get Healthy and Be Well! Part of the New Bedford Fitness Challenge. Pets welcome and walk at your own pace. Buttonwood Park, 1 Oneida St., New Bedford.

# Fall River Library Chess Club (10:00am)

All ages and skill levels are welcome to join the library's Chess Club. The club will meet weekly on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Fell Reading Room at the Main Library. Teens and adult players are welcome to show up and join in the fun. Chess sets will be provided, thanks to a generous donation. Fall River Public Library, 104 N Main St. Fall River, MA.

# Winter Clearance (10:00am-2:00pm)

The Next to New Thrift Shop will hold its winter clearance

sale. Patrons can fill our 13 gallon plastic bags with clothing, shoes, etc. for \$5.00 per bag. All proceeds from the Thrift Shop go to community services in the area. First Congregational Church, 11 Gibbs Avenue, Wareham.

#### DA Quinn's FREE Youth Baseball Clinic (11:00am)

Join the FREE youth baseball clinic hosted by former Red Sox pitcher Brian Rose. Open to grades 2-8, boys and girls, all levels welcome. Reserve a space today using the link above or contact Brian Rose at 508-961-1972. Taunton High School, 50 Williams Street, Taunton.



The seals are out and about. Will you spot one? (savebay.org)

## Fall River Seal Tours (11:00am-1:30pm)

Enjoy a 75-minute scenic boat ride down the Taunton River into beautiful Mt. Hope Bay on the lookout for visiting winter harbor seals and early spring wildlife. Expert guides will help you spot our winter visitors and discuss the rich history and environmental issues of the region. Borden Light Marina, 1 Ferry Street, Fall River.