

VIC report – 8/26/20

Crunch Time

More visitors tried to squeeze in a last minute vacation activity before the end of summer. We saw an increase in people asking for things to do in town, including the Mayflower. Rumor has it you can sail on the Mayflower for a \$5.5 million fee.

Captain John

Saturday: Family walks into the VIC. They ask about Whale Watch – 3 trips all S/O. They ask about Harbor Tours – 2 Trips all S/O. Fishing and P-Town Ferry also S/O. We may have to change Captain John's name to S/O.

No Mask

Early, Saturday, a local woman tried to push her way into the VIC. When we stopped her, we asked for her name and number and instructed her to put on her mask, she started to yell. We offered her a mask, but she continued to make a scene. She wouldn't calm down. We had to call the police. They knew the woman and talked to her. The police advised us to call whenever a confrontational issue ensues so they can handle the incident. Very stressful way to start the day.

Members

Rudi Ferrucci, dropped off Sandy 's at Plymouth Beach brochures. Patrons who want to eat at Sandy's during peak beach times, pay a \$20 parking fee, eat for 1 ½ hours (max) and get a \$20 refund on the way out of the parking lot. Sandy's is open 7 days a week from 11:00 am to 8:30 pm.

Census

John Letterio, Census taker, dropped off info to encourage people to fill out their Census form. For every person not on the list, the town loses out on \$24,000 in benefits and services.

Windows 10

Pop-up screen says we need to update to new version. Is this for real or a phishing scam.?

Communism

When asked for name and number for contact tracing, one visitor commented, "That's the first step to Communism."

Maroon 5

An older distinctive red car, we nicknamed Maroon 5, cruises by the VIC at least five times a day. It piqued our curiosity.

Is he a drug dealer? No, too noticeable.

Is he a terrorist, no, too noticeable.

Is he an undercover policeman? "Not one of us," the policeman on horseback said.

Is he a jilted lover? "He's been harassing me," says one of the homeless ladies who frequents the VIC. "We have a history. I've called the police on him," she said.

3 ½ people.

We work hard to limit the VIC lobby to 3 ½ people and one person in the bathroom, but Mother Nature rules when there is a downpour. The other day 14 people kept dry inside our building as the Memorial River crested over the sidewalk. No rainbow on that day..

New Cannon

Bob Gilmor, a contractor who cast the new cannon for Pilgrim Hall/Burial Hill, stopped in to show his new cannon, plaques and miniature cannons. He has been asked to shoot off the cannon once a year. This cannon replaces the one that was on Burial Hill, which was shipped back to England. He says one is in a museum and the other is at the Tower of London. Check out the OCM 8/22/20 photos.

<https://plymouth.wickedlocal.com/photogallery/WL/20200821/NEWS/821009994/PH/1>

Awards

Two consecutive people entered the VIC, One was related to the Durfee's of Southeastern MA. The other was related to the Thayer's of Braintree. We won an educational Academy Award with those two visitors.

Boat Ride

A day trip boater from Quincy was forced to stay overnight due to a rain storm. The owner explained that it was only about a 35 minute trip in his speed boat which easily hits 80 mph. 130 was his top speed.

Bar Hopping

Three ladies walk into a bar. They order drinks, a meal and more drinks. When it is time to head back to their hotel, they call a taxi – No Service. They call Uber – No Service. They call Lyft – No Service. They call the Police – Friendly Service to the Pilgrim Sands on Long Beach. Always a first time for a ride in a police car.

Have a good day.

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