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■ **Hot Soup**, 6 p.m. Sunday, Aselton Park, Ocean and South street, Hyannis. Rock, blues, jazz. FREE!

■ **Brewster Band**, 6 p.m. Sunday, Drummer Boy Park, Route 6A, Brewster. FREE!

■ **An Evening of Love Songs**, 7 p.m. Sunday, The Federated

Church of Orleans, 162 Main St. 508-255-3060.

■ **Emmylou Harris & Rodney Crowell**, 8 p.m. Sunday, Cape Cod Melody Tent, 21 W. Main St., Hyannis. \$65.25 and \$45.25. 508-775-5630.

■ **Meeting House Chamber Music Festival**, 8 p.m. Sunday, First Congregational Church, 650 Main St., Chatham. \$20 (under 18 free) at door. 508-896-3344.

■ **Music for a Summer Night: Cape Cod Symphony Dixieland Band**, 8 p.m. Sunday, First United Methodist Church, Main and Cross streets, Chatham. Benefits Chatham Ecumenical Council for the Homeless, 2013 Bob Murray Housing with Love Walk. 508-945-0474.

■ **TD Bank Summer Concert Series: JO&CO**, 6 p.m. Monday, Brooks Park, Harwich. 508-362-0066. FREE!

■ **TD Bank Summer Concert Series: The Fringe**, 6 p.m. Monday, Parkers River Beach, South Shore Drive, South Yarmouth. 508-362-0066. FREE!

■ **The Brass Connection Quintet**, 7 p.m. Monday, Gazebo at Windmill Green, Route 6, Eastham. FREE!

■ **Hyannis Sound**, 8 p.m. Monday, First Congregational Church, 68 Main Street, Falmouth. \$10, \$5 children. 603-208-9448.

■ **Meeting House Chamber Music Festival**, 8 p.m. Monday, Church of the Holy Spirit Episcopal, 204 Monument Road, Orleans. \$20 (under 18 free) at door. 508-896-3344.

■ **Summer Music Festival: Cape Cod Conservatory Big Band**, featuring Leslie Boyle on vocals, 6 p.m. Tuesday, JWelfleet Harbor Actors Theater, 2357 Route 6. \$18. 508-349-9428.

■ **TD Bank Summer Concert Series: Dune Billy All-Stars**, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aselton Park, Ocean and South streets, Hyannis. 508-362-0066. FREE!

■ **Evening on the Bluff: EarthTunes**, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Waquoit Bay Reserve, 131 Waquoit Highway. Bring picnic, chair or blanket. 508-457-0495. FREE!

■ **Liz Saunders**, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dennisport Village

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Nightlife: Comedian Bill Burr says 'unfortunately, I'm being myself'

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There's something funny about Boston.

"I don't know what it is about (Boston). ... I'm hard-pressed to think of anybody when I was growing up who wasn't funny," says stand-up comedian **Bill Burr**, a Boston-area native who's kicking off his tour Friday at the Cape Cod Melody Tent in Hyannis.

Burr is quick to point out that his life in Boston wasn't like that of Matt Damon's character in the 1997 Boston-set film "Good Will Hunting."

"I grew up in the suburbs of Boston, it was safe, and I sucked at math," he says.

As someone who calls himself "too pastey" to be a beach person, Burr hasn't spent much time on the Cape. But when he's back home in nearby Boston, he says he makes sure to catch a good game and consume a daily average of 10,000 calories.

"I go back and I eat all the food I can't get here in L.A.," he says. "You would be amazed the small area of this country that actually makes crab rangoons."

Burr, who's been doing stand-up comedy for more than 20 years, has done three hourlong stand-up specials - two that aired on Comedy Central and one a Netflix exclusive - and hosts a weekly rant-style podcast, "Bill Burr's Monday Morning Podcast." He has a few acting credits to his name, including the television show "Breaking Bad" and the recently released film, "The Heat," in which he plays Melissa McCarthy's brother.

But despite his growing résumé, Burr says he'll always have one job first and foremost.

"I'm a stand-up comedian for life. ... Where I'm at right now, I have no intentions of ever stopping," he says.

When asked about the unofficial title floating around the



COURTESY OF BILL BURR

Boston-area native Bill Burr will head south to perform his comedy Friday at Cape Cod Melody Tent in Hyannis.

entertainment-media world as a "comedian's comedian," Burr said he considers that to be the highest compliment.

"I always wanted the respect of other comedians, so to finally have it is not something that I take lightly in any shape or form."

Burr describes his comedic style as that of "uninformed logic" - "I'm basically that guy in the bar who you're listening to and I make sense, and then about 10 minutes in you realize that I flunked everything in high school so then you just laugh at me," he says.

The man in front of the mike is essentially Burr himself, he says. His personality is a little ramped-up, but he says, "Unfortunately, I'm being myself." Although he gets silly on stage, Burr says he's not the guy yelling and jumping around with a lampshade on his head. A few lines from the bio section of his website read: "I relate to dictators. I don't agree with what they do. But I get it."

Without hesitation, Burr says Benito Mussolini is his favorite dictator.

"I saw this footage of him, and he was standing in front of this crowd, and he's absolutely killing - the crowd breaks after every thing he says. And then like six months later, or a year later, he was dead. Hanging naked upside-down outside of a gas station. And to me, metaphorically speaking, that's what it's like to be a stand-up comedian."

If you go: **Who:** Comedian Bill Burr. **When:** 7 p.m. Friday. **Where:** Cape Cod Melody Tent, 21 West Main St., Hyannis. **Tickets:** Club: \$49 and \$29; general public: \$55 and \$35. **Reservations:** www.melodytent.org or 508-775-5630.