



Congratulations Spring Hornets Athletes!

The Spring ME Regional Middle High School sports season is a wrap!

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BRIEFLY

ME Hornets Named to CAL All Stars

Five ME Regional Middle School athletes were named to the Cape Ann League's All Star Girls Lacrosse Team this year. Mercedes O'Neil, Hadley Levendusky, Brigid Carovillano, Ella Chafe, and Charlotte Crocker were selected for CAL's two teams. Congratulations to these fine athletes.

Free Ice Cream

That headline should get some attention. On Thursday, June 15 to celebrate the last day of school, Manchester Police Chief Todd Fitzgerald will be underwriting free ice cones for school age children at Captain Dusty's Ice Cream on Beach Street from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nice.

Essex Fire Dept Firefighters Memorial Sunday

The Essex Fire Department will be holding our Annual Firefighters Memorial Sunday Parade and Service this Sunday, June 11, at 8:45 a.m. starting at the Essex Public Safety Building at 11 John Wise Ave. The parade will then proceed to the cemetery on Spring Street for a short service and then return to the Fire Station. Firefighters Memorial Sunday has been a longstanding tradition of firefighters across the nation. It is a day to reflect on the many contributions made by firefighters to protect their fellow man and property, and is held to honor deceased Firefighters who served the town of Essex.

Magnolia Weekly Farmers Market, Redux

Last Sunday was nasty, weather wise. It was also the opening day of the season for the weekly Magnolia Community Farmer's Market. Every Sunday through September, enjoy local produce and food, artisan products and entertainment at this lively farmer's market where organizers close off downtown Magnolia's Lexington Avenue to vehicles, making the event fun, lively and safe. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays.



Horray for the Class of 2023 at ME Regional High School's graduation ceremony last Friday, June 2. (Photo: Mark Dipascuale)

School Committee Passes Compromise Budget, 4-3

By Erika Brown
On Tuesday the Manchester Essex School Committee voted 4-3 to approve a \$29.2 million compromise budget that cuts \$763,876 from the regional school district's FY24 operating budget.

The move buys a year to work with the towns of Essex and Manchester to fix deep rooted issues reconciling apportionment realities with the type of education that will be offered to local students.

"Right now, we're in a messy middle," said SC Chair Theresa Whitman on Tuesday. "But we're not going to allow this district to be destroyed. Or this relationship to be destroyed."

The compromise budget, first presented on May 23 by MERSD Superinten-



dent Pamela Beaudoin, retains all high school elective courses, leverages teacher attrition, defers hiring, and reduces "COLA" cost of living increases to non-union staff. The compromise also taps \$252,000 in district reserve funds, something the district went into this year's planning agreeing not to do with officials from Essex and Manchester.

The narrow decision followed lengthy debate about the financial reality after Essex voters—facing disproportionate escalations in its share of the district budget—last month rejected a \$289,000 Proposition 2½ override to fund the \$29.75 million FY24 MERSD operating budget after a majority of voters approved the concept of an override at its Annual Town Meeting.

with hundreds of students, teachers, and parents showing up (and hundreds tuning in online) to appeal to the school committee, Manchester and Essex Select Boards, and members of both towns' Finance Committees who were in attendance. Their message? Don't cut student programs. Find another solution.

The Shrinking FY24 Budget

The path to reducing the FY24 budget began in late March when the district reduced its \$30.2 million budget by \$485,884 to \$29.75 million after it was clear that the 8.96% increase in Essex's share of the district budget would be "a bridge too far" for local voters. (Manchester's share, due to shrinking enrollment of local students, had a lower apportionment of 5.72%). On Tuesday, Lindsay Banks of Manchester presented the committee with a letter of support for the district's original March budget, signed by more than 600 people supporting level services in current school programs.

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On the Waterline Harbormaster Shares Preparedness Plan Ahead of Hurricane Season

With the official Atlantic Hurricane Season officially beginning last week, Manchester Harbormaster Bion Pike issued a storm preparedness plan for area boaters when preparing for heavy weather.

Every storm and vessel are different, so there is no one-size-fits-all solution to preparing a vessel when a storm is coming.

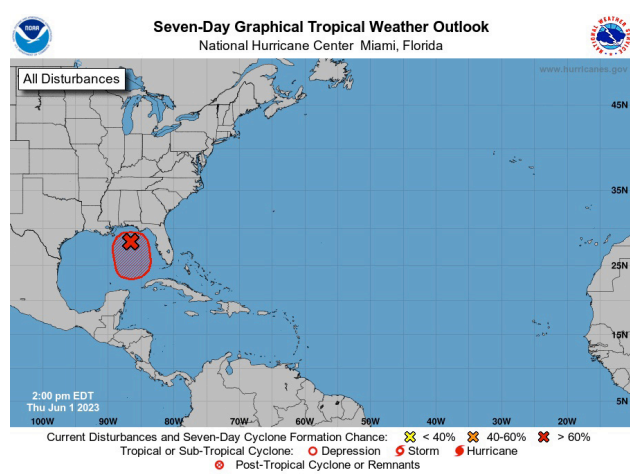
If unsure of the steps to prepare, Pike says, boaters will need guidance.

"Do nothing to put yourself or others at risk. Starting preparations days, weeks, and months in advance is the responsible choice of the boat owner. Showing up in the final hours before a storm to secure your vessel only endangers you and those who may have to rescue you if things go wrong."

No Vessel Is Equal to The Life of a Human Being!

Vessels are the responsibility of boat owners and must be taken seriously.

"Do not depend on others to notify you of imminent bad weather. You should check the weather every day your vessel is in the water. Choose a weather delivery platform that you are most comfortable with. NOAA's



National Weather Service is the bedrock for most weather service offerings. Tropical Tidbits is a potential choice for following tropical storms. The long and short of it is, find one that works for you and check it every single day."

The plan's goal is to ensure that all boaters in Manchester are aware of approaching bad weather and to provide guidance in preparation for bad weather. Another primary facet of a good storm plan is facilitating a return to normal operation as soon as is practical after the storm has passed.

Early and orderly preparations have a direct impact on the success of any storm

plan. It is important to remember that the boat owner bears the ultimate responsibility for the safety of their boat as well as the crew. Rapidly changing conditions may require abandoning some aspects of the plan.

In heavy weather, the order of priority for the Harbormaster is as follows. First, prevent personal injury and loss of life. Second, minimize property and environmental damage. Third, quickly restore normal harbor operations.

Although the Harbormaster tries to ensure that all boats in Manchester are safe, the ultimate responsibility for any boat belongs to the owner.

To protect your vessel and those around it, you must a) know your boat and your skill level, b) know the surrounding area, and c) have a plan.

Preparation for the hurricane season begins before you launch in the spring. Is your mooring adequate to hold your boat during a storm? What other options are available to you? These are questions that need to be answered before a storm arrives.

Remember, these are general guidelines and should not be considered our only options. Time is of the essence, and planning cannot happen when the storm is imminent. Early planning will ensure that vessels and valuable infrastructure will weather the storm with minimal damage.

There are several important options for boaters to stay safe in the event of heavy weather or a hurricane. Depending on whether you choose to stay in the water during intense weather, or get out of the water, there are things to steps to ensure your safety. To read about them, go online at thecricket.com and find details along with a guide to storm categories of storms and actions for each.

Weekly Weather Chart

Saturday 10 June		66°	51°
Sunday 11 June		75°	55°
Monday 12 June		65°	58°
Tuesday 13 June		64°	57°
Wednesday 14 June		61°	58°
Thursday 15 June		61°	58°
Friday 16 June		64°	59°

Weather data pulled Wednesday and is subject to change.



Gavel to Gavel This Week's Town Meetings

Manchester Town Hall is Open to the Public. Public hours are 9 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and 9 a.m. - 6:15 p.m. on Thursday. Essex Town Hall hours are Monday through Thursday 7:30 - 3:30.

Essex BOS
Tuesday, June 13, 8 - 10 a.m.

MERSD
Last Day of School/Early Release
Thursday, June 15
11 a.m.

MERSD
Spring Athletics Awards
Thursday, June 15
6:30 p.m.

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Obituaries

Following a long-standing tradition, The Cricket publishes obituaries as a public service for our readers. If an obituary cannot be published in time for a service, we will post the notice to our website and Facebook page (facebook.com/TheManchesterCricket).

Gladys "Bonnie" Louise Sullivan



It is with deep sadness, we announce that Gladys "Bonnie" Louise (McDonnell) Sullivan, 76, passed away peacefully with her family at her side after battling colon cancer for two years on May 31, 2023. She fought this challenge with a positive attitude and a smile on her face. A resident of Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, Sanibel Island, FL, and Long Beach, Rockport, MA.

Bonnie was born in Lynn, Massachusetts in 1946, daughter of the late John McDonnell and Gladys Louise (Anderson) Nickles McDonnell Rundlett of Magnolia, MA, and was the youngest of four daughters - Survived by

her sister Carole A. Thompson and Brother-in-Law Peter Hickey. She will be deeply missed by her loving husband Richard J. Sullivan, Jr., married on Valentine's Day, together for 55 years. Richard grew up spending summers at Long Beach where they met and shared the love of the ocean. Bonnie had many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Bonnie had a special relationship with her Aunt Agnes and continued the tradition by having a special relationship with her great nephew, Elliott Thompson.

Bonnie graduated from Gloucester High School with the Class of 1964 and continued her education earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Salem State University in 1968. Bonnie continued her education earning a Master's degree in Reading from Salem State University in 1972. Also going on to earn 60 credits past her Master's Degree. Bonnie passed on her great love of learning to her many students during her 33 years of teaching

for the City of Beverly at the Brown School and the Cove School.

Bonnie was a Member of the National Education Association, the Massachusetts Teachers Association, and the Beverly Teachers Association. Bonnie held positions on the Board of the Sand Dollar Condominium Association briefly, Vice-President of Sullco, A. Lyons and the Blue Ribbon Trust.

Bonnie enjoyed gardening which was evident in her beautiful Dory containers, Window boxes and plantings around her homes. Bonnie loved the Sea and shell collecting and was never far from the water having lived by the Sea in Magnolia, Manchester, Florida and Rockport, also enjoying 50 years of boating with Richard.

Bonnie enjoyed traveling throughout the United States, Europe and the Caribbean. Bonnie was an advocate for Animal Rights and supported the Arts and enjoyed many Seasons of the Boston Pops, the North Shore Music Theatre, the Boston Red Sox and the New

England Patriots as a devoted fan.

Many summers were spent helping her mother with the Tara Bed and Breakfast. In later years, Bonnie was the primary caregiver for her mother. Bonnie was predeceased by sisters Joan L. Snow and Pamela A. Hickey and Brothers-in-Law Lewis Thompson and Herbert Snow. Her funeral service will be at the Union Congregational Church, 3 Norman Avenue, Magnolia, MA on Thursday, June 8 at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting hours at the Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, Beverly, on Wednesday, June 7, from 4-7 p.m. Burial will be at Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Manchester-by-the-Sea.

Contributions may be made in Bonnie's memory to Cape Ann Animal Aid, 4 Paws Way, Gloucester, MA 01930, American Cancer Society of New England, P. O. Box 1120, Framingham, MA 01701, Care Dimensions/Kaplan House, 78 Liberty Street, Danvers, MA 01923 or the Charity of One's choice.

MANCHESTER POLICE NOTES

MONDAY, MAY 29

7:37 a.m. Beach St., animal complaint, loose dog at park, dog reunited with owner.
8:20 a.m. Washington St., downed road sign, sign moved to side of road.
11:51 a.m. School St., smell of smoke in area, negative findings.
2:39 p.m. Summer St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.

TUESDAY, MAY 30

9:06 a.m. Coolidge Point, fire alarm, workers on scene.
10:48 a.m. Brook St., motor vehicle vs. deer, vehicle no longer on scene.

7:11 p.m. School St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.
9:52 p.m. Beach St., burglar alarm, secured/checked.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

10:15 a.m. Black Beach, possible injured bird, Animal Control Officer notified.
12:11 p.m. The Plains, animal complaint, Animal Control Officer notified.
7:21 p.m. Forest St., vehicles parked in resident parking, vehicles left.
8:09 p.m. Summer St., noise complaint, pickleball players still playing, players departed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

9:00 a.m. Beach St., direct-

ed patrol, secured/checked.
10:45 a.m. Central St., dog in vehicle, vehicle gone on arrival.

8:03 p.m. Summer St., pickleball courts are still active, notified sunset is not until 8:14 p.m.
8:25 p.m. Summer St., noise complaint at pickleball courts, group to leave.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

10:31 a.m. Route 128NB, disabled motor vehicle, vehicle waiting for a tow.
3:04 p.m. Central St., motor vehicle accident, no personal injury, report to follow.
3:40 p.m. Elm St., motor vehicle accident, no personal injury, hit and run.

9:27 p.m. Beach St., car playing loud music, car just left.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

11:05 a.m. Smiths Point Rd., residential fire alarm, false alarm.
11:35 a.m. Bennett St., citizen assist, assist as needed.
12:06 p.m. Powder House Lane, fire alarm, smoke from cooking, alarm cleared.
8:45 p.m. Summer St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

6:49 a.m. Pine St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.
1:22 p.m. School St., tree down in roadway, moved branch.
6:49 p.m. Central St., citizen assist, assisted as needed.
7:29 p.m. Beach St., boat

WHAT WAS HAPPENING

90 YEARS AGO - 1933

All indicators now point to a very busy season among local yachtsmen in Manchester, as evidenced by the great activity at Calderwood's Boat yards, a gang of men being busy outfitting and refurbishing the scores of crafts of all kinds.

Two young men, Harold Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Baker of Pleasant St., and Frank Lysiak of Bennett Street have been honored this week in being granted a license by the

Federal Radio Commission, to operate an amateur radio station, sending and receiving messages.

75 YEARS AGO - 1948

The first television set in Manchester is that of the Seaside Café, Beach Street. The progressive proprietors of the Seaside, Peter, and John Demarkis, took an early interest in this new development and placed their order.

Manchester suffered the loss of another valuable citizen on Friday last when

Postmaster Harry Tyler Swett died at his home, Pine Street, after an illness of a year and a half. He was 66 years old.

60 YEARS AGO - 1963

Home runs by Captain Joe Lazisky, Wayne Lynch and Tim Logue sparked an 11 hit Hornet barrage which defeated Sacred Heart of Weymouth and moved the Hornets into the semi-finals of the State Class C Championship. John Barnes was elected by his teachers as the Boys' State representative for Manches-

ter High School, but will be unable to attend and thus his alternate, Michael Fellow, will take his place.

45 YEARS AGO - 1978

Buddy Backry and Geoff Sones combined to pitch a one-hitter as the Manchester Mariners blanked Rockport 1-0 in an Inter-Town League game played last Sunday in Rockport.

The Department of Public Works announces that, due to the extreme lack of useable area of Singing Beach, the recreational area of the westerly end of the beach has been abolished until further notice.

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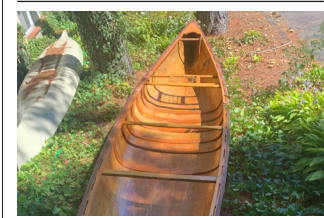


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SHOW YOUR PRIDE! Last Thursday to mark the kickoff of June's Pride Month, Manchester resident and head of North Shore Pride, Hope Watt-Bucci led a well-attended community flag raising at the Manchester Town Common to commemorate the importance of the local LGBTQ+ community. Photo: Erika Brown

New Fire Chief for Manchester

By Gregory T Federspiel

At this past Monday's Select Board Meeting on June 5, the Board approved the hiring of James "Jake" McNeilly as the Town's next Fire Chief. Chief McNeilly will take over from Chief Jason Cleary who decided not to enter into a new contract with the Town. The transition will be completed by early July.

Jake currently serves as a Lieutenant for the Belmont Fire Department where he also serves as their EMS coordinator. Prior to working for Belmont, Jake worked for the Manchester Fire Department. He lives in Essex where he also serves as a volunteer fire fighter.

McNeilly has an impressive list of credentials to be Fire Chief. He has earned his Massachusetts Fire Chief

credentials, has completed three levels of Fire Officer training, has his Fire Instructor and Inspector credentials along with his Fire Fighter I & II training. He is a Paramedic and founded a successful EMS training company. Jake has his bachelor's degree in Fire Science and a master's degree in Public Administration. With his past experiences in Manchester and his on-going service to Essex, the new Chief knows the unique challenges of providing first class emergency responses in a small community. Manchester voters have generously supported the Fire Department, adding four additional career firefighters to the ranks in the past three years. The new Chief will be working to integrate the new hires into the Department as well as pursuing strategies to ensure ad-

ditional resources for larger emergencies that occasionally occur. Another priority will be to secure and maintain a fleet of vehicles that serves the needs of the community. Voters will be asked to appropriate the funds we have been setting aside for a replacement ladder truck.

Being a small-town Chief means being equally comfortable doing administrative tasks as well as providing emergency response services, working side by side with other staff whether on a medical or fire call. Chief McNeilly has purposely kept active in Essex and as a fill-in Paramedic/Firefighter in Middleton to keep his emergency response skills current. As we bid farewell to Chief Cleary, we welcome Chief McNeilly back to town and the start of a new chapter for the MFD.

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She said the mandate is to get the district budget "out of crisis and into a long-term solution." Banks also organized an online survey gauging sentiment for the district budget and it was overwhelmingly in favor of services that are level to last year.

Nadia Wexler, of Manchester, agreed. But she said the district needs time to find truly creative solutions, like looking to increase the ranks of out of district school choice students to fortify the decreasing student population and bolster revenues.

Shelly Bradbury of Essex said she was one of the 507 residents who voted against the budget override. She said those 507 voters in Essex aren't against public education but "have real concerns" about being over-taxed.

She also said School Committee and town officials don't hear from them because they may be intimidated by speaking out for fear of being branded as anti-public school.

For them, question is simply, "What program works with the money we're willing to spend?" After all, a top performing school district like MERSD may indeed boost real estate values and pull families to want to move here, but what does that do for elderly homeowners (or anyone else) who are not selling their homes and are burdened with increased property taxes?

"Don't ignore the voters in Essex," Bradbury said. "The vote is clear. It was no."

But public sentiment is exactly what School Committee officials say they're weighing. Manchester

School Committee member Erika Spencer pointed to Manchester's overwhelming support for the original March budget. She also pointed to the Essex voters who approved the budget at its Annual Town Meeting.

"The only reason to adopt a compromise budget is if both towns can be on a path to a mediated solution," said Spencer.

Others agree. Like Spencer, Essex Selectman Peter Phippen on Monday said he supported the district's original budget, but he said the financial burden to Essex residents is real. That said, he suggested the issue might be better addressed by addressed Essex's property tax structure, creating a cap to protect elderly and financially challenged residents.

A Structural Challenge

This year's challenges aren't new, and they've been building for decades.

In 2023, 1,225 students were enrolled in the district, down from the high-water mark of 1,488 in 2014. Manchester's enrollment dropped from a high of 913 in 2014 to 722 in 2023 (down 39 from 2022). In Essex, there were 575 students in 2014. In 2023, that number is 503 (up 21 from 2022).

In the last 10 years, MERSD has struggled to reconcile its annual operating budget within Proposition 2½ constraints that cap annual municipal spending growth by 2.5% unless approved by voters at town meeting and then ratified at the ballot.

But school districts like MERSD differ from municipalities constrained by Prop 2½, and as a result, MERSD's goal each year is to stay with-

in a 3.5% annual increase. First, 80 percent of MERSD's budget is staff salaries, health insurance, and retirement expenses while town expenditures are heavier on infrastructure or capital. School districts also face many unfunded state mandates (like special education transportation expenses, which like health insurance, have been hugely impacted by inflation in recent years).

Live to Fight Another Day

In the end, the idea of buying another year to finally and effectively address the structural issues in district budgeting and town apportionment swings was what won the day, albeit narrowly.

One of the committee's newest members, John Binieris of Manchester, said the compromise budget is "an act of good faith with these voters."

Anna Lin Mitchell, a CFO with a non-profit organization who was won a committee seat from Manchester last year, agreed.

"I support the Compromise Budget to buy us another year to figure this out," she said.

With a new budget from the district, Select Boards of both towns will bring the package to voters in both towns within 30 days. Manchester has already scheduled a Special Town Meeting for June 28. Essex's Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee voted to support the compromise budget earlier this week, and will meet next week to schedule its own Special Town Meeting.

Go to thecricket.com to see data charts illustrating key trends in MERSD budgets.

BOARD UPDATES

Select Board Reorganization: At the June 5 Select Board meeting Ann Harrison was voted in as the new Chair of the Select Board and John Round as Vice-Chair. The Town would like to thank former chair, Becky Jaques, for her leadership and continued service on the Select Board.

Select Board Public Forum: The Select Board will meet on Thursday, June 15 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Special Town Meeting warrant articles. Meeting details can be found on the Town website.

Chief Fitzgerald's Ice Cream Social: To celebrate the last day of school, join Police Chief Todd Fitzgerald at Captain Dusty's for a free cone on June 15 from 3 - 4:30 p.m. All school-age children are welcome.

Special Town Meeting: Save the date for the Special Town Meeting on Wednes-



day, June 28 at Memorial School. More details to come.

March in the Parade: We are seeking floats, teams, and groups to march in the Fourth of July Parade this year. Register at bit.ly/MB-TSparade.

Beach Walk on Tags: All visitors to Singing Beach ages 12 to 65 need an orange beach tag or a daily walk on pass. Passes can only be purchased at Singing Beach during operating hours for \$35 for the season or \$10 per day.

School Street Paving: School Street repaving continues this week. The project is expected to be com-

pleted by mid-June. Expect road closures and detours at times. Please contact DPW with questions.

Transfer Station Hours: The Transfer Station is closed on Wednesdays until further notice due to construction at the new compost facility. The Transfer Station is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Trash, recycling, and compost collection: Regular Schedule. Please place curbside by 7 a.m. on day of collection.

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On Monday, May 22nd the Essex County Club graciously hosted the 25th Annual Manchester Community Center Classic. Over 100 people attended the event which included 18 holes of golf, a dinner reception and raffle/live auction. The Classic, our major fundraising event of the year, was a great success for the Community Center, which is funded solely by public donations and membership. On behalf of the MCC Board of Directors, we would like to thank all those who sponsored and participated in this fun event!

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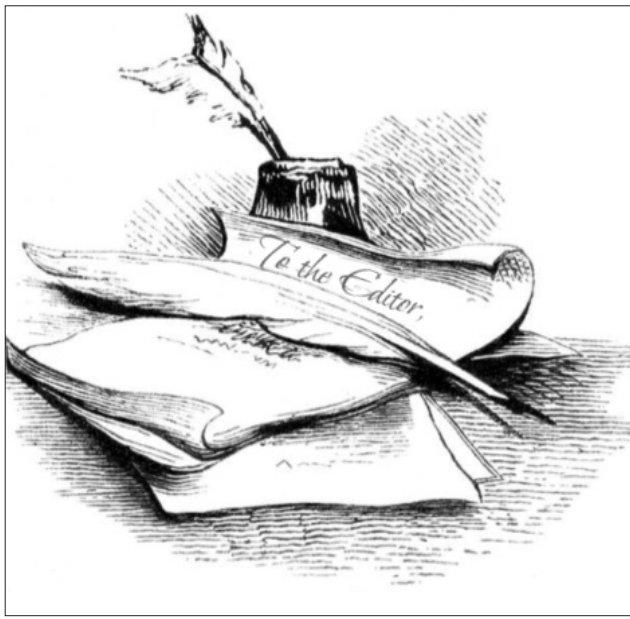
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sex. This school budget season has exacerbated that. It has been frustrating, to say the least. There has been divisive rhetoric used by both sides.

No, it's not true that "Essex does not support education." This statement is a stereotype.

No, it's not true that "Manchester wants a private school education for their public school at Essex's expense." This statement is a stereotype.

Stereotypes are generalizations. They paint an oversim-

plified picture of a group of people. They are lazy, inaccurate, and result in "us or them" thinking. They are not necessary or helpful to our communities or our district.

In the past few weeks, I have seen Essex school supporters fighting tooth and nail for the original, level-services school budget that Superintendent Beaudoin recommends. And I have heard school supporters in Manchester (and Essex) speak of being mindful of what it means for a fixed-income household to deal with

a tax increase. The above statements are just not true.

Our regional school district depends on our towns coming together as partners in our children's education. Whether it is "facilitation," "collaboration," or "mediation," the leaders of both towns and our district need to come together to solve the problem.

Tragically, it's the children of our communities who live with the consequences of this budget crisis and tension in the communities. Superintendent Beaudoin's ability to do her job has been hindered by this tension: it distracts her from leading the district in its mission to educate our children. Teachers' ability to do their jobs has also been hindered by the lack of security that comes when a budget has not been passed. This is detrimental to them, and it is also detrimental to students' learning experiences. Most importantly, it's the

students in the hallways of Manchester-Essex Regional Middle School and Manchester-Essex Regional High School that have to live and learn together every day. Comments and stereotypes amongst adults get interpreted and repeated by our children. The culture of our towns trickles into the schools to create the world in which our children have to live every day. I call on all of us in both towns to do our part to reduce the tension. Together, we need to look at the problem that is in front of us right now: our schools are in crisis and we need to pass a budget. And we need to work together to solve that problem right now. It is in the best interest of both of our communities.

It is especially in the best interest of the children in our communities.

Lindsay Banks
Manchester

Essex & Manchester Must Come Together As The Partners They Are

To the Editor,

As I write this Tuesday morning, I do not yet know the out-

come of the School Committee's vote tonight. No matter which way the vote goes, Essex and Manchester must come together as partners.

Even before the failed override, I have observed tension between Manchester and Es-

LIBRARY NEWS



People participated in this year's Zero Waste Challenge and every group did a great job and won a prize. Here music teacher Joe Janack receives his prize.

Mindful Meditation
Thursday, June 22 from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

MBTS' 2023 Zero Waste
2023 Zero Waste Champion is Carolyn Kelly. Thank you to all who participated and learned new ways to keep trash out of the landfill. Thank you also to 7 Seas Whale Watch, Bravo Pizza, Unpacked Living and Captain Dusty's for their support.

Backpack and School Supplies Donation Drive
Beverly Bootstraps is holding their annual backpack drive for students and the library is a drop off location. You can donate a new backpack or school supplies to go inside, including pencils, pens, erasers, thin and thick markers, colored pencils, index cards, filler paper and composition books.

Annual Book Sale and book donations

Annual book sale is August 5. Book donations will be at the Manchester Middle High School parking lot on June 10 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. Craft Circle by the Hearthside Sundays from 2-3 p.m. Bring your craft project and covered beverage and enjoy comradery and conversation by the fireside. All ages welcome.

Cookbook Throwdown

Saturday, June 10 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The cookbook book club meets on the 2nd Saturday of every month. June's pick is "Rodney Scott's

World of BBQ. Try out some new faves in a smoker or on the grill.

Plant Swap
Saturday, June 17 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Have some spider plants that are ready to propagate? Bought an eight pack of flowers and only need six? Extra tomato plants? Why not swap the plants with your neighbors.

Literary Libations Writing Group is moving to Thursdays

Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. Do you need inspiration to start your next project? Do you want some constructive criticism before you send your work to an editor or publisher? Meet with librarian Maddy Willwerth or poet Crystal Condakes at the library's hearthside for writing prompts, critique, and comradery. Snacks and coffee provided. Please register.

MPL Children's Events:

Comedy & Juggling Extravaganza

Thursday, June 22 from 3-4 p.m. Kick-off your summer reading and summer fun with Bryson Lang's The Cure for the Common Show. This unforgettable show is filled with technical juggling skills, creative physical-manipulation, and original comedy. In the event of rain, we will be at the Manchester Community Center.

North Shore Children's Mu-

seum Pass
The Friends of the Manchester Library have donated a discount pass to the North Shore Children's Museum in Peabody. The pass admits up to five persons at half-price admission.

Dungeons and Dragons: Ages 11-18

Tuesday, June 13 from 3:45-5 p.m. Led by our spirited, visionary dungeon master, Asa B., this game will challenge you to use every wit in your wizardly bag of tricks. Please register.

Vox and Wonder Books

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Stories and Songs

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Our youngest patrons and their caregivers are invited to share songs, rhymes and simple stories with Ms. Carol.

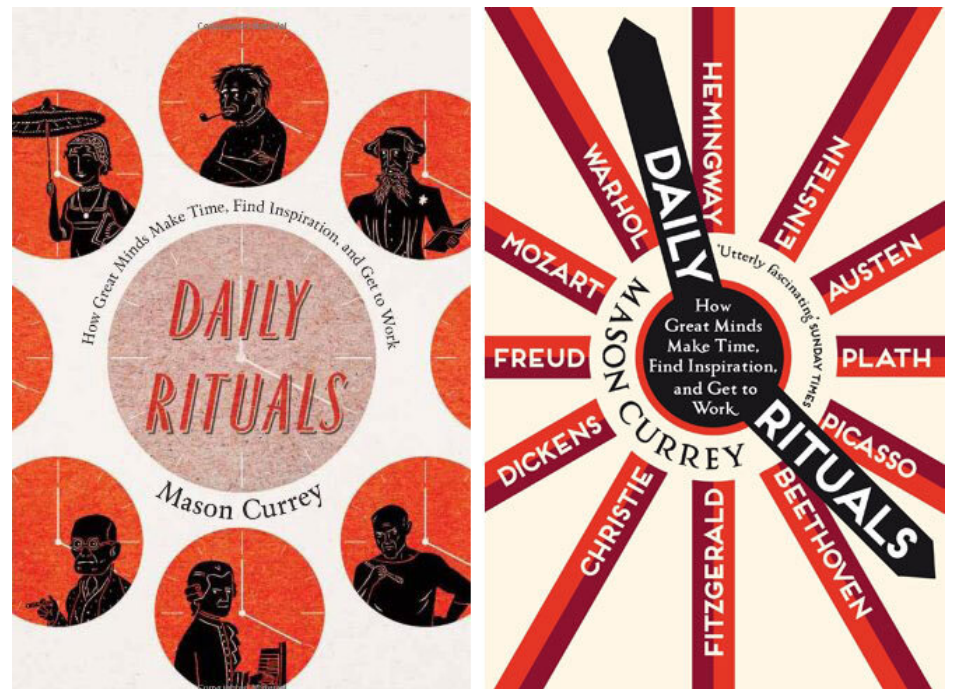
Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Second Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Want to earn community service hours while you design amusing activities for your friends and neighbors? Register on the library events calendar.



A Century of Living! Augustus Bullock celebrated turning 100 years old on May 29, with family who came in locally from California, Washington, Vermont, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Minnesota and North Carolina. Bullock served as a fighter pilot in World War II, and daughter Betsy, a realtor with Coldwell Banker in Manchester, believes he is the second oldest member of the Manchester VFW/American Legion. Here he is on the Legion deck, surrounded by family. Bullock currently lives independently with his wife, Elsie, 95, in Topsfield. Courtesy Photo

Shop Thoughts: New Reading Habits



Daily Rituals: How Artists Work by Mason Currey.

by Hannah Harlow

There are times when life feels like a sprint, a race toward some arbitrary finish line. I have a fifth and an eighth grader, both wrapping up at their respective schools. With three weeks left in the academic year, we have a series of last concerts, last sporting events, planning meetings, moving up days, and graduation ceremonies to cram in. It doesn't leave a lot of time for reading.

I find myself grabbing a few minutes at a time to sit down with a book and so I've been gravitating toward stories I can consume in bits and pieces. Stories that either move quickly or are bite-sized. Poetry, of course, works well, and I have my trusty New and Selected Poems Volume One by Mary Oliver at the ready. Spring is springing and Mary Oliver's exuberant appreciation for nature matches my mood.

As family routines change, I'm trying to figure out not just when to find reading time, but also writing time. I've picked up Daily Rituals: How Artists Work by Mason Currey to see how history's great writers, composers, painters, filmmakers, choreographers, and other artists arranged their days in order to produce their masterpieces. The book focuses solely

on the artists' routine—161 mini profiles in 234 pages. While I'm disappointed to see women underrepresented in these pages, both the similarities and peculiarities of artists is interesting to see. The most common thread? Many of them started their days at 5 a.m. and made the most of the beginning of the mornings when their minds were freshest. The sun rose at 5:14 a.m. this morning. I suppose there's no time like the present to start a new ritual.

Meanwhile, when I'm working in the bookstore, there are usually too many other things to do to sit down and read, but I currently have a book lying open on my desk in the back office that I keep returning to, stealing a few minutes to read a few pages each day while I eat lunch or when I sit down to pay a few bills. The book is Open Throat by Henry Hoke, a novel that releases June 6 and is narrated by a hungry, queer mountain lion living below the Hollywood sign in L.A. (or ellay, as the mountain lion calls it). It reads like a novel in verse, written in short fragments with a lot of line breaks. There are no periods—I supposed because mountain lions aren't all that familiar with punctuation? It reads quickly. The mountain lion

is a sympathetic character, constantly looking for food and water in the desert of Los Angeles, affected by climate change and overrun with humans, and also looking for love. If this sounds kind of weird, it is! But delightfully so.

I've been dipping into Kelly McMasters' The Leaving Season, a memoir in essays, at dusk. It just feels like the right time of day for an elegiac book, one that recalls the end of a marriage, among other things. McMasters once owned a bookstore and in the essay in which she recalls how it came to be (and how it ceased to be), she weirdly mentions that Mason Currey (author of Daily Rituals, mentioned above) came to visit. Publishing is a small world.

Maybe this speaks to my taste in books more than anything else. Even when I think I'm taking a break from the norm, I'm still in the habit of picking the same sort of books. Does that mean my plan to wake up tomorrow morning at 5 a.m. (and every morning after) is a pipe dream?

I'll have to let you know. Hannah Harlow is owner of The Book Shop, an independent bookstore in Beverly Farms. Harlow writes biweekly recommendations for us. See more of what she recommends reading at thecricket.com.

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ME Lax Teams Take Care of Business in Tourney's First Round

By Jason Brisbois

Both the boys' and girls' lacrosse teams were highly ranked headed into the MIAA Div. 4 Tournament's first round, and the expectation was that both squads would advance to face greater challenges later on in their respective brackets.

And as a result, both Hornet lacrosse teams lived up to those lofty, early aspirations on June 5: The fifth-seeded girls lacrosse team put the clamps on a 28th-ranked Stoneham team that went 5-13 during the regular season with a 13-1 win, while the 10th-seeded boys lacrosse team beat a 23rd-ranked Bourne team that had a .500 record during the regular season with an impressive 17-6 victory.

"This was a fun game to start the tournament," says Manchester Essex girls lacrosse coach Nan Gorton. "The Stoneham team is filled with really nice competitors, a team of very good sports. Manchester Essex was the more talented team [that] night, but we were able to use the game to work on what we will need to do hopefully long into the tournament. Stoneham was a well-coached team and had some very good players."

Brigid Carovillano allowed only one goal to Stoneham in net, while Mechi O'Neil was a standout in midfield and Charlotte Crocker anchored the defense.

"Both Mechi and Brigid along with our other captains, Hadley Levendusky and Ella Chafe bring leadership," explains Gorton. "They help set the tone for the game and we look to them to make sure we are expecting the best from ourselves."

The boys, meanwhile took a 7-3 lead into halftime and dominated the remainder of the game after the break. Quinn Brady had a phenomenal game with five goals and an assist, while Jesse Oliver had four tallies in the win. In all, ten different players scored goals for the Hornets, who also got a strong performance from goalie Jack Dipasquale (six saves). "We

dominated possession time and found the back of the net often with good quality shots, beating a strong Bourne goaltender on the day," explains ME boys lacrosse coach Jon Siderewicz. "Every player on the Hornets roster logged some minutes for us, including some of our freshman which is great for our playing experience across the board."

Both teams moved on to play in the Sweet Sixteen on June 7, with the boys facing seven-seed Lynnfield on the road (5 p.m.) and the girls slated to take on 12-seed Tahanto (6:30 p.m.)

Lynnfield is a known commodity for the boys' team.

"They traveled to us earlier this season and we sneaked out a win, which was huge," says Siderewicz. "However, this is a real test for us on the road, and with some of our guys banged up. Lynnfield will no doubt be ready to roll, and so will we. Both teams should have all their players back for that game which will make it a battle. Would we have liked to see another team other than a CAL opponent we have faced already? Absolutely. But our focus is on Lynnfield now, and of course today at practice."

Tahanto, meanwhile, is an unfamiliar foe for the girls' team.

"I really do not know anything about this team but I am excited to get to know another coach and another group of girls who share the love of lacrosse," says Gorton. What is known is that the first round of tournament play is done, and that both Hornets teams were able to keep their respective seasons going.

"I always tell the girls there are two seasons in one," says Gorton. "The first season ends with the last regular season game and a new season begins. The stakes are higher, the expectations are higher and I definitely hold them each to a higher standard. They start to really recognize how to hold each other accountable for effort, attitude and performance and we hopefully raise the level of our game overall."

Siderewicz echoed those sentiments. "To get a win at



Photos: Mark Dipasquale

home first round of the tournament meant a lot to this program," says the coach.

"It has been quite some time since we have accomplished this as a program, so it was a

feel-good win. However, we are not satisfied yet, because we know there is an uphill

battle going forward until the very end, which is the state championship."

ME Softball Keeps Return Season Going With Tourney Win

By Jason Brisbois

For the first time in four years, the Manchester Essex softball team was able to not only play in an MIAA tournament game, they also picked up a victory to move on to the next round.

The Hornets beat Rising Tide Charter by a score of 22-10 in the Preliminary Round of the Div. 4 Tournament on June 3; Manchester Essex - a 30-seed in the tourney - was slated to play three-seed Clinton on June 5 in the Round of 32. The tournament win

was a milestone for a team that didn't even have enough players to field a team at this time in 2022.

"It feels so great to get this win in the tourney and move on, and the girls were so excited after the game," explains ME softball coach Frank Sarro. "We realize a lot of teams didn't make it to this point and we're still playing. We had our challenges with a wet field and a wet ball tonight with all the rain we had and overcame that."

Rising Tide Charter cut Manchester Essex's 10-3 lead to 10-9 late in the game, and took advantage of a nine-run fifth inning to pull out the victory.

"I'm proud of the way the girls took back control of this game and ultimately finished it by walking it off in the fifth with Abby Taron delivering the hit to end it," says Sarro. "We established ourselves as being in the top half of Div. 4."

Anna Gardner had a day to remember, striking out 10 Rising Tide batters and helping her own cause by going 3-for-3 at the plate and scoring three runs.

"Anna Gardner did a great job on the mound picking up



ME Baseball, Tennis Teams Find Success Early in Tournament

By Jason Brisbois

Local teams went six-for-six during their initial forays into the MIAA Div. 4 Tournament.

The 30-seeded Manchester Essex baseball team defeated 35-seed New Mission by a 13-8 score on June 3, helping the team advance to the Div. 4 Round of 32 and a matchup with three-seed Seekonk on June 5, along with fellow 30-seed Manchester Essex softball, which beat Rising Tide

Charter in the preliminary round to advance (see our story on the softball team for more). Both local lacrosse teams also advanced after the first round (see story above).

Both local tennis teams were able to make a successful opening salvo in the Div. 4 tournament. The second-seeded Manchester Essex girls tennis squad got the tournament started off on the right foot with a 5-0 win over Quabbin Regional on June 3, and they advance to play 18th-seeded Wareham on June 7 in the Round of 16. The eighth-seeded Manchester Essex boys tennis team also moved on to the Sweet 16 after they defeated West Bridgewater by a 5-0 score on May 30 in the Round of 32. The Hornets were scheduled to face ninth-seeded Monomoy at

Endicott College on June 6 (4 p.m.) For the girls' tennis team, the result was never really in doubt, with almost every Hornet player winning their respective matches either by a 6-0 or 6-1 score. "Just played to the level we've been playing at and everyone played solidly across the board," explained ME girls tennis coach Barrett Alston. "Obviously nice to get that first win, had to deal with some weather and anxiety about getting the match in. We are all excited to try to make a run in the tournament." Wareham is a known commodity for the Hornets, with the Vikings eliminating Manchester Essex from the tournament in the state semifinals in 2022.

"Should definitely be a good, competitive match," says Alston.

10 strikeouts while working with a slick ball with all the rain we had," said Sarro.

Abby Aiello and Celia Mann both went 2-for-3, with Aiello driving in a pair of runs and Mann scoring five runs all by herself. Kyra Levasseur (1-for-3) an Abby Taron (1-for-2) had two RBIs apiece, and Katie Crompton was aggressive on

the basepaths, helping her to score three runs for the Hornets. The Hornets' starting catcher was also impressive in her playoff debut.

"Cami Friedrich was excellent behind the plate catching tonight," said Sarro. "It was not an easy night to be a catcher."

Manchester Essex began

preparing for a tough foe in third-seeded Clinton on the following Monday.

"I expect a team that does everything well and has great pitching," explains Sarro. "I expect them to have a deep lineup. We'll have to defend well and battle every at bat. We have to play with confidence."

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ESSEX ECHO.



At the Essex Shipbuilding Museum last week, a group of students from Topsfield Vocational Academy launch their newly completed Caribbean Skiff, a hand built, wooden boat completed over the last year with their teacher, museum boat builder Jeff Lane. Congratulations to students Liam, Jude, Seamus, Billy and Miles. Photo Erika Brown

Town Administrator's Report

Board of Selectmen's Meeting of June 5, 2023
Report covers from May 20, 2023, to June 2, 2023

Affordable Housing Trust Meeting Summary

Chairman Pereen, who also chairs the Affordable Housing Trust, and the Town Administrator (TA) attended the subject meeting on May 30, 2023. The Trust began to discuss the possible desire to use a consultant for the development of an Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing and Resident Selection Plan (AF-HMP) and, possibly, a Housing Production Plan (HPP). The former is necessary if the Trust desires to orchestrate affordable housing projects to ensure that the Town does not run afoul of State or Federal fair housing laws. The latter is not required but may offer the advantage of staving off an undesirable 40B project for a limited amount of time. The Trust plans on researching these matters further and may ask a consultant to provide a no-cost primer on the topics at some future meeting.

Annual Town Policies Sign-off

Each year at this time the TA circulates to all employees and board/commission members a notice asking for each individual to review all applicable Town policies and to provide a written acknowledgement form back to our office by the end of July. I sent the e-mail notice during the week of May 22, 2023 and acknowledgement forms went out with employee paychecks. Those who do not receive checks can easily download the acknowledgement form from the Town's website.

Safety Committee Meeting

The next Safety Committee Meeting will be held on June 22, 2023 at 8 a.m.

Successor Fixed-Rate Natural Gas Supply Contract

The Town is presently under fixed-rate supply contracts for both electricity and natural gas with Constellation. While Constellation plans to continue to offer electricity supply contracts in the future, the company will be phasing out gas supply contracts with each community when any current contract expires. Constellation has been the Massachusetts Municipal Association's (MMA) preferred vendor for both electricity and gas for many years now. In our case, our fixed-rate contract for natural gas runs through



the end of October, 2023. As such, the TA will be reaching out to two other fixed-rate gas suppliers, Sprague Energy and Direct Energy. Hopefully, the natural gas market will settle over the next few months so that the Town has a good prospect for a new long-term rate agreement.

Completion of Procurement Process for Water Filtration Plant Renovations

Filed sub-bids for the Water Filtration Plant renovation project were opened on May 24, 2023. The Town received multiple bids from each of three trades and one bid for the fourth trade. General bidders will utilize the sub-bids in their general bids (which are due to the Town on June 7, 2023). Our engineering consultant will go over the general bids with the Board of Public Works on June 12, 2023, and the Selectmen have scheduled a special meeting on June 13, 2023, to approve and sign paperwork required by the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF), which has established a deadline of June 16, 2023.

Apple Street Roadbed Elevation and Culvert Replacement Project Update

At the last meeting, the TA informed the Board that the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Office had extended the public comment for the MEPA review process through May 23, 2023. On May 23, 2023, the Town was copied on comments being transmitted to the MEPA Office from the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM) and we learned that CZM had some substantial questions about the Town's alternatives review process to date.

Rather than allowing the review process to proceed based on only the information in the MEPA project file, Mr. Zubricki asked the MEPA Office to extend the public comment period further and

the MEPA Office granted a second extension (four more weeks - through June 20, 2023). Our engineering consultant then supplemented the project file to provide all the information that was referenced by CZM. The TA discussed CZM's comments with CZM personnel on May 24, 2023, and relayed to our consultant my observations on how to best address CZM's questions.

Subsequently, on May 25, 2023, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) reviewer working on the Superseding Order of Conditions (SOC) case contacted me to discuss options based upon the fact that the Town failed to acquire the necessary easements on abutting private property at the recent Annual Town Meeting. The DEP suggested that one option would be for the Town to request that the DEP's SOC review process be suspended until after the issue of easements is considered again at the Fall Town Meeting this coming November. After consulting with Town Counsel, Mr. Zubricki made that request, and the DEP has granted it.

The MEPA Office cannot issue a project certificate until any pending SOC is worked out by the DEP. The TA contacted the MEPA reviewer and he stated that the MEPA Office is unable to grant any further extensions on the current MEPA application and recommended that the Town withdraw the current MEPA application without prejudice and reapply in the fall, after the Fall Town Meeting considers the easements. Withdrawal without prejudice has been requested and granted. The Town can now work with its consultants to address any issues that have turned up in the MEPA and DEP reviews thus far and approvals from both agencies could conceivably occur by the end of the calendar year so long as the easements are obtained via Town Meeting.

Further, in anticipation of

the matter of easements on private property abutting the project coming back before Town Meeting in November, the TA has worked with our engineering consultant to begin the development of some visual aids. The images can be put up on a large video screen at Town Meeting so that voters can fully appreciate the size of the easements necessary in areas that will in no way detract from the owners' use of their properties.

Replacement of Town Hall Copier

At the last meeting, the Board authorized the ordering of a new copier for Town Hall using a special appropriation that was approved at the recent Annual Town Meeting. The TA has been told that the lead time on the new unit is a few weeks. The DPW plans to take the old copier and will continue to use it.

Request for Proposals for Summer Camp and Youth/Adult Enrichment Services

At the last meeting, the Board agreed that the TA should continue to put together a Request for Proposals document that will allow the Town to procure a vendor for summer camp and youth/adult enrichment services starting in 2024. Given that the last RFP used for a 10-year summer camp services contract did not include youth and adult enrichment services, the TA has modified the RFP to include the additional services.

Clammers' Beach Parking Layout

Last meeting, the Board heard from a long-time Essex resident about the importance of beachside parking at Clammers' Beach. The resident said that only two parking places are now available, especially since the kayak racks have been placed along the parking area. The Board agreed that the TA should go out to the site and determine if there is a way to allow for three parking spaces.

LIBRARY NEWS



Library Trustee Meeting
Tuesday, June 13 at 6 p.m.

Author Nancy Horan (Virtual)

Wednesday, June 28 from 7-8 p.m. Join Nancy Horan and Therese Fowler as they discuss Nancy's new book, *The House of Lincoln*, a sweeping historical novel which tells the story of Abraham Lincoln's ascendance from rump lawyer to U.S. President.

Root Beer Float Day

Thursday, June 15 from 1-3 p.m. Stop in the library and sign up for summer reading, enjoy a root beer float.

Beginning Birding with Hands on Nature

Wednesday, June 21 at 2 p.m. for ages 5 and up. Learn all about local birds in your yard and how to start identifying them. Learn which birds are common to Massachusetts and begin the easy journey to learn more about these beautiful creatures that are an essential part of our natural world. Leave knowing common bird songs that you will be able to recognize on your own. Create and take home a simple bird feeder to attract birds to your yard at home.

Discover Underground Mammals

Tuesday, June 27 from 2-3 p.m. for ages 5 and up. Learn all about the local mammal species which spend most of their lives underground. Discover some of the special characteristics of underground mammals and the adaptations these animals have made to a life under our feet. Explore what animals look for when making a home and learn about some interesting details of the den construction.

Read to Jackson

Wednesdays at 5 p.m. beginning June 21. Sign up for your 15-minute slot to read to loveable Jackson. Please register.

Community Book Group

Tuesday, June 20 at 10 a.m. Join in the discussion of "The Reading List" by Adams.

Friends of the Library Gardening

Sunflower growing contest, pick up your free packet of sunflower seeds to grow over the summer. Containers

Library of Things

Giant Jenga, Corn Hole and Pickleball

Museum Passes

Passes available for your holiday weekend.

ESSEX POLICE NOTES

MONDAY, MAY 22

11:49 a.m. Chebacco Terrace, directed patrol, secured/checked. **1:36 p.m.** Main St., directed patrol, secured/checked. **5:32 p.m.** Main St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. **9:38 p.m.** Centennial Grove Rd., suspicious activity, secured/checked.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

12:28 a.m. Centennial Grove Rd., suspicious activity, spoken to. **1:18 a.m.** Southern Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken. **5:13 a.m.** Main St., suspicious activity, spoken to. **5:42 a.m.** Western Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

11:48 a.m. Main St., male fall, patient refusal. **1:10 p.m.** John Wise Ave., male with seizure, transported to hospital. **2:04 p.m.** Story St., male fall, patient refusal. **6:17 p.m.** John Wise Ave., citizen assist, notification made.

THURSDAY, MAY 25

12:54 a.m. Centennial Grove Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. **1:09 a.m.** Main St., selective enforcement, no action taken. **2:02 a.m.** John Wise Ave., directed patrol, secured/checked. **5:53 a.m.** Western Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken.

Essex Locals | June 9

115 Years Ago - 1908

John O'Brien, while at work in A.D. Story's shipyard on Monday, had the misfortune to cut his forefinger of his right hand severely, while using a drawing knife. Dr. Alonzo Ellis dressed the wound.

90 Years Ago - 1933

Essex High came home vanquished last Friday from a match games with Rockport High at Rockport, after a very close game the score standing at 4-3.

Essex Fire Department Holding Annual Memorial Parade

The Essex Fire Department will be holding our Annual Firefighters Memorial Sunday Parade and Service on Sunday, June 11, at 8:45 a.m. beginning from the new Essex Public Safety Building at 11

John Wise Avenue. The parade will then proceed to the cemetery on Spring Street for a short service and then return to the Fire Station. Firefighters Memorial Sunday has been a longstanding tradition of firefighters across the nation.

It is a day to reflect on the many contributions made by firefighters to protect their fellow man and property, and is held to honor deceased firefighters who served the town of Essex. Retired Firefighters and the public are encouraged to attend.

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Essex Artist Exhibiting Work June 7 - 30 at Santander Bank, Manchester



Essex artist Deb Johnson will display her paintings at Santander Bank in Manchester from June 7 through June 30. Deb grew up in Rockport and has lived in Essex for 46 years. Spending summers swimming and playing on the beach, and winters, skating, sledding,

and playing in the snow, gave her all the inspiration she needed to begin her journey as a painter. A nice subject, composition, beautiful colors, shadows, and shapes are well observed by the artist. Her best-in-show ribbon was given to her in her early 20s at the Essex clam

fest. She attended Montserrat College of Art and has studied with several local well-known artists painting. She paints with acrylics, and wall landscapes are her favorite subject; she enjoys it all. For information, call 978-768-6307 or email johnson564@gmail.com.

Eagle Scout Honor 2023



On Sunday, three young scouts from Troop 3 in Manchester were inducted in the Eagle Scout Court of Honor, a milestone realized by just seven percent of those in scouting. Benjamin Patrick Conway, Giuseppe Galzang Tra, and Joshua Sony Barghese were each given the rank of Eagle Scout. The well attended ceremony took place at the Amara Bailey American Legion Hall, and the audience included Eagle Scouts from previous years (and not necessarily from Manchester), including Manchester Select Board member John Round, who offered comments of encouragement and congratulations to Conway, Tra and Varghese.

Carvalho, O'Leary Awarded Manchester Woman's Club Scholarships



Owen O'Leary received the Nathan B. Sargent Scholarship



Catherine Carvalho received the Alice Forbes Perkins Hooper Scholarship. (Photos Jean Spencer)

Twelve Awarded Father Jack Scholarships



2023 Father Jack Scholarship recipients shown with Father Paul Flammia in the sanctuary of Sacred Heart church, Manchester-by-the-Sea. (Photo Ray McNulty)

Manchester Council 1232 Knights of Columbus, Manchester-by-the-Sea awarded twelve \$500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors and brings to one hundred four the total number of scholarships presented by Council 1232 in the past

23 years. For the past eight years, the Council's scholarship program for graduating seniors has been designated the Father Jack Gentleman Memorial Scholarship, in memory of Father Jack Gentleman the late pastor of Sacred Heart, Manchester-by-the-Sea and St John the

Baptist, Essex, now designated The Visitation Parish. The scholarships are annually funded by local donations and the proceeds of a fundraising raffle. All funds raised go exclusively to The Father Jack Gentleman Memorial Scholarship Fund. Scholarship Recipients- All from MERHS : Lila Carpenter, Connor Fitzgerald, Jack Newton, Catherine Carvalho, Zoe Elwell, Kendall Newton, Giuseppe Tra, Amalie Vytopylova, Dane Moruzzi, Grace Gustafson, Jackson Ring and Daniel Wood.

The awards in the form of "Mega Checks" were presented by Rene St Pierre and Tom Finn, representatives of the Knights of Columbus scholarship committee at Sacred Heart church on Trinity Sunday June 4. Father Paul Flammia, pastor of The Visitation Parish, blessed the graduates at a Mass preceding the ceremony and wished them well in their future endeavors. Father Paul congratulated the scholarship recipients and noted the awards recognized the graduates' achievements and community service. He said the awards also saluted their patience and forbearance in exceptionally difficult pandemic years. He urged them, in the spirit of Father Jack, "to walk life's journey loving one another, caring for each other, and treating others as you would wish to be treated."

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The Manchester Woman's Club announced the 2023 recipients of its two scholarships, given each year to graduates of Manchester-Essex Regional High School.

The club honors students who exemplify our values, including social, ethical, and intellectual interests, especially in service to others. This year the Woman's Club selected two students who seek to further their education in fields related to service and betterment of the lives of others.

"Thank you to all the applicants for this year, the number of qualified, deserving candidates was impressive," said Charlotte Minasian, president of the Woman's Club. "Thanks to all the members of the Manchester Woman's Club and our community who make it possible to support the future generations in their academic adventures."

Catherine Carvalho received the Alice Forbes Perkins Hooper Scholarship, awarded to students intending to pursue a career in nursing, medicine, or an allied health field. Catherine will be attending Pennsylvania State University with plans to study Biology. In addition to being a member of the National Honor Society, Catherine has volunteered in many capacities in rehabilitation facilities, youth programs and church groups. Her goal is to become a physical therapist, and we are thrilled to assist her in her future endeavors. The Nathan B. Sargent Scholarship was awarded to Owen O'Leary, who will be enrolling at the University of Vermont to study Elementary Education. Owen's extracurricular activities have been wide ranging; from camp counselor and peer mentor to student government and performing arts. Owen has set a goal to enter the teaching profession, and we wish him the best.

Cape Ann Community Foundation Announces 2023 Grant Awards

Last week, seven Cape Ann community non-profits were notified that they were collectively awarded \$20,000 in grant money from the Cape Ann Community Foundation (CACF) after its seventh annual funding cycle. The grant monies are funded by the proceeds of Cape Ann license plate sales and renewals, together with direct donations to the CACF, which are being made to the following organizations:

- **Manchester-by-the-Sea Public Library** to support the Teen Loft as a space and resources for young adults
- **Town of Essex, Council on Aging** to support the building of a patio at the senior center
- **Backyard Growers** in Gloucester, to support its youth internship program
- **Grace Center** in Gloucester, to support the expenses of six months of "Art of the Lunch" meals
- **SeniorCare, Inc.** to support the Cape Ann Virtual Senior Center
- **Pathways for Children** to support bridging the financial gap so that parents in need can access the childcare
- **Rockport Exchange** to



The Cape Ann Community Foundation's Cape Ann license plate has raised more than \$100,000 benefiting local non-profits. This year, seven organizations received \$20,000 in grants. Courtesy photo

support the Rockport Farmers Market

"We wish to congratulate the seven successful grant applicants, and we would also like to commend and express our thanks to all the Cape Ann area non-profits and civic organizations that submitted proposals," said CACF Board President Ruth Pino. "My fellow Board members and I were greatly impressed

that these dollars help deliver are immeasurable." The Cape Ann Community Foundation received 34 grant applications this year. The grant funding this year was supplemented by a gift of \$5,000 from NEXT GEN Young Professionals, a committee of the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce, as a portion of its proceeds from the first annual Blackburn Brewfest, which was a big success.

"With this year's grants, the CACF has given more than \$100,000 to Cape Ann non-profits and schools, funded through the proceeds of the Cape Ann license plate and direct donations to CACF," said CACF Board member Steve Buckley. The Foundation will present grants to each of this year's recipients at ceremonies that will be scheduled soon.

CACF is a non-profit charitable organization established in 2015 by the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce to manage and award grants from the proceeds from sales of the Cape Ann License Plate. CACF makes grants for projects that support the Foundation's mission to improve the economy and overall quality of life for the residents of Cape Ann.

Hooper Fund Announces 2023 Grant Recipients

The board of Manchester's Hooper Fund community organization has announced its list of 2023 grant recipients. This year, Hooper Fund grants will fund programs including scholarships for many of the programs, athletic equipment, reading programs, poetry workshops, CPR and First Aid courses, backpacking tents and stoves, a moveable softball scoreboard, robotic materials, after school music program, a fishing tournament, sponsored summer beach clean ups, several summer playgrounds and year-round after school programs, bicycle racks, and Manchester's weekly public program, Music in the Park.

"We want to thank all who donated to the Hooper Fund this past year," said Hooper Fund Executive Director Anne Kneisel. "The funds that were raised will go directly back into our community, and we have a wonderful list of recipients this year."

Applications were submitted in the spring, and grant

- monies come from donations to the Hooper Fund, which go directly back to the community. Here is the full list of 2023 Hooper Fund grant recipients:
- Summerstage
 - Manchester Public Library
 - Manchester Fishing Tournament
 - Girls and Boys Scouts
 - Essex Bay Sailing
 - Manchester Parks and Rec
 - MERHS Robotics Team
 - Essex Elementary Library
 - MERHS Science Team
 - Magic Years Nursery
 - Seaside Sustainability
 - M/E Softball
 - M/E Little League
 - M/E Youth Soccer
 - M/E Junior Hornets Football
 - M/E Travel Basketball (girls and boys)
 - Cape Ann Youth Lacrosse
 - Health Occupations Students (HOSA)
 - Essex Elementary Music
 - Manchester Memorial PTO
 - Memorial Park Project
 - Manchester Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee
 - Music in the Park

North Shore Health Project Awarded \$225,000 Cummings Grant



North Shore Health Project is one of 150 local nonprofits that will share in \$30 million through Cummings Foundation's major annual grants program. The Gloucester-based organization was selected from a total of 630 applicants during a competitive review process. It will receive \$225,000 over three years.

North Shore Health Project provides case management, syringe access and safe supply access, community education, overdose prevention and testing LGBTQ+ services for those at-risk for and living with HIV, Hepatitis C and STI.

"We are grateful to Cummings Foundation for funding that will help us to further expand our reach and provide crucial services to those in need throughout Essex County," said North Shore Health Project Executive Director Susan Coviello, an Essex resident. "There are so many in the area who could benefit from the services that we offer, and this gives us the ability to provide healthier, safer solutions to even more individuals north of Boston, and enhance and expand services in Gloucester and other North Shore communities."

North Shore Health Project plans to use the funds to expand to the Haverhill area, creating a centrally located second site for NSHP's ONESTOP program, providing services such as overdose prevention, syringe exchange, community education and HIV/Hepatitis C/STI testing for a community in dire need of support of this kind.

The Cummings \$30 Mil-

lion Grant Program primarily supports Massachusetts nonprofits that are based in and serve Middlesex, Essex, and Suffolk counties.

Through this place-based initiative, Cummings Foundation aims to give back in the areas where it owns commercial property. Its buildings are all managed, at no cost to the Foundation, by its affiliate, Cummings Properties.

"The way the local nonprofit sector perseveres, steps up, and pivots to meet the shifting needs of the community is most impressive," said Cummings Foundation executive director Joyce Vyriotes.

The majority of the grant decisions were made by about 90 volunteers. They worked across a variety of committees to review and discuss the proposals and then, together, determine which requests would be funded. Among these community volunteers were business and nonprofit leaders, mayors, college presidents, and experts in areas such as finance and DEI (diversity, equity, and inclusion).

The Foundation and volunteers first identified 150 organizations to receive three-year grants of up to \$225,000 each. The winners included first-time recipients as well as nonprofits that had previously received Cummings grants.

This year's grant recipients represent a wide variety of causes, including housing and food insecurity, workforce development, immigrant services, social justice, education, and mental health services. The nonprofits are spread across 46 different cities and towns.

Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce Taps Five for Small Business Persons of 2023



Manchester's Laughing Gull, where it's a family affair. Bruce and Dede Warren are two of five recipients of the 2023 Small Business Persons of the Year from the Greater Cape Ann Chamber. Courtesy Photo

The Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce this week announced its list of five 2023 Greater Cape Ann Small Businessper-

sons of the Year. This year's honorees include Manchester's Bruce and Dede Warren, owners of the Laughing Gull Café; Michael & Donna

Roy, owners of Essex Septic Service, Inc. (Essex); Lenny & Dottie Linquata, owners of the Gloucester House Restaurant (Gloucester); Lauri

Kaihlalan, artist and owner of Lauri Kaihlalan Gallery (Rockport); and Peter J. Pinciaro, Director of the Crane Estate, The Trustees of Reservations (Ipswich).

All will be recognized at the Chamber's 43rd Annual Small Business Awards Dinner on Thursday, June 15 at the Castle Manor Inn, 141 Essex Avenue, Gloucester.

As is the tradition with the awards and recognition dinner every year, the Chamber will also recognize several area high school graduates as 2023 Greater Cape Ann Chamber scholarship winners.

Each small businessperson of the year will be honored throughout the week of June 11 in their own backyards, with a special citation from their respective local government at an individual ceremony.

Every year since 1981 the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce has celebrated Small Businesses to honor the achievements of our region's small business entrepreneurs and their employees and to thank them for their contributions to the economic vitality and community life of the greater Cape Ann region.

Friends, family members, and colleagues of all small business honorees are invited and encouraged to attend the awards dinner. Tickets are \$75 and available on the Chamber's website.

May Manchester Club Meeting



The Manchester Club held its May meeting on Thursday, May 18 at

the Legion Hall. Todd Crane served up a delicious dinner of a fresh garden salad, beef

tenderloin with potatoes and squash and Klondike Bars for dessert. At the conclusion of dinner, club president Bruce MacDonald called the meeting to order and held the Pledge of Allegiance. Shortly after, the motion was made to skip the secretary and treasurer reports which was immediately seconded and passed by the membership. Then, it was on to the main event of the evening - the Robert Hatcher Memorial Scholarship raffle. Fifty prizes were raffled off - a large thank you to the local businesses and people who donated prizes for one of the club's main fundraisers every year for this scholarship fund. The next Manchester Club meeting will be held on Thursday, June

15 at the Legion. Roast pork is on the menu and the guest speaker will be area scout of the Calgary Flames NHL Hockey Team, Trevor Hanson.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Town Hall
10 Central Street
Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, 01944
SELECT BOARD
Public Hearing

The Select Board will hold a hybrid public hearing on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in Town Hall meeting room #5 and by zoom. Zoom information will be available on the Town website, prior to the meeting.

Request from National Grid to install of 1-4" PVC conduits encased in concrete from pole #23 to the property of 109-111 Pine St.

Posted to MNPA website: <http://masspublicnotices.org>.

June 9, 2023 MC
June 16, 2023

LEGAL NOTICE



CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Town of Manchester
Town Hall
10 Central Street
Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, 01944
Public Hearing Notice
Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 6/9/23

On behalf of Michael Kirk, Maureen Herald of Norse Environmental Services, Inc. requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Notice of Intent to install an inground pool, patio, and associated other structures; replace existing driveway and patios within Riverfront Area Resource and within the 100-foot Buffer to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands at **37 Vine Street**, (map 47, lot 2).

Environmental Consulting, Inc. requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability to install a low-impact mooring within Land Under Ocean, Land subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, and mapped Eelgrass Habitat at **8 Boardman Avenue** (map 24, lot 9).

These requests will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting **Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.** and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

MNPA website: <http://masspublicnotices.org>
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On Behalf of Dana Landry,
Evin Guvendiren of DeRosier

June 9, 2023 MC

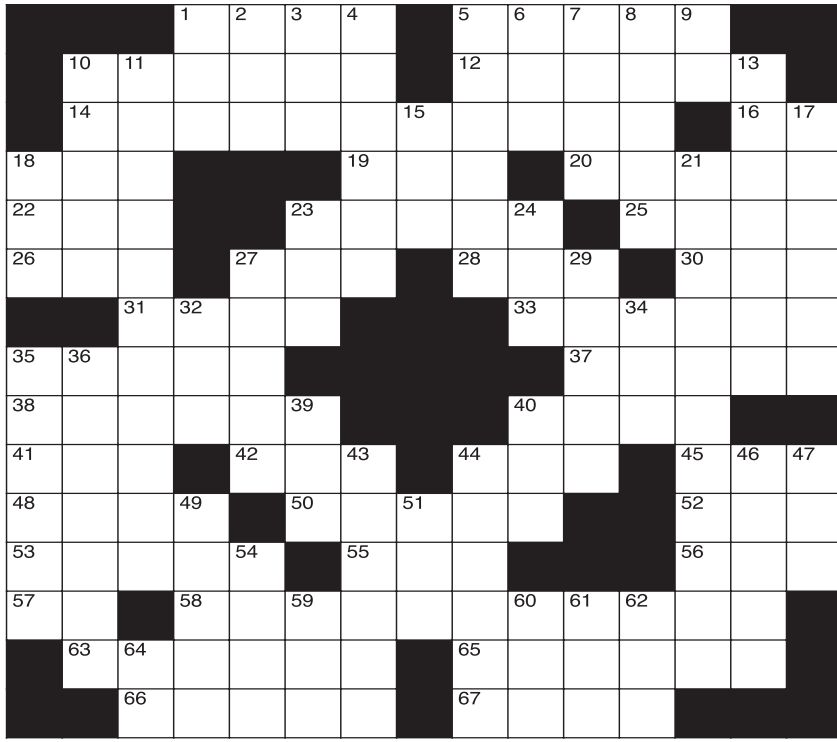
It's not who I am underneath, but what I do that defines me.

~ Batman ~

Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

1. Flat tableland with steep edges
5. Where there's __, there's fire
10. Talked incessantly
12. Skill
14. Without shame
16. Where teens spend their days (abbr.)
18. Boxing's GOAT
19. Used to anoint
20. Cluster cups
22. Footballer Newton
23. They make up a forest
25. Split pulses
26. Self
27. Post-office box
28. Test for high schoolers
30. Large, flightless bird
31. Expectorated
33. Falsehood
35. Prickly, scrambling shrub
37. French river
38. Told on
40. Hillside
41. Peyton's little brother
42. Soviet Socialist Republic
44. Cathedral city in Cambridgeshire
45. Witness
48. Brews
50. Yellowish-brown
52. Arctic explorers, abbr.
53. Mexican agave
55. A type of "cast"
56. Encourage
57. Atomic #52
58. Relating to position north of south of equator
63. Gadget whose name you forget
65. Another recording
66. Small blisters
67. Dark brown or black



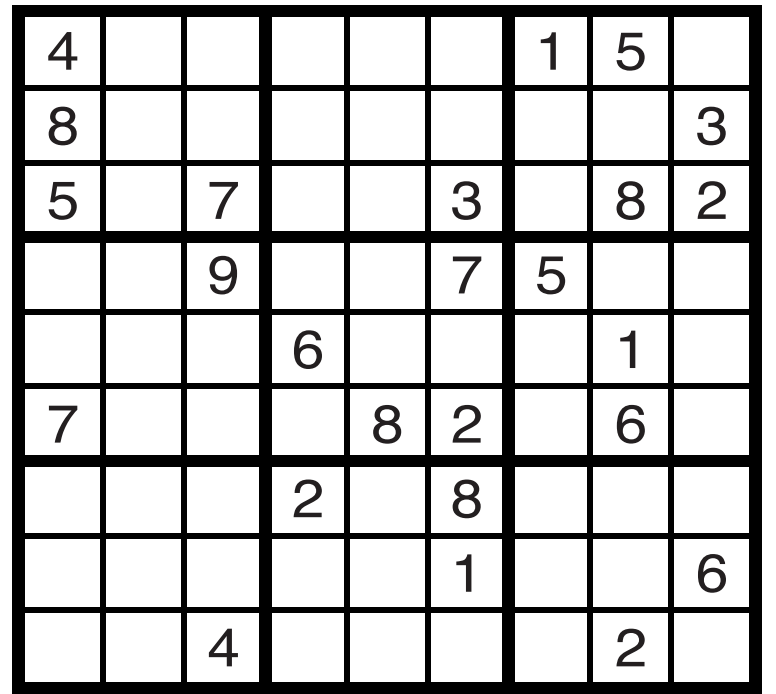
CLUES DOWN

1. Licensed for Wall Street
2. " __ and flow"
3. A very large body of water
4. Accumulate on the surface of
5. Central cores of the stem
6. Angry
7. Ceramic jar
8. Scraped a car
9. __ route
10. Soviet labor camp system
11. Strong hostilities
13. Vitamin of the B complex

15. Go quickly
17. Toast
18. A team's best pitcher
21. A Philly culinary specialty
23. Small child
24. Unhappy
27. Trims away
29. Characterized by crying eyes
32. Soft touch
34. American spy organization
35. A person's chest
36. Came from behind to win
39. Fall back

40. Nellie __, journalist
43. Great places to kayak
44. Suffer patiently
46. Majestic bird
47. Electroencephalograph
49. Organic compound used as an antiseptic
51. Objects connected to the web (abbr.)
54. Ship as cargo
59. The bill in a restaurant
60. Upper-class young woman (abbr.)
61. Judge in OJ Simpson trial
62. One's grandmother
64. Siberian river

Sudoku



Level: Advanced

Solutions on Page 11

SUN & SAND WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

- Basket
- Beach
- Boardwalk
- Breezy
- Bright
- Coastal
- Crashing
- Foam
- Laughter
- Marine
- Ocean
- Relaxation
- Riptide
- Sail
- Sandcastle
- Sandy
- Seaweed
- Sunglasses
- Surfing
- Swimming
- Swimsuit
- Tan
- Umbrella
- Undertow

At Home Now: Tile Away the Hours

By Jen Coles

As an interior designer I spend a fair amount of time in building supply stores, one of which is the tile store. And as I chat with my sales rep and make my selections, I sometimes turn a corner and bump into a shopper with that deer-in-the-headlights look as they stare down a wall of tile options.



I know that look well, because it's me when my daughter drags me to the super sale at Nordstrom Rack. I mean, where on God's green earth does one even begin? Nordstrom Rack has got me beat, but tile I can help you with.

Now as I offer you this sage advice I know that some of you, even while nodding your heads in agreement with me, are at the very same time plotting their shopping excursion to one of those cash-and-carry warehouse super stores. Some of you cannot be deterred. The lure of the potential savings is just too much to bear. And honestly - those stores aren't all bad. The prices are low, and one nice benefit is you can leave there with tile samples in hand to prop up in your bathroom or kitchen. And if you are doing a

job that only needs one kind of tile (like a kitchen backsplash) then maybe it's worth the trip.

But for larger projects with multiple selections needed (like a bathroom or two,) all I can say is yeeah! They've got genuine stone on one side of the store, and the accent tile I want is about a quarter mile away on the other side of the store. So, pulling together a design is challenging. And the customer service is relatively non-existent, so you will most likely forget something important, like a Schluter edge (more on

that later) or grout of the proper type and color. I always say about a bathroom design, the devil is in the details. So, for my money, what I've potentially saved in dollars I've lost in time and headaches, so I call the whole thing a wash. But you might feel differently. If you do go, remember to wear your sneakers, bring a water bottle, and leave a trail of breadcrumbs.

So clearly, I like an official tile shop where I work with humans who think about nothing but tile all day long. They help me with my selection process, and if you are in that overwhelmed state, you will find them indispensable on that front. Plus, they have tables to lay everything out on. And they are thoughtful about suggesting products, like a good sealer for your stone tile for instance. Sometimes I bring a swatch book and choose a wall color too while I'm there with everything laid out. And yes, they will get me the right Schluter edge.

Here's the low-down on those Schluter edges. They are a little metal edging strip that tucks around the edge of your tile. So, say you are tiling the walls of your bathroom to chair-rail height. You don't want to

look at the unfinished edge of the tile, so you top it with a Schluter edge to finish it off. It's minimalist and clean. You can get it to match your tile and have it disappear, or you can use it as a design statement in, say, brass to match your faucet. Anyway, it's a small, subtle thing that prevents a big ugly thing, which is otherwise known as bull-nose tile.

But all that said, before you go shopping you must do your homework. Take measurements and sketch out your room and the walls, on graph paper if you've got it. Include the wall heights and window and door sizes if you will be tiling around them. And for bonus points, calculate some approximate square footage so you can run some numbers in advance. That way you'll know what per-square-foot price point you are trying to stay below.

A more fun homework assignment, but equally important, is gathering inspiration photos. Take some time to pull pictures from magazines or to create a Pinterest page. Focus in on how other people handle niches, or patterns, or feature walls, or the new ways they are stacking that subway tile.

Religious Notes

Cornerstone Church

We gather for worship each Sunday at 10 a.m. and welcome you to join us for a time of studying the scriptures and praising the Lord. Other ministry updates and details can be found on our website, www.cornerstonenorthshore.org. If you have any special needs or concerns, please let us know! We're here to serve!

Visitation Parish - Mass Schedule

The Visitation Parish Mass Schedule:

Sacred Heart Church - Saturday Vigil Mass - Virtual Mass - on our Youtube as well as www.mecatholic.org
Sunday Mass - 8:30 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Church - Saturday Vigil Mass - 5 p.m.

Sunday Mass - 10 a.m.

Please go to our website: www.mecatholic.org for Sacramental Information as well as Parish Registration if you are new to town or looking to join a Catholic Church.

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church

8 Lafayette Road, Ipswich Mass. Church services, with Father Christopher Kolentas, are held each Sunday. Sunday's Divine Liturgy, with Father Christopher, starts at 9:30 a.m. followed by a weekly sermon. All are welcome to attend.

First Parish Church Manchester-by-the-Sea

Worship Sunday June 11, 2023, 10 AM, 10 Central St and streamed on Facebook, [FirstParishChurchManchesterMa](https://www.facebook.com/FirstParishChurchManchesterMa).

Worship Leader, Rev. Ellie Richardson
Music led by Dr. Herman Weiss and the First Parish Choir, Paul Knox and guest vocalist, Ute Gfrerer

Monday Friends of the COA Senior Drop in 10 AM - 12:30 PM

Trustees 6:30 PM
Tuesday, Search Committee 5:30 PM

Wednesday, Choir rehearsal 7:30 PM

Thursday
VNA Health Clinic 10 AM - Noon

Seaside Parish Knitters 1 PM - 5 PM

Bible Study, Via Zoom 4 PM join in with computer, smart device or dial in on a phone -

email office.fpchurch@gmail.com or call 978-526-7661 for the link
Search Committee 5:30 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church (Beverly Farms)

Sunday Service Summer Hours 9 a.m. (1 service)
Community Shop Summer Hours. Thursdays & Saturdays 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Summer Office Hours- Starting June 12 Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Gloucester Unitarian Universalist Church

10 Church Street, holds Sunday morning services at 10 a.m. in-person in its historic sanctuary, as well as online. Please visit the church's website, www.gloucesteruu.org, for the link to the livestream. Activities provided for elementary school-aged children

during the service. Masks are always now optional. Our church is handicap accessible. All are welcome.

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We begin our 2023 summer season this Sunday, June 4, with a single service of Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. Thereafter during the summer, we offer services every Sunday at 8:15 a.m. (a quiet, spoken service) and 10 a.m. (a family-oriented service with music)

Quaker Meeting

Quakers of the North Shore

worship every Sunday from 10-11 a.m. at the Glen Urquhart School: 74 Hart Street, Beverly Farms, Mass. It is an unprogrammed Quaker Meeting. There is no Pastor (or leader) save the spirit of God in and among us. Our worship is primarily silent. When a worshiper is moved, it may include a brief, spoken ministry offered in a 'spirit of worship.' Friends gather quietly, awaiting the experience of God's presence.

If you are new to Quakers, someone will be happy to talk with you and answer any questions you may have. Send an email to: northshorequaker@gmail.com. First Day School, our Children's Program, consists of forest walks near the Glen Urquhart School led by Jessica Kagle from the Kestrel Foundation. Blessings To You.



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Veterinary Dentistry and Other Aspects of Veterinary Pet Care

PETS AND PEOPLE



By Lawrence Lamb, DVM

There have been many advancements in Veterinary Care, one which is now commonly considered instrumental to the longevity of our pets. Over the years this aspect of care has become one of the cornerstones of routine care. Dental equipment such as ultrasonic teeth scalers, equipment for polishing and drills for repair and extraction are part of my practice at the Manchester Animal Hospital. Additionally, special x-ray equipment is employed to routinely examine teeth for their health beneath the surface of the gums in order to evaluate areas not seen by a routine exam. Veterinary dentistry is an integral part of veterinary medicine and can be necessary for the health and well-being of animals. Here are a few reasons why veterinary dentistry is considered important:

Oral health impacts overall health: Just like in humans, oral health is closely linked to overall health in animals. Dental issues such as periodontal disease, tooth decay, oral infections, and oral tumors can not only cause discomfort and pain for animals but also have systemic effects on their overall health. Dental infections can potentially spread to other organs in the body, leading to more serious health problems.

Preventive care: Veterinary dentistry focuses not only on treating existing dental issues but also on preventive care. Regular dental check-ups, cleanings, and preventive measures like dental scaling and polishing can help maintain oral health, prevent the development of dental diseases, and identify any potential issues early on.

Pain management: Dental problems can cause significant pain and discomfort for animals. Animals may have difficulty eating, experience oral pain, or exhibit changes in behavior due to dental issues. Veterinary dentistry aims to diagnose and treat these problems, relieving pain and improving the animal's quality of life.

Improved lifespan: Proper dental care can contribute to a longer and healthier life for animals. By addressing dental issues promptly and maintaining good oral hygiene, veterinarians can help prevent complications

that may arise from dental diseases, allowing animals to lead healthier and more comfortable lives.

Specialist expertise: Veterinary dentists are veterinarians who have pursued additional training and certification in the field of dentistry. Their specialized knowledge and skills allow them to diagnose and treat complex dental conditions and perform advanced procedures such as root canals, orthodontics, and oral surgeries. Veterinary dentists are particularly valuable when dealing with complicated cases or when specialized dental care is required. In addition to improvements in routine dental care, there have been advancements in many specialties. These are available at medical centers like Angell Animal Hospital in Boston. These specialized services include:

Advancements in diagnostic tools: Veterinary medicine has witnessed the development of advanced diagnostic tools and techniques, including imaging technologies like X-rays, ultrasound, CT scans, and MRI. These tools aid in the accurate diagnosis of various conditions, allowing veterinarians to provide appropriate treatments.

Specialized care: Focusing on specific areas such as dermatology, cardiology, oncology, orthopedics, and more. This specialization enables them to provide specialized care for animals with complex medical conditions.

Other aspects of veterinary care include:

Preventive care and vaccinations: There is an increased emphasis on preventive care in veterinary medicine. Veterinarians recommend regular check-ups, vaccinations, parasite prevention, and dental care to maintain the health of animals and prevent diseases.

Pain management: The recognition and treatment of pain in animals have improved significantly. Veterinarians now have a better understanding of pain management techniques and the importance of controlling pain in animals undergoing surgeries, treatments, or suffering from chronic conditions.

Rehabilitation and physical therapy: The field of veterinary rehabilitation

and physical therapy has gained prominence. These therapies are used to help animals recover from surgeries, injuries, or neurological conditions. Rehabilitation techniques may include exercises, hydrotherapy, acupuncture, and more.

Integrative medicine: There is an increasing interest in integrative medicine approaches, which combine conventional veterinary medicine with complementary therapies such as acupuncture, herbal medicine, chiropractic care, and rehabilitation. These integrative approaches aim to provide holistic care for animals.

One Health approach: The One Health concept, which recognizes the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health, has gained importance in veterinary medicine. Veterinarians play a crucial role in monitoring zoonotic diseases (diseases transmitted between animals and humans) and collaborating with human health professionals to address public health concerns.

Telemedicine: The use of telemedicine has grown in veterinary medicine. Teleconsultations allow veterinarians to provide remote advice, monitor animals' conditions, and make recommendations. This technology has been particularly useful in rural areas where access to veterinary care may be limited.



Dr. Lamb is the Veterinarian at the Manchester Animal Hospital.

Solution to puzzles on page 10

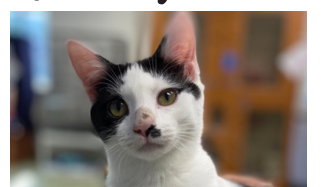


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PETS OF THE WEEK

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Town Hall, 10 Central Street,
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Manchester-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Location: This is a Hybrid meeting. ZBA Board will meet in Room 5, Town Hall. Applicants, Presenters, and Public may join the Board in Room 5.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84699416426?pwd=eTR0MGFJdG5vemEzMkd2Y1pxU0NCUT09>

Meeting ID: 846 9941 6426
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New Applications

Application of Todd Paratore, on behalf of Susan King, for a Variance under Sections 12.4.6 and 12.5.2 of the Zoning By-Law, and or other relief as may be necessary for the reconstruction of a new connected garage. The new garage will be moved south by 4' to increase the distance to the rear lot line to 1'0", and west 4' to provide 5'-4" to the side yard setback. Additionally, the footprint is increased 1'-6" in width and 3'-6" in length. Located at 4 North Street, Assessor's Map 51, Lot No. 21 in District D filed with the Town Clerk on May 24, 2023.

Application of Brian Stein, BDS Design Inc. on behalf of Joseph & Elyse Campanelli, for a Special Permit under Sections 10.1, 12.5, and 12.5.2 of the Zoning By-Law, and or other relief as may be necessary to add additional levels to an existing split-level ranch in the flood zone. The main level needs to be raised by 1' to meet code. To increase the living space, the west side will be extended 2' and the side lot line will encroach by .1' further into the setback with the proposed deck encroach .4' further into the side setback. Located at 4 Butler Avenue, Assessor's Map 1, Lot No. 33 in District B filed with Town Clerk on May 15, 2023.

Application of Nicole & Christopher Day, for a Special Permit under Sections 4.2 E5, 2.0, and 12.5.2 of the Zoning By-Law, and or other relief as may be necessary for the installation of a Soake prefabricated pool, approximately 10'x 15', and raised a couple feet above grade. The pool will have a locking cover. A fence will be installed between the driveway and patio, and along the property line. Located at 117 School Street, Assessor's Map 40, Lot No. 02 in District A filed with Town Clerk on May 15, 2023.

Site visits will be held at 117 School Street and 4 Butler Avenue on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. lasting 15 minutes. There will be no deliberations, however, the public is invited to attend.

Sarah Mellish, Chair, Zoning Board of Appeals

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