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BRIEFLY

A Pickleball Clarification

Last week we briefly updated residents in this column on the sound mitigation system installed at the Summer Street public pickleball courts, which have long been a source of noise complaints to the Parks & Recreation Dept. In it, we said the Manchester Board of Health performed sound level testing with state-provided equipment before and after the installation of the sound dampening barriers when in fact the BOH only performed the baseline testing. For those interested in the details on the testing, all test results are on the town's website (Manchester.ma.us) at the Parks & Recreation page.

Elder Brethren

The 147th annual Elder Brethren Picnic will take place in the Chowder House at Tuck's Point on Saturday September 7th starting at 11 a.m. This is a long-cherished local tradition for local men of a certain age. Pre-register at https://forms. gle/pCU533MnK1KghfKcA to enter the special pre-registration raffle. As per the tradition for "the Old Man's Picnic," clam and fish chowder will be served, followed by lobster rolls, fresh deli sandwiches, and pie. (Oh, my!) Drinks will be also be provided. The festivities will end by 2 p.m. Tickets are \$20, paid at the Chowder House. Info available by calling Todd Crane, (978) 998-1533 or check the Scott Energy Bulletin, Page 6.

Free Fall Fun Fest

Come down on Saturday Sept. 14 from 1 to 5 p.m., at Sacred Heart Church's rear parking lot in Manchester, it's a day of family fun! Enjoy a bouncy house, covered maze, face painting, games of skill as well as hot dogs, cotton candy, snow cones, and music. Sounds like a whole lot of fun. The free event is hosted by Masconomo Council 1232 Knights of Columbus and is open to all Cape Ann families. Info at 978-778-0060.

ITL Season Closes

The 2024 Intertown Twilight League Baseball season is over now that Hamilton has won the championship for the third season in a row by sweeping the Manchester/Essex Mariners three out of five. The Mariners wrapped up the 2024 season with a gathering at the American Legion, enjoying pizza and the drawing of the 2024 annual equipment raffle. The team and coachs want to thank all who purchased tickets. Winners included Calin Rogers, Dewy Kalbart Cory Burnham, Alex Ray, Stonybrook Water, Bob Whynott. See you next summer for great baseball!



Gearing Up

Locals may be able to smell "back to school" in the air these days. And for those who haven't been able to pick up the scent, the sight of Manchester Essex Regional High School athletes training in pre-season "captain's practices" is a clear sign that the academic school year will soon be here. Jason Brisbois begins his sports preview series on Page 6 with Cross Country. And check out the full Hornets Fall season calendar on Page 5.

Photo Paul Clark

CST Project Oversight, Atwater Ävenue Debated

By Jeff Pope

Thile blasting was the main topic of debate at the August 12 Manchester-by-the-Sea Planning Board (see last week's Cricket for details), several other issues were discussed, including oversight of the Cell Signaling Technology project and traffic on Atwater Avenue.

CST is seeking a comprehensive special permit from the Planning Board for its proposed research and development laboratory to be built off Atwater Avenue, just north of the Manchester Athletic Club.

CST attorney Mark Glovsky presented the board with 14 possible conditions CST was willing to accept in return for approval of the permit. This was in response to a list of conditions Town Planner Marc Resnick had sent to CST.

Concerning the project oversight, Resnick suggested that CST pay for a third party to inspect the construction.

Glovsky responded that it was a "controlled construction project" with the building inspector supervising the project.

Greg Keller of Columbia Construction, a CST consultant, said that any project greater that 35,000 cubic feet was automatically a "controlled construction project with a professional design engineer that oversees the project.

But Resnick said there should be "some site inspections by our engineers," with electrical engineers inspecting the wiring, plumb-



Beverly attorney Mark Glovsky, representing Danvers-based biotech company Cell Signaling Technologies before the Manchester Planning Board on August 12.

Planning Board Chair Sarah Creighton wondered if the work to Atwater Avenue was all CST's responsibility, noting the proposed MBTA Zoning may allow residential development of the storage facility in the Limited Commercial District.

ing inspectors checking the piping, the Fire Department checking that it meets the fire codes, etc.

Keller said it was standard operating procedure for the town inspectors to be onsite for testing of everything installed.

Concerning Atwater Avenue, Resnick had suggested at a previous meeting a sidewalk should be added to allow for pedestrians and

joggers. Sam Gregorio of TEC, a CST consultant, said that there just wasn't the room

for a sidewalk. He presented a map of Atwater Avenue, showing that much of it is less than 25 feet wide. The widest section was only 25.1 feet wide.

He said that at least 11 feet is needed for each lane, especially since tractor-trailer trucks are expected to be traveling to and from the CST site. With two lanes of 11 feet, that did not leave the necessary five feet or more for an ADA-compliant sidewalk.

Instead, Gregorio sug-

gested speed suppressing measures, including a white stripe down the middle of the road, stripes along the edges, speed limit signs, radar signs (similar to the ones on School Street), three sets of rumble strips and bicycle

marking on the roadway. Doug Osther, a traffic engineer with Weston & Sampson, the town's consultant, agreed that the stripes and signs were good ideas to

slow traffic but did question the rumble strips, especially ones near curves in the road. He also said the rumble strips may be a detriment to bicyclists.

Resnick suggested the Planning Board meet with the Conservation Commission about the possibility of widening the road, since there are wetlands on either side of the road.

Planning Board Chairman Sarah Creighton, who attended via Zoom, wondered if the proposed work to Atwater Avenue was all CST's responsibility. She noted that the proposed MBTA Zoning may allow residential development of the storage facility next to the proposed CST site.

"The town may need to cover some of the work," said Creighton.

Planning Board member Laura Tenney said that if a sidewalk is not feasible, that the differing parties, including Resnick, Public Works Director Chuck Dam and the CST consultants get together to discuss other options before the next Planning Board meeting. Dean Nahatis said a solution to the lack of room for a sidewalk would be to build a walkway over Route 128 from the end of Atwater Avenue to Mill Street, allowing pedestrians and perhaps bicyclists to bypass Atwater

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Weekly Weather Chart

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Saturday 24 Aug	*	79°	60°
Sunday 25 Aug		80°	64°
Monday 26 Aug	*	77 °	63°
Tuesday 27 Aug	*	67°	63°
Wednesday 28 Aug	*	68°	64°
Thursday 29 Aug	*	69°	64°
Friday 30 Aug	***	69°	64°

Weather data pulled Wednesday and is subject to change.



Last Call! Lobster on the Harbor Sunday, Aug. 25

The Manchester Masons and the American Legion Post 113 will host their third annual "Lobsters on the Harbor" feed this coming weekend, from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, August 25 overlooking the Manchester Inner Harbor. It's a beautiful, not to mention delicious, local summer tradition. Music starts at 4 p.m., and dinner will be served at 5 p.m. Options for dinner include a surf and turf (steak 'n lobster) for \$50, or a single entree option (lobster, steak, or chicken) for \$25. All include corn on the cob, salad, rolls and dessert! This photo is from last year, from left, Jacquelyn Rae, Carroll Brown, Cynthia Janisch, and Elizabeth Brown Swanson.

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 a.m. - 3:30

p.m.

Essex BOS Monday, August 26, 6 p.m.

Essex ConCom Tuesday, August 27, 7:15 p.m.

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MANCHESTER POLICE NOTES



MONDAY, AUGUST 12 12:59 a.m. Lincoln St., directed patrol, secured/ checked. 10:08 a.m. Pleasant St., selective enforcement, no action taken. 12:40 p.m. Cobb Ave., animal complaint, gone on arrival. 8:56 p.m. Route 128SB, motor vehicle crash, transported to

hospital.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 4:42 a.m. Beach St., suspicious activity, spoken to. 8:49 a.m. Norwood Ave., disabled motor vehicle, notification made. 1:43 p.m. Black Beach, directed patrol, secured/checked. 5:49 p.m.

Raymond St., selective enforcement, no action taken.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 9:02 a.m. Masconomo St., animal complaint, assisted as needed. 10:29 a.m. Beach St., welfare check, assisted as needed. 11:48 a.m. Running Ridge Rd., alarm, cleared,

false alarm. 6:34 p.m. Pleasant St., disabled motor vehicle, assisted as needed.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15 8:01 a.m. Elm St., alarm, secured/checked. 10:30 a.m. Lincoln St., motor vehicle stop, criminal application. 3:02 p.m. Central St., citizen assist, assisted as needed. 9:46 p.m. MBTA Bascule bridge, suspicious activity, spoken to.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 9:49 a.m. Ledgewood Rd., motor vehicle complaint, spoken to. 1:30 p.m. Pine St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 4:45 p.m. Tucks Point Rd., citizen assist, other. 9:29 p.m. Tucks Point Rd., fire alarm, fire false.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 9:10 a.m. Ocean St., animal complaint, gone on arrival. 11:19 a.m. School St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 2:03 p.m. Beach St., parking complaint, parking enforcement. 8:02 p.m. Summer St., animal complaint, notification made.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 1:16 a.m. Lincoln St., motor vehicle stop, citation issued. 11:10 a.m. Central St., directed patrol, secured/ checked. 12:30 p.m. Route 128SB, disabled motor vehicle, secured/checked. 6:06 p.m. School St., motor vehicle stop, written warn-

ston. She enjoyed staying

active with Zumba, weight

classes and daily walks. Re-

markably, she continued to

walk a mile a day well into

her 90s with her friends

close friend of 50+ years and

cohort in dance, Miss Robin

arrangements

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Muriel Bacheller Schulte Parker



Muriel Bacheller Schulte Parker, of Manchester-bythe-Sea, Massachusetts, passed from this life to the next on August 15, 2024, at the age of 100. She was born in Newark, New Jersey, the daughter of Dr. Herbert Schulte and Adele Bacheller Schulte. Muriel was predeceased by her devoted husband, Robert Sanborn Parker, her sister, Nancy Schulte and daughter-in-law, Carolyn Parker. Surviving are her sons Rev. David Parker of Springtown, Pennsylvania, Donald Parker and wife, Heather, of Hancock, Maine and Jeffrey Parker, and wife, Susan, of Manchester -by-

the-Sea, Massachusetts. Muriel leaves loving grandchildren: Johanna Kemmerer and husband, Forrest, and children Theodore, Benedict and Aletheia; Jonathan Parker and children Jaron and Levi; Dr. Laurel Parker and husband, Brian Juengst, and children Logan and Calla; Crystal Parker Maass and wife, Emily, and children Ruby and Chloë; Michael Parker and wife, Barbara, and children Eben and Hazel; Christopher Parker and wife, Nicole, and children Caleb and Benjamin; Brian Parker and wife, Rosaly, and children William, Alejandro and Caroline.

Muriel graduated from Wellesley College with a degree in Botany and worked doing bacteriological testing at Sheffield Farms and supervising Merck's vitamin control group.

Muriel retired from that work and devoted her life to raising her three sons. She was a den mother, Sunday School teacher, member of many church committees and missions, amateur genealogist, seamstress, knitter, cook, gardener, canner, traveler, and champion Canasta player.

In 1981 Muriel and Robert moved to Bradford, Maine where she became the town's librarian and president of Bradford Heritage: Museum and Historical Society, where she was instrumental in establishing the Museum. In 2015 Muriel moved to Manchester-bythe-Sea so Jeffrey and Susan could care for her.

Every child, grandchild, and great grandchild was present to celebrate Muriel's 100th birthday in June! It was a grand celebration of thankfulness for her life of love and service

A celebration of life will be held at First Parish Church Congregational on Sunday, September 1, 2024, at 2 p.m.,10 Central Street, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts with a reception to follow in the church chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Parish Church Congregational, P.O. Box 187 Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts, 01944.

Margaret K. (Merwin) Riemersma

Margaret K. (Merwin) Riemersma, 94, passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 8, 2024, at The Willows of Worcester. She was born and raised in Fair Lawn, New



Jersey, where she met her husband, the love of her life in Jr. high, Donald Riemersma who predeceased her in October of 1991. Margaret was the daughter of John and Marjorie (Prophet) Merwin. She lived for many decades in Manchester-by-the-Sea where they raised their family, and more recently Magnolia before moving to Worcester in 2022.

Margaret graduated from Smith College in Northampton with a bachelor's degree in English. She taught ballet until the ripe age of 86 at the Robin Adair Studio of Dance

with her family on Martha's Vineyard, gardening, and feeding her daughters miniature donkeys, rescue horses and German Shepard Win-

Mary and Elaine. She is survived by her daughter, Julie Brewer and her husband, David, of Martha's Vineyard, with 6 grandchildren and 5 greatgrandchildren; her son, Allen Riemersma, and his wife, Sharon, with 4 grandchildren of Magnolia, MA. She is predeceased by her

> Adair (Mandile). A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, at Grove Cemetery in Holden. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your local MSPCA. Funeral

in Manchester-by-the-Sea. Margaret cherished time





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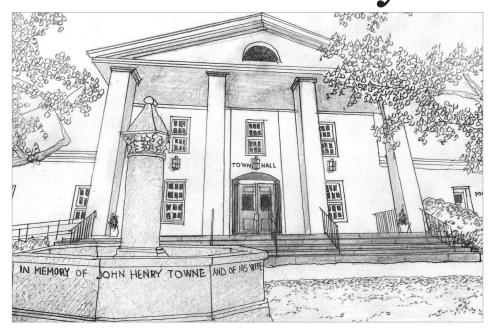


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Electrical Aggregation Process Underway



by Gregory T. Federspiel

rith voter authorization in hand, the Select Board is advancing the work needed to establish a new option for residents to obtain electricity. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) is a state permitted process by which a community can seek competitive pricing from electricity providers and replace the "standard offer" that National Grid provides with the chosen alternative supplier. By pooling the purchasing power of all property owners and by seeking competitive bids a CCA option typically results in an 8-10% savings on electric supply costs and avoids the seasonal cost swings of the standard offer.

Under a CCA, the only aspect of the electric service to you that changes is the supplier. For Manchester residents, National Grid remains the deliverer of the electricity over their transmission lines. Your electric bill will still come from National Grid. National Grid is solely a distribution company, they do not generate electricity. They merely pass along the cost of electricity they obtain from their suppliers unless you decide to choose a different supplier. You can do this on your own (which is why you may get solicitations in the mail for choosing an electrical supplier) or, now through a CCA, choose ing a formal public hearing. the supplier the Town will Thus, we can expect final choose. A CCA has the ad-

vantage of obtaining a supplier through a competitive bidding process for a set contract period that the Town's advisor will recommend and continually monitor for the most advantageous pricing.

The Town has teamed up with the Colonial Power Group (CPG), a Massachusetts-based firm that specializes in CCAs. They are the largest provider of municipal aggregation services in the state and have assisted nearly 100 communities set up their programs, from the City of Boston to the small Berkshire Hills community of Becket.

A CCA must be approved by the state. Our consultant will assist in the crafting of the aggregation plan and required supporting documentation. We hope to submit this plan for preliminary review in October. The draft plan outlines the proposed CCA and the different options it might offer (typically three options - a standard portfolio of electricity sources, an improved, semi-"green" portfolio, or a 100% green portfolio. The "greener" portfolios tend to be a bit more expensive though that is changing.) After a public comment period the plan is submitted for final approval by the Department of Public

Under a new process soon to be created, DPU has 120 days to review and approve our proposed CCA, includapproval early next spring. Once approved, our consultant, CPG, will seek bids from potential suppliers. These bids will be reviewed with the Select Board and, assuming we are satisfied with one of the bids, a supplier will be chosen (otherwise we wait and go back out to bid another time when we think conditions would be more favorable.)

With a supplier and pricing in hand, a comprehensive public information/customer notification effort gets underway. By law, municipal aggregation programs must be run as an "opt-out" program. This means residents must actively reply that they do not want to participate. If one does not opt out, then you are automatically enrolled in the program. A resident can opt-out or opt-in at any time. There is never a penalty for doing so. Those with solar panels on their roofs can participate like

anyone else. Our consultant runs the entire program for the Town at no cost to town government (they receive 1/10th of a cent for each kilowatt hour consumers use.) We also have the option of another 1/10th of a cent surcharge, which would raise about \$20,000 a year, to help pay for energy efficiency and climate resiliency work.

We expect to be offering the municipal aggregation program to residents next spring or early summer. Periodic progress reports will keep you posted on the prog-



BOARD UPDATES

State Primary Early Voting: The State Primary will be held on Tuesday, September 3 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Memorial School. Early voting will be held from August 24 to 30 at Town Hall. Check the Town website for specific times and sample ballots.

Music in the Park: The final concert in Masconomo Park will be Live Dead on Tuesday, August 27 from 6-8 p.m. Come down and enjoy summer fun by the sea!

Slush Celebration: Join the Manchester Fire and Police Department on Thursday, August 29 from 2:30 - 4 p.m. at the Fire Station to celebrate a new school year with a free slush. All local school age kids are invited!

Roadwork Alert: Pleasant Street water main work is underway. Work will be conducted Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and is expected to be completed late fall 2024.

Blasting Notification Request: Residents can request blasting notifications from Cell Signaling Technologies by visiting manchester. ma.us/FormCenter and submitting the blasting form. All other inquiries can be directed to Fire Chief McNeilly firechief@manchester. at ma.us.

Special Town Meeting: The Fall Special Town Meeting date has been set and will be held on Monday, November 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Manchester Essex Regional High School. Residents will

be asked to vote on MBTA Zoning along with other potential Town matters.

Job Opening: The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking a part-time Site Coordinator. Please visit the Town website at manchester.ma.us/jobs.aspx to learn how to apply.

Trash, recycling, and compost collection: Regular Schedule. Please place curbside by 7 a.m. on day of collection. Transfer Station is open on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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WHAT WAS



90 YEARS AGO - 1934

Ninety-one boys and girls attended the annual picnic of the Red Cross swimming and life-saving classes held at Singing Beach Wednesday, August 22. Most of them arrived about 11:30 a.m. in time for a swim before lunch. In the rocks near Eagle Head, they built a fire and roasted innumerable hotdogs and marshmallows.

Some idea of the amount of traffic that passes through Manchester on a pleasant Sunday may be realized by the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Elias Burgess of Summer Street counted 1000 cars as they passed the Burgess' home in an hour, last Sunday.

75 YEARS AGO - 1949

What might have been a serious woods fire was stopped last Saturday by the local department, after considerable difficulty. They had to drag hose about a quarter of a mile into the woods and use their portable pump as a

booster to put out the fire. The dread disease, Infantile Paralysis, has claimed a second Manchester boy as a victim. The latest case is that of Richard Canney, son of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Canney of Central Street who was stricken this week and taken to Beverly Hospital.

60 YEARS AGO - 1964

The Board of Selectman Tuesday night named Arthur Fishman, master plumber, of Lexington Ave., Magnolia, as plumbing inspector for the Town of Manchester.

The following Girl Scouts

have been at Girl Scout Camp Muscatawa, at Alfred, Maine for two weeks, Wendy and Terry Glass, Holly Bell, Roberta Marshall and Ann Curran. They return home

45 YEARS AGO - 1979

Saturday.

The Manchester Division of the Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce will hold a downtown sidewalk bazaar this Saturday, August 25, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The bazaar is one in a series of events sponsored by the Chamber in Manchester.

Jay Townsend, of Manchester, with his dog "Pippin" hiked the Appalachian Trial, in sections, ending his trip in Hanover, NH.

30 YEARS AGO - 1994

On Saturday, July 1, MHS Class of '75 celebrated their 20th class reunion at the Manchester American Legion Hall. Mary Field VanNote, Mary Hardwick, Chuck Atwater and Scott Lucas entertained over 51

classmates. The special events of the last week of the eight-week Manchester Summer Playground included the Monday, August 15 excursion to the Discover Zone fun Center in Danvers, the Tuesday, August 16, Playground Picnic at Singing Beach, and the Thursday, August 18, Awards Day.

15 YEARS AGO - 2009

As MERHS Principal James Lee notified parents in his recent newsletter, our town's new state-of-the-art school facility will be open

for the start of school on Wednesday, September 2.

Due to a failure in chlorinated water delivery from Gloucester's Babson water treatment plant and a water main break on Western Avenue, the town of Manchester began supplying the city of Gloucester with clean water last weekend. It is not known how much Manchester will realize in revenue from the sale of its water.



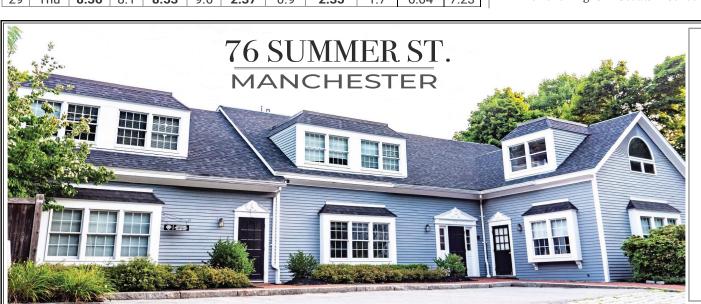
down for local kiddos. Recently, a group from Manchester Summer Playground went on a Tuesday field trip for an afternoon of bowling at Cape Ann Lanes in Gloucester. A good time was had by all, as they say!

Courtesy image

Tides & Sun Chart For The Week Ahead

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23	Fri	2:29	10.9	2:56	10.9	9:03	-0.9	9:30	-0.7	5:57	7:33
24	Sat	3:21	10.4	3:47	10.8	9:51	-0.5	10:24	-0.4	5:58	7:31
25	Sun	4:17	9.8	4:40	10.6	10:41	0.0	11:21	0.0	5:59	7:30
26	Mon	5:16	9.1	5:38	10.3	11:33	0.6			6:00	7:28
27	Tue	6:21	8.6	6:41	9.9	12:22	0.4	12:30	1.2	6:02	7:26
28	Wed	7:30	8.2	7:48	9.7	1:28	0.7	1:32	1.5	6:03	7:25
29	Thu	8:36	8.1	8:53	9.6	2:37	0.9	2:35	1.7	6:04	7:23

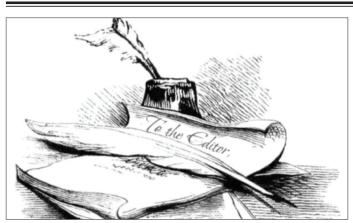




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Farewell letter to the Town of Manchesterby-the-Sea

Dear Residents of Manchester-by-the-Sea,

It has been an honor to serve as your Town Clerk for the past three and a half years. Over this time, I've had the privilege of overseeing nine elections, including a few recounts, and participating in eight town meetings. It has truly been an educational and rewarding experience.

While I enjoyed many aspects of the Manchester Town Clerk position, I have to move on to an opportunity that better aligns with my values and well-being.

I will always be grateful for the opportunity to have served this community and for the relationships I have built along the way.

Thank you for the trust you have placed in me during my time in office.

I remain deeply committed to the importance of public service and election integrity and wish all the best for Manchester-by-the-

Dianne K. Bucco

Supporting Deaton for US Senate in Sept. 3 **Republican Primary**

I am writing to express my support for John Deaton for

U.S. Senate in the Republican primary election on Tuesday, September 3rd.

Government spending is out of control, but Elizabeth Warren would rather talk about more spending and more taxes. Mr. Deaton has said he is running against Washington corruption. and I believe that Warren is a key player in that corruption. She says that she is fighting for the poor and middle class, yet her policies directly impact those groups. She went to D.C. to fight big banks, but now those banks are writing her bills.

Mr. Deaton supports term limits. If Warren hasn't gotten the job done after 12 years, it's time for her to

step aside. He overcame extreme poverty and abuse to become a U.S. Marine Corps veteran and Assistant U.S. Attorney cracking down on our southern border's drug trade. He knows the extent of the problem and has a plan to fix it. From Warren, all we get is silence.

While Warren's stances grab headlines and land her a spot on the national news networks, they do nothing for the poor and middle class, which is why I will be voting for John Deaton.

Michael Scarlata, North Reading

Republican State Committeeman

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Tuesday, September 3 from 4-5 p.m. Join us to discuss "Architects of An American Landscape: Henry Hobson Richardson, Frederick Law Olmsted, and the Reimagining of America's Public and Private Spaces" by Hugh Howard.

Hearthside Book Group

Diversity Matters Book

Tuesday, August 27 from 6-7 p.m. We will be reading the last 300 pages of "Malcolm X: A Life of Reinvention", by Manning Marable.

Dungeons and Dragons for Adults (Virtual)

Monday, August 26 from 7-9 p.m. Have you ever wanted to try playing Dungeons and Dragons and don't know where to start? Or maybe you've played before but don't have a regular group? Whatever your level of experience come join us for a oneshot adventure!

Tai Chi: The Longevity Tree

Starting Wednesdays in June from 9:45-10:45 a.m. at Masconomo Park. Susan Halpern will be teaching Tai Chi in the park on Wednesdays, throughout the summer. Longevity Tree is part of the internal arts known in China as Qi gong. Qi gong means to cultivate energy with discipline.

The Longevity Tree is a form that addresses the balance of mind, body and spirit, by combining movement, deep breathing, and alertness. Please complete the Safety Release Registration Form and familiarize yourself with the form if you will be joining.

Digital Advice Appointments on Monday and

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Courtesy Photo

Mystery Book Group

Sara Paretsky.

Friday, August 30 from 10:30-

11:30 a.m. This August we are

reading "Bitter Medicine" by

Mindfulness Meditation at the First Parish Church **Meeting Room**

No meeting August 27 Every Tuesday from 11 a.m.-12 noon. Beginners and experienced meditators are welcome. There will be guided meditation, some silence, and discussion. Please register if this is your first time coming to this program. We need either an email or a phone number in case we

Shut Up and Write (Vir-

need to cancel or change ven-

tual) Every Thursday from 10:30

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a.m.-12:15 p.m. Join a community of writers and artists on Zoom who just want to write. Come any time. No need to share, no need to critique or be critiqued.

For Teens: **Community Game Night**

Thursday, September 5 from 4-6 p.m. All ages welcome. Come on by with your game face on and play one of our games or bring one of your own. Snacks provided.

Pop Up Art School

Tuesday, September 24 from 4-5:30 p.m. Pop Up Art leads a craft that transforms recvcled materials into a vibrant coral reef. With splashes of colorful paint and crafty bits, kids will bring an underwater scene to life. Recommended for ages 8 and up.

MPL Children's Events:

Read to Winston Thursday, September 12 at 3:30, 3:45, 4 and 4:15 p.m. Sign up for a 15-minute appointment with Susan Durkin and Winston a Certified Therapy Dog.

Summer Art and Sensory

Wednesdays, from 3-4 p.m. for age preschool through grade five. Art & Sensory encourages students to explore their creativity through the fun of using many different art materials. The projects are always step by step, hands on to encourage sensory guidance/fine motor skills and to help create individual masterpieces. Come get messy with us this summer.

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Varsity Boys Soccer

*Home Games

09/03	4:00 PM	*Ham-Wen	MERHS
09/05	4:00PM	Amesbury	Amesbury HS
09/10	4:00PM	*Ipswich	MERHS
09/12	4:00PM	Pentucket	Pentucket RHS
09/13	7:00PM	*Masco	MERHS
09/17	4:30PM	*N Reading	MERHS
09/19	6:00PM	Rockport	Rockport HS
09/24	4:00PM	*Georgetown	MERHS
09/26	4:00PM	Newburyport	James T. Stehlin Field
10/01	4:00PM	Ham-Wen	Iron Rail Field
10/03	4:00PM	*Amesbury	MERHS
10/08	7:00PM	*Lynnfield	MERHS
10/08	4:00PM	Ipswich	Ipswich HS
10/15	4:00PM	*Rockport	MERHS
10/17	7:00PM	*Essex Tech	MERHS
		Senior Night	
10/22	4:00PM	Triton	Triton RHS

Varsity Cross Country

Georgetown

Winthrop

Georgetown MHS

Winthrop HS

*Home Meets

10/24

10/28

4:00PM

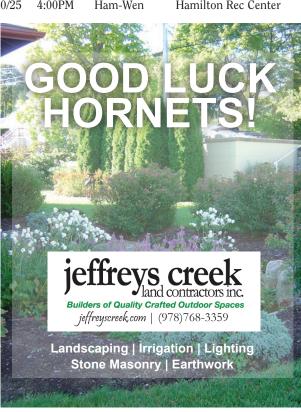
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09/11	3:45PM	Ipswich	Crane Beach
09/18	3:30PM	*Lynnfield	Ravenswood Park
09/25	3:30PM	Georgetown	TBA
09/28	TBD	MSTCA Invitational	Wrentham Dev Ctr
10/01	3:30PM	*Ham-Wen	Ravenswood Park
10/09	3:30PM	*Amesbury	Ravenswood Park
		Senior Day!	
10/12	TBD	MSTCA Invitational	Cape Cod Fairground

Varsity Field Hockey

*Home Games

09/04	4:00PM	*Amesbury	MERHS
09/06	4:00PM	Rockport	Rockport HS
09/09	4:00PM	*Danvers	MERHS
09/11	4:30PM	N Reading	N Reading HS
09/16	4:00PM	*Newburyport	MERHS
09/19	4:00PM	Ipswich	Ipswich HS
09/21	12:00PM	Sandwich	Sandwich MHS
09/23	4:00PM	*Ham-Wen	MERHS
09/25	4:00PM	Lynnfield	Lynnfield HS
09/30	4:00PM	Amesbury	Amesbury HS
10/03	4:00PM	Gloucester	Gloucester HS
10/07	7:00PM	Essex Tech	MERHS
10/09	4:00PM	Triton	Triton RHS
10/16	4:00PM	*Masco	MERHS
10/18	4:00PM	*Rockport	MERHS
10/21	4:00PM	*Pentucket	MERHS
10/23	7:00PM	*Ipswich	MERHS
		Senior Night	
10/25	4:00PM	Ham-Wen	Hamilton Rec Ce





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Varsity Football

*Home	Games		
09/06	6:30PM	W Bridgewater	W Bridgewater MSHS
09/20	6:30PM	*Rockland	MERHS
		Beverly Bootstrap	s Food Drive
09/27	6:30PM	Triton	Triton RHS
10/04	6:30PM	*Brighton	MERHS
10/11	6:30PM	*Ipswich	MERHS
		Homecoming - S	Spirit Week
10/18	TBD	*Ham-Wen	MERHS
10/25	6:30PM	*Lynnfield	MERHS
		Senior Night!	
11/01	6:30PM	Amesbury	Amesbury HS
11/28	10:00AM	Essex Tech	Essex Tech
		Thanksgiving Day	Game!

Varsity Girls Soccer

*Home Games

09/03	4:00PM	Ham-Wen	Iron Rail Field
09/05	4:00PM	*Amesbury	MERHS
09/10	4:00PM	Ipswich	Ipswich HS
09/12	4:00PM	*Pentucket	MERHS
09/17	4:30PM	N Reading	North Reading HS
09/19	4:00PM	*Rockport	MERHS
09/24	4:00PM	Georgetown	Georgetown MHS
09/26	4:00PM	*NPort	MERHS
10/01	4:00PM	*Ham-Wen	MERHS
10/03	4:00PM	Amesbury	Amesbury HS
10/08	4:00PM	Lynnfield	Lynnfield HS
10/10	7:00PM	*Ipswich	MERHS
10/14	11:00AM	*Marblehead	MERHS
10/15	4:00PM	Rockport	Rockport HS
10/17	7:00PM	Essex Tech	Essex Tech
10/22	4:00PM	*Triton	MERHS
10/24	7:00PM	*Georgetown	MERHS
10/28	4:30PM	Gloucester	Gloucester HS

Varsity Golf

10/28

6:00PM

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*Home	Games		
08/27	3:30PM	*Triton	Essex County Club
09/03	4:00PM	*Ham-Wen	Essex County Club
09/05	4:00PM	Amesbury	Amesbury HS
09/10	4:00PM	*Ipswich	Essex County Club
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The first day of school throughout the Manchester Essex Regional School District is next Wednesday. That hasn't stopped Hornets varsity squads from getting in some unofficial practice time before the official start of the year. Here, boys' and girls' soccer hit the turf.

(Photos Paul Clark)

ME Cross Country Teams In The Mix for 2024 CAL Baker Crown



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By Jason Brisbois

hanks to the continued partnership of all of the Cape Ann high schools, the local boys' and girls' cross-country teams appear poised to compete for a Cape Ann League Baker Division title yet again.

The Manchester Essex cross country program added Gloucester to its traditional Manchester/Essex/Rockport co-op in the fall of 2023, a change that not only helped boost the roster size and the ability to compete for the division crown. Initially, the plan was for the partnership to last for just one year, but there were only a handful of Gloucester High School runners interested in trying out this summer, prompting the all-

Cape-Ann co-op to continue into 2024.

"I'm happy about the Gloucester students who are running with us," explains Hornets coach Steve Whittey. "I coached some of them in indoor and outdoor track because I coach in Gloucester in the winter and the spring, and I'm happy that it gives them a place to be able to run

in the fall.

While adding the extra Gloucester runners creates a natural boost in roster size (the boys team totals 12 on the roster, the girls have 10), it also creates a step up in competition: Once the post-season begins, MERHS runners will be facing MIAA Div 2 opposition, a bump up from the Div. 3 meets the groups participated in a couple of years ago.

The good news is that both teams seem up to the challenge of both their Cape Ann League opposition and whatever comes after that. The boys went 3-1 last year, with their only loss to rival and cross-country heavyweight Hamilton-Wenham. The girls went 2-2 after a bit of roster transition, but are only two years removed from winning the CAL Baker

Competing for the CAL Baker crown will require both teams to succeed week after week during the relatively short high school cross country regular season, including a circle-the-date matchup with Hamilton-Wenham near the end of that schedule. The Hornets begin their season against Ipswich at Crane Beach on September 11, host Lynnfield at Ravenswood Park on September 18 and then head to Georgetown on September 25. The last two meets of the season are on the home turf of Ravenswood, with the aforementioned match with the Generals on October 1 and the regular season finale against Amesbury on October 9.

"Ipswich is our first meet, and they usually have a fairly good team,' says Whittey. "The strongest team we are going up against is Hamilton-Wenham on October 1, that will probably determine who the division winner is. That's one of our biggest meets, and it's a very competitive

league."

While the boys lost their top two runners and the girls lost their number two runner from 2023, there are quite a few reasons to believe there will be little dropoff for the Hornets teams in 2024. The teams are deep, and the girls team boasts a roster full of experienced, talented runners, while the top three runners on the boys' side are also both fast and experienced.

"Cross country running has a little bit of tactics in it, but it's pretty much either you can run fast or not run quite that fast," explains Whittey. "It does help, obviously, in terms of leadership among the kids, to have experienced kids who know the ethos of the team. To carry that on as team captains, it's

important." That ethos is carried on by the team's leaders and top runners, the captains. Manchester Essex seniors Whitney Turner and Sabine Cooper return as captains for the girls' team, while the boys team features one runner from each town participating in the co-op as captains: Henry Stevens is a senior at MERHS, Henry Chadbourne is a senior at Rockport High, Lyall Cunningham is a junior at Gloucester High.

"All of them are pretty much the top runners on the team," explains Whittey. "They have also demonstrated leadership during their time on the team. Because we have not had a lot of upper-class girls the last few years, this is Whitney's fourth year as a team captain and it's Sabine's third year."

The girls boast four seniors, a pair each of juniors, sophomores and freshmen. On the boys side, the three captains are the only upper-classmen, with the rest of the roster filled out with under-classmen. Regardless of age or experience, both teams just recently got started on preparing for the season, with the Hornets hosting their first practice of the year at the start of the week.

"We start out with just base running before we get into too much," says Whittey. "Our initial phase is looking into more building up strength and endurance before adding any speed to our workouts."



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Town Administrator's Report

Board of Selectmen's Meeting of August 12, 2024 Report covers from July 20, 2024 to August 9, 2024

Replacement of Town Hall Gas Meter

We were informed by National Grid field personnel on July 24, 2024 that the gas meter serving Town Hall needed to be replaced (replacement is required every seven years by law). The TA contacted National Grid and arranged for the replacement of the meter, which occurred on July 26.

Transfer of Municipal Fiber Optic Line to new **Utility Pole**

We were informed by Verizon field personnel on July 24 that the Town's municipal fiber optic line running along Winthrop Street had to be transferred at one pole location from an old pole to a new pole. The TA contacted the Town of Ipswich Municipal Light Department and the work was completed in short order. The Light Department has been able to assist Essex on several occasions with minor tasks, usually at no cost to Essex.

Downtown Weeding and Landscaping Cleanup

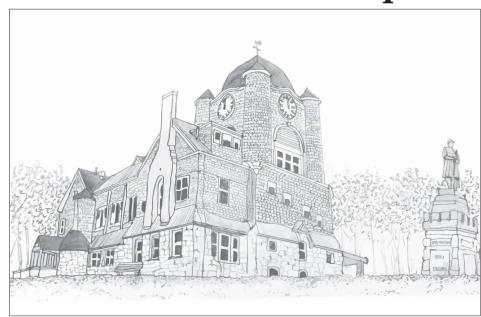
At a recent Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting, the TA explained to the Committee how efforts to secure an affordable contract for the regular landscaping maintenance of downtown areas had not been successful. The EDC agreed that regular weeding of sidewalks, traffic islands, and street gutters along Route 133 through the downtown area, along with some minor mowing and string trimming would be a good start. As such, a contractor was hired to do some initial work, which resulted in a much-improved aesthetic throughout the area. We will now monitor the area and may ask the contractor to return as necessary to keep

Reduction in Fixed-Rate Natural Gas Pricing

growth under control.

The Town had enrolled in a fixed-rate natural gas price for one year with NRG after Constellation stopped offering natural gas supply. The NRG contract had a no-cost termination option in the event that better pricing became available during its term. I have been following pricing on a regular basis and, during the week of August 5, 2024, NRG offered pricing that is lower by 5 cents per kWh for 24 months (with the same option to terminate if pricing drops again). As such, we have made some ground on the natural gas rate and will continue to check in regularly for new pricing.

Senior Citizen Needs As-



sessment Meeting Summary

As the Board is aware, UMass Boston (UMB) is conducting the subject assessment via State grant funding. UMB has conducted interviews with key stakeholders in the Town and has been researching senior demographics. The TA attended a meeting on July 29 along with Chairman Pereen at which UMB researcher Sue Berger, PhD reviewed a proposed survey that will be sent to all individuals age 18 and over in Essex. Representatives of the Essex Council on Aging and the Friends of the Essex Council on Aging were also present and much discussion was generated as each of the possible survey ques-

tions was reviewed. Dr. Berger will revise the survey and collect another round of comments before it is finalized. Presently, the goal is to release the survey on October 1. The TA also put Dr. Berger in touch with personnel from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) since it is likely that MAPC will be developing a Housing Production Plan for Essex in the fall and that process may be informed via the incorporation of well-worded housing related questions in the senior needs survey.

Informal Meeting with Greater Cape Ann Cham-

ber of Commerce Officers The TA attended the subject meeting along with Chairman Pereen and Economic Development Committee Chairman Harris on July 24, 2024. Also present were the co-chairs of the Greater Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce Essex Division and the Chamber's Executive Director. The Chamber is interested in working closely with the Town to help businesses understand various policies and processes that businesses frequently need to navigate in order to carry out certain business activities (such as outdoor entertainment and new outdoor dining areas). The group also discussed a new focus of the Town to bring attention

at the State level to a future solution for the Essex causeway in the face of future flooding predictions (see item L1, below). The group agreed that regular communication is important and the Essex Division may target specific issues for future discussion at Division meetings, with Town personnel and officials present.

Preliminary Review of Possible Fall Town Meeting Article Topics

The TA has developed a preliminary list of topics that could be covered as articles at the Fall Town Meeting (which is November 18).

Adoption of New State Shellfish Harvesting Area Management Policies

The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) has traditionally drawn upon a variety of different documents to set the parameters for managing shellfish harvesting in Essex and in other area communities, including criteria for opening and closing individual harvesting areas. DMF has now undertaken an effort to consolidate its management guidance in a Conditional Area Management Plan (CAMP). The CAMP references a new policy for how marinas and mooring areas are classified managed, including a checklist for the regular evaluation and inspection of vessels with toilet facilities (which could leak and pose a health hazard in shellfish). The CAMP includes a section that defines each shellfish harvesting area with GPS coordinates (including certain mooring areas) and a section that describes the system for recording rainfall and the rainfall conditions that translate to a shellfish harvesting

area closure. The Shellfish Constable and Harbormaster have reviewed these draft documents and are in agreement that the documents essentially represent the management program in place now, but just in a consolidated format. Also, the new documents do not conflict with the language of the Memo-

randum of Understanding between Essex and DMF which originally outlined the need for a shellfish constable and harvesting standards. DMF is asking for the Town to adopt these new documents in place of the original system that incorporates multiple references to other documents.

Sale of Tax Title Properties (Estate of Allen) by **Auction**

Four properties formerly owned by the Estate of William Allen are now owned by the Town after the properties were taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes. The law governing the tax title foreclosure process has recently been amended, making the sale process more complicated, but the amendments do not take effect until November 1, 2024. The Town may proceed with the selling of the properties using the typical auction method in advance of that date. Selling the properties as a unit (as opposed to separately) to a single bidder has the most potential of revenue for the Town since aggregating the acreage is the most appealing option to a party considering purchase and redevelopment. The TA reached out to an auctioneer whom we have done business with in the past (Paul Zekos of the Zekos Group) and he is optimistic about taking on this project and is currently reviewing background materials to get a bet-

NOAA Habitat Restoration Grant

ter sense of the area.

The MA Coastal Zone Management (CZM) considering applying for Federal funding from the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to implement some culvert retrofit final design work in Essex, Gloucester, and Ipswich. CZM identified two sites, one at Lufkin Street, and one just beyond the Essex line with Ipswich near the end of Choate Steet where culvert replacements for environmental restoration make sense.

Grab and Go Meals, Mondays & Thursdays, 12 noon (must be picked up by 12:30 p.m.): Monday meals provided by Open Door, Thursday meals

provided by Senior Care.

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MONTHLY EVENTS

In addition to our recurring weekly and monthly events, we host numerous exciting events every month, all of which are highlighted in our monthly newsletter and calendar, as well as on the Essex COA Webpage.

LIBRARY NEWS TO, H.P. Burnha





Teens spent a morning of puzzle racing-two teams competing to see who could finish first. The puzzle's picture revealed a pile of donuts and teens enjoyed donuts for a snack.

Community Book Group

Monday, September 30 at 10 a.m. Come by for a discussion of "Imperium" by Robert Harris.

The Bookshop: A History of the American Bookstore (Virtual)

Monday, September 9 at 7 p.m. Join author Evan Friss as he discusses his book and the "engaging history of the American bookstore and its central place in American cultural life".

Enjoy a Local Museum

As summer winds down, visit the library or our website for a list of museum passes available to reserve and receive a discount on entry.

Library of Things

Stop by to borrow lawn games, a power washer, hot spots, DVD/CD player and more.

Regional Social Worker

Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-12 noon in the first-floor meeting room. Free, private, and confidential, learn about resources, gain strategies and skill to assist in stress reduction and management. No appointment necessary.

Weekly Story Hour begins September 25, at 9 a.m. for children ages 0-2. Weekly Story Hour begins September 25, at 10 a.m. for ages 3-5.

ESSEX POLICE NOTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

7:41 a.m. John Wise Ave., citizen assist, assisted as needed. 11:56 a.m. Eastern Ave., animal complaint, assisted as needed. 5:05 p.m. John Wise Ave., fire wires down, assisted as needed. 5:28 p.m. Addison St., male sick, transported to

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

12:57 a.m. John Wise Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken. 1:35 a.m. Story St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 2:00 a.m. Martin St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:48 a.m. Eastern Ave., selective enforcement, no action

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 No report.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

7:22 a.m. Eastern Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken. 12:03 p.m. Spring St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 5:47 p.m. John Wise Ave., directed patrol, secured/checked. 10:03 p.m. Conomo Point, directed patrol, secured/checked.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

1:13 a.m. Essex Elementary School, directed patrol, secured/checked. 1:42 a.m. Centennial Grove Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:11 a.m. Southern Ave., animal complaint, assisted as needed. 6:52 a.m. Memorial Field, suspicious activity, secured/checked.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

9:45 a.m. Chebacco Terrace, directed patrol, secured/ checked. 1:28 p.m. John Wise Ave., male bleeding, transported to hospital. 3:47 p.m. Main St., male sick, patient refusal. 7:34 p.m. John Wise Ave., male with chest pain, transported to hospital.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

5:59 a.m. Choate St., fire alarm, fire false.

2:29 p.m. Story St., male with chest pain, transported to hospital. 5:47 p.m. Lufkin Point Rd., male with stroke, transported to hospital. 6:53 p.m. Western Ave., selective enforcement, secured/checked. 8:35 p.m. Turtleback Rd., suspicious activity, secured/checked.

Essex Locals | August 23

115 Years Ago - 1909

A young man who has been appointed by the state to keep a record of all the automobiles which pass through the town reports 402 for Sunday and 175 for Monday. He also has to keep a record of all the teams.

90 Years Ago - 1934

Ralph Low attended the Red Sox -Detroit baseball double header at Fenway Park last Saturday.

Essex Senior Living | AUG 23

The Essex Council on Aging (COA) offers a variety of events and trips for seniors. For further information or to sign up for an event, please call the Essex COA Office at 978-768-7932 or visit the Senior Center at 17 Pickering Street.

RECURRING EVENTS

Monday Groove (Video), Mondays, 9:30 a.m.: Get your dancing shoes on and join this fun, energetic dance class! Video, no instructor. \$5 donation suggested.

Arts & Crafts: Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m.: Are you artsy? Do you love to paint, knit, crochet, or sew? Do you like creating different projects? Join us with your own project or help with making items for the Friends Boutique.

days, and Fridays, 10 a.m.: \$5 Donation requested.

Fitness Fun with Gil: Wednesdays, 10 a.m.: Start your day than with Gil and focus on strength, stamina, and stretching... energize yourself and leave feeling good! \$5 Donation suggest-

Technology Assistance, Wednesdays 1-3 p.m.: Do you have questions about vour computer, tablet, phone, or other technological challenges? Our Tech genius can help!

Balance in Motion, Tues- Ga.m.es with Gil at the Senior Center: Wednesdays 1-3 p.m.: ALL AGES WELCOME, come play BOARD ga.m.es or Scrabble, Boggle, Cribbage, Backgammon, join us or bring a friend and come play ANYTIME!

> Walking Club: FREE, Pass Required* Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, **9:30-11:30 a.m.:** Passes available for the Gordon College Bennett Center indoor walking track! *Contact Hamilton-Wenham Recreation at 978-468-2178 to register. Transportation is available from CATA (978-

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Cape Ann Symphony Announces New Choral Director



Brittany Betts announced as Choral Director for the CAS Chorus.

Courtesy Photo

The Cape Ann Symphony recently announced that Rockport's Wendy Betts, longtime Director of the CAS Chorus will retire and her daughter multi-talented musician Brittany Betts will take over as Choral Director for the CAS Chorus. Cape Ann Symphony Music Director and Conductor Yoichi Udagawa shares "We are thrilled to have Brittany Betts join us as the new Director of the Cape Ann Symphony Chorus. She is a fabulous musician and will do an amazing job conducting the chorus.

We will be collaborating with her and the wonderful singers of the chorus at the Holiday Pops concerts, and are really looking forward to it!" Brittany Betts will make her

debut with the CAS Chorus during the CAS annual Holiday Pops Concert on November 30 and December 1. "I am honored to be carrying on the tradition of choral excellence with the Cape Ann Symphony Chorus that my mom, Wendy Betts, so beautifully crafted for 16 years, " says Brittany Betts, "I believe music has the ability to bring people together for good and, together with Maestro Udagawa and the symphony, the chorus and I will help bring our community together with beauty, skill and fun. The Symphony continues to grow and expand their skillfulness, and so it stands, at this new time for the chorus, we should do the same. In order to fulfill this growth, we will be changing things

up a bit and holding auditions a week before rehearsals begin in order to build a smaller chorus of about 40 singers. We are hoping some of our local high school students might like to participate too! I also want to share that I am thrilled that Priscilla Walter, pianist extraordinaire, has agreed to be the chorus accompanist this year! She is an excellent musician who has been sharing her musical gifts on Cape Ann for years and we are blessed to have her with us once again."

Cape Ann Symphony Chorus Auditions will be held on Saturday September 7 from 10 a.m. -12 noon and Wednesday September 12 from 6 - 8 p.m. If you are interested in auditioning, please contact Brittany Betts at brittanybetts@gmail.com

CAS Chorus Rehearsals will be Wednesdays September 18-November 20 from 7 - 9 pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Lanesville along with two rehearsals with the orchestra during the week of the concerts. The Cape Ann Symphony 2024 Holiday Pops Concerts are:

- Saturday, November 30, 2024: 2 p.m. Dolan Performing Arts Center, Ipswich High School. Ipswich,
- Saturday, November 30, 2024: 7:30 p.m. Manchester-Essex High School, Manchester-by-the-Sea,
- Sunday, December 1, 2024: 2 p.m. Manchester-Essex High School, Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA

Tour de Greenbelt – Cycle for Land Conservation!



Land Trust's 10th Annual Cycling Event to Take Place September 21, Registration Now Open

Greenbelt will hold its 10th annual Tour de Greenbelt cycling event. Open to all levels of experience, this scenic ride offers participants a great opportunity to appreciate the beauty of Es-

n Saturday, Septem- sex County's protected landber 21, Essex County scapes, contribute to Greenvital conservation efforts, and enjoy a day of cycling, community, and outdoor fun. Registration is now

Tour de Greenbelt includes both road and gravel options and several different distances. All routes take cyclists through areas protected by Greenbelt, featuring rolling farmlands, forests, salt marshes, and scenic coast-

This event is supported by presenting sponsor Institution for Savings.

Event Details: Date: September 21, 2024 Start Time: 9 a.m. Starting Location: Green-

belt's Cox Reservation, 82

Eastern Ave., Essex, MA

Routes (all self-paced): halfcentury (50 miles) on paved roads; recreational route (25 miles) on paved roads; two gravel excursions (30 miles & 45 miles) through protected forests and fields.

Registration Options: Participants can register as an individual, team member, or fundraising pledge rider.

Post-ride festivities on the Cox Reservation include food

from A&B Burgers, beverages from Bent Water Brewing Company, and live music.

Online registration is open through September 13. Dayof registration will be open the morning of the event, starting at 7:30 a.m.

Riders can find details, and pre-register at ecga.org/ tourdegreenbelt.

About Greenbelt: Greenbelt works with individuals, families, and communities to protect Essex County's natural landscapes and ecosystems, safeguarding its unique biodiversity and scenic beauty. By acquiring, stewarding, and advocating for the protection of open spaces, farmlands, forests, and coastal habitats, we play a pivotal role in preserving vital green spaces for current and future generations to enjoy. To date, Greenbelt has completed more than 700 projects and protected more than 20,000 acres of local









Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it.

~ Ferris Bueller -







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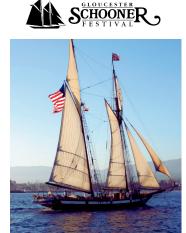
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Artists Paint! 11:30a-12:00p

Return art to CAPA tent area & display art on artists' easels

12p-12:30p

Judging & Artist Awards For complete details & registration visit capeannpleinair.org







New Curbside Recycling Option, CHaRM (Collection of Hard to Recycle Material)



(Courtesy Photo)

lack Earth Compost has expanded its popular electronics recycling program to include recurring pickups for a wider range of hard-to-recycle materials, such as textiles and donations. Recognizing growing concerns about traditional recycling, Black Earth offers transparent and responsible disposal through its CHaRM program. The choices we make in recycling these items

- landfill, responsible recycling, or responsible donation - have a lasting impact on our environment.

Gloucester resident, parent and Black Earth Compost CEO Conor Miller says, "I feel like Scrooge in our house, frowning at the constant stream of toys that we keep inhaling from birthdays, Christmas, relatives' hand-me-downs. We need a monthly purge program like this to keep breathing room in the house. The donation bag is the one I have my eye on. It's great because I hate throwing stuff out, and don't want to drive to thrift stores to unload it all the time. I'm thinking it could be a good way to get leverage on the kids to eat their dinner and clean their room or Barbie goes in the bag.'

subscription-based This service offers recurring or one-time pickups for electronics, textiles, and do-Additionally, the nations. program partners with TerraCycle to collect other challenging recycling streams, like plastic packaging, using Zero Waste Bags.

The first pickup for Cape Ann residents will be on September 2nd, 2024. Participants can learn more and sign up at blackearthcompost.com.

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Planning Board Vice Chairman Sue Philbrick, who was running the meeting, said that the Finance Committee had concluded in a report that the CST project would bring in between \$370,000 to \$430,000 in annual tax revenue after Phase 1 is completed in 2027 and \$750,000 to \$900,000 after Phase 2 is completed in 2033. In addition, the building permit fees would bring in about \$30,000 in both 2026 and

Glovsky added that CST had received a requested condition from the Finance Committee for the town's emergency response personnel to be trained in the features and layout of the buildings to prepare them for any public safety response.

Glovsky said CST was happy to comply with this request and that similar actions are already taken at CST's buildings in Beverly

and Danvers.

The CST hearing was continued until September 9 at

Morss and Reed park

Harbormaster Bion Pike discussed options for lighting on the new dock extensions proposed at Morss and Reed piers. He showed examples that other marinas and yacht clubs use, that only shine down at the floats and do not add to light pollution. He also said that the rates charged to visiting boaters would cover their water and electricity usage and could be easily adjusted if those costs change.

He added that as in the past, if the town has a water ban, then visiting boaters would not be allowed to wash their boats but would still have access to water for drinking, washing and toiletry. Philbrick said an order

of conditions for the work at Reed Pier would be ready to be voted on at the September 9 meeting at 8 p.m. and the board would receive the order of conditions for Morss Pier by the next meeting.

MBTA Zoning studies

Planning Board member Chris Olney, also the chairman of the MBTA Zoning Task Force, said that Resnick had received a grant from the Massachusetts Housing Partnerships for a study on the propensity for development should the town approve the MBTA Zoning proposal, currently being studied by the state.

Olney said that study may be done by the end of September, but he said that it was unknown when the state may complete its study of the

town's proposal. Olney said the state was currently going over proposals from more than 100 communities.

The board voted 7-0 to ask the Finance Committee to conduct an economic feasibility study based on the results of the propensity for development study.

The FinCom would study the cost of services-water, sewer, education, etc.- the town may face from any increase in population as a result of the MBTA Zoning.

It would also study what new tax revenue it may mean for the town. Emily Innes, the town MBTA Zoning consultant, will assist the FinCom with the study, said Olney.

Olney said that study might be ready by November 1. The town is hoping to vote on the MBTA Zoning proposal at a special Town Meeting in November.

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Fall Activities for the **Interfaith Committee** of the Cape Ann Climate (CACC)

he Interfaith Committee of the Cape Ann Climate Coalition is sponsoring a series of programs addressing the climate crisis.

A three-part series will focus on the importance of regenerative farming.

On Sunday September 8, at 3 p.m., Annisquam Village Church, a showing of the film, Common Ground, a documentary film that unveils the dark web of money, power, and politics behind our broken food system. It profiles a hopeful and uplifting movement of farmers who are using alternatives, 'regenerative" models of agriculture, which could balance the climate, save our health, and stabilize the American economy before it is too late. Tucker Smith, of Cedar Rock Gardens will lead the post film community

On Sunday, October 6, at 3 p.m., Annisquam Village Church, Andrew Brousseau, Black Earth Compost cofounder will explain how compost helps sequester CO2 from the atmosphere by nourishing our soil and plants.

On Sunday, November 3, at 3 p.m., Annisquam Village Church, a group of 3 local regenerative gardeners will describe their gardening principles. (farm panel participants

All these events are free and have received support from a grant from NOAA.

Two other important events are also planned.

On Thursday September 12, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., we will hold our 3rd Annual Climate Retreat at the Eastern Point Retreat Center. Anne Goodwin and Joseph Rotella will lead the retreat. Both are experienced leaders of The Work That Reconnects, a body of group practices designed to heal environmental and social disconnections, and move humanity toward a life-sustaining culture. The cost is \$ 60 per person and includes lunch. Please bring a lawn chair. Scholarships are available. Please register by 9/05/24. Register: Rev Gail Seavey, gailcvo@outlook.com.

On Sunday, September 22, at 2 p.m. at the Gloucester Unitarian Universalist Church. Dr. Dan McKanan, Harvard Divinity School will present, "Conservation, New England Style, the Cape Ann Story. Dr. McKanan is the Emerson Senior Lecturer at the Harvard Divinity School where he has taught since 2008. His teaching and research focus are on religious movements and social transformation in the United States, with special emphasis on environmentalism, intentional communities, and socialism. In this presentation Dan McKanan will explore the spiritual roots of the vision of Massachusetts residents to create state parks and the first conservation trust in 1890's. This program is free and open to the public.

Both of these programs are funded by a NOAA Grant.









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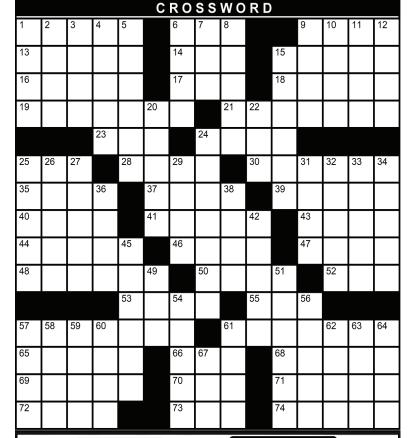


Puzzle

THEME: MUSIC 101

ACROSS

- 1. Meat chunks
- 6. Calendar square
- 9. *__ signature, or notation that de-
- scribes #34 Down
- 13. Hiya or howdy
- 14. Down Under runner
- 15. West Point student
- 16. At full speed
- 17. Big Apple
- 18. Flounder's domain
- 19. *Complementary notes sung simultaneously
- 21. *Not sonata
- 23. Debate position
- 24. Painter Chagall
- 25. Munchhausen's story
- 28. Casino chip
- 30. *R in R&B
- 35. Spanish earthen pot
- 37. Lobed organs
- 39. Nest for an eagle 40. Bona fide
- 41. *Adagio or moderato, e.g.
- 43. What a willow did?
- 44. *Type of piano technician
- 46. Flock member description 47. Fill beyond full
- 48. Masters of ceremonies, colloquially speaking
- 50. Jon Krakauer's book "___ the Wild"
- 52. High craggy hill
- 53. Church congregation
- 55. Hole punching tool
- 57. *A ___, or without accompaniment
- 61. *Fast
- 65. Not asleep
- 66. 2000 lbs.
- 68. Acquisition through marriage
- 69. Rubber tree product
- 70. Director's cry 71. *Five lines
- 72. Potassium hydroxide solution, pl. 7. Winehouse or Schumer





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- 73. 168 in 1 week
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DOWN

- 1. Mohammad Reza Pahlavi's title
- 2. Dharma teacher
- 3. Resembling wings
- 4. Good Year balloon, e.g.
- 5. Mexico City state
- 6. Say it isn't so

- 8. New Mexico's state flower
- 9. Diplomat's asset
- 10. It comes to mind 11. Not in Impossible Burger
- 12. European erupter
- 15. Shell-like anatomical structure
- 20. *Nine instruments, e.g.
- 22. Bobby of hockey 24. Halle Bailey's 2023 role
- 25. *Loud or strong

Sudoku



Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

Solutions on Page 11

- 26. Part of small intestine
- 27. Sometimes follows sauvignon
- 29. 1.3 ounces, in Asia 31. Coniferous trees
- 32. October 31 option
- 33. On top of trends (2 words)
- 34. *Strong-weak-strong-weak, e.g.
- 36. Sheltered, nautically speaking 38. "Wheel of Fortune" move
- 42. Based on number 8
- 45. Automatic reaction
- 49. *Fa follower
- 51. Solemn and wise?
- 54. Gate holder
- 56. *Slow
- 57. Pay a visit 58. Not home
- 59. Goose liver dish 60. Augments, usually with effort
- 61. Social insects
- 62. Air of allure, slangily
- 63. Five-star review
- 64. Was in the hole
- 67. Possessive pronoun

Religious Notes

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Visitation Parish - Mass Sched-

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ule: Sacred Heart Church - Saturday Vigil Mass - Virtual Mass - on our YouTube as well as www.mecathoSunday 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 Registra-

tion if you are new to town or look-

ing to join a Catholic Church. The Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church 8 Lafayette Road,

Ipswich Mass. Church services, with Father Christopher Kolentsas, are held each

Sunday. Sunday's Divine Liturgy, with Father Christopher, starts at 9 a.m. followed by a weekly sermon. All are welcome to attend.

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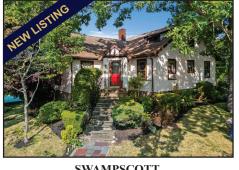


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Tributes... now, later, or both.



By Joanne MacInnis

ecently, I had the privilege of officiating at the memorial service of a dear friend's 90-yearold father. He passed three years ago, and due to various factors, his service was delayed. The setting was idyllic: a hillside cemetery in the White Mountains, and four generations of family were in attendance from far and

My takeaway from this event was two-fold. The grief is still present but has changed from the initial disbelief and shock. Let's be honest: a child has no frame of reference for life on the planet without a parent or grandparent. The towering strength these adults bring to a child is not soon forgotten. When these greats are the elders in the family, the makers of legend, and the link to our ancestry, their loss is powerful.

So here we are, three years almost to the day. Gathered in soft, dappled light, the sweet sound of sacred music. The crushing grief of his death was three years behind us now. Tears were still shed, and the long-range impact of the loss was palpable.

Three years later, life has

The beauty of this moment was undeniable. Since then, there have been two weddings and two new babies. In many ways, the lessons of learning to live differently without the physical presence of this great man are well underway.

For this afternoon, we stopped. Everything else that could have taken our attention was rejected. Sacred time was set aside. All gathered were united by intention: to mourn the loss of and celebrate a long life well

No longer in that grip of early grief, where we aren't sure how we got our shoes on, or if we brushed our hair or teeth, we had settled into the place of "this is how it is... now." As the sting of immediate loss had passed, we came together, bruised but not broken. Thankfully, time had helped heal some of those initial wounds.

Why do we limit our tributes?

Why are we so restrained when it comes to our celebration of others? Shouldn't every birthday, anniversary, and milestone be a cause for revelry? Is everyday life so full of joy that we need not pull the stops out for special occasions? I think not.

When I have an idea or impulse to raise an ice cream cone in celebration of my own mother, I do so with gusto. When Sonny and

a child has no frame of reference for life on the planet without a parent or grandparent. *The towering strength these* adults bring to a child is not soon forgotten.

Let's be honest:

Cher's "I've Got You Babe" makes its way to the radio, I again leap into a moment of sweet memory and tribute, belting out Sonny's lines.

Everyday occurrenceslike a line from a poem, a specific smell or taste, a song, or even a date on the calendar-can trigger memories worth celebrating. In doing so, we realize that every day is a sacred event. Every loving memory we have and every slide show in our mind's eye of days gone by creates a space where tribute can live and even take residence. For those youngsters watching, we are teaching them how to cope with the losses their future will hold. We can be vulnerable with our own pain and loss, grounded in our recovery, and unafraid to celebrate the one we love.

Grief evolves.

Just like any wound, it heals gradually but may reopen. The scab inevitably falls off, revealing tender and delicate new skin. Taking good care of that needy place serves us well.

There is no cut-off for any tribute. Your family, both past or present, dearest loved ones, here or gone. Perhaps as we develop this skill of tribute, or its other name gratitude, we move into a place of holding onto what is sacred. Nurturing this inner attitude may lead us to appreciate those in our lives anew and may call for a champagne toast or a Captain Dusty special.

Whatever floats the boat of your inner circle, don't hold back. When opportunity knocks, open the door and make it so. We have the ability to offer tribute and express gratitude every day. I'm going to do better.

See you in the ice cream

Joanne MacInnis, RN, is the founder and president of Aberdeen Home Care, Inc., of Danvers

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PET OF THE WEEK: FRANCIS



cal cat with the sweetest personality. is ready to find her forever place to land who enjoys getting pets and snacks. Snuggling up in a warm bed or next to her human is one of her favorite things. She enjoys watching birds fly by outside the window. If you're looking

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SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

There is a lot set to happen with the Council on Aging (COA) in the coming weeks. Check them out here, and for on any of these great trips or to reserve your seat on the van, please call 978-526-7500.

Mystery Ride

On Wednesday, August 28, the COA van will take our monthly mystery ride. The van driver heads for an undisclosed establishment somewhere on the North Shore; it could be ice cream, pastries, sandwiches, or all of the above and only the van driver knows! A little hint will be given, so all can be prepared! Pick-up will begin at 12 noon and return will be by 2 p.m.

Greenbelt Walk: Vineyard

On Friday, August 30, at 10 a.m., the COA is headed to the Greenbelt property Vineyard Hill in Hamilton. The easier Shaw Field loop takes visitors into the forest, then skirts the perimeter of the field. Hay is often grown here by a local dairy farmer. The area has grass and woodland. To reserve a seat on the van please call the COA.

It's Breakfast at The Village Pancake House

On Friday, September 6, the Manchester COA is offering a breakfast trip to The Village Pancake House in Rowley. Enjoy all the breakfast items you love made with local, high-quality ingredi-

ents. The van will start picking up seniors around 9 a.m. Reserve your seat by calling the COA.

Salem Willows

On Wednesday, September 11, the COA is off to Salem Willows. Come and enjoy all that Salem Willows has to offer. Sit by the water and enjoy the Willow's famous Chop Suey Sandwiches at the re-opened Salem Lowe or ice cream at Hobbs where the first ice cream cone in America was given in 1906. There is also popcorn, taffy, or check out the Clam Shack and don't forget the arcade. The van will start picking up seniors at 11 a.m. Return is expected around 2 p.m.

The James

Have you heard about The James in Essex? It is the new

restaurant that replaced the Village Restaurant and it's an Irish pub style, totally renovated restaurant with a modern menu. And on Friday, September 13th, the MBTS COA is headed there for lunch. The van will start picking up seniors around 11 a.m. Return is expected by 1 p.m. Info and reservations, call the COA.

Castle Island and Sulli-

On Wednesday, September 18, it's Castle Island and lunch at Sullivan's. Castle Island located in South Boston houses Fort Independence a five-bastioned, granite fort built between 1834 and 1851. Castle Island also has beautiful Harbor Loop which is a 2.2-mile loop along the ocean. Best of all Castle Island has Sullivan's

The van will start picking up seniors at 10:30 a.m. Return expected around 2 p.m. My 'o Me. It's China Jade

where we'll stop for their

popular hot dogs, seafood or

a delicious ice cream cone.

and Dollar Tree

On Friday, September 20, the COA is offering a trip to The China Jade Restaurant in Beverly. Come and enjoy a delicious lunch of Asian cuisine. After lunch head over to Dollar Tree to do a little shopping. The van will start picking up seniors around 11 a.m. Return is expected by 1:30 p.m. For further info and van reservations, please call the COA.

Another Mystery Ride On Wednesday, Septem-

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Merrimack Valley Quilt Show

On Friday, September 27, the COA is scheduled to go to The Merrimack Valley Quilt

PUBLIC NOTICE



Office of the CONSERVATION COMMISSION Town Hall, 10 Central Street, Manchester-by-Sea, MA 01944-1399

Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 8/30/24

Brian Harvey requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Notice of Intent for the construction of a subsurface wastewater treatment system within the 200-ft Buffer Zone to a Vernal Pool at 12 Plum Hill Road/208 Summer Street (map 10, lot 24).

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

MNPA website: http://

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Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 8/30/24

Robert McDiarmid requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability for repaving an existing driveway within the 100-ft Buffer Zone at 34, 36, and 38 Bridge Street.

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands

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First Parish Church

Summer Sunday worship has begun, 9 a.m. through Labor Day. First Parish Church Manchester-by-the-Sea - a lovely place to start your week, join us for a moving message, beautiful music and community in the center of town - Worship leader, Rev. Katherine Schofield, music led by Dr. Bonnie Anderson, piano and Rebecca Shrimpton,

soloist.

Monday Friends of the COA Senior Drop in 10 a.m. -12 noon. Tuesday Online Bible Study, Via Zoom 4 p.m., join in with computer, smart device or dial in on a phone from wherever you are - email office.fpchurch@gmail. com or call 978-526-7661 for the link

St. John's Church Worship:

Every Sunday we hold services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Child care is available during the 10 a.m. service.

Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

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.

People in our community hail from the traditional tribal lands of the Pawtucket and Massachusetts now called Manchester, Gloucester, Beverly, Ipswich, Rockport, Salem, Lynn and Marblehead. Whether you have worshiped in other Quaker (Friends) Meetings or not, we welcome you to join us. 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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10 Central Street Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, 01944

SELECT BOARD **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Select Board will hold a hybrid public hearing on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 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 for a Change of Manager on the all alcohol, on-premises club license at 15 Tucks Point Road, Manchester-bythe-Sea, MA held by Manchester Yacht Club.

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Lord's Hill. Stunning, well-maintained 5-bedroom, 2.5-bath home on beautiful grounds with all updated Anderson windows, updated kitchen/baths, sprinkler system in both yards, French drains.



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Gloucester | \$3,895,000

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5 Oak St Gloucester | \$659,000

Discover this well-maintained two-family home ideally situated in the heart of Gloucester. The first-floor unit offers a cozy one-bedroom layout with the potential to create a second bedroom, perfect for flexibility and customization. One full bathroom completes this level.

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263 Madison St

Fitchburg | \$399,900

Move in Condition 1957 Colonial with private yard on quiet street. 3 bedrooms. 1.5 baths. Oversized garage ideal for contractor.

Elizabeth Narbonne | Realtor 978-771-8630



4 Lane Road Annisquam | \$2,500,000

Iconic Annisquam waterfront property located at the head of Lobster Cove. Proudly sited on over an acre of land with rolling lawns, bountiful seaside gardens and private tidal float and dock. The property enjoys stunning views of the mesmerizing changing tides in Lobster Cove.

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19 Turtleback Essex | \$1,865,000

Craftsman style home on over 2 acres. Just a few years old. Open floor plan, 3+ bedrooms, 3 car garage, separate office, studio, or overflow living space.

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