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## BRIEFLY

### Week One Cribbage Results

After the kick off round of this season's "Crib Addicts" weekly cribbage at the Legion in Manchester on Tuesday, the top spot was claimed by John Bubrowski, followed by Everett Morss, Jim Chabot, Ben Conway, David Slade, Tina Latassa, Heather MacDonald, Jeanne Stanton, Joan Snow, Michela Hirnak, Paul Clark, Hala Makowska, Jim O'Neill, and sweeping up at the end was none other than our own, Billy Bell. Crib Addicts play every Tuesday at 6 p.m., and all skills are welcome. Come on down!

### Lecture Me ...

With Labor Day behind us, the local lecture season has begun. Next week's lecture hosted by the Manchester Cultural Council and the Manchester Public Library at Crowell Chapel on Rosedale Ave. offers the fascinating story of Harry Crosby, the Gilded Age's colorful character who summured in Manchester. In his talk, "Harry Crosby: The Brief Transit of the Lead Son of the Lost Generation," author Jim Dunn will share his research on Crosby's life as a Boston Brahmin, WWI ambulance driver, banker, poet, ex-pat in Paris publisher and champion of the Lost Generation's most creative voices, including Ezra Pound, DH Lawrence and Ernest Hemingway. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19 at Crowell Chapel. Event is free. Register at the library.

### Essex Townwide Yard Sale This Weekend

On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14 and 15, poke around Essex for some great "yardsaling." A group of families have organized what they believe is the town's first ever Townwide Yard Sale. They're asking folks to come on down and "roam through our quaint little town on the river, searching for treasures galore" and stop for a refreshment at a great little restaurant in town or grab an ice cream to go. Get your comfy sneakers, do a few stretches and head out for an exciting day of fun. And then do it again the following day. Maps available throughout the town of Essex and Facebook. Rain date Sept. 21 and 22.

### Two Years of Coffee and Connections

It seems like yesterday that the Friends of the Manchester Council on Aging started an experiment to meet up for coffee, chatting, games and to just connect with each other once a week at the Congregational Chapel. And it's been holding strong. Every week about 25-30 seniors have been gathering. To mark its anniversary, on Monday, Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to noon the group will have an extra-special version of their weekly ritual. All are welcome!

### Grant Monies to Two Museums

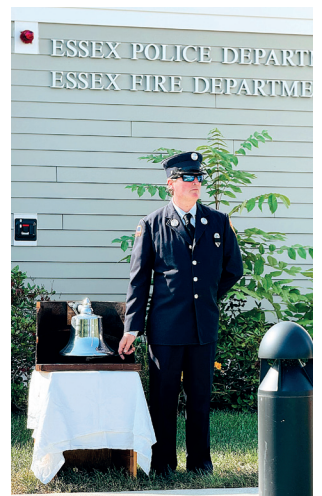
Congratulations to the Hammond Castle Museum and Schooner Adventure for winning \$100,000 grants from the Massachusetts Office of Travel. The Schooner Adventure received funding to restore and repair the National Historic Landmark fishing schooner. Hammond Castle Museum will use its grant to restore and repair the museum's tower, stained glass Rose Window, and 8,400-pipe one-of-a-kind organ.

### Another Great Day for the "Bros" ...

This year's Manchester Elder Brethren picnic tradition went off in grand style at Tuck's Point for the 147th year. Read about it on **Page 8**.



(Photos Paul Clark, Kris McGinn)



### We Remember ...

Twenty-three years ago, on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, Americans learned the country had been attacked on home soil by terrorists. In Essex (above) and Manchester (left), Fire Department and public officials marked the day Wednesday morning, as they do every year.

## CST Blasting Remains an Issue During Planning Board Hearing

By Jeff Pope

The Manchester-by-the-Sea Planning Board continued to revise and adjust a list of possible conditions for Cell Signaling Technology's proposed research-and-development laboratories planned for Atwater Avenue.

CST is seeking a comprehensive special permit to build the roughly 500-employee facility over two phases on the site of the former gravel quarry, just north of the Manchester Athletic Club. If approved, the project will be the largest building project in Manchester's history.

The Planning Board reviewed two lists of conditions - one submitted by Marc Resnick, the town's director of land management, and the other a response to that list from CST attorney Mark Glovsky.

The board did skip over one condition, concerning the creation of a bicycle lane on School Street, north of Route 128, which Planning Board Chairman Sarah Creighton said she expected a lot of debate about this condition at the board's next meeting on September 23.

Several neighbors of the project attended the meeting to share their concerns about the hours of construction and blasting. The condition, as written, limiting construction from 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Satur-



Representatives from Cell Signaling Technologies at Monday's public hearing of the Planning Board. The company is seeking a comprehensive special permit to build the largest project in Manchester's history.

days. Blasting was listed as limited to after 8 a.m.

The town's bylaws limit construction to a window of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on weekdays. CST officials had requested the earlier starting time to allow its trucks and machinery to arrive before school buses are on the roads between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m.

Stephanie Rogers of 59 Forest St. said, "we are planning construction traffic around school traffic. But aren't we going to have way

more traffic with all the business up there (once the project is complete)?"

Creighton, who had served on the building committees overseeing design and construction of both the Manchester Memorial School and the Manchester Essex Regional High School—explained that the hours were for construction only.

Elizabeth Thomas of 27 Mill St. said there was pressure being put on the

residents of Forest and Mill streets.

"Every single time we come here, there are more things taken from us and given to Cell Signaling," said Thomas. "It's more blasts. It's stronger blasts.... And now detours are starting on Forest and Mill streets."

Mary Ellen Moores of Forest Street said that CST officials had said they would limit blasts to .2 on the blasting scale but one from last week was measured at .325.

At Planning Board member Susan Philbrick's suggestion, the board agreed to change the hours of construction to 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. on weekdays, while keeping the Saturday hours the same.

Because the Planning Board was allowing construction beyond the town's bylaw limits, the Select Board would also have to approve this measure, according to Creighton.

Greg Keller of Columbia Construction said that state rules restrict blasting to be-

tween 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., so CST was OK with those hours being adjusted as well.

Keller also explained that Manchester Fire Chief James McNeilly had suggested to the blasting company to use multiple smaller blasts daily rather than one stronger one. He said that was why there were days with two blasts.

One of the town conditions called for CST to promote its sustainable features at the trailhead that connects to the Trustees of Reservations property at the Monoliths, on their website and in the lobby of the building.

Glovsky said CST was happy to promote its sustainable features online and at the trailhead, but balked at displaying it in the lobby of the complex.

Another of the town's conditions was that CST agree to keep the trails connecting to the Trustees' property as is.

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### Weekly Weather Chart

Saturday 14 Sept		72°	60°
Sunday 15 Sept		73°	60°
Monday 16 Sept		75°	59°
Tuesday 17 Sept		75°	60°
Wednesday 18 Sept		74°	58°
Thursday 19 Sept		67°	64°
Friday 20 Sept		66°	61°

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 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Essex ConCom**  
Tuesday, Sept 17, 7:15 p.m.

**MERSD**  
SC Meeting  
Tuesday, Sept 17, 6-8 p.m.

**Essex Planning Board**  
Wednesday, Sept 18  
7 p.m.

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## Big Time Legion Rider Meet Up



On Saturday morning, many Manchester residents may have heard the extended rumbling sounds of 120 motorcycles snaking their way through downtown. What they may not have known is this was the American Legion Riders Post 113's annual Cape Ann ride to benefit

the Operation Troop Support that regularly packs and sends care packages of needed items to troops deployed around the world to give them the comforts of home.

Motorcyclists came from as far as New Hampshire and Worcester to register for the daylong event that

started with breakfast at the Legion (see the sea of bikes in front of the Legion above) and, after the ride, ended with an afternoon of food and music.

Legion Commander Allan Kirker, who was onhand for the event, said the effort brings much needed support to veterans.



# Obituaries

Following a long-standing tradition, The Cricket publishes obituaries as a 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).

## William A. MacDonald



On September 6, 2024, Mr. William A. MacDonald of Peabody, MA died at Salem Hospital, Salem, MA.

Mr. MacDonald was born in Manchester-by-the-Sea in 1935 to Alice MacDonald of York, ME and Alexander MacDonald of Peabody, MA and grew up in Manchester and Topsfield. He leaves his wife of 52 years, Eleanor J. (Blott) MacDonald; a son William Jr. and his wife Heather of Hamilton, MA; a daughter Carol Peters and her husband John of Eustis, FL; grandchildren, Alexander MacDonald of Medford, MA, Benjamin MacDonald and his wife Vanessa of Newburyport, MA, Julia MacDonald of Boston, MA, Rachel Peters Harris and her husband Paul of Clover, SC, and Adam Peters of Leesburg, FL; his brother, Bruce MacDonald of Manchester-by-the-Sea; and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, his sister, Carol MacDonald, and his brother, Robert MacDonald.

Mr. MacDonald dearly loved his wife and family.

He was very proud of his children's and grandchildren's careers and accomplishments. Family get-togethers and family sporting events were very important to him.

He graduated from Northeastern University in engineering and later in management. He completed the Executive Management program at Harvard University.

He served 40 years in the Engineering Departments of Boston and Maine Railroad, Amtrak, and the MBTA. The last 20 years as Chief Engineering Officer at the MBTA. Early in his career, he developed several machines to accomplish railroad construction and maintenance resulting in a dramatic decrease in manpower for the railroad industry.

He was a 40-year member of the American Engineering Association, (15 years as a technical sub-committee chairman), American Welding Society, and the New England Railroad Club where he was past president. He enjoyed relationships with several foreign railroads including British Rail, Ireland, Mexico, Canada, and South Korea.

He was a licensed aircraft pilot. He served in the USAF during the Korean War. He was very proud of a friendship he had with the famous WW2 General George S. Patton Jr., while a youth living

near Patton Farm.

During his retirement he enjoyed travel, visiting all 50 states several times. He enjoyed learning about inhabitants and cultures of many countries including most South and Central American countries, South Pacific Islands, Australia, New Zealand, and many European countries. But most important to him was the family time and playing with his grandchildren, which retirement time allowed.

Arrangements by Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, Beverly. Information, directions, condolences at www.campbellfuneral.com.

## Zelia Elizabeth (McCarthy) Bohsen



Early in the morning of August 30, 2024, Zelia Elizabeth (McCarthy) Bohsen suddenly and unexpectedly crossed The Rainbow Bridge to forever be reunited with her parents, brothers, friends and dogs and cats.

Zelia was born in Brooklyn, NY on July 4, 1952 to Amelia and George McCarthy as their eighth and final child. As would be fitting for a July 4th baby, "Ze" would live life as an independent ball of energy and passion (she was almost named "Independence"). After the passing of her mother when Zelia was 10 years of age, she was moved to be raised by her oldest sister Pat and her husband John O'Leary in the bucolic seaside village of Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA. She became the "big Sister" to their children Brian and Deirdre. Initially she struggled in her new environment having a unique name and a NYC accent, but in time thrived in a way one can in a home filled with love and her own dog, a Golden Retriever named Penny. Once in high school she excelled in academics, was a popular cheerleader, played all sports and especially enjoyed her science classes. Upon graduating from Manchester High School in 1970, she was accepted into the prestigious Malden (MA) Hospital School of Nursing in the Registered Nurse program.

Her ambition to become a RN propelled her through studies and resulted in graduating in the spring of 1973 with her degree. To top it off, later that summer she passed her Massachusetts Nursing Licensing boards on the very first try, quite an accomplishment at that time! Shortly thereafter she began her professional career as a Staff Nurse at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in

Boston.

She met her future husband, Randy Bohsen, in 1976 as they both worked at Beverly Hospital in Beverly, MA and were married in July 1977 at Sacred Heart Church in Manchester. They then moved to Greenville, SC and in 1978 moved again to Atlanta, GA where she continued as a RN specializing in critical care.

Zelia was an animal lover of all sizes, big and small, from the behemoths of Africa to the hummingbirds in the backyard garden. It was in Atlanta that her passion for Golden Retrievers exploded as they founded Daystar Golden Retrievers and they traveled regionally showing their beloved dogs. As you might expect, there was also a huge spot in her heart for cats, especially ones needing a second chance in a forever home. In 1990 it was time for a final move as Randy was transferred to the Kansas City, MO area. Zelia loved the area except (as she frequently reminded me), the nearest ocean was more than 1,000 miles away!

Ze fell in love with the house they bought at first sight; after all, it was a New England styled Cape Cod with plenty of acreage for the dogs and peace and quiet. The success of Daystar Golden Retrievers continued as showing expanded further now being based in the middle of the country. Zelia continued nursing, working in a large Kansas City hospital, then downsizing to the local hospital in Excelsior Springs and further to a long-term care facility nearby until her retirement this summer, after 50 years of nursing.

Zelia is preceded in death by her brothers Georgie, Tommy, Bobby, and Jimmy, all of Long Island, NY and her nephew Brian of California and niece DeeDee of Marblehead, MA. She is survived by her brother John McCarthy of Whippany, NJ, sisters Pat Steach of Manchester, Susan Ward of Clearwater, FL, sister-in-law Ronnie McCarthy of Bellmore, NY and brother-in-law Lynn Bohsen of Ipswich, MA along with a multitude of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

In lieu of flowers, please honor Zelia by making a donation to your local animal shelter. God Bless.

## Lynn T. Runnells

Lynn T. Runnells, 86, of Gloucester, MA, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her family and closest friends after a long, brave battle with cancer. Daughter of the late Francis and Irene (Lamkin) Thomas, and wife to Ernest (Ernie) Potter Runnells, Lynn was born in Hackensack, NJ, the youngest of three children, Claire Lu Thomas (deceased) and Gail Thomas Gray (deceased). A gifted artist, Lynn received a BA degree from Brown University and then pursued her art, attending classes at the Rhode Island School of Design.

Lynn and her husband, Ernie, were married on



Nantucket Island, where Lynn's family had a summer residence. Shortly after the birth of their children, the family moved to the Netherlands where Lynn walked the country of the 17th-Century Dutch masters, which influenced her love of landscapes and nature, along with her affinity for medieval paintings. Upon returning to Manchester, MA, from Holland, she began to express her spiritual journey through paintings. Her work was exhibited in Cambridge, Somerville, Manchester and Beverly Farms over many years.

Lynn was also drawn to the beauty of New Mexico where she became an Oblate at the Benedictine Abbey in Pecos, where she and Ernie would visit every year for many years. Lynn enjoyed walking, balancing rocks, and creating art and poetry in places that were sacred to her. She began painting her own icons as works of love that sprung from a deep belief that the Divine is present in every detail of our lives.

Lynn used her dreams as a compass to guide her life. She led and participated in several dream groups. She was a spiritual director, as well as a facilitator of creative play workshops. Her soul work and love for the natural world led Lynn to the Animas Valley Institute where she was an active member searching for ways to heal our planet. Lynn was deeply loved by her family and friends, as she encouraged acceptance, creativity and depth in others. She will be remembered for her generosity, her love of nature, and for passionately pursuing her soul path.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Ernest Potter Runnells, her children and their spouses; Brad Runnells of Manchester, MA, Eric Runnells and his ex-wife, Suze Collinson Runnells of Gloucester, MA, Patricia Runnells Vaux and husband, Joe, of Los Angeles, CA, grandchildren, Georgia and Finian Runnells, Zander and Lela Vaux, along with nieces, Ginny Gray Burkitt and Kathy Gray, and grand-niece, Christine Burkitt.

A memorial service will be held in the summer of 2025 (further details to come).

Should friends desire, contributions may be sent to the Animas Valley Institute, P.O. Box 1020 Durango, CO 81302, or plant a tree in her honor through The Nature Conservancy.

Arrangements by the Greely Funeral Home, 212 Washington Street, Gloucester. For online condolences, please visit www.greelyfuneralhome.com

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## Of Flags and Flagpoles

By Gregory T. Federspiel

How best to manage the flying of various flags on the Common at Town Hall has become a discussion point of late. The Select Board is very supportive of allowing commemorative flags to be flown that go along with Board proclamations that celebrate important events and represent the rich diversity of our community. For example, the Board has approved proclamations denoting June as "Pride Month" in Town to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and has participated in the Pride flag raising events at Town Hall. The Board fully anticipates continuing this practice going forward.

The Town Hall flagpole has traditionally been in front of the Police Station. The original pole was replaced a few years ago when the new Honor Role for Manchester residents who have served in the military was constructed. The new flagpole is an integral element of the Honor Role layout. To many residents, the construction of the Honor Role changed the nature of the use of the flagpole, dedicating it solely to honoring those who have served in the military. To do this best, goes the thinking, only the American flag and

the MIA/POW flag should be flown on this pole, not other commemorative flags.

The Select Board is sympathetic to this thinking but does not want to eliminate the option to fly commemorative flags on the Common. Thus, the Board is looking into the option of a new flagpole located near the fountain on the Common and close to the Central and School Street intersection where it would have a more prominent and visible location. Of course, this takes money and time to implement. (An additional challenge with the flagpole at the Honor Role installation is that flying a third flag has caused damage to the rigging and lighting of the pole. Replacing this pole would be more costly and disruptive to the Honor Role installation.)

The question of how communities decide what flags to fly on public property was the subject of a US Supreme Court decision a couple of years ago. In the *Shurtleff v. Boston* ruling, the Court decided that the City cannot permit some flags while denying others unless it adopts procedures by which the flags flown represent official government speech. In *Shurtleff* the court concluded the City had no such procedures thus it must ac-

cept all applications if it is going to accept any as a matter of First Amendment free speech rights. The Court's decision went on to say how a municipality might craft a set of policies governing the flying of flags on government property that would allow discretion by the governing body by making it a form of official government speech.

This ruling has prompted many communities to either limit flags on government property to official government flags (US, state, local) and no others or to adopt procedures for officially sanctioning commemorative flags following official declarations by the local governing body. The Manchester Select Board opted for the latter approach, adopting a flag policy that allows the Board to fly a particular flag in front of Town Hall that goes along with an official proclamation. The Board's policy was written to be consistent with the Supreme Court's ruling in *Shurtleff*.

Further discussions will take place to map out a good way forward that allows the Honor Role installation to be dedicated to its purpose while providing a flagpole that can accommodate not only the American flag but additional commemorative flags as the need arises.



### BOARD UPDATES

**MBTA Zoning Public Forum:** Join a public forum to discuss MBTA Zoning on Saturday, September 21 at 10 a.m. on Town Common. Come hear a short presentation on the MBTA Zoning Law followed by a Q & A.

**Select Board Meeting:** The Select Board will meet next on Tuesday, September 24 at 6:30 p.m. Meeting Details will be posted to the Town website.

**Forest and Mill Street Roadwork:** Water main work began this week on Forest St. at Ancient County way and will continue moving toward Mill Street. Traffic will flow on alternate sides. This project will take approximately three months to complete.

**Pleasant Street Roadwork:** Water main work continues this week. 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.

**Walker Road Paving:** Walker Road paving is underway and will continue next week. Traffic will flow on alternate sides but allow extra travel time. Work will take approximately two more weeks to complete.

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

**Special Town Meeting:** The Fall Special Town Meeting date 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.

**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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## MANCHESTER POLICE NOTES

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
3:29 a.m. Raymond St., alarm, secured/checked.  
9:14 a.m. Tuck's Point Rd., animal complaint, notification made. 5:10 p.m. Pulaski Drive, theft, assisted as needed. 8:30 p.m. Beach St., animal complaint, spoken to.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
8:14 a.m. Lincoln St., selective enforcement, no action taken. 12:19 p.m. Central St., threat, assisted as needed. 4:11 p.m. Walker Rd., fire brush, fire confirmed. 10:17 p.m. Ocean St., animal complaint, other.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
7:33 a.m. School St., citizen assist, notification made. 11:48 a.m. Harold St., animal complaint, notification made. 6:04 p.m. Hickory Hill Rd., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 9:50 p.m. Route 128SB, motor vehicle stop, citation issued.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**  
7:59 a.m. Bridge St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 10:03 a.m. Summer St., disabled motor vehicle, vehicle towed. 12:06 p.m. Beach St.,



disturbance, spoken to. 6:57 p.m. Summer St., motor vehicle stop, written warning.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**  
9:26 a.m. Summer St., harassment, spoken to. 2:41 p.m. Summer St., fire alarm, fire false. 5:05 p.m. Pine St., motor vehicle stop, written warning. 5:17 p.m. Pine St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**  
12:55 a.m. Windemere Park Ext., noise complaint, gone

on arrival. 3:07 a.m. Beach St., fire brush, fire confirmed. 11:50 a.m. School St., citizen assist, assisted as needed. 6:37 p.m. Beach St., utility request, assisted as needed.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**  
8:09 a.m. The Plains St., fire alarm, fire false. 10:05 a.m. Black Beach, directed patrol, secured/checked. 10:48 a.m. Beach St., traffic hazard, secured/checked. 9:04 p.m. Pleasant St., parking complaint, assisted as needed.

## WHAT WAS HAPPENING

**90 YEARS AGO - 1934**  
The Blaisdell block on Beach Street owned by Mrs. Mary Blaisdell has been sold to Peter J. Demarkis, proprietor of the Seaside Billiard Parlors and Rosie P. Demarkis being the buyers.

**60 YEARS AGO - 1964**  
Hilary Dombrowski and Phil Hoysrad, Junior International Rowing champions are scheduled to be honored in Lunenburg, Canada next week, for their accomplishment in winning the Junior International Rowing Championship. Manchester's Town Report, covering the year 1963, won first prize in its population class (2,500 to 4,999 population) in the 1964 annual Town Report contest, conducted by the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association.

**75 YEARS AGO - 1949**  
The local Girl Scout Troop Committee recently instituted a drive for funds to complete the building of their own Scout House, and have sent out form letters to those who would be most desirous of helping the scouting movement in Manchester.

The second Annual Auction sponsored by the Amara-Bailey post, American Legion, was held Wednesday

afternoon in Legion Hall and again drew a large number, and proved financially profitable for the Legionnaires.

**45 YEARS AGO - 1979**  
Children in Mrs. Gloria Landy's class are studying about animals, both real and unreal. We hope to read and write about many animals that interest us. We also hope to do some creative art-

work, painting etc. regarding animals.

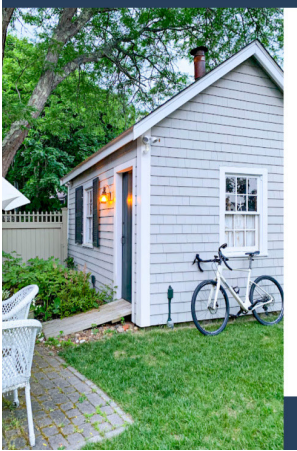
The North Shore Horticultural Society will celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the founding of the Society at the first Fall meeting on Tuesday, September 25 at Masonic Hall, Manchester.

**30 YEARS AGO - 1994**  
Saturday, September 17 the Community Center will host a Compost Bin Sale. Two sizes of bins will be on sale, the larger bin is called the Brave New Composter and measures 32" high by 42" wide. The smaller bin measures 30" high and 34" wide.

**15 YEARS AGO - 2009**  
The changeover from green stickers to orange bags for curbside trash pickup starts on Monday, September 14, 2009. Trash will not be picked up if it is not in orange bags, except for the one large item per week allowed with the green sticker.

### Tides & Sun Chart For The Week Ahead

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13 Fri	7:35	7.7	7:44	9.1	1:42	1.5	1:53	2.1	6:20	6:57
14 Sat	8:41	8.1	8:51	9.5	2:43	1.2	2:54	1.7	6:21	6:55
15 Sun	9:40	8.7	9:52	10.0	3:40	0.7	3:54	1.1	6:22	6:53
16 Mon	10:33	9.4	10:49	10.5	4:35	0.1	4:50	0.3	6:23	6:52
17 Tue	11:23	10.2	11:41	10.9	5:26	-0.4	5:44	-0.3	6:24	6:50
18 Wed			12:10	10.8	6:15	-0.8	6:36	-0.9	6:25	6:48
19 Thu	12:31	11.1	12:56	11.3	7:02	-1.0	7:27	-1.2	6:26	6:46



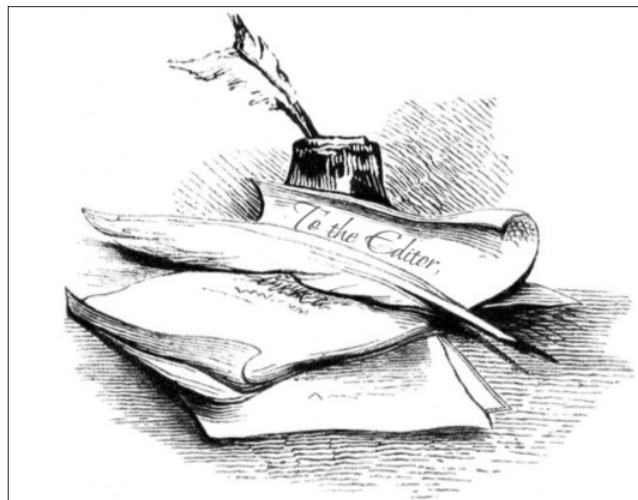
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**Affordable Housing Planning Efforts Require Land to Work**

To the Editor,

Greg Federspiel, MBTS Town Administrator, raises important points regarding the DPW garage site on Pleasant

Street, and possible future new uses ("Long-Range Facility Planning", Manchester Cricket, August 16).

In a recent presentation to the Select Board, the Manchester Affordable Housing Trust (MAHT) emphasized approving community affordable housing on the Pleas-

ant Street site. For many years the MAHT, working with the Housing Authority (HA), have identified the site as critical in the comprehensive development plan to create new units, and possibly rehab current units, at the HA's sites at Newport Park, The Plains and Loading Place Road.

When developers did not respond to a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the sites in 2022, a primary reason stated was insufficient land for feasible unit density—at the time the Pleasant Street site, because of its uncertain status, was not included in the RFP.

In the past year, MAHT and HA have been working with Boston-based developer Preservation of Affordable Housing (POAH), a respondent to a Request for Qualifications in 2023. In providing guidance to improve the development plan feasibility - and prepare HA/MAHT for a new RFP-POAH indicated land availability is a major impediment to a developer response. The shortage of vacant land for the plan—there is insufficient available land at the HA sites to support a feasible development—reduces the number of

units possible and makes the plan infeasible. Likely state and private financing will not be possible with development solely at the HA sites. Without additional land the HA/MAHT plan will likely remain infeasible and without a developer.

Approving a housing use on Pleasant Street and including the site in the HA/MAHT housing plan, is crucial to the town and its housing goals. The HA/MAHT development plan is the town's best ambition to meet important state affordable unit metrics and provide needed senior and mixed income housing. Going forward, I urge the Town and Select Board to approve housing on the Pleasant Street site.

**John Feuerbach,**  
Chairperson, MAHT

**Manchester Woman's Club Welcomes Women to Our Sept Meeting**

The Manchester Woman's Club (MWC) 2024-2025 year begins Tuesday, September 17, at 12 noon, at the First Parish Chapel. The women in our community are invited to this meeting to consider join-

ing the Club.

The meeting will consist of a luncheon and a presentation by members of the Manchester-by-the-Sea MBTA Zoning Task Force. There is no fee to attend. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to manchesterwomensclub@gmail.com.

MWC is a social club organized 117 years ago and is dedicated to giving back to our community. We founded the VNA in 1910. Since 1965 we provide the funds to keep the Friendship Tree on the Town Green lit, and each year the club awards two scholarships to local high school seniors.

We meet monthly September through May, December and January excluded, for a brief business meeting, luncheon, and a program. Time commitments are minimal. Consider making time in your busy schedule to join. The pay-back in community spirit and being part of a long-standing organization are well-worth the effort.

Get more information at manchesterwomensclub.home.blog or on Facebook at facebook.com/manchesterwomensclubmbs.

Thank you.

**Charlotte Minasian**  
Manchester

**Join North Shore Horticultural Society's Programming This Year**

The 125th year of the North Shore Horticultural Society begins September 26 and will be celebrated throughout the 2024-2025 season with many varied programs.

Many different aspects of horticulture will be visited. For example, at the September 26th meeting Gretel Anspach will talk about "Humans and their Use of Plants." Then on October 24, birthday cake and ice cream will precede Janet Milbocker's talk on "Gardens in the Gilded Age." The list goes on!

Meetings are held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Manchester. Socializing starts at 7 p.m. and the presentations start at 7:30 p.m. Cost: Members are free, guests \$5. Annual dues are \$25 for individuals and \$35 for families. For more information check our website at www.NSHorticulture.org.

**Joan Johnson**  
Beverly

# LIBRARY NEWS



This week the library starts *Lego Time for kids, poet and Author Jim Dunn, Haunted Experiences, Halloween New England, and much more.*

**Fall Hours**  
Saturday, September 14 the library will open Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**September is Library Card Sign-up Month**  
Manchester Public Library joins the American Library Association and libraries nationwide to remind everyone about the valuable resources available with a library card. From borrowing books, ebooks and audiobooks to getting tech help, learning new skills, or attending a book club or storytime, a library card helps everyone do more of what they enjoy.

**Calling All Local Artists**  
2nd Annual Falling for Art Exhibit and Sale, October 18-20, 2024. Artists are invited to submit 3-5 digital jpeg images by September 30, fallingforartmbs@gmail.com. Photos must be labeled: Last Name\_First Name\_Title of the Piece.Price. 50% of the proceeds benefit The Friends of the Manchester Library.

**Haunted Experiences: Halloween New England with owner, De Collibus (Virtual)**  
Thursday, September 19 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Join Alexandra De Collibus, owner of



Lego Figure .

(Courtesy Photo)

Halloween New England, and Jeff DePaoli, host of "That Halloween Podcast", as they talk all about how HNE keeps us all informed about the events and programs in our own backyards.

**Crew Week: MBTS Zero Waste Challenge Kick Off**  
Saturday, September 21 from 1-3 p.m. You can register

online anytime, but those who attend the kickoff event will get some free swag, and find out more information on how to divert their trash from the landfill, create an eco-friendly craft and share some mulled cider. Prizes for the smallest amount of trash collected between 9/21-9/27 are listed on the website.

**Intro to Saving Seeds**  
Thursday, September 26 from 6-7 p.m. Saving seeds from the plants around us connects us to our roots as ecosystem stewards and challenges us to plan for the next generation. We will discuss basic plant and seed physiology of several familiar garden plants, explore which plants might be the best to

start with, best storage practices and germination testing. Please register.

**Harry Crosby: The Brief Transit of the Lost Son of the Lost Generation**  
Thursday, September 19 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Poet and Author Jim Dunn will introduce Harry Crosby in all his guises. Harry Crosby's passions and his excesses fueled his literary ambitions and his obsession with death and his vision of dying with his wife and partner, Caresse. We will talk about his intense disdain for Boston and its social pecking order while maintaining a sincere affection for his memories of a childhood spent in Manchester at his family summer home, Apple Trees

Estate, and at Singing Beach. Please register. Location to be announced.

**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 Drop In on Friday**

Register for a dedicated session Mondays at 12 noon or 12:30 p.m. or drop in on most Fridays between 3-4 p.m. We have guidance for easy to moderate tech issues. Please bring your device, charger and any passwords associated with your device or project. This is a program to offer one on one instruction on how to better utilize your technology, we cannot do a tech project for you and certain issues will be outside of our digital expertise.

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

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 need to cancel or change venues.

**Shut Up and Write (Virtual)**

to stabilize the lot. But Roland Glidden of 54 Forest St. disagreed. "Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars is just a drop in the bucket," said Glidden. "It should be \$2.5 million at least." Creighton asked Resnick to put together a revised list of conditions that will be discussed at the September 23 meeting. Both Planning

...(Continued from page 1)

But Glovsky said that, while CST intends to maintain those trails, it's possible that due to later expansion of the complex, the trails and parking area may need to be moved.

Another town condition would require CST to provide a performance guarantee of \$250,000 to be used only if CST decides to withdraw from building the complex.

The town would be able to use the money to stabilize the land and prevent any damage to Saw Mill Brook—which runs along much of the property before it crosses Rte. 128 to Mill Street—from runoff.

When asked who came up with the \$250,000 figure, Glovsky said he had and that it was probably quite a lot more than would be needed

Every Thursday from 10:30 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:**

**Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**  
High school students who join the group will be involved in adding items to the library's collection, promoting special events, planning the annual Haunted Library and more. You will get community service hours for school and pizza. Contact Tom Russo, the YA librarian.

**Pop Up Art School**  
Tuesday, September 24 from 4-5:30 p.m. Pop Up Art leads a craft that transforms recycled 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:**

**Lego Time**  
Every Monday from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Drop-in, unstructured Lego building fun, for ages six and up.

**The Wild Robot Party**  
Friday, September 13 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ages 6-11. Excited for The Wild Robot movie? Love the books? Celebrate them both with games, crafts, and fun at the library. Please register.

**Touch-a-Truck**  
Saturday, September 28 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Get up close and personal with trucks and other vehicles, thanks to our friends in public works and the fire and police departments.

**Fall and Winter Storytime**  
Wednesday's from 10:30-11:15 a.m. Ages 0-3, this program runs through September.

Another town condition would require CST to provide a performance guarantee of \$250,000 to be used if CST decides to withdraw from the project. The funds would stabilize the land and prevent any damage to Saw Mill Brook which runs along much of the property.

Board members Laura Tenney and Mary Foley said they had suggestions for possible conditions. They and any other members that had suggestions were asked to submit them to Resnick for discussion at the next meeting. It's expected that the public hearing process will conclude sometime next month.

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## Fine Art Auction to Benefit New Sawyer Free Library on Sept. 19

*An evening of art, community, and support for the Sawyer Free Library's historic restoration, expansion, and modernization.*

What better way to raise money to build a "masterpiece" public library than hosting a fine art auction. That's exactly what the Sawyer Free Library will do from 6 - 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 19 at North Shore Arts Association in East Gloucester.

The 2025 Sawyer Free Library Benefit Art Auction will offer an art-filled evening with refreshments and live music to support the Sawyer Free Library's historic restoration, expansion, and modernization. This special event is free and open to everyone.

Organized by a dedicated host committee that includes Pat Alto, Jan Bell, Rocky Neck Artist Colony CEO Elizabeth Carey, North Shore Arts Association Executive Director Sarah Milton, and Gail Sarofeen, the 2025 Sawyer Free Library Art Auction features over 50 exceptional-quality works, including paintings, drawings, mixed media, and photography, from established and emerging artists throughout the Cape Ann community and beyond.

The art auction will showcase works from renowned artists such as **Jeff Weaver, John Terelak, Robert Gruppe, Coco Berkman, Bonnie Faulkner, Charles Movalli, Jon Sarkin,** and many more. Walt Kolenda of Cape Ann Auction will present the live auction, which will begin promptly at 7:15 p.m., following the silent auction, which closes at 7 p.m..

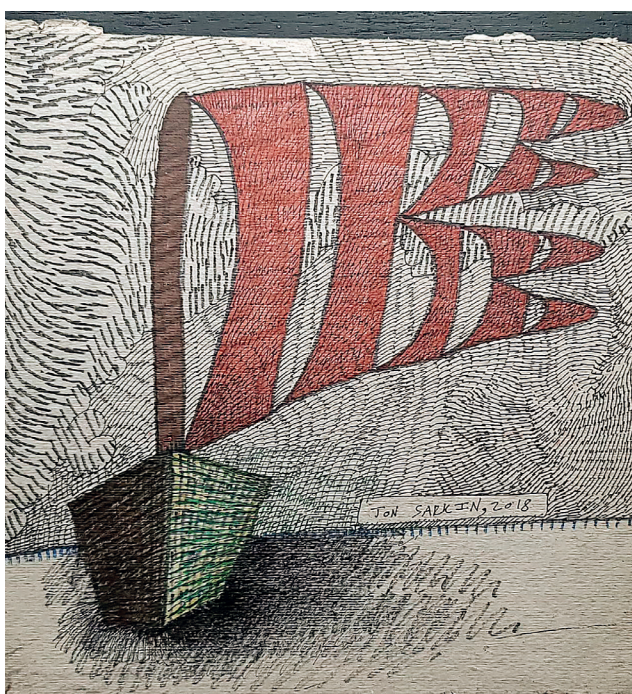
"The 2025 Sawyer Free Library Benefit Art Auction will be exciting for novice and seasoned collectors alike," said Christine Armstrong of the Sawyer Library Foundation. "In one evening, you can mingle with friends, view works by incredibly talented local artists, and go home with an original piece of art while supporting the 2025 Sawyer Free Library. We hope everyone will join us for this fun, festive, and important event for our community."

The historic cornerstone of the Gloucester community, the Sawyer Free Library was founded in 1830 as a "lyceum" to bring community members together to participate in lectures and debates which foster ideas and information. Among the many intellectual luminaries of the day who appeared were Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Today the public library continues that tradition of community, offering invaluable resources, educational programs, and cultural enrichment for people of all



John Terelak is an artist whose work philanthropists will be able to purchase next week at the Sawyer Free Library Benefit Art Auction. This painting, "After Rain," is an example of his work.



Beloved Gloucester artist John Sarkin, who died in July, has been profiled by NPR, the Boston Globe and the Atlantic. He donated two pieces to auction at next week's Sawyer Free Library event. (Courtesy images)

ages, it is currently undergoing a historic expansion and modernization project to become a state-of-the-art facility. This transformation will position the Library as a hub for learning, culture, and community engagement, featuring cutting-edge technology, diverse collections, and engaging and enriching programs.

The newly renovated and expanded Sawyer Free Library, set to open in 2025, will feature an enlarged Matz Gallery with 65 linear feet of wall space dedicated to showcasing the artwork of local artists in rotating exhibits throughout the year.

Reflecting this vision, the 2025 Sawyer Free Library

which began last September, is now halfway completed. With two-thirds of the \$29 million fundraising goal already reached, community engagement remains strong but there is still more to do, making events like the Art Auction essential to the project's success.

The 2025 Sawyer Free Library Art Auction promises to be a beautiful evening, bringing together art lovers, community members, and supporters of the Sawyer Free Library. All auction proceeds will directly benefit the 2025 Sawyer Free Library's Capital Campaign. The event is free and open to all. Registration is required at [sawyer-freeibrary.org](http://sawyer-freeibrary.org).

### "Manchester vs. the Trolley"

The Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum returns on Thursday, September 26 with its popular monthly lecture series when the museum's director will present, "Manchester vs. the Trolley." Before the rise of the automobile, trolleys were a significant force in Massachusetts – but they were banned in Manchester. As the town embraced the summer resort industry in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries, it was electrified by the controversial proposed trolley. Matthew Swindell, associate director of the Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum, will delve into the issues and battle lines of this fascinating period, "one of the most trying periods of the town's history." Reception begins at 6 p.m. at the First Parish Church Community Hall (located behind Santander Bank), museum business starts at 6:30 p.m. and the lecture begins at 7 p.m. As usual, the yummy light refreshments by Maryann Coons will pull us all back to the lecture series! More info at [mmtmuseum.org](http://mmtmuseum.org).

### Gloucester Exhibit Explores the Infinite with Two Artists, Two Unique Visions

An art show currently at the Jane Deering Gallery in Gloucester, called "Intimate Infinities," features the interesting works of two Boston area artists, Deborah Barlow and Mary Bucci McCoy. The show runs through October 6, offering an exploration of the infinite through two distinct yet complementary artistic visions. The artists have exhibited widely in museums, galleries, universities, and other institutions. "Intimate Infinities" marks their first joint exhibition, promising a powerful and immersive experience.

Barlow and Bucci McCoy, each recognized for their distinctive processes, harness materials like paint, pigments, and fluids, employing techniques that emphasize fluidity, viscosity, and sedimentation.

Despite their differing methods – Bucci McCoy's ceramics background has led her to work in concentrated sessions to capture the immediacy of subtle gesture and motion, while Barlow constructs her work over time, layer by layer – their art collectively traverses realms that seem just out of reach. The exhibition underscores a dynamic interplay between micro and macro perspectives, balancing earthiness with the boundlessness of space. The gallery is open Friday and Saturday from 1-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-4 p.m., and by appointment. Info at [janedeeringgallery.com/](http://janedeeringgallery.com/)

### Conservation, New England Style, the Cape Ann Story

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, which is free and open to the public, is part of a Fall lecture series organized by the Interfaith Committee of the Cape Ann Climate Coalition to address the climate crisis from a local perspective. On Sunday, October 6, at 3 p.m. at the Annisquam Village Church, Andrew Brousseau, co-founder of Manchester's Black Earth Compost will explain how compost helps sequester CO2 from the atmosphere by nourishing our soil and plants. Then on Sunday, November 3, at 3 p.m., also at the Annisquam Village Church, a group of three local regenerative gardeners will describe their gardening principles. Info on all of these at [mapdka85@gmail.com](mailto:mapdka85@gmail.com).

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# ME Football Returns Home After Earning First Win of 2024



Members of the ME Hornets football squad line up for a game. Pictured are #56 Joe Glass (Jr. OL/LB), #50 Walker Valeo (Jr. OL/DL), #5 Zach Hurd (Jr. QB/S), #70 Chris Glass (Jr. OL/DL) and #3 is Gabe Magee (Sr. RB/LB). (Photo David Broadbent)

By Jason Brisbois

After passing their first test in an unfamiliar environment, the Manchester Essex football team is coming home to play in front of local fans for the first time in 2024.

The Hornets made crucial plays in the last couple minutes of the game to pull out a 22-15 win over West Bridgewater in the first game of the season, giving the local football team a 1-0 record as

they return to the familiar confines of Hyland Field for their home opener against Rockland on Sept. 20 (6 p.m.)

“We cannot wait for our home opener,” explains Manchester Essex football coach Joe Grimes. “We love our little stadium, and it gets packed on Friday nights. The first game is always electric, and the fans, parents and school community members make it such a special environment for us. I’m especially excited for our seniors

who only get these few more opportunities to run on that field and represent their communities - it’s always special for those guys.”

The Hornets lost to Rockland on the road by a 33-16 score in 2023, but this year’s team should look quite different from that Bulldog’s squad.

“We saw them last year and they had powerful running attack and well-disciplined team that didn’t make many mistakes,” says Grimes.

“They were senior-heavy, so we expect some different looks this year. They started on a bye, so we haven’t seen the 2024 squad all together yet, but we’ll be prepared for a physical contest where we need our execution to be spot on.”

Thankfully, Manchester Essex showed it could be spotted with its execution in pulling out a victory over a fast, physical West Bridgewater team on September 6. The Hornets gained possession

of the ball while down by a score of 15-14 with just under five minutes remaining in the game. Quarterback Zach Hurd led his team on a drive that ate up about four minutes of game time and culminated in Hurd not only scoring a touchdown on a two-yard scamper, but also converting the two-point conversion on the ground as well. The lengthy drive and critical scoring gave Manchester Essex a 22-15 lead and left the Wildcats with just under a

minute of game time left in which to cover 80 yards and attempt to at least tie things up with a touchdown. It was up to the Hornet defense to keep West Bridgewater from doing just that and securing the win.

“This fall, we had a lot of personnel turn over on defense due to graduation, but this new 2024 edition held strong in those 53 seconds despite a very good push from West Bridgewater,” says Grimes.

Linebacker/running back Gabe Magee was an instrumental part of the Manchester Essex defense making its stand during the final minute of the contest.

“Senior Gabe Magee also had a terrific game on both sides of the ball including a very difficult and well-executed series of tackles on the final defensive stand,” says Grimes. “A great team victory and a great way to start 2024.” In addition to the game-winning score, Hurd also ripped off a 68-yard touchdown run in the second quarter and connected with Noah Cohen for a two-point conversion after Conrad Garfield’s one-yard rushing touchdown in the second quarter.

“Zach played really well and probably had his best football game so far,” explains Grimes. “He was an efficient 9-for-13 in the air - six of those passes [were] for first downs - and carried the ball 15 times for 161 yards. He also had 12 tackles and a key third quarter interception from the safety position.”

All high school football teams in the state are required to take a bye week in 2024. Rockland’s bye was last week, and Manchester Essex will take its bye this week instead of playing on the weekend of Sept. 13-14.

“Given the odd football calendar, all teams must take at least one bye week during the season, so this week is our turn to rest, watch some film and prepare for Rockland who we’ll see next Friday for our home opener,” says Grimes.



Hornet Sarah Broadbent fires the ball towards the Amesbury goal during the team’s first home game. The Hornets prevailed over the Red Hawks, 6-0. The ME defense allowed one shot at goal in four quarters. (Photo Paul Clark)

## Best May Be Yet to Come for ME Golf

By Jason Brisbois

The best may be yet to come for the Manchester-Essex golf team.

Hornet golfers should be pretty encouraged after coming out of the first few matches of the 2024 season with a winning record, some early positive momentum and contributions from every corner of the roster. But looking at how his team has played in wins over Pentucket and Triton and a loss to a strong North Reading team, coach Bill Melvin thinks his squad is capable of even more going forward.

“I think our best golf is still ahead of us, which is good,” says Melvin. “We’ve put up a lot of points, even ran into a buzzsaw against North Reading - that was a big score for high school golf. I’m really feeling confident about this

team. A lot of guys have really stepped up.”

That certainly seems to be the case when looking at the score sheet, with different golfers stepping in to provide a scoring boost in each match. In the 143-129 win over Triton to open the season, Gray West, Matt DeOreo and Jack Lawler had 25 points apiece, with all eight varsity participants scoring over 20. Two days later, the Hornets beat Pentucket, 138-121, with West scoring 29, DeOreo totaling 26, Graham Lews scoring 24 and Jack McCavanagh scoring 22 at Haverhill Country Club.

“Our captains, Gray West and Jack McCavanagh have done a great job not only on the score sheet, but also leading the team and saying all the right things,” says Melvin.

In the September 4 loss to

North Reading, Jake Zschau broke through with 33 points while Lawler (27) and Connor Dickson (21) also contributed high scores for Manchester Essex.

“Jake Zschau is a terrific athlete who really put some time into his game over the summer,” explains Melvin. “He put up 33 points at North Reading, which is a really impressive score. We’re certainly looking for him to continue that if we want to be successful.”

Continuing to improve and build on that success will be no easy task as the Hornets navigate a deeper, much improved Cape Ann League. Manchester Essex was slated to face Amesbury on September 10, and then host cross-town rival Rockport on September 12.

“Rockport has always got a solid team,” says Melvin.

“They’ve got a couple of guys who are experienced and have been playing for quite some time, and they’ve got some new guys who have come on pretty strong. I fully anticipate a really good match against them.”

After that, Manchester Essex faces North Shore Tech on September 17, and closes out the month with matches against Hamilton-Wenham and Ipswich. The regular season wraps up pretty quickly after that, with the final match scheduled for October 10.

“I think I anticipated us being competitive in all the matches we played this year, and I think we have played our best golf most days,” explains Melvin. “Our league is really competitive this year, and if we can continue to do that, it certainly bodes well for us.”

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## Hornets Nest

**Cross Country**  
Manchester-Essex Cross Country is hosting a co-op team with Gloucester and Rockport again this year. Based on time trials both teams look to be competitive in the Baker Division of the Cape Ann League.

The girls’ co-captains are Sabine Cooper (Sr) and Whitney Turner (Sr). The girls have some good depth with 10 girls. River Silva (Jr) and Libby McKinnon (Sr) are also returning runners which should have a big impact this year. Freshman Kalin Bennett rounds out the top 5 so far.

The boys’ tri-captains are Henry Stevens (Sr), Henry Chadbourne (Sr) and Lyall

Cunningham (Jr). The boys have 12 runners with Stevens and Cunningham the top 2 runners. Most of the other runners will be vying for the next 3 top spots. First year runners James Aloï (So), Gus Hall (Fr) and Isaiah Nicastro (Fr) ran well in our time trial.

Our first meet is against Ipswich at Crane’s Beach on September 11.

#### Field Hockey

Field Hockey kicked off the first week of their season going 2-0, with a 6-0 win vs. Amesbury and a 3-0 win vs. Rockport. Our offense has been put to work this week as we controlled much of the play in both games. Across both games, our defense

limited the opponents to getting only ONE shot on our goalie, Brigid. All members of the team contributed to these strong wins. Shout out to junior Laila Mears for tallying 4 goals this week, and sophomore Maya Frangioso for tallying 3 goals in her Varsity debut.

#### Amesbury:

- Scorer: Laila Mears Assist: Abby Kent
- Scorer: Maya Frangioso Assist: Summer Demeo
- Scorer: Maya Frangioso Assist: Abby Kent
- Scorer: Laila Mears Assist: Fiona Flynn.
- Scorer: Abby Kent
- Scorer: Laila Mears. Assist: Abby Kent

#### Rockport:

- Goal: Maya Frangioso Assist: Abby Kent
- Goal: Abby Kent
- Goal: Laila Mears

#### Boys Soccer

The Manchester Essex boys’ soccer team is off to an undefeated start with wins over Hamilton Wenham and Amesbury to start the fall campaign. On Tuesday the Generals came to Hyland without one of their key center midfielders but still put up a fierce challenge for the Hornets. The first half of the

match the field was tilted in favor of the Hornets with some excellent passing and combination play to create attacking chances. Manchester-Essex hit two posts and a crossbar before Amir Mustafa took on his man on the flank, beat him and slotted a perfect pass to Owen Olivier Meehan for the first goal of the match. Senior captain Sammy Bothwell would pick up a goal on a heads up play early in the second. When the HW keeper stepped outside of the box and was called for a hand ball, Sammy got to the ball quickly, placed it down, and scored before the Generals defense could set up. On Thursday, the boys traveled to Amesbury and earned a convincing 5-0 win. Bothwell’s shot was on early with a first half hat-trick. The fourth goal came off a spectacular assist from Ernest Taylor for a tap-in from sophomore Roman McGilligan. The final came off a rebound chance with Shay Englehard crashing in to thump the rebound for 5-0. Both matches featured excellent work from goalkeeper Keegan Brooks along with the back four and defensive center midfielders to keep two clean sheets.

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# ESSEX ECHO.

## Town Administrator's Report

At the Essex Board of Selectmen's Meeting of September 9, 2024, Brendan Zubricki reported on the following news:

### Planning Board Residential Zoning Effort

The Essex Planning Board has been working to develop proposals for residential zoning districts that will be considered by the Fall Town Meeting on November 18, 2024. The Planning Board has scheduled a variety of meetings and public forums that are highlighted in a flyer that can be found on the Town website.

### North Shore IT Collaborative Cyber Assessment Project Kickoff

The Town of Danvers IT Department, as the lead agency in the North Shore IT Collaborative, hosted a virtual meeting on August 27 to preview its plan to test internal cyber security for the Collaborative's member communities. The work will be conducted by consultant Securance LLC and will also include simulated phishing attempts on Town users. The Town Administrator (TA) provided Securance with requested information about our network and our policies to aid the consultant in assessing our situation. After testing has been completed, the Town will be provided with a report on how network security could perhaps be improved. Securance will then move on to helping each community develop a cybersecurity incident response plan and will run a tabletop exercise on a simulated incident. An after-action report will assist communities to understand how to better manage an incident.

### Cable Studio Video Streaming Issue

As the Board may recall, at the last meeting, 1623 Studios was able to record the meeting but could not stream it live to the cable studio for broadcast. The TA reviewed the matter with a technician from 1623 Studios during the week of September 2 and we were able to find and fix the problem. We initiated a test streaming event in Town Hall and the technician in the studio and the system is again working properly.

### Employee and Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations

All employees and major boards and commissions have been informed (during the week of August 26) that nominations for Employee of the Year and Volunteer of the Year are open through September 20. The Board will choose one recipient in each category, without mentioning names, at its meeting of September 23. Winners



will be recognized at the Fall Town Meeting.

### Chief of Police Search Process Update

At the last meeting, the Board agreed that the Essex Chief of Police vacancy announcement will be published via the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the Massachusetts Coalition of Police, and the Massachusetts Police Association. Advertising will not occur until sometime in late-November since the Fall Town Meeting may be considering a change in the Chief of Police enabling statute. Presently, Board members are reviewing the current Chief of Police position description and are working on formulating questions that should be asked to all applicants as part of the Preliminary Screening Committee interview process.

### Installation of Security Cameras at Centennial Grove

Our security camera contractor had a crew in Essex during the week of August 26 and security cameras have been installed in two separate areas of the Centennial Grove (the picnic grove area and the cottage area). We are presently awaiting the connection of the cameras to a to-be-installed Network Video Recorder in the police station.

### Essex River Dredging Project Update

The Army Corps of Engineers has confirmed that the Essex River Dredging Project will be going forward this fall. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder was Atlantic Coast Tug & Marine with a bid price of \$2,284,000. The Corps is presently working on making a formal contract award, which will lead to a Notice to Proceed. Presently, we are expecting that the contractor will begin work in October and the three private marinas are reaching out to determine if the contractor will bring in sufficient resources to also dredge the areas that are considered as private ter-

ritory. To that end, Senator Tarr's office is coordinating a meeting with the marinas on September 10.

Also, we have gone under contract with a mooring contractor to manage the removal of the 27 mooring blocks that will be in the way of the dredging project. The Harbormaster will work directly with the mooring contractor to have the removals completed by a time certain when we know more about the dredging contractor's schedule.

### Discussion Concerning Method of Secondary Treatment Repayment

At the last meeting, the Board reviewed several different options for the repayment of the City of Gloucester for Essex's portion of the cost of upgrading the Gloucester wastewater treatment plant to secondary treatment capabilities. We have developed a final estimate of the funds that will remain in the sewer interest surplus fund after all sewer debt service is paid off and we are expecting around \$2.8 M. Selectmen Phippen and the TA met with the Chairman of the Board of Public Works and the Superintendent of Public Works on August 29, 2024 and the betterment option seemed to most interest them. The Board of Public Works will discuss the various revenue options for repayment and whether to use any portion of the interest surplus fund to reduce user/taxpayer payments in the coming weeks and will eventually meet with the Selectmen to discuss.

### Discussion Concerning North Shore Water Resiliency Task Force

Selectman Phippen and the TA met with Board of Public Works Chairman Nick Ellis and Superintendent of Public Works Mike Galli on August 29. As discussed at the last meeting, Selectman Phippen has been following recent efforts of the subject task force to propose that area communities connect to other public water supplies. If water from areas

outside of the Ipswich River Basin can be supplied to some communities that draw down groundwater and river water in that watershed and other communities can rely on reservoirs that can be managed to reduce impacts on the river, the environmental health of the river would likely improve. Essex is not part of the Ipswich River Basin, although joining any future external supply initiative could mean not having to run public water supply wells or a water treatment plant, which would allow the Water Department to only focus on the distribution system. Complicating factors include how the introduction of water with a different chemistry than what Essex usually produces could detrimentally affect the Essex distribution system and whether any external supply option would be cost-effective. Conclusions drawn by the task force are still preliminary and any implementation would be far in the future. We will keep monitoring the task force's work to understand any final recommendations are eventually made.

### Speed Limit and Traffic Calming Discussion Update

At the last meeting, the Board discussed two resident requests for a review of speed limits and possible traffic calming measures along Route 133. The board also asked to get the Chief of Police's thoughts on the possible acceptance of a state statute that would allow for the setting of a Town-wide speed limit of 25 m.p.h., unless otherwise posted.

With respect to a request to reduce the speed limit along the stretch of Route 133 between the Essex line and the Vita Bella Restaurant, if the Board wishes to have that matter studied, more information is necessary. The DOT suggests that supporting information from the Town to help justify the need for a speed limit change be provided to the DOT to assist with the DOT evaluation process.

## LIBRARY NEWS

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School children enjoy visiting the library each afternoon when school lets out. (Courtesy Photo)

### Library open Saturdays

Beginning September 7, the library will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m.-12 noon.

### How to have a Green Holiday (Virtual)

Monday, October 7 at 7 p.m. join Sarah Robertson-Barnes as she shares suggestions for how to lower your ecological footprint this holiday season.

### New Museum Pass

Check out a pass for access to Historic New England properties. You and a guest can choose from 38 exceptional museums and landscapes to visit at no cost.

### Community Book Group

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

### 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.

### Tweens & Teens

Friday, September 13 at 3:30 p.m. for grades 5-8. Join us for National Fortune Cookie Day. Make colorful paper fortune cookies and eat real ones too.

### STEAM & Stories

Beginning September 23 on Mondays at 9 a.m. for ages 2-6 years with their adult, join Ms. Christine to listen to stories, then explore science, technology, engineering, art and math.

### Kids Crafternoon

Monday, September 23 at 4 p.m. for grades K-5. Stop by to make a Monster Bookmark.

### Story Hour

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, SEPTEMBER 2

2:20 a.m. Conomo Point Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. 10:00 a.m. Andrews St., citizen assist, spoken to. 6:51 p.m. Centennial Grove Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. 8:05 p.m. John Wise Ave., directed patrol, no action taken.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

12:33 a.m. Story St., directed patrol, no action taken. 1:16 a.m. Main St., selective enforcement, no action taken. 2:06 a.m. John Wise Ave., directed patrol, no action taken. 5:42 a.m. Chebacco Terrace, directed patrol, no action taken.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

No report.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

No report.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:52 a.m. Southern Ave., animal complaint, notification made. 11:13 a.m. Chebacco Terrace, fire alarm, fire false. 11:22 a.m. Pickering St., male with animal bite, patient refusal. 5:30 p.m. Eastern Ave., male fall, transported to hospital.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

1:21 a.m. Southern Ave., selective enforcement, no action taken. 12:27 p.m. Main St., fire alarm, cleared, false alarm. 5:48 p.m. Eastern Ave., motor vehicle crash, criminal application. 7:12 p.m. Essex Ave., police investigation, criminal application.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9:38 a.m. Milk St., citizen assist, spoken to. 2:06 p.m. Main St., parking complaint, parking enforcement. 5:28 p.m. Milk St., disturbance, secured/checked. 6:33 p.m. John Wise Ave., male with abdominal pain, transported to hospital.

## Essex Senior Living | Sept 13

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.

**Balance in Motion, Tuesdays, 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 suggested.

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

**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 (978-283-7916).

**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. Please register two business days in advance - 978-768-7932.

### 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.



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# 147TH Meeting of the Elderly Brethren

A beautiful sunny day at Tuck's Point welcomed members of the Elderly Brethren for their annual meeting, meal and fellowship. The "brothers" started to gather prior to 11 a.m. and enjoyed the hors d'oeuvres and punch bowls. Just prior to noon the traditional photo was taken on the steps of the chowder house and then the members settled in for a lunch consisting of salad, fish and clam chowder, lobster rolls, chips and apple pie with cheddar cheese.

During the business meeting, the registration report was given showing 56 members present. Chris Glass Jr. was the youngest new member in his 49th year. The three most senior members were Harry Parsons, age 90, Tony Bullock, age 93 and Russ Aldrich, age 98. Russ was awarded the Elder Brethren Cane as the most senior member present.

The Slade Eaton Trophy was awarded for the 33rd time to an individual who has given service to the Elder Brethren as well as outstanding service to others. The trophy was awarded to former Elder Brethren Secretary, Story High School Class of 1956 graduate and athlete and long-time volunteer William "Jessie" James.

Following the election of officers and members of the executive board, Rus Brown introduced the guest speaker, Essex County District Attorney Paul Tucker. During a long career in public service, he has served as a police officer in Nashua, NH, a police officer and then senior officer and Chief of Police in Salem, MA, a state representative for four terms and then was elected district attorney less than two years ago. Paul is looked at as an innovative DA, always working on new ways to build healthy communities to prevent crime. The district attorney talked about building rapport with people and working to get to know them as a way to have people being part of the team/community.

Following the great talk, the meeting was adjourned until next year's picnic, September 2025. (submitted by Tom Kehoe)



2024 Manchester Elder Brethren, the "Old Man's Picnic" which is a tradition that has been held every year at Tuck's Point for 147 years.



Todd Crane, left, president of the Manchester Elder Brethren, presented the Boston Post Cane to Russ Aldrich on Saturday at Tuck's Point honoring him as the eldest male citizen in Manchester. Essex County District Attorney Paul Tucker, the featured speaker this year, is at the far right.

(Photos Paul Clark)

## IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT Audi's Electric Ascension



(Courtesy Image)

**Before buying an Audi Q8 e-tron Sportback or any other BEV think about how you'll use it. If you have a home charger, commuting and running errands in a BEV are a cinch, but long trips may be challenging.**

Speaking of exterior design, the Q8 e-tron Sportback is attractive with a flowing profile augmented by—and this is typical Audi—space age and very attractive head- and taillights.

One of the pillars of Audi luxury leadership since the 1990s has been exterior lighting, and Audi's newest models move that area of excellence forward. Every light that you can see is LED (obvs), but the way the lights are shaped and move is pleasurable to behold. Naturally they do their job very well and don't just look cool. Just when I think another brand is approaching Audi's lighting abilities, Volkswagen's venerable luxury brand takes another step forward.

The same is true for the Q8 e-tron Sportback's interior, which is attractive and technologically advanced. While everything has been digitalized, including the gauge cluster behind the steering wheel, the familiar Audi touchstones of black background/white numbers/red needles remain. So do the expensive looking and feeling materials that remind you every time you get behind the wheel that all those hours of hard work you've spent over the years have been rewarded.

There is less of that feeling when you sit in the back seat though, because the sloping roofline that adds to the Q8 e-tron Sportback's good looks subtracts from rear seat headroom. I'm 6'2" and felt claustrophobic back there. And luggage space under the rear hatch is also limited.

Driving the Q8 e-tron Sportback is similar to what you'd experience behind the wheel of a regular internal combustion Q8, only quieter. The suspension, clearly tuned to "comfort," handles bumps and potholes with ease. And the Q8 e-tron Sportback's highway manners are excellent. Athletic maneuvers, however, are ...

umm, not encouraged, and agility is limited by the hefty Audi's 5962 lbs. curb weight.

The Q8 e-tron Sportback is quick, though. Car and Driver reported a 5.2 second 0-60MPH time, which is impressive. Less impressive is the 296-mile range on a full charge, a number that we all know reflects optimal temperatures and conditions.

Pricing for the Audi Q8 e-tron Sportback BEV starts at around \$79,000 for the Premium and maxes out at \$90,000-ish for loaded Prestige models. Not cheap.

And that brings me to my usual words of caution about BEVs: Before buying an Audi Q8 e-tron Sportback or any other BEV think about how you'll use it. If you have a home charger, commuting and running errands in a BEV are a cinch, but long trips may be challenging. Automotive News and the Wall Street Journal have recently reported that the charging infrastructure isn't what it should be to support long trips in a BEV, and outages at existing charging stations are a continuing challenge.

In addition, resale values for BEVs generally lag behind their equivalent internal combustion competitors, so consider leasing. Of course, BEVs come with government incentives unavailable to buyers of vehicles that burn gasoline, so there are a number of factors you need to consider. (For the record, government BEV incentives are usually offered to customers who lease BEVs, not just those who purchase them.)

The Audi Q8 e-tron Sportback is a luxury BEV that brings the "electric" while also bringing the "Audi." If you want an all-electric car that gives you both of those things, swing by your local Audi dealer for a test drive.

*Stephen Schutz has covered the automotive world for more than 30 years as a syndicated writer. Read his column monthly in The Cricket.*

By Steve Schutz

Audi is now a leader in the luxury battery electric vehicle (BEV) space, and they've achieved that status by building vehicles that provide the "Audi-ness" customers crave along with all-electric propulsion.

The 2024 Q8 e-tron Sportback SUV is their latest effort, and it's a good one. Just remember my usual words of caution to anyone considering a new BEV (more on this below).

For starters, the Q8 e-tron Sportback is yet another example of a luxury SUV that's been "coupe-ified"—think Porsche Cayenne Coupe or BMW X6—which is either a good or bad thing depending on your point of view. If you want maximum utility, you won't appreciate the loss of interior space in the Sportback, and in that case I'd refer you to the standard (and boxier) Q8 e-tron. On the other hand, if you want more sportiness combined with a sleeker exterior design, then the Q8 e-tron Sportback is for you.

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On Saturday the American Legion Riders held an Operation Troop Support event at the American Legion Post 113. Dozens and dozens of riders joined the ride. (Photo Paul Clark)

## BankGloucester will Award \$30k to Local Organizations in 17th

BankGloucester announced that voting has opened in its 17th Annual "Banking for the Community" fundraising program that asks local non-profit community groups to secure votes from their members and fans to compete for a grant from the bank. The window for the charities to secure their votes is open through September 30.

Over the past 16 years, through this program, the bank has awarded over \$320,000 to non-profit and community organizations throughout the greater Cape Ann area.

This year the bank will award a \$30,000 in grants to 19 organizations. Those with the highest number of votes will be awarded the largest grant allocations. The orga-

nization with the most votes will receive \$5,000. The organization receiving the second most votes will receive \$4,000. The organization with the third most votes will receive \$3,000. Organizations with the fourth and fifth most votes will receive \$2,000 each. All remaining organizations will receive \$1,000 each.

Voting may be cast online at BankGloucester.com/vote. Ballots will also be available at our Gloucester, Essex and Ipswich branches for those without access to a computer. Winners will be announced in October.

"BankGloucester is grateful to be a part of a so many amazing communities. We're committed to giving back to our friends and neighbors that give us so much, and we are excited to

announce our 17th annual Banking for the Community event," stated Patrick Thorpe, BankGloucester's president and CEO.

The following organizations are included on this year's ballot: Backyard Growers, Better Together for Cape Ann, Inc., Cape Ann Animal Aid, Cape Ann Museum, Cape Ann Veterans, Generous Gardeners, Gloucester Education Foundation, Ipswich Humane Group, Ipswich Education Foundation, Manchester Council on Aging, Manship Artists Residency, Maritime Gloucester, NAMI, The Open Door, Pathways for Children, Rockport Music - Shalin Lou, Senior Care, and Wellspring House. On the ballot, there is a space where voters may write-in an organization of their own choice.

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ME Hornet Molly Schimpf scrambles to take a shot in front of the Danvers keeper during Monday's home game. The Hornets took the match 4-0. Early in the season the ME team is 3-0. Next game is against North Reading, in North Reading, on Wednesday the 11th. (Photo Paul Clark)

### Cheer

The Cheer team has been hard at work. We learned our competition routine at the end of August and have been practicing super hard the past couple weeks. We are led by our captains Audrey Smith, Maria Rising, and Elena Gangemi. These girls help with skills and practicing our half time routine and definitely have stepped into the captains role super well. Our first competition is at the end of October and we are looking forward to it. Friday was our first game away against West Bridgewater where the girls cheered on the football team to a win. Game day did great at the game and has also been working tumbling and stunting skills at practice along with our new assistant coach Erin Brahm who also works in the middle school. Erin joins the coaching staff with a gymnastics/cheer background and has been helping the team significantly. We look forward to this season!

### Girls Soccer

The Manchester Essex Girls' soccer team kicked off their season with a 1-1 split. Facing the formidable Hamilton Wenham Generals in their opener, the Hornets

found themselves on the defensive early on. Despite a stellar effort from Senior Captains Ella Arnsten and Madi Cook, who formed an impenetrable wall, the Generals snagged a goal off a tricky corner kick.

In the second half, the Generals scored again, stretching their lead to 2-0. But the Hornets didn't roll over. Fueled by determination, Meg Hurd netted a stunning goal from a pass from Senior Captain Charlotte Crocker, keeping hope alive. With chances from Ava Dickerson and Tess Taylor, the Hornets fought valiantly but fell just short.

Rebounding from the loss, the Hornets put on a show in their first home game, coming out victorious against Amesbury 7-0! The scoring spree featured goals from six different players. Meg Hurd dazzled with an early goal, while Harper Brooks netted two—one from a sailing cross by Grace Scarbrough and the other from a well-placed shot. Libby Lawler's tenacity paid off with a rebound goal, and Charlotte Crocker and Ava Dickerson combined twice for more highlights. Amesbury scored an own goal from a Hornets corner. The Hornets proved their

scoring prowess and teamwork, making it clear that they're ready to make some noise this season. Onward and upward!

### Golf

The Hornets golf team is off to a strong start with wins over a solid Triton Vikings team 143-129, and a veteran Pentucket squad 138-121. The two wins were followed by our first loss of the young season to a tough North Reading team by the score of 175-146.

The Triton match saw Captain Gray West, Jack Lawler and Matt DeOreo all score 25 points, and the entire team scored over 20 points each.

Gray West lead the way against Pentucket with 29 points, followed by Matt DeOreo with 26, Graham Lewis with 24 and Captain Jack McCavanagh with 22.

Jake Zschau had a season high 33 points in the loss to North Reading, with Jack Lawler carding an impressive 27 points. Conner Dickson played well and posted 21 points for the Hornets.

A big week is in store this week with a match against a much-improved Amesbury team, before we return home to take on rival Rockport on Thursday afternoon.

## Cape Ann Savings Bank Names Starry D. Poe as VP, Chief Human Resources Officer



This week the Cape Ann Savings Bank announced it has named Starry D. Poe as the 178-year-old bank's Chief Human Resources Officer.

Starry brings more than 30 years of banking and Human Resources experience to the position.

Starting her career in retail banking, Starry gained experience in every position within a bank branch from teller to branch manager, before transitioning to Human

Resources. Most recently Starry held the position of VP, Director of Human Resources at Webster First Federal Credit Union. In the Human Resources role, Starry is most proud of truly making a difference with employees with her daily interactions. Looking through the lens of the employee prior to making recommendations or decisions is key.

"Human" comes before the "Resources," she said.

When asked about joining

the Cape Ann Savings Bank team Starry states, "I am elated for the opportunity to work alongside (Cape Ann Savings Bank President) Marianne Smith and team, the camaraderie since stepping foot in the door has shown me a glimpse of the culture and what's to come." Cape Ann Savings Bank has a long history serving Cape Ann as a commercial and retail bank since 1846, with locations in Gloucester, Manchester-by-the-Sea, and Rockport.

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# Puzzle

**THEME: FALL'S IN THE AIR**

**ACROSS**

1. Furry bamboo consumer
6. Cuban dance syllable
9. 100-meter race, e.g.
13. S-shaped moldings
14. Excessively theatrical actor
15. Chap
16. Will alternative
17. Sailor's affirmative
18. At full speed
19. \*Cause for fall celebration
21. \*Apple-related game
23. European Union, acr.
24. Hawaiian tuber
25. Pen on a farm
28. Color of a bruise
30. \*Pumpkins and squash, e.g.
35. "Give me your tired, your \_\_\_\_"
37. "\_\_\_ Free," movie about lions
39. Disdain
40. Caribbean color
41. Shiny suit
43. Spaghetti aglio and \_\_\_
44. Peevish
46. Half a round, in golf
47. \_\_\_-do-well
48. Battles royale
50. Change for a twenty
52. Banned insecticide, acr.
53. \*Back-to-School event
55. Hermy the Dentist
57. \*Apple sauce
61. \* \_\_ weather
65. Cell phone bill item
66. Bar association
68. Wombs
69. Begin, began, \_\_\_
70. Cut grass
71. Romanov rulers
72. Command with "at"
73. Stiff grass bristle
74. "Hobby" animal

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**DOWN**

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3. Not far
4. Look into
5. In the Land of Nod
6. Online conversation
7. \*Cushion for certain seasonal ride
8. Naked protozoa
9. Obtuse, as in person
10. \_\_\_ bowl, frozen dish
11. Largest human organ
12. Precedes Kong
15. Hindi courtesy title, pl.
20. Modern-day aqua-lung, acr.
22. Domain
24. Wood-eating house hazard
25. Involuntary contraction
26. Chef's headgear
27. Phil Collins' " \_\_\_ Be in My Heart"

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**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**

29. \*Maze plant
31. Upward and onto
32. Wide-\_\_\_ notebook
33. \*Like leaves in fall
34. Stall call
36. \*Much-used fall garden tool
38. Not any
42. Extend subscription
45. Unquestioning ones
49. Fraternity house
51. Miss Marple, e.g.
54. "Is Your Mama a \_\_\_?"
56. Dom DeLuise in 1980 role
57. Rubik's puzzle
58. Away from port
59. The state before riches?
60. Malaria symptom
61. Saw, sawed, \_\_\_
62. Drop of sorrow
63. Makes a mistake
64. Precedes shine
67. Gift topper

# Religious Notes

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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](http://www.CornerstoneNorthShore.org). If you have any special needs or concerns, please let us know! We're here to serve!  
**Visitation Parish - Mass Sched-**

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The Visitation Parish Mass Schedule:  
Sacred Heart Church - Saturday Vigil Mass - Virtual Mass - on our YouTube as well as [www.mecatholic.org](http://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](http://www.mecatholic.org) for Sacramen-

tal 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.  
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Sunday's Divine Liturgy, with Father Christopher, starts at 9 a.m. fol-

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# The Most Common Skin Mite



By Lawrence Lamb, DVM

This week we're talking about mites in dogs.

The most common mite of demodectic mange is *Demodex canis*. Many dogs raised normally by their mothers possess this mite as mites are transferred from mother to pup via cuddling during the first few days of life. Most dogs live in harmony with their mites, never suffering any consequences from being parasitized. If, however, conditions change to upset the natural equilibrium (such as some kind of suppression of the dog's immune system), the *Demodex* mites may gain the upper hand. The mites proliferate and can cause serious skin disease.

Unlike sarcoptic mange, demodectic mange is not considered a contagious disease and isolation of affected dogs is generally not considered necessary. Current thinking is that mites can be transferred from one dog to another but as long as the dog is healthy, the mites simply add into the dog's natural mite population and no skin disease results. In rare circumstances spread of disease is possible if a severe infection is involved. While there are still assorted theories about dog-to-dog transmission of *Demodex* mites, there is no question that mites cannot be transmitted to humans or to cats.

Localized demodectic occurs as isolated scaly bald patches, usually on the dog's face, creating a polka-dot appearance. Localized demodectic is considered a common puppyhood ailment and approximately 90% of cases resolve with no treatment of any kind. This is quite a contrast to generalized demodectic as described below so it is important to be able to distinguish localized from generalized disease. It seems like this would be a simple task since localized demodectic classically involves several round facial bald spots and generalized demodectic involves a bald scaly entire dog; still, reality does not always fit into neat categories in this way. Some guidelines used to distinguish localized demodectic include:

Treatment is not neces-

sary or recommended for localized demodectic. Resolution of a localized demodectic lesion should be at least partially apparent after one month though total resolution can take up to three months. Approximately 10% of localized demodectic cases will progress to generalized demodectic. Enlarged lymph nodes are a bad sign -- often foretelling generalized mange.

Generalized demodectic entails much more extensive involvement of the skin. Large patches of skin are affected and, if allowed to progress untreated, the entire surface of the dog may be impacted. Sometimes a polka dot appearance results but if there are more than four spots present, the patient is no longer classified as having the "localized" form and treatment rules for generalized disease may be applied. The secondary bacterial infections make this a very itchy and often smelly skin disease. These infections may require antibiotics, but it is important to realize that infection will probably not resolve fully until the mites are gone.

The biggest change in treating this condition came with the release of the isoxazoline flea products (Bravecto®, Nexgard®, Credelio® and Simparica®). The isoxazoline products are oral medications labeled to kill fleas and ticks in dogs. It turns out they have substan-

tial activity against Demodex mites and are successful enough that they have become the treatment of choice. These products are typically given orally every two to four weeks, depending on the protocol. Most dogs are simply cured by this protocol

Young dogs that develop demodectic are believed to have a genetic immunological defect that allows the mite to gain the upper hand. As the puppy grows up and his or her immune system matures, the immune system tend to naturally regain control of their mite infestation; in fact, 30-50% of dogs under age one year recover spontaneously from generalized demodectic without any form of treatment. Usually treatment is recommended, though, to facilitate recovery.

Most demodectic occurs in young dogs, under age one and a half. An older dog should not get demodectic unless there is an underlying problem with the immune system. In such cases, demodectic is considered an indication to seek a more serious hidden condition such as cancer, liver or kidney disease, or an immune-suppressive hormone imbalance.

Occasionally, a dog fails this treatment and is relegated to the more traditional methods such as: high dose oral ivermectin, a protocol that is not safe for many herding breeds; topical mox-

idectin (Advantage multi®); daily oral milbemycin (Interceptor®); or even labor-intensive dipping with amitraz (Mitaban®).

Treatment should be accompanied by skin scrapes every two to four weeks. In this way the effectiveness of treatment is assessed, and dosing can be changed. There are several protocols describing how to determine if treatment can be stopped. The idea is to eradicate every single mite from the dog's body so that the condition cannot recur. This typically entails either continuing treatment for a significant time after the patient appears recovered and/or rechecking skin scrapes a significant time after treatment is finished.



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

Solution to puzzles on page 10

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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.

Church Council 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m. New voices welcome

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Sunday, September 15 Sunday School begins, kick off the school year, during the 10 a.m. Worship and then head to the classrooms!

Sunday, September 22 Youth Fellowship begins

Sunday, September 29 Jazz Sunday during the 10 a.m. Worship

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Estate of William Siderewicz  
Date of Death: August 13, 2023

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## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
Town of Manchester  
10 Central Street  
Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA 01944

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) will hold a Public Hearing on September 26, 2024. The meeting will be held via Zoom beginning at 5:30 p.m. Manchester-by-the-Sea 1 is inviting you to join a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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This annual meeting is a statutory requirement of the MA Community Preservation Act (CPA). The purpose of this open meeting is to open the new fiscal

year's grant application season and to discuss the CPA's mission as laid out in the CPC's 5- year plan.

At this time, we invite all Town Residents, Boards, Committees and Organizations to submit grant applications for the CPC's review.

CPA funds may be used to fund Historic Preservation, Community Housing and Open Space/ Recreation projects.

More information on allowable projects including downloadable project applications can be found on the CPC section of town's web page.

The application deadline is 12/1/24 in order to be considered for the annual spring town meeting to be held in April.

Questions may be directed to Helene Shaw-Kwasie, CPC clerk at shawkwasieh@manchester.ma.us.

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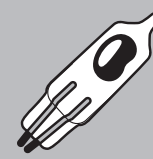
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