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**Monitors Wanted!**

The Manchester Memorial Elementary School is putting out a call to all retirees, local college students taking a gap, or just those who have extra time looking for an impactful and worthy way to make a difference. How? Well, the school has current openings for lunch/recess monitors and substitute teachers. If you're interested, Memorial Principal John Willis at willisj@mersd.org or call the front office at (978) 526-1908 to learn about the opportunities available to work in a joyful schoolhouse with amazing students and staff.



**Flag Correction**

In the September 13 edition of the Manchester Cricket, we included a photograph of the LG-BTQ+ flag with Town Administrator Greg Federpiel's update on the Select Board's decision to erect a flagpole for this and other flags at Masconomo Park. That photograph was of a previous version of the flag. The most current design, seen above, is the "Progress Pride Flag," which incorporates a chevron that includes black and brown stripes, symbolizing LGBTQ+ people of color and those affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic, alongside pink, baby blue, and white stripes representing the transgender, non-binary, and gender-nonconforming communities.

**Rev Up for Pickleball Round Robin Tournament**

The MBTS Parks & Recreation Dept. has announced the first annual Pickleball Round Robin Tournament, scheduled from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26 at the Sweeney Park Pickleball Courts. A and B Flights available for \$25 per person, pick your own teammate. Info at mbtsrec.com.

**MBTS Cardboard Boat Regatta Coming Up Oct. 13**

It's always an irreverent, rollicking day of fun and word about this DIY cardboard box regatta has gotten out well beyond little Manchester by the Sea. It's the "Float or Die" race amongst the truly devoted and the truly disturbed. Sunday, Oct. 13 at 11 a.m. at MBT's, this free event turns out big crowds to cheer on vessels made from nothing more than cardboard and duct tape. Last year's vessels featured names like "Granny Panty," "Bull Ship" (last year's winner), "Gulls Gone Wild," and "Barbenheimer." As usual, the American Legion will host a feed across the parking lot before and during the big event.



**RIP Gordon MacDougall**

Sadly, it has come to our attention that Manchester's own, Gordon MacDougall, has died at the remarkable age of 101. A true original, Gordon was the proud multi-year recipient of both the Boston Post Cane and the Manchester Elder Brethren's award celebrating our town's eldest citizen. A service was held on Thursday, Oct. 3 at the Cornerstone Church. Read Gordon MacDougall's obituary, Page 2.



Fall is in the air. How did that happen so quickly? Life seemed all summery just two weeks ago. By Wednesday, this maple tree at the Manchester Pleasant Street Cemetery was showing off the true colors of Fall. (Photo: Kris McGinn)

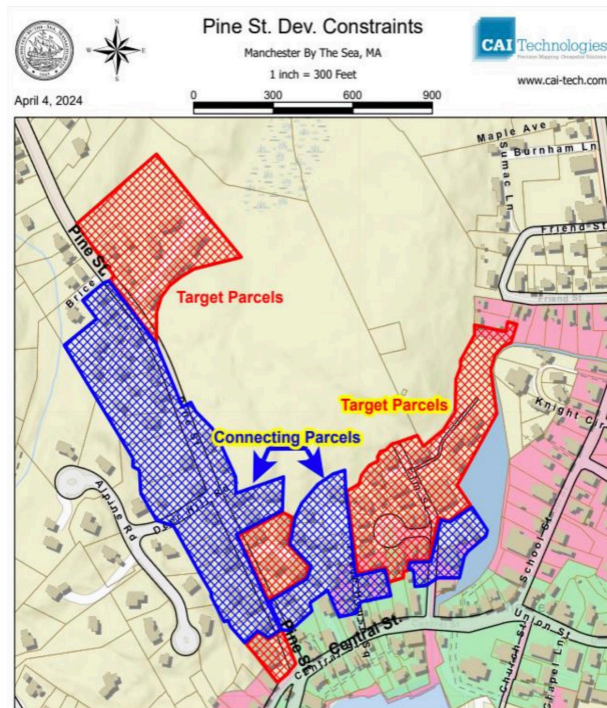
## MBTA 3A Zoning: Time to Get Educated

By Gregory T. Federspiel

Residents will decide to approve or reject a new zoning bylaw that establishes proposed overlay districts in four areas of town at the November 18 Special Town Meeting. The proposed districts have been developed by the MBTA Task Force and the Planning Board in response to a new state law that adds a new Section 3A to the state's Zoning laws contained in Chapter 40A.

The new overlay districts keep in place the underlying zoning provisions that exist today and add the possibility of property owners building multi-family units by right if the proposal adheres to the requirements of the overlay district, including design standards. This new zoning proposal is an important change that voters will want to study carefully before casting their vote.

The Task Force has been hard at work on the possible responses to the new state law for over a year. They have assembled a great deal of information both as background to their work and the details of the proposed overlay districts, all of which can be found on the Town's web site. Just click on the MBTA Zoning button on the home page. The planners have heard many suggestions and comments about their efforts and have incorporated many of the suggestions that residents have provided. The many meetings, guiding principles, public forums, FAQs, field trips and short videos about the four districts can all be found on the web site. It is not too soon for residents to be reviewing



these materials as we count down the weeks to the Special Town Meeting.

The state passed the new law to encourage the creation of new housing, though the legislation only addresses this through zoning, not through actual construction mandates - the law requires towns to allow multi-family housing, it does not require that this housing be built. While some have objected that the law overreaches and takes away local control, the statutes are full of examples where municipalities must abide by state law, including the very process by which zoning laws are enacted. (There is a case before the state's Supreme Judicial Court involving the Town of Milton challenging some aspects of the law. Oral arguments take place on October 7th though a decision is unlikely to come before the end of the year.)

The good news is that

we have worked to tailor the new 3A zoning requirement to fit into Manchester's character. For Manchester, the requirement is to allow multi-family housing on 37 acres, a tiny fraction of the approximately 5100 acres that lie within the Town boundaries. The law requires that we allow an average of 15 units per acre on these 37 acres. Given existing development that already exists within the chosen overlay districts, the maximum amount of net new housing that could be built is 342 units. This compares to approximately 2433 units that exist today. A commissioned study to determine the number of new units likely to be built put the total over time at 134 with 100 of these being in the small district proposed for the Limited Commercial District near the MAC. Even if the study's conclu-

**The new law requires that towns allow multi-family housing zoning in specific areas. It does not mandate they be built.**

sions are off a bit, it is not surprising to see a relatively low amount of new development arising given the historic trends in town and the high price of real estate.

A major worry has been whether the Town could comply with the new law while still retaining the special character that Manchester has. The proposals aim to address this concern by not placing any of the overlay districts in the historic district nor in the commercial area of the village. Most districts were chosen because they consist of small lots already built on to minimize the number of new units and to avoid the possibility of large complexes. Rules for each district set height limits and parking requirements to further

limit development. Finally, the overlay districts are subject to new design review standards that are aimed at ensuring any new construction fits in with the existing character of the surrounding neighborhood.

Another element that will be part of the proposal is to require a minimum of 20% of units built to be designated as affordable per state guidelines. This applies to any development with more than five units. This is important as Manchester currently lacks a good inventory of diverse, affordable units, likely contributing to our dwindling student population. Encouraging more diverse, affordable housing is one of the goals of the Town's Master Plan.

A formal public hearing will be held by the Planning Board at the end of October and there will be additional public forums and presentations leading up to the Town Meeting. You are encouraged to learn about this important work as you prepare to participate in the Special Town Meeting on November 18 at the High School and decide whether to approve the new zoning regulations.

**Weekly Weather Chart**

Saturday 5 Oct		69°	58°
Sunday 6 Oct		62°	53°
Monday 7 Oct		63°	54°
Tuesday 8 Oct		55°	47°
Wednesday 9 Oct		53°	47°
Thursday 10 Oct		54°	50°
Friday 11 Oct		54°	50°

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 BOS**  
Monday, October 7  
6 p.m.

**Essex ConCom**  
Tuesday, October 8  
7:15 p.m.

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On Saturday, September 28 Manchester's DPW and fire and police departments hosted a Touch-a-Truck event behind the Town Hall. The display of motorcycles, ambulances, fire apparatus, snow removal equipment and plows thrilled the young participants from Manchester, Essex and surrounding towns. More pics on Page 9. Photo: Paul Clark



# 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).

Sadly, it has come to our attention that Manchester's own, Gordon MacDougall, has died at the remarkable age of 101. A true original, Gordon was the proud multi-year recipient of both the Boston Post Cane and the Manchester Elder Brethren's award celebrating our town's eldest citizen. A service has been scheduled for this coming Thursday, October 3 at the Cornerstone Church.

## Gordon Q. MacDougall



Gordon Q. MacDougall's life was a vibrant journey, marked not only by his longevity but by the depth of his connections and the strength of his spirit. At the remarkable age of 101, Gordon, affectionately called "Gordy" by those who knew him well, passed away on September 25th, 2024, leaving behind a legacy that the Manchester by the Sea community will long cherish. Gordon's story began in Prince Edward Island, Canada, where he was one of nine

children born to John and Rhoda MacDougall. With humble origins, an eighth-grade education, and a heart full of ambition, he moved to Massachusetts accompanied by his beloved wife Joan and a \$100 in his pocket. Together, they built a life characterized by an unparalleled work ethic and a solid Christian foundation. Their shared journey resulted in a loving family of five children—David, Nancy, Linda, Phil, and Janet—as well as nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

As a fixture in the local community, Gordy was often the first face you would see in the town's cherished spots like Singing Beach, the local post office, the park, or Richdale's. His dream of winning big on scratch tickets was matched only by his desire to share his hoped-for fortune with others.

His warmth and hospitality were also felt internationally through the families he and Joan sponsored from across the globe. Countries such as Iran, Laos, Spain, France, Iraq, Japan, Sweden, and South Africa were brought closer to Manchester-by-the-Sea through Gordy's generous spirit.

Gordy will be remembered for his robust health, his love for gardening and spending time outdoors, and his incomparable kindness. His capacity for forgiveness, his readiness to help those in distress, and his deep commitment to his

faith and church attendance every Sunday are the traits that many will hold dear in his memory.

A celebration of life service will honor Gordon's rich life on Thursday, October 3rd, to be held at the Corner Stone church in Manchester-by-the-Sea. This event will pay tribute to a man who was not only the oldest in his community but also among the most cherished for his love, devotion, and willingness to make every day a reason to celebrate.

## Mary-Lou O'Brien



Mary-Lou O'Brien, 89, passed away on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, and is now reunited in spirit with her beloved husband Carl.

She grew up in Manchester-by-the-Sea and was the daughter of Emory N. and Marion (Bullock) Eaton. Mary-Lou was a graduate of both Story High School and Burdett Secretarial School and pursued her career as a Legal Secretary in Boston, however, music was her true passion.

Mary-Lou was a highly sought after contralto soloist and piano player and was a dedicated member of The First Parish Church Choir, Tabernacle Choir (Salem, MA), The Harmonettes, The Manchester Singers, The Paul Madore Chorale and The Manchester Women's

Club.

Mary-Lou was a cherished wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and aunt and will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Mary-Lou is survived by her daughter and long-time care provider Kimberly O'Brien of Manchester-by-the-Sea and her three sons, A. Jeffrey and wife Debra of Wiscasset, ME; Ross O'Brien and wife Carol of Medford and Eric O'Brien of Manchester-by-the-Sea; as well as her grandchildren Andrew O'Brien and wife Sarah of S. Hamilton, Christiana Sigourney and husband Matthew of Medford, Erin O'Brien of Wiscasset, ME and Kristina Andrews and husband Jonathan of Medford, and her great grandchildren Soren and Alesana Sigourney and Connor O'Brien, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Her graveside funeral service will be held at Rosedale Extension Cemetery, Manchester-by-the-Sea on October 8 at 9 a.m. followed by a Celebration of Life Service at 10 a.m. at First Parish Church Congregational, 10 Central Street, Manchester-by-the-Sea. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider a memorial contribution in Mary-Lou's honor to Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan Street, B-102, Danvers, MA 01932 or Cape Ann Animal Aid, 4 Paws Lane, Gloucester, MA 01930.

In honor of Mary-Lou, please feel free to wear royal blue - her favorite color!

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

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### ESTATE SALE!

MBTS, OCT. 12—34 Pine St, Sat, Oct 12th, 9 am - 4:30 pm. (No Early Birds please.) Dining room, Bedroom, Living room, and Porch furniture, crystal, china, silver, etc. .... 10/17

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# MANCHESTER POLICE NOTES



vehicle, secured/checked. 10:08 p.m. Summer St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
9:13 a.m. Bridge St., suspicious activity, spoken to. 1:16 p.m. Pine St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 5:21 p.m. Pine St., motor vehicle stop, written warning. 6:24 p.m. Summer St., motor vehicle crash, criminal application.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25  
4:01 a.m. Summer St., alarm, report to follow. 9:32 a.m. School St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 1:37 p.m. Summer St., property damage, report to follow. 5:34 p.m. Beaver Dam Rd., traffic hazard, other.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26  
6:26 a.m. School St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 7:10 a.m. School Zone, community policing, secured/checked. 4:38 p.m. Central St., citizen assist, other. 6:47 p.m. Norwood Ave., traffic hazard, secured/checked.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22  
1:05 a.m. Beach St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 1:12 p.m. Central St., threat, report to follow. 7:47 p.m. School St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 8:14 p.m. Pine St., suspicious activity, secured/

checked.  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23  
10:30 a.m. Summer St., motor vehicle stop, verbal warning. 11:48 a.m. Route 128SB, motor vehicle stop, arrest. 5:50 p.m. Route 128NB, disabled motor

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27  
9:13 a.m. Summer St., parking complaint, spoken to. 1:19 p.m. Lincoln St., fire alarm, fire false. 3:02 p.m. School St., erratic operator, gone on arrival. 6:40 p.m. School St., animal complaint, assisted as needed.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28  
9:20 a.m. Harbor St., animal complaint, notification made. 10:44 a.m. Pleasant St., parking complaint, parking enforcement. 3:24 p.m. Old Essex Rd. animal complaint, other. 6:31 p.m. Pleasant St., selective enforcement, no action taken.

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# Can You Smell the Cider Donuts?

The 2024 Manchester HarvestFest/Carnival is coming, Oct. 18 to 20

The Manchester Essex athletic boosters have signed on for “year two” of one of Manchester’s most cherished traditions, the public carnival at Masconomo Park that will raise funds for local sports programs at MERSD.

Last year’s organizers, Emily McCavanagh and Josh Pinstein, last week reported that this year’s family friendly weekend event will incorporate feedback from last year, when they brought back a former long-running tradition of a community carnival after more than a decade. Pinstein and McCavanagh said they’re committed to improving the event each year, while also staying true to the carnival’s history.

The feedback collected was overwhelmingly positive, the one thing people wanted, according to organizers, is (and this is a quote) “MORE.” Attendees appreciated the added “harvest fest” look and feel, and asked if this year’s event could include added food trucks, nonalcoholic and alcoholic beverage options, and non-

carnival game options.

Here is a sneak peek of the food, beverage and festivities planned this year. Ipswich brewery True North Ale will be on hand along with Butter Your Biscuit and Vine Street Donuts trucks that will share delicious bits while carnival fun and games like the dunk tank, family photo booth, arts and crafts table, pumpkin toss, and music.

The “beer tent” aspect of this year’s event will be a welcome one. This year’s fall beer gardens are in full swing on Cape Ann. (The Magnolia Public Library’s 4th Annual “Magtoberfest” on Oct. 13 is a hugely popular event, so hopefully folks will have rested up from all that fun and music before heading into the area’s last beerfest.)

Also, this year’s Manchester Carnival/HarvestFest will mark a special milestone for the event organizers, the Manchester/Essex Athletic Boosters that is celebrating its 50-year anniversary and it is events like the carnival and other fundraisers hosted by the boosters who have been supporting local ath-

letes, coaches and athletic programs for years.

As a result, the group will be calling out its achievements at this year’s carnival, including the scholarships awarded to seniors every year; hosting of the athletic program’s seasonal awards night dinners for athletes and their families, fulfilling equipment requests from coaches, funding for training, and support of filming team games. In fact, ME Boosters awards four \$1,000 annual scholarships to MERSD student athletes.

So, mark your calendars for the weekend of October 18 and get ready for a good old fashioned traditional carnival with rides, etc. plus added harvest fest activities and the addition of a beer tent.

In the end, organizers are happy to report this revived tradition is growing and expanding its impact.

**HarvestFest 2024**  
October 18-20

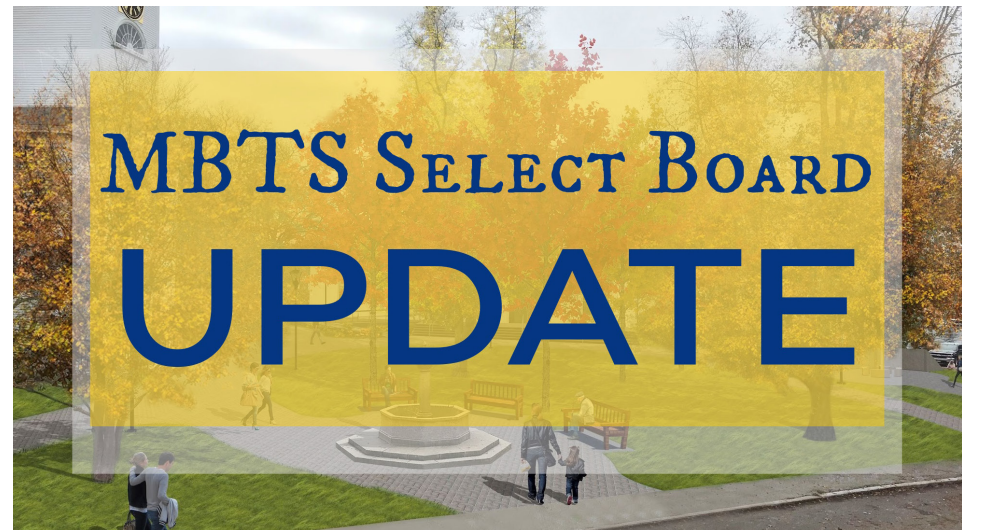
- Friday 4-10 p.m.
- Saturday 11-9 p.m.
- Sunday 12-5 p.m.



## Friends of MBTS COA’s Coffee and Connections



This Monday, September 30 the Friends of the Manchester Council on Aging celebrated two years of its popular “Coffee and Connections” social time at the First Parish Congregational Chapel. This weekly event that started as a simple idea to gather friends to meet up for coffee, chatting, games and to just connect with each other once a week. Since then, about 25-30 core seniors have shown up every week to enjoy each other’s company. It’s a wonderful new tradition.



### BOARD UPDATES

**Select Board Meeting:** The Select Board will meet on Monday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m. Meeting details can be found on the Town website.

**Tax Bills:** Second Quarter Real Estate and Personal Property Bills were issued this week and are due November 1. Anyone missing a bill may contact the Collector’s Office at (978) 526-2030. Payments can be made online, mailed, left in the payment box behind Town Hall, or in person during normal business hours.

**Annual Flu Clinic:** The Board of Health will host their Annual Flu Clinic on Wednesday, October 9 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the American Legion. All resi-

dents 18 and up are eligible. Appointment is required. Book today at manchester.ma.us/337/Board-of-Health.

**Fire Department Chili Cookoff:** On Thursday, October 10 at 4:30 p.m. the Fire Department will host the second annual Chili Cookoff. Come enjoy firehouse chili and hot dogs. View the fire apparatus and take a tour.

**Cultural Council Grants:** The deadline to apply for Cultural Council grants is October 16. To learn more please visit manchester.ma.us/382/Cultural-Council.

**Roadwork Updates:** Water main work continues next week on Pleasant Street and Forest Street. 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.

**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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## WHAT WAS HAPPENING

### 90 YEARS AGO – 1934

A car owned and operated by Miss Louis C. Barry of Salem caught fire while passing through Harbor Street the first of the week and a call for the department was wrung in from box 43. The damage was slight.

An interesting exhibition of new equipment for the rescue of drowning accidents was given at Masconomo Park Saturday afternoon which was witnessed by a large number of town’s people and several visitors from neighboring fire departments.

### 75 YEARS AGO – 1949

There has been a marked increase in the number of individuals who wish to play musical instruments evidenced this year in the Manchester Public Schools. The fine showing made by the school orchestra under Mrs. Perullo’s direction last spring undoubtedly contributed to this enthusiasm.

A Rudder or Fan Fish, very rare in these waters was caught last week by Pat Noonan and Paul Gannett, Manchester lobstermen, in a porgy net.

### 60 YEARS AGO – 1964

A recommendation of Selectman Benjamin Stasiak that Commissioner Francis W. Sargent of the State Department of Public Works be invited to inspect Manchester Harbor relative to a survey and research for future town needs was unanimously approved by the Board of Selectman. A number of the football fans that witnessed the Manchester-Georgetown game on Saturday commented favorable on the arrangements for the spectators and football players at the new field, particularly the bleachers.

### 45 YEARS AGO – 1979

West Bridgewater took Manchester in a hard-fought game on Saturday with a score of 12-6. This gave West Bridgewater its first win of the season and tied the two teams which are now both 1-2 in Division 4 of the Mayflower League. On Sunday, October 7 the Manchester Conservation Trust is sponsoring its annual mushroom hunt through the wilderness conservation area north of Route 128 under the leadership of Joan Brown, Boston Mycological Club.

### 30 YEARS AGO – 1994

Local gardener Hans Pundt won the Presidents Trophy for his garden entry at the Topsfield Fair Flower Show. The feeling that he created was that of a forgotten old New England country garden situated on the edge of an encroaching wooded patch. The Manchester JV Field Hockey team is currently 8-0-1. The Hornets picked up victories against Rockport, Lynnfield, and North Andover this past week.

### 15 YEARS AGO – 2009

The Rotunda at Tuck’s Point is in need of repair to the main structure, the pilings, decking and railings. Temporary posts were installed just before Memorial Day opening to support the walkway and ramp leading to the dinghy dock after they were deemed unsafe by the architect hired by the town.

On Sunday, October 18, a new conservation site in the Manchester Essex Woods will be opened for public enjoyment. The site will be dedicated in memory of the late Samuel Hoar, of Essex.

### Tides & Sun Chart For The Week Ahead

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4 Fri	12:57	9.3	1:04	9.6	7:09	1.0	7:33	0.5	6:43	6:20
5 Sat	1:30	9.1	1:34	9.7	7:45	1.2	8:13	0.6	6:44	6:18
6 Sun	2:04	8.8	2:06	9.7	8:22	1.4	8:55	0.7	6:45	6:16
7 Mon	2:41	8.5	2:43	9.7	9:02	1.6	9:39	0.9	6:46	6:15
8 Tue	3:22	8.2	3:25	9.5	9:44	1.9	10:25	1.1	6:47	6:13
9 Wed	4:08	8.0	4:12	9.4	10:31	2.1	11:17	1.3	6:48	6:11
10 Thu	5:00	7.8	5:06	9.2	11:25	2.2			6:49	6:09

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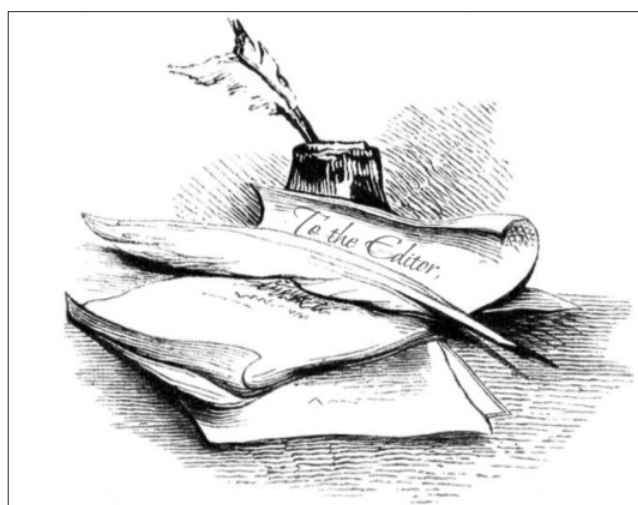
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**FACT CHECK MBTA Zoning**

To the Editor:

I am correcting the facts contained in the letter to the editor last week ("Wake up Manchester! MBTA Zoning will Lead to a "Horror Show," Manchester Cricket, 27 Sept. 2024) by Susan Wadia-Ells. Under the proposed zoning:

- Mariposa building: maximum allowed units would be eight, not 20. Units are capped at lot size square feet divided by 2,000.
- Affordable Housing: 20% of the units in a project of five or more units must be affordable at 80% of AMI (average median income in greater Boston), no payment in lieu of creating an affordable unit, and any builder may offer more affordable units and may

restrict them to less than 80% of AMI.

- Senior Housing: although the zoning cannot require senior housing, any builder may build units restricted to senior housing.
- Unit size: in determining unit capacity, the State Compliance model assumes 1,000 sq. ft. per unit including common areas; however, units actually built can be any size without restriction, no two- or three-bedroom units are required to be built.
- Morse Court: not all properties are included, the largest is a 13,534 sq. ft. lot, currently four units, the maximum units allowed would be five, based on the five-unit cap per property.
- Propensity for Change RKG Report: considered acquisition and building costs and determined only 34

units are likely to be built in the overlay districts inside of Rte. 128; plus, 100 units at Cape Ann Storage if that property is sold and wouldn't that be a great place for senior housing.

- Grants: if we did not have \$4 million in grants for FY25, the tax rate increase would be 16.6%, instead of 4.1%, an additional increase of 12.5%.

Just the facts, Ma'am!

**Sarah Mellish**  
Member, MBTA Zoning Task Force

**Correcting our Town Manager's Report, "Of Flags and Flagpoles"**

I welcome the opportunity to respond to our Town Manager's recent Manchester Cricket article of 9/13/24 entitled "Of Flags and Flagpoles."

Growing up in Manchester to me evokes memories of being different. As a foster child after the death of my mother in a car accident, my sister and I left our four siblings to reside in a foster home in Manchester. For me it was not easy being "different" in this town. I left Manchester immediately after high school to serve in the Active-Duty military, a choice I cherish to this day.

I returned to Manchester after service in the United States Army and my university studies to assist my aging parents. I continued to be driven by the need to serve and I served on various Manchester Town Boards and Committees. I also established dual membership at the Manchester Legion Post #119 both as a Veteran and as an Auxiliary Member, with my wife joining as an Auxil-

ary member as well. I served as our Legion's Post Commander for several terms.

Even then, as a Commander of the Legion my wife and I were harassed for being "different" as a same gender couple. We had photos that included us at Legion events being defiled and defaced and those photos posted on the building's public bulletin boards, among other episodes. However, alongside the amazing John Gilmore, we resolved many of the financial and management problems occurring at the Legion Post at that time. Now there is a charge by the Manchester Legion Post #119 and our Town Government to not have the LGBTQ+ Progress Flag be flown on the Town Flagpole, which is located adjacent to the Town Honor Role which lists the names of those entering Military service From Manchester.

My correction and clarification of Town Manager Federspiel's recent article are as follows:

1. In his article he writes, "To many residents, the construction of the Honor Role changed the nature of the use of the flagpole, dedicating it solely to honoring those served in the military." My question to Manager Federspiel is, "Which residents?" Have town residents had a say in this to date? I have attended every meeting on this issue, and I have not been informed of any poll or vote by town residents on this issue. Also, the Town flagpole has been utilized as a Town flagpole since inception, so why are we changing it now? And at what cost?
2. Manager Federspiel goes on to say, "To do this best,

goes the thinking, only the America Flag and the MIA/POW flag should be flown on this pole, not other commemorative flags." My question is whose thinking are you referencing Manager Federspiel? Yours? The Select Board? The Legion?

3. Manager Federspiel also reports in his article "... flying the third flag has caused damage to the rigging and the lighting of the pole. However, Bruce Heisey of the Legion reported at the latest Select Board meeting on this issue that the Flagpole rigging and lighting became broken in November, while The LGBTQ+ Progress flag flies only for the month of June. So, clearly, it was not the LGBTQ Progress flag that caused the damage.

4. Manager Federspiel goes on to report, "Replacing this pole would be more costly and disruptive to the Honor Role Installation." However, at the last meeting I attended on this subject both Bruce Heisey and the Select Board reported that the cost to replace the current Town flagpole with a taller flag pole (if needed) versus purchasing and installing a new flag pole in a different location on Town common would be the same. They reported that cost at approximately \$10,000 to the town. Added to this is the fact that a landscape architect was already hired by the Town and a plan was presented at this Select Board meeting of the potential new locations for another flagpole. Also, I would like to ask what was the cost of hiring the landscape architect and who

paid for that work?

5. Manager Federspiel closes his article with, "Further discussions will take pace to map out a good way forward that allows the Honor Role installation to be dedicated to its purpose..." During this meeting Select Board member Round proposed that the Select Board award the land around and including the Honor Role and Town Flagpole to the Legion Post #119. Select Board member Round was corrected by the Select Board chairperson who reminded those, for the record, that Town land can only be conveyed by a vote of the residents at Town Meeting. Also isn't the Honor Role a separate entity from the Town flagpole? Or was it always meant to be just a Legion post "installation", as Manager Federspiel now refers to it. Prior to this article Manager Federspiel reported the Honor Role as one entity and the Town flagpole as another.

In closing, I am well aware that some question the necessity of this discussion. However, to those of us who are seen as different in this town, our Town Manager and government should consider the question, are we truly a town that welcomes diversity?

Sadly, that has not been my experience but, I will continue the charge to try and make it easier and more welcoming for our LGBTQ+ community and Allies in the future.

Thank you for listening.

**Hope Watt-Bucci, Ph.D.**  
Manchester

# LIBRARY NEWS



Ozobot (Courtesy Photos)

This week at the library, Ways to have a Green Holiday Season, Hearthside Book Club, Author Katherine Howe and much more!

**Fall Hours**

The library will open Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Open Sundays**

Beginning October 20th, the library will be open Sundays from 1-4 p.m.

**Haunted Library Tours**

Wednesday, October 23 at 5:30, 5:50, 6:10 and 6:30 p.m. The annual haunted library is excited to welcome you back for a ghoulishly good time. Take a tour of the library in its Halloween regalia, enjoy some treats and very few tricks. This is a family event appropriate for age 4 and above. Registration is required.

**Haunted Experiences:**

**Brett Bertolino at Thirteenth Floor Entertain-**

**ment Group (Virtual)**

Thursday, October 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Join Brett Bertolino and Jeff DePaoli, host of "That Halloween Podcast", as they talk all about The Queen Mary's Dark Harbor which has been named one of the Top 10 Most Haunted Places in America. Registration is required.

**Medicare 101**

Tuesday, October 22 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Medicare Open Enrollment is October 15-December 7. Planning for Medicare-Countdown to 65 is a no-cost seminar that helps you understand your Medicare health insurance options outside of your employer-sponsored coverage, whether or not you are planning to retire. Registration is encouraged but not required.

**Have a Green Holiday Season (Virtual)**

Monday, October 7 from 7-8 p.m. Embracing the rhythms of winter is key to creating eco-conscious holiday traditions. Rather than getting carried away by the holiday rush, use this time as an opportunity to create the kind of holiday season you truly want, one focused on the magic of family and togetherness instead of stuff.

**Hearthside Book Club**

Tuesday, October 8 from 4-5 p.m. We will discuss "The Country Of The Pointed Firs" by Sarah Orne Jewett.

**Author Katherine Howe at Crowell Chapel**

Thursday, October 10 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Katherine Howe is a #1 New York Times bestselling and award-winning writer of historical fiction and nonfiction.

**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, fallingforartmbts@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.

**Shut Up and Write (Virtual)**

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: Felted Ghost**

Tuesday, October 15 from 4-5:30 p.m. Using just wool and a needle, you'll craft a decoration that'll put the "oooo" in boooo. Ages 11 and up.

**Community Game Night**

Thursday, October 17 from 4-6 p.m. All ages welcome. Snacks provided.

**MPL Children's Events:**

**Read to Winston**  
Thursday, October 10 at 3:30, 3:45 and 4 p.m. Susan Durkin and Winston, look forward to hearing stories read by YOU. Sign up for a 15-minute ap-

**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.

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The Country of The Pointed Firs

pointment and make sure to bring a favorite book or allow time to pick out a just right book at the library. Perfect for ages K-5.

**STEM Club**

Thursday, October 25 from 4-5 p.m. This group meets every third Thursday from 4-5 p.m. and is for grades 4-6. Together we will code an Ozo Bot to do mazes, challenges and more.

**Graphic Novel Club**

Wednesday, October 30 from 4-4:45 p.m. We will talk about books, eat a snack, and do an activity based on the month's selection. This month's pick is "Saving Sunshine" by Saadia Faruqi.

**Lego Time**

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

**Little Learners Play Group**

Thursdays from 10-11 a.m. Join this weekly playgroup presented by Early Childhood Partners CFCE. Please register.

**Fall and Winter Storytime**

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

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~ Arthur Miller ~



# Manchester by the Sea Museum: New Portico, No to Trolleys

By Erika Brown

The Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum officially kicked off its 2024-2025 lecture season last Thursday with a presentation on the 19th Century proliferation of—and Manchester’s successful efforts to halt—streetcar trolleys as a new “futuristic” mode of transportation spread across the United States.

Despite the downpour of rain that soaked Cape Ann, the First Parish Church Hall was full of attendees, drawn to hear “Manchester vs. the Trolley,” museum associate director Matthew Swindell’s lecture on the North Shore’s adoption of electric street trolleys in the last decades of the 1800s.

The “trend,” said Swindell, was both a technological advancement (from horse-drawn trolleys) and a mark of social mobility, since trolleys offered the working classes cheap transportation for work and leisure days off. Mills employing thousands shuttled people to work and back as electric trams were introduced to Boston in 1887, in Lowell in 1889, and in Worcester in 1891.

Trolleys and trains also whisked folks to the ocean shore, offering opportunity for new leisure activities like going to a seaside hotel or the beach. In 1880, the Naumkeag Street Railway Company built Salem Willows waterfront amusement park. In 1895, Revere Beach which enjoyed both railway and trolley service, was America’s very first public beach.

The Boston trolley system soon extended from Lynn to Marblehead, Salem, and Beverly. But, Swindell said, that exuberance hit a wall when Beverly Farms resisted trolley service beyond Chapman’s Corner. Manchester, by then a growing enclave of Gilded Age wealthy summer residents, followed suit: “No trolleys.”

Residents opposing trolleys in Manchester said the increased traffic from outsiders would erode the “charm” of town, encouraging unsightly “picnickers”



Matthew Swindell, associate director of the Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum, presenting the “Just Say No” history of trolleys in Manchester.



A strong showing of the Manchester-by-the-Sea Museum board braved the rain last Thursday for the official ribbon cutting of the museum’s new portico, which restored an original exterior element of the Trask House that had been missing for more than 100 years. From left, board members Axel Magnuson, David Lumsden, Suzanna Thompson, Rebecca Campbell, John Round, Marianne Coons, Mary Minott, Carol Bundy, Tom Durken (museum president), Constance Leahy, Alison Anholt-White, Matt Genta, and museum associate director Matthew Swindell. Photo: Erika Brown

who would lessen the unique quality that Manchester offers its residents. Those who supported the trolley system said it could bolster downtown establishments. (Fun fact: Swindell said in those decades, Manchester also resisted adoption of the telephone).

The controversy was pronounced, and prolonged, as Swindell showed through clippings chronicling the debate in the Manchester Cricket. The trolleys ran on shallow iron street rails and were powered by an overhead

metal rod that linked to electrical power lines suspended overhead. Swindell said this new “electrification” evoked images of flying witches in the sky, dipping their brooms down to spur these trolleys along.

In fact, in his popular 1891 poem “The Broomstick Train,” Beverly Farms Oliver Wendall Homes satirized the controversy, painting a tale of New England’s witches returning from hell to wreak havoc on the locals who had wreaked havoc on them.

*As for the hag, you can’t see her.  
But hark! you can hear her black cat’s purr,  
And now and then, as a car goes by,  
You may catch a gleam from her wicked eye.  
Often, you’ve looked on a rushing train,  
But just what moved it was not so plain.  
It couldn’t be those wires above,  
For they could neither pull nor shove*

In the end, trolleys did

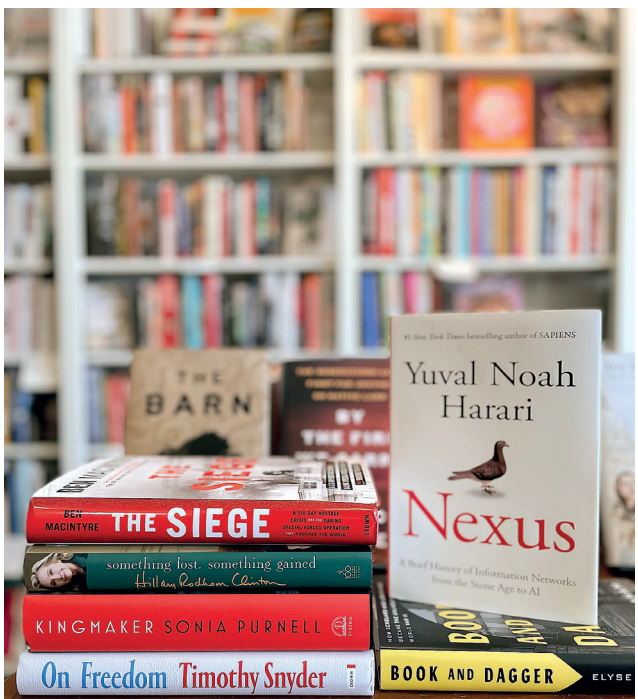
come to Cape Ann, albeit by way of Essex, which (like Manchester at the time) had multiple train stations that started with Centennial Grove (Fun fact: Centennial Grove was developed by the railway company to encourage urban families to spend a day of country leisure alongside Chebacco Lake); then downtown Essex (the station was located behind Town Hall); then at the beginning of Southern Avenue; and finally, at Conomo Point. Essex welcomed the trolley system, which extended from

Beverly to Essex and up to Gloucester, stopping short of Magnolia. Swindell’s lecture followed the Manchester by the Sea Museum’s annual meeting, in which the board quickly installed a new slate of officers and board members. Tom Dirkin will be the museum’s new president this year, replacing Philio Cushing who oversaw a bicentennial celebration year that drove a highly successful capital campaign (\$220,000).

The museum held a formal ribbon cutting ceremony just prior to the meeting for the new handsome portico built last summer that restored an original architectural entry of the Trask House that had been missing for more than 100 years. The portico project was overseen by Matt Genta, Rebecca Campbell, and Suzanna Thompson. Essex-based Carpenter & MacNeille provided the architectural drawings for the museum as a pro bono gift for its centennial, and Lucciano Andrade served as builder.

Next up for the museum is a children’s workshop, “Autumn Art & History: Children’s Workshop” scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 19 (11 a.m. to noon) to explore portraiture and the painting of Charles Hopkinson and facilitated by artist Martha Chapman, and supported by The Hooper Fund.

## Shop Thoughts: Best Non-Fiction Picks for Fall



nedys to the Clintons.

Ben MacIntyre’s previous bestsellers include *Agent Sonya*, *The Spy and the Traitor*, and *Prisoners of the Castle*, among others. Now he’s back with *The Siege*, an in-depth account of the six days in 1980 when armed gunmen took 26 people hostage at the Iranian embassy in London, and the thrilling rescue that ended the ordeal.

Not to be outdone, October is coming in hot with *The Message* by Ta-Nehisi Coates, author of *Between the World and Me*. In three essays, Coates visits sites of conflict to look at how the stories we tell affect our understanding of the truth. His writing mixes politics and art by looking at extreme injustice while also examining the art we make from it.

We know and love John Grisham for his legal thrillers; now he’s teamed up for a nonfiction book with Jim McCloskey, founder of Centurion Ministries, the first organization in the world devoted to freeing the wrongly convicted, to tell 10 harrowing stories of the wrongly convicted in *Framed*. Big names in politics love

putting out big books in the fall and this year both Hillary and Bill Clinton have offerings. *Something Lost, Something Gained* by Hillary Rodham Clinton is already on shelves. It includes essays on friendship, 50 years of marriage, memories from her days as Secretary of State, moving past her dream of being President and into her next phase of life. *Citizen* by Bill Clinton comes out November 19 and details Clinton’s life after the presidency.

Alexei Navalny began writing *Patriot* shortly after his near-fatal poisoning in 2020. In it, he tells the full story of his life, including never-before-seen correspondence from prison, as well as a call to action to continue

the work that cost him his life.

On a lighter note, readers of food memoirs will be delighted to have the first narrative from Ina Garten, *Be Ready When the Luck Happens*, about her path to authoring 13 bestselling cookbooks, as well as the lessons she learned along the way. *Taste* by Stanley Tucci was his hugely popular account of a life working and living with food. Now he’s back with *What I Ate in One Year*, chronicling a year’s worth of food with his signature wit and style.

Later on in the season, look for *The Serviceberry* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. The *Braiding Sweetgrass* author writes a thought-provoking manifesto

on how and why we might reorient our current form of capitalism toward a service economy, using the serviceberry as a metaphor. How can we better embrace generosity, gratitude, and abundance for a more equitable world? At just 128 pages, it’s necessary and highly consumable reading.

If you’re having trouble deciding, just pick up all of them and you’ll be set for the long winter.

**Hannah Harlow** is owner of *The Book Shop*, an independent bookstore in Beverly Farms. Harlow writes semi-regular recommendations for our readers. See more of what she recommends reading at [thecricket.com](http://thecricket.com).

By Hannah Harlow

It’s difficult to capture the many, many new works of nonfiction publishing this fall, but in this round-up I’ve tried to touch on a little something for everyone. September saw some exciting new nonfiction land. *Nexus: A Brief History of Information Networks from the Stone Age to AI* by Yuval Noah Harari immediately hit the bestseller lists when it published on September 10. An historian and author of *Sapiens*, Harari now explores how information networks have affected our world, from the Stone Age to our current use of AI.

There are many more veteran authors with new books out in September. *On Freedom* by Timothy Snyder, whose previous titles include *On Tyranny* and *Our Malady*, looks at what freedom is and how it’s been misunderstood — and how we can preserve and fight for it.

Here at the Book Shop, we sold a ton of copies of Sonia

Purnell’s *A Woman of No Importance*, about Virginia Hall, the American spy who helped change the course of World War II, after it published in 2019. Now Purnell is back with *The Kingmaker*, a rollicking and deeply researched biography of Pamela Churchill Harriman, the British aristocrat whose life intersected with everyone from the Ken-

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# Smooth Sailing So Far for ME Field Hockey



Hornet Abby Kent fires a shot towards the back of the net in an earlier match against Danvers. ME won 4-0. At press time the Hornets are 7-1-1. Kent has a record of 6 goals and 7 assists. ME next faces Gloucester on October 3. Photo Paul Clark

By Jason Brisbois

It's probably a sure sign that things are going well when a coach calls her team's lone loss in a season a "slump."

To be certain, there aren't many things to complain about when it comes to the Manchester Essex field hockey team in 2024. The Hor-

nets have been spectacular during the first third of the season, leaning on enviable talent and team chemistry to build a 6-1-1 record.

"I think we've hit our groove early this season," explains Manchester Essex field hockey coach Courtney Brown. "In some of the tighter games, we've been able to find the back of the net

while also strongly protecting our own goal. This team supports one another both on and off the field. Each line has the experience and confidence needed to raise up our younger players. We have some great chemistry this year."

Abby Kent (6 goals, 7 assists) and Laila Mears (5 goals, assist) have been stand-

outs on offense, goalie Brigid Carovillano has notched six shutouts and fellow captain Summer Demeo has been a crucial cog connecting it all in the midfield. Sophomore forward Sophia Broadbent has made great strides during the first few games of her first varsity season.

"She is powerful, fast, and eager to learn," Brown says of

Broadbent. "She's an example of an overall well-rounded athlete whose work ethic raises the bar for everyone around her. We initially put her at midfield, but she has a sharp stick and hard shot and even scored in the first few minutes playing on the forward line."

Also, of note has been the play of senior defender Hannah Davis.

"In both games and practices, Hannah steps hard to the ball, and has really learned to use her speed and strength to her advantage," explains Brown. "She's stepped up as a leader by guiding our younger players. I'm so proud that she's found her voice this season."

It's clear that this group is passionate about competing and the sport itself. The 3-1 loss to North Reading on September 11 served as an example of what happens when the Hornets aren't able to clear that bar during a game.

"We had a tough loss to North Reading a few weeks back, and we're determined to never let ourselves get into a slump in a game like that," says Brown. "We started the game a bit unfocused and lax, where we should have had more intensity and energy. Bringing energy and excitement up has been, literally, a game changer. Sophomore

Maya Frangioso and Katie Crompton are typically our loudest, starting with cheering and energy during warmups."

One game later, Manchester Essex forged a 1-1 tie with Newburyport that seemed to put the team back on track.

"Tying Newburyport - although it's somewhat unusual to come off a tie so satisfied, the game was such an even and fun match, with lots of back and forth play," explains Brown. "The girls were challenged but not outplayed, and it was an opportunity to elevate our play against an equally strong opponent."

The Hornets will get that chance again and again in the near future. A September 30 game against Amesbury promised the challenge of playing on a grass field as opposed to the more standard turf, with Northeastern Conference neighbor Gloucester slated for October 3 (4:30 p.m.) on the road and a home game against Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical at night (7 p.m.).

"I'm excited to play Gloucester in our first non-league game in years on Thursday," says Brown. "They are always a strong and gritty team, which will benefit us come playoffs."

# ME Football Looks to Rebound Against Brighton After First Loss of 2024



ME Hornet Conrad Garfield punches through the Rockland defense during a Friday night 38-18 win over the Bulldogs. (Photo Paul Clark)

By Jason Brisbois

After the Manchester Essex football team suffered its first loss of the season, Joe Grimes says it's time for his team to use

the circumstance as a springboard to bigger and better things.

"We hope the biggest takeaway is that we can rebound from a tough loss like Friday," says Grimes after the

Hornets' 24-8 loss to Triton on September 27. "We need to look at the film and use it to make improvements and build on the frustration of losing instead of running from it. Our guys did a lot of

positive things, but we've got a lot of work ahead of us if we want to slow down a team like Triton. I thought our defense showed a lot of grit and determination all night but we needed better technique

and situational awareness out there a couple times that hurt us."

While the tape will show where the Hornets need to make improvements, they also show some of the positive plays that Manchester Essex can build on for the future. Highlights from the game included Zach Hurd and Gabe Magee making interceptions in the red zone that kept the Hornets in the game on defense, while junior wide receiver/defensive back Charlie Thurlow scored the team's sole touchdown of the game in memorable fashion.

"Charlie Thurlow caught his first varsity touchdown on a really gritty pass route where he knew he was going to get drilled but he kept his focus and held onto the ball for our lone touchdown of the game," says Grimes.

Manchester Essex gets the chance to bounce back at home against Brighton on October 1 (6:30 p.m., Hyland Field). On offense, the Hornets need to rediscover the pace and focus they had in their first two games of the season.

"We looked a little lost out there offensively last week, which can happen from time

to time," explains Grimes. "We need to refocus our energy and see if we can get the rhythm back this week against Brighton."

On defense, the Hornets must account for the Bengals' powerful ground game while continuing to do the things they did well against Triton.

"Our defense played pretty well, especially up front," explains Grimes. "We came into the game looking to contain the Triton run attack and I thought we did a decent job there. However, we need to plug some holes in the pass game if we want to be successful this Friday or any Fridays down the road."

A win would improve Manchester Essex's record to 3-1 and keep them in the hunt for an MIAA Div. 7 playoff berth.

"We've seen before in past seasons and are generally familiar with their attack," Grimes says of the Bengals. "They are well-coached and we don't expect many mistakes on their side of the ball. They have shown a powerful running attack that we'll be ready for, but they are a lot better than their record indicates and we'll be ready."

## Hornets Nest

Field Hockey

Field Hockey continues to improve, make connections, and build confidence, this week earning wins against Hamilton Wenham (6-0) and Lynnfield (1-0). We're very

proud to have earned 6 shutouts and only allowed 2 goals all season.

Against a strong Lynnfield team, Laila Mears scored an early goal and allowed us to capture the win. Exemplary

play by GK Brigid Carovillano, who had several key saves late in the game. Against HW, we had 4 different scorers (Sarah Cort, Sarah Broadbent earning their first goals of the season, and Kiernan Day & Laila Mears both tallying 2 goals).

We're excited to have earned the 6th spot in the first iteration of the D4 power rankings. We're also excited to welcome back a few of our injured players, Sadie Potter & Emma Hickey, who have been working tirelessly on recovering from injuries early in the season. This weekend, the team is traveling to UNH to see our recent alum, Caelie Patrick, play for Providence College.

Cross Country

Girls improved to 3-0, beating Georgetown 17-44. Sabine Cooper won followed by River Silva 2nd, Whitney Turner 3rd, Kalin Bennett 4th and Hayden Remington 7th. Also affecting the score were Grace Castellucci 8th and Caroline Eliassen 9th who displaced Georgetown's 3rd, 4th and 5th runners.

The boys picked up their first win with an overwhelming 18-44 score. Henry Ste-



ME cheer squad practicing on Tuesday.

(Photo Paul Clark)

vens won followed by Lyall Cunningham 2nd, Gus Hall 4th, Matt Ala 5th and James Alo 6th. Max Deery 7th and Johnny Grath 9th displaced Georgetown runners to add to the margin victory.

The Hornets ran their first big meet of the year at the Bay State Invitational with over 1200 runners in 10 races. Boys placed 7 of 14 with 208 pts. Henry Stevens medaled 18th place in 17:39. Gus Hall and Isaiah Nicastro were 2nd and 3rd among Fresh-

man. Girls finished 7 of 8 with 166 pts. Sabine medaled 18th in 21:16. There were many personal records (PR).

Golf

The Hornets golf team went 1-1 on the week to improve to 6-2 overall.

The week started with a tough loss to a solid Hamilton Wenham team, with a score of 158-144. Jake Zschau put up a solid 30 points, Matt DeOreo carded a 27, and Connor Dickson with 24, at the always tough Myopia Hunt Club.

The team bounced back with an important 165-128 win against a good Ipswich Tigers team on Thursday, at beautiful Ipswich Country Club. Three players, including Matt DeOreo (33 points), Captain Gray West (30 points) and Jack Lawler (30 points) led the way for the Hornets.

The team stands at 6-2 with a big week ahead. We play a non-league match at Winthrop on Tuesday, followed

by a home match against Lynnfield on Wednesday, and we wrap up the week with the Cape Ann Classic, at Rockport, against Rockport and Ipswich.

Cheer

The cheer program has definitely taken off. This past week the team worked hard on their competition routine and game day stunting. This is the first year in a while that the Hornets have enough tumblers on the competition team to hit the score sheet for competition. Last week, ME Cheer cheered with the Jr Hornets, and the girls all had so much fun stunting and cheering alongside the younger girls. This past weekend, the girls cheered the boys on at the Triton game -- repping their new uniforms! Football is back at home on Friday, 10/4 when they take on Brighton in a Morgan's Message Dedication game.

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# ESSEX ECHO.

## EES First Schoolwide Meeting with New Principal, Mrs. Kim Provost



The Essex school community welcomed new Essex Principal, Mrs. Kimberly Provost. Courtesy Photo

The Essex Elementary School community has happily welcomed a new, permanent principal this school year, after two years with an interim principal. Mrs. Kimberly Provost, comes to EES with a deep understanding of the MERSD community and culture across grade levels. She began her tenure at MERSD as a founding lead teacher in the SAIL (Social & Academic Integrated Learning) Program at Manchester Memorial School initially, for several years. Then moved on to become Dean of Students at the MERSD Middle School.

She also continues to serve as the District's SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Coordinator across MERSD. Last Tuesday, Principal Provost held her first schoolwide meeting at EES. She began the meeting by asking students how they want to feel at school, responses included "happy", "safe" and "respected". She then went on to celebrate the class with the highest participation rate at the recent EES "Happy As A Clam" Race. Mrs. Russo's Kindergarten class won the Golden Cup with 100 percent participation! Congrats to them!

Next, Mrs. Provost handed the mic over to MERSD Elementary Library Teacher, Ms. Samantha Silag who welcomed guests, Ms. April Wanner from Essex Burnham Library and Mrs. Heidi Jackson Dean, Manager of Brookline Bank's Essex location. They joined the meeting to celebrate EES "Summer Reading Rock Stars". Ms. Silag announced over 125 students in grades K-5 who read throughout the summer -- the most EES "Summer Reading Rock Stars" in the last five years! Students who participated in summer reading programs at the Es-

sex Burnham Public Library or through the school's summer reading program were entered into a raffle for a new bike from Riverside Cycle. The EES Summer Reading Program is a collaboration between EES, Brookline Bank and the Essex Burnham Public Library, and is designed to keep EES students reading during the lazy, hazy days of summer. EES fifth-grader Nora Ward-Howe was the deserving winner of the bike raffle! All EES "Summer Reading Rock Stars" will receive prizes during their Library class this week.

## Essex COA Town-Wide "Community Needs" Survey Needs You

Make YOUR voice heard! Participate in the Town of Essex Community Survey. The Town of Essex Council on Aging Invites You to

Participate in a Community Survey of Residents Age 18+ This survey will help us learn about the needs of all Essex residents and the strengths and chal-

lenges to aging in Essex. We encourage you to participate! Please call 617-287-7413 if you need assistance This survey is being con-

ducted by the Gerontology Institute at the University of Massachusetts Boston in partnership with the Essex Council on Aging. Point your browser here to connect to the survey: <https://www.essexma.org/> Thank you for taking the time to participate and making your voice heard!

## ESSEX POLICE NOTES



- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**  
No report.
- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**  
7:33 a.m. Main St., directed patrol, secured/checked.  
11:27 a.m. Middle Rd., male fall, transported to hospital.  
3:55 p.m. Martin St., fire alarm, fire false. 7:58 p.m. Western Ave., animal complaint, notification made.
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**  
8:42 a.m. Centennial Grove Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. 10:13 a.m. Spring St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 12:50 p.m. Western Ave., animal complaint, spoken to. 3:27 p.m. Pond St., motor vehicle complaint, gone on arrival.
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**  
12:52 a.m. Story St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:25 a.m. Conomo Point Rd., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:48 a.m. Main St., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:56 a.m. John Wise Ave., directed patrol, secured/checked.
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**  
8:20 a.m. Kings Court, disturbance, secured/checked. 11:37 a.m. Chebacco Terrace, secured/checked. 5:46 p.m. John Wise Ave., directed patrol, secured/checked. 6:50 p.m. Main St., selective enforcement, secured/checked.
- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**  
No report.
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
No report.

## Planning Board Residential Zoning Public Outreach

The Essex Planning Board would like your input on its ongoing effort to prepare residential zoning proposals for the Fall Town Meeting, which will be held on November 18, 2024. Please see the Planning Board's flyer here: <https://www.essexma.org/> for more information.

## LIBRARY NEWS



Children recently enjoyed the first Library Crafternoon of the season making adorable and unique corner bookmarks. Courtesy Photo

- Library open Saturdays**  
The library will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m.-12 noon.
- All About Bats with Mass Wildlife (Virtual)**  
Thursday, October 17 at 7 p.m. Register for the Zoom link.
- 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, October 28 at 10 a.m. Come by for a discussion of "The Heiress" by Rachel Hawkins.
- 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.
- Messy Glue Ghosts**  
Thursday, October 24 at 4 p.m. for teens, grades 6-12. Join us to make your very own ghost.

- Spooky Bones & Creepy Crawlies**  
Tuesday, October 29 at 4 p.m. for age 5-11. Meet Professor Bugman and explore real bones and skeletons from endemic Massachusetts animals, or hold and pet some of the biggest bugs you've ever seen.
- STEAM & Stories**  
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.
- 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 Locals

**115 Years Ago - 1909**

The dredger which has been at work in the river all summer started for Boston on Friday, having completed the work here.

**90 Years Ago - 1934**

Lester Tompkins, who is supervisor inspector of dairy products has been in Vermont inspecting dairies shipping milk into this state and next week he will be in New Hampshire.

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# A Halloween Love Story? “Simon Says” at the Larcom

Just in time for Halloween, the critically acclaimed play, “Simon Says,” is set to open at the historic Larcom Theater in Beverly later this month. Described by the *New York Times* as “exciting,” the story combines a séance, murder, and love. In this Q&A, the playwright, **Mat Schaffer** (the former WBCN and KISS 108 Boston radio personality and longtime *Boston Herald* restaurant reviewer) sits down with the play’s director, **Myriam Cyr**, a resident of Beverly Farms who has acted and directed on stages in London, New York, Boston, and her native Canada. The pair discusses why *Simon Says* just may be the perfect date night show for theater lovers this time of year.



The cast of the paranormal play “Simon Says,” opening in Beverly on October 13 and described as “exciting” by the *New York Times*. From left, Molly Chiffer, Kayode Akinyemi, and award-winning Gloucester actor Malcolm Ingram.

**MS** The first time I interviewed you was all the way back in 2007 on my WBCN Sunday show, the Boston Sunday Review.

**MC** I was promoting my book *Letters of a Portuguese Nun*.

**MS** I told you I’d written a play and asked you if you’d read it.

**MC** I said I’d read it—and I did. I thought it had potential. It was 90 minutes long, there were only three characters, and the paranormal theme is fascinating.

**MS** The main character, James, is a young man who is a psychic channeler. When he goes into trance, he channels a wise, non-bodied personality—or soul—named Simon. For the past decade, James has lived with an older academic named Williston who is writing a book on the continuation of the soul after death.

**MC** They have a complicated relationship.

**MS** They do. And when the play begins, they are fighting. It’s James’s first reading since the pandemic—and he wants to cancel.

**MC** Enter Annie. A high school science teacher who does not believe in psychics. But her soulmate husband died in a car accident two years ago and she has not recovered. So, she’s hoping against hope, this reading with James might bring her some peace.

**MS** When Williston tells her Simon says there are no accidents, Annie pushes back.

**MC** No spoiler alerts!

**MS** Okay, okay. Can you believe this is our fourth time doing Simon?

**MC** 2007 and 2015 at the Boston Center for the Arts. And 2017 Off Broadway at the Lynn Redgrave Theatre in New York’s East Village.

**MC** With the late Brian Murray playing Williston. He was an actor’s actor. He worked a lot with Edward Albee.

**MS** And don’t forget all the



James (Kayode Akinyemi) and Professor Williston (Malcolm Ingram).

Photos: Adam Pulzetti

**“Simon Says” opens at the Larcom Theater in Beverly on Wednesday, Oct. 16 and the limited run of 13 evening and matinee shows ends on Sunday, Oct. 27. The cast of theater veterans includes Gloucester’s Malcolm Ingram.**

Annie we had during staged readings in New York—Sting’s daughter Micky Sumner, Betty Midler’s daughter Sophie, and what’s-her-name from the television show, “The O.C.,” Mischa Barton.

**MC** I am very, very excited about this current cast—I’ve worked with all of them and they are very talented. Malcolm Ingram—he’s Williston—won an Eliot Norton award two years ago for *Reparations* (which enjoyed a summer run at the Gloucester Stage Company).

**MS** That you directed.

**MC** Yes. *Simon Says* is our third collaboration together. Molly Chiffer—Annie—is an extraordinarily nuanced actor I directed in *Party in New York*. And Kayode Akinyemi is one of the stars of *Vikings: Valhalla* on Netflix. He will blow people away as James.

**MS** And Simon, of course,

will be reprising the role as Simon. Speaking of which, this play has evolved through its own iterations.

**MC** It has.

**MS** I think we’ve responded to some of the early comments from the critics. And setting the play just after COVID adds another layer of meaning that everyone will understand.

**MC** Simon has resonated with audiences from the beginning. Remember that woman who saw it six or seven times in Boston? If you have lost someone you cared about recently—a friend or

family member—the play can be healing.

**MS** If you are already into people like Edgar Cayce or Jane Roberts or Brian Weiss MD, who wrote *Many Lives, Many Masters*, then Simon will especially speak to you. But if you know nothing about parapsychology, the play can be a good introduction.

**MC** Also Dr. Eben Alexander.

**MS** *Proof of Heaven: A Neurosurgeon’s Journey into the Afterlife*. Great book. There are a bunch of Easter Egg shout-outs to many of these people in the script.

**MC** Another reason audiences come back—there are things they may have missed first time.

**MS** I love that this is happening before Halloween and next door to Salem, the Halloween capitol of the world!

**MC** Did you know the Larcom Theatre was an old vaudeville stage?

**MS** No wonder it’s so atmospheric ...

**MC** And the real James is coming.

**MS** Yes. Shortly after the first public reading of *Simon Says* I was introduced to a psychic named James who lived around the corner from me. The fictional James and the real James share many things in common. So, yes, he’s planning on coming to see the show and we will introduce him.

**MC** “Light a yellow candle.”

**MS** That’s one of his suggestions if you need a little luck in your life.

**MC** He’d also tell you that buying a ticket to *Simon Says*—will bring you luck.

**MS** James attended a fundraiser in New York last month, and the people sitting next to him live in the very same house in Queens he grew up in. What are the odds?

**MC** So, if James tells you to see *Simon Says*, you better listen!

*“Simon Says” at the Larcom Theater in Beverly opens Wednesday, Oct. 16 and runs through Sunday, Oct. 27, presented by Punctuate4 Productions. Tickets are \$20 to \$40 at punctuate4.org with 13 evening and matinee performances. Group discounts available by calling 978-390-2425.*



# Paula Sullivan-Reggio and Kate Glidden Join Beauport Financial



Gloucester-based Beauport Financial Services this week announces two additions to its firm, including financial services professional Kate Glidden and administrative assistant Paula Sullivan-Reggio.

In August, Beauport added a Financial Advisor, Kate Glidden, to its organization. Kate has over 23 years of experience in the financial and retirement planning industry. She holds her Series 7, 63 and 65 registrations with FINRA (Financial Industry Regulatory Authority) and well as her Massachusetts Life, Accident and Health Insurance Licenses. In addition to her registrations, she has earned multiple certifications which include the CFP® professional (Certified Financial Planner), RMA® (Retirement Management Advisor) and NNSA® (National Social Security Advisor).

“Creating a financial plan from the beginning, nurturing it, and ultimately seeing

the plan in action is what motivates me every day,” she said. “Transitioning to Beauport will allow me to continue to serve my clients, while providing the latest technology, advanced market research, and access to planning tools that one needs from their financial services firm. I know that I need a partner that shares my commitment to clients - the Beauport Team is that partner.”

In addition to Kate, Paula Sullivan-Reggio joined the team recently, having 25 years of experience in management, administration and customer service. Her role with the firm is Executive and Administrative Assistant. Her duties include scheduling, client communication and serving as an Executive Assistant to the advisors.

“It is refreshing to be part of the company culture and mission which is a one team approach while respecting individuality that lends way to achieving outstanding re-

sults.” Sullivan said.

Paula previously worked at EBSCO, in Ipswich MA at their headquarters. EBSCO is a major provider of library technology, e-books and clinical decision solutions for universities, colleges, hospitals, corporations, government, K12 schools and public libraries worldwide. She was with the research company for three years and served as an administrative assistant.

Beauport Financial was established in 1985 by its founding partner, David McKechnie. In 1997, managing partner, Derek Reed teamed up with McKechnie and since then, they have grown significantly in staff and clients. The organization now has a team of 11 professionals, serving many families and businesses. The firm looks forward to continued growth and is confident their two new additions share the same client, community and growth-minded values.

Paula Sullivan-Reggio and Kate Glidden.

Courtesy image

# Manchester Essex Regional Middle School

**Jackie Maher: Academy Teacher**  
Jackie joins the middle school as our Middle School Academy teacher. She has worked for several years as an English, Social Studies, ESL and inclusion teacher at the middle school level. Her years of experience include teaching in Boston Public Schools and, most recently, at the Miles River Middle School in Hamilton, Massachusetts. Jackie holds a Masters in Teaching from Simmons College and a BA in English from Trinity College.

**Megan Peura: Library Teaching Assistant**

Megan joins the middle/high school as our Library Teaching Assistant. She has several years of experience as a library aide and librarian. Most recently, she worked as a school librarian for the Medford Public Schools. Megan holds a Master of Library Science from San Jose State University, a Bachelor of Science in business from Southern New Hampshire University, and an Associate of Business from Middlesex Community College.

**Anya Saben: Ace Program Teaching Assistant**

Anya joins the middle school as a teaching assistant in our ACE program. Anya is a recent Salem State graduate with extensive experience working with children in camps and after school programs. She also has a strong academic background and brings creative arts skills, including a BFA in Theatre Performance to the ACE program.

**Marine Simon: Ace Program Teaching Assistant**

Marine joins the middle school as a

teaching assistant in our ACE program. She holds a bachelor's degree in communication, administration, and management of cultural events from IUT Chambéry in France and a bachelor's degree in special education and social work from IRTS PACA-Corse in Marseille, France. Her experience includes work as a Montessori teacher, a social worker in an emergency housing center, and a special education professional working in a center in Saint Mandé, France.

**Shanelle Taylor: School Psychologist**

Shanelle joins the middle and high schools as our School Psychologist. Most recently, Shanelle served as a School Psychology Intern with the Ipswich Public Schools. She holds a Masters and postgraduate certificate of advanced study in school psychology from Tufts University and a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Salem State College.

**Harry Wagg: Band and Music Teacher**

Harry joins MERSD as the middle school band and music teacher and the high school band director. He worked for several years as the High School Instrumental Director and K-12 Fine & Performing Arts Coordinator for the Lynnfield Public Schools. Harry holds and M.Ed. with a music concentration from Boston University and a Bachelor of Music from Berklee College of Music.

**Manchester Essex Regional High School**

**Matthew Graves: Teaching As-**

**sistant**

We are pleased to have Matthew Graves join the MERHS team as a teaching assistant. Matthew holds a Bachelor of Arts from Dartmouth College and a J.D. from Boston University. Matthew has a strong background in coaching and as a referee, and will be helping out the boys' soccer team this fall.

**David Kaufman: Computer Science Teacher**

David joins us after spending much of his career at Revere High School, where he taught and developed the computer science curriculum. David earned a Masters of Education from Lesley University, a Master of Science in Informational Technology at Endicott College, and a Doctor of Education from Boston University.

**Elizabeth Keane: Nurse (MS/HS)**

Elizabeth joins the middle/high school as our school nurse. She has been working as a nurse practitioner for the past 15 years. Elizabeth holds a Master of Science in Nursing from Simmons College and a Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of New Hampshire Durham.

**Andrew Lucas: Art Teacher**

Andrew is joining us full time after becoming our long-term substitute art teacher last year. Andrew earned a Master of Fine Arts from the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Before joining us at MERHS, Andrew worked in the Lowell and Sharon school systems. Andrew is also a professional photographer and has been featured in books and other publications.

**Samantha Pindara: Director of School Counseling**

We are excited to welcome Samantha Pindara as our next Director of School Counseling. Samantha holds a Masters in Counseling from Rivier College and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Salem State University. Samantha spent seven years prior to joining us in a school counselor role, primarily at Lynnfield High School. Samantha also brings experience from outside counseling, and has coached several high school sports.

**Gabriella Pope: Teaching Assistant**

Gabriella joins us as a teaching assistant for our Ace Program at MERHS. She has a Bachelor of Science degree from Salem State University, and worked as a student instructor there as well.

**Harry Wagg: Band and Music Teacher**

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**Manchester Essex Regional School District Central Office**

**Michelle Cresta: Director of Finance and Operations**

Michelle Cresta recently joined the

Manchester Essex Regional School District as the Director of Finance and Operations. A certified school business official since 2010 and a Merrimack College graduate, Michelle brings over a decade of experience in education finance to her role. Her career in school finance includes leadership positions as Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations at Marblehead Public Schools, Director of Finance and Operations at Triton Regional Schools, and Director of Finance at Stoneham Public Schools. Prior to her work in education, Michelle spent 15 years in municipal finance.

**Beth LeDoux: Literacy Instructional Coach (Essex & Memorial)**

Beth has significant experience as a Literacy Instructional Coach from Arlington and Needham Public Schools. Beth's experiences include roles as literacy specialist and classroom reading and writing teacher. Beth holds an undergraduate and Master's degree from UNH with an additional Masters in Reading from AIC. She brings positive energy and depth of knowledge to this position.

**Hana McGowan: Mathematics Instructional Coach (Essex & Memorial)**

Hana is an experienced Math Instructional Coach joining us from Stratham, NH schools, and Brookline Public Schools before that. She attended Vassar College for her undergraduate degree and holds her Master's degree from Lewis and Clark College. Hana has worked as a classroom teacher, math specialist, and math instructional coach and brings rich experience and excitement to this new role.



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On Saturday, September 28 Manchester's DPW and fire and police departments hosted a Touch-a-Truck event behind the Town Hall. The display of motorcycles, ambulances, fire apparatus, snow removal equipment and plows thrilled the young participants from Manchester, Essex and surrounding towns. Manchester's safety officials were well-represented and thoroughly enjoyed showing off especially the new ladder truck. The kids clambered over the equipment watched carefully by the town employees. This reporter smiled the whole time to see the support of the parents and the joy in the faces of the little ones.  
(Photos: Paul Clark)



# Puzzle

**THEME: FAMOUS WORLD SITES**

**ACROSS**

- 1. To grab meat off a grill
- 5. Tire meas.
- 8. Flock member
- 11. Hollywood sidewalk mark
- 12. Architect's drawing
- 13. Muhammad's teachings
- 15. \*Leaning Tower city
- 16. Co-eds' military org.
- 17. a.k.a. Pleasant Island
- 18. \*Angkor Wat country
- 20. Like some Christmas sweaters
- 21. Walt's Mickey
- 22. Blunder
- 23. Emerge
- 26. "Midsommar" flower arrangements
- 30. \*Avenue des Champs...lysées, technically
- 31. Plural of stria
- 34. Prescribed food selection
- 35. On pins and needles
- 37. Knee-related acronym
- 38. Fur of the marten
- 39. Hissy fit
- 40. Political "shelter"
- 42. The night before Christmas
- 43. Eyewash vessel
- 45. Food tester
- 47. King Kong, e.g.
- 48. Milk quantity
- 50. \* \_\_ Verde National Park
- 52. \*Black Hills' Mount \_\_ National Memorial
- 55. Short-trunked ungulate
- 56. Geometric calculation
- 57. Barbequed anatomy
- 59. Not upright
- 60. Mountain lake
- 61. \*Easter Island statues
- 62. Short for detective
- 63. Follow ems
- 64. "Mr. Roboto" band

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- 1. Recipe amt.
- 2. Related to ear
- 3. U.S. space agency, acr.
- 4. Gram, in Great Britain
- 5. Walks weary
- 6. Composer of "Gymnopédies" fame Erik \_\_
- 7. \*Machu Picchu empire
- 8. Twelfth month of Jewish civil year
- 9. On one's guard
- 10. Ostrich-like bird
- 12. Marcel of "Remembrance of Things Past" fame
- 13. Harden
- 14. \* \_\_ Familia, Spain
- 19. Autocratic
- 22. Earlier in time, archaic
- 23. Use blunt end of pencil
- 24. Sack fabric
- 25. Change shoelace knot, e.g.
- 26. \*China's Great attraction
- 27. \*Mt. Everest's northern slope location

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**Solutions on Page 11**

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- 29. Ranch grazer
- 32. Poison ivy woe
- 33. \* \_\_ Strait, Alaskan cruise destination
- 36. \*Famous onion-domed cathedral's namesake in Russia
- 38. Ingratiating behavior
- 40. Gobbled up
- 41. Relating to Utah
- 44. Like exes
- 46. Violent weather, pl.
- 48. #13 Across' sacred writings
- 49. Site frequenters
- 50. First one on a ship
- 51. Long narrative poem
- 52. Loan attribute
- 53. Heavy metal's Quiet \_\_
- 54. E-commerce website
- 55. Sylvester, to Tweety
- 58. Broadway musical about wives of Henry VIII

# Religious Notes

**First Universalist Church of Essex**  
59 Main St, Essex, MA  
Sunday services 10 a.m. & Coffee hour after service  
Visit our website for more events & info: <https://www.uuessex.org/>  
**Cornerstone Church**  
We gather for worship each Sunday

at 10 a.m. and welcome you to join us for a time of studying the scriptures and praising the Lord. Other ministry updates and details can be found on our website, [www.CornerstoneNorthShore.org](http://www.CornerstoneNorthShore.org). If you have any special needs or concerns, please let us know! We're here to serve!

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

mecatholic.org for Sacramental Information as well as Parish Registration if you are new to town or looking to join a Catholic Church.  
**The Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church**  
8 Lafayette Road, Ipswich Mass.  
Church services, with Father Christopher Kolentsas, are held each Sunday.  
Sunday's Divine Liturgy, with Father Christopher, starts at 9 a.m. fol-

lowed by a weekly sermon. All are welcome to attend.  
**First Parish Church**  
First Parish Church Manchester-by-the-Sea - a lovely place to start your week, join us for a moving message, beautiful music and community in the center of town -  
Worship continues this Sunday, 10 a.m. led by Rev. Katherine Schofield and Dr. Herman Weiss with the First Parish Choir  
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# What to Do When Mom and Dad Clearly Need Help at Home ... and They Say, "NO WAY."

By Joanne MacInnis RN  
CDP, President, Aberdeen Home Care, Inc.

Well ... You are not alone. Anecdotally, I can confidently report that 80-90 percent of clients coming onto service for care with Aberdeen were initially very resistant and insisted that they did not have unmet needs that required this type of intervention. "I don't want anyone in my home. No one is trustworthy. No one needs to tell me what I can and cannot do in my own house. I am perfectly fine and don't need anyone to babysit me. I've never fallen down the stairs before and do not intend to do that any time soon."

In most cases, independence is not lost in one fell swoop. Aging is an insidious process, often clouding our eyes from what IS...and we are sometimes stuck on what WAS. We age inconspicuously even though it feels like warp speed. The body changes so slowly that afflictions like vision and hearing loss often go undetected by older adults. I know very few folks who have decided on their own with no help, solicited or otherwise, from well-meaning loved ones to go ahead and get those hearing aids, walkers, canes, or lifeline emergency alert systems.

## "Dad is in complete denial about Mom's memory loss."

Families share that they are beyond frustrated when their suggestions are repeatedly refused. "We hope you have better luck than we did" is often a familiar greeting as we meet with new families and begin to peel the proverbial onion. Let's take a new look at what this hesitation is all about.

Whether the issue is driving the car, money management, staying alone in the house, or other areas of vulnerability, removing any part of what is considered normal adult independence can be a crushing blow. We are Yankees. We hang onto the last vestige of self-determination ... with all our strength.

Somehow, the "normal" aging process has become something to be ashamed of. The Old Grey Mare... ain't what she used to be. Our entire society is based on refusing to age. Almost every product pitched to us via every possible method claim: Look Younger, Feel Younger, Be Younger. The word isn't vibrant, relevant, active, or happy. Just Younger.

So, where does that leave those who are (like everyone) aging with normalcy? We are not all Jane Fonda ... If we are not aging like the superstars, how does that make us feel? Worthless, used up, irrelevant?? The hit to the ego is big and, depending on the size of the ego in question, the strategy may be to keep this reality at the forefront of both thought and action.



There are indeed issues ... and then there are ISSUES. Most of the time, we get more than one warning. Suppose something goes awry now and again, like a minor car accident, loss of something significant, or missing appointments. We can usually rationalize that these things can happen to anyone at any age. True. But do the math, add them all up, and see what you get for a picture. If you assess that safety of any kind is at risk, the game is officially changed.

Since most of us do not see ourselves objectively, we can relate to the feelings that arise when we are even gently confronted with behaviors of concern. When you do not see the need and do not acknowledge what IS, even if your own safety is at risk, you will refuse help. Some families are even struggling to get their loved ones in need to accept family help and intervention. The notion of rugged independence and self-sufficiency has landed many an elder in the emergency room, nursing home, or worse. How can we "break through" the resistance?

In one way or another, most of our dear ones have participated in the care of their own elders. They have been down this road before but are now in the hot seat. Gentle reminders of their own experiences can be incredibly helpful. "Dad, remember when you had to take the car keys away from Grampa? That was so hard for both of you. I know you hated to do that, but he clearly couldn't drive anymore, even though he thought he could."

**What is the ultimate goal?** For most elders, it's retaining as much independence as possible. Position the interventions that you deem necessary to support the ultimate goal. Maybe Dad can drive around town but not on the highway. Perhaps he drives between the hours of 9-3 and never in inclement weather. It's not all or nothing. Make that clear. "Dad, if you are willing to modify your driving, you may be able to

keep driving and your license for much longer."

## What could happen?

I have stories, actual accounts of what could have and did, in fact, happen, and it was not pretty. Imagine the long-term fallout of hitting a pedestrian who stepped off the sidewalk. When you are dealing with visual and hearing loss, maybe a touch of cloudy brain, which, of course, we all have from time to time, and a reduction in the speed of reflexes (normal aging process), add that up and see how easy it is to imagine this scenario. Even as a very defensive driver, I am amazed at how often I experience a "near miss."

## What to do?

Seek out education and draw from the experience of those in the know. If you were in a dental crisis, don't bother calling the dermatologist; they can't help you. If you are going through this, your friends, colleagues, and neighbors with elder responsibilities are going through the same things. We've never been here before, so it's brand-new territory. Like anything, everyone you ask has their own story and choices. They may have been "just right" in that situation, but not for yours. You know the players, the personalities, and the potholes in the family road. Trust that.

## Where's the help?

During the years when the tide flips, and parents et al become less independent, especially when this goes against the very grain and core of a personality, it will be hard. Sorry. Truth. Do not navigate this on your own. Help is all around. There are many excellent newish books that offer wisdom and insight. Councils on Aging and Senior Centers are great resources, too. Start the conversation. Be honest with yourself about the difficulty of challenging "family rules," get support, and talk to those you respect who have been down this

road. Personal narratives and experiences from those I value and trust have always been my best teachers.

The worst thing would be to ignore what you see and know. It's not going to get better, and you know that already. Ask for help. There are lots of us ready, willing, and able.

**Joanne MacInnis, RN, is the founder and president of Aberdeen Home Care, Inc., of Danvers, a concierge private duty home care agency in business since 2001. With 35 years of nursing practice, management and administration experience focused on home care and hospice, Joanne and her team specialize in advising and supporting families addressing the elders in their lives retain dignity and quality of life.**

## 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 Thursday 10 a.m. - 12 noon TBMTS Health Clinic open to all Seaside Knitters 1-3 p.m.

## St. John's Church

Worship: Every Sunday we hold services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Child care is available during the 10 a.m. service. Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. **Quaker Meeting** Quakers of the North Shore worship every Sunday from 10-11 a.m. at the Glen Urquhart School: 74 Hart Street, Beverly Farms, Mass. It is an unprogrammed Quaker Meeting.

## LEGAL NOTICE



**Manchester Town Hall**  
10 Central Street  
Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA 01944

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

**Public Hearing Notice**

The Manchester Board of Health will be holding a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 24, 2024 to review proposed amendments to the existing "Environmental Tobacco, Marijuana, Electronic Delivery Regulation" and "Regulation Prohibiting the Manufacture, Sale, or Distribution of Synthetic Cannabinoids". Copies of the existing regulation and proposed amendments are available on the Town website: [www.manchester.ma.us](http://www.manchester.ma.us) as well as at the Manchester Board of Health Office (Town Hall 10 Central Street Manchester, MA). The proposed updates and amendments include division of the existing regulation into the following separate regulations:

- 1.) Regulation Restricting Sale of Tobacco Products
- 2.) Regulation Prohibiting the Manufacture, Sale, or Distribution of Synthetic Cannabinoids
- 3.) Regulation Restricting the Sale of Marijuana and Marijuana Products
- 4.) Regulation Prohibiting Smoking in Workplaces and Other Places

Members of the public are welcome to participate in the hearing, which will be begin at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 24, 2024 in the Selectmen's Meeting Room #5 of Town Hall and by Zoom meeting platform. The Zoom link will be made available on the Town website [www.manchester.ma.us](http://www.manchester.ma.us). Anyone with questions may contact the Board of Health office at 978 526 7385.

Peter Colarusso, Chairperson  
Manchester Board of Health

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

Oct. 4, 2024 MC  
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## LEGAL



Town of Manchester-by-Sea  
**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
Town Hall, 10 Central Street,  
Manchester-by-Sea, MA 01944-1399

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Manchester-by-the-Sea will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Location: This is a Hybrid meeting. ZBA Board will meet in Town Hall. Applicants, Presenters, and Public are welcome to join the Board in Room 5 or on zoom.

New Application

Application of the Carlos Delgado, 21 Rockwood Heights Road, for a Special Permit under Sections 5.3, 7.2, and 12.5 of the Zoning By-Law to reconstruct the house and extend an existing encroachment into the side setback, at 21 Rockwood Heights Road, Assessor's Map 32, Lot No. 126 in District C filed with the Town Clerk on August 29, 2024.

Sarah Mellish, Chair, Zoning Board of Appeals

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<http://masspublicnotices.org>

October 4, 2024 MC  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE



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

**Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 10/4/24**

Peter Baciu requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Notice of Intent to construct an addition and other home and landscape improvements, and invasive species management within the 100-ft Buffer Zone to Inland Bank, Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and the 200-ft Riverfront Area to Sawmill Brook at 35 Vine Street.

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

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Oct. 4, 2024 MC

## PUBLIC NOTICE



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

**Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 10/4/24**

Christopher and Christina Comparato request the Commission make a decision regarding a Notice of Intent for the demolition and reconstruction of a single-family house within the 100-ft Buffer Zone to Coastal Bank and the 200-ft Riverfront Area to Days Creek and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Floilage at 9 Proctor Street.

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

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Town Hall, 10 Central Street,  
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Christopher Comparato requests the Commission make a decision regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability for the tree removal and invasive species management within the 100-ft Buffer Zone to Coastal Bank and the 200-ft Riverfront Area to Days Creek at 11 Proctor Street.

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

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Town Hall, 10 Central Street,  
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**Public Hearing Notice to be Published on or before 10/4/24**

Russell Pyle and Two Boardman Avenue LLC request the Commission make a decision regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability for the installation of a mooring in Land Under Ocean at 2 Boardman Avenue.

This request will be discussed at a VIRTUAL meeting on Tuesday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m. and will be reviewed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) and/or the Manchester General Wetlands Bylaw.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
36 Federal Street  
Salem, MA 01970

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO PARTITION**  
Docket No. ES24E0074PP

To LISA HUBBARD, of MANCHESTER, in the County of ESSEX, Massachusetts and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by CHRISTOPHER LANGATHIANOS of GLOUCESTER, in the County of ESSEX, Massachusetts representing that he holds as Joint Tenants, an undivided part or share of certain land lying in 57 School Street, Unit 4, Manchester, Massachusetts in said County of ESSEX and briefly described as follows:

The condominium unit No. 4 ("Unit") in the School Street Condominium located at 57-4 School Street, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts, a condominium established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A, by Master Deed dated March 10, 2006 and recorded with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds at Book 25459, Page 71.

Said Unit is shown on the floor plans filed with said Master Deed and on the copy of a portion of said plan recorded in Book 25712, Page 34, to which is affixed a verified statement in the form required by Section 9 of Chapter 183A.

Each of the units in the said condominium is intended for residential purposes as are set forth in the Master Deed.

The undivided percentage interest of the Unit and the common area and facilities is 27.1% interest as described in the Master Deed of the Condominium.

Setting forth that they desire that all of said land may be sold at private sale for no less than ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,200,000.00) dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided at private sale, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 24th day of October 2024, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Frances M. Giordano, Esquire, First Judge of said Court this 5th day of SEPTEMBER 2024.

Pamela A Casey O'Brien,  
Register of Probate

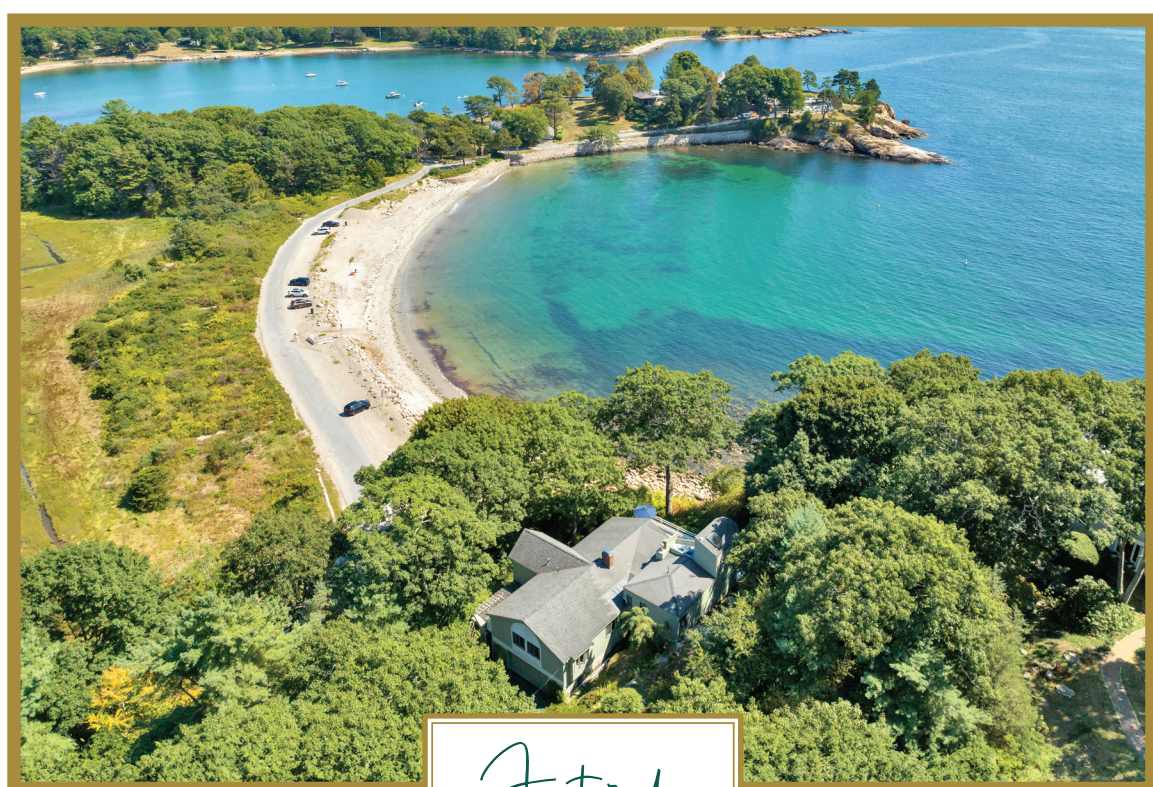
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MANCHESTER

**\$1,850,000 | Jeanne Carpenter & Cindy Bane**

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MANCHESTER

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NEWBURY

**\$1,499,900 | Josephine Mehm Baker**

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MANCHESTER

**\$1,395,000 | Emily McPherson**

Newly renovated 3-bedroom, 4-bath home in beautiful 1-acre setting has flexible main floor plan with fireplaced living room, pantry in beautiful kitchen, 1st floor main suite, office, finished basement.



MANCHESTER

**\$325,000 | Julia Virden**

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**19 Turtleback Essex | \$1,600,000**

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**5 Albert Rd Peabody | \$739,900**

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