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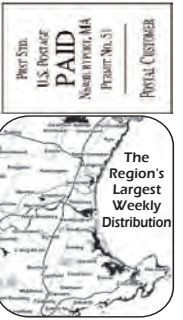
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## CANDIDATE STATEMENT

### Mike Anderson for Georgetown Light Commissioner

**GEORGETOWN** – My name is Mike Anderson, and I am running for the position of Light Commissioner.

I am a lifelong resident of Georgetown and have worked full time at the school department for many years. I have served the community in many capacities. Starting as a teenager, I was involved in the fire department as a call firefighter and worked my way up to fire Chief.

My community involvement includes serving on the Senior Center Building Committee and acting as the School Department representative for the Penn Brook school Building Committee. I have been a member of the Town Scholarship Committee for many years and was elected to the Board of Assessors, where I served for Eight years. I also participate in various community groups and hiring committees within the town.

Professionally, I owned and successfully managed my own restaurant for 12 years before selling it. I am Currently engaged to Lisa Peach of Rowley, together we have six wonderful children who four who attended Georgetown Schools and two that attend Triton District. My hope is that my community involvement teaches them the importance of helping others and making our community a better place.

I have decided to run for Light Commissioner because I feel my current position as Director of Operations for the School Department provides me with significant knowledge across many trades. My experience sitting on various boards/committees has provided me with the tools related to local Government. Furthermore, I believe my deep understanding of Georgetown and its residents will help me succeed in this role.

Thank you for your consideration, and I ask for your vote on May 12th. ♦

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## Merrimac's Purple Sage Pottery - Open House

**MERRIMAC** – Purple Sage Pottery will hold its annual Spring Open House and Sale on Saturday, May 3rd from 10am–5pm at 3 Mechanic Street, Merrimac, MA. Thirteen local potters will be selling their unique wares. The Studio is showcasing three new artists, Dana Anzalone, Jonathan Boles and Jenny Nelson at the spring sale.

Dana Anzalone, a multifaceted artist, is a painter and illustrator, budding novelist as well as a potter. She was first seduced by clay in 2016, simply by looking inside the ceramics department while taking a painting

class at the Irvine Fine Arts Center. She is largely self-taught but is grateful to the many talented potters who have mentored her over the years. Her clay creations include functional wheel thrown pieces, intricately carved vases, plaques and miniatures. These will be available for sale at the open house.

Jonathan Boles first came to Purple Sage Pottery about 20 years ago in his late teens, proposing a trade of helping in the studio in exchange for pottery lessons. Iris Minc, the owner of the studio, was skeptical at first, but Jonathan persisted and eventually

proved to be a worthy helper and good pottery student. He graduated from Mass Art in 2014 in art education with a minor in sculpture. Despite his commitment to teaching, Jonathan has continued his interest in 3-D design, from blacksmithing, corrugated cardboard sculpture, and clay sculpture as well as illustration. He has been working on a series of insect inspired jewelry as well as a large tiger's head in clay for the spring sale.

Jenny Nelson spent part of her childhood

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PHOTO: PETER MCCLELLAND

Triton's Carly Warren and Newburyport's Emily Chandler battled for control at Newburyport on April 15th

## Newburyport's YWCA Creating Housing for Low-Income Seniors Event

By Stewart Lytle, Reporter

**NEWBURYPORT** – Despite living in what he called “darken times,” John Feehan, executive director of the YWCA, told a large crowd last week that abandoning the mission of eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all “is not an option.”

At the YWCA's 15th annual Engaging Communities luncheon, the focus was on improving housing opportunities for low-income elderly.

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Lizbeth Heyer and John Feehan at Engaging Communities Luncheon (Photo by Stewart Lytle)

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## Interim Town Manager Needed

**IPSWICH** – At a time when it is facing several challenges, including building state-mandated affordable housing, Ipswich needs a new town manager.

Stephen Craine, who is finishing his third year of a three-year contract, announced last week that he is leaving at the end of May to pursue an opportunity in the private sector. He said he decided earlier this year that he was ready for a change after 15 years in public service.

Crane said he will leave Ipswich in good condition. “The combination of the select board and a talented, dedicated team of town employees has Ipswich well prepared to meet resident needs now and into the future,” he said in a statement.

The SelectBoard plans to appoint an interim manager to give it time to recruit a new manager that fits the needs of the town.

SelectBoard chair Linda Alexson said that it will begin looking for an interim town manager, who has experience running a town like Ipswich. She expects to find that person outside of Ipswich.

In addition to managing the day-to-day operations, the interim manager will assist the board in the search for Crane’s permanent replacement.

Crane, who served as the interim manager in Wayland and managed Concord and Longmeadow, came to Ipswich in August of 2022. His contract would have expired later this year.

The board had until May 1 to begin negotiations with Crane, or he would have been automatically extended for one fourth year.

In his statement, Crane said that he is “so thankful to the select board for their support and collaboration” over the past two and a half years. ♦

## Whittier to Hold Reunion for First Three Classes

**HAVERHILL** – The first three graduating classes ever at Whittier Regional Vocational High School will be celebrating their reunions together at 6 p.m. on Sept. 27 at Roma Restaurant.

The classes of 1974, 1975 and 1976 are invited to join their classmates and enjoy the sounds of a disc jockey.

Whittier serves 19 cities and towns, including Amesbury, Georgetown, Groveland, Haverhill, Ipswich, Merrimac, Newbury, Newburyport, Rowley, Salisbury and West Newbury.

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Groveland's New Courts (Photo: Mike Dempsey)

## Groveland's New Pickle Ball and Tennis Courts

by Mike Dempsey

Groveland's own Pickle Ball and Tennis Court facility opened to the public earlier this month.

The facility, located in the Pines Recreation Area, was built and completed in 2024 with

Community Preservation funds. The facility will be available for anyone to use with rules posted at the entrance. You can learn more about reserving a slot to play and the hours for the facility at <https://grovelandma.com/board-of-selectmen/>. ♦



(Photos: Mike Dempsey)

## Groveland CPA Town Meeting Projects

by Mike Dempsey

Voters at the town meeting this year on April 28 will be presented with a decision on four Community Preservation projects for approval.

The first is a project to approve environmental testing at a historic former mill building at 46 Washington St. for \$7,000.

The next project proposes several trail enhancements at the six town trail systems adding improved signage, markers, bridges, and trash receptacles. The project will cost \$73,000.

A third project will fund a new clock mechanism in the historic Congregational Church and allow the Paul Revere bell to toll the time (cost \$25,000).

The final project will pay \$20,000 for consulting services to assist the town in utilizing CPA and Inclusionary Zoning housing funds to provide affordable housing and to set up a home repair program for income-eligible residents. CPA funds are collected from taxpayers in town and matched by the State. You can find out more on the town web site at [grovelandma.com/community-preservation-committee](https://grovelandma.com/community-preservation-committee). ♦



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by Ida Wye

## Plant Matters

In conversation with Matthew Martin of *Restoration Horticulture*, *The Native Plant Podcast*, and teacher of *Arboriculture* at Essex Tech.

Matthew grew up in Salem, Mass., in a neighborhood with a view of the power plant, to loving parents who worked in factories. His parents recognized that he was fascinated by the natural world and encouraged his curiosity. He graduated from the former Essex Aggie vocational technical high school and Northern Essex Community College where he was mentored by excellent teachers.

While attending Northern Essex, he interned at Walt Disney World and the Arnold Arboretum, working with world-class horticulturalists and diverse plant collections. Both Disney World and The Arboretum are visited by throngs of people and meticulous maintenance is essential. He applied what he learned when he became the Horticulturalist at Glen Magna Historic Garden in Danvers.

Glen Magna has been owned by the Danvers Historical Society since 1963 and is a popular wedding venue. In 1926, Glen Magna was awarded the Hunnewell Gold Medal by The Massachusetts Horticultural Society for rare and ornamental trees and shrubs. By the time the historical society purchased 11 acres of the original estate it was in serious need of restoration.

Wedding revelers provide challenging problems for formal landscapes, but Matthew was uniquely qualified after his internships. In addition to mitigating the damage that follows parties of people liberally drinking, Matthew had to provide scrupulous attention to the formal areas. His methods included crisp edged beds containing exuberant flower combinations such as Dahlias with Milkweed. He successfully created a pleasure garden that was also a wild life habitat.

Matthew began keeping a garden journal and introducing more native plants. During Covid the weddings stopped and he had time to implement more sustainable methods and to experiment with plant combinations, combining natives with non-invasive plants from other parts of the world. He had time to observe insect and wildlife pressures and

to create social media content featuring his work and observations which captured the interest of John Magee who invited Matthew to co-host the *Native Plant Podcast*.

Matthew and I discussed how "our conditions are no longer native", how many native plants are under siege and how plant migration is occurring due to our warming climate. We both agreed that "native plant advocacy can be over-zealous and emotional rather than logical". People need to take a holistic approach to plant selection and design.

Recommendations...

- Plant Mountain Mint (*Pycnanthemum virginianum*) in drifts. Red Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*)

- Read *The Rambunctious Garden: Saving Nature in a Post-Wild World*, by Emma Morris

I'd like to thank Matthew for this inspiring conversation, for his candor and dedication to our shared profession. I am certain he will continue to add value to horticulture and be responsible for improving the green industry on the North Shore through his teaching. I'd like to thank Massachusetts taxpayers for supporting vocational education. ♦

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## Rowley Council on Aging End-of-Month Events

### Health and Wellness with Michael Goolkasian Tuesday, Apr. 29th

**ROWLEY** – Learn about the variety of health benefits of different types of honey, teas, herbs, supplements and much more!

This is a great opportunity to get the inside scoop on complementary medicine from one of Rowley's local experts. Michael Goolkasian is owner of "Organic Naturals", a health and wellness store. Call to register at 978-948-7637. The Rowley COA is located at 39 Central St., Rowley, MA.

### Social Security Optimization for Women on Wednesday, Apr. 30th

**ROWLEY** – According to the Social Security Administration, "Nearly 55% of the people receiving Social Security benefits are women. In the 21st century, more women work, pay Social Security taxes, and earn credit toward monthly retirement income

than at any other time in our nation's history." Learn how to maximize your Social Security benefits at this special presentation, "Social Security Optimization for Women" with Rick Roche, Financial Advisor. The event will take place at the Rowley Public Library, 141 Main St., Rowley, on Wednesday, Apr. 30th at 1pm.

Topics to be discussed include rules and

requirements, spouse & ex-spousal benefits, maximize your survivor benefits, and more. Rick Roche has over 40 years of experience in financial services and is a Social Security recipient himself. He is firmly committed to the Fiduciary Standard of Care and served as a Massachusetts State Representative for two terms. To register for this event, please call the COA at 978-948-7637.

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(Photo: Stewart Lytle)

## Newburyport: Soothing Immigration Fears

### Police Officers Will Not Work with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

By Stewart Lytle, Reporter

**NEWBURYPORT** – While undocumented persons are being whisked away to jails in the U.S. and abroad, Marshall Matthew Simons told the city's Human Rights Commission two weeks ago that Newburyport police officers are "not something to be afraid of."

Simons wore his uniform to the meeting on the second floor of the Senior Center to emphasize that the men and women who wear that uniform are committed to taking care of residents regardless of their immigration status.

The police will not impede or obstruct U.S.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents, but they will not work directly with them either. "It is the law," he said.

He promised in the next few weeks to have the rights of undocumented workers printed on the police department's web site in both Spanish and Portuguese. He was asked if his department would also print those rights on cards that could be distributed in the community.

The Newburyport police officers are committed to unbiased law enforcement, enforcing only state and local laws, he said. They will not stop someone in a car or walking on the sidewalk to check whether they are here legally.

Relations between the schools and the police have never been better, he said. One of the commission members said that a young Afghan girl told the school resource officer she wants to be a police officer when she grows up.

Simons said that story made him happy to hear.

As a community, "we are doing pretty well," he said. He attributed the good relations to the large number of officers who are trained and value service.

Protests against deportations, which has attracted as many as 300 people, have gone well. He asked only to be made aware of any upcoming protests. ♦



## Newburyport Central Congregational Church to Hold Personal Care Drive on May 3

**NEWBURYPORT** – The Central Congregational Church will hold a Personal Care Drive on May 3, 2025 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Central Congregational Church is partnering with Community Services of Newburyport to collect personal care items to be shared with those in need in our communities.

People in need often have difficulty paying for these items, which are not covered under insurance. Lack of access to these items can affect their ability to socialize and confidently leave their homes with dignity, leading to increased isolation. You can help.

Items to donate include:

- Adult Incontinence products (Sizes M/Lg/XL)
- Bladder Control products
- Personal Hygiene wipes

- Gift Cards to stores that sell these items

How you can help:

- You can order items online to ship to Central Congregational Church, ATTN: Personal Care Outreach, 14 Titcomb St, Newburyport MA 01950
- You can drop off items at the church office Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at 14 Titcomb St, Newburyport MA 01950.
- You can bring your items to the collection drive in the parking lot behind the church on Pleasant St, across from the Changing Tides coffees shop on May 3. We will unload your items.

Thank you for your generosity!

If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, please contact the church office at 978-465-0533 or email [info@centralnewburyport.org](mailto:info@centralnewburyport.org). ♦

## Newburyport Bank Donates \$10,000 as Sponsor of YWCA Engaging Communities Luncheon

**NEWBURYPORT** – Newburyport Bank has donated \$10,000 as a sponsor of the annual YWCA of Greater Newburyport's Engaging Communities Luncheon. The annual fundraising event for the YWCA was held at the Mission Oak Grill in Newburyport last week.

This year's luncheon theme: *The Value of Aging in Place*, focused on how this offers numerous benefits that support the well-being, independence and happiness of older adults, while also being cost effective and

enhancing the community's overall social fabric.

"Since 1885, the YWCA has been an integral part of our community," said Bank President, John Burcke. "From affordable housing, numerous community programs, and health and wellness, the YWCA extends itself in an extraordinary way, contributing so much to the community. We are proud to be a luncheon sponsor in support of their efforts."

Visit <https://www.ywcanewburyport.org>.

## YWCA

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Dr. Annmary Connor, executive director of Amesbury Housing Authority, was named the community champion for her dedication to expanding affordable housing and supporting the most vulnerable community members.

And Lizbeth Heyer, who has been helping improve the lives of lower income households for 30 years, was the featured speaker. She works with 2Life Communities that provides housing for lower income elderly households.

Massachusetts, Heyer said, has the nation's highest rates of nursing home placements because of the state's high cost of housing and senior health care. As a result, she said, there is too much homelessness among the elderly. "We can do better. We must do better," Heyer said.

Heyer drew a strong round of applause when she told the crowd of predominantly women that in Massachusetts, men have a life expectancy of 77 years, while women can expect to live 81 years.

But if you are low income, she said, take off seven years. If you are African American or Hispanic, reduce that life expectancy by another five years.

Established in 1883 to help young women learn to thrive in the increasingly industrial world, the YWCA today serves people

regardless of age or gender. Major programs include affordable housing, preschool education and school-age childcare, wellness, cancer support, aquatics, youth leadership development and racial justice.

The YWCA offers affordable housing at the Residences at Salisbury Square, YWCA Market Street Apartments, The YWCA Women's Residence, Roof Over Head Collaborative and the Housing Choice Coalition.

The YWCA's latest project is a 48-unit senior affordable housing project that is expected to open this spring. Many of the tenants are currently homeless and seniors with disabilities.

This YWCA Residences at Ingalls Court at 14 Ingalls Court in Methuen is designed to serve low-income seniors 62 years and over.

On the first floor, Element Care will offer a Program of All-inclusive Care of the Elderly (PACE). Tenants who choose PACE will receive primary care, behavioral health, physical therapy and social services. It is one of the first projects in the country to combine affordable housing with PACE services.

The new building will be highly energy efficient, including having 320 solar panels on the roof which will produce almost a third of the energy needed to operate the building.

For more information, visit [www.ywcanewburyport.org](http://www.ywcanewburyport.org). ♦

## Sunday's High Winds Complicate Firefighting - 10+ Acres Burned

**NEWBURYPORT** – Fire Chief Stephen Bradbury III reports Newburyport firefighters were called at 11:22 a.m. to an area of State Street, where a large brush fire was threatening a number of nearby buildings. Because of heavy winds, which complicated firefighting efforts, second and third alarms were quickly struck.

The fire threatened a number of commercial and farm structures, including several greenhouses at **Tendercrop Farm**.

Ten acres burned before fire crews got the blaze under control around 12:20 p.m.

The Newburyport Fire Department received mutual aid assistance from Amesbury, Georgetown, Ipswich, Lawrence, Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury and West Newbury crews, as well as firefighters from Hampton, N.H. Cataldo and Atlantic Ambulance services were also at the scene. Haverhill and South Hampton, N.H., firefighters provided station coverage.

At the same time, crews battled a brush fire about a mile away, in Newbury. Some of the mutual aid partners called to assist

in Newburyport later worked with the Newbury Fire Department to address that fire.

Parker Road was closed in both directions between the Newbury-Newburyport border and the State Street rotary. ♦



## This Butterfly Will Live Year Round

By Ava Moeckel, Reporter

**NEWBURYPORT** – Vote for your favorite butterfly species until May 18 when it will be painted as a mural outside at the Senior Center. Candidate species are the fritillary, swallowtail, sulphur or mourning cloak butterfly.

In celebration of butterfly season, the city using state funds, is having an eight-foot by eight-foot mural painted of the butterfly species that is chosen by the community.

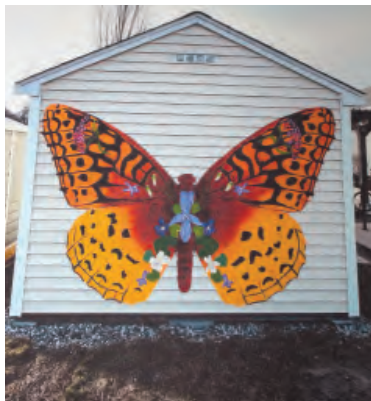
If approved by the Newburyport City Council, the artwork, entitled "Pollinator Passage," will be painted by Amesbury artist Jenn Houle during the Green Expo, which is being held at the Senior Center and the

Bresnahan Elementary School on that day.

The \$1,500 artist fee is being paid by a Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs' Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness action grant, which is administered by the Greater Newburyport Green Expo and the city's Resiliency Committee.

Houle teaches art at Fitchburg State College and Northern Essex Community College, and has taught at UMass Lowell, Montserrat College of Art and Southern New Hampshire University for more than two decades.

Approved unanimously by the Public Art Committee last week, the butterfly painting will also highlight native plant species that support the most caterpillar species. ♦



A mockup of the Great Spangled Fritillary Butterfly (Image provided by artist Jenn Houle)

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Upcoming Events

**AMESBURY**  
Enhancing Workplace Safety with the CRASE program. Thurs. **May 8**, 8:30 - 10 am, Amesbury Chamber of Commerce

**DANVERS**  
The community theater group, the North Shore Players, presents the classic American drama *The Skin of Our Teeth*. The play, by Thornton Wilder (*Our Town*), won the Pulitzer Prize in 1943. Wilder chronicles the 5,000-year marriage of George and Maggie Antrobus as they endure the Ice Age, Biblical floods and wars. The show runs three hours. It's at Hogan Regional Auditorium, 450 Maple St., Danvers. Curtain is at 7 p.m., **May 2 and May 3**, and 2 p.m. on May 4. Tickets and other information at [www.northshoreplayersma.org](http://www.northshoreplayersma.org).

**GROVELAND**  
The Friends of the COA are organizing a town-wide yard sale on Friday, **May 2nd** and Saturday, May 3rd. They provide publicity, maps, and signage, so all you need to do is set up and sell. Your yard sale could be on either or both days and you set your own hours. Your \$25 donation to the Friends waives the \$10 town permit. You can register online, or you can get a registration form in the COA office, at town hall, or at the library. The registration deadline is April 15. Maps and addresses will be made available to the public by April 28. You can also check out the COA webpage for more information. Every dollar raised helps support the good work of the COA.

**HAMPTON, NH**  
The Hampton United Methodist Church, 525 Lafayette Road, Hampton, N.H., will hold a fundraising concert on Saturday, May 3, at 7:30 P.M. featuring Charlie Zahm - an evening of songs and stories from the Celtic Lands and other favorites. Admission \$20 cash or check at the door. Reservations: Church office at 603-926-2702.

**IPSWICH**  
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in Scandinavia, in a home where beautiful pottery was treasured and having cousins who were potters; all of which colluded in fostering a love of pottery in Jenny. She took her first pottery class with Iris around thirteen years ago. After a few years of classes, Jenny then set up her own studio, named "Rosin and Glaze", where she learned the pottery making process from the ground up. After a short hiatus from pottery, Jenny has come back to Purple Sage Pottery as a studio member, to be in a pottery community where she can learn from the other potters in the studio. She intuitively approaches each piece with inspiration from nature and Scandinavian design.

Joining Dana, Jonathan and Jenny at the spring Studio Sale on Saturday, May 3rd will be studio owner Iris Minc, Lisa Mistretta, Lucy Hutchinson, Hiromi Satoh, Karen Girard, Judy Nevius, Liz Kinder, Kathy Clark, Emily Samataro, and Peter Grams who will be demonstrating throwing pots on the potter's wheel. For more information about Purple Sage Pottery and the spring show, go to the web site at: [www.purplesagepottery.com](http://www.purplesagepottery.com), call 978-346-9978.

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