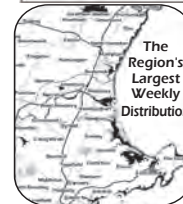


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Joey Gustafson

Troubled Charter School Hires Interim Director

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

REGIONAL – The River Valley Charter School (RVCS) trustees last week handed the reins of the school to education administration veteran

Joey Gustafson to be the interim executive director in hopes she can calm the troubled waters the kindergarten to eighth grade, regional school has been swimming in for the last several months.

Gustafson, who replaces Karen Kuse, the former executive director, has a diverse educational career that includes extensive experience in school management and strategic planning. She has run an education consulting firm for almost a quarter

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American Flags Fly Proudly on Plum Island

Flags on Plum Island Are OK Despite the Media Flap

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

NEWBURY – Flags are NOT banned on Plum Island.

The controversy in advance of the 250th Anniversary of Independence Day erupted on this small island last week when the town sent a notice to three residents reminding them of their responsibilities under an agreement to protect shore birds.

Town Administrator Tracy Blais clarified the town's position that was

misunderstood and exploded out of proportion. Conservation Agent Mason Ferrick sent a letter at the request of the state to remind the residents who are under agreement not to do anything to harm birds, including putting up Mylar streamers.

In 2009, the town of Newbury and these property owners received federal funds to replace sand that had washed out to sea, threatening 28 homes from falling into the sea. In exchange for the sand, Newbury agreed to under-

take a beach management plan relative to the protection of endangered species.

The town's letter to residents was described by Blais as a "gentle reminder of the laws and obligations of the Town and homeowners with respect to endangered species."

"This notice has absolutely nothing to do with American flags or patriotism. It is only a reminder of the state and federal laws with regard to protection of shore birds," Blais said.

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'Exit Interview' of a Firebrand: Long-Serving Conservation Commissioner Rachel Therrien Part One

GEORGETOWN – The SelectBoard voted last month not to reappoint Rachel Therrien, the Chair, Vice Chair and long-time member of the Conservation Commission (ConCom). She was not invited to speak to the board to advocate for her reappointment, which she wanted to do.

Chair Doug Dawes said it was "my call" not to let Therrien speak because he did not want "controversy."

With the exception of Therrien, none of the appointees to boards and commissions attended the SelectBoard's meeting. In the past, all appointees have been invited to share their qualifications and interests with the board and the public, much like interviewing for a job although all are volunteers. Dawes chose to end that tradition.

The Town Common felt Therrien should have a public "exit interview," so the residents of Georgetown and the SelectBoard could hear her views on the future of the ConCom and its



Long-serving Conservation Commissioner Rachel Therrien

consecutive SelectBoard chairs. Two of these former SelectBoard chairs now serve on the ConCom, a board, which the SelectBoard has sought to control.

In the first of three parts, former Chair Rachel Therrien, who has been on the inside of town government for more than a decade, shares with Stewart Lytle, senior reporter, and the public some of what goes on behind closed doors.

Why did you want to be re-appointed and continue to serve on the Conservation Commission? I have devoted myself to the commission for 14 years. It is a passion of mine, my way of giving back to the community and protect our environment and drinking water by upholding the town's Conservation Bylaw.

What aspects of your tenure on the Commission did you enjoy the most? The most important thing was making connections in the community and having residents feel com-

independent enforcement of town regulation of the local bylaw, state wetlands and endangered species laws.

She also shares her perspective on the constant attacks against the ConCom, which have occurred under four

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PLUM ERROR

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"Specifically, the Town of Newbury
has not said and would never claim
that American flags are prohibited
from display at any home."

"The notice does not apply to any
other residents of the Town of New-
bury. The Town will endeavor to issue
more clearly written notices in the
future," she said. ♦



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Elaine Fiasconaro of Georgetown, and Linda Morgan of Revere (Photos by Kay Lee Ogden)

Local Business Spotlight: Emporium on West Main

by Kay Lee Ogden

This will be a series of local businesses
to encourage customers to shop local and
make people aware of the services and tal-
ents that we have surrounding us! Please
shop local!

This week's business spotlight: We
are welcoming the new "Emporium at
West Main" owned, and operated by two
retired educators: Elaine Fiasconaro, at 77 years of age of
Georgetown, and Linda Morgan, age 73, of Revere. Both
ladies are retired educators from Lynn.

Emporium at West Main is located at: 37 West Main
Street Suite 1, in the Eagle Building.

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They take pride in shopping and finding phenomenal and
affordable items for their exclusive shop! Two very young,
minded, senior ladies, bringing together vintage, and new
items, that they call: "affordable retail, you can purchase a
gift, and feel good, that you didn't have to crack your piggy
bank to do so!" and you'll find many items extremely rea-
sonable items, and they offer free gift wrapping!!!



The Emporium has a wide selection of gifts, clothes, antiques,
collectibles, and unique bargains.

Elaine retired in
2006 and Linda
retired in 2021,
from their various
teaching positions.
Linda still tutors
occasionally. They
wanted to take a
life opportunity,
and follow their
dreams, and ven-
ture off into the
retail world!

Elaine, who
moved to George-
town in 1996,
started traveling
with her husband
George Peter Fias-
conaro, a recipi-
ent of the Purple
Heart, in 1996.

He was in the Viet-
nam conflict, and
wounded in com-
bat, and was in the
army infantry in
1968 during the
"tet" offensive!

They searched
everywhere for vin-
tage items, that
now they own, and
gave her the idea of
"the Emporium at
West Main." Linda
and Elaine want
to be inspirational
to other seniors,
rather than sitting
on the couch, eat-

ing bon-bons, there is more of life to live. They love meeting
new people, enjoying all kinds of conversations, and they
are excited using their creative senses, having fun, and bring-
ing a new concept of shopping to fruition.

They walked into there new place and looked at four
black slatwalls, they had to brainstorm to design their new
home! One day, a gentleman walked by looking for a den-
tist's office, his name was Paul Konish, from Rowley, and
he almost immediately volunteered to help these damsels!

A big hug of gratitude goes out to him! "A new start up
business," takes a village, and also a special appreciation of
kindness goes out to the following: Jay Esposito, of Revere,
Lynda Persico, and my very loving daughter Mary Mitch-
ell, and many others!

Our products are distinctive, unconventional, some items
are: aged plates, glassware, wall art, home decor, pet items,
a large assortment of children's toys, games, new and gently
used clothing, as well as a men's section, and very intrigu-
ing books. They also offer, locally made jams and jellies, as
well as special inimitable, handmade item by a local artisan!

Browsing the store, I find small pieces of furniture, chairs,
tables, garden decor, fun signage, and many cast-iron cook-
ware, and wall hooks.

Having one-of-a-kind items, Japanese Bunka, distinctive,
very collectable, tobacciana, silk collection of athletes, from
the early 1900's that came in cigarette packages, and various
old post cards! They also share the enjoyment of a variety of
resin, wood, and porcelain animals; dogs, cats, birds, and



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"What we got"
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Town Administrator: No Idea Where The Dock Is

Public Help Sought to Find Missing Swim Platform

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

GEORGETOWN – The search is on for a missing \$11,166.50 dock the town bought for the American Legion Park on Pentucket Pond.

A smaller dock, which cost \$3,679.70 and was assembled by the Boy Scouts, is floating in mud and water, but not attached to the shore.

The two docks were purchased a year ago from Great Northern Docks in Maine with \$20,000 from the taxpayer-funded Community Preservation funds. One, which was T-shaped, 45-feet long by 15-feet across, was for swimming. That is the missing dock.

The second dock, which is 15 feet

long, is meant for fishing.

When Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Michael Donahue asked the Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco, "Do we know where the fishing dock went?" Pacheco responded, "No idea where the dock would have gone."

He ordered it two years ago and Pacheco offered to order a new dock. But it was unclear if the town's funds have already been spent on the missing dock. Pacheco sent Donahue copies of receipts from Great Northern Docks.

If you know where the missing dock is and don't want to call the town, tell The Town Common and we will anonymously report it to the town. ♦

Rowley All-Scout Paper Drive

Saturday July

9:00am to 12 noon

behind the First Congregational Church of Rowley on Main Street
The Scouts will be collecting newspapers, books, cardboard, and magazines. Scouting Troop 15 will be collecting \$.05 redeemable bottles and cans. Please make the effort to deliver during the hours of 9-12. Scouting America and the Girl Scouts of Rowley thank you very much for helping to keep Scouting active in Rowley.

The paper drives are held the second Saturday of odd numbered months. If you have any questions please call George Pacenka at (978) 314-8690.

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century, working in charter and main-stream schools, parochial and private schools.

Among her stated skills listed on her resume are change management, turn-around leadership and board governance, which must have endeared her to the school's embattled board. The board will spend much of the next year considering candidates, including Gustafson, for the school's permanent executive director.

The board's unanimous decision to hire Gustafson followed months of tension in the school. At one point this spring, more than 100 parents, staff, students and alumni stood outside the school on Low Street with signs that expressed their disapproval of Kuse and the board of trustees.

Founded in 1999, RVCS serves students from Amesbury, Newburyport, Pentucket (Groveland, Merrimack, West Newbury) and Triton (Newbury, Rowley, Salisbury).

According to a parent's letter to the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), the dispute stems largely from school's decision to pause a popular outdoor education program, called Play Based Education. PBE, which features outside learning opportunities, was insti-

tuted during the Covid Pandemic, but proved so popular it was continued.

Some of the chief concerns raised by parents and students were the lack of teacher protection and a seeming lack of checks and balances on Kuse, who was accused of retaliatory firings.

"This has been a really bad year," said board chair Tanya Murdy last week. "We are excited about next year."

Board member Derek Mitchell describe the months-long crisis as, "We were put in a real pickle."

About half of the board is rotating off the board after serving their maximum tenure.

"We recognize that there is so much that makes RVCS a special place for students, families and teachers," the board said in a statement. "We also recognize that we are currently facing many challenges."

"As soon as we select an interim leader, we will work to ensure they get to know the RVCS community, our strengths and our challenges," the board said. "We will provide opportunities to meet the interim leader and share your perspectives and hopes for RVCS in the year to come."

The school faces two major challenges:

- Righting the ship in time for DESE to renew the school's charter in 2028 for another five years, and

- Regain the confidence in the community so the school can raise money for its new playground and other capital projects.

The DESE letter, written to parent Jared Hubbard on June 2, found that "the alleged changes in the PBE program do not affect the Charter School's ability to carry out its mission."

The school's mission, the DESE letter said, is to "provide a rigorous academic program based on the Montessori philosophy and rooted in the history, culture and ecology of the Merrimack River Valley" and provide students with the key design elements of the charter, which include an "educational program based on the Montessori philosophy; elements of the curriculum rooted in the history, culture, and ecology of the Merrimack River Valley; and critical thinking and problem solving."

Although DESE chose not to pursue the complaint, the RVCS board members took it serious. Gustafson and board member Erin Bradley-Irose called it "a warning."

"We cannot get another letter like that," board member Gary Lefave said, meaning it might affect the school's charter renewal.

Gustafson told the board she has already finalized most of the teacher contracts for next year, which was a major concern for the parents and teachers. ♦



Dan Kelly (right) greets supporters

Dan Kelly Draws Regional Support



Chairman of the Georgetown Board of Selectmen, Doug Dawes (Photos by Alan Aulson)

by Lonnie Brennan

IPSWICH – Dan Kelly drew supporters from every town in the 2nd Essex district when they gathered to formally kickoff his run for state rep-

resentative. The event, held at the Ipswich Masonic Lodge on Topsfield Road was posted as a large "neighborhood gathering, not a fundraising event."



Attendees caught up with one another on local events and chat, and enjoyed live background music.

The 2nd Essex consists of the towns of Georgetown, Hamilton, Ipswich, Newbury, and Rowley, and Precinct 1, of the town of Topsfield, all in the county of Essex

Learn more about Dan Kelly, 2nd Essex State Representative Candidate at www.VoteDanKelly.com, or write him at dan@votedankelly.com.

'EXIT INTERVIEW'

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fortable enough with me to ask any question, so I could explain what the Conservation Commission bylaw does, so there was no misunderstanding.

I enjoyed learning all the knowledge I gained from our former long-term expert conservation agent Steve Przyjemski and our long-serving (24 years) former commission chairman Carl Sheder – a true treasure trove of knowledge. Also, I enjoyed working with our pricelessly talented administrative assistant Julie Cantera, who was driven out of Town Hall by threats, harassment and bully, which continues to go unchecked.

What aspects of your tenure did you find least enjoyable? Dealing with the bureaucracy that was put in place to destroy the commission and undermine the bylaw. There were constant attacks from certain members of the community who find it amusing to focus on destroying the Commission for their own personal reasons.

I did not enjoy being attacked personally and watching those attacks undermine the Commission and those willing to give their service, time and experience, while the SelectBoard did nothing to stop it and in many cases made it worse.

The fact that the SelectBoard did not understand how the ConCom works made things insufferable. They just wanted to control it, and they've pretty much done that by removing so

many people and putting in their former Selectboard chairs to control the Commission.

I don't know what their goal is, as we have not been supplied by the Selectboard members who have harped on the supposed complaints they have received. Three chairs of the ConCom have requested to see the alleged complaints so the Commission could understand, explain or rectify any misunderstandings. It seems these complaints may have been fabricated and used against the ConCom without actual proof. This bluster appear to be merely the Selectboard and a few individuals who seem to want to plow under the last of the remaining wetlands. Seriously, it seems just that and is that blatant.

Did you feel the SelectBoard, other town boards/staff supported you? I don't think the SelectBoard has supported the ConCom. Their lack of knowledge has led to knee jerk reactions that have done nothing but place the town in harm's way.

It is disheartening that a member of the SelectBoard who served on and worked for the ConCom seems to have forgotten what the Commission's mission is about. Being disappointed in Laura Repplier would be too kind of a word. She's not only stabbed two former ConCom chairs in the back, including me. She offers nothing to the community while seeming to just go along to get along. She just seems to run to the front of the next political parade. Where is she on my list of least-effective politicians? You can guess – she shares the top slot with a couple of other gems. ♦

Next Week. The Town Common's Exit Interview with Rachel Therrien gives her perspective on the future of the ConCom and why it is so important to the future of Georgetown.

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Maureen Aulson smiles for the camera at the Ipswich social

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Boxford

The Spirit of America in Boxford. 5:30 at the Holyoke-French House. Reading of the Declaration of Independence, musical performances, light refreshments, patriotic sing-along, *Rain Location: Boxford Community Center at 10 Elm.

Georgetown

6 PM: The Blues Express at Georgetown Peabody Library, 2 Maple St. The Blues Express delivers a high-energy wallop of dynamic original tunes, along with some of the blues classics they learned from their mentor and friend, Chicago Blues Legend Luther "Guitar Junior" Johnson.

This concert will take place outside on the library lawn so please bring lawn chairs or blankets. If the weather does not cooperate, the concert may be moved to another Wednesday night or cancelled.

www.georgetownpl.org/events

Hampton Beach

Fireworks at dark.

Rowley

6:30PM: Sinti Rhythm Quartet (jazz), Rowley Library. Bring a blanket or chair and relax on their beautiful front lawn while enjoying great local musicians. Free frozen treats will be provided. In case of inclement weather, the events will be held indoors at the library, 141 Main St.

Salisbury

Christian Concert Series 6:30 - 9PM Oceanfront Stage - free.

THURS. JULY 9

West Newbury

Summer Concert Series at the Bandstand Every Thursday, 6:30pm-8pm July 9th- Rum Runners String Band *All shows are "Shine Only." Rain dates August 20th and Aug 27th.

SAT. JULY 11

Ipswich

12 to 10 P.M. - Greek Festival - The Hellenic Center - free parking, \$5 admission, children under 10 free. www.GREEKFESTIVALIpswich.com

Salisbury

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SUN. JULY 12

Ipswich

12 to 6 P.M. - Greek Festival - The Hellenic Center - free parking, \$5 admission, children under 10 free. www.GREEKFESTIVALIpswich.com

WED. JULY 15

Rowley Library lawn 6:30PM StraightJacket (90s rock cover band): Bring a blanket or chair and relax on their beautiful front lawn while enjoying great local musicians. Free frozen treats will be provided. In case of inclement weather, the events will be held indoors at the library, 141 Main St.

THURS, JULY 16

West Newbury

Summer Concert Series at the Bandstand Every Thursday, 6:30pm-8pm
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DEATH NOTICES: The loss of loved ones in our communities, compiled exclusively for The Town Common by Michelle Leininger.

Name	City/State Lived	Funeral Home	City/Town
Raymond Joseph Viglione	East Kingston, NH	Berube-Comeau Funeral Home	Plaistow
William Brian Leathers	Haverhill, MA	Berube-Comeau Funeral Home	Plaistow
Rosemarie Elizabeth Anastopoulos	Lynn, MA	CR Lyons & Sons Funeral Directors	Danvers
Wayne W. Woodbury	Danvers, MA	CR Lyons & Sons Funeral Directors	Danvers
Natalie M. Heigh	Beverly, MA	Campbell Funeral Home	Beverly
Nancy Lee Robinson	Beverly, MA	Campbell Funeral Home	Beverly
Dr. Harlow Francis LaBarge	Ipswich, MA	Campbell Funeral Home	Ipswich
Robert M. Furtado	Plymouth, MA	Casper Funeral & Cremation	Boston
Donna L. Pelekasis	Salem, NH	Conte Funeral Home	Andover
Norma C. O'Neill	Peabody, MA	Conway Cahill-Brodeur	Peabody
Barbara L. Marchese	Peabody, MA	Conway Cahill-Brodeur	Peabody
Rose (Paone) Caine	Haverhill, MA	Driscoll Funeral Home	Haverhill
Patrick Jame Gouthier	Haverhill, MA	Driscoll Funeral Home	Haverhill
Mary (Doherty) MacDougall	Haverhill, MA	Driscoll Funeral Home	Haverhill
Derek Borgart	Merrimac, MA	Driscoll Funeral Home	Haverhill
Thomas James McGowan	Haverhill, MA	Farmer Funeral Homes & Cremation Services	Haverhill
Robert J. Polizzotti	Groveland, MA	Farmer Funeral Homes	Haverhill
John Robert O'Leary	Andover, MA	John Breen Memorial Funeral Home	Lawrence
Marie E. (Gebala) Quigg	Haverhill, MA	Kevin B. Comeau Funeral Home	Haverhill
Ernest E. Olenio	Haverhill, MA	Kevin B. Comeau Funeral Home	Haverhill
Helen R. (Dusombre) St. Cyr	Haverhill, MA	Kevin B. Comeau Funeral Home	Haverhill
Linda R. (Picard) Mills	Haverhill, MA	Kevin B. Comeau Funeral home	Haverhill
Krystyna B. (Mikulewicz) Reks	Middleton, MA	Mackey Funeral Home	Middleton
Jennie Mary (Przybylo) Wysocki	Ipswich, MA	Morris Funeral Home	Ipswich
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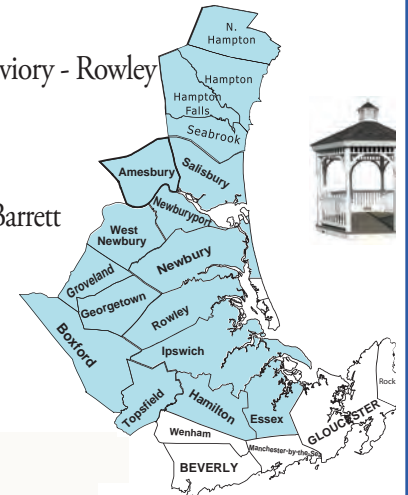
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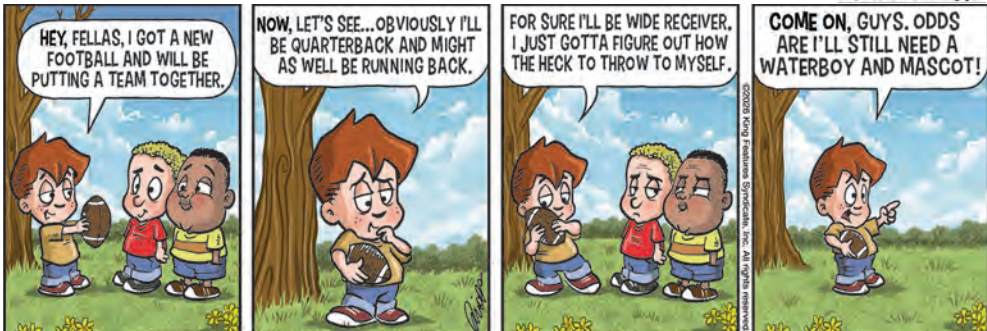
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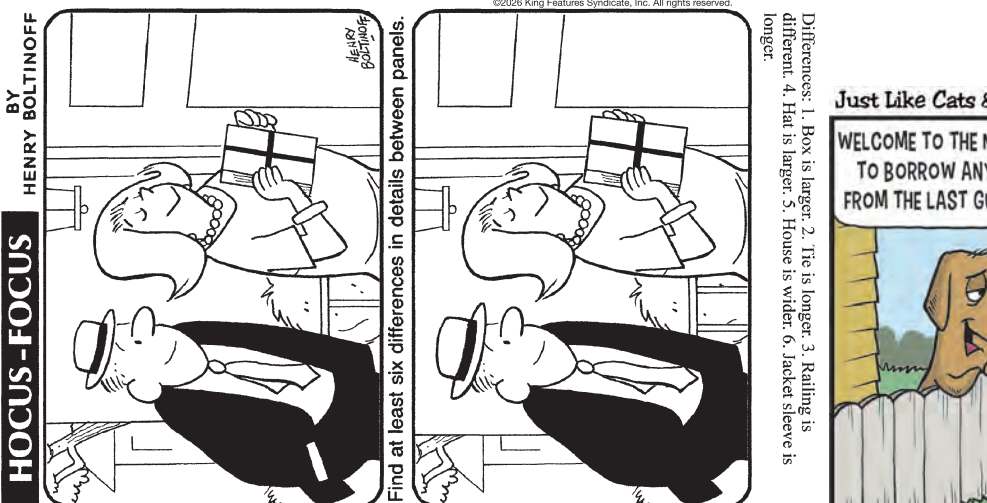
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