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## Globe North Community Briefing

### Marblehead

FORT SEWALL UPGRADE - Selectmen recently awarded a \$42,570 contract to William Faia & Sons of Swampscott to carry out improvements at Fort Sewall. Set to begin in mid-July, the project will complete the first phase of a master plan the town developed several years ago for the fort, which was built in 1644 and is today a town-owned park. The work will include erosion control in the upper fort area; planting bushes in front of the restrooms; and erosion control and landscaping of the parade grounds in front of the fort, according to town planner Rebecca Curran. - John Laidler

### Newburyport

SENIOR CENTER MOVES AHEAD - After receiving input from neighbors and studying a range of designs, the Senior Center Building Committee last week finalized preliminary plans for the new senior center at Cushing Park, according to Ed C. Cameron, Ward 4 city councilor and a member of the Senior Center Building Committee. The selected design calls for the new building to be close to Kent and Washington streets while maintaining the basketball court that is at the site. Local activists are now working to raise the funds needed for construction. The project is expected to cost more than \$6 million, Cameron said. - Brenda Buote

### North Andover

OPEN FOR BUSINESS - Saying that the redevelopment will help spur business in downtown North Andover, local officials helped unveil the new **First & Main Marketplace** last week, formerly known as Messina's Shopping Centre. The completed project, which took two years and cost nearly \$7 million, is a two-story office and retail space that has space for about 20 tenants. Current tenants include CVS, Anton's Cleaners, and Today's Barber Shop. - Richard Thompson

### Peabody

PARK PLAN TO BE REVISITED - The City Council on Thursday will reconsider its June 11 vote denying a proposed \$79,000 appropriation from the city's Community Preservation Fund to purchase land on Grandview Avenue for a small public park...