

# Fun in Methuen!



Mayor Zanni invites you to:  
Methuen Trails & Sails Weekend  
September 28<sup>th</sup> - September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Questions? 978-983-8506

Methuen Rail Trail Extravaganza  
Saturday 9/28 8:30am - 9:30am & 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Railroad St, Methuen



The Methuen Rail Trail Alliance is sponsoring a day of free, family fun along the Methuen Rail Trail! Start the day with a no frills, 2.5-mile race along the trail that will take runners through the bird sanctuary and up to the New Hampshire border. If you prefer a more leisurely pace, enjoy a self-guided walk and scavenger hunt along this beautiful trail. **Special Instructions:** *The race will begin at 8:30am at the historic train depot on Railroad St. From the depot, runners will go through the bird sanctuary and up to the New Hampshire border, at which point they will turn around to return the depot. Water will be provided to runners at the finish. Self-guided walks and a scavenger hunt on the trail from 10am - 2pm. Tour information will be provided and volunteers will be available to answer questions about the trail. Scavenger hunt prizes will be given out between 10am-12pm. Grab the scavenger hunt clue list at the event or from the Rail Trail Alliance website: [www.methuenrailtrail.org](http://www.methuenrailtrail.org)*



Essex Rowing Regatta  
Saturday 9/28 8:00am - 4:00pm  
975 Riverside Dr, Methuen

Watch some of the top rowers in New England race in the Head of the Merrimack Regatta! The Essex Rowing Club will be hosting the annual Head of the Merrimack row race during Trails & Sails. This annual event attracts up to 400 participants, who make up 24 teams, and will feature a series of competitions and races. **Special Instructions:** *Pack a picnic and watch the race from the Riverside Park across the street from 975 Riverside Drive. Or, the Waterside Tap & Grille, at 106 Lowell Blvd, offers a great view of the river and guests can grab a nice meal*

Nevins Library Book Sale  
Saturday 9/28 9:00am - 5:00pm & Sunday 9/29 Noon - 4:00pm  
305 Broadway, Methuen



New and gently-used books, games, puzzles, DVDs, & books on CDs for sale in the Great Hall of the Nevins Memorial Library. Refreshments will be on sale in the main lobby, as will inexpensive Halloween costumes. A table of specialty/coffee table books will also be on sale. There will be a special drawing to win a ship in a bottle. Come on down!



Civil War Tour of Walnut Grove Cemetery  
Sunday 9/29 Noon - 1:30pm  
Grove St, Methuen

From the first bloodshed on the streets of Baltimore, to the silence of the guns at Appomattox, Methuenites participated in almost every battle of the Civil War. Join local historian Dan Gagnon of the Lawrence Civil War Memorial Guard and discover the lives of these brave men who answered the call to save the Union. **Special Instructions:** *Meet near the maintenance building at the Walnut Grove Cemetery on Grove Street in Methuen. The tour starts at noon and should last about 90 minutes. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water. Handicap accessible. Rain or shine.*