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**DATES ANNOUNCED FOR THE
TENTH ANNUAL NEWBURYPORT LITERARY FESTIVAL**
April 24-25, 2015

NEWBURYPORT, Mass. – The tenth annual Newburyport Literary Festival (NLF): *A Page in Time*, will take place April 25-26 in various venues throughout downtown Newburyport, Massachusetts. This year the Festival will honor renowned local teacher and historian Jean Foley Doyle.

The Festival's Opening Ceremony will be held April 24, 6:00 p.m. at the Firehouse Center for the Arts, featuring Michael Blanding, author of the award-winning novel *The Map Thief*. Dinner With the Authors immediately follows at Nicholson Hall at the Greek Church on Harris Street in downtown Newburyport. The Opening Ceremony is free of charge. Tickets for Dinner With the Authors are \$50/person, available online at <http://newburyportliteraryfestival.org/html> or by sending a check, made out to the Newburyport Literary Association, to the Newburyport Literary Association, Box 268, Newburyport, MA 01950.

On Saturday, April 25, the Festival will be in full swing beginning at 8:30 a.m. with Coffee with the Poets. During the day, a wide range of distinguished short story writers, children's authors, biographers, nature writers, critics, screenwriters, poets, novelists, and journalists will read from and discuss their work in various venues throughout downtown Newburyport. Participating authors include Susan Minot, William Martin, Ann Hood, Joyce Maynard, Andre Dubus III, David McCullough, Jr., Bob Ryan, Margo Howard, Jarrett J. Krosoczka, Avi, Rhina Espaillat, Len Krisak, Erika Funkhouser, and Paul Mariani. Special highlights include new panel discussions on audio books and cozy mysteries.

The NLF is made possible through the generosity of our founding sponsor, the Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank. Additional support is provided by the Institution for Savings, Provident Bank, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Newburyport, Newbury, West Newbury, Amesbury, and Merrimac Cultural Councils and the Newburyport Rotary Club.

The Newburyport Literary Festival (NLF), organized by the Newburyport Literary Association, annually celebrates reading, and the love of books. For more information about the 2015 NLF, including authors and their work, please visit www.newburyportliteraryfestival.org

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