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# As holiday season approaches, hunger looms

FOOD BANKS CALL FOR SUPPORT DURING STRESSFUL TIME

**BY KEVIN FLANDERS**  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

As the holiday season approaches, residents are getting an early start on Christmas shopping and planning out their food lineups for Thanksgiving dinner. But for countless families throughout the area, they are wondering where their next meal will come from.

Food insecurity remains a chronic yet often overlooked problem, and local legislators and volunteers are asking for your support. Congressman James McGovern recently spoke on the House Floor about the important role that food banks play in helping families and communities struggling with hunger.

This past summer, McGovern volunteered at Philabundance, a Philadelphia-area food bank. While there, he saw in action the importance of legislators supporting local food pantries and strengthening federal anti-hunger programs.

"Food banks across our country, like the Worcester County Food

Bank and Food Bank of Western Massachusetts, do incredible work to reduce hunger in surrounding communities," McGovern said. "They employ innovative strategies to fight hunger and increase access to nutritious food for our most vulnerable neighbors."

McGovern commended local food pantries for everything they do to support families, but he knows they can't do it alone. They need constant assistance from donors and volunteers, as well as support from legislators.

"Food banks and food pantries are incredible partners in our efforts to end hunger. They are often the first line of defense in emergency situations," McGovern said. "Ending hunger will take a strong partnership between these organizations and federal, state and local governments."

Volunteers at area food pantries often see families with young children deal-

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## Scare Away Cancer 5K continues to grow

EVENT TO BENEFIT RELAY FOR LIFE



A scene from last year's Scare Away Cancer 5K event.

**BY OLIVIA RICHMAN**  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE — Back by popular demand, the Scare Away Cancer 5K run is back and bigger than before.

On Oct. 29, more than 80 runners will meet at the Publick House to participate in either the Kid's Fun Run at 9:30 a.m. or the 5K run at 10 a.m., and there's still time to sign up. Registration will begin at 8 a.m.

"It's a great fall fundraiser. There aren't a ton of runs like this in the Southbridge area and it's a really, really great location, too," said American Cancer Society staff partner for the Relay for Life of Greater Southbridge

Alyssa Tracy. "We're always looking for different ways to keep the Relay going all year round. People seemed to have a wonderful time last year so we figured why not bring it back. The turnout was worth it and we want to continue to grow it."

Last year, the inaugural Scare Away Cancer 5K raised \$2,800, with more than 60 runners participating. The event was such a success that the Relay is proud to bring it back.

"Relay promotes a healthy way of living," said Tracy. "What better way to promote it than with a 5K? We did have

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Olivia Richman photos

The Bridge employees Carrie Grzych-Sorenson and Jaime Pendragon enjoyed their breakfast.



"United Way has been very supportive," said Barbara O'Brien (Tri-Valley), pictured with Patricia Gauthier (American Red Cross). "They support a number of organizations that really make a difference in the lives of people in this community."

SOUTHBRIDGE — United Way Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton's 2016 Campaign Kick Off Breakfast was held at the Cohasse Country Club on Thursday, Oct. 13. For more photos, turn to page A8!

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# TCCC rallies once again to provide turkeys for local families

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — It was a huge wake-up call in the area last year when Food Share President Ray Fournier announced that they could no longer give out turkey dinners the week before

Thanksgiving. Alarmed by the lack of funding and support, local churches came together to form the Tri-Community Church Collaborative, which aimed to take over what Food Share started.

Efforts from the local churches paid off big time, said TCCC founder Cathy Chernisky, exceeding their goal of providing 400 people with turkey dinners, complete with a large turkey, all the trimmings, and even dessert. “Most churches have their own food pantries and know what it’s like,” she explained. “We went above and beyond and had so many extra donations. We had so much left over. One church received a

check that covered more than what we needed. There were more cake mixes and cookie mixes and brownie mixes than you’ve ever seen together in one spot ever. We had extras of everything. We were able to give families two and three desserts and still have leftovers for community pantries. I wanted to keep it in the community and that’s what we did.”

The huge success of last year’s efforts have inspired the churches that make up the TCCC to reach out to the community once again. To provide 400 families with a turkey dinner is a huge undertaking, with the turkeys alone costing around \$7,000 (with help from Big Bunny). The money is needed by the first week of November, said Chernisky, so the organization can order the turkeys in time.

Luckily, the community seems to be very supportive of the cause. She said: “Everyone – absolutely everyone – was trying to find a way to help. We got more help than I’m sure the Food Share ever received. It’s a faith builder and I think it was wonderful. It brought all of the different denominations of churches together, which is the way God wants it to be.”

While there are some families who have two or three turkeys in their freezer, ready for Thanksgiving, Chernisky said that’s “rare.” There are many fam-

ilies in the Tri-Community area (and beyond) who can’t even afford a turkey and it’s those people the churches want to help.

“For so many years throughout history, families have had turkeys on Thanksgiving,” she said, “to celebrate and thank God. It’s a time when families come together and spend time with each other and show their love and thanks for each other. It’s a feeling of feeling loved. We don’t want people to miss out on this feeling.”

Just like last year, the TCCC has not provided a list of churches that are providing the turkey dinners, hoping to discourage people from “double dipping” and taking advantage, which happened last year.

Individuals or families looking to register for the turkey dinner program have three dates to choose from, all located at 29 Park Street in Southbridge: Oct. 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Nov. 2 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Only the people who register may pick up the turkeys.

For more information on registering or to donate to the cause, contact Chernisky at bob\_and\_cathy@yahoo.com.

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## ‘The Uninvited’ set for chilling debut

PRODUCTION JUST IN TIME FOR HALLOWEEN SEASON

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — Based on the novel by Dorothy Macardle, Pasture Prime Players present their fall production, “The Uninvited,” a psychological ghost story (also described as a thriller-mystery romance, by Producer Don Konopacki) on Oct. 28, 29 and Nov. 4 and 5.

Seeking to escape the demands of

life in London, Pam Fitzgerald and her brother, Roddy, an aspiring playwright, discover a charming house in the west of England, overlooking the Irish Sea. The house, Cliff End, has long been empty, and they are able to purchase it at a suspiciously low price from crusty Commander Brooke, the village curmudgeon. The reason is soon apparent — the house has an unsavory reputation. Fifteen years earlier a murder may or may not have occurred by the gnarled tree that can be viewed from the parlor window.

It soon becomes apparent that two ghosts are haunting the house, but who are they? What do they want? Said Konopacki: “You’re not aware of what’s going on. There’s a twist in the end, which some people may expect and others may not. All throughout there are subtle things - the actors suddenly feel cold every time a ghost appears and they smell the perfume used by one of the ghosts. There’s cues that let people know something is happening. We plan on having a few surprises that further get under the audience’s skin and put them on edge.”

The Pasture Prime Player’s Play Reading Committee read through “The Uninvited” and decided they loved the play. They felt it was a wonderfully written ghost story that wasn’t the typical bloody, gory type of scary, said Konopacki.

“It’s more haunting,” he said. “A lot of the stuff happens outside of your view, although we do have a lot of special effects in the show which will come out. Just from reading it, we got chills. It was very effective. As we have gone through rehearsals, it’s played through just as well. It’s a really haunting story.”

The eerie ghost tale is appropriate for the Halloween season. Without any jump scares it builds tension throughout, leading up to the grand finale. The psychological thriller is sure to keep

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### QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

“Food banks and food pantries are incredible partners in our efforts to end hunger. They are often the first line of defense in emergency situations. Ending hunger will take a strong partnership between these organizations and federal, state and local governments.”

- Congressman Jim McGovern, commenting on the continual fight against hunger in Worcester County.

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# ‘Dogs, That’s Amore’ set to return in November

‘IF YOU’RE AN ANIMAL LOVER, THIS FUNDRAISER IS FOR YOU’

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — Southbridge Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center is inviting the public to participate in their third annual “Dogs, That’s Amore” fundraiser throughout the month of November.

Donations from area stores, organizations, employees and visitors will all benefit the Southbridge Dog Pound, an organization near and dear to founder Cindy Gazzara’s heart.

“I’ve always loved dogs,” said the CNA. “I see the commercials on TV to donate here, donate there. But I wanted to do something for the town. I read in the paper that they were building a new dog pound and they can really use our help. I love animals, all of them. I have six dogs. I love my dogs, all of them. I love my animals.”

Her love of animals has inspired her to continue her efforts year after year. And Gazzara’s fellow employees have also jumped on board. The fundraiser has become a favorite at Southbridge Rehab. Employees bring their dogs in. Announcements are made over the intercom. To Gazzara and other employees

and guests, the fundraiser is a happy time for everybody involved.

“It raises morale and it’s fun. The visitors love it. The residents love it,” she explained. “It’s fun and we’re helping people. And that’s what Southbridge Rehab is all about.”

Dogs, That’s Amore does not take any cash donations, but instead focuses on items that the Southbridge Dog Pound may need. Last year the dog pound was desperately in need of blankets. On top of dog food and dog toys, Southbridge Rehab collected so many blankets that the dog pound had to make a couple of trips to transport all of the donations.

This year, Gazzara said they are still looking for blankets, but that the dog pound also needs dog toys, dog food and anything else to do with dogs. Gift cards are also accepted. Anything to do with dogs is welcomed, she said.

At the end of the month, the Southbridge Dog Pound will come to collect the donations. During this time, employees, guests and residents have a great time gathering around the lobby and



Photo courtesy Cindy Gazzara

“Dogs, That’s Amore” fundraiser founder Cindy Gazzara with two of her six dogs. Dogs, That’s Amore benefits the Southbridge Dog Pound, but also puts a smile on Southbridge Rehab residents’ faces. Said Gazzara: “If you have a big heart, just give. It really adds up.”

marveling at the large collection of dog food, dog toys and other donations. One of Gazzara’s dogs will also be at the presentation.

“If you’re an animal lover, this fundraiser is for you,” said Gazzara. “But it also benefits people. It makes the residents here so happy. Seeing the animals seeing people donate really makes their day. If you have a big

heart, just give. It really adds up.”

To make a donation to Southbridge Rehab this November, visit them at 84 Chapin Street. To get more information on the fundraiser call 508765-9133.

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## Police: ‘Clowning’ around will have consequences

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

As the spate of clown-related incidents continues across the country, police are warning residents that clowning around in a threatening way this Halloween season could land you behind bars.

In nearby Auburn, charges of disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace will be sought in Worcester District Court against an Auburn father. Police said the man, who was not identified as of press time, got into his car dressed as a clown and followed a bus full of middle school students to their bus stop. The incident created extreme fear among the children and also caused them to hide under a nearby backyard deck to avoid the man, police said. A few parents reported that their children remained deeply frightened and upset long after the incident.

It was later revealed that the suspect is the parent of one of the students aboard the bus. Even though such incidents may seem to some like harmless pranks, police are hoping residents will think twice before acting in ways that scare people.

“We are hopeful that others will learn from this incident and not repeat these types of behaviors,” read a statement issued by the Auburn Police Department. “We sincerely appreciate the assistance of those who contacted us with information that led to this individual being identified.”

Reports of threatening clowns have



Courtesy photo

Auburn Police say this man, the parent of an Auburn Middle School student, will face charges after following students in his car while wearing a clown mask. Police had not released the man’s identity as of press time.

surfaced throughout the country, with the majority of the incidents concentrated in the Carolinas. From clowns accosting pedestrians and drivers, to people in clown outfits posting threatening messages on social media pages, police have received thousands of reports nationwide. Many people are blaming it on a social media firestorm, while others ascribe more sinister reasons to the excessive clown appearances.

Regardless of the cause, police have had enough. As Halloween approaches, law enforcement officials are warning residents that incidents which frighten the public will not be viewed as pranks but crimes.

“Whenever you’re putting people in fear – even if you think it’s just a prank – the police are going to respond,” said Uxbridge Police Chief Jeffrey Lourie.

The Uxbridge PD’s school resource officer recently spoke to students about the clown epidemic. Many of the national incidents have involved teenagers dressing as clowns, and reaching out

to students has been an effective tool for police. Lourie said the program was well-received by students and their parents.

Meanwhile, police departments across the country are cracking down on social media threats in the wake of multiple schools being threatened nationwide as part of the clown craze. Several of the schools were forced to shut down as investigations ensued.

“We continue to monitor social media for potential issues. We are taking any and all complaints very seriously, and we are asking people to use common sense this Halloween season,” said Leicester Police Chief James Hurley.

Police throughout the area will be stepping up patrols this Halloween. They ask residents to enjoy themselves responsibly and recommend keeping the clown garb in the closet – at least for this year.

“Clown costumes may not be the best choice given everything that has happened. We’re encouraging people to stay away from that based on what’s going on,” Hurley added.

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# YMCA featuring youth artwork with domestic violence theme



Gabrielle Alan (left) and Malerie Germain of New Hope Inc. posed with murals created by Southbridge youth that now hang on the YMCA walls, discussing domestic violence and bullying.

**BY OLIVIA RICHMAN**  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — In honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Art Center and Tri-Community YMCA are displaying collages made by children and youth participating in New Hope Inc.'s domestic violence services throughout the month of October. The town-wide collaboration had New Hope Inc. Community Organizer Malerie Germain working with Cops & Kids, You, Inc. and other organizations to help the community spread the message.

New Hope Inc. is a domestic violence and sexual violence agency that provides a lot of different services for local communities, based out of Attleborough, with an office in Worcester. Said Marketing Director Gabrielle Alan: "Up in this area we focus on domestic violence services, and what that means is domestic violence prevention."

Brought to the area by a grant New Hope Inc. received from the Kraft Foundation, Germain solely focuses on Southbridge. Through summer program and public schools, New Hope Inc. will be bringing prevention programming to kids, having conversations about bullying, healthy relationships, teen dating violence and what consent is.

Olivia Richman sat down with the two New Hope Inc. members to find out more about their programs and the importance of the murals that are now on the Tri-Community YMCA's wall.

**So who did these murals?**

Germain: "Each mural is from a different program. One is a collaboration with You, Inc., the Voices With Choices Program. We did lessons on anti-bullying and healthy relationships for children five years old to 12. It was over five weeks. At the end they created this mural together. My favorite part is their interpretation of an activity in team building that we did, where they had to trust their partner to get through obstacles."



The words on the artwork were all words that children wanted Germain to write between the drawings, describing what a good friend is. Some of the words include: Polite, does not ignore, honest, playful, caring.



Respect, listening and trust were big parts of what children participating in You Inc.'s Voices With Choices Program believed made up a healthy relationship.



Cops & Kids worked with children to write what they wanted for their community, which included understanding, inviting, responsibility, politeness, happiness, equality and ready to learn.

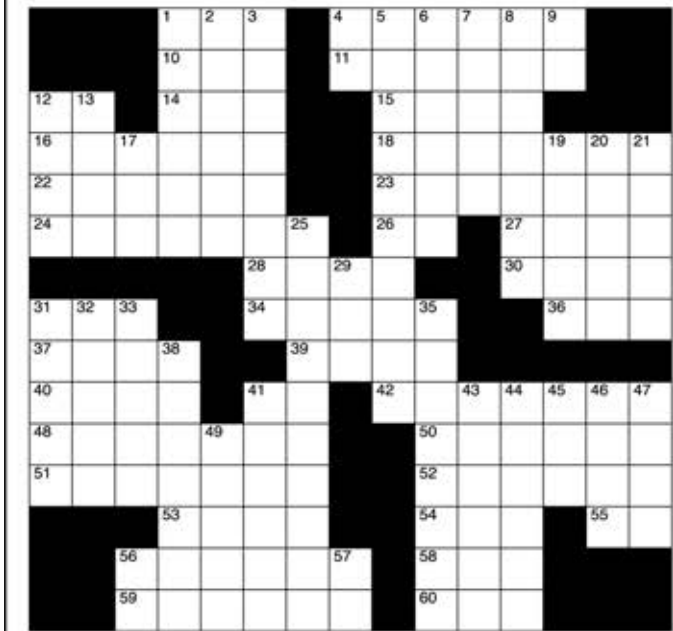
statistics will keep growing. More and more people are coming forward. Right now the statistic is bordering on one in three women and one in six men have been in intimate partner violence at some point in their life. That's not going to change unless we tackle it at a young age."

### How do children respond to these programs?

Germain: "They love open discussions and creating. They know about bullying and have experienced it. It's happening in their schools. It's a different setting than school, so they feel more open. They say their teachers may not listen. It's always reinforced with an age appropriate lesson."

Alan: "The kids are much more knowledgeable and aware than most people give them credit for. People assume that younger kids may not realize situations going on around them. But most children will very easily raise their hand to say they've been a bystander. When kids open up about ways they have tried to help friends, gives ideas to other kids. They come up with ideas on how to stop bullying together."

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### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Not him
- 4. Discrimination against older people
- 10. A team's best pitcher
- 11. Hard aromatic seed of an East Indian tree
- 12. San Francisco
- 14. Superhigh frequency
- 15. Not fat
- 16. A movable indicator on a computer
- 18. Endings
- 22. Rapper Iggy
- 23. Environmental kind
- 24. Agent of downfall
- 26. Spanish be
- 27. Rocky Mountain herb
- 28. \_\_\_ and void
- 30. Uprising
- 31. Automatic teller machine
- 34. European country
- 36. No seats available
- 37. Make sense of a language
- 39. Sea eagle
- 40. One of Thor's names
- 41. Public relations
- 42. Chitchat
- 48. Metal alloys made of copper and zinc
- 50. Explain
- 51. Canned fish
- 52. Of the nervous system
- 53. Surrounded by
- 54. Adam's wife
- 55. Thallium
- 56. Called
- 58. Monetary unit
- 59. If not
- 60. Very fast airplane

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Bother
- 2. Sounds caused by reflections
- 3. Abstains from
- 4. Article
- 5. Intuition
- 6. Ideas of right and wrong
- 7. Group of chemicals
- 8. Elected official
- 9. Magnesium
- 12. Inspect
- 13. Initiates function (military)
- 17. Los Angeles footballer
- 19. Decomposition of a cell
- 20. Spartan Magistrate
- 21. Treaty organization
- 25. Supplants
- 29. The common gibbon
- 31. Members of a Semitic people
- 32. Small tropical fish
- 33. Of the cheek
- 35. Closeness
- 38. Consider to be unworthy
- 41. Of the penis
- 43. Plural form of beef
- 44. Able to speak or write a language
- 45. Body part
- 46. Information
- 47. Communicate information
- 49. Nabran village
- 56. Of (French)
- 57. Darmstadtium



# McGovern introduces bill to halt new CMS penalties

**BY JASON BLEAU**  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

U.S. Rep. Jim McGovern has announced he is helping push forward a bipartisan bill in Washington, D.C. geared toward the protection of health care for senior citizens across the nation.

Introduced to Congress in late September, the bill is being led by McGovern, a Democrat, and Georgia Republican Tom Price, and is being labeled as the PUSH Act, or Pre-Claims Undermine Seniors' Health Act, as H.R. 6226. According to a press release from McGovern's office on Sept. 30, the bill addresses an initiative from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that lawmakers say impacts seniors' access to home health care.

According to the press release, around 3.5 million seniors use home health services for care. These services are provided to allow the seniors to receive the care they require in the comfort of their own homes and have also been touted as more cost

effective for the patients. The McGovern press release stated that the CMS has recently initiated a project geared towards combating fraud and abuse through a demonstration that requires home health agencies to submit full patients records on all cases for pre-claim reviews. Failure to do so would require a 25 percent payment penalty. The new act by McGovern and Price would place a one-year moratorium on the demo across the entire country and require CMS to report to Congress on the impact of the demonstration on patients, agencies, and medical personnel across the board.

"Home health care helps millions of American seniors live independently and get the care they need while living at home," McGovern said in the press release. "I'm worried that CMS's demonstration project will make it more difficult for those in need to get timely home health services. Our bipartisan bill requires a 'pause' in the demo to allow CMS to re-evaluate the full impact of this initiative. I urge

my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this essential bill when Congress returns in November."

McGovern's Republican colleague Price agreed, releasing a statement expressing his own concern of the unintentional negative impact the new requirements would have.

"Many seniors and sick patients rely on home health care, which is oftentimes the most clinically appropriate, cost effective setting for treatment," said Price. "CMS's demonstration project is jeopardizing their safety by delaying or disrupting access to that care. Not only is this new system an entirely inefficient use of Medicare resources, but it will also threaten access to home health services for thousands of seniors. The PUSH Act establishes a one-year moratorium on this harmful demonstration project to protect those who rely on home health care."

The CMS recently announced a delay of expanding on the demo in order to provide time for states to be educated and better informed about the new initiative with the demo scheduled to continue in the months to come. The hope of McGovern and Price is that they can extend the delay of the demonstration as a whole and work with the CMS towards a better plan that may help crack down on fraud while not hampering those who truly depend on home health services as their go-to form of treatment in the foreseeable future.

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## NEWS BRIEF

### Sturbridge announces early voting hours

STURBRIDGE — The Town of Sturbridge Town Clerk's Office has announced the following early voting hours for this year's upcoming election.

- Monday, Oct. 24, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- From Oct. 25-28, hours will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 29, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 31, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Nov. 1-4, will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Early voting will take place at the Sturbridge Town Hall, 308 Main St., Sturbridge



# Historical Society hosts downtown walking tour for ‘Walktober’

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBIDGE — Residents can’t get enough Southbridge history during the town’s Bicentennial celebration. The Last Green Valley’s Walktober event “Walking Tour of Central Village of Southbridge” was a huge hit on Oct. 8. A large group of residents followed Historical Society treasurer Steve Brady through the National Historical District of Downtown, learning about the buildings and the town’s history.

The tour was an annual event back in the 90’s, said Brady, but it was resurrected for the Bicentennial celebration. It included a trip to the Art Center, where historical documents and Southbridge-centric paintings are currently on display as part of the Southbridge Highlights Exhibit.

The tour started at the old train station, went down Hamilton Street and continued down Main Street, discussing history and architectural features, as well as the background on the people who built the buildings. The tour also included the town’s history, including how the town developed and the importance of the river, which provided power for the mills.

“The forefather of the town



Photo courtesy Steve Brady

A large group of residents joined the Southbridge Historical Society for a tour of the National Historical District of Downtown, part of The Last Green Valley’s Walktober events.

started discussing Southbridge in 1795,” said Tracy. “It was a populated center but it wasn’t close enough to any town centers at the time. It was a six mile walk to the closest center of town, if residents wanted to make it to town meetings.”

For citizens’ convenience, Southbridge was formed. Different buildings were high-

lighted along the tour, including Captain Clemmon’s House, on the corner of Hook Street and Hamilton Street.

“It’s a little brick house,” said Tracy. “It used to be a little private school and the location of a local legend, the Dunbar’s Gold Mind. There was a legend that there was gold there. No idea why people would think

there’s gold anywhere.”

The Hiker Monument was discussed, the Spanish-American War monument that features a soldier in field dress, combat-ready, which is unusual for a war statue. Other buildings and their owners and creators were also discussed.

“We talked about the building that burned – the second

oldest in the district. The one next to it that was damaged – that was the oldest in district. The oldest one was on a map from 1826,” said Tracy. “The building next door to it that burned wasn’t on there yet. It was a two-story building and they added a third story. We can tell when we renovated it back in 2000 – you can see the work done on the building.”

To Tracy, Southbridge’s downtown history is a “perfect follow-up” to Old Sturbridge Village, which portrays New England in 1790. The Southbridge downtown area is the “next part in the history,” when New England was beginning to move towards a more industrial nature.

“It’s always important to know what came before you. You don’t want to repeat mistakes that were made in the past. By understanding the way these buildings were built and why, it helps when you look into the future,” said Tracy. “They developed because the population grew because they had places to work. It’s a lesson in history so you can go forward. You can’t go forward without looking back.”

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## Walktober visits outer space at library event



Photo courtesy Dino Tata

Solar System Ambassador Dino Tata visited the Jacob Edwards Library to discuss two NASA missions as part of Walktober.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBIDGE — As part of The Last Green Valley’s Walktober programming, Solar System Ambassador Dino Tata visited the Jacob Edwards Library on Oct. 8 to discuss two NASA missions, Three Billion Miles to Pluto and Mars Adventure.

Two students from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School, Evan Maniatis and John Trainor, were involved in the presentations, creating various spacecraft models to go along with the slides, made at school using a 3D printer.

Olivia Richman sat down with the NASA employee to discuss the two presentations and why it’s important for the residents to know more about what NASA has been up to.

What was “Three Billion Miles to Pluto” about?

“We started by saying how Pluto was discovered, showing mathematical calculations that led to discovery of Uranus, Neptune and finally Pluto. We discussed why Pluto is now a dwarf planet: It intersects with other planets, which planets cannot do by definition. But the big thing we discussed – why do we even go there? Basically, it gives us much more accurate information about the planet than what we gather from a

telescope.”

Why get more information about Pluto?

“It’s part of our solar system and we should know everything about it. It’s where we live. As far out as it is, it’s in pristine condition as it was at the beginning of our solar system 4.5 billion years ago so we can learn about our origins.”

Has it reached Pluto yet?

“It’s already gone past Pluto. We went past Pluto a year ago. It’s now flying further into space, looking for other large objects similar to Pluto. On Jan. 19, 2006 it blasted off from earth.”

How long does it take for it to come back?

“It will never come back. It sends photographs. It’s the fastest spaceship ever launched, at the time. Compared to Apollo Mission – which took three days to reach the moon – this took nine hours. Something like 50,000 mph.”

Wow, that’s amazing! What did NASA discover so far?

“It’s sending photos back [of Pluto] from 7,000 miles above the surface. We found out it has a different surface than what we expected and its larger than what we expected. It had a lot of surface features we didn’t know were there, like ice mountains three miles high.”

What do any of the discoveries mean for Earth?

“It’s still all being analyzed. Each photo takes 16 months to get back to earth. That 16 months will be completed in November.”

What was the purpose of the Mars Adventure presentation?

“We were trying to show why it’s hard to get human beings to Mars. The

distance makes it hard to get there. It would take seven months to get there, if the planets are lined up with each other. When you add a human being, you need oxygen, you need water, facilities and fuel. To get that to fly via spacecraft is quite difficult. Earth is moving and Mars is moving. At closest point it’s 33,352,000 miles from us. Earth takes one year to orbit the sun. Mars takes two.”

Why is it important to reach Mars?

“The human race has always been explorers. Mars is a very special place for human beings because it’s the one place in our solar system we could try to make a life if we abandoned earth. It rotates 24.5 hours a day, close to our 24. It has a very thin atmosphere that can’t support life, but it has water. It’s possible to set up a colony there and survive. Right now we are a one-planet species. But that’s not good. When the asteroid crashed it killed 99 percent of life forms on earth, including the dinosaurs. There’s other stuff that could do that now. If we have an outpost on another planet, we know the human race could

survive something like that.”

Where is NASA in regards to this mission? Or is this just a far-fetched fantasy?

“NASA is working on it and private companies are working on it. We know what space capsules we need to take people there and tested the landing system and motors for the rocket. It’ll be another 20 years until we land a human on Mars.”

That’s not even that far away!

“We believe the first person to walk on Mars is alive today.”

Why was it important to share this information with the public?

“First off, people are interested in it. Secondly, the public pays for this so they have a right to know. Hopefully it will get public support.”

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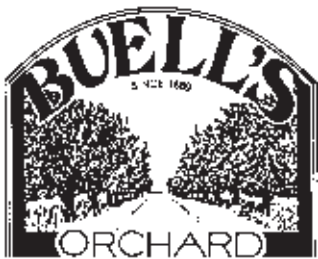
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# Daughters of St. Nicholas preparing for a delicious day

BAZAAR PROVIDES ALBANIAN-STYLE TASTES AND TREATS



Olivia Richman photos

Ladies from the Daughters of St. Nicholas made spinach triangles, stuffed peppers, cabbage rolls and other traditional Albanian dishes for the Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Daughters of St. Nicholas are diligently preparing for their annual Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 5. From 10 to 3 p.m. at the St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church on Morris Street, the Daughters will have a bake table with traditional Albanian food, including spinach pies, baklava and twist cookies. There will also be an Albanian-style café with casserole, spinach triangles and baked macaroni and cheese.

The event has become a favorite throughout the community and beyond, with people traveling from all over New England to get a taste of the traditional goodies that can't be found just anywhere.

Olivia Richman sat down with Daughters member Louise Majewski as she worked on some homemade twist cookies to discuss the upcoming event and why the Daughters' food is one-of-a-kind.

**How long have the Daughters been hosting the Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar?**

"Since 1974, when we released the first cook book. We had bazaars before that but that's when it started to get bigger. It has to be over 40 years.

Originally, way back, we started as a more bazaar type thing. Once we did the cookbook it evolved into mainly food. We changed it to Albanian Kitchen because most people come for the food."

**Why are people so excited about the food at this event?**

"Because it's so good, of course! It's ethnic food. A lot of it is a dying art, like the pies. Nobody else makes them like we do from scratch. Once a year people come just to get the different food that we make."

**Why is it a dying art?**

"We're it. A lot of other groups take shortcuts, using filo to make pies instead of making dough from scratch. It takes a lot of practice, rolling it out and getting that finished product. There aren't too many younger people doing it like we do."

**Is that why you made the cookbook?**

"The cookbook was to preserve the recipes from our mothers and fathers, our parents. Without it, they'd be lost. We were all raised with these kinds of food and we want younger generations to be aware of them. All of our par-

ents, everything was in their head, nothing was written down. We thought we better put it all in writing."

**Do the Daughters enjoy baking and cooking this food?**

"Oh yes. It's a like a social get-together. We exchange ideas and learn new ways to do something. We have a good support system. We all support each other. All of our parishioners, we're like a big family. We care about what happens to each other."

**What is your favorite thing to make?**

"The Twist Cookies are one of my favorites. My daughter even makes them now. They love dunking them in coffee. They're not really, really sweet. When my mother was living she said she made them by the hundreds. I thought, 'Yeah right.' But I think I've made them by the thousands. I make them ten or twelve times a year and do five dozen each time. I see what she's talking about now!"

**What do you like about baking?**

"The repetition is relaxing. Doing it over and over. It slows you down from the every-day rush, rush, rush."

**Why do you think the Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar is an event people should attend?**

"First, this is the only place you'll get these ethnic foods and it's only once a year. The prices are very reasonable and the money goes towards the upkeep of the church. It's a nice place to get together and sit and talk and meets friends, while experiencing new foods."

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Twist Cookies are one of the popular desserts that will be at the bake table.

## NEWS BRIEF

### Early voting hours available in area towns

For the first time in Massachusetts, the first choice all voters will make is which day to vote. We encourage citizens to take advantage of the opportunity to vote on the day and at the time most convenient for them. Early voting will begin on Monday, October 24th and continue through Friday, November 4th, 2016. Please note that there is no voting on Monday Nov 7th. And remember, once a voter has cast an early voting ballot, they cannot vote at the polls on Election Day.

Early voting can be done in person or by mail. To vote by mail you can find the application on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website: <http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele>. To vote in person, visit the early voting locations listed below:

- Brimfield: Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 21 Main St., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 5-8 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the early voting period, Oct. 24 through Nov. 3.
- Holland: Town Clerk's office during normal business hours from Monday, Oct. 24, until Friday, Nov. 4. Normal business hours are as follows — Tuesdays: 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Wednesdays: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Thursdays: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Additionally, the Town Clerk's office will be open for early voting on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 8-11 a.m.
- Wales: At the Town Office Building, 3 Hollow Road, daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday, Oct. 24 through Thursday, Oct. 27; also on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31 through Thursday, Nov. 3.

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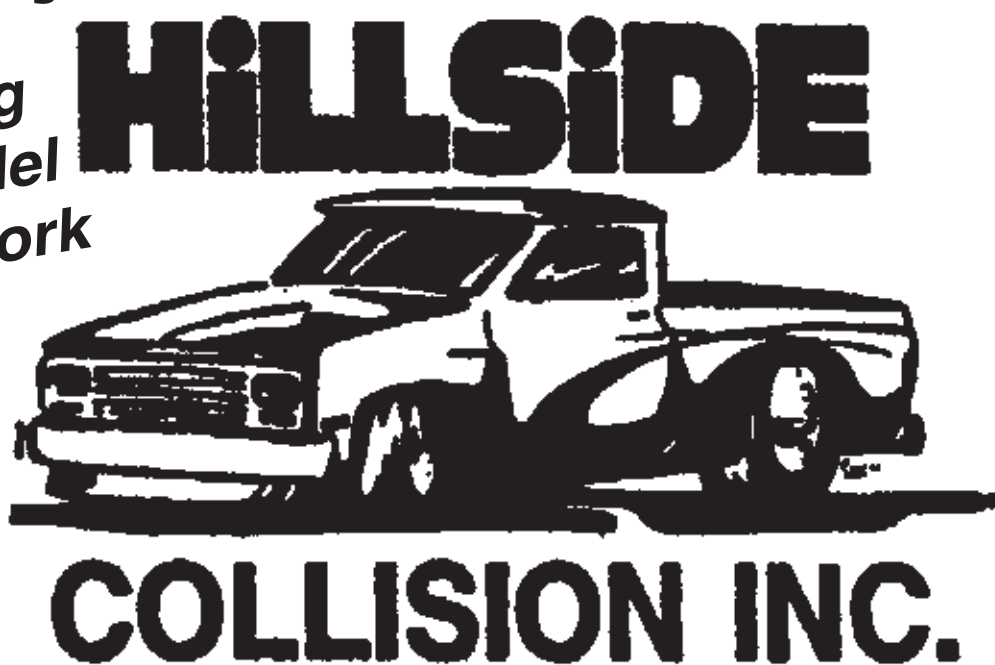
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# United Way kicks of fundraising campaign with breakfast

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SOUTHBIDGE — United Way Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton's 2016 Campaign Kick Off Breakfast was held at the Cohasse Country Club on Thursday, Oct. 13. Businesses and organizations that support United Way or receive funding from United Way for programs that benefit the tri-community joined United Way for the kick off event, which discussed money raised the past fiscal year and goals the organization had for the upcoming year.



2016 UWSSC Campaign Chairwoman Carmen Rivera thanked the businesses in attendance for their continued support.



Executive Director of Tri-Community YMCA Glenn Juchno held a moment of silence for Ed Keefe, who recently passed away from cancer.



The Southbridge Credit Union has been affiliated with the United Way for a long time, said employees who attended the program, and support the United Way's causes.



KARL STORZ received the 2016 Pacesetter Award for their generous donations.



"Harrington Hospital has supported United Way for decades," said Ross Anderson and Ed Moore. "We are supporting the community. It's local businesses and local agencies working together."



Rob Zarges, from the United Way's partner program Casa Project in Worcester.



YMCA employees attended United Way's kick off program.



Worcester Community Action Council (Ellen Ganley, Michelle Morrissey and Kathy Dow) said the United Way has always been very supportive of their programs, including their HiSET and ESL programs.



Members of local businesses and organizations that support and receive funding from United Way attended the organization's Kick Off program.



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# Eastford Road students celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

*Olivia Richman photos*

SOUTHBIDGE — Eastford Road School presented their annual Hispanic Heritage Month parade on Friday, Oct. 14, inviting families to watch the children march around the school to festive music, wearing hats and shaking maracas they made in class.

According to Principal Mary Beth Skrzypczak, the students had been learning about Hispanic heritage all month. They also made flags, maracas and learned Spanish songs for the parade.

“We need to embrace the multiculturalism in our community,” she said, “and educate students on their own culture.”



Complete with a sombrero and maraca, one teacher leads her students down the sidewalk towards the excited parents.



Some of the children got super into the Spanish music playing during the parade.



Some of the classrooms focused on a single country, wearing the letters that make up the country's name.



Children laughed and cheered and held hands as they marched around the school.



A teacher holds the Puerto Rican flag as she leads her students around the school.



Students created festive hats in art class in the weeks leading up to the parade.



“We need the children to learn about their culture,” said Principal Mary Beth Skrzypczak.



The students circled the school three times for their cheering parents, waving flags and shaking maracas.



One classroom waves the Brazilian flag as they made their way down the sidewalk.




Principal Mary Beth Skrzypczak dressed up for the parade.



Susan Frobatta and her students hold onto their hats as the wind picked up outside.





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# The third verse

It's that time of year again, when the colored leaves fall; I would daresay it's the most beautiful season of all.


It's the harvest, when the nights get a little more cool; the jackets come out, and we go back to school.

Playoff baseball, and football of quality highest; and also the day of my birth ... so I'm guess I'm a tad biased.

But it's also time to continue a new-found tradition; it's quickly becoming my most favorite edition.

You see, it's a week in which I can switch things up a bit; and deliver my weekly words with a smidge more wit.

So just like last year, and the year before that, it's time; it's the third verse of my annual column, written completely in rhyme.



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The first was a silly experiment, the second a thank you letter; so as you can deduce, this verse needs to be just that much better.

I need these words to be honest, passionate and delivered with tact; it's an earnest call for you, my valued readers, to act.

Because feedback is the lifeblood of any local publication; we don't do this alone — we need reader participation!

Whether it's a letter, picture, or story submission; we covet your stories — after all, local is our mission.

So let this be the beacon — the bat signal, if you will; for you to get involved and show off your skills!

This is your newspaper, after all, so here are some hints; for you to leave on our pages your unique fingerprints.

Schools, sports, events ... it's all fair game to us; even if you think it may seem superfluous.

Because if it's important to you, than it is important to me; because we are a reflection of what you want us to be.

Some may disagree on how it is all presented; we welcome the discussion, it is never resented.

But at the end of the day, this newspaper is yours to call your own; your wish is our command, you sit on the throne!

It's not often I say "No" to someone who sends something in; unless it's libelous, vulgar or otherwise in obvious sin.

I've said it before, and I'll say it again, 'til I'm blue in the face; send me your content, and we'll make you the space.

So how do we do this, logistically speaking? How do I provide the answers you are seeking?

The first thing to remember is that my e-mail is updated; thanks to some hackers this summer who left me frustrated.

Instead of ".com" remember to type in the ".news" ending; or else your message will bounce right back to you, never sending.

Although e-mail is preferred, you may also use fax or mail too; you can even visit my office in person when it's convenient for you.

No matter how you do it, the door is always open to submit; stories, pictures, calendar items and obits.

From upcoming events, birth announcements and sports scores; letters and columns and so much more.

The sky is the limit, so don't wait, start now, take the hint; and discover the wonder of seeing your work on newsprint!

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Re-elect Anne Gobi for state senator

To the Editor:

Trustworthy, integrity and dedicated are just three reasons why Anne Gobi, deserves your vote for re-election as state senator! Senator Gobi continues to serve the largest district in the state with genuine concern and commitment for all her constituents. Her tireless efforts and attendance at events in all 28 towns within her district, speak to her commitment, personal experience and knowledge of the issues.

In the past two years Senator Gobi has taken on the politically charged Lyme bill and in doing so, she took a stand for citizens across Massachusetts. She never backed down when she was receiving pressure from the go-liath insurance industry lobbyists, Infectious Diseases Society of America and our own governor. Gobi continued the fight for people across the state suffering and who cannot afford treatment for something as common and debilitating as Lyme disease.

Anne Gobi met with people being affected while educating herself on the issues and garnering support from the Massachusetts legislature. Anne Gobi fought side by side with democrats, republicans and advocates and as of July 31, 2016 her hard work paid off, resulting in a law that mandates insurance coverage for the treatment of Lyme disease!

In addition to her years as a public servant, Senator Gobi has proudly received endorsements from the State Police Association of Massachusetts, New England Carpenters Union and

an 'A' rating from the Gun Owners Action league. Gobi is a 2015 recipient of "Legislator of the year" award by Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC).

Sen. Anne Gobi has proven she is capable and she cares about the issues faced by her constituents. With your vote she is ready to continue to serve as your voice, the voice of the people!

Senator Gobi was born and raised in Spencer and still lives there today. She attended David Prouty High School and studied at Worcester State College. She began work as a teacher at Leicester High School, while attending Massachusetts School of Law in pursuit of her Law Degree.

A member of the Spencer Democratic Town Committee since 1998, she was elected to serve as the State Representative for the 5th Worcester District. She was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives for 14 years, serving on multiple committees including the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, of which she was co-chair.

Anne was elected as State Senator in 2014 and has continued her work for the entire Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex district.

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## Question 2 saps school funding

To the Editor:

As a librarian, I am worried about the districts where librarians are being cut in middle and high schools (Ashburnham/Westminster being a recent case in point).

This is a time when information and social media channels are exploding with ads that lure readers into clicking on them and students' abilities to ask what is "real" from these sources is undermined by the social pressures of family and friends. Without the school library media specialists to help students navigate the information flow I worry about their futures. Studies have proven that students in schools with professional librarians succeed in their later pursuits.

I am voting no on Question 2 because lifting the cap on charter schools is

sure to make tight budget situations worse. Already the state required reimbursements have not been fully funded in years. Students can't afford to lose out on any more resources.

Question 2 on the November ballot would triple the number of charter schools in Massachusetts in just 10 years, costing local public school districts more than \$1 billion a year. The stakes are high if we want to develop talented adults with the 21st century skills of critical thinking and creative problem solving to perform well in the workplace and in public roles in our communities.

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BRIMFIELD

## Galonek: Ehrhard for senator

To the Editor:

It was just over a decade ago when I first became aware of James Ehrhard.

It was at a contentious Sturbridge Town Meeting that involved an article that would allow a big box retailer to come in to town. James stood up and stirred the pot with a funny comment, diffusing the situation. I had no idea what his politics were then, but he earned my respect for his candidness and insight that night.

Over the years, I would come to know James very well through serving with him on the Tantasqua Regional School Committee and Sturbridge Republican Town Committee. On the school com-

mittee, I got a first-hand look at his fiscal bull dog ways when we served on the negotiations subcommittee together. Regardless of where he came down on an issue, James was a passionate advocate, be it for fiscal discipline or against unfunded mandates such as Common Core and PARCC testing. I am confident that James will provide excellent leadership in the State Legislature, and line up with Governor Baker on his reforms. I encourage you to vote for James Ehrhard for State Senator on Nov. 8!

GARY GALONEK  
STURBRIDGE

## Is the real estate market seasonal?

In the fall, I always think this is a good topic to discuss. I think most consumers believe the market is seasonal and there is some truth to that. I think it most important to look at the numbers though. We also want to concentrate on our local market rather than nationally because real estate is a local business even though it can be affected by what is going on nationally and internationally, such as interest rate changes and any news that can positively affect consumer confidence and buyers ability to purchase a home.

If we look at the last 12 months then we see 8,080 homes sold in Worcester County according to the Multiple Listing Service Property Information Network, and during the months of December through February 1,545 homes sold, which encompasses just over 19 percent of the homes that sold in the last 12 months. In the previous year, the number was 20 percent. This data



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tells me that there is a dip in the winter, but the market just doesn't completely stop. So if you are thinking about selling your home and you are thinking about waiting until the spring because homes don't sell in the winter, I would suggest evaluating your goals to see if it makes more sense just to sell in the winter rather than wait.

The interesting thing is that the market that we have been in for the past few years has been one of shrinking inventory. If I actually go back to 12/01/2014, we had 2,861 homes for sale, on 5/01/2015 we had 2,677 homes for sale, 12/01/2015 we had 2,614 homes for sale and on 5/01/2016 we had 2,179 homes for sale. This shows a shrinking inventory and today we are up to 2,341 homes for sale in Worcester County as of today, and on 10/16/2015 we had 3,154 homes for sale. All this data shows that

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## Guard against identity theft, and protect your finances



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l o n e , more than 13 million Americans were victimized by identity theft, according to the U.S.

Department of Justice. What can you do to guard your identity and protect yourself from potential financial losses? Here are some ideas to consider:

Review your statements. Closely review the monthly statements from your checking and other financial accounts. If you find any unfamiliar charges, contact your bank or other financial services provider immediately.

Order your credit reports. The three credit reporting agencies – TransUnion, Equifax and Experian – are each required by law to provide you one free credit report a year. Make sure your name, address and other information are correct on your credit report, and if you find old or inaccurate information, have it removed.

Place a fraud alert. If you suspect you have become a victim of Identity theft, place a "fraud alert" on your credit reports by contacting any of the three credit reporting agencies. You can choose a short-term or long-term alert. And if you're an active member of the military, you can request a special, one-year alert.

Feed your shredder. Shred all old bank and investment statements, applications for new credit cards and any other documents that contain personal information.

Destroy digital data. If you have a variety of financial accounts, you're not just creating a paper trail – you're also establishing a digital "footprint." So, when you sell or otherwise dispose of a computer system or hard drive, you may want to take steps to destroy personal data. You might think that simply deleting it would be sufficient, but tech-savvy identity thieves can "undelete" files or recover information from a formatted drive. However, products are available that allow you to completely wipe out data on hard drives.

Change passwords. It's a good idea to change your Internet passwords every so often – especially those passwords that provide access to financial accounts.

Leave your Social Security card home. Snagging someone's Social Security number is a real "catch" for identity thieves, so do everything you can to thwart them. And you can start by leaving your Social Security card safely at home – after all, there's probably never a good reason to bring it out, anyway. In fact, be wary of anyone, or any business, that asks for your Social Security number, either in person or online. Except for a few obvious exceptions, such as your tax preparer, most reputable businesses don't need to know anything about your Social Security information.

Watch for "phishers." If you've ever gotten an e-mail, supposedly from your bank, advising you that your account will be "frozen" unless you provide personal details about your account, it's a good bet that someone is "phishing" for this information – and they're using the "freezing" threat as bait. What's particularly alarming is that these "phishers" have gotten quite good at duplicating logos and using official-sounding language. However, a legitimate bank would never threaten you this way with an e-mail, so, if you get such a message, contact the bank's fraud department.

You can go a long way toward protecting yourself against identity theft by following these suggestions — so put them to work soon.

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# Tips to carve out a Halloween display



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No traditional New England harvest display would be complete without a parade of fat pumpkins and a sprinkling of assorted gourds.

The simple pumpkin, rich in both nutrition and heritage, has long served as an object of intrigue. In the 17th century fairy tale, Cinderella's coach magically appeared from a large, stout pumpkin; and even today, generations of Native Americans hail the pumpkin's healing seeds as a medicinal sedative. Add in the mystique of the annual Halloween Jack-O-Lantern, and its no wonder both pumpkins and gourds remain an autumn wonder, touted for both their culinary and decorative virtues. Here are some tips to "carve out" a fun fall display!

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For carving, choose pumpkins with a sturdy stem, as this is the sign of a healthy pumpkin. Never lift a pumpkin by its stem, not only do you risk it breaking off, a stemless pumpkin ages faster.

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If you are tracing a design to carve from a pumpkin or gourd, use a chopstick or nut spear to press into the gourd for a foolproof guideline.

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To cut out a top lid that won't fall inside the pumpkin, carve a hexagon shape to keep it sitting pretty throughout the night.

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Better yet, cut off the bottom of the pumpkin instead of the top. Place the carved pumpkin over a candle safely set on a plate, or for optimum safety, simply use a flashlight.

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If you plan to place a pillar candle inside your Jack-Lantern, first cut a hole in the bottom of the pumpkin the same size as your candle to stabilize it.

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For a festive twist on traditional Jack-O-Lantern lights or candles, stuff a string of small white Christmas lights inside the carved pumpkin. Make a hole out the back to feed plug through.

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Need a creativity boost? Log onto these websites for pumpkin and gourd designs you can download for free: [www.pumpkinmasters.com](http://www.pumpkinmasters.com) or [www.spookmaster.com](http://www.spookmaster.com).

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Carving a gourd? Here's a hint to halt the hassle. Simply place a towel inside a large bowl to hold the gourd steady. Place the gourd in the padded bowl to keep it from moving while you trace or cut.

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Did you know? The Japanese considered the gourd a lucky token and believed a set of six gourds had the power to improve health and spiritual power. Plus they believed the set of gourds could produce six fortunes!

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Want your Jack-O-Lantern or gourd sculpture to last longer? A spray of Lysol or other disinfectant will prolong life of pumpkins and gourds.

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For long term storage, put a thin amount of petroleum jelly on the exposed, sawed edges. This prevents water from getting out. If water gets out, your pumpkin will shrivel.

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Stretch the longevity of a Jack-O-Lantern by giving it a bath. Let the pumpkin float for a few hours, or even overnight, allowing the insides fill with water. Put a little bleach in the water if you wish to prevent mold. The pumpkin absorbs the water and become very firm. Anytime your pumpkin

shrivels, soak it in a bath of cold water for one to eight hours to rejuvenate it. \*\*

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Another way to extend a lighted Jack-O-Lantern's life is to poke a vent hole or two in the top of the pumpkin to vent the heat and slow the rotting process.

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FYI: Jack-O-Lantern Lore — Legend has it the Jack-O-Lantern evolved from an Irish tale involving a drunkard named Jack. According to the longtime yarn, Jack was a trickster who playfully deceived family members. His fate was sealed the day he attempted to trick the devil into climbing an apple tree. Once Jack convinced the devil to climb the tree, he placed crosses around the tree trunk, trapping the devil. With the devil cornered, Jack refused let him down until he promised not to take Jack's soul when he died. The story goes that many years later when Jack died, he couldn't get into heaven, yet he was turned out of hell too, because of the devil's long ago promise. Jack found himself with nowhere to go. He asked the devil how to leave the gates of hell as there was no light to guide him. According to the tale, the devil threw him an ember from the flames of hell to help him light his way. Jack put the burning ember inside a

hollowed out pumpkin. From that day on, it is said that Jack wandered the earth without a resting place, lighting his way with his lantern, thus the legend of the "Jack-O-Lantern," was born.

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*Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail [kdr@aoi.com](mailto:kdr@aoi.com).*

## More on why people collect

Some of my past columns have offered reasons that people collect. There may be a connection to happy times in their lives, it may be because they couldn't afford things when they were younger and want to own them now or they may just have an interest in historical items from the past.

"The National Psychologist" website provides a further explanation of the psychology of collecting. During the 1700's and 1800's aristocrats scoured the globe searching for "fossils, shells, zoological specimens, works of art and books." They housed their finds in special rooms called "cabinets of curiosities." Some of the more advanced collectors opened museums with all of their finds.

Modern collectors may collect everything from "Cracker Jack toys to manhole covers." The "National Psychologist" says that some collect for the pure enjoyment and others collect to expand their social lives. They enjoy the camaraderie of meeting and sharing information with others who also collect what they do. They claim that building a great collection brings status for others. Some people find security and a calming effect in arranging, classifying and cataloging items.

The United States Mint estimated that



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120 million people set aside quarters that honored the 50 states. Collecting is part of our culture with scouts able to earn merit badges in collecting. Words were coined to identify many types of collectors. A stamp collector is a philatelist. Numismatics is the study or collecting of coins. Deltiologists collect postcards and horologists collect clocks. There are even names for collectors of more obscure items. Phillumenists collect matchbooks or matchboxes and sucrologists collect sugar packets.

The website [rewireme.com](http://www.rewireme.com) provides a list of reasons of "why collecting things you love is good for your brain." Collecting builds observational skills. It improves organizational thinking and enhances pattern recognition. Collecting awakens a desire for knowledge. It inspires creativity. They state that it may forge a commitment to a good cause. By prominently displaying collections it may install a desire to work with a cause related to the collection. It fosters social connections. It may pave the way to a career. Mineral collectors may become geologists. They note that a 19th century student at the

University of Cambridge collected beetles. His interest developed into his life's work. The student was Charles Darwin.

Moneycrashers.com notes seven reasons to collect coins. The reasons are to make money, for the challenge, it's educational, for the metal content of the coins, the hobby can be passed on to children and it's a way to relax. If you don't already collect something, there are plenty of reasons to start.

My friends at the Finnish American Heritage Society of Canterbury, Conn., were kind enough to invite me to appraise items and speak at the "Finn Funn" event at the Tori (Finnish Marketplace) at the Fitzwilliam VFW, Fitzwilliam, N.H. on Oct. 29. I'll be appraising items from 9 to 11 a.m. and speaking and doing additional appraisals from 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. The second session of the antique radio auction will take place on Nov. 13 in Carlisle, Mass. Other future events are currently being scheduled. Please see [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for more information on upcoming events.

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1960's and earlier superhero comic books are popular with collectors.

## A little bit of kindness

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We are a society filled with loss, loneliness, broken hearts, and fear. I see people every day struggling in one form or another. Not everyone has the same struggles but each is just as difficult to one as it is to the other.

I urge you, my lovely readers, to step back and show someone as much kindness as you can. Many struggles are unseen, we have become a generation of built up walls around ourselves, dishonesty out of fear, hearts permanently affixed to our sleeves, and so on.

I was grocery shopping the other day and I saw a mom who was struggling to keep her two children in the shopping cart. They wanted to touch everything, buy everything, and scream about everything. For those of us that are parents,

we have all been there, those times at the store where we know everyone is staring at us because our kids are being lunatics. Typically, this behavior doesn't bother us as much as we assume it does other people. This mom looked like she could have used a cup of coffee and an extra set of hands. There were the select patrons giving her dirty looks and mumbling to themselves about controlling her kids, and there were the sympathetic stares from people who have probably been there before. She started out quietly and politely asking them to settle down, which turned into pleas and bargaining to buy them that treat they wanted if they just sit nicely until the shopping trip was over, when I saw her again a few aisles down she was full out yelling at them to sit down and be quiet or there was some harsher punishment coming in the form of not being able to go to that birthday party this weekend, or going to bed early, or the dreaded no screen time for the rest of the day.

My heart sank for her, I understood. I had been in

her shoes. I went up to this poor frazzled mom and said, "Excuse me, hi. I just think you should know... you're doing a good job. It will get easier." She just stared at me wide eyed as I smiled and started to walk away. "Thank you, really" she called back to me as I made my way to pick out my tomato sauce. It only took two seconds for me to say those words, but I'd like to believe she genuinely needed to hear that.

Many people think kindness has to come in the form of money, and while most of us would greatly accept that type of gift, there are so many other ways to give.

Here are some examples of things you can do to spread that kindness to others that may take little to no effort at all:

- We all see those pan handlers on the side of the road holding their cardboard signs asking for help. Many just roll up their windows and ignore them while silently passing judgment and hushing our kids when they ask what that person is doing. Before passing judgment step back and appreciate what you may have that they do not. Keep an extra bottle of water in your car, or a piece of fruit. Next time you see one, give them something to drink or eat. It is not much to you, but it might be the highlight of their day.
- Next time you go grocery shopping, perhaps offer to put someone's cart back for them.
- Scoop out an extra serving of dinner and pass it to that neighbor you know works insane hours.
- Tell someone who is struggling that they are doing a good job.
- See a car while driving that has their gas tank open? Take a second and roll down your window and tell them.

price range. If we break down this data to that level, some towns and price ranges are hot and selling quickly while others are not.

This data covers all of Worcester County, and again, real estate is extremely local and you want to hire an agent who understands your local market and can interpret the market to make sure you are making the right decision for your goals.

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• Ask a friend, "is there anything I can do for you?"

• Put a note in your spouses car, just to wish them a good day.

There are many things that can brighten someone's day. Try one, or a few, and enjoy that good feeling it gives you. I hope you all have a wonderful day!

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the inventory builds up and sells off in the fall and winter months and shrinks as we go through the winter with homes selling or being taken off the market. This is a great opportunity for a seller who wants to get their home sold now rather than wait until the spring market.

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## Thursday, Oct. 20

### BRIMFIELD

The Brimfield Senior Center is offering an educational program "Getting to Know Food Labels." Reading the Nutrition Facts panel can help you shop and eat or drink smarter. Come listen to our nutrition program being offered on Thursday, Oct. 20 at 11:15 a.m. Whether you want to eat better to lose weight or lower your risk or manage a chronic disease, get to know the experts! Registered dietitian nutritionists from Harrington Hospital are presenting this program and can help you by providing sound, easy-to-follow personalized nutrition advice. Lunch is available for a \$2 suggested donation but you must reserve your meal prior to 11 a.m. on Oct. 19. Please call 413-245-7253 to register for this class. The Senior Center is located in the First Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield.

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Republican Town Committee will hold their final meeting prior to the National Elections on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Veterans Room of the Town Hall in Southbridge. Any registered Republican is welcome. For more information about the meetings or about joining the Republican Town Committee, please contact Chairman Michael Jaynes at 508-764-6555.

## Friday, Oct. 21

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Woman's Club will meet on Friday, Oct. 21, at 12 noon at the Southbridge D.O.D. Conference Center. John Lafleche, Superintendent of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School will speak regarding all the educational opportunities the school provides.

## Saturday, Oct. 22

### STURBRIDGE

Annual Fall Rummage/Yard Sale — The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple Street, Sturbridge will be holding its annual Fall Rummage Sale on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. In conjunction with our Rummage/Yard Sale there will be a recycling and bike collection from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the 22nd in the rear of the Meetinghouse (parking area). This is a great opportunity to start fall cleaning and to recycle.

The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple Street, Sturbridge will be having an electronics recycling day on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The recycle event will have low fees of \$5 for each small electronic item such as DVD's, computer towers, lap tops, scanners, VCR's, copiers, circuit boards, stereo equipment, lighting, vacuums, Answering machines, FAX, speakers, compact disc, radios, modems, ups, fans, video equipment, game console, XBox, etc., tape players, and typewriters. \$10 for dishwashers, dryers, stoves, microwaves, Exercise equipment, lawn mowers, dehumidifiers, snow blowers, small engine, items and monitors. AC-\$15, small dorm refrigerators-\$10 and large refrigerators-\$25. Cell phones, car and truck batteries, tools, cables, and keyboards are free. TV's up to 18 inches-\$15, between 19 and 25 inches-\$15, between 26 and 32 inches-\$20. TV's over 32 inches-\$25.

Do you have an older/newer road, mountain, BMX, adult or kids bikes. It does not matter the condition. Bikes will be fixed and reused. Please bring bikes to the parking lot of the Sturbridge Federated church, 8 Maple Street Sturbridge on Saturday, Oct. 22, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. There will be no fee for the bicycles.

Donations may be dropped off behind the church on Saturday morning, Oct. 22. Any questions, please call Jim Wood at 508-277-6728.

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Democratic Town Committee will be holding its next meeting on Oct. 22, at the Southbridge Community Center at 153 Chestnut Street, Southbridge MA 01550. The Committee will be adding on new members, discussing the upcoming ballot

questions, and will accept a report from the Democratic State Committee. After the committee adjourns, there will be a canvass for the No on 2 campaign; both committee members and residents are encouraged to join. The committee is always looking to add new members, so if you are interested in joining or have any questions please contact the committee at [SouthbridgeDems@gmail.com](mailto:SouthbridgeDems@gmail.com).

St John Paul II Parish — Fiesta Gala, Saturday, Oct. 22, La Salle Reception Center, 44 Main St., Southbridge, 5:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission: \$40 per person, \$75 per couple, \$300 to reserve a table for eight. Reservations available by calling the parish office at 508-765-3701. Entertainment will feature Francisco Rivera el Moribibi, Comedian; Los Soneros de Boriquen Band, Music for listening and dancing; Son Boriqua Band, Music for listening and dancing. Menu is a complete buffet of pork, ham, and vegetarian lasagna, mashed potatoes, Spanish yellow rice, salad, coffee and tea, with a special desert table. Sponsored by the Saint John Paul II Jubilee Year Committee, this semi-formal is the official final event to celebrate this milestone, which takes place on the feast of our patron, Saint John Paul II.

## Monday, Oct. 24

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The YMCA is offering Art for Seniors — no experience is needed. This free workshop is on Monday, Oct. 24 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Southbridge Community Center, 153 Chestnut Street in Southbridge. Theme: Creating a Festive Fall Wreath. Free transportation is provided by SCM Elderbus and a Free lunch for workshop participants is provided by Tri-Valley, Inc. Registration is required by calling the YMCA at 508-765-5466 or visit [tricommu-nityYMCA.org](http://tricommu-nityYMCA.org) for more information.

## Tuesday, Oct. 25

### BRIMFIELD

Starting Oct. 25 the Tri-Town Domestic Violence Task Force is sponsoring a three-part RAD training for women at the Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield. The other dates are Nov. 1 and 4 all held from 7-9 p.m. RAD training is a self-defense program which is designed to empower women to stay safe, how to recognize and avoid dangerous situations, how not to become a victim and to fight off an assailant if needed. The class is limited to the first 10 participants to sign up. A donation of \$25 is suggested but not required. To register call 413-245-1219 or 413-668-6965.

## Wednesday, Oct. 26

### STURBRIDGE

October is "Adopt a Shelter Dog Month!" To mark the occasion, Second Chance Animal Shelter of East Brookfield will visit the Joshua Hyde Library on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m. A story or two will be shared and we'll learn about selecting and caring for a new pet. In addition, we will be introduced to a service dog in training. Children of all ages welcome with caregiver. Please pre-register by calling the library at 508-347-2512.

## Friday, Oct. 28

### SOUTHBRIDGE

First of the Turkey Shoots — Romanian Hall, Southbridge, Friday, Oct. 28, 7-9 p.m. Spaghetti feed, \$7, all-you-can-eat, 5-7 p.m. Wear your Halloween costumes.

### BRIMFIELD

Friday, Oct. 28, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Witches of Brimfield are stirring the cauldron and it's bubbling over with foods to indulge on. Spider Goulash (pulled pork) made special for you, with Eye of Newt Slaw (creamy coleslaw with craisens & pineapple) and Cauldron Brains (homemade baked beans) too! There's Crone Bread delight (corn bread) to help you take flight, and dessert is a Dilly 'cause these witches are silly. So attire yourself in costumes of flair. For there will be prizes a many to hopefully snare. Music, games, prizes and October birthdays will be celebrated. Please call the Senior Center at 413-245-7253 to reserve your space prior to Oct. 25. Suggested donation of \$5 for this event.

### WALES

Night Hike, Friday, Oct. 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Reservations required, Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary, 30 Peck Rd, Wales. Explore the Norcross Sanctuary at night. Walk along a lit path while we observe the sights and sounds of the Sanctuary at dusk. Children age 7 and older are welcome with an adult. Space is limited. Call 413-267-9654 or email [ohop@norcrosswildlife.org](mailto:ohop@norcrosswildlife.org) to register.

## Saturday, Oct. 29

### STURBRIDGE

Sturbridge Rotary will hold its inaugural Antique Appraisal Show Oct. 29, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Federated Church, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge. We will appraise antiques, collectibles, art, stamps, ephemera (any paper collectibles including sports cards), coins, currency, medals, and tokens. Pricing: 1 item, \$5; 2 items, \$10; 3 items, \$15; 4-10 items, \$4 each; Coin albums, \$18 each (regardless of # of coins in the album).

Relay for Life of the Greater Southbridge Area Scare Away Cancer 5K and Fun Run — Oct. 29, 9 a.m., at the Publick House. Cost: \$25 race entry until Oct. 29, \$30 after. Register at [run-reg.com/rflscareawaycancer5k](http://run-reg.com/rflscareawaycancer5k). Join us for a Spooktacular 5K and fun run! Good times will be had throughout the easy 3.1 mile course through Sturbridge as we kick off the race at the Publick House and end with music, raffles, and a costume contest so be sure to wear your Halloween best! The first 100 people to register will receive T-shirts. All proceeds from the 5k and Fun Run will benefit the Relay for Life of the Greater Southbridge Area. Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's signature fundraising event that raises money for cancer research and patient services by having an overnight Relay. This June the Relay for Life of the Greater Southbridge Area celebrates its 20th anniversary.

## Monday, Oct. 31

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The YMCA is offering Art for Seniors — no experience is needed. This free workshop is on Monday, Oct. 31 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Southbridge Community Center, 153 Chestnut Street in Southbridge. Theme: Creating a Festive Fall Wreath. Free transportation is provided by SCM Elderbus and a Free lunch for workshop participants is provided by Tri-Valley, Inc. Registration is required by calling the YMCA at 508-765-5466 or visit [tricommu-nityYMCA.org](http://tricommu-nityYMCA.org) for more information.

## Wednesday, Nov. 2

### SOUTHBRIDGE

Please join us! Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m., Elm St., Congregational Church in Southbridge. Entertainer Anthony DeBlois, who is blind and autistic, will sing and play his keyboard for us. All are invited to attend.

## Saturday, Nov. 5

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Daughters of St. Nicholas will hold its annual Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church, 126 Morris St., Southbridge. The bake table will feature traditional Albanian spinach, leek, sauerkraut, and squash pies; baklava, orange-date cookies, kurabias, and twist cookies along with many of your other favorites. An Albanian-style café will offer garden salad, egg-lemon soup, great northern bean soup, meatball and vegetable casserole, leek and cornmeal casserole, stuffed peppers, cabbage rolls, spinach triangles, baked macaroni and cheese, and eggplant parmesan. You may either dine in or take out. This event will also feature handmade beaded jewelry, theme baskets, used books and a this 'n that table.

## Sunday, Nov. 6

### SOUTHBRIDGE

Saint John Paul II Parish Bazaar — Sunday, Nov. 6, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Trinity Catholic Academy, 11 Pine St., Southbridge. The Bazaar features a variety of tables, children's games, crafts, village bake shop, jar deal, theme baskets, parish table, jewelry, silent auction, community raffle table (huge!) and entertainment. Karol's Kafé open for breakfast 8:30 a.m., a great variety of items for lunch! Free admission, ample parking, handicap accessible. Questions, call 508-764-3701.

## Tuesday, Nov. 8

### SOUTHBRIDGE

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## Friday's Child



Ten-year-old Yessenia and seven-year-old Jeremiah are a sibling group of Hispanic descent. Yessenia is an energetic fourth grader who enjoys playing with other children, riding her bike, playing outside, and listening to music. She loves fashion and enjoys trying on different outfits and jewelry. Yessenia enjoys school and although behind grade

level, she is making progress with the help of her Individualized Educational Plan (IEP). Yessenia is strong minded and at times can become frustrated when things aren't going her way. She is continuing to learn healthy ways to communicate and learn coping skills.

Jeremiah is an independent child with is talkative and has a wonderful sense of humor. Jeremiah enjoys reading books, coloring, and playing with his cars. He plays well with other children and enjoys being with his friends and teachers. Jeremiah is currently in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. In play therapy, Jeremiah receives support around understanding limits, boundaries, and following directions.

Yessenia and Jeremiah are part of a sibling group of three. They will need a family that will allow them continued contact with their brother who is not able to be placed with them at this time. Their social worker is open to exploring families who are prepared for two energetic, funny, and courageous siblings who are ready to be placed with their forever family!

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To learn more about Yessenia and Jeremiah, and about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or visit [www.mareinc.org](http://www.mareinc.org). The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."



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or email [sandy@stonebridgepress.com](mailto:sandy@stonebridgepress.com)



# OBITUARIES

## Alfreda M. Brousseau, 89



**SOUTHBRIDGE** — Alfreda M. (Lesniewska) Brousseau, 89, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 13, in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, after an illness.

She leaves her husband of 69 years, Raymond A. Brousseau; two sons, Thomas W. Brousseau and his wife Mary of Dudley and William Brousseau and his wife Virginia of Willington, Conn.; a daughter, Janet R. Plouffe and her husband Richard of Industry, Maine; four grandchildren, Christopher Brousseau, Jeffrey Brousseau, Ephrem Plouffe and Marie Plouffe.

Alfreda was predeceased by two brothers and a sister.

She was born in Southbridge the daughter of John and Maryanne (Ciborowska) Lesniewska. A graduate of Mary E. Wells High School, Alfreda attended Bates College in Maine, received her Bachelor's Degree in Education and Biology from Clark University, and her Master's Degree Education from Worcester State

University.

A life-long educator, Alfreda first worked as a 5th grade teacher in Southbridge for many years and then, following her Master's Degree, as an elementary school guidance counselor and reading teacher, and finally as Title I Director for the Southbridge School System before retiring many years ago. She loved to travel with Raymond and in particular the two enjoyed numerous trips to Aruba. Alfreda was a wonderful cook and loved cooking Polish dishes for her family and friends. She was a master of crossword puzzles and enjoyed quilting and creating hand hooked and braided rugs. Alfreda was a member of the Southbridge Teachers Association as well as an active member of St. Hedwig's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish and its Holy Rosary Society.

A funeral Mass for Alfreda was held on Tuesday, Oct. 18, in St. Hedwig's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, Everett St., Southbridge. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge. There were no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. John Paul II Parish, 279 Hamilton St., Southbridge, MA 01550. Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## John A. Spinelli, 73



**SOUTHBRIDGE** — John A. Spinelli, 73, of Goddard St., passed away on Monday, Oct. 10, in his home after a sudden illness.

He leaves his brother, Lawrence N. Spinelli and his wife Bonita of Southbridge; five nieces and nephews, Patrick Spinelli and his wife Kelly of Southbridge, Ethan Spinelli and his wife Kristin of Marlboro, Conn., Lauren Boisvert and her fiancé John Maloney of Southbridge, Erica Tetreault and her husband Scott of Southbridge and Kaitlyn Pintarich and her husband Chris of Uxbridge; and 10 great nieces and nephews. He was born in Southbridge the son of the late Anthony F. and Ursula M. (Nagle) Spinelli.

John worked at Dexter-Russell Inc. in Southbridge for 26 years, before retiring several years ago. He was a member of the Dexter-Russell Wall of Fame. He previously worked at the American

Optical Co. in Southbridge for 15 years. In recent years John regularly attended the Center of Hope Adult Day program in Southbridge. John was a die-hard Boston sports fan, especially the Patriots and Red Sox.

His family would like to thank the staff of the Center of Hope, especially his care providers Kim and Rachel, his care provider from Tri-Valley Elder Services, Michelline, and Lisa Duval from the Dept. of Transitional Assistance, for all of the care and compassion they gave to John.

His funeral was held on Thursday, Oct. 13, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass in St. Mary's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge. Calling hours in the funeral home were held on Wednesday, Oct. 12.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Center of Hope, P.O. Box 66, Southbridge, MA 01550. Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## George K. Menard, 88

**STURBRIDGE** — George K. Menard, 88, died at home Monday, Oct. 3, after an illness.

He is survived by two daughters, Melissa Vilandre and Michelle Green both of Sturbridge.

He was predeceased by a brother Henry Menard and a sister Ethel Johnson.

Mr. Menard was born in Sturbridge, Jan. 17, 1928, son of Dolan and Viola (Smith) Menard and has lived here most of his life. He was a member of St. Anne's Church in Fiskdale. After high school, he served in the U.S. Navy as a proud veteran of World War II, serving aboard the USS Hyades. During his military service he enjoyed traveling to Japan, China, and Korea. He was a member of the American Legion Post #109 in Fiskdale, and a former member of the Sturbridge VFW. Mr. Menard was a retired foreman from Cranston Print

Works in Webster, where he worked for over 40 years. He was a craftsman who enjoyed working in his woodworking shop, he enjoyed cutting his lawn on his tractor, scuba diving, ice hockey, football, and riding his Harley Davidson. He will be mostly be remembered for his devotion and love to his family.

The funeral was held on Thursday, Oct. 6, from Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy St., Southbridge, with Mass at St. Anne's Church 16 Church Street, Fiskdale, MA. Burial followed at St. Anne Cemetery, Arnold Road, Sturbridge. A calling hour was held prior to the mass at the funeral home. Visit [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com).



## Susan M. Archambeault, 60



**CHARLTON** — Susan M. (Penniman) Archambeault, 60, of Main Street, died Sunday, Oct. 9, in her home.

She is survived by three children, Jason Penniman of Sutton, Daniel Archambeault of Southbridge, and Renee Blackwood of Charlton; three brothers, Harry Penniman, Edward Penniman, and Clifford Penniman; a sister, Carol Penniman; her longtime partner, Joseph Piccirillo of Charlton; and many nephews and nieces.

She was predeceased by a brother, Brian Penniman; and two sisters, Carol

Mason and Evelyn Perichino.

She was born in Southbridge, daughter of the late Harry and Essie (Morris) Penniman, and lived in Charlton for the past 45 years. She attended Bartlett High School in Webster.

Susan cared for her home and family for many years. She loved country music, the Boston Red Sox, and her pillow collection. Most of all she enjoyed spending time with her children and collecting knick-knacks for her home.

At Susan's request, services will not be scheduled at this time. To donate to Susan's memorial fund, please visit [www.youcaring.com](http://www.youcaring.com) and search for her name. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. Visit [paradisfuneralhome.com](http://paradisfuneralhome.com).

## Danny A. Roy, 50



**OXFORD** — Danny A. "Dan" Roy, 50, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 5, in Webster Manor after an illness.

He leaves his wife of 25 years, Laurie L. (Gibbons) Roy; a daughter, Kayla M. Roy (22); a son, Danny A. Roy II (18), all of Oxford; four brothers, Richard Roy and his wife Amanda, and Joseph Roy, all of Sterling, and Brian Roy and Peter Roy, both of Manchaug; a sister, Kimberly Roy of Framingham; nephews and nieces. Danny was a loving father, husband, brother, cousin, uncle and friend.

He was born and raised in Linwood, son of the late Richard Roy and Doris (Menard) Roy, and lived in Manchaug and Uxbridge before moving to Oxford in 2001. He graduated from Sutton High School in 1986.

Mr. Roy was an electrical/mechanical

assembler for Nelmore's Company in Uxbridge for 20 years. He then held the same position at Consolidated Fabricators in Auburn and then in Oxford, leaving last year due of illness.

He was a member of the Singletary Rod and Gun Club in Sutton. A handyman, he liked repairing and building things. A long-lived hobby he enjoyed to the fullest was fishing; he participated in many derbies with his family. He loved playing hockey in his younger years and continued that interest in his support of the Boston Bruins. He also was a musician and loved playing his guitar.

A church service was held in Oak Hill Bible Church, 40 Sacarrappa Road, Oxford on Friday, Oct. 14, followed by a celebration of his life at the same location. There were no calling hours.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster. Visit [www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com](http://www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com).

## Rita J. Leduc, 94

**STURBRIDGE** — Rita J. (Richard) Leduc, 94, of Long Avenue, died Thursday, Oct. 13, at Overlook Masonic Healthcare.

Her husband of 59 years, William Leduc, died May 4, 2008.

She is survived by her son William Leduc and his wife, Cheryl, of Farmington, N.H.; three daughters, Janice Lesniewski and her husband, Kenneth, of Southbridge, Beverly Lamothe and her husband, Leonard, of Southbridge, and Kathleen Lancot and her husband, Clifford, of Southbridge; a brother, Raymond Richard and his wife, Ollie, of Southbridge; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her granddaughter Viki Lesniewski, two brothers, Albert Richard and Ernest Richard; and her sister, Irene M. Leduc.

Mrs. Leduc was born Aug. 6, 1922, daughter of the late Delphis and

Beatrice (Vary) Richard. She graduated from the former Mary E. Wells High School. She worked for over 25 years at the former American Optical Company. After her retirement, she delivered newspapers for the Southbridge News for 18 years. She enjoyed knitting, playing cards with her family, and most of all, she loved her family, and spending time with each of them.

The funeral was held Saturday, Oct. 15, from Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, with a Mass at St. Mary's Church of St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial followed at Oak Ridge Cemetery, Southbridge. A calling hour was held prior to the Mass at the funeral home.

The family requests in lieu of flowers that memorial donations be made to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, 3401 Civic Center Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104-4399. Visit [sansoucyfuneral.com](http://sansoucyfuneral.com).

## Robert F. Sears Jr., 74

**SOUTHBRIDGE/BROOKFIELD** — Robert F. Sears, Jr., 74, of Southbridge, and formerly of Brookfield, died Sept. 8, at UMass Memorial Medical Center.

He leaves his wife of 13 years, Pauline (Baril) Sears. He also leaves his children Wayne Sears and his wife Lucinda of Texas, Michael Sears of Sturbridge, Richard Sears and his wife Sandra of Sturbridge, and Debra Busby and her husband David of Southbridge, his step-children William Hallaman and his wife Kristin of Webster, Donna Rosa of Webster, and Mark Fortier of Arizona, and his sister Sandra and her husband Leon Henrard of Dudley, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces

and nephews.

He was predeceased by his first wife Gloria R. (Isabelle) Sears who died in 1999, his brother, Richard Sears and a stepson Robert Fortier.

Bob was born in Framingham, May 4, 1942, son of Robert F. Sears, Sr. and Flora (Bouvier) Sears. He retired from Arland Tool in Sturbridge where he worked as a machinist for over 25 years. He was a sports enthusiast, but most of all enjoyed spending time with his family. He was a loving and devoted, husband, father, and friend.

Funeral services and burial will be private.



**CHARLTON** — Dawn Marie (Thrush) Lussier, 47, of Old Worcester Road, died Friday, Oct. 7, peacefully in her home.

She is survived by her husband of 21 years, David C. Lussier of Charlton; three sons, William J. McCart III, Daniel R. Lussier, and Joshua E. Lussier, all of Charlton; her parents, Dennis C. and Diana M. (Jodoin) Thrush of Charlton; two sisters, Lisa Haverty of Spencer and Deborah Thrush of Salem, N.H.; two grandchildren; and many nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was born in Worcester and lived in Oxford before moving to Charlton 17 years ago. She attended South High School, the Salter School, and Quinsigamond Community College, all in Worcester.

Dawn enjoyed caring for her home and family. She worked at the X-Tra Mart in Oxford and loved to read.

Calling hours were Monday, Oct. 17, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial will be private at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Veterans Inc., 69 Grove St., Worcester, MA 01605. Visit [paradisfuneralhome.com](http://paradisfuneralhome.com).

### CALENDAR

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like to invite you to our annual veterans appreciation luncheon Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 12 p.m., Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center. To reserve your place at the table, please call 508-765-2109 and leave a message with your name and phone number. Seating is limited!

#### WALES

Walk on the Wild Side, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1-3 p.m., Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary, 30 Peck Rd, Wales. Join us today for a walk on the wild side of Tupper Hill to observe some of the special places conserved and created by the foresight of Sanctuary founder Arthur D. Norcross, who was born on this day in 1895. Call 413-267-9654 or email [ohop@norcross-wildlife.org](mailto:ohop@norcross-wildlife.org) to register.

Saturday, Nov. 12

#### CHARLTON

The Men's Fellowship is hosting a scrumptious turkey dinner at Charlton City United Methodist Church (74 Stafford Street) on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Come and enjoy food and fellowship with friends and neighbors. Turkey, vegetables, cranberry sauce, and your choice of beverage, along with a delectable home made pumpkin pie, will be served. As always there will be continuous serving and take-out. Adults \$10, \$6 for children 6-12, and children five and under eat free. Take-outs are also available. Tickets may be purchased at the door although reservations are appreciated. Call the church office at (508) 248-7379 for information and reservations. The building is handicap accessible.

#### ONGOING

#### CHARLTON

Grief Support Group at Overlook Hospice — Have you recently experi-

enced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at 508-434-2200.

#### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Winter Coat Closet at Holy Trinity Church, 446 Hamilton St., Southbridge, will be open every Saturday morning from 9-11 a.m., beginning Oct. 22 through Dec. 17. This ecumenical effort is supported by many churches in the area. There are coats available for men, women and children, as well as scarves & hats & mittens at no charge. Come down and browse through our racks. People wishing to donate clean, gently used winter coats can drop them off at the church on Saturday mornings. Please no light weight or dry clean only coats and no other type clothing, as space is limited. Children's and men's

coats are especially needed. Call Chris McTigue, coordinator at 508-248-4726 for more information.

Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

#### STURBRIDGE

Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Rd. (Route 20), Sturbridge.



# POLICE LOGS

*Editor's Note: The information contained in these police logs was obtained through either press releases or other public documents kept by the police department, and is considered to be the account of police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. If a case is dismissed in court or the party is found to be innocent, Stonebridge Press, with proper documentation, will update the log at the request of the arrested party.*

## STURBRIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

### JOSHUA HYDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

STURBRIDGE — The Joshua Hyde Library will be holding their Early Literacy and Fun program during the month of October. The ELF program is a book-in-hand program geared for children ages 9-18 months with their caregiver. The brief program, which includes stories, songs, finger rhymes and more, is followed by playtime.

This program is a fun and easy way to introduce your child to the world of books! ELF, which is free and open to the public, will meet on Thursdays, Oct. 20, and 27 at 10:45 a.m. Register by calling 508-347-2512. Or visit us at 306 Main Street, Sturbridge.

### PRESCHOOL SCREENING

STURBRIDGE — Preschool screening for 3- and 4-year-olds, residents of Sturbridge, by appointment only.

If you have concerns about your child's development and would like your child screened, please call 508-347-7041 for an appointment on Jan. 10, 2017 and March 7, 2017. Early intervention will do developmental screenings for children birth-3 years old. Please call 508-765-0292 for an appointment.



## TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Monday, Oct. 24: Popcorn chicken bowl with mashed potato corn and gravy, dinner roll, spinach garden salad, chilled peaches, variety milk

Tuesday, Oct. 25: Corn dog, ranchero beans, cole slaw, chilled pears, variety milk

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Spanish quesadilla with salsa, quick baked potato, apple Waldorf salad, fresh fruit, variety milk

Thursday, Oct. 27: French toast sticks with syrup, sausage patty, hash brown, pota-

toes, warm apple slices, variety milk

Friday, Oct. 28: Chicken Panini, hummus with veggies, roasted carrots, variety pudding, chilled fruit, variety milk

Monday, Oct. 24: Roast turkey and gravy, mashed sweet potatoes, California vegetables, pudding, diet pudding

Tuesday, Oct. 25: Pork rib-i-que, hot potato salad, corn niblets, strawberries

Wednesday, Oct. 26: Cracker crumb fish, wild rice, broccoli and red peppers, fresh fruit

Thursday, Oct. 27: Stuffed shells, Italian green beans, carrots, birthday cake, diet plain cake

Friday, Oct. 28: Garlic herb bed chicken, mashed potatoes, country blend vegetables, peaches

## TRI VALLEY INC.

place in the 5K.

Proceeds from the Scare Away Cancer 5K will benefit the American Cancer Association, same as the Relay For Life. "Relay is very near and dear to many community members," said Tracy. "It's fantastic that they want to keep raising awareness all year round. Cancer affects everyone. This is a really great way to not only raise money and awareness, but bring the community together, much like the Relay does."

As of now, Tracy doesn't know if she will be dressed in costume or not, but she plans to be "a little festive." People from the American Cancer Society office will be running in the 5K as well.

Anyone interested in signing up for the Scare Away Cancer 5K can visit <https://www.runreg.com/rflscareawaycancer5k>.

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### ARRESTS

Friday, Oct. 8

1:34 p.m.: Brian Moller, 33, of 485 Sheridan Street, Chicopee, was arrested for disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace and trespassing

1:53 p.m.: Alexis Anderson Mitchell, 19, of 7 Merrick Avenue, Brookfield, was arrested for shoplifting by aspor-tation

Sunday, Oct. 9

2:34 a.m.: Kyle B Evans, 33, of 56 Allen Road, Brookfield, was arrested for second offense of driving under the

influence of liquor, negligent operation of a motor vehicle and leaving the scene of property damage

Wednesday, Oct. 12

2:13 a.m.: Steven M Millett, 27, of 207 Pleasant Street, Southbridge, was arrested for number plate violating to conceal ID, uninsured motor vehicle and unregistered motor vehicle

### OTHER ACTIVITY

Thursday, Oct. 6

9:03 a.m.: Police responded to an acci-

dent, injury on New Boston Road

Friday, Oct. 7

5:59 p.m.: Police investigated suspi-cious activity on W. Charlton Road

Sunday, Oct. 9

2:45 p.m.: Police responded to an acci-dent, injury on Walker Pond Road

Wednesday, Oct. 12

12:20 p.m.: Police responded to a motor vehicle accident on Main Street

6:42 p.m.: Police investigated suspi-cious activity on Hall Road

## McGovern: 'Food banks do incredible work'

### HUNGER

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ing with food insecurity, as well as seniors who forego meals in order to cover other costs. In the cold months, seniors are some-times forced between staying warm and going hungry.

"A lot of seniors have to decide whether to pay a bill or buy food. We want to do everything we can to help them," said Cheryl Cooney, who has spent the last 15 years as director of the Leicester Food Pantry, in addition to serving as a member of Hearts for Heat.

Working in home healthcare, Cooney regularly sees seniors choosing between heat, pre-scription medications and food. Countless others are one lost job or sickness away from requiring food pantry assistance.

"There is nothing worse as a

home care health provider than to go into a cold house to visit a sick senior who has limited funds for food and medications," Cooney said.

For many residents, they don't understand the vital role of food pantries until they require the services themselves.

"I had cancer three years ago, ended up losing my job," said a lifelong Northbridge resident who preferred not to provide his name for this article. "You never think it will happen to you, but there I was - trying to recover, bills stacking up, no job. You can't buy food and pay all your bills without a job, and it seemed like there was nowhere to turn. But the food bank was there for me. That was huge."

In his time spent at food banks across the state and beyond, McGovern has seen countless similar stories of hardship lead-

ing to food insecurity. To ensure that food banks continue to have adequate funding and resources, he is promoting the need for support at all levels.

"Many [food pantries] are small and only open on limited schedules. Most are run with the support of dedicated volunteers, some of whom have other full-time jobs," McGovern explained. "Often, these charities operate out of small spaces like base-ments or closets at houses of worship. And importantly, they rely on donations from members of the community as a primary source of food to distribute."

For a complete listing of food pantries in your area, visit [www.foodpantries.org](http://www.foodpantries.org).

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Crafters wanted for Holly Berry Fair

STURBRIDGE — The Holly Berry Fair commit-tee of the Sturbridge Federated Church, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge, is looking for crafters and artists who wish to sell their handmade items on Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Remember, local fairs are best!

This popular annual show attracts people from all over the area. Our booth fee is \$25 for each 8-foot space, optional lunch and table fees are on the registration form.

Our women's group, Koinonia, is sponsoring this event to showcase our local craftspeople, provide an income to very talented people, and support our mission to God and our community.

To join us, simply go to the church website, [www.sturfed.org](http://www.sturfed.org) or call the church office 508-347-3915. We welcome all inquiries.

### Crafters wanted for upcoming church fair

BRIMFIELD — St. Christopher's Parish, Brimfield, is seeking crafters and artisans for their annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tables are \$35 each and covers both days. Santa will be with us Saturday afternoon for pictures. The kitchen will be serving throughout the day and there will also be a cookie walk and great raffles. To reserve a table call the parish at 413-245-7274 days; or Cindy at 413-283-6709 or e-mail [stchrisbrimfield@gmail.com](mailto:stchrisbrimfield@gmail.com).

### Legislature passes assault evidence preservation bill

BOSTON — Senators Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) and Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) announced that the Senate took final action to advance legislation that would establish uniform protocol and procedures for tracking, transporting, and collecting sexual assault evidence. Importantly, the bill would also extend the length of time that sexual assault kits are required to be retained for evidentiary purposes.

The original bill, filed by Gobi and Rep. Tricia Farley-Bouvier (D-Pittsfield), was co-sponsored by several dozen legislators, including Senator Moore, and has received support from sexual assault prevention organizations, survivor advocacy groups and a variety of public officials including former Attorney General Martha Coakley.

### PRIME PLAYERS

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audiences interested, entertained and maybe even scared, thanks to great acting from the cast.

"The rehearsals have been absolutely wonderful," said Konopacki. "One of my favorite casts of any plays that I've produced. From the very beginning, even though I know what's going on it still gets me. I still feel that edge. It's simply a wonderful cast who have done a great job creating the tension, that nervous tension that is supposed to be present throughout the play."

For more information on "The Uninvited" or to purchase tickets contact Pasture Prime Players at 508-248-5448 or by e-mail at [pasture.prime.players@gmail.com](mailto:pasture.prime.players@gmail.com). Tickets are also available at the gift shop at the Arts & Activities Center.

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Photo courtesy Don Konopacki

A Mary Meredith painting done by Chris Konopacki.



SPORTS

Tie sits differently for Tantasqua, Auburn girls' soccer teams



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua's Meghan Meserole shields an Auburn defender while maintaining possession of the ball.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE — After 80 minutes of competitive high school girls' varsity soccer at the Reservation on Monday, Oct. 17, Auburn High and Tantasqua Regional exited the pitch all square at 2-2. Both teams earned a point for their efforts, but the Rockets and Warriors had mixed feelings about the end result.

"I'm very disappointed," said Auburn head coach Larry Midura. "This is like an opportunity lost. Both goals [against], not only the goals but even their runs down the field were defensive lapses."

On the flip side, Tantasqua head coach Matthew Rickson was pleased with the tie.

"We got a point out of the game and we were being outplayed the whole game," he said. "We were playing flat...

they dug deep and found the guts to tie it up."

Both of the Rockets' goals were scored by senior Jianna Baroni, while seniors Camie Hall and Abby Befford tallied for the Warriors.

Strangely enough, Tantasqua nearly won the game in the waning moments after being outplayed when senior Meghan Kelley had a partial breakaway, but Auburn freshman keeper Danielle Schmeling made the best of her five saves to preserve the draw.

"She's just got to learn to come out on balls," Midura said of his keeper on the Warriors' two goals, but she appeared to have fixed the mistake with the game on the line.

The Rockets took a 1-0 lead into the halftime break when Baroni dribbled nearly 35 yards untouched — slicing through three Tantasqua defenders in



Meaghan Kelley of Tantasqua uses the bottom of her right foot to stop the ball so Auburn's Megan Gurlitz can't steal it.

the process — before depositing the ball into the back of the net. Junior Carly Filiere was credited with the assist.

The Warriors then tied the game in the 45th minute. Kelley crossed the ball in from the left side, which landed in front of junior Meghan Meserole. She then advanced to ball further to her right via a header, which Hall scored on.

Baroni then tallied her second of the contest in the 62nd minute to help the Rockets reclaim the lead. She fed a pass over to senior Jordyn Abasciano, who then one-touched a pass to Baroni. Her shot beat keeper Kelsey Emrich, but aside from the two goals against the senior played well, finishing with 20 saves.

"Kelsey came up big today," said Rickson. "She was focused, she was communicating."

Tantasqua then salvaged the tie and coinciding point with under two minutes remaining when Kelley once again sent a cross toward Auburn's net. The lofted bail sailed over the reach of Schmeling and toward Befford, who reached her head out to score like a sprinter crossing a finish line for a better time.

"This very well could be a big tie," Rickson said as his team's record stands at 6-5-3 as of press time with three more points needed to play in the Central Mass. Division 1 district tournament. "It affords us to tie one of our last three games and win one as opposed

to winning two."

Auburn is now 8-4-1 as of press time.

"We've been playing well up until the first half," Midura said of a recent stretch against the likes of heavyweights Shrewsbury High, Wachusett Regional, Millbury High, Tantasqua, Leicester High (after press time) and Westborough High (after press time).

"I hope so," Midura said when asked if the tough competition will better the Rockets' chances once they enter the Central Mass. Division 3 district tournament — which they need one more point through their final five games to qualify. "I hope it's not too early."

Sturbridge 10U Softball falls to Brimfield



Courtesy photos

Hannah Wright delivers a pitch during the third inning of Sturbridge's 11-2 loss to Brimfield.



Norah Stewart takes a healthy cut at a high pitch.



Fiona Knott of Sturbridge 10U Girls Softball connects with a pitch.

The dream of an undefeated season crashed down hard last Sunday as the Sturbridge 10U Girls' Softball team was beaten handily by Brimfield, 11-2. The defeat was the first loss of the season for the Sturbridge Fall Ball team against three wins.

All day at the plate, the Sturbridge team played "at 'em ball," solidly hitting ball after ball right "at 'em" to use the old baseball lingo. The game began promisingly enough, as Sturbridge tal-

lied one run in the top of the first inning. After two were out, Nicole Pelski, Ava Detarando and Claire Beaudreau smashed consecutive singles with Beaudreau's line drive to right field driving in the run.

Juhie Jain threw two solid innings on the mound, recording all six outs via the strikeout, but the resilient team from Brimfield was able to squeeze out two runs in the bottom of the second to take a slim 2-1 lead. The floodgates

opened up after that as Brimfield scored four runs in the third inning, five runs in the fourth inning, and one more run in the fifth to put the game well out of reach. In each inning, Brimfield only had two hits with several runs scoring due to sloppy defense by the Sturbridge girls.

But it wasn't all bad in the field for Sturbridge. In the fourth inning, Payton McDonald made a stellar defensive play at shortstop, spearing a hard-hit ball up the middle to keep the ball in the infield and prevent further damage. Norah

Stewart had an assist and Beaudreau had several putouts. Hannah Wright struck out four in 1 2/3 innings on the mound, while Beaudreau struck out three over an inning-and-a-third.

As mentioned, Sturbridge hit the ball hard all day but the Brimfield defense was ready. Jewels Normandin (twice), Norah Stewart, Ella Reed, McDonald, Pelski and Beaudreau all hit the ball hard only to see Brimfield's infielders record the outs. Besides the three first-inning singles, Sturbridge could only muster two other hits on the day, singles from Claire Beane and Jocelyn Mrotek.

Sturbridge Little Leaguer's win Oxford Tournament

Courtesy photo

Sturbridge's Major League Fall Ball team won the Oxford Tournament, which took place over the Columbus Day weekend. Four towns were involved, including Sturbridge, Oxford, Douglas and Brookfield. The championship was between undefeated Oxford (3-0) and Sturbridge (2-1). Sturbridge went on to pitch a one-hit shutout to win the championship, 3-0. The players who played in the tournament are as follows:

Joe Amaru, Andrew Bellezza, Andrew Bullock, Devin Krochmalnyckyj, AJ Laskowski, Anthony Lataille, Danny Mojica, Hunter Normandin, Steven Parent, Aubyn Phillips, Brandon Phillips and Jack Riccuti.



SPORTS BRIEF

Pitching lessons come to Southbridge

Pitching lessons began Sunday, Oct. 9 and will run through Feb. 26, 2017 at the Southbridge Armory, located at 152 Chestnut Street. The 50-minute lessons run from the timeframe of 8:30 to 11 a.m. Special consideration will be given for teams and leagues. For more information contact Coach Bill Rahall at 860-576-3440 or email wlah@yahoo.com.



# SPORTS

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Oct. 8

Nashoba 2, Tantasqua 1 — Kevin Izzio scored for the Warrior boys' varsity soccer team. Luke Gerrish assisted, but they fall short by one goal versus the Chieftains.

Tantasqua 3, Nashoba 1 — Logan McCarthy scored twice and Allen Falke added a goal on a penalty kick to lift the Warrior boys' JV soccer team to victory. Roger Leland and Connor Rich added assists, and Bradley Beu played in goal.

Oct. 10

Tantasqua 2, Wachusett 2 — The Warrior boys' varsity soccer team played to a tie with the Mountaineers behind the goal scoring of Kevin Izzio and Dylan Cave. Luke Gerrish assisted on one of the tallies.

Tantasqua 1, Wachusett 1 — Playing a man down in the second

half because of a red card versus the Mountaineers, the Warrior boys' JV soccer squad found a way to tie. Bradley Beu played well in net, while Jackson Hall assisted on Logan McCarthy's goal.

Oct. 11

Tantasqua 192, Shepherd Hill 200 — The Warriors' golf team improved to 14-2 following an eight-stroke victory versus the Rams (4-11) at Dudley Hill Golf Club. Medalist honors go to Tantasqua's Alec Merrifield, who shot an even-par 36.

Oct. 12

Tantasqua 154, Grafton 165 — In an anticipated match of undefeated SWCL teams, the Warriors' golf group edged the Indians at Highfields Golf and Country Club. Medalist honors go to Alec Merrifield, who shot an even par 36. Tantasqua is now 15-2,

while Grafton slipped to 12-4.

Oct. 13

Shepherd Hill 3, Tantasqua 0 — Set scores were 25-12, 25-14, 25-21 as the Warriors' volleyball team lost to the Rams. For Tantasqua, Samantha Gleason had 7 kills, Lauren Lafond added 3 aces and Lily Kent contributed 3 kills.

In the JV game, Shepherd Hill also won a 3-0 decision. The Warriors' Kayla Archambault had 2 aces and 2 kills, while Chloe Powell had 5 assists.

Tantasqua 3, Quaboag 0 — The Warrior boys' varsity soccer team is district bound in the Central Mass. Division 1 tournament following a shutout win at home versus the Cougars. Ryan Zahr (assist), Kevin Izzio and Tyler Rodriguez all scored for Tantasqua, while Colton Pelicane had the shutout with 5 saves and an

assist.

St. John's 236, Tantasqua 239 — The Pioneers' golf team took a three-stroke decision over the Warriors (15-3) at Wachusett Country Club. Alec Merrifield and Ryan Slade both shot low scores of 38 for Tantasqua, while Brendan Cronin of St. John's (14-5) was the medalist after carding a 35.

Oct. 14

Grafton 40, Tantasqua 12 — The undefeated Indians' football team improved to 6-0 after defeating the Warriors, who dropped to 2-4. Tantasqua's touchdowns were scored on a 1-yard run by Joe Degnan and a 60-yard pass from quarterback Colin Eliason (14 of 31, 155 yards) to Mike Farland (4 receptions, 92 yards).



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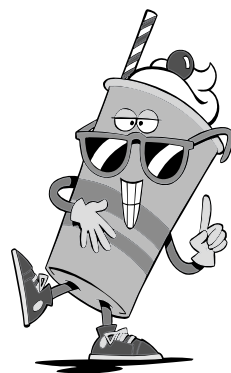
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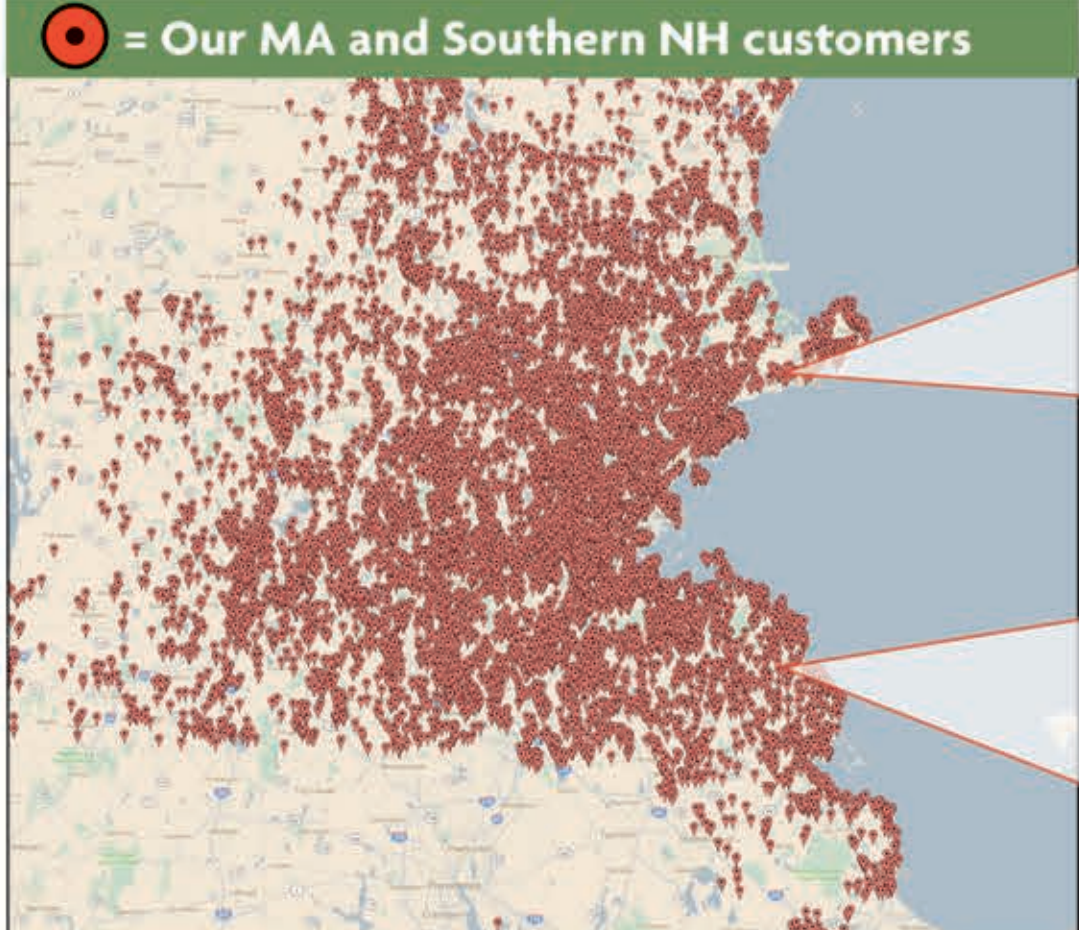







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house! Huge Liv Rm w/Wood Laminate  
Flooring & Triple Window! Appliances  
Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Dble Stainless  
Sink! Din Area w/Slider to Deck!  
3 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Garage! Oil Heat!  
Shed! Fenced Yard! **\$169,900.00**



**SOLD**  
**WEBSTER** - 79-81 N. Main St! 5  
Unit - 4 Apartments Plus a Commercial  
Space! Fully Rented! Off Street Parking!  
Many Updates! Separate Utilities! Vinyl  
Siding and Replacement Windows! Rear  
Building Has Multi Stall Garage with  
One Free Standing Apartment that Has  
Handicap Accessibility, Nice Floor Plan!  
**\$159,900.00**



**NEWER PRICE**  
**WEBSTER** - 52 Upland Ave! 6 Rm  
Capel! Spacious Appliances! Eat-in Kit!  
Formal Din Rm or 3rd Bdrml w/Hrwdws  
& Built-ins! Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrwdw Flr!  
Den or Office! 1/2 Bath on Main Level!  
2 Oversized Bdrms w/Hrwdws on 2nd  
Flr! Full Bath! Mud Rm! Full Walk-out  
Basement! Rear Patio! Immediate  
Occupancy! **\$169,900.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**  
**DUDLEY** - 43 Mason Rd! Remodeled  
7 Rm Ranch! Appliances! Eat-in Kit w/  
Quartz Counters, Breakfast Bar & Tile  
Flr! Large Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrwdws! Din  
Area w/Hrwdws! 3 Bdrms w/Hrwdws! 2 Full  
Exceptional Bathrooms! Fam Rm! Office!  
Security! Oil Heat! AG Pool! Trex Deck!  
Shed! 2 Car Garage! **\$264,900.00**



**REDUCED!**  
**WEBSTER** - 25 Black Point Rd! 6 Rm  
2050' Colonial! 13 Yrs Young! Appliances!  
Open Flr Plan - Dining Rm & Living Rm -  
307'9" Ceilings! 2nd Master Bdrml w/Bath!  
3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry!  
Porch! Deck! Across the Street from  
Webster Lake Colonial Park Beach Rights!  
**\$259,900.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**  
**DUDLEY** - 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial  
Set On 1.84 Acres! Appliances! Granite  
Kit! Frplc Dining Rm! Living Rm w/  
Hrwdws! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm!  
Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry!  
Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car  
Garage! **\$359,900.00**



**WEBSTER** -  
New England Commons! Adult 55+!  
2 Bdrms! 1 to 2 Baths/Master!  
Appliances! Granite! Hrwdws, Tile &  
Carpet! Basements! Garage! C/Air!  
Security! Community Center! Walking  
Trails! Low Fees! Convenient!  
From **\$234,900.00**



**NEW LISTING**  
**DUDLEY** - 4 Cross St! Newly  
Renovated 6 Rm Capel! Appliances!  
Granite Kit w/Tile Flr! Picture Din Rm &  
Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrwdws! New Bath  
w/Marble Shower & Tile Flr! 1st Flr  
Master! 2nd Flr w/2 Bdrms w/Walk-in  
Closets! 3 Season Sunrm! NEW Furnace,  
Plumbing & Electric! **\$165,500.00**



**SOUTHBRIDGE** - 32 Glenview Ave!  
Custom 6 Rm Contemp! Open Kit &  
Din Area w/Cathedral & Skylight! Liv  
Rm w/Pellet Stove, Slider to Deck! 1st  
Flr w/Private Deck! 3 Bdrms! 2  
Baths! Finished Lower Level w/LP Frplc!  
New Kit Cabinets, Counters & Roof  
2014! **\$249,500.00**



**WEBSTER** - 17 Fort Hill Rd! Looking  
30 ACRES OF PRIVACY & SERENITY!  
5 Rm Ranch! Eat-in Kit w/Updated  
Cabinets! Formal Din Rm! Liv Rm Leads  
to Screened-in Porch Overlooking Pond!  
2 Large Bdrms! Updated Bath! Full  
Basement w/Laundry! 2 Car Detached  
Garage! Oil Heat! Gas Hot Water!  
**\$274,900.00**



**LEICESTER** - 39 Boyd St! Updated 7  
Rm Capel! Appliances! Granite Kit! Tile  
Backsplash & Pantry! Spacious Din Rm! 1st  
Flr Bdrml! Playroom! 3 Bdrms! Master  
w/4 Closets! 1.5 Baths! Garage/Shed!  
Updates Inc: Bit. Baths, Roof, Oil Tank,  
Paint, Fence, Driveway, Plumbing  
& Windows! **\$234,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 26 Pepla Dr! 7 Room  
1,790' Ranch! SS Appliances! Kit & Din  
Area w/Tile Floor! Formal Din Rm &  
Liv Rm w/Hrwdws! Family Rm! 3 Bdrms  
w/Hrwdws! Master w/Bath & Walk-in  
Closet! 2 Full Tile Baths! Huge Basement!  
Patio! Circular Drive! Great Yard!  
**\$219,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 16 Elm Street! 6 Rm  
Colonial! Conveniently Located! Off  
Street Parking for 3 Cars! Nice Back  
Yard! Newly Appliances! Kit w/Tile Flr! Liv  
& Fam Rm w/Refinished Hrwdw! 2nd  
Bdrml! Spacious Master! 1.5 Baths w/New  
Vanities! Gas Heat & Hot Water! Walk-out  
Basement! Deck! **\$119,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - NEW ENGLAND COMMONS!  
55+ Adult Community! 5 Rm 1 Level Living!  
Kit w/Pantry, Tile Flr, Corian Counters,  
& Breakfast Bar! Liv Rm & Master w/Trey  
Ceiling, Master Bath w/Step-in Shower! 2nd  
Bdrml w/Cathedral Ceiling! 2nd Full Bath!  
Attached Garage! Farmers Porch! Full  
Basement! **\$249,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 174 Klondike Rd! Pierpont  
Meadow Waterfront! West Facing!  
Beautiful Sunsets! Full Recreational! Cozy  
Yr Rd Getaway! Renovated! Appliances!  
Kit w/Hrwdws! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/  
Frplc & Hrwdws! 1 Bdrml! Updated Bath!  
Heated Sunroom Overlooking Water!  
Recent Electrical, Plumbing, Well &  
Septic! **\$199,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 36 North Main St!  
6 Room Capel! Cabinet Packed  
Kitchen w/Dining Area! Living Room  
w/Wall to Wall! Den w/Wall A/C! 1st  
Floor Bedroom! 3/4 Bedrooms! 1.5  
Baths! Recent Roof & Furnace! Will  
be updated to Circuit Breakers!  
Nice Back Yard! Off Street Parking!  
**\$99,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 Rm  
Colonial w/Greenhouses! Eat-in  
Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to  
Living Rm w/Wood Floors! Full Bath!  
Den w/Built-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms  
on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking  
Distance to Center of Webster! Town  
Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to  
Schools & Churches! **\$117,900.00**



**DOUGLAS** - 15 Mt Daniels Way! 8 Rm  
Custom Colonial! 2.2 Acres! 2 Story Grand  
Entry Foyer! New Appliances! Granite  
Kit! Formal Din & Liv Rms w/Hrwdws!  
Frplc Fam Rm! Frplc Master Bed! w/  
Cathedral! 2.5 Bath! Expandable! 3rd  
Level! New Roof & Furnace! C/Vac,  
Security, Irrigation! 2 Car Garage!  
**\$449,900.00**



**WOODSTOCK** - 291 E Quasset Rd!  
WAPPAQUASSET "QUASSET" POND!  
Hidden 88 Acre Recreational Gem!  
Woodstock Fairgrounds Near! Yr Rd or  
2nd Home! 6 Rm Ranch! 152' Waterfront!  
34,848' Lot! Appliance Kit! Frplc Fam  
Rm! 2 Bdrms! Full Bath! A/C! Garage!  
**\$259,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 9 Chestnut St Unit 22!  
"Stonegate" Conveniently Located!  
Freshly Painted! 4 Rm 2 Bdrml Condo!  
Appliances! Eat-in Kit w/Pantry! Closet,  
Tile Counter, Dish Sink & Ceiling Fan!  
Liv Rm w/Wall A/C & Flat Panel TV!  
Full Bath! Electric Heat & Hot Water!  
Storage! 2 Full Tile Baths! Walk-in  
Laundry! **\$69,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 71 Birch Island!  
7 Rm Colonial w/Lake Views from Every Rm!  
Hrwdws in Din/Liv & Master Bdrms! 3 Bdrms!  
Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Walkout Lower Level  
Fam Rm! 2nd Waterfront from Indian Ranch!  
2 Car Attached Garage! 3 Car Detached  
w/2nd Flr! Needs to be Seen to Appreciate  
Everything it Could Be! **\$674,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 402 Treasure  
Island! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874!  
Hardwood Floors! Appliances! Open  
Floor Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5  
Baths! Frplc Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat!  
Recent Trex Deck! Garage! 2 BOAT  
SLIPS! Heated Pool, Sand, Beach!  
**\$299,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 69 Minebrook Rd! 7 Rm  
Split Entry! Set on 1.04 Acres!  
Appliances! Kit! Frplc Liv Rm & Din Rm  
w/Hrwdws! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5  
Baths! Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove! Deck! 2  
Car Garage! Shed! Listed by Another -  
**SOLD by Century 21 Lake Realty!**  
**\$270,000.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 46 Pt Pleasant  
Rd! Overlooking Middle Pond! Eastern  
Expo - Beautiful Sunrises! 5 Rm Year  
Round Waterfront Home! 2 Bdrms!  
Renovated Kit & Bath! Din Rm! Liv  
Rm w/Frplc! Listed by Another, **SOLD**  
by Century 21 Lake Realty!  
**\$285,000.00**



**CHARLTON** - South Charlton Reservoir!  
302C Partridge Hill Rd! Full Recreational!  
75' Waterfront! West Expo - Beautiful  
Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! Great Water Views!  
Open Flr Plan w/Cathedral, Skylights,  
Frplc! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage!  
Sandy Shore, Great Swimming! Dock!  
**\$329,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrms, 4.5 Bath, A/C! 3,832' Custom Colonial! Technical/Electrical Marvel! 2 Story Grand Entry! Fully Appliances! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/2 Dishwashers, Heated Fr & Pantry! Spacious Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit! Slider to the Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplc Liv Rm w/Entertainment Center! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master w/Trey Ceiling, Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool & Corner Shower! Upstairs 3 Comfortable Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing, Both connect to a Full Bath, the 3rd has its Own Full Bath & Walk-in Closet! Walkout Lower Level Lake Facing Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Cedar Sauna & Full Bath! Separate Utility Rm & Workshop! 3 Car Attached Garage! Detached 1 Car Garage! Security System! LP Gas Whole House Generator! Boat House that Auto Draws Boat Out of the Water, Launches It on a Rail System! Weather Station! Well Irrig System! See/Ask For All Attachments! **\$1,195,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND!** 2 Checkerberry Isl! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Appliances! Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake Facing 3rd' Din/Liv Rm w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting & Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 21' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skylark Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit, SS Appliances, Open Din & Liv Rm, 2 Bdrms! Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrml, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frplc Liv Rm, Bdrml & Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Ideal Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! **\$1,449,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 17 Lakeview Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove!  
West Exposure - Sunsets! 100' Level  
Waterfront! 7 Rm Yr Rd or Ideal 2nd  
Home! Enjoy Music from Indian Ranch!  
Free! Fantastic 12,298' Flat Lot w/Plenty of  
Space for Outside Enjoyment! 2 Docks! 3  
Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! **\$489,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 30 S. Point Rd!  
Tons of Sun! 91' Waterfront! Yr Rd 7 Rm  
Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home! Panoramic  
Views of South Pond! Country Kit w/  
Din! Spacious Frplc Din & Liv Rm w/Lake  
Facing Picture Window! 3 Bdrms! Walk-  
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Recent Roof & Siding! **\$394,900.00**



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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 103 Treasure Island!  
1,874' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/  
Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frplc  
Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/  
Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level  
w/2nd Master Bdrml & Bath! C/Air! Attached  
Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy  
Beach! **\$279,900.00**



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Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Build Your  
Waterfront Dream! 100+ of Shoreline!  
53.94' Road Frontage! Land Area 8,147'  
Town Water & Sewer Available! 2 Docks  
Already in the Water! Lots on Webster Lake  
are a Rarity. Don't let this Slip By without  
Your Consideration! **\$189,900.00**



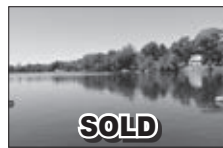
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Pride of Ownership says it all with Huge 1400+ sq ft Young Ranch!!! Meticulously Maintained, 7 Room, Master Bed with Master Bath and Walk-in Closet, Cathedral Ceiling with Exposed Beams! Plus a Fantastic Great Room with Sliders to a Generous 16th & 18th Private Deck! Fully Appliances! Kitchen! Solid 6 Panel Interior Doors, 4 Year Young Asphalt Shingles, Partially Finished Basement, 15,000+ sq ft Beautifully Landscaped Family Friendly Flat Level Lot. All Town Services! This One is For You!  
**\$227,500.**





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**WOODSTOCK, CT**

**MOTIVATED SELLER**

**OPEN HOUSE • SUN 11-1**

- NEW PRICE
- Sided
- Fantastic Lot
- Fireplace

4 Fairfield Dr • \$214,900

**WEBSTER**

- Highway access
- 22' living room • 20' Family Rm
- Central air
- Central Vac
- Town Services

**OVERSIZED RANCH**

14 Lake Pkwy - \$324,900

**OXFORD**

- Master Br Suite • 2 Baths
- Stainless Steel Appl.
- 3 Bedroom
- Pellet Stove
- Beautiful Grounds

**SPACIOUS**

156 Charlton St • \$267,900

**DUDLEY**

**MERINO POND**

- Sided
- Privacy 2+ Acres
- 3 Baths
- 2 bdrm
- Fireplace

72 Flaxfield Rd \$479,000

**PAXTON**

**4 BEDROOMS**

**OPEN HOUSE • ?????**

- 2 Baths
- Hardwoods throughout
- Fireplace
- Inground pool

15 Indian Hill Rd \$315,000

**DUDLEY**

**6 UNITS**

- Great Cash Flow
- New Septic
- Sided
- Owners live for "0" Cost

110 Southbridge Rd \$325,00

**DUDLEY**

**2 UNITS**

- 6 room house
- 3 Room Apt
- Ideal for family unit or live cheaper than renting

13 Railroad Ave \$229,900

**OXFORD**

2 BR, 1.5 BA Townhouse condo; Recent updates include Paint throughout the unit, French Doors, Front door, Windows(2014), Carpet in Master(2015), Hot Water Heat w/in 5 yrs & Hardwoods in LR.

**\$174,900**

**BOYLSTON**

4 BR, 2 Full/2 Half BA, 3,087 sq. ft. Colonial in Mt. Pleasant Estates neighborhood. Seller has done extensive updating during ownership including gorgeous master bath, all new Harvey windows, recent roof, interior painting & much more.

**\$549,900**

**E BROOKFIELD**

Rare Find!  
5 BR 3.5 Bath Waterfront Colonial on Lake Lashaway w/almost 3,000 sq. ft. of living space & 25 ft. of waterfront w/ direct access from the home! Gutted & renovated in 1991.

**\$400,000**

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# Open House Directory

**Deadline: Monday at 10am**

(C) Condo	(X) Condo	(M) Multi-Family	(T) Townhouse
(B) Business	(U) Duplex	(S) Single Family	(D) Adult
(P) Land	(L) Mobile Home	(A) Apartment	Community

ADDRESS	STYLE	TIME	PRICE	REALTOR/SELLER/PHONE
<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22</b>				
<b>DUDLEY</b> 96 Charlton Rd	S	11-1	\$229,900	ReMax Advantage 1/Joann Szymczak 774-230-5044
<b>SOUTHBRIDGE</b> 31 Brook Rd	S	11-1	\$178,900	ReMax Advantage 1/Joann Szymczak 774-943-7669
<b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23</b>				
<b>CHARLTON</b> 96 Blood Rd	S	12-2	\$349,900	Aucoin Ryan Realty 508-765-9155
<b>DUDLEY</b> 2 H. Foote Rd	S	12-2	\$339,900	Aucoin Ryan Realty 508-765-9155
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<b>OXFORD</b> ????	S	11-1	\$267,900	ReMax Advantage 1/Joann Szymczak 774-230-5044
<b>SOUTHBRIDGE</b> 80 Warren St	S	12-2	\$184,900	Aucoin Ryan Realty 508-765-9155
<b>STURBRIDGE</b> 3 Fox Run	S	12-3	\$629,900	Aucoin Ryan Realty 508-765-9155
<b>STURBRIDGE</b> 34 South Rd	S	12-2	\$259,900	Aucoin Ryan Realty 508-765-9155
<b>WEBSTER</b> 74 Upper Gore Rd	S	1-2	\$289,900	ReMax Professional Associates/Conrad Allen 508-400-0438
<b>WOODSTOCK, CT</b> 4 Fairfield Dr	S	11-1	\$214,900	ReMax Advantage 1/Diane Luong 774-239-2937

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**STURBRIDGE**  
Leadmine Lake Waterfront! 100' frontage, 3 BR, 2 full baths. \$379,000. Laura Eliason.

**WEBSTER**  
Webster Lake Waterfront. 3 BR, 2 bath Colonial, views. FP. \$450,000. Sarah Gustafson.

**NORTH BROOKFIELD**  
Picturesque setting for this 3 BR, 2.5 bath expanded Cape on 2.4+ Acres. \$319,900. Stewart & Stewart.

**STURBRIDGE**  
Hard to find Sturbridge 2 Family! 5 total BR, 3 garages. \$179,900. Dorothy Fontana.

**HOLLAND**  
Lovely 4 BR, 2 bath Raised Ranch. Oak floors, granite, updated. \$239,900. Dorothy Fontana.

**WEBSTER**  
Income opportunity! 6-family conveniently located. Many updates. Dealead. \$275,000. Sarah Gustafson.

**WEST WARREN**  
End unit in historic brick row house. 4 BR. Many recent updates. \$95,000. Stewart & Stewart.

**HOLLAND**  
Next best thing to Waterfront! 2 BR, deeded beach rights, sunset views! \$99,900. Lisa Boudreau.

**STURBRIDGE**  
3 BR, 3.5 bath Ranch with Spanish flair. Cathedrals, fireplace. \$385,000. Lisa Boudreau.

**WEBSTER**  
Year round Waterfront Condo overlooking marina. 2 BR, 2.5 baths. \$390,000. Sarah Gustafson.

**WOODSTOCK**  
Surrounded by state forest this 3 BR 2.5 bath Colonial sits on 2+Acres. \$314,900. Stewart & Stewart.

**WARREN**  
Classic 1900's 3 BR, 2 full bath Colonial. 4 car garage, flat lot. \$109,000. Stewart & Stewart.

**WEBSTER**  
Webster Lake Condo. 2 BR, 2.5 bath Townhouse, fireplace, garage. \$230,000. Sarah Gustafson.

**SOUTHBRIDGE**  
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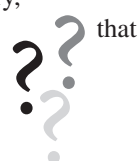
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HEALTH

What Millennials Need To Know About Healthful Eating



The millennial generation is health conscious but many are not getting all the nutrients they need.

(NAPS)

The number of millennials in America—over 83 million—surpassed that of baby boomers for the first time last year. If you or someone you care about is a millennial—born in the 1980s or '90s—here's some food for thought. Millennials are interested in living a healthy lifestyle and define healthy as a daily commitment to eating right, and rather than rely on sup-

plements, they value a natural foods approach to nutrition. Unlike boomers and Gen Xers, millennials say they want to lose weight not for the sake of appearance but for general health and well-being. Millennials tend to like exotic flavors and be more adventurous in the kinds of food they'll eat, compared to previous generations. They generally enjoy good health except for three issues. The Problems

1. The obesity issue: Millennials are the first generation to be affected by the childhood obesity epidemic. According to the experts at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, obesity has more than doubled in children and quadrupled in adolescents in the past 30 years. In addition, millennials' tendency to go for convenience foods and to follow the latest food trends can exacerbate

that. Then, there's what they drink. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reports that over a third of college students consume at least one can or bottle of soda per day, while a Gallup poll found 20-somethings more likely to drink alcohol regularly than do older generations. 2. Meeting nutritional needs: Surveys show millennials can be at risk for a number of vitamin and mineral deficiencies—and that could affect their health for the rest of their lives. In particular, many are not getting enough fiber, vitamins A, E and K, magnesium, iodine and potassium. Often, millennials are at risk for deficiency in vitamin B6, vitamin B12 and vitamin C, too. In addition, young women may have difficulty meeting the dietary requirements for calcium, vitamin D and iron. Moreover, some 10 percent of young women have low body iron. 3. Founding families: Many millennials are reaching an age when they're thinking about starting families. It's important for all women in their childbearing years to eat a healthy diet, with particular care to consuming enough folate and iron. Yet nearly a quarter of women have a folate status lower than necessary to prevent birth defects. Other nutrients of particular importance during pregnancy

include zinc, iodine, choline, DHA, and vitamins D, B6 and B12. An Answer Fortunately, a number of these young people have discovered a convenient, good-tasting and easy way to get many of the nutrients they need: by eating eggs. Eggs are an all-natural source of high-quality protein and a number of other nutrients, all for only about 70 calories an egg. All eggs are not created equal, however, and the diets of the hens that lay them play a significant part. For example, Eggland's Best (EB) eggs come from hens fed a wholesome, all-vegetarian diet consisting of healthy grains, canola oil, and a supplement of rice bran, alfalfa, sea kelp and vitamin E. Eggland's Best proprietary hen feed contains no animal by-products and no recycled or processed foods, and EB never uses hormones, steroids or antibiotics of any kind. That's one reason EB eggs offer five times the vitamin D and 25 percent less saturated fat than ordinary eggs. They're also packed with other important nutrients including three times more vitamin B12, more than twice the omega-3s, 10 times more vitamin E and 38 percent more lutein than regular eggs. Learn More For recipes and further facts on nutrition, go to [www.egglandsbest.com](http://www.egglandsbest.com).

Four Ways To Keep The Flu From You And Yours

(NAPS)

It's never convenient to be sick with the flu, but preventing it can be. Here's how. Four Helpful Hints To help keep your family safe from the flu and free to focus on important life events, keep these tips top of mind: • Get your annual flu shot: It's the most effective way to help prevent the spread of influenza. You can quickly and conveniently get the whole family vaccinated at any of the more than 9,600 CVS Pharmacy and 1,100 MinuteClinic locations across the country. The flu shot is available every day with no appointment needed, including evenings and weekends. As a preventive service under the Affordable Care Act, it's fully covered and available at no cost through

most insurance plans, including Medicare Part B. The pharmacy can also be a one-stop shop for over-the-counter cold and flu remedies, multivitamins and anti-bacterial cleaning products. Plus, customers get a 20 percent off CVS Pharmacy Shopping Pass when they get a flu shot at CVS Pharmacy or MinuteClinic. People who have their flu shot at CVS Pharmacy or MinuteClinic locations inside select Target stores also get a \$5 Target GiftCard. • The earlier, the better: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that everyone who is eligible and at least 6 months old get a flu shot as soon as the vaccine becomes available, since it can take up to two weeks for the flu vaccine to build immunity. • Take a sick day: While it may seem obvious, nearly two in three employed Americans



A recent survey found that convenience plays a major role in determining where Americans will get flu shots.

would still go to work even if they were feeling ill with flulike symptoms. It's important to understand the preliminary symptoms of the flu and, if you experience them, to stay home. • Other preventative measures: Places like countertops and desks are covered with germs. Wipe down and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and carry hand sanitizer. Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds and avoid touching your face. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue to prevent the spread of more germs.

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### Know Pneumonia Crossword Puzzle

You may already know that pneumococcal pneumonia is a serious lung disease in adults, but did you know your risk increases as you age? Do you know what else puts you at risk? Use the clues below to test your knowledge about pneumonia, including pneumococcal pneumonia, ways to help prevent this serious lung disease and more. **And, don't forget to talk to your healthcare provider about your own personal risk and visit [www.knowpneumonia.com](http://www.knowpneumonia.com) to learn more!**

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**ACROSS**

1. Can help reduce your chance of getting certain infectious diseases<sup>1</sup>

3. Acute respiratory infection of the lungs<sup>2</sup>

5. There are two types of pneumonia, bacterial and \_\_\_\_\_.<sup>13</sup>

7. Adults 65 and older with this breathing condition can be at almost 6 times greater risk for pneumococcal pneumonia<sup>2</sup>

8. Another illness commonly mistaken for pneumonia<sup>12</sup>

11. Another name for being tired; a symptom of pneumococcal pneumonia<sup>11</sup>

13. Certain symptoms of pneumococcal pneumonia, including cough and fatigue, may last for \_\_\_\_\_.<sup>14</sup>

14. Adults 65 and older are \_\_\_\_\_ times more likely to be hospitalized from pneumococcal pneumonia than younger adults age 18-49<sup>17</sup>

15. Most common type of bacterial pneumonia<sup>8</sup>

**DOWN**

2. A risk factor for vaccine-preventable diseases<sup>3</sup>

3. A convenient place to receive vaccines<sup>3</sup>

4. \_\_\_\_\_ and pneumonia, including pneumococcal pneumonia, are a leading cause of death in the U.S.<sup>4</sup>

6. The body's \_\_\_\_\_ helps defend against disease and infection.<sup>5</sup>

9. Organs in your chest that allow your body to take in oxygen from the air and also help remove carbon dioxide from your body<sup>6</sup>

10. Shortness of \_\_\_\_\_ is a symptom of pneumococcal pneumonia which can make it difficult to breathe<sup>15</sup>

12. This habit damages your lungs' ability to fight off bacterial infection and can put adults 65 and older at almost 4 times greater risk for pneumococcal pneumonia<sup>2</sup>

16. Vaccination rates in the U.S. remain \_\_\_\_\_, lagging behind federal goals<sup>16</sup>

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**Answer Key**

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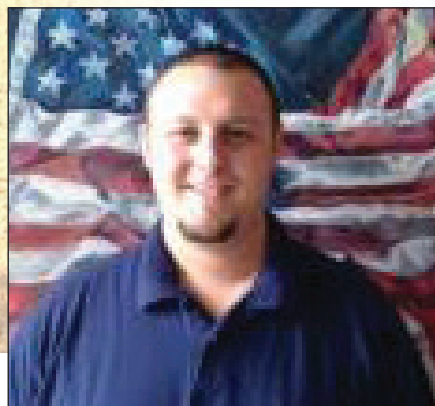


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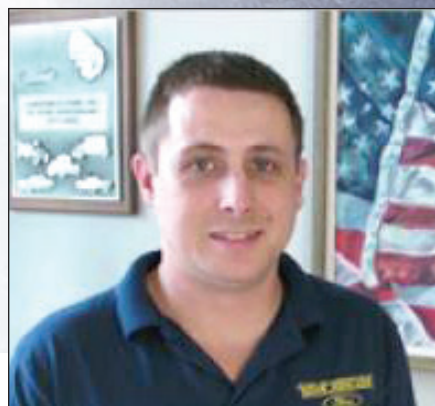
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# HOME

## Put A Great New Face On Your Fireplace



(NAPS)

Here's a hot tip from decorating experts: A small change can have a big effect on the look of a room.

For example, consider refacing your fireplace. It's as easy to do as changing your kitchen countertops—and with today's natural thin stone veneers, it's also cost effective. That's because when you're looking for materials that are beautiful, durable and versatile, natural thin stone veneer can be a surprisingly affordable choice, which can even help to raise the resale value of your home.

From the Pyramids to the Parthenon, natural stone has long provided aspirational design and durability. Now, natural thin stone veneer can be cut from 100 percent natural quarried stone... so even a thin slice offers some of the same durability, low maintenance and aesthetic qualities of the thicker version. In addition, natural thin stone veneer is widely available.

Because of its reduced weight, natural thin stone veneer is extremely versatile. It requires no additional foundation support and installs, often easily, over existing rigid materials such as brick and concrete block, turning a small remodeling project into one with impressive design results. Ninety-degree angles that can be cut from full-thickness stones are used in corner applications, concealing the true thickness of the stone. The overall cost-effective result is a unique fireplace that looks like a traditional full-thickness installation.

Natural thin stone veneer is available in a multitude of stone types, including limestone, granite, bluestone, sandstone and quartzite, and is available in a wide variety of styles, textures, cuts and colors, making it easy to integrate into existing design schemes from modern to traditional.

What's more, unlike its man-made counterparts, natural thin stone veneer doesn't fade in color, so your fireplace will maintain its lasting beauty.

Because custom or one-of-a-kind products often come with a hefty price tag, homeowners are generally unwilling to splurge on renovations. However, because stone is a natural, nonmanufactured product, no two pieces are exactly alike—offering a custom look every time. Natural thin stone veneer makes this opportunity one step more convenient, as it gives you the custom-made look in a most cost-efficient application.

For those who are eco conscious, natural thin stone veneer offers many sustainable attributes. It is also virtually maintenance-free, which will allow you to spend less time worrying and more time enjoying your “new” fireplace with family and friends.

*Learn More*  
For more information about natural thin stone veneer, visit the Natural Stone Resource Library page on the [www.use-naturalstone.com](http://www.use-naturalstone.com) website.

Stone: Copper LedgeStone. Photo courtesy of Natural Stone Veneers International.  
A new look for your fireplace can help you warm up to the room all over again.

## Tips For Getting Your Outdoor Power Equipment Ready For Winter

(NAPS)

Fall is here, and as cold weather creeps in, it's time to put away your spring and summer outdoor power equipment, such as lawn mowers, leaf blowers, chain saws and trimmers, and get out what you will need for winter, such as snow throwers, generators and other small-engine equipment.

The Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI), an international trade association representing more than 100 power equipment, engine and utility vehicle manufacturers and suppliers, offers tips to help home and business owners prepare for the weather change.

“Doing good maintenance in the fall means that your equipment will be in good shape when spring arrives and you want to tackle landscaping projects again,” said Kris Kiser, president and CEO of OPEI. “Now is also the time to do snow thrower and generator maintenance and review safe handling procedures so you are ready when the snow flies.”

First, review your owner's manual for your equipment. Re-familiarize yourself with how to handle your equipment safely and any maintenance needs. If you lost your manual, you can usually find it

online.

1. Service all your equipment. Before storing equipment, clean and service it yourself or take it to a small-engine repair shop. For instance, drain and change engine oil and dispose of old oil safely. Service the air filter and perform other maintenance activities as directed by your service manual. Check all winter equipment and see what maintenance and repairs are required, as well.
2. Recharge the battery. If your equipment has a battery, remove and fully charge it before storing or to ready your winter equipment for a sudden, unexpected weather event.
3. Handle fuel properly. Unused gas left in gas tanks over the winter can go stale. It can even damage your equipment. For equipment you'll store over the winter, add fuel stabilizer to the gas tank, then run the equipment to distribute it. Turn the engine off, allow the machine to cool, then restart and run until the gas tank is empty. For winter equipment, be sure you know the appropriate fuel for your equipment. Most outdoor power equipment, for instance, was designed, built and warranted to run on 10 percent or less ethanol fuel.
4. Shelter your equipment from winter weather. Store your spring and summer equipment in a clean and dry place such as a garage, barn or shed. Winter equipment should also be away from the weather elements but available for use when needed. Always keep your outdoor power equipment out of the reach of children.
5. Do a yard cleanup. Clear the paths you use regularly, especially



When the weather turns chilly, it's time to swap out your lawn mower for your snowblower.

during the winter. Make space in your garage or basement before the weather changes so you have room to store larger yard items, such as patio furniture, umbrellas and summer toys.

6. If you are getting out winter equipment, such as a generator or snow thrower, review safe handling procedures. Familiarize yourself with your equipment, making sure you know how to turn the machine on and off and how to use the equipment safely.
7. Find and prepare to fill your gas can. Buy the type of fuel recommended by your equipment manufacturer no more than 30 days before you will use it. Remember, use fuel with no more than 10 percent ethanol in outdoor power equipment. Also, fuel goes stale and will need to be replaced if you have not used it within a month. And remember to use a fuel stabilizer if recommended by your manufacturer.

Get more information on safe fueling for outdoor power equipment at [www.LookBeforeYouPump.com](http://www.LookBeforeYouPump.com) and find additional safety tips at [www.OPEI.org](http://www.OPEI.org).

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# HOME

## A More Energy- And Cost-Efficient Heating And Cooling Solution



Ductless mini-split systems can save homeowners up to 25 percent on their utility bills and allow for individual, room-by-room temperature control.

**(NAPS)**

As the temperature plummets, homeowners will crank up the heat to keep warm and toasty—quickly burning through money and energy. In fact, home heating uses more energy and costs more money than any other system in your home, typically making up nearly half of your utility bill. So what’s the best way to keep the cold out, the heat in, and your energy bill down?

There are several types of heating systems that range from blowing hot air through ductwork to piping hot water through your floor. Forced-air systems, the most com-

mon type, heat quickly and evenly, but many are not energy efficient and some users complain that moving air is noisy and blows allergens around the house. In addition, they require ductwork, which many older homes don’t have.

Americans are largely unaware of one heating option called ductless mini-split systems, distributed by several companies including Fujitsu General America. While the majority of HVAC systems in Asia and Europe are already ductless, they are rapidly gaining traction in North America, with mini-split systems projected to enjoy an annual growth

rate of 14 percent each year through 2020.

Energy Bill Savings Up To 25 Percent

The high energy efficiencies of mini-split systems can save homeowners up to 25 percent of utility bills simply because they eliminate wasteful ducts. In fact, duct losses can easily account for more than 30 percent of energy consumption, especially if the ducts are not sealed tightly or are located in an unconditioned space such as an attic or crawl space. Ductless mini-splits forgo those energy losses typically associated with forced-air systems. This is particularly good news for older homes,

homes without existing ductwork or homes with seasonal additions, such as a sunroom. Installing ductwork is expensive and requires cutting holes in walls, floors and ceilings, or decreasing closet space. Ductless systems require only a two- or three-inch hole just outside the wall and are also whisper quiet.

End Energy Waste And Thermostat Wars

Mini-splits feature custom zone control, enabling homeowners to connect two to eight indoor units to a single outdoor unit. Since each of the zones has its own thermostat, you heat only the areas you want and disregard those that are

unoccupied. This can represent a significant savings considering the kitchen, dining room, living room and bedrooms are left unoccupied for at least 40 percent of the time. In addition, everyone can adjust each room to the temperature he or she wants—year-round—virtually eliminating the “thermostat wars,” with family members fighting for their personal climate preferences.

Extra Low Temperature Protection

It’s important to choose a reputable heating and cooling system that is equipped to handle your individual requirements. Fujitsu General’s line of mini-split systems

have a performance success rate of more than 99 percent and come in numerous sizes, styles and rated outdoor temperatures. The Extra Low Temperature Heating (XLTH) Series features outdoor condensing units engineered to operate in temperatures down to -15° F, lower than any other mini-split available today.

Mini-split systems may take as little as a day or two to install, depending on how many units you put in. To learn more or find a contractor nearby, call (888) 888-3424 or visit [www.constantcomfort.com](http://www.constantcomfort.com) or [www.fujitsugeneral.com](http://www.fujitsugeneral.com).

## Seven Safety Tips For Protecting Your Child

**(NAPS)**

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, some 70,000 children under age 5 are injured every year by common household products and toys—but yours don’t have to be among them.

Here are seven ways to keep infants and toddlers safer:

1. Cook safely. Never leave food unattended on the stove. Turn pot handles so curious toddlers can’t reach them.
2. Set your water heater to 120° F or lower. Infants and small children may not be able to get away from water that’s too hot.
3. Use home safety devices, such as guards on windows above ground level, stair gates and guardrails.
4. Keep medicines, cleaning products and other toxic substances where children can’t see or reach them.
5. Make sure children are properly buckled up. With a 90 percent misuse rate for installing car seats and boosters, parents should visit a car seat inspection station in their area to learn how to properly install and use them.
6. Always check the age label on toys. Small parts—whether from toys, pieces of food such as hot dogs or grapes, or anything else—can become a choking risk for children who have small throats and tend to put things in their mouths.
7. Check window coverings for exposed or dangling cords, which can pose a strangulation hazard to infants and young children.

Parents with young children should replace their corded window coverings with the many cordless products.

To assist the consumer, the Window Covering Manufacturers Association (WCMA) created the Best for Kids certification program.

For their products to be eligible for certification as safe for homes with



A few simple precautions—such as installing cordless window coverings—can help you keep your children safe at home.

small children, manufacturers must meet specified program criteria and submit their window coverings to a designated third-party testing laboratory.

Throughout the year and particularly during October, which is National Window Covering Safety Month, parents are urged to maximize window cord safety by taking these three steps:

- Install only cordless window

coverings or those with inaccessible cords. Replace window blinds, corded shades and draperies with those that are cordless or have inaccessible cords. Look for the Best for Kids label.

- Move all cribs, beds, furniture and toys away from windows and window cords of any kind, preferably to another wall.
- When window cords are pres-

ent, keep them out of sight and reach by shortening or tying them up and away.

**Learn More**

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**SALEM CROSS INN IS NOW HIRING:**  
A Baker's Assistant Line Cook Servers

Apply in person or on our website: **sailemxcrossinn.com**  
Must be available nights and weekends

**The Douglas Public Schools** are looking for Substitute Custodians. Interested candidates should send a letter of intent, resume and three letters of reference to:

Jeffery Kollett  
21 Davis Street  
Douglas, MA 01516

All appointments are conditional based on a satisfactory CORI and SAFIS Background check per 603 CMR 51.00

**The Douglas School Lunch Program** is currently looking for Substitute Cafeteria Workers. Hours are flexible and are on an as needed basis. For more information, contact Lisa Leon (508) 476-3332 ext. 2253 or by email: **lleon@douglaspas.net**

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The person in this role will be delivering high volumes of packages to homes and businesses. The ideal candidate would be a responsible individual who has great attendance and punctuality; have a clear background and driving record (valid drivers license with no moving violations or tickets within the last three years); be able to pass a drug and CORI check and be at least 21 years of age. CDL is not required but previous driving experience is a necessity.

**The Town of Douglas Highway Department**  
**56 Main Street (508) 476-3378**

is now accepting applications for Class B truck drivers and seasonal subcontractors for snow plowing. All applicants must possess a valid Massachusetts drivers license and have three or more years experience in snow plowing. A minimum of 3/4 ton truck and 8 foot plow is required. The position is on an as needed basis and applicants must be available day and night and be able to respond in a timely manner. Applications can be obtained at the Highway Department office. Applications are due at the Douglas Highway Department by Monday October 31, 2016. The Town of Douglas is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**\*\*\*\*\* WYMAN-GORDON** is seeking millwrights to work at the North Grafton, MA plant.

This position requires prior millwright experience and entails working 4 days on and 4 days off. US Citizenship or permanent residency status is required.

Please email your resume to: [khanson@wyman.com](mailto:khanson@wyman.com) for consideration.

**\*\*\*\*\***

**311 PART-TIME HELP WANTED**

**Drivers Wanted**  
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**Call: 508-885-5778 or 508-885-5788**

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**313 CLERICAL**

**COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT-**  
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Entry Level position with benefits. Send resumes to: [hr@mtmicromolding.com](mailto:hr@mtmicromolding.com)

**314 FOOD SERVICES**

**The College of the Holy Cross** is currently accepting applications for the following:

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**TRAILER TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED**

**\*\*\*\*\***

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**Please Call 508-867-3235**

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**So what are waiting for? Send your résumé to Editor Adam Minor at [aminor@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:aminor@stonebridgepress.news), or mail to Stonebridge Press, ATTN: Editor, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550**

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**442 LICENSED DAY CARE**

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Paxton, MA

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# KIDS' CORNER

## What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Extra leg on spider 2. Missing "G" on sign 3. No pupil in eye 4. Pumpkin in corner

## WORLD FACT:

MANY COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD CELEBRATE THIS AUTUMN HOLIDAY THAT INVOLVES TRICKS AND TREATS



ANSWER: HALLOWEEN

## Did You Know?



CHOCOLATE CANDY BARS TOP THE LIST AS THE MOST POPULAR CANDY FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS.

THIS DAY IN...



## HISTORY

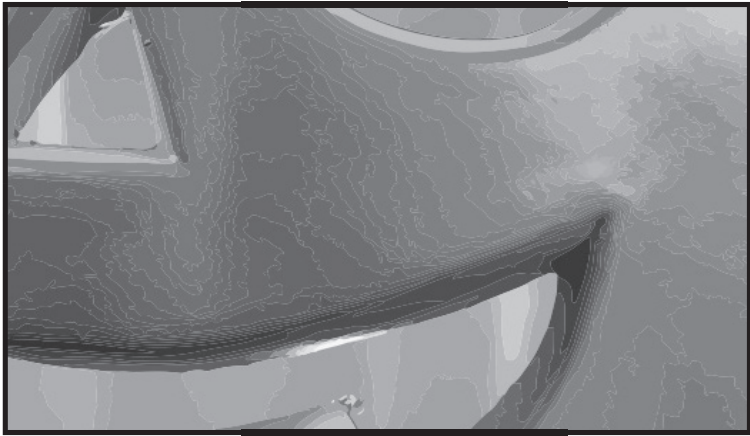
- 1803: THE U.S. SENATE RATIFIES THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE.
- 1968: JACQUELINE KENNEDY MARRIES ARISTOTLE ONASSIS.
- 1973: THE SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE IS OPENED BY QUEEN ELIZABETH II.

*New*  
word

**BRITTLE**

hard but liable to shatter easily

## GET THE PICTURE?



CAN YOU GUESS **WHAT** THE BIGGER PICTURE IS?

ANSWER: JACK-O-LANTERN

*How they SAY that in...*

- ENGLISH:** Calendar
- SPANISH:** Calendario
- ITALIAN:** Calendario
- FRENCH:** Calendrier
- GERMAN:** Kalender



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leather  
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