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# Teacher nominated for recognition by her own student

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

EAST BROOKFIELD - The daily impacts teachers have on their students aren't often acknowledged, which made last month's presentation at East Brookfield Elementary School particularly meaningful for an EBES teacher.

Michelle Grant was selected as a 96.1 SRS-Unibank Teacher of the Month, a radio station program that honors public school teachthroughout central Massachusetts. Grant, who has taught in the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District for ten years,

was honored during a surprise assembly at her school last month.

Front and center during the celebration was EBES student Madelyn MacDonald, who nominated her teacher for the award. Students have dozens of teachers throughout the course of

their educational careers, but only the most dedicated and caring educators like Grant inspire their students enough to nominate them for the award.

"She is warm, compassionate, and completely invested

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Courtesy photo.

East Brookfield Elementary School teacher Michelle Grant, left, was nominated by her student, Madelyn MacDonald, front, for a Teacher of the Month award. Also pictured are Ginny Sears, Suzanne Lewis, and Greg Bedard from the 96.1 SRS radio team, who presented the award.

# Eagle Scout project benefits local parish

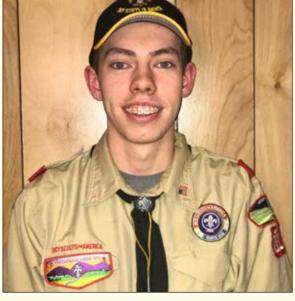
BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER - Thanks to the creativity and dedication of a local Eagle Scout. Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish received some much-needed upgrades.

Zachary Simons, of Boy Scout Troop 201 in Spencer, wanted to impact as many people as he could with his Eagle Scout project. Reaching out to Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, he realized there was much that could be done to help parishioners. For starters, Simons helped take down chalkboards in the parish and replace them with whiteboards that will keep congregants updated on programming.

Simons also cleaned out a room in the rectory basement and put up shelving that can be used for a variety of purposes. He received assistance from his parents and Scouting leaders in organizing the project, as it is a challenging

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Zachary Simons, of Boy Scout Troop 201 in Spencer, recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Simons is a

### Area continues to learn about WRTA proposed cuts

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER - Proposed cuts to public transportation have residents throughout the Route 9 corridor concerned. At a public hearing last week, Spencer residents had a chance to learn

more about the potential bus route eliminations later this

Reduced services have been proposed for several Worcester Regional Transit Authority

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# Fatal accident brings charges against West Brookfield driver

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD - An alleged repeat OUI driver is facing a vehicular homicide charge after police said she caused a three-car wreck last week that left a man dead.

The accident occurred on April 2 at approximately 11:50 a.m. near the intersection of Milk Street and West Main

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### How did he fit? Police nap box bandits



LEICESTER — A pair of suspects will face charges after police said they raided a clothing donation box last week.

A tip about clothing being

Courtesy photo.

A pair of suspects, including the person pictured here, is being investigated for potential involvement in several clothing donation box thefts.

stolen from a Planet Aid donation box in Rochdale led to a police investigation.

After reviewing security camera footage of the suspects and their vehicle, it wasn't long before officers began tracking the suspects.

The two individuals have not yet been named by police, as investigators are currently

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### **JUST LOOK** AT THOSE HAWAIIAN PRINTS!

Kevin Flanders photo

Richard Dubuque and his daughter, Braylee age 9 in their matching Hawaiian prints, are dancing at the annual Father Daughter event at East Brookfield Elementary School last week. More photos

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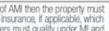
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HELP WANTED: YOU!

The Town of West Brookfield is actively seeking volunteers to serve on the Master Plan Implementation Committee. The West Brookfield Master Plan, a vision document for the town's future, was finalized in January 2018 and the town wants to make sure that the goals detailed in the plan get implemented. If you have an interest in the town and want to make sure the plan gets actualized, then this is may be the committee for you. The committee will meet on a monthly basis for six months and hence after meet on a quarterly basis. Interested parties should submit a letter of interest to the West Brookfield Board of Selectman: bos@ wbrookfield.com, by April 30th. In the letter, include detail of why you would be a good candidate for this committee. Candidates will be invited to attend the May 8 Board of Selectman's meeting for in-person interviews.

CANTATA PLANNED

The Christian Community Choir will present Amazing Love Easter Cantata, an Easter experience in song and spoken word, on Sunday, April 15 AT 2 p.m. at the Masonic Home Chapel, Masonic Hill Road in Charlton. Free and open to all.

**5K PLANNED** 

On Sunday, April 29 for the second year the Tarentino Strong Road Race will be hosted in Leicester. The Tarentino Strong Road Race was created and held in honor of Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino who was killed in the line of duty on May 22nd, 2016. Officer Tarentino served with the Leicester Police Department for seven years and then for the Auburn Police Department for two years. Officer Tarentino was a well-respected police officer who served with great distinction in both the Leicester and Auburn communities. With participation and support from over 1,500 runners, walkers, volunteers and police officers, the 2017 road race was a great success and the Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr. Charitable Fund was created. The charitable fund's mission is to provide educational scholarships and to also help people who have experienced catastrophic circumstances; assistance will be offered in the form of financial support and or donating items that can assist the families of first responders in times of illness, catastrophic events and injuries. The fund supplies scholarships at Leicester and Auburn High School, and at Tewksbury High School where Officer Tarentino was raised. The last weekend in April will again be hosting the Tarentino Strong Road Race beginning and ending at Leicester High School. Registration is well underway with over 500 people who have registered to take part in the great event. Online registration will remain open until Monday, April 16. If you have not registered for the event you can do so by visiting the online registration page at https://racewire.com/register.php?id=8848. Visit us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Officer-Ronald-Tarentino-Jr-Charitable-Fund-792243620933473/

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

**TEACHER** 

Name: Brady

Sex: Male

Breed: DSH Tiger

Age: 8-9 Mos. old

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the MacDonald family.

WORCESTER — Maddie Brennan of Leicester, a member of the class of 2019 majoring in mechanical engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense, hands-on

in each child. She makes learning fun,

as it should be," read a nomination let-

ter submitted to the radio station from

Well known to all students at EBES,

Grant previously taught kindergarten

and third grade at the school. She was

joined by members of the 96.1 SRS radio

team during the celebration, who previ-

ously stopped at Wire Village School in

Spencer this past fall to honor a teacher

P.A.L. of the Week

from New England. I've had a rough start in life but some folks

have helped me. I was living outside (and it was really cold some

days). I was very scared and shy. But as each day goes past; I'm

beginning to trust people. I have come to find out that I actually

like attention from people (even belly rubs are okay) and I LOVÉ

to play. It would be great if I could have a "teen-age" feline companion with whom to play. I can't wait to find my forever nome

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research through the WPI project center in Bangkok. The project was titled Designing a Sustainable Classroom Building in Thailand. In their project summary, the students wrote, "We interviewed the community, researched sustainable designs, consulted experts, and created an electronic design model to address the community's needs."

At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to addresses an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of students complete a project at one of the university's 40-plus off-campus project centers, which are located around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives-and make a difference before they graduate.

SPAGHETTI DINNER & A COMIC

On Saturday, April 28 enjoy a spaghetti dinner with salad, Italian bread, spaghetti & meatballs, beverage and dessert (take out available) beginning at 6 p.m. \$8 for adults; \$5 for children younger than 10 at the North Brookfield Senior Center, 29 Forest St. Then sit back and relax with Jerry Atric: The Older I Get, a comedy not to be missed with Steve Henderson. Tickets available at North Brookfield Senior Center Monday-Friday. Program supported in part by a grant from North Brookfield Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

It means a lot to school leaders to see

a few of their most dedicated teachers

honored with the award. It's impressive

for one school district to have multi-

ple winners in the same year, officials

said, as the award covers schools across

work and dedication of many educators

in the district," said SEBRSD Interim

Superintendent Jodi Bourassa. "She

is among so many qualified teachers

who go above and beyond every day in

the best interest of children through-

out the communities of Spencer-East

trying to ascertain whether the suspects

were responsible for previous thefts. If

so, they could face even more charges.

During last week's incident, one of the

suspects entered the donation box and

tossed out bags of clothing for his accom-

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wnen the investigation on the previous

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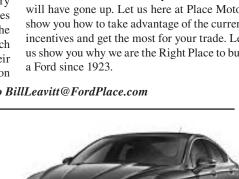
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### **DPHS** alumni honored



David Prouty High School Distinguished Alumni members Anne Marie Monette Jette and John-Paul Lock, middle, were presented with citations from State Representative Donald Berthiaume on April 4. The late teacher Philip Delongchamp was also honored, with his family, friends, and students in attendance. Pictured at left is Delongchamp's brother, Gerard Delongchamp.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER - A pair of David Prouty High School's most successful alumni returned last week to the place where their journeys began.

As part of this year's Distinguished Alumni Day festivities on April 4, DPHS welcomed back Anne Marie Monette Jette and John-Paul Lock. The proceedings were especially meaningful this year, as beloved DPHS teacher Philip Delongchamp was honored posthumously in front of his students and colleagues. Delongchamp passed away last month.

For Prouty students and teachers, the event was inspirational in more ways than one. During their speeches, both Jette and Lock discussed the importance of establishing goals and persisting through adversity to make those dreams come true.

"Goals and dreams are very important in life, and there are a lot of opportunities out there for you," Jette told

the students. "The David Prouty High

School staff works hard to build a solid

foundation for your future." Jette (DPHS Class of 1972) recently retired from her position as the director of clinical services for the Jewish Healthcare Center in Worcester. She began her nursing career in 1974 after graduating from David Hale Fanning School of Health Occupations, later working at St. Vincent's Hospital and The Greenery Extended Care Center in Worcester.

But the road to success was hardly a smooth one for Jette. Receiving mostly C's in high school, she recalled having to work hard and persevere through several challenges to obtain the career she wanted. Returning to her former high school, she was eager to share that message with students who may be doubting themselves in the face of adversity.

"You will be accepted and you will be rejected, but don't give up," Jette said. The Massachusetts Extended Care Federation recognized Jette with a President's Award in 2007. She also co-authored an article on educating certified nursing assistants.

Lock (DPHS Class of 1964) is a member of the Translational Research Group at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital, where he oversees five international drug studies. Moreover, he has authored over 60 publications and participated in more than 75 clinical research studies.

Lock also served as an assistant professor of medicine in the diabetes division of Massachusetts School of Medicine. During his return to DPHS, he reminded students of the integral role their teachers play in shaping their

"This award means a lot to me, but the real people who should receive an award are all of the teachers who give so much to you each day," Lock told students. "Don't forget that every moment matters. Don't just sit through your classes - make sure you get something out of each one."

Despite the two inspirational speeches, the most moving of the three award recipients was easily the late Philip Delongchamp, whose presence will always be felt in the halls of DPHS and Knox Trail Middle School. Known simply as Mr. D to students, Delongchamp spent over 40 years teaching, nearly half of them in the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District. In 2008-09, Delongchamp received the Teacher of the Year Award from Wal-Mart in Leicester. Several students and teachers from the SEBRSD and surrounding districts have described him as the best educator they ever saw.

The Distinguished Alumni members were presented with citations from State Representative Donald Berthiaume's office. Interim Superintendent Jodi Bourassa and other district leaders were also in attendance.

Delongchamp's brother, Gerard Delongchamp, was on hand to receive the award in his brother's honor.



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Cindy Bliss, age 54, of West Brookfield, is facing several charges following a fatal accident in town she is accused of causing last week.

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Street. On arrival, police found two vehicles in the yard of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, one of them rolled over.

Alexander Cordy, age 78, of West Brookfield, was killed in the wreck.

The initial investigation revealed that a vehicle operated by Cindy Bliss, age 54, of West Brookfield, was headed west on West Main Street (Route 9) when it crossed the double yellow line

sideswiped a vehicle driven by Taylor Paquette, age 26, of West Brookfield, before striking Cordy's vehicle, which was stopped at the stop sign at the intersection of Milk Street and Route 9.

Police said the impact of the collision sent Cordy's vehicle onto the lawn of the parish center. Bliss's vehicle turned onto its side against the porch of the building.

Cordy was transported to Ware's Bay State Mary Lane Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Paquette was not injured in the wreck. Bliss had to be extricated from her vehicle by firefighters, and she was also transported to Bay State Mary Lane Hospital, where she was treated and released.

Bliss was then taken into police custody and charged with motor vehicle homicide (OUI negligent or reckless operation): OUI second offense: negligent operation of a motor vehicle; operation with excessive speed; marked lane violations; and having an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle.

Bliss was held without bail and

arraigned at East Brookfield District Court on April 3.

West Brookfield Police received assistance at the

scene from the

Massachusetts State Police, MSP CARS Unit, North Brookfield Police and Fire, and Brookfield Ambulance. Police did not disclose when Bliss was previously arrested for OUI.





into the eastbound lane. Bliss's vehicle



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but may not help you to pay down your loan as quickly.

Today we have 1322 single family homes for sale in Worcester County compared to 6 months ago where we had 1986. Inventory did tick up about 8% from this time last month. If

we look back to 12 months ago we had 1554 homes for sale in Worcester County which shows a 14.9% decrease in inventory year over year. The average days

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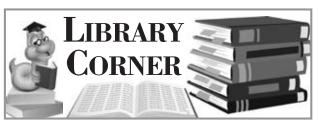
REPORT

**JAMES** BLACK on market is currently 118 days which is a 16.3% decrease in days on market from last month. If we look at homes sold over past 12 months compared to the same time for the previous year there is an

almost 1.6% increase in sales and a 6.0% increase in average sales price while it is taking 18.9% less time to sell the homes this year than last year in Worcester County. This

shows that prices are still rising and homes are still selling quicker than a vear ago.

The numbers again are all positive and showing continued growth with no immediate signs of a change in the market. It is important to hire a Realtor familiar with your market especially in this market where it seems you can just put a sign out front and get a bunch of offers. The right agent will ensure you get the most money for the house in the shortest amount of time.



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Thursday, April 19, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.: Terrariums for Teens & Tweens. Please register.

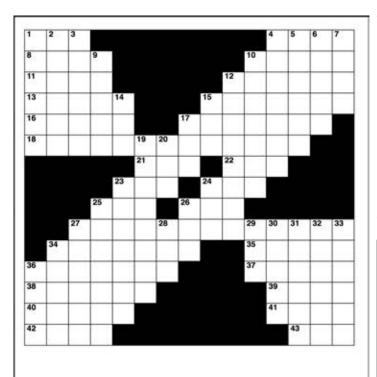
Saturday April 21: Pajamas & Pancakes! Two seatings: 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. \$5 per person, \$15 for a family of three or more! Pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee/tea & more! Each child receives a free book, raffles, too! Please pre-register - pay @ the door or pay by April 16 & receive three free raffle tickets. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Friends of the Library.

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- over the face 10. Perfected
- 11. British school
- 12. Colored with red powder 13. Tivoli
- What bowlers hope to knock down
- Finnish lake
- Damaged regions of tissue 18. World-renowned guitarist
- 21. Political action committee
- 22. Oxygen reduction system 23. Part of a circle
- 24. Italian monk's title 25. Kidney problem (abbr.)
- 26. One point east (clockwise)
- of due north 27. Home to a world famous bay
- 34. Mollusk
- 35. Large nest of a bird of prey
- 36. Predict
- 37. Reconnaissance
- 38. Move in a particular direction 39. Cut with a tool
  - 40. True firs
- 41. Heaven's opposite
- 42. Employed
- 43. "Partridge Family" actress Susan

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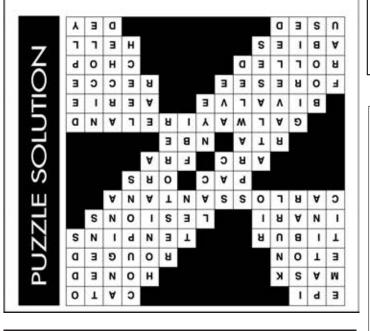
### **FOOD COLLECTED FOR** VETERANS

Courtesy photo

For the third year in a row, North Brookfield public schools donated 10 boxes of food to help provide Easter dinner for veterans. The food drive is run by the VFW Post 2596 in Wales. In the photo, Willie Jarvais and Peter Haley of the Wales Post are at North Brookfield Elementary School collecting the donated food on March

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Induces vomiting 2. Gloss or sheen on wood furniture
- 3. Meteorological line 4. Help shoppers save money
- 5. Heart condition
- 6. What tweens become
- and ends 9. Small knob
- 10. Island capital 12. Refinisher
- 14. Brazilian city 15. Pearl Jam's debut
- 17. Resinous substance of
- an insect 19. Stretched out
- 20. Bag-like structure in a plant or animal
- 23. Reference works 24. Hoover's office
- 25. Confused
- 26. The Science Guy 27. A young woman
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# CLASSROOM CORNER

# Production brings realities to life



BY KEVIN FLANDERS

SPENCER - It's a message students have heard plenty of times before, but Knox Trail Middle School students received an anti-bullying lesson in a unique way last week.

On April 4, members of Bright Star Touring Theatre paid a visit to KTMS. Based in Asheville, NC, the organization

performs at schools, libraries, and museums throughout the nation, often presenting their acclaimed production, "Bullied."

The performance combines humor, creativity, and theatrical elements to educate students on a serious issue. Recognizing that students often become disengaged from anti-bullying presentations because they've heard the message repeatedly over the years, school officials nationwide are thrilled about the unique platform Bright Star Touring Theatre provides.

Designed for students in grades 4-8, the performance examines the bullying epidemic and its ramifications for victims and their families. The performance is designed to increase empathy and demonstrate how bullied students often suffer without teachers or parents knowing it, sometimes taking their own lives as a result. The presentation also showed how seemingly harmless comments and actions can have devastating effects after accruing over time.

"We try to deliver positive messages to students any way possible," said KTMS Principal Jodi Bourassa, who also serves as the interim superintendent of the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District. "With the support from the Spencer Cultural Council and Knox Trail Parent Group, we were able to display a message on bullying through a traveling theater production. The essential messages were to be kind and if you see something, say something – which students can easily relate to and understand."

The presentation also highlighted several forms of bullying facilitated by technology. With emails, social media, and texting, bullies aren't simply targeting their victims during school hours but throughout the day. The consequences of bullying are multiplied by social media, students learned, and the presentation also conveyed the importance of report-



Kevin Flanders photos

Members of Bright Star Touring Theatre perform an anti-bullying production last week at Knox Trail Middle School.

ing the behavior to a teacher.

'This show strives to empower young people with the tools to stop someone from bullying them and engage when they see someone else being bullied," read a statement from the theater organization.

Bright Star Touring Theatre performs annually in front of

over 1,400 audiences across the country. The organization offers several curriculum-based programs, and it even appeared in Moscow, Russia, for a performance.

For more information about the group, visit www.brightstartheatre.com.

*CHARLTON*— *The following students* have earned a place on the honor roll for the third quarter at Bay Path Vocational Regional Technical High School

#### **GRADE 12**

High Honors: Shane Clardy, Andrew Ferrecchia, Joshua MacIntosh, Jacob Morin, Dylon Sandstrom, Christian Shadis

Honors: Conner Allen, Karcherise Andrews, Ecko-Luv Beaver, Adriana Bennett, Kyle Bouvier, Cheyenne Tyler Brindle, Ashley Burlingame, Jamie Butkiewicz, Tyler Cahill, Christopher Carmody, Mina Carrabba, Angela Chapman, Brian Choiniere Jr., Bradley Cook, Erica Czechowski, Dylan Delaney, Robin Duff, Patrick Dyer, Nicholas Fletcher, Robert Gallagher, Orianna Gendron, Madison Gosselin, Kristin Hadley, Andrew Hafferty, Joseph Hallihan, Corrina Hamilton, Briana Johnson, Payton Kallanian, Christian Keeler, Margaret Lacaire, Salah LaTulippe, Simone LeBlanc, Taylor Lemoine, Dahlia Lovendale, Cameron Maher, Jiliana Marrero, Alessandra Martocci, Ariana Melendez, Tariyaha Morris, Kayla Morrison, Fintan Neff, Hailey Overholser, Shivani Patel, Katelynn Peterson, Julia Resener, Courtney Rousseau, Antonio Sanelli, Claudia Schlegel, Michael Shedd, Camden Sinkewich, Mason Smith, Sarah Sputo, Jonathan Sterczala, Rhianna Sweeney, Karlee Therrien, Noah Thompson, Savannah Vangel, Andrew Vidot, Thomas Willette, Emily Woodruff

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### **GRADE 11**

High Honors: Mikaylee Dickinson, Emily Downer, Hayden Smith, Emily Wong Kam

Honors: Hannah Abubakar, Lauryn Alicea, Karisa Allen, Joshua Beauchemin, Dominick Berthiaume, Timothy Bordeaux, Margaret Borowski, Hannah Brody, Devon Bruyere, Jacob Burgos, Kaitlyn Chabot, Brendan Coomey, Cory Cotton, Adrienne Courchaine, Jonathan Dalbec, Joslynn Daniels, Demetrious Davila, Adrian DeMichele, Colin Donovan, Codey Drummond, Lily Eccleston, Hunter Emond, Dominic Esposito, Macy Fongeallaz, Loriauna Graika, Ryan Hassett, Noah Huehls, Hannah Iozzo, Catherine Jones, Montana Josey, Kyle Kallgren, Ryan Langlois, Karissa Lugo, Mackenzie Martin, Marissa Martocci, Mariah Mason, Alejandro Medina, Danisa Melendez, Mathieu Mitchell, Neftali Morales, Michael Moran, Charles Morse, Kailyn Murphy, Jayden Pantalone, Zachary Perry, Ashlin Peters, Heather Poirier, Jamie Rodriguez, Jalen Rojas, Michael Russo, Isabelle Sargent, Marrissa Scopa, Melody Serrano, Evelyn Sheehan, Scott Singer, Theodore Stauffer, Vincent Strzelecki, Steele Sturgis, Paul Thomas,

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William Bedford, Johnny Berthiaume, Kayla Brodeur, Alec Casasanta, Christopher Chute, Ian Augusto DaSilva, Kayla Davis, Melissa De Paz, Mason Deane, Justin Dwyer, Mason Faraday, Connor Fausek, Andrew Flanagan, Jake Grampetro, Michael Grant, Kacie Grenier, Timothy Hansen, Ian Inangelo, Patricia King, Ryan Lachapelle, Kolby Lamoureux, Isaiah LeBoeuf, Emily Margoupis, Jessica McNulty, Kristopher Mekal, Samuel O'Brien, Joey Perez, Jeremiah Prunier, Emily Rodriguez, Genesis Rodriguez, Joseph Rosario, Kathryn Ryan, Juan Sanchez, Jordan Santiago, Jack Santon, Abraham Santos-Ramos, Izabelle Somicu, Emma St. Laurent, Lillie Torteson, Eliza Wandelear, Gabriella Wondolowski

#### **GRADE 10**

High Honors: Jared Aucoin, Mia Bohanan, Sydney Cardinal, Lauryn Dawson, Anna Israelian, Andrew Makowiecki, Cody Prince, Carla Rodriguez, Alexandar Vesovski, Kaylyn Violette

Honors: Riane Anderson, Julia Antocci, Tiffany Arnold, Kendra Aucoin, Alicia Ayala, Osaias Ayala, McKayla Baldwin, Laura Banach, Meghan Barry, Trinity Battista, Battista, Bigelow, Ayva Borellli, Lauren Rachel Bourgault, William Carlson, Evan Clockedile, Anthony Colacchio, Elizabeth Cormier, Colton Cowher, Alec Dalton, Braden Doney, Thadius Dubsky, Kelsey Durant, Gavyn Floury, Nathan Fontaine, Luke Girard, Dylan Greamo. Jacob Hinman, Edward Knopf, Adam LaFleche, Mathew Langlois, Benjamin LaPointe, Jared Lavigne, Samantha LePage, Thomas Lombardi, Jonathan Lussier, Erica MacGrory, Julianna Marcoux, Madison Marois, Nicholas Marshall, Kiyiana Minton, Benjamin Morin, Shiloh Murphy, Kimberly Ngo, Mackenzie O'Neill, Kevin O'Rourke, Kyle Paquette, Addison Paradis, Maeve Perreault, Joseph Postale

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Lexianna Wheeler, Riley White, Zachary Whittemore, Michael Zanca

### **GRADE 9**

High Honors: Nathaniel Beauchesne, Dylan Bellerive, Kaitlyn Brindle, Canty, Kayla Gabriella Caron, Emma Christian, Cheyenne Courtney, Lexia Demers, Evan Duffey, Alexis Gosselin, Juliannah Kolofsky,

Samantha Labelle, Eliana Lasell, Ullysses Logan, Zachary Messina, Michael Mullaly, Owen Ostromecki, Michael Pulsifer, McKenzie Robinson, Kyleigh Sutherland, Christopher Towns Jr., Derek Varnum, Ashley Wilson, Caitlin Young

Honors: Jacob Anderson, Erika Apher, Olivia Baca, Sophia Baca, Ivy Ballou, Dylan Barrette, Dominic Beauchesne, Maya Bond, Skyler Bond, Victoria Bonneau, Dani Borci, Rebecca Boucher, Matthew Brown, Samantha Burdett, Alexa Burks, Samantha Busold, Roland Butzke , Brenna Castro, Lauren Chase, Christian Consiglio, Megan Costa, Brianna Cote, Natalie Courtney, Olivia Courville, Bailey Creeron, Jordan Daigneault, Leah Dingui, Rachel Eovacious, Jessi Escoto-Cifuentes, Madison Etzweiler, Eathan Finneran, Annabelle Fitts, Benjamin Gelineau, Isabella Gonyea, Sarah Gosselin, Julianne Goulet, Ryan Grampetro, Chloe Grenier, Devin Hanlan, Cristal Hernandez, Molly Hoefler, Elena Hopkins, Jayce Hutchinson, Abigail Joesten, Skyla Josey, Isaac Josti, Elin Kaufman, Ryan

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## Aloha from the fathers & daughters

EAST BROOKFIELD - Fathers and daughters enjoyed a night out last week, spending time at the annual dance held by East Brookfield Elementary School.

Boasting a Hawaiian theme for 2018, the April 6 event featured food, dancing, coloring, photography, and several other activities. Now in its fourth year, the program is organized by the EBES People Interested in Education parent group.

Kevin Flanders photos.





Fran and Kenzie Berard, age 5 are dressed for success.

Jamie and Sophie Letourneau get ready to



The Richard and Wood families enjoy the night.



Matt and Mollie DeSimone, age 9, get a little coloring done.



Rachel Bledsoe and John Salois spend the night with 5-year-old Claire.



Fathers and daughters hit the dance floor.



Brian Caouette spends the night with 10-year-

### EICESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL ANNOUNCES HONOR ROLL

*LEICESTER* — The following students have earned a place on the honor roll for the second term at Leicester Memorial

**GRADE 3** 

# THE WRITE STUFF Celebrating 16 Years

Spencer New Leader! **TOPIC FOR APRIL:** A SPECIAL DEDICATION Deadline April 20 5pm - Pub date April 27



We are dedicating the April 27th issue of The Write Stuff to

#### **Tributes To** Philip Delongchamp (Mr. D.),

a long-time inspirational educator in Spencer, and friend to so many, who passed away unexpectedly on March 13.

If you have a story, "Mr. D" moment, or just a special memory on how he touched your life...

you can include a photo if you'd like... please email them to me at jsima@stonebridgepress.news by Friday, April 20. Let's show our readers how fortunate we were to have had this amazing man in our lives, and how much he will be missed.

If you send essays not related to our dedication in April, they will run as space allows, or saved for the May 25th issue.

### **HOW TO SUBMIT?**

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We reserve the right to not publish essays for inappropriate content or to hold for a future publication. Early submissions are greatly appreciated.

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# Chowing down to support a school

CHARLTON - For the eighth year running, hundreds of people gathered to chow down on dozens of kinds of chili, turning Bay Path's cafeteria into standing room only and making parking tough to find in the process.

Besides several varieties of visually similar ground-beef-and-bean-based concoctions, there were also some unique varieties. A couple were based on chicken, one involved butternut squash, and one combined venison and short rib. Some were thick enough to hold up one's spoon, others were more like soup. And, for those with a less adventurous palate, Bay Path students also offered hot dogs, with or without



Bay Path students Nick Jose, John O'Loughlin and Noah Latour served up the hot dogs.



Gus Steeves photos

Cups of Overlook's venison and short rib chili await takers.



Tiondra Deboise of Dudley and Caitlin Pickering of Charlton staff the Overlook table.



One of the two long lines of tables that flanked the cafeteria where restauranteurs from around the region offered their chili.

### Tuition assistance available for casino apprenticeships

SPRINGFIELD — The Massachusetts Gaming Commission, the Springfield Technical Community College Foundation and the Holyoke Community College Foundation have provided funding to create scholarships for MCCTI students. In addition, MCCTI has been designated as a pre-apprenticeship training program through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, a federally funded employment and training program.

STCC and HCC, in collaboration with MGM, have created MCCTI to make sure people get the training they need for the jobs they want," said Michele Cabral, director of MCCTI. "These scholarship opportunities make it possible for everyone who wants a job or wants a better job, to get the skills they

Registration is ongoing, with seats available for April sessions (starting April 9, 23, and 30), as well as May and June classes. The courses are geared toward those interested in beginning a career but who do not yet have experience or training as table game dealers. Successful completion of two or more classes at MCCTI guarantees an audition with MGM Springfield. The resort and casino is seeking to hire 450 table games and poker dealers.

The chance to start a new career and secure this training at no cost or reduced cost is a significant opportunity we hope many Springfield area residents will consider," said Alex Dixon, general manager, MGM Springfield. "Becoming a table games dealer is one of the most coveted and fruitful careers choices in the gaming, hospitality and entertainment industries. It's a great way to make a life and provide for a family, and we're thankful for MCCTI's help in this endeavor."

Scholarship information, along with a full schedule of classes and course descriptions, is available on the MCCTI website at www.mccti.org.

"The training is happening between now and July 18," added Cabral. "We hope those who are unemployed, underemployed or who have been displaced will take advantage of these scholarships, which provide access to high quality career and skills training for area residents.'

MGM Springfield and MCCTI will host information session on Saturday, 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free and open to the public, this session will provide specifics on registration and enrollment, what it takes to become a successful table games dealer, skills required, and opportunities available. No formal education is required to apply to the school, and beginners are welcome. Information sessions will be held at the new MCCTI facility at 95 State Street in downtown Springfield. To learn more or to register in advance, please visit http://www.mccti. org/upcoming.html

The MCCTI was formed as a collaborating workforce development organization by the state's fifteen community colleges. The MCCTI has developed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to work collaboratively regarding workforce certification, training, licensure and other requirements. The Institute is collaborating with Workforce Investment Boards/Regional Employment Boards, the Massachusetts community colleges, resort casino and slot facility developers and operators, educators, training providers, unions, and community based organizations to provide recruitment, screening, career counseling, training, and job placement strategies and solutions.



Lauren Truitt helps Kristen Hadley offer fare from Spencer's Mexicali Grill.



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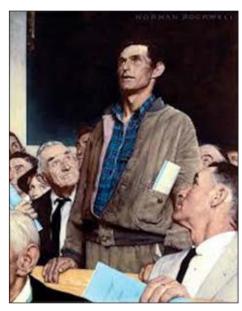
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### **EDITORIAL**

# Another look at a freedom



We are fast approaching a unique process in Americana.

Open town meetings are rapidly becoming an anachronism. It is more and more difficult for towns to encourage enough people to take time to actually show up and be part of the political

Norman Rockwell, famous for his Saturday Evening Post covers and slices of life; using his own neighbors as models to create his realistic paintings of what now seem idealistic ways to be; is famous for one of those called Freedom of Speech.

It was part of a series of four, Freedom of Religion, Freedom from Want and Freedom from Fear were the other three. They were used as part of a campaign to pay for World War II.

Freedom of Speech shows a middle aged man standing before his fellow townsmen (there is one woman, but she is nearly hidden by all those men); speaking his piece. He is surrounded by rapt listeners. Whether they are agreeing or not is hard to tell, but they are listening.

In a day when actually listening to someone else without shouting them down if you don't agree with them, this is refreshing.

The ideal of free speech, which many often forget, is that everyone has the right to do it, and you don't have to agree with what you hear. You have the right to what you wish to believe, but they have the right to what they wish

The political correctness people have it wrong.

It isn't that our delicate ears can't deal with the possibility of hearing something that strains our egos or casts aspersions on our beliefs; it's how we respond.

No, we don't want people running around screaming horrible "nicknames" for other people, we would hope good manners would enter in there somewhere. But how people respond to such language is much, much more important than if someone says it.

Which is why the removal of any monuments or statues or plaques or commemorative information worries

Because where does it end?

See, we understand that the interpretation of a statue can be in the intent of the person who placed it there, or in the resulting impact it has on those who view it many, many years later.

Was the statue placed because the people wanted to commemorate a person whose values they also valued? Most likely; and they also wanted others to remember that person for those things, and perhaps others were not as enamored of them. But it was most likely the person with the money to pay for the statue that got it erected; and over the years, different values may have been attributed to both the original guy AND his statue.

It happens.

Flags represent many things; statues represent many things. Are we going to, as an old saying points out, cut off our nose to spite our face? Will we give in to

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Opinion and commentary from Spencer, Leicester and the Brookfields

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Opacum: annual appreciation

To the Editor:

On March 31st, members and friends of Opacum Land Trust gathered at the Holland Community Center to sing the praises of our 18th successful year. Celebrating at our annual pancake breakfast, we dished out 18 pounds of pancake batter, 275 sausages and gallons of coffee (not to mention a gallon of local maple syrup) to thank everyone for their support over the past year.

Our Executive Director Ed Hood reviewed what we completed over the past year, including Dingley Dell in Brimfield, Clark-Rogers CR in Monson and Kisten Sanctuary CR in Charlton. Opacum Land Trust is closing in on its 2020 acres by 2020 goal, the year we turn 20. 1996 acres conserved! We would like to thank Ed, along with his administrative assistant, Anne Renaud-Jones, for all their hard work.

We wish to thank our greatest asset: our donors, members and friends. Thank you for your generosity! We are grateful for donations from these supporters to make our pancake breakfast possible: Tip Top Country Store (Brookfield), Shaws, Stop & Shop and Wal-Mart (Sturbridge), Big Y (Palmer), The Bird Store and More (Sturbridge), Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary (Wales) and Maple Ledge Farms (Holland). Kudos to the Holland Community Center for having such an excellent venue.

Special thanks to the Board and Friends for all of their help setting up, cooking, serving, cleaning and for put-ting together the local baskets & other prize items.

Looking forward to spring! Be on the lookout for more information about TourOpacum! A bike ride for land conservation based at Rapscallion Brewery in Sturbridge on July 8th.

On behalf of the Opacum Land Trust Board of Directors & Staff,

HOWIE FIFE, PRESIDENT

### McCue-Hall: kindness in Spencer

To the Editor:

Recently I had the unpleasant experience of a flat tire on Route 9 in Spencer. I pulled into the McDonald's parking lot for safety with my two grandsons to survey the situation.

A fellow driver, named "Matt" came by and asked if he could assist with changing the tire and he and another gentleman helped us in our dilemma.

Our grateful thanks to both of them for helping us and their courtesy and kindness.

> RENEE McCue-Hall SPENCER

# Does the Constitution matter anymore?

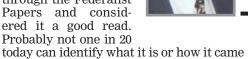
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**PEASE** 

A newspaper editor recently wrote of the difficulty in finding a columnist expressing the constitutional viewpoint. I was impressed that she was making her way through the Federalist Papers and considered it a good read.

about.



Today the Federalist Papers would be too deep a read for most college students even many law school pupils. But it houses the thought processes and debates behind the Constitution, the document that caged the natural tendencies of man more than any governing document in world history. An understanding of the Constitution without this resource is not possible. And because the Constitution is based upon natural law, which does not change, it applies in all generations and in all societies.

Constitutional principles were once taught at every level of education and stories of the sacrifice of our Founders frequently recited with admiration. Today few schools teach these principles in grade school and fewer still in high school. In college U.S. history and political science classes the Constitution is tucked in the back of textbooks as an appendix, hence few actually read it. The history of the Constitution's origin is housed in a chapter but constitutional principles seemingly have only informational value.

Some colleges or universities have courses on the Constitution for political science majors but almost, without exception, students are not required to actually read it, heavy emphasis is given instead to case law. The same is true in law school. Original intent is hardly mentioned. Law schools provide our attorneys and our judges, most with too little on original intent. One rogue Supreme Court decision can effectively destroy large chunks of the Constitution and almost no one notices or cares. Too few understand that the Supreme Court is not the supreme law of the land over the Constitution. The Founders would have never permitted nine justices to destroy foundation principles.

Sadly, I never met one having a Ph. D in U.S. history or political science who, to get the degree, actually was required to read the U.S. Constitution in full. Nor have I met a lawyer having to do so either. Case law yes, loads of it, but not the Constitution in full or natural law upon which it is based.

If colleges give no emphasis to constitutional study how can we expect the student to do so either? Several years ago, U.S. News and World Report reported a study showing that most Americans could not pass the constitutional questionnaire for citizenship, so constitutionally illiterate are we. This document is only of minimal value to journalism or communication majors as well. But these professions serve as information filters in our newspapers, magazines, or radio or television news

The media has divided citizens into two warring groups liberals and conservatives,

lumping constitutionalists LIBERTY and libertarians with conservatives, traditionally both major groups problem-solve primarily by increasing federal power without specific constitutional authority (if DR. HAROLD the document is properly understood) and pretends that there exist no other viewpoints. Rarely is origi-

nal intent allowed into the debate. But the Constitution is the law of the land and all in authority swear an oath to preserve it.

Barack Obama, violated the constitution more than any president in our history with George W. Bush second. The Tea Party movement, primarily constitutionalists, rose up in 2009 as much against George W. Bush, a conservative, as against the incoming president Barack Obama, a liberal. It used to matter if a president did not carefully follow the Constitution. Today both Democrats and Republicans defend their president routinely when he violates it. Donald Trump certainly is no constitutionalist although, thus far, he has followed it more closely than any previous president the last 28 years.

Of the two major political parties, the Democrats rarely cite the document and seem almost to have contempt for it. In fact, most of what they propose is easily argued to be outside the Constitution. They used to defend major parts of the Bill of Rights but I do not see much of that anymore. Republicans sometimes carry the document on their person but do not hold to it and thus much of what they propose is also outside of the Constitution but they do use the word Constitution more than do Democrats, if that means much.

This generation knows that the Constitution was a good thing, probably should be revered, at least historically, but they know little of the principles housed therein and have no idea how to vote to get back to it. This they will never get from the media, political party, or, it seems, not even the institutions of learning — only private study. That my new editor would find it difficult to find columnists that express the constitutional viewpoint is easily understood, as is the fact that newer columnists, lacking this understanding, are far more likely to express views in opposition to it.

Constitutional illiteracy is almost universal to the point that those qualified to defend the Constitution as designed are becoming extinct. Students are not likely to defend it if they never experienced it being defended. A real danger exists that if too few know or value its principles we will lose it — perhaps we already have. Some say it is no longer relevant for our times. They are so wrong.

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# Strategies for your investment 'garden'



FINANCIAL Focus

you're a gardener, your son is at BURDICK hand, as April has been des-

ignated National Garden Month. But could the skills you deploy at gardening be transferred to other areas of your life - such as investing?

Here are a few ideas for doing just that:

Establish a timeline. As a gardener, you typically follow a well-defined timeline. You need to get the soil ready a few months before you want to plant, and you need to plant at different times, depending on what plants you choose. You even need to set up a schedule for watering, feeding, weeding and other garden care. As an investor, you may also need to observe a timeline. During the early and middle stages of your career, you probably need to invest primarily for growth, so you can build resources for a comfortable retirement. Then, as you near retirement, you may want to lower your risk level by shifting some - though certainly not all of your investment dollars from growth-oriented vehicles into more income-producing ones. And once you do retire, your focus will shift to preserving your money, so one of your key decisions will center on how much you can afford to withdraw each year from your investment portfolio.

Choose "healthy" investments. Gardeners like to choose plants they know will really last. That's why they look for things such as green leaves, as opposed to brown or yellow ones, and thick stems, which usually indicate a plant is strong, healthy and capable of surviving a transition from the pot to the ground. And when you invest, you, too, should look for signs of health in the investments you choose. For example, when picking stocks, look for companies with solid fundamentals, such as experienced management, strong earnings and the demonstrated ability to produce products and services attractive to consumers. Or, when considering bonds, consider those that independent rating agencies have awarded the highest grades, in terms of the financial strength of the issuer.

Feed your investments properly. Things like fertilizer and plant food can be valuable, but the most important element in plant nutrition is water. Under-watered plants will not survive, but overwatering your plants can certainly damage them severely. When you invest, you also need to know the right amount of "food," or "nutrients," to apply. If you don't put enough money into investments, they may not grow as much as you'd like. On the other hand, it is possible to "overwater" certain investments. For example, if you constantly put money into just one or two investments, they could end up crowding out others in your portfolio, causing you to lose the value of diversification. And if these particular investments are already growth-oriented vehicles, highly subject to market risk, they could take a big hit during a market downturn. Ultimately, seek a balance in how you distribute your investment dollars.

Year after year, successful gardeners reap the rewards of their labors. And following some of their habits can help you work toward a long-lasting and fruitful investment garden, too.

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# Four things to know if an aging parent is moving to your home



**SENIOR** SCENE

It's every adult child's nightmare: getting a phone call in the middle of the night from an aging parent, or worse, the hospital. Maybe there's been a fall or a medical emergency. Perhaps the early stages of dementia have advanced more quickly than anticipated, and there's been an incident. Either way, one thing is clear in this situation — it is no longer safe for the parent to live alone.

Deciding to move an aging parent — especially one who is disabled — into your home isn't a decision anvone makes lightly, but it's often the most affordable option. One out of every four caregivers lives with the person they are caring for. While this can be very rewarding to both the son or daughter and the aging parent, there are several important pros and cons to this arrangement. On one hand, if the parent is mentally and physically sound, they can help in small ways with the kids, housework or finances. On the other hand, if they require constant care due to a disability or illness, the entire family might experience moments of added stress, anxietv and frustration.

That's why you need to weigh options and considerations when an elderly parent moves in with you. Though there

might be heavy emotions surrounding the decision, it could still be the right choice. This guide will help you make that decision by giving you some insight on:

Understanding how to give the right kind of care.

Estimating the costs associated with assisted living facilities versus in-home care.

Making your home elderly-friendly.

Adjusting the whole household to the lifestyle changes.

Giving the right kind of care Being the child of a senior who needs more vigilant care means you have your heart in the right place — your parent's health and well-being is your priority However, that doesn't necessarily mean you are as qualified as an expert to give the best care.

If Mom or Dad is still relatively healthy and independent, moving him or her in will be much simpler and smoother. However, most people don't get to the point where they consider moving a parent into their own home unless in response to a specific health crisis. In that case, it's important you know your parent's illness or limitations very well. Consider where this health situation is likely to go. How will a chronic illness, a broken hip or mental illness progress one, two or five years from now? You may be prepared today, but you also need to think about how prepared vou will be later on.

If the health situation is serious or extreme, you may not be capable of giving the best quality of care. Living with you might only be a temporary solution. This could help ease the transition to a nursing facility, or you could hire an in-home professional to support your caregiving responsibilities. However, if their health requires 24/7 monitoring, specialized care or equipment, it may be best to to move them to a nearby nursing home or assisted living facility.

Estimating the associated

Sometimes the decision to move in an elderly parent comes down to cost. On average, a nursing home can run about \$80,000 per year and an assisted living facility costs roughly \$43,000 per year.

However, there are also care costs to consider when moving Mom or Dad in. Things may be easy now, but the amount of assistance needed will most likely increase as they age. That means that sooner or later you might consider finding an in-home aide. A caregiver hired to help with self-care tasks like bathing, feeding and chaperoning activities can cost about \$20,000 per year for full-time

For other tasks around the house, you may want to consider hiring an errand runner or personal assistant to ease the burden on both you and your loved one. These services can cost about \$25 per hour, and may come in handy in a pinch. If you're reacting to a recent health crisis, you may need to hire a caregiver with specific medical training, which can double, or even triple, the cost of care.

Providing full-time care may entitle you to financial or other

> forms of assistance. Do thorough research to help you prepare budget for the many facets of care giving.

Making your home ready for

Moving in a parent who is aging or disabled is, in all probability, the most cost-effective solution for many people. However, that doesn't mean that there won't be some expenses associated with renovating areas of your home to make it safe and secure for senior care. Some common remodeling projects include:

Installing an automatic lift to help the senior navigate flights of stairs (\$1,500-\$3,000).

Building a ramp in addition to your front steps if the senior needs wheelchair access (\$400 and up).

Widening doorways for wheelchair and walker access (\$500-\$1,000).

Converting an attic, basement or den into a bedroom, possibly for you or your children. You'll want your senior to be comfortable, and usually, a first-floor bedroom without stairs is the safest place for them to reside (\$1,500-\$5,000).

Adding a new bedroom or suite for your aging parent, especially if there is no other room to renovate (\$100.000).

Adding handrails and modifications to the bathroom to prevent slips and falls (\$40 per

Covering prescription medication costs and healthcare copays.

Paying additional bills for

electricity, groceries and water. The National Alliance for

Caregiving (NAC) released a study stating that out-of-pocket caregiving costs can run about \$5,500, but other studies have shown the costs may be much higher, topping at around \$15,000 per year for care. While these renovations are

less of a financial burden than a nursing home or assisted living facility, not planning for any costs can creep up on your finances. To avoid problems or roadblocks later, talk to your parent and family members about this up front.

Adjusting to the lifestyle changes.

There are going to be more sacrifices than just finances and space when you move in an elderly parent. Will your child's music disturb your aging parent? Is your elderly housemate as clean and tidy as you expect the rest of your family to be?

Instead of focusing on the potential issues, think about this as an opportunity for everyone to grow. Creating room for your parents in your home can help your children learn how compassion leads to joyful compromise. It also empowers everyone to try out critical thinking and conflict resolution skills. If your mom or dad is uncomfortable with your teen's loud music, ask your child to use headphones after a certain hour, or pick up a pair of noise cancelling ones for your parent.

When you bring a senior who needs extra care into your home, some of your vacation plans will likely have to change. You may have to put off some vacations, while others may just need to be modified or adjusted to accommodate for accessibility. Again, get the whole family involved in the decision-making process, especially if you feel like resentment is building.

Caring for an aging or disabled parent can help you give back some of the love and devotion they gave to you when you were young or going through challenging changes. There will certainly be stressful times, and not everyone will be satisfied with each compromise or outcome. However, if you feel in your heart that this is the right decision, the relief you feel being able to keep your aging loved one safe will override most tense and stressful moments. Remember, you are one of many to make the choice to have your parent live with you; there are others out there, in groups online or in person, who can provide emotional support when you need it.

Source: https://www. homeadvisor.com/r/ moving-in-aging-or-disabled-parent/#ixzz5BWxfggGd

### Summer gala to benefit emergency department renovation



Julian Edelman, Elise Wilson, and Danny Amendola are the first three hERos committed to the expansion of the emergency facilities.

SOUTHBRIDGE Harrington HealthCare System will hold a fundraising gala this July, honoring Elise Wilson, a long-time Harrington nurse who was attacked by a patient in June

The event is the healthcare system's major fundraiser to renovate and expand the emergency department in Southbridge; a capital campaign estimated at \$5 million.

A Fare to Remember will be held on July 14 at Mechanics Hall in Worcester. Tickets go on sale to the public May 1.

Wilson, the 40-year employee of Harrington Hospital, who was the victim of an attack last summer while working in triage in the Southbridge ED, will attend with her family as the honorary Harrington "Hero" offering her support for the renovation project. The renovation will, in part, increase the safety of staff and patients, as well as increasing treatment space by 2,400 square feet and modernizing the existing 8,500 square foot space.

In addition to honoring Wilson, A Fare to Remember will feature a two VIP Guests: Julian Edelman and Danny Amendola. Both will be available for an exclusive pre-event cocktail hour where VIP ticket holders can meet and take a photo with the players, as well as receive autographed memorabilia. Julian and Danny will also make a special on-stage appearance at the beginning of the event to help offer their support for the ED campaign.

The evening continues with local restaurants from south central Massachusetts featuring tastings of their signature dishes and desserts. Those confirmed so far include Porterhouse, Sturbridge Seafood, Baba Sushi, Sturbridge Coffee Roasters, Publick House, Mexicali, Rovezzi's and Metro Bistro.

Creative auctions will be available including sports, music and destination-themed prizes.

In advance of ticket sales, the community is encouraged to become a Harrington "hERo" by participating in a series of online fundraising challenges that playfully offer a face-off between Julian and Danny to see who can raise the most money. Each challenge has a unique prize to specific participants, including signed memorabilia, game tickets, event VIP passes and more. The "hERo" Challenge has a \$100,000 goal and lasts until July 9.

The last major renovation of the Southbridge emergency department occurred in 1998 bringing the ED to its current complement of 14 stretcher rooms plus a triage and overflow room. Since its last renovation in 1998, the annual ED visit volume has grown 23 percent, from approximately 22,000 to 27,000, with steady increase over the most recent years.

Those interested in tickets or participating in the Harrington hERo Challenge can visit the event website https://afaretoremember.blackbaud-sites.com/

For donation and sponsorship inquiries, please contact director of development Angela Chviek at (508) 765-3029.

# \* \* Friday's Child



Hi! Our names are Devondrick and Eliajah and we want to be a police officer and professional

Devondrick and Eliajah are friendly brothers who are looking for a family together! Devondrick is an outgoing young man of Cape Verdean descent. He presents as quiet and shy around people he does not know but once

he feels comfortable, he is friendly, outgoing, and funny. Devondrick is very athletic and loves to play baseball, football, and basketball. He participates in team sports regularly, and is currently on local baseball and football teams. Devondrick is very competitive and takes pride in his abilities. He does well academically, especially in math. He has many friends at school with whom he enjoys spending time.

Eliajah is of Lebanese and Cape Verdean descent. He is funny, social and enjoys being around other children. He loves to play outside and watch television. Eliajah has played baseball in the past and would also love the opportunity to try soccer. Eliajah's foster mother says that Eliajah has a big heart, and that he is very helpful around the house and will even ask to help with chores! He does well in class and has friends at school.

Ready for adoption, Devondrick and Eliajah would like to be placed in a home together with a mother and a father, a single mother or a single father. Their social worker is open to exploring families with or without other children in the

### Who Can Adopt?

Can you provide the guidance, love and stability that a child needs? If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ singles and couples.

The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org.

The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."

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the haters who point out in spite that even our founding fathers owned slaves? Yes, they did. It was common practice, in many countries. Including Great Britain until laws were passed abolishing it.

Vikings held slaves so we can count Norway and Sweden in there too. Even some Native Indians had a bound servant system for their captured ene-

Are we going to tear down buildings built with slave labor? Harvard University buildings? The White House? The Capitol building? Societal systems change. We can understand we were wrong. We can apologize

and make amends but we can't "undo." It happened. We can only hope that somehow, the rant to tear down statues, abolish the flying

of flags and otherwise destroy artifacts of what happened whether we like it or not will stop, as people realize the reminders won't erase the history.

And it shouldn't. Because we shouldn't forget the history.



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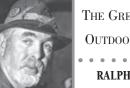
# A lot of 'firsts' as reservoirs and lakes open for fishing

the Wachusett Reservoir opened to shore fishing only, but anglers had litproblems catching their limit of three lake trout each. Most fish were caught on shiners with a few catching them on hardware. After catching

their limit of lake trout, a few of the anglers decided to filet the trout after they had arrived home. They were surprised to find a lot of crayfish and numerous other baitfish like small sunfish and even a small largemouth bass, inside of one of their lakers. It even had a rubber worm in it which had to be there from last year's fishing season.

Controversy over rubber worms being used as fishing baits has been discussed for a long time, and the makers of the rubber worm and other soft plastics discussed making them biodegradable. It is time to make all soft plastics biodegradable for both fresh and saltwater fishing. They are killing a lot of fish, as they are unable to digest them.

The Quabbin Reservoir will open to fishing on April 21, but the crowds of the '70s are no longer there. The regulations on washing boats before each fishing trip to the Quabbin has driven most anglers away from the once popular fishing site. The steep price to wash a boat is now



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be done at a registered garage chosen by the Metropolitan police. A tag is affixed to your boat and trailer. If the tag is broken you will **RALPH** need to pay another fee TRUE before launching your boat at the Quabbin.

around \$50 and must

The idea is to stop the transfer of weeds and zebra mussels into the lake, that can be catching a ride on your boat from other bodies of water. If you have a boat that can be used just to fish the Quabbin, it works out just great. Fishing at the Quabbin has been very good for those anglers that still fish there. Last year local angler Bob Czupryna of Uxbridge caught numerous lake trout and salmon on most of his fishing trips to the Quabbin. Czupryna is a regular at the Quabbin Res.!

Wallum Lake in Douglas will open to fishing this Saturday. Anglers should enjoy a day of fishing catching brown, rainbow, tiger, and brook trout. Bass fishing anglers also catch smallmouth bass and largemouth bass at Wallum Lake, with smallmouth bass providing some great fishing. Remember that Wallum Lake is governed by Rhode Island regulations, and allows anglers to retain five trout daily. Brood stock salmon are no longer available from federal hatcheries, and are missed by anglers that fish this pristine body of water. Be sure to have all of the necessary safety equipment on board your boat, and anglers fishing from a canoe must wear life preservers at all times, at this time of year.

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club will hold their annual fishing derby at the club grounds this Saturday April 14, for members only. The derby will start at 7:00 am. The club will also serve breakfast to members and guests. This week's picture shows a very happy young lady with her catch last year.

The West Hill Dam will hold their vernal pool walks on April 14 & 21 from 7:30 to 9:30. Contact Viola for more information. Call 978-318-8417

Wild turkey hunting opens April 30 this year, and by the looks of it, harvesting a wild turkey in Massachusetts should not be too hard if you can shoot straight! More next week.

The New England Outdoor Writers will hold their annual banquet at the Singletary Rod & Gun Club this Saturday April 14. The day will start at Carl's Diner for breakfast in Oxford, and then proceed to the Singletary Rod & Gun Club for a business meeting and banquet. More on the event next week.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods



A catch from last year's Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club fishing derby is shown off. This year's derby is this Saturday.

# Getting to know the Governor's Council

I ask you, "Who among us has the power to take away your child, your home and even your freedom with a single deci-

The lifetime appointed judges in Massachusetts, that's who. The seriousness of the Governor's Council business is best understood when one asks themselves these life changing questions. The Governor's Council is the final approval of all lifetime appointed judges and clerk magistrates in Massachusetts. The Council consists of eight members, all elected throughout the state. I am your Governor's Councillor for the 7th

District, which includes 65 cities and towns and is primarily made up of all Worcester County.

In addition, the Council approves members of the Massachusetts' Parole Board, Administrative

Law Judges for the Department of Industrial Accidents, the Appellate Tax Board and all notary publics and justices of the peace. These are all important roles. But by far, the most crucial job of the Council is to vote on the lifetime appointed judges and clerk magistrates. Nobody becomes



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> JEN CAISSIE **GOVERNOR'S** COUNCILLOR. 7TH DISTRICT

a judge, or a clerk magistrate in Massachusetts without a majority vote of the Governor's Council. This applies to every judicial position from the local District and Probate Courts right on up to the highest court in our state, the Massachusetts Supreme Court (SJC). All of the confirmation hearings are open to the public and anyone is welcome to come in and testify either for or against a nominee. No other entity can override the Governor's Council's vote on nominees and this is as it should be because the Governor's Council is effectively the Peoples' only voice in the final

confirmation of all lifetime appointed judges and clerk magistrates in Massachusetts.

Prior to conducting confirmation hearings, receive substantial personal and professional background information on each nominee. As a practicing attorney who

is in court daily on criminal and civil matters, due diligence to me means conducting an exhaustive review of nominees' qualifications, courtroom experience, their cases and legal writings. For myself, vetting nominees properly at their confirmation hearings requires intense preparation and the ability to formulate tough questions on issues of public safety, victims' rights, and judicial philosophy. The taxpayers of Massachusetts deserve judges who understand that public safety is paramount and that victims need to be heard. Every nominee must demonstrate to me that they

understand judges are to apply the law, not make the law.

Our Founding Fathers established the Governor's Council as a Constitutional body in the Massachusetts' Constitution because they understood the awesome power judges wield over our lives. This is an historical principle that compelled me to first run and one that I have always taken to heart in carrying out my duties.

It has been and continues to be my pleasure representing the good people of Worcester County as their voice on the Governor's Council.



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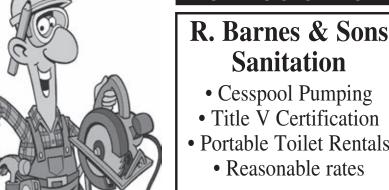
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# **CMS** Chamber and partners to offer spring job fair

The Chamber of Central Mass South will partner with Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School in Charlton to present a spring Job Fair at the school on Wednesday, April 25. Sponsored by some of the largest manufacturing employers in the region, Karl Storz Endovision of Charlton, Schott North America of Southbridge, and OFS of Sturbridge, the job fair will be held in two parts and both employers and local job seekers are invited.

Local businesses seeking to fill summer jobs, internships and full-time positions are encouraged to contact the Chamber to reserve a table. In its first year, the Job Fair will welcome up to 30 businesses to be represented on a first-come, first-served basis with the hope that this will be an annual event and expand over

"We canvassed our members on the merits of offering a job fair and the response was overwhelming," says Chamber

Executive Director Alexandra McNitt, "there are many job opportunities locally across several types of businesses. We are excited to work with our partners in presenting this job fair and expect a great turn out."

Part one of the fair is scheduled from 1-2:30pm. This portion of the fair will welcome Juniors and Seniors currently attending Bay Path RVTHS, Shepherd Hill Regional High School, and Southbridge High School. The second part, from 3-6 pm, will be a full-on job fair open to all adult job seekers throughout the region. Concurrent with the job fair, two adjacent classrooms will offer resume building workshops and a panel discussion titled "Reality Check: What Employers Expect from Entry-Level Employees."

The job fair will be promoted with ads and inserts in a half-dozen local papers with a reach of over 40,000 homes locally and supported by posters in high-traffic business locations

throughout the region. Area businesses wishing to participate can contact the Chamber of Central Mass South to receive an application for a table as well as a list of tips about what to bring and what to expect. Job seekers will be able to view a list of participating companies as they come on by visiting the home page of the Chamber website, www.cmschamber.org.

The cost for businesses to purchase a table at the spring fair is \$50. There is no charge for current member businesses of the Chamber of Central Mass South. A terrific response is expected so if you are looking to hire, you are urged to call 508-347-2761 or email info@cmschamber.org to apply for a table today or request more information. The Job Fair is, of course, free to attend for job seekers. Bav Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is located at 57 Old Muggett Hill Road in Charlton.

## Senate endorses civic education initiative

BOSTON - Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) announced the Senate passed legislation to promote and enhance civic education. The legislation, which passed by a 32-4 vote, reflects an innovative approach to strengthening civic learning and participation in the Commonwealth.

'We are on the verge of enacting civic education curriculum that is critical to equipping our next generation with the tools and information needed to be active and engaged citizens," said Senator Moore. "Civic education is an essential component for the survival of our precious democracy and I was proud to work with my colleagues in the Senate to advance this measure."

The legislation enacts a hands-on and experiential approach to fostering civic engagement. The bill incorporates project-based learning components, encourages the instruction of civic competencies, and provides extracurricular civic-participation opportunities. The curriculum is made possible by the Civics Project Trust Fund, which will provide funding for professional development and for the further development of curriculum frameworks.

The legislation also complements and enhances efforts currently undertaken by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to update the History Social Studies Framework. The last time these standards were revised was in 2003 and the proposed revisions include a strong focus on civic education, and to challenge students to deepen their understanding of history, geography, and economics.

Provisions of the bill passed by the Senate are the result of 18 months of collaboration amongst a bipartisan working group of legislators and stakeholders. Initial efforts to imple-

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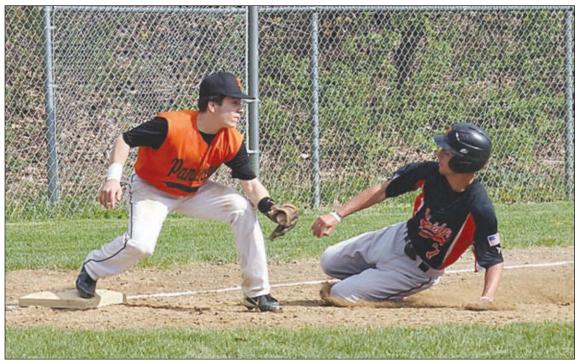
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# **SPORTS**

# Dubois, Dubey, Nosek, Deane, Paine headline returning Prouty baseball players



David Prouty's Colin Nosek will be called on to be the No. 3 pitcher for the Panthers this spring.

Ben Deane of David Prouty, seen here playing third base in a game last year, will transition over to the catcher position for the Panthers.

BY KEN POWERS

Juniors Sam Dubois and Cam Dubey headline the list of key returnees for Eric Hanson, the second-year head coach of the David Prouty Regional varsity baseball team.

Dubois, who played center field and was a pitcher for the Panthers, batted .333 last season (21 for 63) and drove in eight runs.

'Sam will be our No. 1 pitcher," said Hanson, whose 2017 team finished 4-14. "Sam is a very solid player. He has the opportunity to play college baseball; he's that good. He reminds me of Evan.

Hanson was referring to former David Prouty player Evan Fritze, who graduated last year after a season in which he hit .571 (28 for 49) with 18 RBI. Other players who graduated off of last year's team included Seamus Donahue, Chris Paine Jr. and Pat Morgan.

"Evan was just such a talent and Sam reminds me of Evan," Hanson said. "He's just a natural.

Dubey, Hanson said, will be the Panthers' No. 2 pitcher and will play shortstop this year after playing second base last season.

"Cam's an athlete; he's a football player, too," Hanson said. "He's the type of kid and Sam is, too — if he played summer baseball, he would be really good."

The third pitcher in the David Prouty rotation will be junior Colin Nosek, who will play first base when not on the hill. Last year Nosek played both third and first.

Another key returnee for the Panthers is senior Ben Deane. Deane was a starter at several different positions during the

course of last season. "Ben played everywhere; he caught, he played the outfield. He started every game somewhere," Hanson said. "This year he is going to be my starting catcher.'

Zack Paine, the younger brother of Chris Paine Jr., is a freshman on the team, but he's not a newcomer to the program, having played last year as an eighth grader. He will be the Panthers' starting second baseman.

"He's a good ball player; you're going to be hearing a lot about him," Hanson said. "Other than that I've just got a bunch of kids who are going to fight their way into the line-

Hanson should have more returning players but junior Evan Grenier will miss the season due to injury and sophomore Eric Johnson, who was David Prouty's starting catcher as a freshman last year, has transferred to Bay Path

Regional. Also transferring to Bay Path was freshman pitcher Dylan Bryan.

"He's good; good and nasty," Hanson said of Bryan. "He would have been our No. 1 pitcher this year as he's a ninth grader; that's how good he is. Bryan and Johnson both transferring to Bay Path...those are killer losses for us."

The 56-year-old Hanson grew up in New Jersey and lives in Wilbraham. Before coming to David Prouty to teach business and coach the baseball team, Hanson taught history and coached baseball for four years at West Springfield High School. He also coached previously in Monson.

Hanson said the success of the Panthers' baseball team is hampered by several factors, not the least of which is the school's enrollment, and the changing culture surrounding

"It is what it is; we've got 300 kids in the school, but it's more than that," Hanson said. "Last year we didn't win a lot of games but we had some kids who did some nice things.

"They tell me Prouty used to have more of a baseball presence five, eight, 10 years ago," Hanson continued. "But the culture has changed. Baseball is just not on people's radar. The difference between David Prouty and say, West Springfield, is that everybody on the varsity baseball team at West Springfield also played AAU ball. My guys don't even play summer baseball — none of them. Last year Evan Fritze played Legion and now he's playing at Worcester State. But he was an anomaly for us. So, that's where we're at.'

# New look Warriors hoping to turn heads on the diamond



Tantasqua's Marie Stewart returns as the team's second baseman.

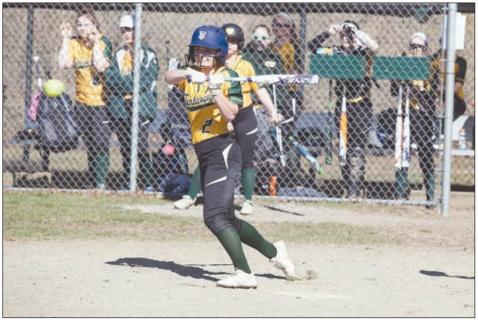
BY NICK ETHIER

A season ago Tantasqua Regional's varsity softball team won games with the overpowering pitching of Abby Lafountain or with big play offense thanks to the bats of Kelsey Emrich, Emily Blanchard, Abby Stansky, Kendra Salviuolo and Lafountain.

All of those players have since graduated, so the Warriors will have a new look to them this spring.

"We're going to be young," remarked fifth-year Tantasqua head coach Phil Desroches. "We only have three seniors and three juniors. But we have good ball players. I think we can steal a few [games] with these kids."

With the Warriors' new look comes a new philosophy. Their new starting



Tantasqua's Sarah Harlinski, primarily the team's shortstop, will serve as a senior co-captain

pitching, sophomore Rachel Flamand, relies more on her movement than her speed, and the team's offense will have more of a small-ball approach instead of mashing the ball out of the park.

'[Flamand] pitched very well last year for JV's and pitched a couple of varsity games. She beat Southbridge and Amherst last year, so she's got a little bit of varsity experience," Desroches noted. "She'll shoulder most of the load this year for us.

"She really works hard at her game. Softball is definitely her game. She throws the ball really well — watching her pitch some batting practice she has a lot of movement," Desroches added.

And, when Flamand needs a break, senior co-captain Sarah Harlinski can be called upon to step inside the circle to pitch. Harlinski will mostly be playing at shortstop.

Julia Jarvis, a senior left-hander, did not play in either her sophomore or junior seasons due to injury, but will also be trying to work her way into the pitching rotation.

On the offensive side, Harlinski and iuniors Jillian Dunn (catcher) and Marie Stewart (second base) could become the catalysts.

"We're definitely going to have to change our philosophy. We have some

players that can run," said Desroches. "We're going to have to manufacture runs and play some small-ball."

Senior co-captain Eve Boyd, the left fielder, as well as new additions in sophomore first baseman Molly Ryan and freshman third baseman Emily Locke will also be reliable players for the Warriors.

Desroches noted that the team may be searching for its identity over the course of the first few games — Tantasqua is scheduled to open its season after press time, weather pending — but that the required competitiveness should guide them to victories.

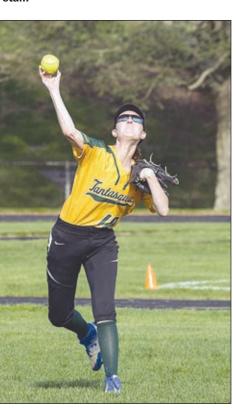
"We just want to compete every game," he said. "I feel that if we compete every game we have a chance to

"I look at our girls' basketball team, starting three freshmen, a sophomore and a junior," Desroches added. "We're going to be in the same boat almost."

That Tantasqua team won 17 straight regular season games and finished 17-3 before reaching the district championship. If these Warriors can qualify for the postseason — they compete in the Central Mass. Division 1 bracket — it will be the fourth straight year of making the playoffs in Desroches' tenure.



Jillian Dunn of Tantasqua will once again be called upon to catch the Warriors' pitching



Outfielder Eve Boyd returns as a senior co-captain for Tantasqua.

# **SPORTS**

### SPORTS BRIEFS

### **Brimfield Trail** Association's 5k Race and Walk set for April 28

The 10th annual countrybank Brimfield Trail Association 5k Race and Walk is set for April 28, with the race to start at 9 a.m. and the walk to follow at 9:15. Please register online at www.BrimfieldTrail. org. The 5k loop is a gravel-based trail and is mostly flat with varied terrain. Free T-shirts go out to the first 75 registrants. The start/finish line is at Five Bridges Road in Brimfield. The race entry fee is \$25.

### Renewed Leicester High School Athletic Hall of Fame seeking nominations

Leicester High School is pleased to announce a renewed commitment to the Leicester High School Athletic Hall of Fame. After a 14-year hiatus, a selection committee has been formed and plans made for an induction ceremony in the fall of 2018. Members of the committee are as follows:

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The committee will be accepting nominations until April 30. Nominations can be made to any member of the committee or via email at lhshof@lpsma.net. Nominees must have graduated from Leicester High School at least 10 years prior to the induction ceremony. Nominees for the Hall of Fame Class of 2018 must have graduated Leicester High School in 2008 or before. When considering submitting an athlete as a nominee, possible accolades may include:

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### Sturbridge American Legion holding baseball signups

Baseball players interested in playing Sturbridge American Legion Baseball that are born on Jan. 1, 1999 or later are eligible to play. Signup dates will be held April 14 and 21 between 10 a.m. and noon on both days at the Champeau-Vilandre Sturbridge Legion

Post, Main Street in Fiskdale. Players should bring a photocopy of their birth certificate when they register at signups to insure their eligibility. All players that live in Sturbridge and/or attend Tantasqua Regional High School are eligible for the Sturbridge team, also players from other surrounding towns may also be eligible to play. Team will conduct tryouts May 19, 20 and 26, times will be 10 a.m. to noon on all three tryout dates at Tantasqua Regional High School. For more information contact team manager Jim Rosseel (774) 230-1784 email jimrosseel@hotmail.com or Coach Ray Sullivan (508) 736-7770 email raysull\_2 @ yahoo.com.

#### Leicester Rec **Basketball Awards**

The following are the end-of-season awards from the Leicester Rec Basketball League:

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# David Prouty High School Athletics Booster Club: Thank You Booster Nation

On Saturday, Jan. 27, the David Prouty High School Athletics Booster Club held their annual Pre-Super Bowl Party fundraising event at the Spencer Country Inn. The mission of the Athletics Booster Club is to support the athletic teams and student-athletes at David Prouty High School. The Club works to raise money, which goes directly to the sports teams to "Boost" their individual fundraising efforts to purchase additional equipment they want to improve their program.

The DPHS Athletics Booster Club today is governed by a dedicated group of parents; with the Executive team of: Melissa Morin-Bernard — President, Tara Donohue — VP, Byron Deane Treasurer and Kate Soter — Secretary. Our Board members include: Directors

Denise Anderson, Michelle Barnes, Pam Cutler, Bubba Donohue, Christine Hill, Laura Hingston, Amy Perro and Sandy Soter. And Corporators — Deb Armstrong, Jeff Bernard, Danielle Deane, Tessa Fritze, Bob Halloran, Megan Halloran, Jen Haynes, Sean Haynes, Jeff Hill, Mike Olson, Kelly Paine, Bob Soter and Kelly Tilton. The DPHS Athletic Director, Chuck Fahey, also participates in an advisory role. The Athletics Booster Club began in the mid-late 1970's when a few football parents got together to do some fundraising for the team. Then, sometime around the very early 1980's, Mr. Eugene Hurley took over and developed the Club into what we have now. Around the year 2004 the Booster Club became a Notfor-Profit Organization and remains as such today.

This year our Pre-Super Bowl Party was HUGE success, filling all 200 seats at the Spencer Country Inn. This success directly relates to the support of our community members: local merchants, parents, students, sports teams and all guests who attended the event. All of these wonderful people and businesses are our "Booster Nation" and the Boosters would like to publically thank them: 99 Restaurant Gift Card donated by Denise Anderson, 308 Lakeside Gift Cards donated by 308 Lakeside, Amazon gift cards donated by the Paine Family, Amazon Echo donated by Earth Works Unlimited, Assorted Adult Beverage raffle basket donated by the SEBRSD School Committee, Black & White Grille gift cards donated by Black & White Grille, Campfire raffle basket donated by DPHS Field Hockey Team, Champagne and Wine Glasses raffle basket donated by Donohue and Soter Families, Cinnamon Fireball raffle basket donated by the Bastein Family, Cornhole Set donated by Scott Grenier and Family, Crabtree and Evelyn raffle basket donated by the Bernard Family, Craft Beer Basket donated by the Deane Family, DPHS Hoodies and DP Winter Pom Pom Hats donated by DPHS Boosters Club, Dippin Donuts gift card donated by Dippin Donuts, Espresso Machine donated by Martha Berthiaume, Fire Pit donated by Kelly Tilton and Mike Olson, Five Loaves gift certificate donated by Five Loaves, Five Loaves gift certificate donated by Donna Flannery, Golf raffle basket donated by DPHS Golf Team, Hair Products raffle basket donated by Hair Quarters Salon, Hand Painted Artwork donated by Michelle Shedden, Holy Cross Men's Basketball Game Tickets (4) donated by the Nosek Family, Jello Shot raffle basket donated by Kelly Tilton, John's Pizza gift card donated by John's Pizza, Ladd's Restaurant gift certificate donated by Ladd's Restaurant, Men's Sunglasses donated by Eye Associates, Mexicali Gift Card donated by Mexicali, Mexicali Gift Card and Margarita raffle basket donated by DPHS Girls Soccer, Mike's Summer Party raffle donated by Austin Liquors, Nail Care Basket donated by Boys and Girls Cross Country, One More raffle basket donated by 1M Printing, One Painted Room donated by Dave Woodward, Patriots Last Supper Portrait donated by DPHS Field Hockey Team, Patriots raffle basket donated by the Cournoyer Family, Pepin's Auto Wash donated by Pepin's Auto Wash, Pete's Bees Basket donated by Hillsvilles



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The David Prouty High School Athletics Booster Club held a successful Pre-Super Bowl Party fundraising event at the Spencer Country Inn back on Jan. 27.

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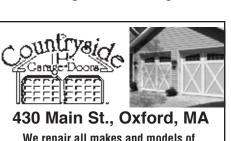
The support and generosity shown for this event truly stands as an example of "Prouty Pride." During the event guests participated in a number of raffles including the donated gifts and

prizes, Super Bowl "squares" and a dinner buffet. A special cheerleading routine was performed by the DPHS alumni cheerleaders, under the direction of the DPHS cheer coach, Kelly King. Finally, the MC & DJ for the night was our local favorite, "Missy's Music Mix," who got everyone moving on the dance floor.

This sold out event exemplifies how a community can make a difference by working together for a common cause. Money raised from this event will allow the Booster Club to support and make the athletic experiences at DPHS the best they can be. Our Pre-Super Bowl event is a critical component to our annual fundraising efforts. Over the past years the Booster Club has awarded thousands of dollars in merit and financial scholarships, as well as numerous gifts to the athletic teams and student athletes of DPHS.

Our next big event is planned for April 28. with a rain date of May 5. The DPHS Athletics Booster Club "Toll Booth" will be returning to the streets of Spencer. Please start saving your change, lift up the car floor mat, empty those coin trays and look for us between the hours of 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. We'll be roaming in the intersection of Rt. 9 and Rt. 31 North as well as the Spencer Recycling Transfer Station. This is one event where every penny counts. Thank you in advance for your monetary donations.

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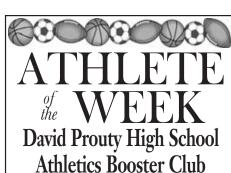
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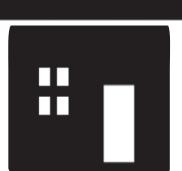
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### Leicester Police Department

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Police agencies can no longer print the names of people who are arrested or charged with domestic assault related charges. The new law is designed to protect victims, so they are not re-victimized through indirect identification.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 22

12:20 a.m.: radar assignment (South Main Street), citation issued; 12:33 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 1:13 a.m.: name and address redacted from police log (Main Street), op w/suspended license, failure to notify RMV of name/address change, complaint application issued; 6:19 a.m.: accident (Paxton Street), report taken; 6:47 a.m.: assist motorist (Mulberry Street), services rendered; 8:30 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 9:43 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 10:39 a.m.: ambulance (River Street), transported; 1:00 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Main Street), unable to serve; 2:02 p.m.: mv stop (Pine Street), citation issued; 2:32 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 3:58 p.m.: accident (Pine Street), report taken; 4:31 p.m.: shoplifting (Main Street), report taken; 4:41 p.m.: investigation (Watch Street), services rendered; 4:47 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:04 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:18 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 5:28 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:50 p.m.; mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 5:53 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 6:07 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 6:57 p.m.: assist citizen (Hankey Street), spoken to; 7:40 p.m.: ambulance (Soojians Drive), transported; 7:58 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), unfounded; 8:29 p.m.: mv stop (Warren Avenue), verbal warning; 8:34 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:32 p.m.: ambulance (Edward Street), transported; 11:40 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23 12:50 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street). transported; 12:56 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:07 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), services rendered; 1:17 a.m.: suspicious person (Warren Avenue), services rendered; 8:09 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning: 9:30 a.m.: ambulance (Charlton Street), transported; 10:26 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 11:10 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 11:20 p.m.: suspicious mv (Henshaw Street), spoken p.m.: mv stop (Paxton verbal warning; 3:45 p.m.: ambulance (Paxton Street), transported; 4:12 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), written warning; 4:31 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:36 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), spoken to; 4:45 p.m.: suspicious person (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 5:09 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 5:15 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 5:18 p.m.: ambulance (Moosehill Road), transported; 5:42 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 5:49 p.m.: mv stop (Hemlock Street), written warning; 5:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:06 p.m.: mv stop (Hemlock Street), written warning; 6:18 p.m.: b&e/residential (Pine Street), report taken; 6:22 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 6:39 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:43 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, unregistered mv, citation issued; 8:47 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), written warning; 9:14 p.m.; mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 9:20 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 9:33 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 9:40 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 9:47 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 10:12 p.m.; mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 11:40 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal

### SATURDAY, MARCH 24

12:10 a.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), spoken to; 12:46 a.m.: disturbance (Stafford Street), spoken to; 1:01 a.m.: ambulance call (Marshall Street), transported; 7:29 a.m.; mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 7:40 a.m.; mv stop (Rawson Street), citation issued; 7:55 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 8:06 a.m.: threats (Pleasant Street), report taken; 9:43 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 10:04 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 10:14 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), 10:53 a.m.: animal complaint (Mill Street), spoken to; 11:00 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 11:14 a.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 11:16 a.m.: assist citizen (Stafford Street), 11:25 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 11:55 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 12:08 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon

Memorial Highway), citation issued; 12:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 1:05 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 1:34 p.m.: mutual aid (Northwest Road, Spencer), transported to hospital; 2:38 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), gone on arrival; 2:45 p.m.: ambulance (Mayflower Circle), transported; 5:33 p.m.: summons service (Stafford Street), served; 5:50 p.m.: summons service (Main Street), unable to serve; 6:36 p.m.: summons service (Main Street), unable to serve; 8:30 p.m.: summons service (Town Beach Road), unable to serve; 8:40 p.m.: summons service (Main Street), served; 8:47 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:00 p.m.: mv stop (Whittemore Street), services rendered; 9:09 p.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), report taken; 9:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to. SUNDAY, MARCH 25

2:29 a.m.: welfare check (Mayflower Road), all info redacted from police log; 7:54 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Crestwood Road), services rendered; 9:15 a.m.: summons service (Man Street), served; 1:51 p.m.: assist citizen (Peter Salem Road), transported; 4:03 p.m.: keep the peace (Charlton Street), services rendered; 5:11 p.m.: mutual aid (Electric Street, Worcester), transported to hospital; 6:10 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended registration, unregistered mv, citation issued; 7:25 p.m.: water/ sewer problem (Grove Street), referred.

MONDAY, MARCH 26 3:05 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), citation issued; 3:57 a.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), verbal warning; 8:28 a.m.: ambulance (Virginia Drive), transported; 8:50 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 10:14 a.m.: suspicious mv (Mannville Street), spoken to; 11:48 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), citation issued; 12:56 p.m.: welfare check (Oakwood Lane), services rendered; 1:01 p.m.: runaway (Memorial School Drive), services rendered; 1:52 p.m.: lost/found (South Main Street), report taken; 2:03 p.m.: ambulance (Deer Pond Drive), transported; 2:16 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 2:49 p.m.: suspicious person (River Street), services rendered; 5:39 p.m.: mutual aid (Chickering Road, Spencer), transported to hospital; 6:47 p.m.: assist other PD (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 9:19 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 10:19 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street),

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

4:24 a.m.: ambulance (Hankey Street), transported; 6:33 a.m.: assist citizen (Pleasant Street); 7:15 a.m.: animal complaint (Stafford Street), services rendered; 8:37 a.m.: harassment (Fairview Drive), name and address redacted from police log, harassment prevention order violation, assisted party; 9:38 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), spoken to; 10:12 a.m.: investigation (Fairview Drive), no service; 11:14 a.m.: animal complaint (Maple Lane), services rendered; 11:21 a.m.: investigation (Apricot Street, Worcester), services rendered; 2:54 p.m.: assist citizen (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 3:03 p.m.: trespassing (Mannville Street), spoken to; 3:46 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 4:05 p.m.: erratic operation (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 4:19 p.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 5:25 p.m.: investigation (Tobin Road), services rendered; 5:31 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), services rendered; 7:12 assist citizen (South Main Street), spoken to; 7:25 p.m.: warrant service arrest (Main Street), Kevin Paul Derosier, 56, 1073 Main Street, #43, Leicester, default war-

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

1:31 a.m.: assist citizen (Wendy Place), services rendered; 7:37 a.m.: erratic operation (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 11:05 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 12:04 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 12:31 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 12:51 p.m.: school incident (Paxton Street), no service necessary; 1:12 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 1:39 p.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 2:21 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 2:47 p.m.: debris in road (Mill Street), spoken to; 5:02 p.m.: investigation (Charles Street), services rendered; 5:23 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 5:29 p.m.: welfare check (Henshaw Street), services rendered; 5:49 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued; 6:38 p.m.: residential alarm (Redfield Road), false alarm; 7:14 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), unable to locate; 8:00 p.m.: threats (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 10:06 p.m.: assist citizen (Mt. Pleasant Avenue), services rendered.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29 5:55 a.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 8:53 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 8:55 a.m.: assist other agency (Wilson Avenue, Spencer), services rendered: 9:00 a.m.: welfare check (River Street), unfounded; 9:41 a.m.: assist other agency (Stafford Street), services rendered; 10:47 a.m.: trespassing (Henshaw Street), report taken; 10:51 a.m.: larceny (Main Street), report taken; 11:27 a.m.: investigation (Pitcairne Avenue), services rendered; 12:11 p.m.: assist other agency (South Main Street), services rendered; 12:11 p.m.: investigation (Hardscrabble Road, Auburn), services rendered; 12:15 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 1:34 p.m.: assist other agency (Massasoit Drive), services rendered; 1:57 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, leaving the scene of a property damage accident, report taken; 2:41 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 3:13 p.m.: erratic operation (Stafford Street), services rendered; 3:54 p.m.: mv top (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:06 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:24 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:37 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:52 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 5:07 p.m.: mv stop (Mill Street), written warning; 5:14 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:33 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), written warning; 6:07 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 6:11 p.m.: mv stop (Marshall Street), written warning; 7:04 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 7:19 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 7:42 p.m.: suspicious person (Collier Avenue), services rendered; 7:53 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), gone on arrival; 8:05 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, operating w/ suspended license, citation issued; 8:58 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

1:22 a.m.: disabled mv (Stafford Street), services rendered; 5:45 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 7:31 a.m.: suspicious mv (Paxton Street), services rendered; 8:33 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:53 a.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), Kevin O'Connell, 20, 36 Alsada, Worcester, failure to appear upon recognizance, arrest; 9:33 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), services rendered; 11:14 a.m.: mv stop (Pine Street), verbal warning; 11:51 a.m.: water/sewer problem (Auburn Street), assisted party; 12:59 p.m.: summons service (Fairview Drive), served; 1:18 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 2:14 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 3:11 p.m.: ambulance (Soojians Drive), transported; 3:43 p.m.: ambulance (Henshaw Street), transported; 4:36 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:55 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), services rendered; 5:29 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 7:37 p.m.: disturbance (Soojians Drive), gone on arrival; 8:05 p.m.: welfare check (Burncoat Street), transported to hospital; 8:07 p.m.: ambulance (Burncoat Street), transported; 9:13 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Marshall Street), spoken to; 9:23 p.m.: disturbance (Pleasant Street), peace restored; 11:22 p.m.: erratic operation (Soojians Drive), services

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

7:12 a.m.: ambulance (Winslow Avenue), transported; 8:59 a.m.: debris in road (Man Street), hazard removed; 12:37 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 1:43 p.m.: summons service (Town Beach Road), unable to serve; 1:52 p.m.: summons service (Main Street), served; 2:19 p.m.: summons service (Pleasant Street), served; 2:59 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 3:28 p.m.: water/sewer problem (Sterling Street), services rendered; 4:24 p.m.: investigation (Pryor Road),

services rendered; 11:13 p.m.: radar assignment.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

12:55 a.m.: suspicious my (Huntoon Memorial Highway), vices rendered: 1:16 a.m.: debris in road (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 6:57 p.m.: ambulance (Redfield Road), transported; 9:47 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), citation issued; 2:04 p.m.: assist citizen (Wendy Place); 2:10 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, unregistered mv, number plate violation to conceal ID, summons; 3:35 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Chapel Street), services rendered; 5:16 p.m.: welfare check (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 5:30 p.m.: debris in road (Green Street), services rendered; 7:35 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), spoken to; 7:47

p.m.: ambulance (Charles Street), transported; 8:09 p.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 10:19 p.m.: incident redacted from police log, report taken.

MONDAY, APRIL 2 12:35 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 2:22 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 8:23 a.m.: ambulance (Bottomly Avenue), transported; 9:50 a.m.: lost/found (South Main Street), report taken; 11:11 a.m.: entire incident redacted from police log, arrest made; 12:29 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 12:49 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), services rendered; 1:27 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 1:33 p.m.: ambulance (Crestwood Road), transported; 4:31 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:39 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 4:57 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:05 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mayflower Circle), gone on arrival; 5:10 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 5:28 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 5:31 p.m.: erratic operation (Marshall Street), services rendered; 5:25 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 6:32 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 6:43 p.m.: assist citizen (Lake Sargent Drive), spoken to; 8:37 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 8:40 p.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 8:45 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 8:55 p.m.: assist other PD (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 11:49 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

1:01 a.m.: mv theft (Pleasant Street), report taken; 4:36 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 6:56 a.m.: ambulance (South Street), transported; 7:08 a.m.: ambulance (Sunset Drive), transported; 10:43 a.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 10:46 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 10:55 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), services rendered; 11:03 a.m.: suspicious activity (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 12:26 p.m.: mv stop (Henshaw Street), citation issued; 12:53 p.m.: ambulance (Deer Pond Road), transported; 2:24 p.m.: trespassing (Main Street), unable to locate; 3:05 p.m.: erratic operation (Water Street), spoken to; 3:25 p.m.: assist citizen (Winslow Avenue), spoken to; 3:46 p.m.: ambulance (Waite Street), transported; 7:46 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 8:27 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

12:24 a.m.: suspicious person (Stafford Street), services rendered; 1:53 a.m.: animal complaint (South Main Street), services rendered; 6:06 a.m.: disturbance (Stafford Street), gone on arrival; 6:29 a.m.: ambulance (Moosehill Road), transported; 10:06 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported 11:30 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), citation issued; 1:13 p.m.: keep the peace (South Main Street), assisted; 1:31 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 2:14 p.m.: investigation (Henshaw Street), services rendered; 3:17 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), unfounded; 4:01 p.m.: welfare check (Victor Avenue), investigated; 4:32 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 7:47 p.m.: keep the peace (Fairview Drive), assisted: 8:08 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), gone on arrival; 8:13 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), my towed.



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# Planning & prepping 'Plants in a Pot'

There are many reasons to plant a vegetable garden, among them the security of knowing where the food you bring to the table comes from. A healthy eating revolution coupled with food safety issues, has contributed to a renewed interest in backyard gardening. Make that back porch, patio, and windowsill gardening!

For those who don't have room to plant a sprawling plot, container gardens fit the bill. From whiskey barrels to plastic buckets, plants are sprouting up on back decks, front porches, and even on balconies. Many vegetables grow successfully when contained in pots. Benefits include the ability to position the pots to increase growing condition, and a reduced risk of pest invasions.

Read on for tips to plan to plant:

Crop Pickings: Luckily, some of the best loved vegetables are appropriate for container gardening. Crops that do well include tomatoes, lettuce, peppers, cucumbers, beans, as well as, carrots, cabbage, peas, beans, beets, cauliflower and broccoli. In addition, there are many varieties of dwarf vegetables that are specially bred to grow well in containers.

Container Choices: Once you've decided which plants to pot up, there are a few general rules to follow to ensure thriving container crops. The size of the container depends upon the crop that will be grown. Typically most vegetables can thrive as long as there is enough space for proper root development. Shallow rooted crops such as lettuce, peppers, radishes, and herbs require a space at least six inches in diameter with an eight inch soil depth. Tomatoes, cucumbers, squash and beans grow well in deeper buckets, such as five gallon buckets, half whiskey barrels, and deep patio

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are ideal for growing tomatoes, squash, pole beans, and cucumbers. Note that container plants do best when transplanted from seedlings into the container, allowing for a hardening off period.

Select Soil: The perfect planting material for containers should provide

quick and steady drainage with enough water retention to keep the roots moist. Some gardeners suggest a traditional soil mix, others prefer a soil free potting mix that offers a lightweight medium that is free from soil borne diseases. A good rule of thumb is to mix equal parts of sand, garden soil and peat moss. This mixture may be heated in a low oven for an hour to kill any weeds, insects or bacteria.

Water Well: Proper watering is essential for a successful container garden, due to the fact their root system is restricted. Usually once a day is sufficient, but keep mind containers are much apt to dry out in hot weather, causing the plant to produce poorly or worse. Also, avoid soaking the leaves when watering, as wet foliage encourages disease. And make sure the pot is equipped with proper drainage. Inadequate drainage will cause the mix to become water logged, and the plants will be deprived of necessary oxygen.

Proper Placement: Placement is important, since growing vegetables need at least five hours of direct sunlight each day. Flowering and root vegetables need even more sun. Check the requirements of each variety you are growing. Since the container garden offers mobility, moving a pot to ensure it receives sufficient sunlight is a valuable advantage.

Pot Couture: Container plants encourage creativity. A handsome garden pot



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rative barrier along a

deck or balcony. And a

window box of lettuce,

Rx for Container Gardening: While container gardening is typically user friendly, with less risk of insect invasion or disease, the gardening method is not foolproof. The University of Maine Cooperative Extension offers the following suggestions for treating common container garden problems.

Symptoms: Plants tall, spindly, and unproductive.

Cause: Insufficient light. Cure: Move container to area receiving more light. Reduce feeding intervals.

Symptoms: Plants yellowing from bottom, lack vigor, poor color

Cause: Excessive water. Cure: Reduce watering intervals; Check for good drainage.

Symptoms: Plants wilt although sufficient water is present.

Cause: Poor drainage and aeration. Cure: Use mix containing higher percent organic matter; increase number of holes for drainage.

Symptoms: Marginal burning of leaf

Cause: High salts.

Cure: Leach container with tap water at regular intervals.

Symptoms: Plants stunted in growth; sickly, purplish color.

Cause: Low temperature or low phos-

Cure: Relocate container to warmer area. Increase phosphate level in base solution.

Symptoms: Holes in leaves, leaves distorted in shape.

Cause: Insects Cure: Hand pick or use insecticidal

Symptoms: Plant leaves with spots; dead dried areas, or powdery or rusty

Cause: Plant Diseases

Cure: Remove diseased areas where observed. Call your Extension Office or bring in a leaf for diagnosis.

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ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES

major style Western Europe and United the States during WAYNE TUISKULA the 1930s, according to Britannica. It

was first exhibited in Paris at the Exposition Internationale des Arts Décoratifs et Industriels Modernes in 1925. Art deco architecture and dec-

orative arts represented modernism. Some pieces were individually crafted, but most were mass produced. According to Britannica, "the intention was to create a sleek and antitraditional elegance that symbolized wealth and sophistication. The Art Encyclopedia (visual-artscork.com) lists the major forms found in art deco pieces: "trapezoidal, zigzagged, and triangular shapes, chevron patterns, stepped forms, sweeping curves and sunburst motifs."

Some of the materials used during manufacturing were

# Art deco style

bakelite plastic, molded glass, chrome, stainless steel, spelter and bronze.

Two buildings in New York exemplify art deco design. The Chrysler Building opened in 1930. The New World Encyclopedia describes the Chrysler Building's "highly decorative style known for its sharp angular or zigzag surface forms and varied ornamentation." The corners of the 61st floor were designed in the shape of 1929 Chrysler hood ornaments. It was the world's largest building for 11 months, before the completion of the Empire State Building.

Rockefeller Center is also illustrative of art deco design. The round art deco mezzanine and rotunda along with the building's sign lettering made from multiple lines are just some of the art deco features of the building. The statue of Prometheus is believed to be the most photographed sculpture in New York City. A statue of Atlas stands at the front entrance. On another historical note. John D. Rockefeller's employed over 40,000 to construct the building during the Great Depression.

Of course, there are more smaller scale art deco items produced. Art deco furniture turns up fairly regularly in New England homes and typically doesn't bring the strong prices associated with other art deco pieces. Posters appeal to collectors. A 1929 Monte Carlo poster sold for \$8,500 and one from 1930 brought \$10,000. A German poster titled "Odeon Casino" realized \$26,000. Some art deco radios are also very desirable. A Fada bakelite radio in blue and orange brought \$9,400 in 2014. A Sparton Peachbird mirrored radio sold for nearly that amount in a recent online auction. Georg Jensen sterling silver is always popular in any pattern. A 64 piece art deco set recently sold for \$7,700.

Auction prices for important art deco pieces have been particularly strong. A bronze sculpture titled "The Aristocrat" depicts an elegantly dressed woman walking 2 dogs. It realized \$71,000. A Cartier 18 karat solid gold desk set sold for \$76,000 last year.

Rare art deco jewelry pieces are highly desirable. An art deco platinum, onyx and natural pearl necklace reached \$320,000 at auction in 2012. An art deco platinum, emerald and diamond bracelet brought



\$370,000 in a 2011 auction. An art deco natural fancy blue marquise-shaped 3.5 karat diamond certainly shined when it sold for \$1.4 million at a 2013 auc-

We will be offering an art deco lamp, prints and other items in our May 31st auction. Bidding is currently taking place for our online auction of a Sterling, MA estate full of antiques. The preview takes place at the estate on April 21st. Our online auction of a Weymouth, MA estate will be coming soon. This estate contains a Harley Davidson, 2 SUVs, many remote control helicopters and drones, along

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### WRTA

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bus routes, while others have been slated for elimination to save money. Among the proposals is an option to cut all bus services west of East Brookfield District Court on Route 9, while another option could bring an end to weekend bus routes.

At the April 3 public hearing, town officials, residents, and business owners were all in attendance. Several residents rely on public transportation to reach work in Worcester, while others use the service to access hospitals, universities, courts, and other venues.

"It is very important to people that they keep these services," said State Representative Donald Berthiaume, of Spencer. "There is a lot of momentum and support in both chambers for maintaining these services that people depend on.

The state's fifteen regional transit authorities are short roughly \$8 million for fiscal year 2019, according to projections released by Governor Charlie Baker in his appropriations bill. If the current budget passes, it would have a crippling effect on public transportation across the state, officials said.

Outraged by the proposed cuts, residents and legislators from throughout central Massachusetts descended on Worcester City Hall last month for a rally. Public hearings are ongoing in several area towns, as selectmen across Worcester County have been hearing from many concerned residents.

"An elimination of the services would be very difficult for a lot of people who rely on it. Many people without vehicles use the bus to get to Worcester," said Spencer Board of Selectmen Chairman Tony Pepe.

Added Brookfield Selectman Clarence Snyder, "Cuts to the WRTA hurt the most vulnerable. We are better than

As the Senate Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Caucus. Senator Anne Gobi is advocating along with other caucus members for full funding for bus services. This request is in accordance with a 2014 transportation finance law which established a funding schedule for the regional transportation authorities.

Governor Charlie Baker allocated \$80,400,000 this year for regional transportation authorities, which represents level funding. The Senate request for \$88,000,000 supported by Gobi and her colleagues would restore what the House and Senate implemented in the 2014 transportation reform act.

Selectmen fully support the Senate request and hope a decision is made soon.

"I am sick and tired of all the transportation money going to bail out the T. Bus route number 33 is vital to many people in Spencer and the Brookfields and cannot sustain any cuts," Spencer Selectman Ralph Hicks.

The proposed cuts in bus services would not only impact individuals who rely on public transportation, officials said, but they would also hurt municipal economies. Selectmen in Brookfield and West Brookfield are concerned that if bus routes west of the courthouse in East Brookfield are eliminated, several employees and visitors to their towns would have no means of reaching them.

As part of its proposed cuts, the WRTA is also considering the elimination of Route 40, also known as the Hub Loop. Several other bus routes, though preserved by the proposals, would see dramatically reduced daily service. Legislators are also concerned that any cuts this year might lead to additional curtailment in future years, causing a death spiral in public transit.

All proposals must be voted on by the WRTA advisory board and wouldn't take effect until the summer.

### SCOUT

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endeavor to manage the many demands of an Eagle project.

"My former Scoutmaster, Ken Choquette, helped me along the way," said Simons, a high school senior who has been involved in Scouting for eight years. "If I had a question, he always had an answer. He is always one that I could turn to for anything."

There were many challenges associated with the project, and Simons learned a lot about managing a multifaceted effort and maintaining strong communications with everyone involved.

"The biggest challenge was getting the whiteboards to the church," Simons told the New Leader. "The company I used said they would have them at the church three days after I ordered them, but those three days became almost two weeks. But with many phone calls we got them there in time.'

The Eagle Scout project represented the culmination of several fun and educational years in Scouting for Simons. From Order of the Arrow proceedings on a stormy summer night, to annual fishing and camping trips, Simons has plenty of memories he will always carry with him. He also has several lifelong friendships and bonds with Scouting leaders.

Now, with the completion of his Eagle Scout project, Simons joins an elite four percent of all Boy Scouts who achieve the prestigious honor. The rank is only bestowed after a Scout amasses 21 badges, completes several community service requirements, and organizes a specialized Eagle Scout project.

"My favorite Scouting memories are going on my first trip with the Scouts, which was a fishing trip," Simons said. "We had a competition of who caught the most fish, and I won with six fish. Also, my fifth summer camp when I got tapped out for the Order of the Arrow – it was one of the fastest tap out ceremonies because of a big thunderstorm.'

After high school, Simons will attend Nichols College in the fall to pursue a degree in business. His long-term goal is to own his own restaurant, and the skills he has learned in Scouting will translate to college and beyond. Eventually he would like to become an assistant scoutmaster to help kids enjoy the same experiences that shaped his own path.

### **EDUCATION**

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ment civic education standards also date back to a 2012 report by the Special Commission on Civic Engagement and Learning. The Commission's final recommendations included input from key leaders within the area of civic education including former Senator Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) who served as chair of the Special Commission.

The bill, S.2375, has been referred to the House of Representatives for consideration. To continue tracking the legislation, visit the Legislature's website, www.malegislature.gov.

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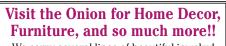
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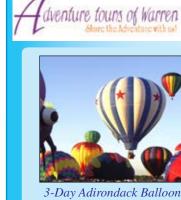
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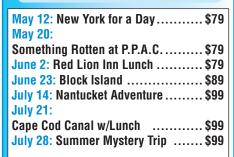
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# **OBITUARIES**

### Craig R. Metcalf,75



N O R T H BROOKFIELD- Craig R. Metcalf,75, died on Monday April 2, 2018 in his home surrounded by family. He was born on December 18, 1942 in Westfield, MA to Doris Elizabeth (Henderson) Metcalf

and Fredrick Benjamin Metcalf. Craig is survived by his wife, Dorothy (Gehring) Metcalf, of almost 25 years; 3 sons and their spouses, Robert and Deb Metcalf, Kevin and

Claudette Metcalf, John and Lori Metcalf and their mother Rose Bergau of Cape Coral, Florida area; 3 daughters, Sherri (Metcalf) Perry, Dawn (Metcalf) Libby and her husband, Brad Libby, Errin (Metcalf) Roberts and her husband, Mike Roberts and their mother, Linda Metcalf; 4 step-children Francine Spagnola and

Jeff Johnson, Walter Zawalich and his wife, Megan Zawalich, John Zawalich and his wife, Roxann (Silva) Zawalich, Erica (Dobson) McCaffrey and her husband, Eric McCaffrey; 21 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

Craig served in the United States Navy for 10 years and then worked as a hammer man and forged steel in Texas, Maine and Massachusetts. He was a member of the American Legion, Post 41 in North Brookfield. Craig had an amazing sense of humor. He loved animals, to play cards and spend time with family and friends. He was a Yankee's fan (but we loved him anyway).

A celebration of life was held on Sunday, April 8,2018 from 1- 4pm.at the American Legion 163 North Main Street in North Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the American Legion Post 41 163 N.Main St.N.Brookfield,MA.01535. Pillsbury Funeral Home 44 Gilbert St. North Brookfield is directing arrangements. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

### Irene L. Butcher, 97



E A S T BROOKFIELD- Irene L. (Braconnier) Butcher, 97, formerly of Evergreen St., died Monday, April 2 in Quaboag Nursing & Rehab, W.Brookfield. She was the wife

of Nicholas Butcher who died in 2001. She leaves her daughters Carol R. (Los) Premo and her husband Robert of North Brookfield and Mary S. (Los) Wilson and her husband Carl of

W.Brookfield, grand-children Michelle (Wilson) Chavez, Carl H. Wilson, Jr., and Nichole (Premo) Thestrup, great grandchildren Manuel Chavez, Madelyn Wilson, Abigail Wilson, Richard & Nicholas Thestrup, step sons Bruce Butcher of Calif., and William Cullen of Calif., step grand-children Patty, Roxanne and William She is predeceased by her step son Robert Butcher, brothers Clarence

Braconnier, Alfred Brown, Andrew Braconnier, Guilford Braconnier, Leon Braconnier, Raymond Braconnier, sisters Dorilla Braconnier, Julia Johnson,

As a mother, Irene was the most gracious, generous, caring, kind, unselfish and strong person. She always put her daughters first, often going without herself. She was called the "Angel of Mercy", as she faithfully visited relatives in nursing homes and hospitals. She welcomed all who came to her door. Her goodness and unwavering devotion to the Blessed Mother was incomparable and steadfast.

E.Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the East Brookfield Ambulance Fund, 273 East Main St., E.Brookfield, MA 01515. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing arrangements for the family.

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### Alexander R. Cordy, 78



W E S BROOKFIELD Alexander R. Cordy, 78, of West Brookfield died on Monday, April 2, 2018 at Baystate Mary Lane Hospital following a tragic traffic accident.

He leaves his wife of 58 years, Catherine (Haley) Cordy, his son, Roy A. Cordy and his partner Jim Dobbie of Kansas City, MO, his two daughters Laurie C. DiBara and her companion Mike Takorian of West Brookfield, and Marylynn Pratt and husband David Pratt of Brookfield; his brother, Michael Cordy of Canada; six grandchildren, Catherine, Colleen, Nikkolai, Casey, Lucas and Sarah; two great grandchildren, Hailey and Everleigh; along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his three infant daughters, Tracy Ann, Sandra Marie and Shirley, five brothers and two sisters. He was born in Florence on Cape Breton Island in Nova Scotia, Canada, son of late Cornish Tom and Ellen (Nugent) Cordy.

Mr. Cordy was the power plant engineer at Clark University for 37 years before retiring in 2009. He always took great pride in his home and property, taking care of his lawn, fruit trees, and keeping the pool crystal clear. He and his son, Roy, enjoyed traveling throughout the world, visiting may famous cities. He and his family also followed the Red Sox to cities throughout the United States and Canada to attend baseball games. Alex also enjoyed the annual fall family trip to New York City.

Of all he did, his most enjoyable times were those spent with his family. He loved being a husband, father, grand-father, and great-grandfather. His love for them was felt deeply and will be so sadly missed.

As a believer in volunteerism, Alexander served as the President of the National Association of Power Engineers, past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, and an active member of his church, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. His activities at Sacred Heart Church included organizing the Knights of Columbus charity golf tournament for the last 12 years; serving as a Eucharistic Minister and was on the church's finance committee. He also regularly volunteered for the church's blood drives. He was also a lover of animals and enjoyed volunteering at Second Chance Animal Shelter, walking the dogs with his great-granddaughter, Hailey.

A Funeral Mass for Alexander was held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 10AM at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, 22 West Main St., in West Brookfield. Calling hours were held on Tuesday evening, April 10, 2018, from 5 to 7pm in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc, 43 East Main St., West Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Second Chance Animal Shelter, Inc., P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515 or to the West Brookfield Rescue Squad, Inc., P.O. Box 540, West Brookfield, MA 01585.

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Butcher, nieces and nephews.

### Eva LaFlash, Rose McEvoy, Laura Anderson and Rachel Schwartz.

Born in Spencer, she was the daughter of Antoine and Rose J. (LaFreniere) Braconnier.

Graveside services were held privately in Evergreen Cemetery,

Edmund A. LaFlamme, Sr., 80



 $\begin{array}{cccc} E & A & S & T \\ B & R & O & O & K & F & I & E & L & D \\ Edmund & & & A. \end{array}$ LaFlamme, Sr., 80, of Podunk Rd., died Sunday, April 1 at his home.

He was the husband of Jean A. (Radzinski) LaFlamme who died

in 1992. He leaves his son, Edmund A. LaFlamme, Jr. of E.Brookfield, his sisters Essa Lapierre of Spencer and Frances LaFlamme of E. Brookfield, his companion Debbie Waugh of E.Brookfield, nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by three brothers and

Ed owned and operated Ken's Service Station in East Brookfield for 54 years, retiring in 2014. He enjoyed golfing, playing the organ, singing and restoring cars. He also served on the East Brookfield police and fire departments.

Born in Leicester, he was the son of Edmund and Stella E. (Mondor) LaFlamme.

A Memorial Mass was

on Friday, April 6 at 11 am. in St. John the Baptist Church, No.Brookfield Rd., E.Brookfield. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, Ma. 01701. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer, is assisting the family with arrangements.

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### John Paul Roy, 74

SPENCER- John Paul Roy, 74 formerly of Howe Village, died April 2 in St. Mary's Healthcare, Worcester.

He leaves his mother Irene (Noel) Roy of Spencer, brothers Andre Roy and his wife Kathleen, Claude Roy and his wife Louise all of Spencer and Norbert Roy of W.Brookfield, sisters Frances Haltinner of Pensecola, FL. and Diane Aoun and her husband Joseph of Ventura, Calif., nieces and

He was born in Bristol, CT the son of the late Henry Roy who died in 1996.

He served his country with the US Army during the Vietnam War.

At his request, no funeral services are planned.

J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple

the 7th Army, Robert

was a Sergeant and

Paratrooper in the

United States Special Forces Green Beret.

Prior to his military

service, he worked

at Warren Pumps and enjoyed racing stock cars, includ-ing his favorite 1956

Terr., Spencer is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Volkswagen with a Porsche engine and

winning first place with his #12 Coupe.

Hospital who provided loving care and

compassion to Robert and his family over these past few years.

were held privately with military hon-

ors at Pine Grove Cemetery in West

Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memo-

rial donations may be made in care of

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Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield

assisted the family with arrangements.

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At his request, services for Robert

Special thanks to everyone at Mercy

### Aldona A. Hay, 97

LEICESTER- Aldona A. (Tamkus) Hay, 97, of 30 Pleasant Street died Saturday, April 7 in her home.

She leaves two sons; John Hay and his wife Carol and Anthony Hay and his wife Diane both of Hardwick,

a daughter Cheryl Pierce and her husband John of Worcester, a brother Leo Tamkus of Wheelwright, 10 grandchildren and several great grandchildren. She was predeceased by a sister

Bernice Klem. Mrs. Hay born was Worcester, daughter of Anthony and Benadicta (Liakus) Tamkus. graduated from Hardwick High School as the valedictorian. was a bookkeeper for many years at several local companies retiring from American Plumbing and Heating in Worcester. She sewing enjoyed and needlepoint. She was an avid reading and espe-

cially loved mys-

tery novels.

At her request funeral services and burial are private at the convenience of the family. MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements.

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### Robert E. Beaudry Sr., 80



WEST WAREEN Robert E. Beaudry Sr., 80, of West Warren passed on Wednesday, April Wednesday, April 4, 2018 surround-ed by his family at Mercy Hospital in Springfield following a long illness.

Robert leaves his wife of 55 years, Norma (Kershaw) Beaudry; his son, Robert E. Beaudry, Jr. and his wife Linda of Warren; two daughters, Leesa Ann Lewon of Connecticut, and Michelle R. Beaudry of West Brookfield; five grandchildren, Robert III, Olivia, Nathan, Rachael and Renee, as well as seven siblings and many nieces and nephews, and a loyal Bichon Frise companion, Brady. Robert was born in Warren, son of the late Francis H. and Helen D. (Mara) Beaudry and was a life-long resident. He was predeceased by his sister, H. Frances (Beaudry) Hicks.

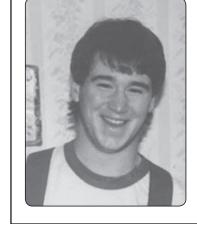
First and foremost Robert was a devoted family man, always willing to lend a helping hand while sharing his vast knowledge and expertise. Robert and Norma valued many happy years together with their children and grandchildren. Robert will be forever missed but he will always be with us in our hearts and fondest memories.

Robert, along with his brother John, owned and operated Beaudry Trucking, Inc. in Warren. He also served his community in many ways with his caring heart and dedicated spirit.

Serving in the 97th Signal Corp of



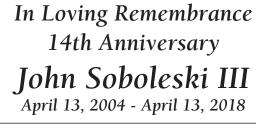
### Shawn A. O'Day "Odie" April 15, 1992- April 15, 2018



A beautiful life that came to an end, he died as he lived, everyone's friend. In our hearts a memory will be kept, of one we loved, and will never forget.

Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by family and friends





If you know a person who has lost a very important person in their life and you're afraid to mention them because you think you may make them sad by reminding them that they died - you're not reminding them, they didn't forget that they died. What you're

reminding them of is that you remembered that they lived. And that is a great, great gift. John you were our gift of life. Thank you God for our gift of John.

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# **OBITUARIES**

### Joseph C. Benoit, 89

NORTH BROOKFIELD - Joseph C. Benoit, 89, formerly of North Main Street, died Friday, March 30, 2018.

He was the son of the late Theodore L. and Aimee (Harvender) Benoit. He leaves his son, Jonathan Benoit of Fair Lawn, NJ; his daughter, Catherine and her husband Joseph Wolons of Middletown, NY; a sister Dorothy LaFlam of North Brookfield, MA; three grandchildren, Aimee Swan, Allison Wolons and Laura Wolons-Lowder; and three great grandchildren, Daniel, Emilyn and Liam. He was predeceased by three brothers, Ernest, Theodore and Norman and four sisters Myrabelle Goulette, Kathryn Barre, Eleanor Fortin and Corina Biando.

Mr. Benoit owned and operated Benoit's Garage in North Brookfield before retiring in 1977. He was a United States Army Veteran of the Korean War.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Church and the Sawyer-Mathieu-Kearns American Legion Post 41 in North Brookfield.

A Funeral Services for Joseph was held Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St. in West Brookfield. There are no calling hours. In lieu for flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph's Parish, 28 Mt. Pleasant St., North Brookfield, MA 01535

varnum funeral home.com

### Michael "Carl" Bissonnette, Sr, 56



O X F O R D - Michael "Carl" Bissonnette,Sr, 56, passed away peacefully on March 31,2018 surrounded by his loving family at home.

He leaves his wife of 28 years Deborah (Kularski) Bissonnette; 2 sons Michael Jr and Joey; a daughter Amy & her husband Ivan; 5 granddaughters; 2 great granddaughters; 2 brothers Buddy & his wife Fran, Paul & his wife Monica; a sister Dale & her husband Alan; a sister in law Laurie; nephews;nieces; cousins and many good friends. He was predeceased by 4 brothers Daniel, John, James and Peter.

Michael was born in Worcester the son of the late George and Pearl Bissonnette and he attended South High School. He worked as a roofer,plumber and in construction most life. Michael enjoyed the outdoors,fishing, the Red Sox and the Patriots.

The funeral was held on Friday, April 6 at 11:00AM in the funeral home. Burial will followed in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

### Richard G. Robidoux, Sr., 77



LEICESTER-Richard G. Robidoux, Sr., 77, of Leela Lane in the Rochdale section of Leicester passed away Friday, April 6 in his home surrounded by his family after a long illness.

He leaves his wife of 55 years, Patricia L. (Carter) Robidoux, a son Richard G. Robidoux, Jr. and his wife Maureen of Leicester, two daughters; Karen J. Burnett of North Brookfield and Christine M. Setterlund and her husband Dennis of Jefferson, a sister Lorraine E. Tacy of Melbourne, FL, ten grandchildren; Paige Robidoux, Todd Burnett, Jr., Krystal Burnett, Kaitlyn Plasse, Koryssa Burnett, Kimberley McSherry, Jonathan Benoit, Allison Benoit, Brandon Setterlund & Ashley Setterlund, and a great granddaughter Victoria Lareau.

Mr. Robidoux was born in Worcester, son of Wilfred and Beatrice (Dumas) Robidoux. He graduated from Boys Trade in Worcester and attended Worcester Junior College. He was a machinist at Wyman-Gordon Co. in Worcester and Grafton for 50 years retiring in 2007. He served his country during the Vietnam Era in the Air

National Guard. He was a member of St. Aloysius-St. Jude Parish and the Steel Workers Union. He enjoyed fishing and the outdoors and was an avid New England sports fan.

A Memorial service will be held Friday, April 13 in MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester at 11:00 AM. Burial with military honors will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A calling hour will precede the service from 10:00-11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Pan Mass Challenge in Richard's name. Further details for donation can be found on Morin's website.

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### Sandra "Quilter" Kittredge (Lovejoy)



SPENCER- Sandra
"Quilter" (Lovejoy)
Kittredge, of
Kittredge Rd. went
home to be with
her Lord on April
5,2018. She loved
quilts, won many
1st Place Ribbons at

the Spencer Fair and made two squares on the town quilt celebrating the 250th Anniversary.

She leaves her husband Wallace Kittredge,Sr.; a sister Joan Guerard & her husband Ed; a sister in law Sandra Lovejoy;children Angela Kittredge of KY., Cindy Wallace of Spencer, Wallace Kittredge, Jr. of North Brookfield, Joseph Mongeau of Barre and Kimberly Kittredge of Spencer; 8 grandchildren and several great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her brother Thomas Lovejoy.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister. She will be sadly missed by all. She also loved fishing, with worms only.

A memorial service will be held at a later date to be announced. Pillsbury Funeral Home 163 Main St. Spencer is directing the arrangements. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

### Margaret E. Golas, 95



S P E N C E R - Margaret E. (Dainys) Golas, 95, formerly of Howe Village, died Thursday, April 5 in the Meadows of Leicester, with her family by her side.

Her husband

Joseph A. Golas died in 1972. She leaves her devoted daughter Patricia M. Karpowicz of Spencer, her caring and devoted companion, Igor (aka "The Butler") Ugrinow of Spencer, four grandchildren; Gregory Karpowicz, Melissa Noel, Carolynn Tretheway and Jason Golas, 5 great grandchildren; Jaquelyn & Stephen Golas, Jeremy Tretheway, Erik and Kacey Noel, a great great grandson Adrian Cruz, several nieces and nephews especially her nephew Henry Dainys of TX and niece Diane Briggs of W.VA.,her longtime friend and visitor Sandy Garrepy of Worcester, her doting and caring roommate companion Tammey Carey of Leicester. She is predeceased by her son Joseph P. Golas in 2016, her 4 sisters & 3 brothers and her niece Frances Crowley in

Margaret was born in Worcester, daughter of Stephen and Frances (Arbachowski) Dainys. She was a machine operator at National Envelope in Worcester for 15 years before retiring. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, cooking/baking and gardening. She was a former member of the Ladies Auxillary Quinsigamond American Legion Post 318 in Worcester.

Margaret thrived on living independently, prior to her residence at the Meadows. She enjoyed sharing her humor and friendship with the office staff and her maintenance men at Howe Village. She also looked forward to the weekly Mass at Howe Village with Fr. Jim.

The family wishes to thank all the wonderful, compassionate, caring staff and providers at The Meadows. She truly loved the daily patient activities of singing and winning at bingo.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, April 10 from the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a Mass at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Burial followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours were held on Monday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Meadows of Leicester, Patient Activity Fund., 111 Huntoon Memorial Hwy., Leicester, Ma. 01542.

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### Michael J. Williams, 77

SPENCER-Michael J. Williams age 77 died Monday at Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge. He was the husband of the late Bette J. (Christy) Williams who died Dec. of 2016. He leaves two sons, Michael Williams and his wife Mary of Woodstock, CT, Scott Williams and his companion Lori Derosier of Warren, MA., two grandchildren, Tyler and Stephanie. He also leaves two brothers Joseph and Allen Porter.

He was born in Washburn, Maine son of the late Arnold Williams and Edna (Lavine) Williams and lived in Spencer since 1975, prior to that living in Worcester. He was a Mechanic and specialized in truck repair. He enjoyed old movies, fishing and reading. There are no calling hours, all services and burial are private. Family requests that donations be made in his memory to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, East Brookfield, MA. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle

### Robert T. Barlow, 94



LEICESTER-Robert T. Barlow, 94, of Leicester died Friday April 6 in St. Vincent Hospital.

He leaves his wife of 70 years, A. Lorraine (Cobb) Barlow, a son Edward C. Barlow and his wife Sheila

of Leicester, a daughter Linda D. McKeen of Oakham, four grandchildren; Michael & Timothy McKeen, Andrea Dagostino and Jason Barlow, eight great grandchildren; Britney, Shaye, Johnathon, Laryssa, Nik, Tony, Hunter & Sawyer and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother William Barlow and a sister Shirley Brodeur.

Mr. Barlow was born in Worcester, son of William and Mary (Taylor) Barlow. He worked at Wyman-Gordon Co. in Worcester for 36 years retiring as a foreman in 1986. He served his country during WWII in the United

States Army. He was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus Council 4528 in Leicester. He was a member of St. Aloysius - St. Jude

Parish.

spending time with his family especially the times spent at the beach at cape Cod.

He loved

At Mr. Barlow's request funeral services and burial are private at the convenience of the family. MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn, 38105 or to Office of Development, Shriner's Hospital for Children, 2900 Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607.

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### Susan E. Marsh, 68



SPENCER- Susan E. (Lareau) Marsh, 68 of Howe Village, died Thursday, April 5th. at her home.

She leaves her sons Michael Cloutier and his wife Meghan of N.Brookfield, Adam Keyes of

Worcester and Aaron Keyes of Auburn, a grandson Michael John Cloutier of N.Brookfield, her sister Wendy Campbell of Spencer. She is predeceased by her brother Robert H. Lareau, Jr.

Sue was a licensed hairdresser and owned and operated Hair Designs by

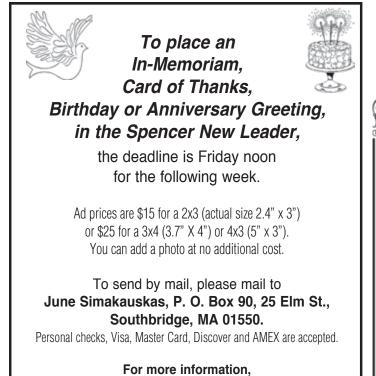
Susan in Spencer for 26 years, retiring in 2003.

Born in Worcester, she was the daughter of Robert and Beatrice (Rochette) Lareau, Sr.

Memorial calling hours will be held on Thursday, April 12 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with a prayer services at the conclusion, in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer..

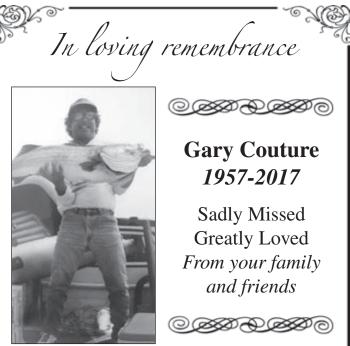
In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Second Chance Animal Services, P.O. Box 136, E.Brookfield, Ma 01515.

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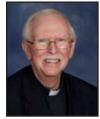
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# **OBITUARIES**

### Rev. James F. Hoey, 79



SHREWSBURY/ SPENCER-Rev. James Hoey, 79, of 35 Julio Dr., Shrewsbury, died Thursday, April 5 in St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester on his 79th. birthday.

He was the former pastor of Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish in Spencer for 20 years prior to his retirement in 2016.

Fr. Jim, was born in Worcester, the son of Robert V. and Marion R. (Bowker) Hoey and graduated from the former St. Peter's High School in Worcester, and later attended Holy Cross College in Worcester. Then, realizing his call to the priesthood, he attended St. John's Seminary in Brighton where he received his Master's Degree in 1965. He was ordained into the priesthood on Feb. 13, 1965 at St. Paul's Cathedral in Worcester by Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan.

On March 1, 1965, Fr. Jim was named assistant at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Gardner, assistant at St. Anne's Parish in Shrewsbury from 1969 to 1976. He became associate pastor at St. Mary's of the Hills in Boylston in 1976, temporary administrator of St. Theresa's Parish in Harvard in 1976, associate pastor at St. Joseph's Parish in Auburn in 1977 and associate pastor at St. Joseph's Parish in Worcester in 1977-81. He was associate pastor at St. Mary's Parish in Sutton 1981-82 and became pastor at St. Theresa's Parish in Harvard from 1982-88. He was named pastor at Our Lady of the Lake in Leominster from 1988-96 and pastor at

Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish in Spencer in 1996 until his retirement in 2016. After his retirement, Fr. Jim has been assisting at St. John's Church in Worcester. He also was Chaplain at St. Mary's School and assisted at Our Lady of Czestochowa in Worcester.

Fr. Jim leaves his best friends, Paul and Irene Bleau of West Boylston and their family; his cousins: David and Michael Hoey of Worcester, Elizabeth McDonough of Shrewsbury, John Burke of Clinton, and Kathy Hoey of W.Springfield, Mary Ann Derzius of Westminster, Patricia Lefebvre of Leominster, Kathleen Kiernan of Florida ,Virginia Danachaud, Mary Jane Gellani of Marion, Richard Danachaud of New Jersey, Carol Kelleher of Georgia, Dan Grady of Maryland, Timothy Hoey, and Margerite Flatley of Manchester-bythe Sea.

His funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, April 12 at 11 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer with Bishop Robert J. McManus presiding.Burial will follow in St. John's Cemetery, Worcester. Calling hours at Our Lady of the Rosary Church are Wednesday, April 11 from 3 to 7 pm. when the Vigil Prayer Service will begin.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to either St. John's Food for the Poor, 40 Temple St., Worcester, 01604 or Mary, Queen of the Rosary Food Pantry, 60 Maple St., Spencer, Ma. 01562. The J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing arrangements for the family.

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### Hazel M. Gaucher, 89



SPENCER- Hazel (Rutherford) Gaucher, 89 of 15 Smithville Rd., passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, April 5, surrounded by family and friends. She fought a long courageous battle with

Alzheimer's Disease.

She will be reunited with her loving husband and soul mate of 59 years, Emile R. "Slug" Gaucher who died in 2012. She leaves her son John Gaucher and his partner Denise Messier and her daughter Barbara Gaucher (who was her caregiver for 6 years) and her partner Donna Gamache all of Spencer, her grandchildren Jeremy Gaucher of New Orleans and Justin Dumas of E.Brookfield, her sister Janet Evans of Spencer, nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her sister Helen Barribeault and brother Earl Rutherford.

Hazel was an assistant manager at the Holy Cross College bookstore for 25 years, and a cashier at the Big Y Supermarket in Spencer for 10 years, retiring in 2006.

Born in Spencer, she was the daughter of Stuart and Alexia (Peddie) Rutherford.

She will always be remembered for her love of family. Including Gaucher family gatherings in their home. Hazel and Slug loved traveling, vacations at Misquamicut Beach. She was a member of the Bay Path Women's Golf League for 15 years with her friends.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation to her two caregivers, Paula Cormier and Tammy Eccelston and the entire staff of Summit Charlton, where she attended the Day Program. Including the van drivers of Quality Chair Van. Her nephew Gary Barribeault who also lived and cared for her. Donna for always being at Barb's side. THANK YOU!

There will be a Celebration of her Life at Charlie's Diner, Meadow Rd., in Spencer commencing at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 20th. with a reception to follow until 1:30 pm. Any one wising to attend should contact Barbara at 978-503-8686 (please RSVP by April 15th.)

"Mom, the world may never know that you cared more, gave more, shared more, loved more than ever expected, but Mom we knew! Rest in peace with

J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing arrangements for the family. WWW.MORINFUNERALHOMES.

Send all obituary notices to Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550, or by e-mail to jean@stonebridgepress.news



# **CALENDAR**

### Saturday, April 14

ATTENTION ALL DOGS & CATS! The West Brookfield Rabies Clinic is scheduled Saturday, April 14 9-11 a.m. at the Highway Garage, 14 Front St. The cost is \$15 and there will also be an opportunity to license your dog.

### Thursday April 19

TERRARIUMS FOR TEENS & TWEENS: at Merriam-Gilbert Library, 3 West Main St., West Brookfield 3-4 p.m. Register by calling (508) 867-1410.

Saturday April 21

PAJAMAS & PANCAKES! At Merriam Gilbert Library, 3 West Main St., West Brookfield. Two seatings: 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. \$5 per person, \$15 for a family of three or more! Pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee/tea & more! Each child receives a free book, raffles, too! Please pre-register - pay and the door or pay by April 16 & receive three free raffle tickets. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Friends of the Library. (508)

### Tuesday, April 24

MONET'S MAGIC: Paint Monet's wondrous Water Lilies with award winning artist Gregory Maichack at Merriam Gilbert Library, 3 West Main St., West Brookfield, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please register by calling (508) 867-1410.

### Thursday, April 26

VETERANS SERVICES: the series supported by Christ Memorial Episcopal Church continues 6:30-8:30 p.m. focusing on communication and collaboration among organizations, programs and businesses

addressing veterans' services. Each Thursday forum will be held in the church undercroft at 133 North Main St. from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Childcare will be held across the street at the Haston Library by accessing the Spring Street entrance. Refreshments and printed resource materials will be available. For more information, please contact Sue Lewandowski at CMCseniorwarden@gmail.com or call Rev. Dr. Paula Winsor Sage at (774)

### Saturday, April 28

SPAGHETTI DINNER & A COMIC: On Saturday, April 28 enjoy a spaghetti dinner with salad, Italian bread, spaghetti & meatballs, beverage and dessert (take out available) beginning at 6 p.m. \$8 for adults; \$5 for children younger than 10 at the North Brookfield Senior Center, 29 Forest St. Then sit back and relax with Jerry Atric: The Older I Get, a comedy not to be missed with Steve Henderson. Tickets available at North Brookfield Senior Center Monday-Friday. Program supported in part by a grant from North Brookfield Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

### Sunday, May 6

CRUISE IN CAR SHOW: Mass Firebirds Spring Kickoff Cruise - In Sunday May 6, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Crop & Carrot Tack Shop, 133 West Main St., Spencer. The good weather is here and the time has come to get together with other Firebird owners and share some good times! Whether you own a Trans Am, Formula or Firebird; no matter what the condition project to show car come join us in Spencer we'd love to see it!! There is no registration fee just show up! Raffles &

giveaways from Ames Performance, fbodywarehouse & Rock Auto. There will also be a DJ playing all our favorite car tunes. If the weather is questionable check our Facebook page to see if all systems are go or if it is postponed to the rain date Sunday May 20.

### Saturday, June 16

A HOOK IN: The Association of Traditional Hooking Artists Quiet Corner Chapter is hosting a Rug Hook In gathering on June 16 at the Woodstock Fairgrounds in Woodstock, CT. Registration fee of \$15 is required for this event and must be paid in advance by June 1. Registration forms for this event may be received by contacting treasurer Gretchen Gray at gretchg@verizon.net, or call Whispering Hill at (860) 928-0162 for more information. To learn more about rug hooking and become a member of Atha Quiet Corner, individuals can contact Whispering Hill regarding membership. All are welcome.

### ONGOING EVENTS

GIRL SCOUTS SEEK MEMBERS Leicester Junior troop #64765 is welcoming girls in grades 4 and 5. The troop meets bi-weekly on Mondays.

Leicester Daisy/Brownie troop #64656 is welcoming girls in grades 1 through 3. The troop meets biweekly Mondays from 4:30 to 6pm.

Leicester Cadette troop #11077 welcomes girls in grade 8 and meets bi-weekly Fridays from 5 to 6:30pm.

Leicester Cadette troop #11700 welcomes girls in grades 6 & 7 and bi-weekly on Mondays from 2:15 to 4pm.

Spencer Girl Scouts is welcoming girls in kindergarten, first, second, third, sixth and seventh grade. Joining Girl Scouts is a great way

to help girls build confidence, try

new things, and discover their inner G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, Leader). Previous Girl Scout experience is not necessary. For more information regarding meeting days and times visit our website gscwm. org and click on the pink bar or call (508) 749-3612.

ECONOMY SHOP HOURS: First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer has announced ECONOMY SHOP hours for January through June. Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; and Friday 8 a.m. to noon. Come in and see our daily specials. For information call (508) 885-2149.

Deja New: Closed until April. Art, Antiques, & Collectibles Vendor Marketplace open on Wednesday from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm in the St. Joseph's Rectory building for its first season. All proceeds will benefit the non-profit "24-7 Community Partnership" which will provide funds to programs for the needy, including the Leicester Food Pantry. Open April-December.

VFW MEETING: The Rochdale VFW Post 7556 will hold their monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the post at 713 Pleasant Street, Rochdale on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: On the third Wednesday of each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508) 434-2551 or <u>kawalker@overlook-mass.</u> org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

### LEGAL

**Notice of Public Hearing-Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals** 

At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 01, 2018 in the McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:15 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:

**Special Permit-Applicant/Owner:** Patricia Karpowicz. Location: 2 Garrette Lane, Spencer Assessor's Map R28/3-7. The applicant is requesting Special Permit under Section 4.8.1 (Accessory Uses) of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw for an accessory apartment in a single-family dwelling. The property is located within the Rural Residential zoning district.

Variance-Applicant/Owner: Patricia Karpowicz. Location: 2 Garrette Lane, Spencer Assessor's Map R28/3-7. The applicant is requesting a variance under Section 4.8.1.G (Special Use Regulations) of the

Spencer Zoning Bylaw for the size of accessory apartment in a single-family dwelling. The property is located within the Rural Residential zoning district.

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial Town Hall located at 157 Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday and 7:30am-12:00pm on Thursdays. The ZBA is committed to ensuring that its public meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Should you require auxiliary aids, services, written materials in other formats, or reasonable modifications in policies and procedures, please call 508-885-7500 ext. 180 in advance of the scheduled meeting.

April 13, 2018 April 20, 2018

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

The Brookfield Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting to discuss invasive plant control to be conducted on the Elm Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, off of East Main Street. Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 17th, at 7:15 April 13, 2018

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court** 

**Worcester Probate and Family** Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO17D2341DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING Carol Anne McGuirk** 

VS. John Francis McGuirk, Jr.

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.

The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:

### **Carol Anne McGuirk**

**Restricted Information** 

your answer, if any, on or before 05/08/2018. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 13, 2018

> Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

April 13, 2018

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New Counters, Sink, SS Appliances, Pa Fir! Formal Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm! Glea

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DUDLEY – 20 Williams St! Nice 7 Rm Cape w/3 Car Garage! SS Applianced Kit w/Oak Cabinets & Corian Counters! Frpled Liv Rm & Din Rm wHrdwds! Sunroom wHot Tub/Swlights! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath & Walk-in Closet! 2 Tile Bathrms! Buderus Furnace! Town Sevices! Fenced Backyard! \$244.900.00

\$244,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - 10 Arkwright Rd! Attention

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8/7 Rms! 3/3 Bdrms! 2,500' of Living! Each Has Kit w/Breakfast Nook, Dining & Liv Rms & Den! 1st Flr w/Pellet Stove, Deck w/Enclosed Porch! 2 Car Garage! Updated

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ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 10 Kenneth Ave! South

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NEW/LISTING

DUDLEY - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated

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WEBSTER - 11 Upper Gore Rd! Convenient 6 Rm Ranch! Fully Applianced Oak Kit! Frplc Din Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Firs! Spacious Liv Rm w/Brick Hearth! 1st Fir Laundry! Large Trex Deck! Updated Windows, Siding & Furnace! Garage! Shed! Sold w/Add .39 Acre Lot!



North Pond! 62' Waterfront! Panoramic Views! 8 Rm Colonial! Kit w/Double Oven! GLEAMING Hrdwd Firs! 4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! 14X20 Trex Deck! Newly Painted! Prof Landscaped! Fenced Yard! Plenty of Docks Included!



WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms 3 Bdrm 2 Baths A/C'd Ranch! Custom SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Rm Irdwds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/ Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdwds! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frplcd Lower Level

\$729,900.00





WEBSTER LAKE — 48 Laurelwood Drl Reid Smith Cove! One of the Lake's Best Lots! Beautiful 10 Rm, 3,686' Contemp! 104' Waterfront, 228' Rd Frontage, 33,628 Sq. Ft, or .77 Acres! The Best on Market! Gradual Sloped Lawn to Beach/Shore! Private Rd w/Woods Across Street! Location, Slope to Water, View & Exposure, Things You Can't Change, After that it's One's Imagination! Front, Back, & Side Yards, Space to Roam, Entertain, Park & Expand! Main Level, White & Black Granite Kit, Center Isl w/Gas Range & Sink, Wall Ovens! Din Area! Lake Facing Din Rm! Frpled Liv Ruvel, thethedral Open to Sun Rm w/Water View! Lake Facing Office/Possible 4th Bdrm! Half Bath! Upstairs, 3 Bdrms, 2 Bathrms! Amazing Lake Facing Master, Bath w/Whirlpool, Steam Shower, Dble Vanity, Cathedral w/Skylight & Laundry! Walk-out Lower Level w/ Frpled Fam Rm, Summer Kit & 3rd Full Bath, 3.5 Total! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage & More! \$1,100,000.00



WEBSTER - 24 Linwood St! Well Maintained 2 Family! Each Unit Consists Of An Eat-In Kit w/Gas Range, Pantry w/ Abundant Cabinets! 2 Carpeted Bdrms! Knotty Pine Heated Sun Room Or Den! Full Baths w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/Screened Porch Newer Roof, Siding & Wir Furnaces! Garage! \$219,900.00









ACRES! Updated 1867 8 Rm Farm-house! Flexible Floor Plan! Loads of Charm! Flopt Lix Rm! Fam Rm w Cathedrals! Slider to Deck! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 2 Car Attached Ga-rage! Additional 3 BAY, 50x85. GARAGE BUILDING! \$594,500.00



Rm Cape! .5 Acres off Route 20! Great Business Location! House Needs Total Rehab! 1st Flr Consists of Eat-in Kitchen w/Built-in Hutch! Large Liv Rm! Master Bedroom w/Closet! Office! Full Bath!



DUDLEY – 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.84 Acres! Applianced Granite Kitl Frpicd Dining Rm! Living Rm w/ Hrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garae! 335.9 app. 00 Garage! \$359,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Long Island!

Cottage" Ready to Rough It! Loads of

Potential! Water on 2 Sides! Panoramic



AUBURN - 13 Inwood Rd! Cute 6 Room Cape! 2-3 Bedrooms! All Hardwoods on Both Levels Under Carpeting! Finished 2nd Floor with Bedroom & Office!
Lower Level Playroom! Vinyl Siding!
Replacement Windows! Oil Heat!
8,276' Level Lot! Shed! 1 Car Garage!
\$179,900.00



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CHARLIUN — 44 OXIOTA KLI 8 KIII Colonial w/Farmers Porch! 1.38 Acres! New Quartz Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Frplcd Fam Rm w/Hrdwds! Spacious Liv Rm! 4 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 16X30 Deck! 2 Car Garage! Shed! 2016 Roof! Many Updates! \$344,900.00



WEBSTER – 56 Chase Ave! Well Maintained 2 Fam! 64 Rms! 3/2 Bdrms! Applianced Eat-in Kits! Formal Din Rm! Carpeted Liv Rm! Large Bdrms! Updated Full Baths! Skylight! Hrdwds! 6 Panel Drs! 2Z Oil Heat! Furnaces 1 Yr Old! Newer Plumbing & Electric! Fenced Yard wiPatio! \$219,900.00

ON DEPOSIT



WEBSTER – 10 Foster St! 3 Family! 6/6/6 CHARLTON – Oxford Road – Across Owner Occupied! Quiet Side Street! Easy Access! Off Street Parking! Large Eat-in Kits w/Gallev/Pantry, Formal Dining & Liv in Basement! \$259,000.00

ON DEPOSIT



Rms! 3/3/3 Bdrms! Excellent Investment or from #122! Fantastic 2.72 Acre Lot with Owner Occupied! Ouiet Side Street! Easy 300' of Road Frontage! Area of Nice ut! Coin Operated



ON DEPOSIT WEBSTER LAKE - 15 Lakeview WEBSTER LAKE - 33 Beacon Rd! 6 Rd! Reid Smith Cove! Enjoy the Music Rms. 3 Bdrms. 2 Baths! 141' Waterfront! 12,458' Lot w/Plenty of Privacy! Kit, Maste Bdrm, Master Bath, Roof & Windows Nev of Indian Ranch & the Indian Princess! 7 Rm Summer Cottage w/4 Possible Bdrms! Master Overlooking Lake! Great Potential!
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NEW/LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE – 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,698' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr 3,989 Lort Ventry Sopping: 2,254 Custom Contemp Cape, Butin vol as zim Home, Like New Open Inf Plant Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/17 Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sidlers to Trex Deck, Stone Bas Frpic, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdwds! Granite Kit w/sl, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets Hrdwds & Recessed Lights! 1st Fir Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dible Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Grand Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recesser Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr



WEBSTER LAKE - 109 Beacon Park! Townhouse w/BOAT DOCK! 5 Rms! Move-in Condition! Panoramic Lake Views! Applianced! Din & Frplcd Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Lake Facing Master! Custom Master Bath! 2 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! CAir! Garage! \$288,000.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE – 3 Lakeview Rd! Middle Pond – Reid Smith Cove! Ideal Summer or Yr Round! Western Expo – Beaufful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! New County & Striplass Kit! 3 Remodeled



w/2nd Floor! \$379.000.00



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**DUDLEY - 67 WEST MAIN ST** 



Looking for a place for your at home BUSINESS? CORNER lot! 8,580 SF (.20 acre), 2 story single family home w/3 BRS, 2 Baths! Possible to convert this home back to a 2 family! Municipal Water & Sewerl Recent Natural Gas Buderus FHW Boiler. 2 Car Detached Garage! Auction online go to xome.com Apr. 7-10 \$185,000.



**THOMPSON - 5 BEATTIE AVE** 

NEW LISTING! Under Construction! Craving some privacy? 1.31 acre +/- lot Conveniently located for commuters! Close to I-395! This Split Level home has an attractive modern flare w/twin peaks & rectangular window lighter above the front entry door! Open flr plan, cathedral ceilings, hrdwd & ceramic tile flrs! Granite counter-tops, center island! Dining rm w/ sliders to deck overlooking private back! 2 BRs, +Mstr BR suite w/private bath! 1/2 bath/laundry, 2-1/2 bath total! Central Air, 2 car garage. \$259,900.



THOMPSON - 12 OAKWOOD DR



Time Offered! Beautiful one owner well kept Ranch! 3 generous size bedrooms! Large living room with Bow Window, eat in kitchen. Oversized carport! Level fenced yard! Forced hot water by oil! Large shed! \$192,500

### **WEBSTER - 36 WEST AVE**

First Time Offered! Grand 1960 Custom Built Cape! 10+ Spacious Rooms Include: 4 BRs 3 Full Baths, 2 Full Kitchens, Dining Rm, 2 Lg Family Rms, Gorgeous Formal Living Rm w/Fireplace! Plus 2 Delightful 3 Season Enclosed Patio Rooms w/Slate & Terra Cotta Tile Flrs! 3,235 SF+/-. Outstanding ONE LEVEL LIVING w/2 BRs & full bath. 2nd floor - 2 huge BRs & full bath! Dynamite lower level in-law setup w/existing kitchen & full bath! \$279,900





generation to move in and make their own! 1.38 acres of land with in ground pool ( needs work ) , pool house.3 car detached garagel Single detached garage for home use. First floor bedroom, upper bedrooms with knotty pine and built ins . New roof and heating in 2010. \$224,900.

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Webster Lake - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Buildable w/Town Water & Sewer. \$59,900 Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer \$229,900 Dudley - View St. 17,280. SF mostly cleared land. Dead end street \$49,900

Oxford - 4 Leicester St., 8.47 acres, mostly cleared

**Thompson** - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! \$99,900.

On The shores of Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg

### **WEBSTER LAKE - 7 CEDAR DR**



English Tudor Style Colonial! Cathedral ceiling Dining & Fireplaced Living Room! 1600+ sq ft of living area! 3 Good size bedrooms. Master bedroom with Master Bath! 1 bedroom on the main living level. 2-1/2 Total Baths! 7 rooms total! Finished basement with Hearth! Forced hot air by oil! Central Air Conditioning! 14' X 42' car port! 3 car garage! Comes with Non-Seperable Waterfront Lot, on Pond! Enjoy Webster lake without the High Taxes!



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### **WEBSTER LAKE - 22 LAURELWOOD DR**



1st Time Offered in Reid Smith Cove, Spectacular 3700+/- SF, 13 Rm/4.5 Bath Lake Home, Uniquely Designed for Lake-Style Living! Private Setting, Ideal Location, .68 Acres, 92' of Natural Shoreline, Prof. Landscape, Multiple Decks, Lakeside Cabana, 3 Mstr BR Suites w/Elegant 1st FIr Mstr ~ all w/ Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living & Billiard Rms & Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information **\$1,150,000**.

### **WEBSTER LAKE - 705 TREASURE ISL.**



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PUTNAM-Two bedroom, 2 full bath Condo. Lg. vaulted living/dining room, the kitchen has had a nice facelift and features newer white room, the ancient as had a finet calent and readures never winter cabinets, counters, floors & updated appliances; plenty of working space plus a little informal eating space. Full bathroom and second bedroom with double closet on main floor. The upper level has a large master suite with vaulted ceiling w/skylight, plenty of closet space and LARGE 4 plece bathroom with a pitted tubl Additionally, the second floor features a laundry room with extra storage; also a detached garage and parking spot. Pets are allowed. Convenient to downtown Putnam and just off 1-395 for commuting to MA, RI or CT. \$137,500



WOODSTOCK-Enjoy water views of Lake Bungay from the wra room with cathedral ceiling has a cozy corner woodstove and French doors leading out to a back porch. There are two bedrooms upstairs and an office space on the main floor as well as two full baths. The roof and furnace were recently replaced. This home sits nicely on .4 of an acre in Woodstock Valley. Call today for your private viewing.



THOMPSON-This Ranch style home is sitting on almost 5 acres with a 1 full bathroom. The kitchen opens to a dining room/eating space and the living room has a nice entertaining center. The bedrooms are all good sized. There is a full basement under 1/2 of the home which has newer electrical panel and a new oil tank. Home features a paved driveway with plenty of parking, a newer roof, and a good sized shed for the tractor & garden tools. \$179,900



KILLINGLY-You must see this 3 BR, 2 1/2 bath, 1451 sq. foot Cape Cod home sitting nicely on 1 acre; re-built from the subfloor up by a local respected builder; Hardwood floors, chef's kitchen with granite countertops & stainless steel appliances 1st floor master bedroom with full bath and walk-in closet; easily accessible to 395; listed at only **\$214,900** 



THOMPSON-Located on 2 acres, this 4,352 Sq Ft., Georgian style Contemporary is one of the first "energy efficient" homes in the area. Sunken living room with fireplace, custom cherry kitchen, dining room office and exercise room all adorn the first floor with one wall of glass sliders to balcony. Second floor has two oversized bedrooms with a shared bath and a Ig. master suite with full bath, whirlpool tub, show and walk-in closet. His and hers garages separated by a courtyard must see home! Call today for your private showing. \$419,900



KILLINGLY-Great owner occupied, well maintained 1,635 sq t, 2 Family, side by side. Unit A- has 2 bedrooms, unit B has 3 Laundry hookups, vinyl siding, fenced backyard and 2 driveways





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**LEGALS** 

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#### MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Michael Zinkus to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N .A., its successors and assigns, dated October 24, 2008 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43442, Page 367 subsequent-Iv assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N .A., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 55181, Page 307; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on April 20, 2018 at 29 Lakeshore Drive, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts described as follows: PARCEL I:

in Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, as shown on a "Thompson plan entitled Lake Shores, Spencer, Mass.", made by Francis B. Thompson, C.E., dated August 1944, recorded with Worcester District Registry Deeds, Plan Book 134, Plan 29, being Lot numbered eighty-four (84) as shown on said plan, and bounded and described as follows: WESTERLY by Lake Shore Drive as shown on said plan 47.01 '; by NORTHERLY Lot 85 as shown on said plan 106.66'; Lot 100 EASTERLY by as shown on said Plan 50.82' SOUTHERN by Lot 83 shown on said Plan 105.27'; SUBJECT to restrictions of record. PARCEL II:

The land with the buildings thereon in Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, shown as on a plan entitled "Thompson Shores, Spencer, Mass., Lake made by Francis B. Thompson, C.E., dated August, 1944 recorded with Worcester District Registry Deeds, Plan Book Plan 29, being lot numbered 15 as shown on said plan and bounded and described as follows: EASTERLY by Lake Shore Drive as shown on said plan 50 feet; SOUTHERLY by lot 14 as shown on said plan 135 feet more or less; WESTERLY by the shoreline Thompson Lake as shown on said plan 50 feet more or less

NORTHERLY by Lot 16 as shown on said plan 136 feet more or less. Said premises are conveyed subject to and together with the benefit of easements, restrictions and agreements of record, if any, insofar as the same in force and effect. Meaning, intending and hereby conveying the same premises conveyed by deed dated October 21 & 22 2008 Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 43442, Page 364 and recorded on October 24, 2008.

Upon information and belief, there is an Easement over Parcel 1 (Lot 84) as described in Easement Deed recorded December 4, 2009 at Book 45193, Page 340 Worcester County Register of Deeds."

of Deeds."
The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants

and parties in possession. <u>TERMS OF SALE:</u>

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

**LEGALS** 

Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 17-009214

March 30, 2018 April 6, 2018 April 13, 2018

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE Premises: 155 Baker Hill Road, East Brookfield, Massachusetts By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lawrence T. McWhorter to BNY Mortgage Company LLC and now held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC, said mortgage dated September 13, 2007, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 41814 at Page 158, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated November 18, 2007, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 45099 at Page 151, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 25, 2011, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 47795 at Page 313, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated October 29, 2012, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 49940 at Page 88, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on April 27, 2018, at 01:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: the land in East Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusett, commonly known as Baker Hill Road. [Description and encumbrances, if any] The land in East Brookfield, Worcester County, Worcester, on the southerly sid of Baker Hill Road, shown as Lot No. 8 on a Plan of Land recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in plan Book 433, Plan 40, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the within conveyed lot on the southerly sid of Baker Hill Road; Thence S. 61 degrees 33' 41" E. two hundred seventy-eight and eighteen hundredths (278.18) feet to a point; Thence S. 49 degrees 16' 44" W. sixty-seven and fifty hundredths (67.50)feet to a point; Thence N. 76 degrees

07' 43" W. two hundred fifty-three and twenty-eight (253.28) feet to a point on the southerly sid of Baker Hill Road; Thence northeasterly by Baker Hill Road one hundred twenty-five (125.0) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 25,188 square feet, more or less, as shown on said plan. For title see deed dated July 5, 1983 and recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 7819, Page 304. The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated July 5, 1983, and recorded in Book 7819 at Page 304 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds. TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. TEN

THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and

of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within forty five (45) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Marinosci Law Group, P.C. 275 West Natick Road, Suite 500 Warwick, RI 02886 Attorney for Nationstar Mortgage LLC Present Holder of the Mortgage Telephone: (401) 234-9200 MLG File No.: 15-04161

April 6, 2018 April 13, 2018 April 20, 2018

#### MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Christopher Tebo and Tammy L. Tebo to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Principal Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated April 16, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 33371, Page 360 subse-

quently assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Principal Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 48018, Page 350, subsequently assigned to Green Tree Servicing LLC by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53468, Page 386 and subsequently assigned to New Penn Financial LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing by Ditech Financial LLC F/K/A Green Tree Servicing LLC by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57356, Page 100; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on May 7, 2018 at 27 Donnely Road, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND SPEMCER, WORCESTER COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF MORE MASSACHUSETTS, AS FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 24543, PAGE 208, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS METES AND BOUNDS PROPERTY. BY FEE SIMPLE DEED FROM EVELYN B. BENOIT AS SET FORTH IN BOOK 24543 PAGE 208 DATED 7-20-2001 AND RECORDED 7-31-2001, WORCESTER COUNTY RECORDS, COMMONWEALTH **MASSACHUSETTS** 

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants

and parties in possession. TERMS OF SALE:

deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.

New Penn Financial LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys,

ORLANS PC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
16-006670
April 13, 2018
April 20, 2018
April 27, 2018

#### NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Crystal B. Carr and Richard A. Carr Jr. to Sherwood Mortgage Group, Inc., dated April 27, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 41064, Page 222 as affected by a modification agreement recorded with said records at Book 52517, Page 210, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Sherwood Mortgage Group, Inc. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated July 3, 2007 and recorded with said registry on July 6, 2007 at Book 41447 Page 284 and by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. dated December 23, 2011 and recorded with said registry on December 30, 2011 at Book 48345 Page 375, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on May 24, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 47 Main Street, Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the

premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

The land In Spencer, on the northerly side of Main Street, bounded as follows:

On the south by said Main Street;

On the west by School House lot of the Town of Spencer, formerly called District No. 9;

On the north by land formerly of Frank and Mitchell Rivers and land formerly of William Sampson; and

On the east by land of Robert A. Antell, formerly of Thomas Manion.

A deed from David Olsen and Susan K. Olsen to Richard A. Carr, Jr. and Crystal B. Carr to be recorded. See Book 41064 Page 220.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 41064, Page 220.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00 ) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC.
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California Street
Newton, MA 02458
(617) 558-0500
201508-0388 - TEA

April 6, 2018 April 13, 2018 April 20, 2018

#### Town of Spencer Conservation Commission PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:

Jay Freedman has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to construct new foundation on existing single family dwelling located at 5 First Street, Spencer, MA. Tony Shawki has filed a Request for Determination of Applicability with the Spencer Conservation Commission to excavate rock within the buffer zone, and loam and seed the area located at 9 Donnelly Cross Road, Spencer, MA. The Town of Spencer, Utilities and Facilities Office, has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to remove vegetation along the embankment of Muzzy Meadow Pond Dam, Spencer, MA. Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 7:00 p.m., public hearings begin at

Mary McLaughlin Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman April 13, 2018

### LEGAL NOTICE

The Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6pm, Tuesday, April 24, 2018 in the Brookfield Town Hall Kitchen.

The purpose of this hearing is a request by N. Douglas Powers for a variance to construct a single family dwelling at 41A Molasses Hill Road located in the Rural Residential District, according to a denial from the Zoning Enforcement Officer based on the Brookfield Zoning By-laws, Section 7 Dimensional Regulations sub-section C. Stephen J. Comtois II

ZBA Chairman April 6, 2018 April 13, 2018

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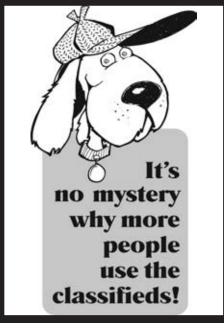
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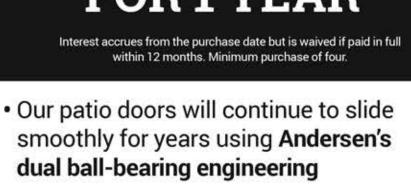
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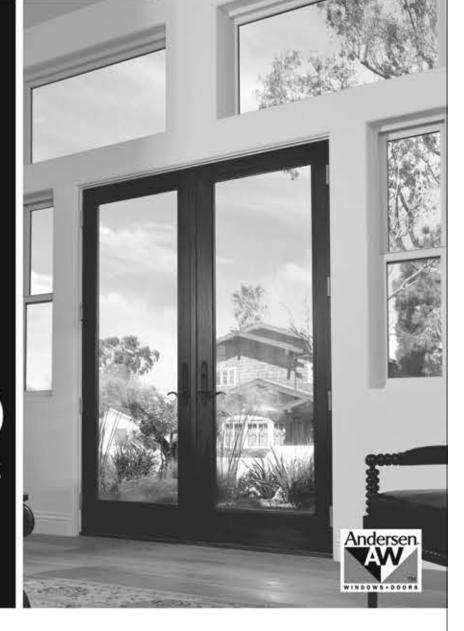
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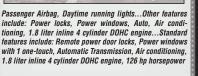










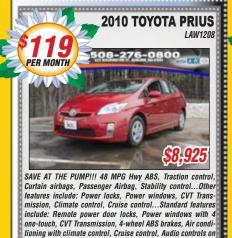




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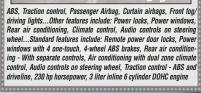


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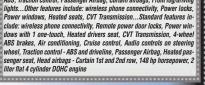




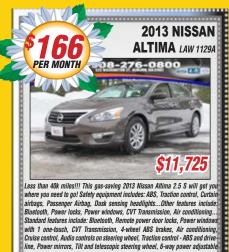




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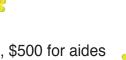
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### As I See It:

### BY MICHELE MILLER, CO-FOUNDER OF THE CENTRAL MASS LYME FOUNDATION, INC.

Lyme disease is one of the most misunderstood and controversial diseases across our country. Getting proper diagnosis and treatment options are extremely difficult. I quickly found this out after losing my mom, Jeanne, to complications from untreated late-stage Lyme disease. Mom was full of life until she developed a rash on her upper back while spending the winter in Florida in early 2011. The non-blistering rash was quickly diagnosed as shingles and she was prescribed a steroid. Her health would never be the same after that.

If you had asked me a few years back what Lyme disease was, I would have thought that after a tick bite you would get a bull's-eye rash and your doctor would prescribe a dose of antibiotics. All would then be okay, as so many think. But I soon found out it wasn't.

In May 2011, Mom came back from Florida and had trouble with her speech. My brother and I feared that she had a mild stroke, so an MRI was performed, then reviewed by a chief neurologist. A month later, Mom received what she described as a death sentence: she was told she had ALS, otherwise known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Her quality of life with this diagnosis would diminish rather quickly. Mom questioned the diagnosis and heard that a local holistic physician, who fortunately was Lyme literate could possibly help. Her first appointment with this doctor reviewed her past medical records and he ordered both the Elisa and Western Blot tests to determine what my Mom had been battling. These tests would be sent to a Lyme specific laboratory in Palo Alto, California. This lab has the highest accuracy for testing. Our next appointment, four weeks later, he would diagnose her with late stage Lyme disease and several co-infections, such as Babesia and Bartonella. Aggressive antibiotic treatment was prescribed but we were not aware at that time that this treatment could either kill her or save her. The next 1-1/2 years I would have to watch my Mom lose her capacity to talk, walk and swallow. Months later, unable to eat, she needed a feeding tube that would cause her to succumb to complications from aspiration pneumonia. Seeing her in this debilitating state has not easily been erased from my memory. I was angry that the medical system had failed her and recognized that I needed to seek counseling for the pain that my mother had endured. Cleaning out my parents' home and recalling the many happy times we shared there, I discovered numerous journals written by Mom throughout her life. In her last several journals she wrote about the pain she was suffering and about her feeling of being so alone in this illness. She wrote of her fear to leave this Earth and the people she loved dearly. She so wanted to be a part of her grandchildren's lives, watch them grown into adults, graduate from college, get married and raise their own families. These were milestones she knew she would never witness nor cherish as a memory.

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Pain is a complicated mechanism that involves the body's response to injury and neurological pathways in the brain. Sensory receptors in the body called nociceptors react to noxious mechanical, thermal, and chemical stimuli, sending information through the nerves in the spinal column to the brain for interpretation. In acute pain, the brain's reaction is incredibly fast, as when we quickly pull our hand away from a hot stove. When tissue



damage occurs, as in the example of a sprained ankle, the chemical inflammatory response is initiated as the body attempts to heal. In these circumstances, we feel pain with pressure or movement of the limb. In both of these examples, pain serves a purpose: to protect us from further injury and allow the body to heal. When pain persists longer than the protective response is required, chronic pain has set in.

So what can you do if you suffer from chronic debilitating pain? Since compensatory musculo-skeletal changes often contribute to persistent pain, a referral to physical therapy may provide the relief you seek. A physical therapist will perform an examination to identify the possible sources of your pain. Postural alignment, soft tissue restrictions, joint limitations, and muscle weakness

may all impact your condition. Physical therapy modalities such as heat/cold treatments and electric stimulation promote circulation for healing and muscle relaxation. Manual therapy including joint mobilization and soft tissue manipulation increase mobility and alignment. Therapeutic exercise increases flexibility, strength, and endurance for functional improvements. Most importantly, a physical therapist can teach you how to manage your chronic pain through self pain relieving techniques and instruction in a home exercise program.

In addition, complementary medicine offers alternatives to traditional medical management alone. An example of complementary treatment for chronic pain is Massage Therapy. Therapeutic massage can help to break the pain-muscle spasm cycle that often accompanies persistent chronic pain. Pain frequently results in muscle spasms as yet another protective response of the the body. Muscle spasms cause tightness essentially restricting movement, which encourages us to rest the area. This is helpful initially but quickly becomes detrimental, as lack of movement combined with the tight muscle causes even more pain. Massage techniques such as effleurage, petrissage, and deep tissue strokes increase circulation, decrease muscle spasm, and promote muscle relaxation, effectively breaking the pain/spasm circle.

Gone untreated, chronic pain can result in the inability to participate in everyday life. The physical, social, economic, and psychological impact can be devastating. Seeking non-pharmaceutical treatments may be the answer to gaining control of your pain.

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### Brain-healthy habits to embrace

ognitive decline is a condition that is often associated with aging, but even middle-aged people can experience memory loss or cognition issues.

The Alzheimer's Association says that more than five million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. By 2050, that number could rise to as high as 16 million people. More than 747,000 Canadians are living with Alzheimer's or another dementia, says the Canadian Alzheimer's Association.

Although there is no definitive way to prevent dementia, living a long, vibrant life may be possible by encouraging some healthy habits for the brain. It is never too late or too early to begin health and lifestyle changes.

#### EXERCISE

Becoming more active can improve brain volume, reduce risk for dementia and improve thinking and memory skills. The journal Neurology found that older people who vigorously exercise performed better on cognitive tests than others of the same age, placing them at the equivalent of 10 years younger. Increased blood flow that occurs with physical activity may help generate new neurons in the hippocampus, an area of the brain involved with learning and memory.

The Harvard Medical School says aerobic exercise may help improve brain tissue by improving blood flow and reducing the chances of injury to the brain from cholesterol buildup in blood vessels.

#### **QUIT SMOKING**

The Alzheimer's Association indicates that evidence shows smoking increases the risk of cognitive decline. Smoking can impair blood flow to the brain and cause small strokes that may damage blood vessels.

#### EAT HEALTHY FOODS

Foods that are good for the heart and blood vessels also are good for the brain. These include fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, fish-based proteins, unsaturated fats, and foods containing omega-3 fatty acids.

### DID YOU KNOW?

According to the American Heart Association, half of the men who die suddenly of coronary heart disease do not exhibit symptoms. The AHA also says that between 70 and 89 percent of sudden cardiac events occur in men. Both of those factors only highlight the importance men must place on protecting themselves against heart disease. The AHA notes that the steps that can help men reduce their risk for heart disease vary depending on their ages. For example, men in their 20s can make sure they exercise regularly, avoid smoking and secondhand smoke, and schedule routine wellness visits with their physicians. Men in their 50s may need to be more diligent in their efforts to prevent heart disease, especially if they have already been diagnosed with conditions such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol or diabetes. While young men and older men may need to employ different strategies in their fights against heart disease, men of all ages can benefit from routine exercise, nutritious diets and healthy lifestyles. More information about combatting heart disease can be found at www.heart.org.



Seniors can include healthy lifestyle habits, such as exercise and balanced eating, to reduce the risk of dementia and other neurological issues.

Neurologists state that, while research on diet and cognitive function is limited, diets, such as Mediterranean and Mediterranean-DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension), may contribute to a lower risk of cognitive issues.

#### CONSUME CAFFEINE

Caffeine may help boost memory performance and brain health. A Journal of Nutrition study found people ages 70 and older who consumed more caffeine scored better on tests of mental function than those who consumed less caffeine. Caffeine may help improve attention span, cognitive function and feelings of well-being. Information from Psychology Today also indicates caffeine may help in the storage of dopamine, which can reduce feelings of depression and anxiety. In addition, compounds in cocoa and coffee beans may improve vascular health and help repair cellular damage due to high antioxidant levels.

#### Work the brain

Engaging in mentally stimulating activities can create new brain connections and more backup circuits, states Dr. Joel Salinas, a neurologist at Harvard-affiliated Massachusetts General Hospital. Working the brain through puzzles, reading and participating in social situations can stimulate the release of brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF), a molecule essential for repairing brain cells and creating connections between them.

A good way to combine these lifestyle factors is to take an exercise class with friends, mixing the social, stimulation and exercise recommendations together.

Cognitive decline can come with aging, but through healthy habits, people can reduce their risk of memory loss and dementia.

## 3 simple ways to a healthier heart

eart disease is a formidable foe. According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, accounting for approximately 800,000 deaths every year. The Government of Canada notes that heart disease is the second leading cause of death in that country, annually accounting for tens of thousands of deaths. (Note: Canada's population is slightly more than one-tenth the population of the United States.)

While heart disease exacts a devastating toll on the United States and Canada, its reach extends far beyond North America, as the American College of Cardiology notes that cardiovascular disease accounts for 31 percent of all deaths across the globe.

In spite of the prevalence of heart disease, men and women are not helpless against it. In fact, there are many ways for men and women to reduce their risk for heart disease.

#### 1. Maintain a healthy weight.

The American Heart Association reports that between 60 and 70 percent of Americans are overweight or obese. Carrying around extra weight takes a toll on the body, increasing a person's risk for heart disease and stroke. Overweight or obese men and women can work with their physicians to develop a plan for effective, long-term weight loss, a plan that will likely include a combination of diet and routine exercise.

#### 2. Understand and manage blood pressure.

The AHA notes that high blood pressure, a common condition affecting roughly one in three Americans, is often referred to as "the silent killer" because it does not necessarily produce symptoms. Blood pressure measures the force pushing outward on the walls of blood vessels as they carry blood oxygen to the body's organs, and the force created as the heart rests between beats. Over time, the arterial walls of people with high blood pressure may become stressed and develop weak spots or



scarring that makes them vulnerable to the buildup of plaque. Plaque buildup can increase the risk of blood clots and stroke. Blood pressure can rise as a person ages, so managing blood pressure involves routinely checking it and making certain changes, such as eating healthier foods and exercising more often, if it is high.

#### 3. Control cholesterol levels.

High levels of low-density lipoprotein, often referred to as "bad" cholesterol, can increase a person's risk for heart disease. The AHA notes that excessive amounts of cholesterol can be deposited into the arteries as plaque. When that happens, it leads to a condition known as atherosclerosis, or a narrowing of the inside of the artery walls. That narrowing leads to an increased risk for heart attack and stroke. Men and women should get their cholesterol levels checked at least once every four to six years beginning at age 20. Men and women who have been diagnosed with high cholesterol should recognize that cholesterol is only found in animal products, so a diet that is rich in fruits, vegetables and whole grains and low in animal products can provide a simple way for men and women to lower their cholesterol. A more thorough and detailed plan to lower cholesterol levels should be discussed with a physician.

More information about heart disease and how to combat it can be found at www.heart.org.



## Some lesser known allergy symptoms

llergy symptoms are a result of a person's immune system overreacting to something that is harmless to most people but sparks a reaction in people sensitive to the trigger. Some symptoms of allergic reactions, such as sneezing, are widely known. But people may be surprised to discover some of the other common allergy symptoms.

According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology, a host of physical symptoms are indicative of allergic reactions.

- Wheezing, shortness of breath: The ACAAI says that wheezing or shortness of breath are telltale signs of asthma, but notes that such symptoms also may be indicative of an allergic reaction. The ACAAI recommends people see an allergist if they develop unexplained wheezing that keeps returning or if the wheezing occurs alongside symptoms like rapid breathing or difficulty taking in air. Wheezing that appears after a person is stung by an insect, takes a medication or eats something he or she is allergic to is symptomatic of an allergic reaction and requires immediate medical attention.
- Cough: The appearance of a dry, persistent cough may indicate an allergy. Coughs are often a byproduct of a cold or flu, but such coughs tend to taper off after a few days. Chronic dry coughs that linger for more than three weeks may indicate the presence of an allergy. Allergy-related coughs may be more prevalent during certain times of year or in certain environments. The ACAAI notes that chronic dry cough has been linked to



allergies such as hay fever and may indicate an allergy to pet dander, dust, pollen, or mold.

- Headache: Though few people associate headaches with allergies, some headaches can be allergy-related. According to the ACAAI, sinus headaches and migraines have been linked to allergies. Sinus headaches may be characterized by localized pain over the sinus area and/ or pain in the face that may or may not be accompanied by a headache. A throbbing pain on one side of the head indicates a migraine, the symptoms of which may worsen when exposed to light. Among the more painful allergy symptoms, headaches should be discussed with an allergist.
- Nausea and vomiting: Nausea and vomiting may be a byproduct of food allergies. Seasonal allergies rarely, if ever, lead to nausea or vomiting. However, when a person eats a food he or she is allergic to, the immune system reacts to this allergy in much the same way it does to allergies like hay fever, releasing a chemical called histamine. When a person is dealing

with seasonal allergies, the histamine his or her body releases can cause sneezing, runny nose or other symptoms commonly associated with such allergies. But when histamine is released to combat food allergies, it can cause nausea and vomiting.

Allergies affect people in every corner of the globe. Recognizing symptoms of allergies can help people combat them more effectively.

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As I saw it, my mother had suffered in silence, and I asked myself how many more were doing the same? In October, following her passing, I set up a table with information about Lyme disease at my local library. That evening, 23 people came to share their stories of the same isolation they experienced with this disease. I listened to them all and saw that these people had been misled down the same path as my mother. Even through my grief, this gave me the driving force to continue with the mission to raise awareness this terrible disease.

Our monthly meetings at the library continued, which led to my husband and I creating the Central Mass Lyme Foundation in memory of my mom. We are dedicated to increasing awareness about the seriousness of this disease as well as many other tick-borne illnesses.

On March 21, 2015, the foundation organized our first Lyme Disease Conference in New England. This conference drew hundreds of people

on a snowy morning to learn how to get help, but more importantly to connect with others who were hidden behind their doors like my mother, suffering in silence. That day, her voice would be heard loud and clear. It would be the fruition of battling this illness together with people who cared and understood, no questions asked. Since then, our foundation has organized 2 other conferences bringing the Lyme community together.

The mission of our 501c3 foundation is raising awareness about Lyme disease as well as other vector-borne diseases. We do not diagnose or treat. But we do raise awareness through our distribution of resources to our public libraries, presentations at local organizations and tables at public events. We also educate schools and provide materials for their parents and educators. This has been a grass roots effort with many volunteers who may be afflicted with Lyme or know someone who is.

As I see it, Lyme disease is easy to get, and very complex to treat. Our foundation will continue the fight for the many who don't have the strength to do it alone, and for their families who need the support. My Mom's mission has only just begun.

## Side effects of snoring include higher risk for Alzheimer's

noring may seem like a pesky yet minor increased risks of heart attack, problem, but it can be much more serious than some people know. Although snoring is a common problem among all ages and genders, the National Sleep Foundation says that men are twice as likely to snore as women, and snoring can worsen with age.

The aging process can lead to a relaxation of the throat muscles, resulting in snoring. Furthermore, the NSF says anatomical abnormalities of the nose and throat, illness and other factors may also contribute to snoring. Drinking alcohol, which can have an effect similar to muscle relaxants, in the evening can make snoring worse.

While many people may think snoring is a mere nuisance, it actually may be a symptom of obstructive sleep apnea. Over time, apnea can be associated with high blood pressure and

stroke or death, advises WebMD.

Now there is new evidence that those with obstructive sleep apnea may be at a higher risk of developing Alzheimer's disease as well. A new study published in the journal Neurology found that people with sleep apnea tended to develop memory problems and other signs of cognitive impairment earlier than people without such sleep disorders. Richard Osorio, MD, a research assistant professor of psychiatry at the NYU Center for

Brain Health, found that, among 2,000 people studied, those who reported having sleep apnea or snoring tended to develop signs of mild cognitive impairment, including memory lapses



and slower speed on cognitive skills, about 12 years earlier on average than those who didn't report any sleep-related breathing issues. Mild cognitive impairment often precedes dementia related to Alzheimer's disease.

researchers believe Some snoring and sleep apnea may contribute to a buildup of the toxic protein in the brain called beta-amyloid, which is a hallmark of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

lf snoring has become problematic, men are urged to visit a doctor or sleep specialist to see which therapies can be instituted to help improve sleep and overall health.

## How to recognize signs of heat stroke in dogs



ummer is a great time of year for people and their pets to enjoy the great outdoors and soak up some sun. Just as men and women exercise caution by applying sunscreen and staying hydrated on hot summer days, dog owners must take steps to protect their four-legged friends when bringing them outdoors.

Heat stroke can pose a serious threat to dogs on hot days. Dog owners

who routinely take their pets outdoors in summer must learn how to protect canines from heat stroke and how to recognize its symptoms.

#### What is heat stroke?

Dogs suffer from heat stroke when their body temperatures exceed 104 F and the built-in mechanisms they rely on to cool themselves – including panting — cease to function properly. But any temperature 103 F or above is considered abnormal. According to PetMD, heat stroke is a form of nonfever hyperthermia that can lead to multiple organ dysfunction.

#### Is heat stroke immediately evident?

Heat stroke can overwhelm dogs quickly, so dog owners should be especially diligent and watch their dogs closely when they are spending time outside on hot days. Dogs may first suffer from mild heat-related stress or moderate exhaustion before they begin experiencing the more severe symptoms of heat stroke, so dog owners should look for signs of stress or fatigue and bring their dogs inside immediately after noticing such symptoms. The consequences of heat stroke are severe, so dog owners should always err on the side of caution.

#### What are the symptoms of heat stroke?

Dogs that are overheating and potentially suffering from heat stroke may exhibit a number of symptoms. Such symptoms are typically easy to spot, but dog owners still must pay close attention to their four-legged friends during summertime walks or play sessions in the backyard.

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## Understanding heartworm

Conscientious pet owners understand they must be on the lookout for a host of issues that can affect the health and well-being of their pets. One such issue is heartworm.

#### What is heartworm?

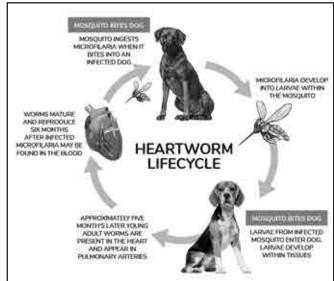
The American Heartworm Society notes that heartworm is a disease caused by footlong worms that live in the heart, lungs and associated blood vessels of affected pets. Known as heartworms, these worms can cause severe lung disease, heart failure and organ damage. Some instances of heartworm may even prove fatal.

#### Who gets heartworm?

Heartworm disease affects dogs, cats and ferrets. Heartworms also live in wolves, coyotes, foxes, and sea lions. And while such instances are rare, heartworms have even been found in humans.

#### How is heartworm transmitted among pets?

Mosquitoes transmit many diseases, and they even play a role in the transmission of heartworm. The AHS notes that adult female heartworms living in infected dogs, foxes, coyotes, or wolves produce microfilaria, which are microscopic baby worms that circulate in the animals' bloodstreams. When mosquitoes feed on the blood of these infected animals, they pick up microfilaria. Within 10 to 14 days, these microfilaria mature and develop into infective stage larvae. When mosquitoes then bite another animal, these larvae are deposited onto the surface of the skin of those animals.



ultimately entering their new hosts through the wound created by the mosquito's bite. The larvae then spend the next six months maturing into adult heartworms.

#### How long do heartworms live?

Upon reaching maturity, heatworms can live for five to seven years in dogs and for two to three years in cats. According to Peteducation. com, heartworm in ferrets can be rapidly progressive and fatal.

#### What are the symptoms of heartworm?

Heartworm symptoms can vary depending on the type of animal that is infected. Dogs infected with heartworm may exhibit few or no symptoms in the early stages of the disease, only gradually exhibiting symptoms as the infection persists. Such symptoms include mild persistent cough,

reluctance to exercise, fatigue after moderate activity, decreased appetite, and weight loss. As heartworm progresses, dogs infected with the disease may develop swollen bellies due to excess fluid in their abdomens. Dogs infected with large numbers of heartworms may develop sudden blockages in their heart, which can lead to cardiovascular collapse, threatening the dog's life.

Cats may exhibit subtle or dramatic symptoms of heartworm. Coughing, asthma-like attacks, periodic vomiting, loss of appetite, and weight loss are some of the more subtle symptoms of heartworm in cats. But some cats may struggle to walk, experience fainting spells or have seizures as a result of heartworm. The AHS notes that the first sign of heartworm in cats is sometimes sudden collapse or sudden death.

Ferrets with heartworms may seem tired all the time and exhibit shortness of breath even after just a few minutes of activity. Ferrets may also experience fluid buildup in their abdomens due to heart failure and blocked blood vessels.

#### Can pet owners protect their pets from heartworm?

The AHA recommends that pet owners get their pets tested for heartworm every 12 months. In addition, the AHS advises pet owners to give their pet heartworm preventive 12 months a year.

More information about heartworm is available at www.heartwormsociety.org.

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According to the American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation, signs that a dog is overheating include:

- Panting followed by disorientation and fast, noisy breathing
- Collapsing or convulsing
- Bright red or blue gums
- Vomiting and diarrhea

Vomit and diarrhea connected to heat stroke may contain blood. In addition, the eyes of dogs suffering from heat stroke may be glazed-over and such dogs may be unresponsive to commands, or their replies to commands may be slower than usual.

#### Can heat stroke be prevented?

Though dogs can suffer heat stroke even on mild days, dog owners can

take precautionary measures.

- Alter routines. Walking can be great exercise for dogs, but on hot days dog owners can walk their dogs when temperatures tend to be at their most mild, such as in the early morning hours or evenings when the sun is setting or has already set.
- Limit play time. Dogs generate heat when playing and exercising, and their body temperatures may rise considerably on hot summer days. To reduce dogs' risk of heat stroke, limit play time on hot days.
- Don't travel with dogs. Temperatures can be unbearable inside vehicles, so dog owners should not take their dogs along when running errands on hot days.

Dog owners must be especially mindful of their dogs' behavior on hot days. Protecting dogs from extreme heat can safeguard them from heat stroke, which can be fatal.

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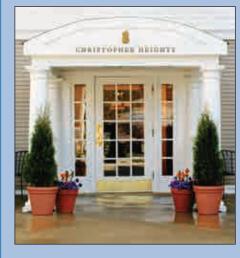
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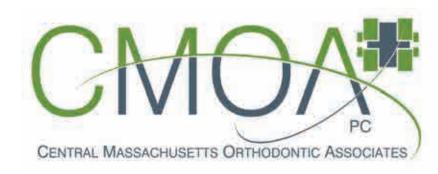




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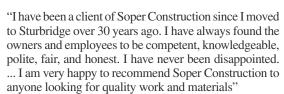
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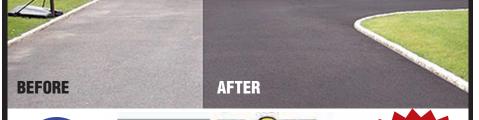
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It's been a strange winter season to say the least. With an abundance of natural food and warmer temperatures our wintering birds didn't have much need for the bird feeders this season. The birds seemed to virtually



**Turkey Vulture** 

disappear, and from what we have heard, the same phenomena occurred throughout the Northeast. The birds were there just not at the feeders, and when the bitter cold weather came they literally flocked to the bird feeders, and then were gone again.

Spring has now officially arrived, and with it the return of the harbingers of spring. Many of you may think that the American Robin is a true sign of spring but what you may not know is that the Robin along with the Eastern Bluebird is a winter resident here. Robins and Bluebirds tend to gather in swampy areas

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The process of addressing environmental hazards starts with individuals, who can educate themselves about various pollutants and how to reduce their impact on human health.

· Lead: Even though lead use has decreased, there remains some residual risk. The Occupational Safety & Health Administration says that lead enters the body primarily through inhalation and ingestion. Many people are exposed to lead by breathing in lead-containing dust at work or from hobbies that involve lead. Lead affects nearly every system in the body, but it can be particularly harmful to the brain and nervous system.

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· Contaminated drinking water: All tap water contains trace amounts of natural microorganisms. However, contaminants can end up in drinking water from run-off from residential and commercial areas. The Clean Air Council says drinking water may contain contaminants such as arsenic, radon, trihalomethanes (chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane, and bromoform), and pesticides.

· Pesticides: Chemicals used to prevent the proliferation of lawn and garden pests may be effective, but they also can produce adverse health effects. Pesticides have been associated with increased risk of cancer and can affect the developing nervous system. The Pesticide Action Network says close to a billion pounds of toxic chemicals are intentionally introduced into the environment and the food supply each year.

Many contaminants can potentially be found in the air we breathe, the water we drink and the land upon which our homes are built. Learning about some of the more common environmental hazards can help people take action to avoid them.

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## The benefits of water features in garden landscapes



Water features, such as ponds or waterfalls, can add a special touch to the landscape

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When planning gardens, homeowners may benefit by considering more than just flowers and shrubs while giving thought to other elements that can breathe vitality into their landscape designs. Water features can do just that, as such features provide more than just visual appeal.

- Aesthetic appeal: Water elements stand out against the greenery and foliage and can be used to create focal points around the garden or yard. A single fountain can draw the eye, while a trickling stream or waterfall can deliver water to various spots in the landscape.
- Soothing sound: Rain drops on a rooftop or waves lapping on a shoreline elicit feelings of harmony and relaxation. Water features can bring that gentle sound close to home, further enhancing the ambiance.

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## The benefits of choosing solar energy

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The search for a renewable energy source has led many people to embrace solar energy, but there are many more reasons for homeowners to embrace going solar.

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in 7.5 years. So in addition to monthly savings on their utility bills, homeowners can expect to recoup their solar energy investments in a relatively short period of time.

Property value: Whether



they plan to do so in the near or distant future, homeowners with an eye on selling their homes may be interested to learn that a recent study from the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab found that solar panels can significantly increase property value. The study analyzed the sales of more than 20,000 homes in California, Connecticut, Florida, Massachusetts, Maryland, North Carolina, New York and Pennsylvania, suggesting the desire for solar energy among prospective buyers is not exclusive to a particular region of the country.

• Energy independence: According to the U.S. Energy Administration, most of the energy consumed in the United States comes from fossil fuels like petroleum. The EIA also notes that, in 2016, the United States imported about 10.1 million barrels of petroleum per day. By embracing solar energy, Americans and citizens of any country that relies heavily on foreign oil imports, can take a big step toward increasing their energy independence.

The use of solar energy is on the rise, and there are many reasons for homeowners to embrace this increasingly popular energy source.





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Step 1 After properly preparing the wood, select an inconspicuous place on the actual wood you will be staining and test the stain to be sure you will be pleased with the final color results.

Step 2 First stain the vertical sections of the deck, such as the rails and posts, so that drips will not land on previously finished areas.



Step 3 Once the vertical surfaces are completed, proceed to the deck surface. For deck boards, stain two to three boards at a time to avoid lap marks. Do not stop in the middle of a board, or you will risk developing lap marks. Make sure to wipe up any excess stain.

#### **Deck-Staining Tips**

The best way to apply deck stain is to use a roller or spray, followed by backbrushing to even out the stain.

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## How to control common spring pests



Ants are a nuisance that become more active as the weather warms.

Just when winter thaws out and people are anxious to enjoy the blooming flowers and luscious lawns of spring, pesky pests can appear and impact comfort levels and safety.

Many pests resume their levels of activity as spring draws closer and temperatures warm up. The presence of these insects and rodents may cause problems in and around a home, which makes it essential to recognize them and avoid issues. The following are some of the more common spring pests and how to remedy infestations.

#### **PAVEMENT ANTS**

Pavement ants are some of the most common pests residents encounter inside and outside of their homes. These ants are light brown to black with appendages that are lighter than the rest of their bodies. Small in stature, pavement ants have parallel lines on their heads and thorax, according to pest extermination company Orkin.

Although pavement ants nest outdoors, they can enter homes through small crevices in search of food scraps. Their large colonies may not disappear until treatment is introduced. Keep foods in tightly sealed containers, clear counters and floors of crumbs, and address water sources, such as leaks. Pesticides may be needed in extreme conditions.

#### **FLEAS**

Fleas are tiny, jumping, biting pests that must find a host upon which to live. As ectoparasites, they feed on blood while living on the body of living hosts. Pets can bring fleas inside the yard and home in warm weather. According to the University of California Statewide Integrated Pest Management Program, flea larvae develop more quickly at higher

temperatures. At normal room temperatures, the entire life cycle of a flea is about 18 days.

Several flea control products are available to control fleas on cats and dogs. There also may be powders and sprays to alleviate flea infestations in the home. Vacuuming is also very effective in killing larvae in the carpet and at picking up adults.

#### **WASPS**

An errant wasp, hornet or yellow jacket may have survived winter and ridden out the colder temperatures within a home. Once the weather warms, queens will begin to look for places to lay eggs and establish colonies. Treating areas where wasps are seen entering and leaving the home is key. Seal holes as soon as possible.

Although wasps help control other insect populations, their painful stings and potentially aggressive nature can make them challenging to have around a home. If a nest is found, hire a professional to remove it.

#### **SPIDERS**

Many spiders are not harmful enough to humans and pets to be much of a problem. In fact, spiders can be helpful to have around to control the populations of other insects. Still, many homeowners would prefer these web-slinging friends remain outdoors. Therefore, sealing cracks in a home's foundation and repairing small openings around windows and doors can help keep spiders out. Also, alleviating moisture issues in basements, garages or attics may keep out other bugs that would be prey to spiders.

Homeowners can take the steps necessary to cut down on pests in and around their homes.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency notes that there is no practical way to eliminate all mold and mold spores in an indoor environment, including a home. But by controlling moisture in their homes or apartments, men and women can control indoor mold growth. One way to do just that is to prevent condensation in a home by adding insulation. In addition, clean building materials or furnishings that become wet as promptly as possible, and no more than 48 hours after the items have become wet. Mold produces allergens and irritants, and inhaling or touching mold or mold spores can trigger allergic responses such as sneezing, runny nose, red eyes, rashes on the skin, and even fever-like symptoms.

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## Use renovations to create healthier homes

ome renovation projects are done for several different reasons, whether to update styles, repair damaged or broken items or to achieve more living space. More than ever before, homeowners are choosing improvement projects geared toward making their homes healthier.

Establishing a healthy home means different things to different people. For example, to an environmentalist, a healthy home may incorporate eco-friendly or green products. To those with young children or mobility-impaired seniors, a healthy home may be one free from potential hazards. Others may view a healthy home as one that alleviates allergies.

The World Health Organizations says inadequate housing conditions, such as poor ventilation, radon, urban pollution, and moisture issues, can contribute to many preventable diseases and injuries — especially respiratory problems, nervous system disorders, cardiovascular diseases, and cancer. Furthermore, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ranks indoor air quality as a top five environmental risk to public health. EPA studies have found that indoor air pollution levels were roughly two to five times greater than outdoor pollution levels.

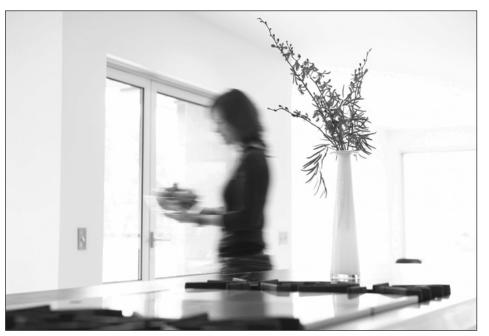
People interested in making their homes healthier can embrace these renovations and lifestyle changes.

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- Brings texture: Water has its own unique and fluid texture that can provide stark contrast to blades of grass or the hard lines of architectural elements, such as pergolas or retaining walls. A pond or fountain can soften lines.
- Enhance the natural ecosystem: Water features can attract wildlife to a property. Birds may visit to take a quick sip, and dragonflies are sure to dart and hover over the shimmering ripples. Inviting natural wildlife to the yard can add hours of entertainment by enjoying the animals and insects.
- Remedy problem areas: Rather than fighting with the landscape, homeowners can adapt it. An area of the yard prone to soggy conditions or flooding can be transformed into a pond or waterfall to work with natural surroundings.
- Foster a passion: Many people turn to water features so they can explore the hobby of nurturing an outdoor aquarium. Koi ponds are relatively easy to install and maintain, and the vibrant fish add visual appeal.
- Add a personal touch: Water features are as unique as the homeowners who create them. To set landscaping apart from neighbors' homes, homeowners can add fountains, ponds or flowing water elements to their properties. Decorative water features also can be melded with pools and spas to help these manmade recreational areas seem like they were carved right out of the natural landscape.

Water features can take landscapes to the next level with sounds, texture, movement, and beauty.



- Be aware of furniture materials. Toxic PBDEs, which are chemicals used as flame retardants on furniture fabrics produced prior to 2006, can send toxins into the air. Some manufacturers may still use these flame retardants in new forms, but with similar risks. Before purchasing furniture, ask if a product is treated, and select naturally fire-resistant materials like wool and cotton.
- Lighten up. Lighting is often underappreciated but can have a dramatic impact on whether a home feels inviting, warm and/or uplifting. Experiment with different types of bulbs and lighting fixtures to turn drab and dreary environments into brighter places. Lighting may improve mood and productivity.
- Let the sun shine in. Modify window treatments to let more sunlight into the house. There is evidence that the sun, particularly UV light, is a potent bactericide. The Sunlight Institute advises that there's no harm in letting natural sunlight do its work, as bacteria within eight feet of low-intensity UV light can be killed in 10 minutes.
- Inspect and service wood-burning appliances. A study published in the American Journal of Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology has found regular inhalation of wood smoke limits immune activity and function, and anyone who burns wood indoors should be aware of these potential health risks. Ensuring proper ventilation of smoke and routinely cleaning the chimney can help cut down on particulate matter.
- Turn to nontoxic cleaning products, pesticides and insecticides. Always opt for nontoxic, natural products when cleaning in and around the house.
- Declutter the home. A cluttered, hectic space can affect emotions and mental state, never mind attracting dust and making a home harder to clean. Spending time in spaces that do not elicit stressful feelings is healthier and can help residents to rest and recharge.

Making a home healthier can be on the list of this year's renovation plans.

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during the winter, as there is a more plentiful food source in those areas. When the food source becomes scarce Robins will show up on your lawn and you may see Bluebirds at your suet feeder. This usually happens more toward spring, but in a severe winter you may see them under your bird feeders all winter.

If you truly want to know that spring is in the air watch for the return of the Turkey Vulture. It's easy to identify these large birds. In flight they have a V shape to their wing called dihedral, they also appear to be a large

bird with a very small head. The Turkey Vulture is one

of the earliest spring arrivals to our area. Another early spring arrival is the massive flocks of grackles and red winged blackbirds. If you have had the opportunity to witness one of these flocks it may give you flashbacks to the movie The Birds.

We have been seeing more activity at the bird feeders lately as the natural food crop has diminished. That said, it's a good time to do some springtime maintenance on your bird feeders and birdhouses. Bird feeders get dirty, and dirty feeders transmit disease. Birds can transmit diseases such as conjunctivitis by touching the edge of the seed port while feeding. Conjunctivitis is highly contagious and can cause blindness in the birds. Spoiled seed or rancid suet can cause beak rot, which softens the bird's beak causing it not to be able to eat. As they say, the best defense is a good offense. Take the feeders down and thoroughly wash them with a bleach solution. If the feeders are particularly dirty wash with mild soap and then bleach. Thoroughly dry the feeder before replenishing the seed. Birdhouses also need to be cleaned out and readied for the spring nesting season. Mice will use the birdhouses in winter. Make sure mouse nests are cleaned out prior to the mice breeding in them.

Take a step outside in the morning and you will hear the bird song chorus beginning. Our resident migrants are setting up their territories and will soon be looking for a mate. By the end of April and into early May our neotropical migrants will be returning. Neotropical Songbirds are species of birds that breed in the summer in the U.S. and Canada and migrate to the Neotropics (Mexico, Central America, S. America) during winter; they often return to the same areas during each migratory stop. Many of these birds do not frequent our feeders, but they do breed in our area. One must look to see them. Going out on a bird walk in May will introduce you to birds you may have never seen before. However some of our favorites such as Ruby throated Hummingbird, and Baltimore Oriole will grace our feeders.

The Ruby throated Hummingbird is already on its way back north. A quick look at the 2018 hummingbird migration map (http://www.hummingbirds. net/map.html) will show you where they have been seen. At last look they have been spotted in North Carolina. Our recommendation is to put your hummingbird feeders out on tax day. The hummingbirds will be returning to our area toward the end of April. Hummingbirds will readily



**Ruby throated Hummingbird** 

use the hummingbird feeders but the trick is to keep the nectar fresh and the feeder clean. Only use clear hummingbird nectar. Red dye is not good for the hummingbirds and can shorten their lifespan. Change your nectar every 2 -3 days, it's not necessary to completely fill your hummingbird feeder, just use the amount that is needed for a couple of days. Nectar will spoil very quickly in the heat and the hummingbirds will not use the feeder if the nectar is spoiled.

Baltimore Orioles will return within the first few days of May so it is best to have your oranges and grape jelly out for them around

the 28th of April. Returning Orioles will look for food in the place they found it in the previous year. If the food

is available when they arrive you will have a much better chance of them staying around your yard.

Migrating Indigo Buntings will be showing up around this time also. They will come to your seed feeder on occasion and this brilliant blue bird is always a treat to see.

One of the more unwanted visitors to the bird feeders is the black bear. The bear have been destructive to the bird feeders but we have a solution to feed your birds and save your bird feeders. The Bird Store and More has a Bear Proof Bird Feeder Pole that the bear can not topple or destroy. It has saved multitudes of feeders around the country, and enables you to enjoy the birds and not worry about the bear. When the food is not readily available the bear will not return.

Until then enjoy the songbird chorus around your yard.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Spring cleaning is a ritual that many people participate in as the last vestiges of winter disappear. Spring cleaning is a time to open windows, deep clean rooms and closets and take down and launder window treatments and linens. Others use spring cleaning as a time to sort and donate or discard clutter that might have accumulated over the winter. Even though spring cleaning seems like a modern invention, the act of spring cleaning is believed to have originated centuries ago. Some say that the ancient Chinese cleaned in preparation for their New Year as they hoped to wipe away any bad luck and misfortune from the previous year. Similarly, the ancient Hebrew practice of thoroughly cleansing a home before the springtime feast of Passover may have evolved into the spring cleaning we know today. Another possible connection is the tradition of "shaking the house clean" in Iran. Iranians celebrate Now Rouz (Persian New Year) with many different rituals, one of which involves buying new clothes and cleaning every corner of the family home to signify renewal.

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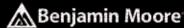




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