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Final licenses approved for Leicester retail marijuana

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – The state’s Cannabis Control Commission voted last week to approve final licenses for four marijuana establishments, including a Leicester-based business.

Cultivate Holdings, LLC, received approval to conduct cultivation, product manufacturing, and retail operations. Located at 1764 Main

“The state has been very thorough with this process to make sure everything is being done correctly.”

SAM BARBER, President of Cultivate Holdings

St., the business earned the state’s first recreational marijuana license over the summer and has been waiting for state

approval ever since. “The final licenses were granted based on recommendations from Commission staff who thoroughly reviewed each application and related materials and completed inspections on site,” read a statement issued by the commission.

In order to earn final licensure, applicants had to demonstrate during each inspection that they comply with regula-

tions and meet specific operational requirements. Prior to opening, licensees must become established in the commission’s mandatory seed-to-sale tracking system, pass an additional inspection, and satisfy several final conditions.

State officials were also waiting for the approval of two independent testing labs prior to giving retail businesses the green light. For the Cultivate

staff, the delay in receiving final approval allowed for plenty of time to make sure all aspects of the business were ready to go.

“The state has been very thorough with this process to make sure everything is being done correctly,” said Sam Barber, the president of the

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Purloined puppy gives politico pause

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER



Courtesy photo. Two-month-old puppy Mickey was recently stolen from a local animal shelter. Thanks to the quick work of police, he was returned safely and the suspect was arrested.

EAST BROOKFIELD – A congressional hopeful spent last week in damage control mode after her son was arrested and charged with stealing a puppy from a local animal shelter.

Alexander Lovvorn, age 19, of Grafton, was arraigned on Oct. 10 on one count of larceny. Police say he stole a two-month-old lab mix puppy named Mickey from the Second Chance Animal Shelter in town.

Lovvorn is the son of Grafton’s Tracy Lovvorn, a Republican congressional candidate who is challenging Congressman Jim McGovern for his 2nd Congressional District seat.

Police arrested Lovvorn on Oct. 9 after the shelter staff reported the puppy missing. Lovvorn initially entered the shelter with a young woman, police said, and the couple expressed interest in adopting a puppy.

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Committee to study solar situation

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – After selectmen voted during their Oct. 10 meeting to establish a solar bylaw advisory committee, four members have been named.

In the wake of recent solar project approvals in town, selectmen made it a priority to form the committee. Residents Matthew Defosse, Tanya McAuley, Paula Orcutt, and Nancy Tame were all appointed as members on Oct. 10. Selectman Ralph Hicks will serve as the committee’s selectboard liaison, and both the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission will have a designee.

During the Board’s Sept. 24 meeting, selectmen discussed the number and type of representatives they would like to see on the bylaw committee. There was also discussion on the scope of what would be covered by the committee during its review process.

Officials thank the four residents for their interest in getting involved.

“All of these members will bring their different experiences to the committee, and I have confidence that they will be very thorough in their review,” Selectman Tony Pepe said.

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Strauss working to earn votes



Kevin Flanders photo

Jean Strauss is on the campaign trail.

EAST BROOKFIELD – With a desire to carry on the work of Stephen Brewer and Anne Gobi, Democratic state representative candidate Jean Strauss feels that her eclectic background makes her the right choice for the 5th Worcester District.

A writer, documentary filmmaker, athlete, legislative advocate, wife, mother and grandmother, Strauss feels uniquely qualified for the seat after decades of assisting people in multiple capacities.

“My background has afforded me a keen perspective on the issues most important in people’s lives and the ways that legislation at the state level can make a real difference,” Strauss said. “I’ve spent the

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Governor candidates explain differences

BY JERRY CARTON
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

Election Day is drawing near and the two candidates for the state’s top job differ on a series of major issues important to voters.

Governor Charlie Baker, who defeated then Attorney

General Martha Coakley four years ago is seeking a second term. The governor says his administration has created over 180,000 new jobs during the last four years with more people employed state wide than at any time in the last 20 years and the state’s unem-

ployment average is at 3.5% because of his policies. Baker said household incomes have risen “dramatically with every demographic group seeing increases in take home pay.”

Baker adds, “thanks to pro-growth leadership,

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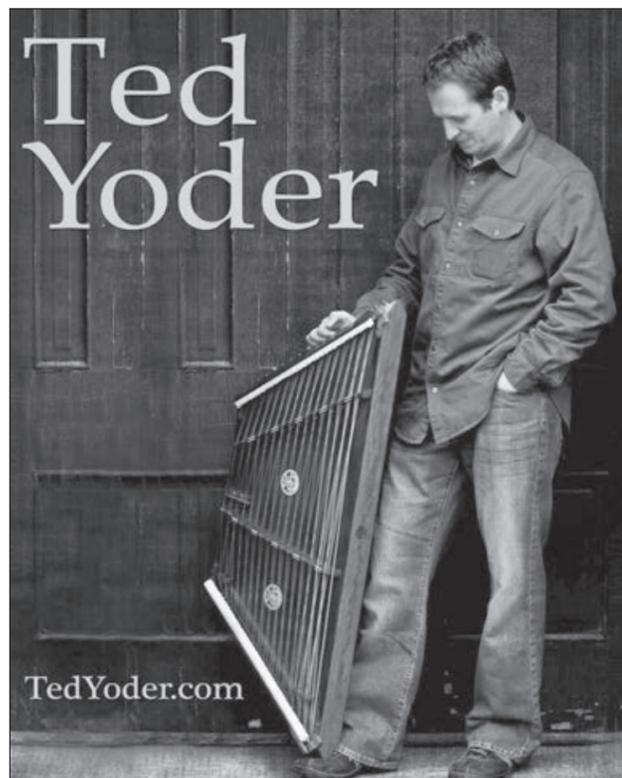
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Yoder to play in Brookfield

Internet video sensation Ted Yoder brings his hammered dulcimer to the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church for a concert at 7:00 p.m. on Nov. 10.

Yoder's cover of Tears for Fears' "Everybody Wants to Rule the World" became one of the most-watched Facebook Live posts in 2016, with more than 101 million views from fans around the world. When a barefooted Yoder performed the hit on his hammered dulcimer in his Indiana family's backyard with their pet raccoon, he immediately became an Internet sensation known as "Dulcimer Dad." His unique performance style in popular

songs including Journey's "Don't Stop Believing," The Beatles' "Eleanor Rigby," and classics such as "Amazing Grace" and "The Little Drummer Boy" has become known as "Yoderizing."

For all the Internet hoopla, Yoder is a musician with real chops. His talent and showmanship are steeped in an Appalachian musical tradition with origins that can be traced back to 300 BCE in Greece. He has played the dulcimer for decades and won America's National Hammered Dulcimer Championship in 2010. Until you hear Yoder, it is impossible to imagine that one wood-

en stringed instrument can sound like an entire rock band or a whole symphony orchestra all in one.

Yoder has released five solo albums and been featured in Huffington Post and on NPR's All Things Considered. His first performance in Massachusetts will be Nov. 10 at the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church, 9 Upper River St., on the Brookfield Common, at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and are available through BrownPaperTickets.com or for cash at the door.

Courtesy photo

Ted Yoder will debut in Massachusetts at the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church.

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Second annual trivia night at EB Flatts on Oct 28. 4:00-7:30. \$10 per person. Sandwiches and drinks for sale. All money raised goes towards the 100th Anniversary Celebration in 2020.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
WILLIMANTIC, CT — A number of civic-minded students from Eastern Connecticut State University are serving thousands of hours in the community this fall semester as student leaders with Eastern's Center for Community Engagement (CCE). A student leader is an experienced student volunteer who has been hired and trained by the CCE to recruit, train and manage volunteers, serve as a liaison with community partners, and plan and run service programs.

Among the student leaders is Dillon Antonopoulos '20 of West Brookfield, who majors in Physical Education. Antonopoulos volunteers with Sweeney Elementary School After School Program and Windham Middle School After School Program. Student leaders attend weekly community programs with their volunteers, as well as assist with volunteer recruitment and management for one-time special events. CCE Director Kim Silcox notes that student leaders are an integral part of the CCE staff.

MELODY MAKERS CONCERT
On Monday Oct. 22 at 5:45 p.m. at Senior Living at Prouty, 195 Main St., Spencer, a program featuring the Melody Makers, with a concert and a sing-along is planned. The public is invited, the event is free and refreshments are served. Call (617) 431-4937 for information or to reserve your place.

FALL FAIR
Fall Fair, Saturday, Oct. 20, 9 am to 2 pm at the First Congregational Church, North Brookfield. The fair will feature plants, jewelry, baked goods, homemade items, attic treasures and a drawing. Lunch will be served and will consist of a number of different soups, assorted sandwiches and apple crisp with ice cream. The public is invited.

RUN-WALK FOR DIABETES
The Apple Run/Walk for Diabetes is an event organized by the Lions Club of the Brookfields. This year's run/walk will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3

and covers a 5 mile course on scenic country roads beginning and ending at the Brookfield Orchards, 12 Lincoln Street, North Brookfield. Walkers will start at 10:30 and runners at 11:00. The Run/Walk will be in its 13th year, with past proceeds amounting to over \$23,000 donated to our two diabetes charities: the Clara Barton Camp for Diabetic Girls in Oxford and the UMass Diabetes Research team in Worcester. Run/Walk sponsor Rapsallion Brewery will again be onsite at the orchard to serve their craft beer, with a complimentary beer for all registered participants of legal age. For more information on how to participate in the Run/Walk and contribute to our causes, please go to brookfieldslionsclub.org.

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Dream comes true for teacher and students alike

KIMBERLY MASCHI
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

"Where words fail, music speaks" -Hans Christian Andersen.

"Music is for everyone, if they want it to be," says Samantha Raillo, director, owner and instructor for the Hedera School of Music located at 880 Pleasant St. in Rochdale. The Hedera School of Music used to be the Leicester School of Music until Raillo closed the sale on the school in April of 2018, and re-opened it on May 1, 2018. She renamed the school but kept the instructors, instruments, equipment, contacts, and locations.

The second location is inside the First Congregation Church of Leicester. At the young age of 26, Raillo has accomplished her dreams and is proud of her accomplishments. In 2014 Raillo earned her degree in music education for grades Kindergarten through 12. Her instructors, Kayla Benoit, and William Palleria, also come from the former school and carry degrees as well.

The school teaches a wide array of instruments. Woodwind, brass, keyboards, string including cello and viola, and percussion including bells are all taught by the three instructors, each one having their own specialties. Raillo also teaches music theory and history of music.

Music is a way of life to Raillo, and she believes that every child can be taught how to play an instrument and can learn life lessons from music.

"If you start them young enough, they can absorb it quickly. Music works many parts of the brain," says Raillo. "Learning music can teach the child how to work through something. It can help them through real life troubles. When they are

struggling they practice, and soon they work through the problem. They feel great when they work through the problem and we can get them there."

"Music introduces children to other things like math, rhythm, fractions and more without them knowing it," states Raillo.

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When it comes to children who need a little more guidance and understanding Raillo states, "It all depends on the specific student. We have a non-verbal student and I needed to figure out how to communicate with him."

That student is thriving at his lessons with Raillo, and continues to make great progress. Flexible lesson plans for each individual student is what sets the Hedera School of Music apart from music classes in school orchestra settings.

"Some students just need one on one help with music. We offer private lessons for those struggling to keep up in their school band or orchestra."

Some school districts are unable to give ample attention to single students who need a bit more practice and help.

"We love to work with the



Kim Maschi photo

Samantha Raillo at the Hedera School of Music.

schools and help the individual student catch up and thrive," says Raillo. Some children just need a little extra and that is just one of the focuses that the instructors help with.

Raillo is dedicated to her students. "My lessons are meant to be uplifting. It is okay to make a mistake, it means you are learning."

Raillo wants to keep her students engaged, "I try to instill practicing at home. We break the song down and I remind them of how far they have come."

"It is never too late to learn," says Raillo and she offers lessons to everyone of

any age. There are no semesters or enrollment windows. There are no time commitments, we try to make it flexible. Local music stores have rent to own instruments for those who do not yet know with what they wish to work.

The programs are all individually designed to the student and the instructors are educated, patient, and dedicated to each and every student. Raillo currently has students from Leicester, Worcester, Oxford, Spencer, Auburn, Rochdale and more surrounding towns. Call (774) 371-0570 or email at musicdirector@leicestermusic.org.



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Fundraiser is barking good time

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Local pets will be joining in this year's Halloween fun, as a first-time fundraiser will provide several spooky thrills and chills.

Organized by Second Chance Animal Services, the first annual Halloween Barktacular will take place on Saturday, Oct. 27, at Camp Marshall. Set for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the free event will include haunted hayrides, pony rides, dog games, a group walk, a scavenger hunt, a raffle, and dog massages.

Additionally, there will be plenty of specialized events for owners to share with their pets. These include painting with pets and trick-or-treating for kids and pets. All proceeds from the event will benefit services provided by SCAS.

"We are really excited about the event. We know that kids love animals, and we thought it was a great way for them to be able to have fun and help animals at the same time," said Lindsay Doray, who manages marketing and outreach efforts for SCAS.

As if the event isn't exciting enough

already for kids and families, author Jonathan Hall will stop by with Toto the Tornado Kitten from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hall will sign his book and share Toto's harrowing story of survival during the 2011 tornado that carved a path of destruction through several area towns. Children's book author Kimberly Palmucci will also be in attendance to discuss her book, Purr-fectly Lucky, which promotes the importance of adopting shelter pets and special needs pets.

Other programs on tap include CGC certifications by 4 Paws Academy, a Halloween contest, an indoor RC race-track, and live music throughout the day. For kids, a bouncy castle and an indoor fun zone with carnival games will provide unforgettable experiences. There will also be plenty of candy handed out, so make sure to bring your trick-or-treating buckets.

Guests of all ages – even four-legged friends – are encouraged to show off their costumes at the Halloween extravaganza. To cap off the event, local radio host Adam Webster, of 98.9 Nash Icon, will drop by for a guest appearance.

For event organizers, it is exciting to have a packed schedule of activities for kids and adults alike. SCAS runs several fundraising programs each year, but officials are always looking for creative ways to energize residents and bring new families on board.

The event is also a great way to teach kids about the importance of giving back, SCAS leaders said. By getting them involved in fundraising efforts from an early age, the goal is to build a foundation for lifelong volunteerism.

"We are hoping the event will be a success so that Second Chance can continue to help more pets in need and keep programs going," Doray added.

SCAS assists over 34,000 pets each year through adoption, low-cost spay/neuter programs, and subsidized veterinary care. Thanks to funds raised throughout the year, the organization is able to offer assistance to countless low-income pet owners.

Camp Marshall is located at 92 McCormick Road. To learn more about the event, visit www.secondchanceanimals.org and follow the link from the events page.

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Bertonazzi Foundation seeking best election turnout by town

The race to determine the Senator Louis Bertonazzi Foundation 2017-18 Outstanding Citizenship Award is entering its final stage with the upcoming Nov. 6th election. The competition among the 19 area towns to identify the "Best Voting Community 2017-18" has completed the local election of 2017, the local election of 2018 and the recent September State Primary, and the winner will be announced following the inclusion of the upcoming November election results.

The percentages of registered voters who actually come out to vote in each of the four elections in all 19 towns that had been represented by Senator Bertonazzi during his legislative service will be tabulated. The town with the highest percentage of registered voters who cast ballots will be declared winner of the Outstanding Citizenship Award as "Best Voting Community 2017-18".

A check for \$1,000 will be presented to that town's clerk and Board of Registrars, along with a plaque to the Board of Selectmen. In addition, a large banner will be unfurled and awarded to the townspeople whose civic spirit in turning out to vote earned the award.

As shown in the accompanying chart, the town of Douglas, with a cumulative percentage total of 20.01%, is currently leading the other 18 towns on the basis of its voting percentages in the three elections leading up to the Nov. 6th election.

The towns of Uxbridge, Millville, Mendon, Milford, Oxford, Grafton, Upton and Southbridge comprise the first tier of leading challengers.

Lou Bertonazzi Foundation Election Results - % of registered voters that voted

Town	2017 Local	2018 Local	2018 Sept Primary	% through 3 elections
Douglas	1.89%	44.93%	13.20%	20.01%
Uxbridge	25.74%	9.20%	20.17%	18.37%
Millville	14.10%	20.57%	19.73%	18.13%
Mendon	21.35%	12.20%	17.57%	17.04%
Milford	17.35%	17.71%	14.70%	16.59%
Oxford	15.74%	16.14%	15.81%	15.90%
Grafton	17.35%	13.10%	16.86%	15.77%
Upton	18.78%	11.01%	16.79%	15.53%
Southbridge	18.82%	13.70%	10.03%	14.18%
Sutton	12.60%	11.06%	16.67%	13.44%
Auburn	9.25%	12.78%	16.99%	13.00%
Blackstone	15.96%	2.31%	19.87%	12.71%
Westborough	12.42%	9.03%	16.60%	12.68%
Bellingham	10.38%	2.73%	25.35%	12.82%
Hopedale	13.97%	4.38%	19.36%	12.57%
Webster	11.05%	9.57%	12.30%	10.97%
Charlton	7.46%	8.48%	14.40%	10.11%
Northbridge	2.99%	9.94%	14.01%	8.98%
Dudley	6.81%	4.17%	14.20%	8.39%

Sutton, Auburn, Blackstone, Westborough, Bellingham and Hopedale make up the middle tier.

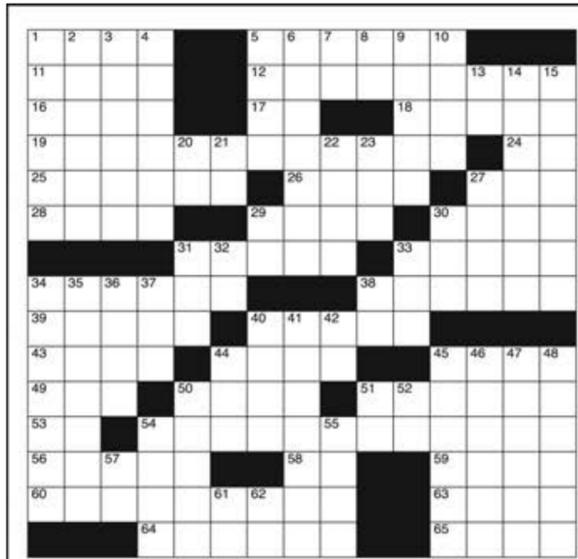
To this point, the trailing towns are Webster, Charlton, Northbridge and Dudley.

Just as the rankings have shifted with each of the first three elections, the upcoming November election will have a profound effect on the final standings. Anyone can win.

Not only those who have voted faithfully over the years, but also young new voters who have recently demonstrated a strong interest in government issues, will have another reason to vote.

Hopefully, this competition will provide an additional incentive for all voters in the 19 towns to exercise their voting privilege, a privilege won and protected by the sacrifice of so many over the years.

The Senator Louis Bertonazzi Foundation Board of Directors are Dr. Carl DiGregorio, chairman; Michael Diorio, treasurer; Atty. David Bertonazzi, clerk; and members Cynthia Casey, Thomas Cullen, Gail Crimaldi, Joseph Nigro, Janice Guerriere, Julie Richards and Louis Bertonazzi, ex-officio.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Hindu month
- 5. Fashion accessories
- 11. Prong
- 12. Clever
- 16. Network of nerves
- 17. Helps the police (abbr.)
- 18. Russian lake
- 19. Not allowed into evidence
- 24. Indicates position
- 25. Without clothes
- 26. Geological times
- 27. Folk singer DiFranco
- 28. Buddy
- 29. ___ but don't break
- 30. Father
- 31. Cast a shadow over
- 33. Afghan city
- 34. Concluding speech
- 38. Type of creed
- 39. French Revolution image "The Death of ___"
- 40. Syrian president al-__
- 43. Soviet composer
- 44. Dove into
- 45. Famed Broadway producer
- 49. Leavened bread
- 50. Ruling family House of ___
- 51. Planet
- 53. Publicity
- 54. Manifesting approval
- 56. Fern genus
- 58. Larry and Curly's pal
- 59. Company officer
- 60. Expressed loathing for
- 63. Birthplace of Constantine
- 64. People from Asia
- 65. "Hercules" voice Donovan

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Central hall or court
- 2. Italian city
- 3. All there
- 4. Seamstress's tool
- 5. Sends after
- 6. Used in herbal medicine
- 7. Specific gravity
- 8. A male
- 9. Hydroxyls + 2C
- 10. Trigonometric function
- 13. Archaic language (abbr.)
- 14. East African native
- 15. Satisfy
- 20. Mother
- 21. Where innate impulses are processed
- 22. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 23. Not good
- 27. Swiss river
- 29. A-Team member Baracus
- 30. Calendar month
- 31. Drunk
- 32. Mercury
- 33. Concealed
- 34. Give forth
- 35. Contradiction in terms
- 36. Middle Eastern country
- 37. On the ___
- 38. Sodium
- 40. One who attended a school
- 41. Supporters
- 42. South Dakota
- 44. American brewer Adams, Sr.
- 45. Type of attorney
- 46. Absence of oxygen
- 47. Most sheer
- 48. Human soul, mind or spirit
- 50. Flies high above
- 51. University of Dayton
- 52. Dorm moderator (abbr.)
- 54. Intestinal pouches
- 55. Assents to
- 57. Delaware
- 61. Robots are a byproduct of this
- 62. Tantalum



Treasurer's race has viable candidates

BY JERRY CARTON
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

The candidates for state treasurer are the Democratic incumbent Deb Goldberg and Republican state Rep. Keiko Orrall of Bristol.

Goldberg, elected in 2014, says economic empowerment, economic security, and economic stability were the driving forces behind her candidacy in the first place and have been her priority over the last four years.

She said, "Government has an important role to play in improving people's lives. Whether in saving taxpayer dollars through smart debt management to ensuring high school students to learn how to avoid debt."

Goldberg said she's kept her campaign promises.

Foremost among these was the creation of a college savings plan called SeedMA for kindergarten

students at no cost to taxpayers. "Research shows a kid with a savings plan is seven times more likely to attend college," she said. Goldberg said she supports vocational and technical training to keep workers in Massachusetts.

Goldberg said she has leveraged the treasurer's office and the pension fund to fight for greater diversity on corporate boards and executive positions. She said she knows from her own private sector experience that "companies that invest in people and reflect the vibrancy of our communities are far more successful, resulting in a better economy for everyone."

For her part, Orrall, the first Asian-American elected to the state House of Representatives (2011) said she led the drive to stop Massachusetts' participation in PARRC, a national testing consortium.

Orrall adds she was instru-

mental "in helping to pass legislation to give small businesses certainty in tax filing deadlines by matching federal and state requirements."

She said she "worked with a bipartisan group to stop an unnecessary regulation in the medical field that would have cost city and town taxpayers millions of dollars."

Orrall said she has also worked with senior citizen advocates and legislators to "help block a measure which would have shut down a quarter of the nursing homes in the state through over-regulation and disregard for the needs of the elder population."

"I am running for state treasurer because I believe voters want someone who relates to them and will bring a common sense, fiscally conservative approach to running the state's finances," is Orrall's statement.

Are Instant Offers a good idea?

In order to make things simpler and easier for the consumer that are several companies coming out with options for home sellers to get an instant offer online for their home so they do not have to worry about the hassle of selling their home. Some of the big players that are doing this are Zillow, Offerpad and Open door. This does make things easier for the consumer but at what cost? The offers they are giving do not seem too bad until you look at the fine print. With most of their offers there will be service fees and repair credits that they request so in the end that good offer you got will not be as good.

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to navigate you through this challenging market so they can help you to market your home to get the most money and also give you confidence that you got the right price for the home. There are many times I have gotten too good to be true offers only to have the investor come back and say there were not necessary to get the price down after they got it under contract.

Local early voting times and places

Laura Torti, town clerk for the town of Spencer, has accumulated the hours and places for early voting at surrounding towns before the Nov. 6 election. Should there be any questions, call the town clerk in your town for more information.

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Brookfield	508-867-2930 x12	Oct 22 9:00-3:00 Oct 23 9:00-3:00 Oct 24 2:00-3:00 Oct 25 9:00-3:00 Oct 29 9:00-3:00 Oct 30 9:00-3:00 Oct 31 2:00-8:00 Nov 1 9:00-3:00	Town Hall 6 Central Street
East Brookfield	508-867-6769 x301	Oct 22 11:00AM - 2:00PM Oct 23 6:00PM - 8:00PM Oct 24 11:00AM - 2:00PM Oct 25 10:00AM - 11:00AM Oct 29 11:00AM - 12:00PM Oct 29 6:00AM - 2:00PM Oct 30 8:00PM Oct 31 11:00AM - 2:00PM Nov 1 10:00AM - 11:00AM	Town Clerk's Office 122 Connie Mack Drive
North Brookfield	508-867-0203	Oct 23 9:00-3:00 Oct 25 9:00-3:00 Oct 27 9:00-Noon Oct 30 9:00-3:00 & 5:00-8:00 Nov 1st 9:00-3:00	Town Clerk's Office 215 North Main St
West Brookfield	508-867-3421 x302	Oct 29 11am-2pm	Town Hall 2 East Main Street
Leicester	508-892-7011	Oct 22 8:00-5:00 Oct 23 8:00-8:00 Oct 24 8:00-5:00 Oct 25 8:00-5:00 Oct 27 8:00-Noon Oct 29 8:00-5:00 Oct 30 8:00-7:00 Oct 31 8:00-5:00 Nov 1 8:00-5:00	Town Hall 3 Washburn Sq
Spencer	508-885-7500 x150	Oct 22 7:30-4:30 Oct 23 7:30-7:00 Oct 24 7:30-4:30 Oct 25 7:30-Noon Oct 27 8:00-Noon Oct 29 7:30-4:30 Oct 30 7:30-7:00 October 31 7:30-4:30 November 1 7:30-Noon November 2 10:00-Noon	Town Hall 157 Main St

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The Pumpkin Harvest is in!



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Fields of plump pumpkins ripening on the vine, flickering Jack O'Lanterns lighting the way for a parade of little ghosts and goblins, and a simmering pot of thick pumpkin soup — such are the simple pleasures of a New England autumn.

The humble pumpkin is rich in both nutrition and heritage. In the 17th century fairy tale, Cinderella's coach magically appeared from a large, stout pumpkin; Native Americans and early settlers revered pumpkin seeds as a medicinal sedative; and in modern times, carved triangle faces transform sugar pumpkins into annual ghoulish spoofs. It should come as no surprise the harvest vegetable continues to serve as a highly anticipated autumn treat. Read on for some seasonal ways to pump up your pumpkin pleasure!

Mum's the Word: Chrysanthemum and pumpkins are two autumn delights that are even better when merged. Create a unique "urn"

for your hearty mums by gutting a tall pumpkin and placing a pot of blooming mums right into the pumpkin. The contrasting colors and texture make the perfect display when perched on a front stoop or porch step.

Seedy Treat: Many Halloween traditions include gathering the seeds from a carved Jack O'Lantern to toast in a warm oven. To properly toast pumpkin seeds, remove all pulp and clean strings from the seeds. Place seeds in a bowl and stir in melted butter or olive oil and salt to coat the seeds. Spread seeds on a cookie sheet and bake in a 275° oven for about an hour or until the seeds are golden brown and crisp. Avoid overcooking as seeds can become hard and tough.

Sprout Surprise: Pumpkin seeds can even be sprouted to use on sandwiches and in salads. Pumpkin seeds are a healthy snack as they are over 30 percent protein and are high in and oil-soluble vitamins A, D, and E. To sprout pumpkin seeds, place the seeds in a glass jar (Mason jars are ideal) and cover with water just to cover. Secure a piece of cheesecloth over the top with a rubber band. Soak seeds overnight. The next day, drain the water out and place the jar in dark

area that is room temperature. Rinse the seeds in the jar at least four times a day. After a few days, you should see the seeds sprouting. Rinse them again and place the jar in the sun for a day or so until tiny leaves form. They are now ready to use as a tasty garnish or salad addition.

Frozen Pumpkins: Freezing cooked, pureed pumpkin is a favored way to preserve the taste and texture of pumpkin. Sugar or pie pumpkins are ideal candidates for freezing as the pulp is thicker and firmer. To easily prepare a pumpkin for pureeing, simply place the whole fruit in the microwave for about a minute or so to soften the skin. This will make the pumpkin much easier to peel. Cut the pumpkin in large slices, peel the skin and remove the strings and seeds. Then cut the slices into smaller pieces. Boil the pumpkin pieces until tender, then mash or process the pumpkin pulp until it forms a smooth, thick puree.

Pulverized Pumpkin: Pumpkin can also be dried, which was a favored method of the colonists. Drying pumpkin must be done carefully in order to kill all the germs that would make it spoil. Split the pumpkin in half and remove the seeds. Remove the skin and cut the fruit into thin slices.

Steam for about six minutes. Spread on a tray and dry in the sun or in a solar dryer until dry and brittle. This will take about two days. If flies are a problem, cover with netting. Pumpkin needs to be dried in hot sun so that it dries quickly before it spoils. Dried pumpkin can also be made into a flour, which can be used just as you would all purpose flour in cooking and baking. To do, simply pulverize the dry pumpkin in a food processor.

Fresh Pumpkin Bisque
Here's an easy recipe for a rich pumpkin soup. For a vegetarian version, just switch vegetable broth for the chicken broth.

Ingredients: 1 medium onion, chopped; 2 stalks celery, chopped; 3 cloves garlic, chopped; 4 cups chicken (or vegetable) broth; 2 tomatoes, chopped; 2 bay leaves; ½ teaspoon nutmeg; 2 cups pumpkin purée (one medium sugar pumpkin, about four pounds, yield about 1 ½ cup purée); salt and pepper to taste; 1 cup heavy cream.

Instructions: Sauté onions, celery, and garlic in butter. Add broth, tomatoes, bay leaves and nutmeg. Cook until vegetables are very soft. Strain and reserve liquid. Purée vegetables with some liquid and strain through a sieve.

Combine liquid, puréed vegetables, and pumpkin; heat. Add cream and season with salt and pepper.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint! c/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or E-mail KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Site now available for town purposes



Kevin Flanders photos.

State Representative Donald Berthiaume, right, and East Brookfield Selectman Theodore Boulay discuss recent projects in town. Among them was the demolition of the original fire station, which was funded by earmarks secured by Berthiaume.



The land that once housed the original fire station can now be used for several community purposes.

EAST BROOKFIELD – Now that the original fire station has been taken down, officials are considering several options for the site located at the heart of the town campus.

Thanks to state funding secured by Representative Donald Berthiaume, the town was able to demolish the deteriorated building in June. Berthiaume helped the town obtain \$25,000 in economic development earmarks for the project, which not only funded the demolition but also asbestos removal on the site.

Prior to its demolition, the building had been on the verge of collapsing into the adjacent river and required extensive support. Officials were worried about kids potentially going inside and getting injured.

"The building wasn't just an eyesore – it was also a big hazard. Donnie was instrumental in getting that money for us," said Selectman Theodore Boulay.

Officials have discussed several potential options for the future of the land, which sits behind the current fire station. It could be used for a community building, a storage facility, or as auxiliary space for the fire department. The land is located directly across the street from Connie Mack Field, where weekly concerts are held each summer.

For Berthiaume, it's important to find ways to secure funding for projects throughout his district, especially those that improve safety and enhance the community. Berthiaume has assisted the East Brookfield town campus in several ways in recent years, including his role in constructing the snack shack outside Connie Mack Field two years ago.

"It's a great town, and the people work very hard on every project. It means a lot for me to be able to help however I can," Berthiaume said.

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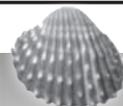
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CLASSROOM CORNER

School trip benefits from a good golf swing



Courtesy photo.

Teachers, residents, and business partners recently took part in a fundraising golf tournament to support the annual EBES sixth grade class trip.

EAST BROOKFIELD — The elementary school's annual sixth grade trip to Washington D.C. doesn't take place until the spring, but fundraising preparations always start early.

The school held its first fundraiser for the trip earlier this month, a golf tournament hosted by Bay Path Golf Course in town. With the help of 56 golf-

ers, 23 sponsors, and donations from various businesses and residents, the tournament was successful for another year.

"We cannot express our gratitude enough for all the individuals and community members that helped us kick off our fundraising efforts for the trip," said sixth grade teacher Christine Lavin, who helps

organize fundraising efforts each year for the trip.

All proceeds from the golf tournament will benefit the sixth grade class trip to the nation's capital in April. Students look forward to the trip throughout their careers at EBES, and this spring the many years of waiting will finally come to an end. Students visit several historic sites during the trip, learning

a lot and also bonding as a class during their final year at EBES.

Results from the golf tournament fundraiser are included below.

First place team: Chris Depasse, Kristen Depasse, Lisa Kularski, Jim Kularski

Longest drive (Men's): Paul McQuade

Longest drive (Women's): Chrissy Lavin

Closest to the pin (Men's): Gary Suter

Closest to the pin (Women's): Melody Miller

Closest to the Washington Monument: Wendy Hebert

School officials thank all parents, residents, staff members, and business sponsors who support fundraising efforts throughout the year for the trip.

What the Brett Kavanaugh decision means to me

Men have gotten away with objectifying my body, violating my world, and contaminating my mind with feelings of anxiety and fear since I was a young teenager.

The first time I was sexually harassed, I was 14 years old and taking classes at Quinsigamond Community College. I was the

youngest student at the school, and the man who approached me was 24 years old with tattoos all over his arms and an intense personality. After my experience with dodging his stagnant eyes and trying to ignore his explicit comments, I spent my time between classes each day hiding in the bathroom, a far corner

of the cafeteria, or between the rows of books in the library, hoping that no man would see me or try to speak to me.

The first time I was sexually assaulted, I was 17 years old and a student at UMass Amherst. I was studying in the library with a boy from my macroeconomics class who I thought was my friend, but he wanted me and wouldn't take no for an answer. He grabbed me and forced himself on me so quickly that I barely had time to process what had happened. I pushed his hands away and screamed, but all he did was laugh.

My reality as a 21-year-old woman living in the United States is that I am sexually harassed almost every day and have been sexually assaulted multiple times. It is a burden I had bestowed upon me when I was born a girl, because although some men have been in this position as well, it is a fact that women in this country are much more likely to experience sexual hostility than men.

On October 6, a notification from BBC News came up on my iPhone, letting me know that by confirming Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court in a 50-48 vote, my own country made the decision to not take sexual harassment and assault seriously enough. I started crying, not just for Dr. Christine Blasey Ford, Deborah Ramirez, Julie Swetnick, and the anonymous fourth accuser who spoke out against our newest Supreme Court Justice, but for Anita Hill, who accused Justice Clarence Thomas of sexual harassment in 1991, and every single person who has found the courage to tell their story only to be dismissed.

The Supreme Court is the highest court we have in the country, supposedly made up of justices who are capable of providing the most reasonable judgement and displaying the most honorable behavior. Kavanaugh was formally accused of inexcusable conduct by four women, yet today he is sitting on the bench with the responsibility of evaluating the most law-abiding outcome of some of this country's toughest and cloudiest cases. When we allow it to become acceptable for our country to trust someone who has been accused of multiple cases of sexual misconduct to make our most important legal decisions, we are making sexual harassment and assault an acceptable part of our society and a common happening in the daily lives of American women.

Kavanaugh's appointment to the



MIND OF A CURIOUS GIRL
ANNIE SANDOLI

Supreme Court means that my 14-year-old self was right to hide in the corners of the school instead of speak out, because there was no way for me to prove that a man who was a decade older than me was sexually harassing me and

making me feel uncomfortable and disrespected at my own school.

It means that the boy who assaulted me at age 17 will never actually suffer consequences for his actions because too many people would say that he was just young and reckless, and even though his laugh still echoes in my mind, I can't prove that he groped me and put his hand between my legs without my consent.

It means that the man who repeatedly asked me out when I was 19 years old despite being three times my age was just exercising his freedom of speech when he wouldn't take no for an answer, stalking me at my workplace and around Harvard Square for weeks.

It means that being taken advantage of at age 20 was simply a learning experience for me, because not touching a woman when she's intoxicated seems to be an unrealistic expectation and I can't prove that he overstepped my boundaries because I was barely conscious, only remembering it enough to continue to be haunted by feelings of violation.

It means that I will have to come to terms with every sexual harassment and assault experience I have had and will have on my own, because no matter how much time I've spent telling my story, fighting against sexualization, and speaking out for the Me Too movement, men still get away with taunting me and touching me without my consent and they have since I was 14 years old.

It means that the MeToo movement has not yet made enough progress, not yet convinced enough people, and not yet changed the country enough to take a step back and take pride in its progress.

Brett Kavanaugh's appointment to the Supreme Court means that I, as a woman living in the United States, am not and will not be taken seriously enough in my own country when I tell my story or speak out against sexual assault. It means that men will continue to look up my skirt on escalators, catcall me when I pass them on the street, or grope me on public transportation, because they know they will get away with it.

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3. October is Halloween Safety Month. Give us some tips on keeping our kids safe this Halloween.
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Paying good money just to be scared

As the maid came down the ornate wooden staircase, black blood pooled from her eyes, and she feather dusted the railing while completely dismissive of the cobwebs everywhere.



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“How do you think she died?” I asked my friend Aimee, who was brave enough to accompany me on this spooky night where she would be the designated driver, and I had a free ticket for champagne.

She shrugged her shoulders unknowingly. “I bet she was swept off her feet,” I said... and that was just the start to the night.

I found it hilarious, my mom jokes are on point and when I am put into a new and scary situation, humor is my go-to. I guarantee you, actors in these places hate me. I know this, but I cannot help it, inappropriate humor is my defense. Aimee and I chose to take the spooky tour through the mansion and we saw horror on top of horror.

“Where are my eyes? He took my eyes!” a woman adorned in all white lay on the medical table. Blood soaked through the bandages wrapped around her head and eye sockets. She squirmed and fought against her restraints as a tall man stood over her. His face was hidden with a surgical mask and glasses, he held something that resembled an ice cream scoop and of course, I said I would take a scoop of eye-scream!

Sorry, I know. I did it again. No one was amused, except me of course.

Moving on to the next room. We went up the stairs, in heels, so this just proves that I am not one to mess with! A battle between ghosts happened in the hallway. The chef and the butler stabbed each other over their mutual love for the maid. I found no humor in this, it was actually pretty terrifying. They lunged at each other and fought to the ground while screaming. I stood frozen in my spot and threw a few punches into the air. I recently watched Big Trouble in Little China so obviously, I knew all the right moves.

When the battle was over Aimee tapped my shoulder to turn around and I turned to look straight into the bleeding eyes and nose of a death riddled bride. Through the veil she tilted her head and smiled. No funny quips this round folks, I screamed and ran.

Once I calmed down, I simply stated that I wasn't afraid of the bride, just the concept of commitment...

Aimee and I decided to explore some random rooms. Animals, skeletons, moving pictures, and shimmering candles decorated the various mantels. I slowly pushed open a large door, with a moaning creak and entered what seemed to be a study. Tables were turned, books were thrown about the floor, a struggle happened here. Off in the corner of the room stood a man. He

had his back turned to us and was completely still. I said, “hey! How's it going? Whatcha doing?”

I was in complete panic at this point. I was on edge and I am such a wimp! My imagination gets the best of me, and when you put me in this kind of situation I honestly lose myself in the moment. I become so engrossed in everything that is happening it blurs the line of reality. The man in the corner slowly turned towards us, he had a noose tightly wrapped around his neck. “Oh!” I said, “you want to hang out?”

Hilarious to me, Aimee slapped me on the shoulder and shook her head in disappointment. We went back downstairs to watch the amazing performers teaching others in attendance how to dance.

The other guests to the event came dressed in fancy attire all fitting the speakeasy theme. The band played songs from the 1920s like I Want to be Loved by You by Helen Kane and Perhaps, Perhaps, Perhaps by Doris Day. The band was incredibly talented and had everyone on the dance floor dipping and swinging. I did my best to not hurt anyone nearby as I tried my best to dance. My go-to move was palms facing the floor and throwing my feet up towards my sides. I graduated to a twisting of the hips move and really found my groove with a jazzy little two-step.

I enjoyed myself with a couple beverages kindly made in this time of prohibition. Since I am awake and writing the next day, the drinks were not tainted by the “Chemist's War of Prohibition,” when the American Government poi-



The author and friend at the Spookeasy.

soned their citizens.

The ghosts within the mansion may have come to their untimely end from just a glass of spirits. Aimee and I ended our night before midnight, we enjoyed watching the burlesque show and sword juggling ghost. It was an amazing experience. This was the third year the speakeasy was held, and we cannot wait for next year! By next year I hope to gain some brav-eerie...sorry. Last one I promise.

RETAIL MARIJUANA

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business, during an interview with the New Leader over the summer.

Cultivate has operated a medical marijuana dispensary in town for almost a year.

Doing business in the former Leicester Tool building, the company has created 20 jobs for area residents while providing a new revenue stream for the town. With the retail component of the business ready to roll, the company will be the first in the region to process

both medical and recreational customers.

Cultivate's sales stations will be clearly marked as either medical or recreational, and residents must first pass through a secure vestibule and furnish proof of identification before gaining entry to the sales floor.

Employees will also rely on a comprehensive database to ensure that customers aren't being overserved, in addition to preventing unau-

thorized access to products. Though critics of retail marijuana availability have cited concerns over safety on the roads, Cultivate officials are confident in the system that has been carefully crafted by the state.

“This process is much stricter than what you would see at a liquor store. Everything is tracked in the system and there is excellent security,” Barber explained during the tour of his business this past summer.

You must be at least 21 years of age to purchase recreational products, and no one is allowed inside the building without providing ID. For more infor-

mation about the business, available products, and hours of operation, visit www.cultivatemass.com.

Meanwhile, New England Treatment Access, LLC, also received state approval to conduct retail operations in Northampton. To date, the commission has approved provisional licenses for 41 additional applicants across the state.

To learn more about the state's licensing process and business requirements, visit the commission's website at MassCannabisControl.com. You can also call the commission at 617-701-8400.

PUPPY

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It was later determined that the couple used false names when signing in at the front desk, shelter officials said.

After the couple was informed that all puppies on site had already been adopted, the young woman allegedly asked if she could play with them. While staff members were tending to the other dogs, police say Lovvorn and the young woman walked out of the shelter with Mickey.

After staff members spotted the puppy in the couple's car, they recorded the license plate and called police. Authorities later tracked the vehicle to Lovvorn and made the arrest.

Lovvorn was released on personal recognizance and will return to court in December. As of press time, police were still attempting to identify the female suspect.

Following her son's arrest, Tracy Lovvorn released a statement on the incident. She could not be reached for further comment.

“My youngest son, Alexander, was accused of allegedly taking a puppy from a shelter yesterday afternoon. To be clear, he was responsible for bringing the puppy to the shelter on his own accord, he loves pets, and would never intentionally hurt an animal,” the statement read. “As a family, we have every

confidence in the due process of law, and we will continue to love and support our son as he progresses through this process.”

For the Second Chance Animal Shelter staff, the incident is saddening and disturbing. This was the first theft of an animal in the shelter's history, and staff members were stunned that the suspects didn't go through the proper channels to adopt a pet.

“It is very shocking that someone would attempt to steal a puppy in front of staff,” said Second Chance Animal Services CEO Sheryl Blancato. “All of our pets are microchipped and we have security alarms as well, but we would never expect this during the day. They used false names to sign in at the desk, so we are assuming that the intention was to steal a pet when they came in. We are happy the puppy is back safe and sound.”

Lovvorn attends Johnson and Wales University, where he plays on the baseball team. He recently enrolled in the Army ROTC, according to his mother's campaign website.

Second Chance officials thanked police for their investigative work to help bring Mickey home safely. Now the puppy will be given a second chance at finding the right home.

“Thank you to all the officers who helped bring this pup back so he can soon go home with his new family,” read a statement from the shelter.

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last 14 years working on legislation on behalf of adult adoptees in state capitols across the country. I found success in those efforts and the inspiration to help people here at home in Massachusetts.”

The 63-year-old Democrat from East Brookfield decries partisan politics, encouraging residents to instead remain focused on the needs of communities.

“Seniors at risk, school funding revision, the opioid crisis, transportation, infrastructure, the environment – these issues are not about political parties, they're about people,” Strauss added. “We need to work together toward common sense solutions.”

Strauss set a goal of knocking on more than 8,000 doors this campaign season, and with help from her supporters the goal was realized. During her thousands of visits throughout the Route 9 and Route 67 corridor – in addition to stops at senior centers, schools, town events, and fall festivals – she has heard directly from residents on the issues that matter most to them.

“Citizens deserve to know who they're voting for and they deserve to be heard. Their feedback is what representative government is all about,” Strauss said.

Strauss feels that the state's school formula has needed revision for years, and she is also heavily focused on seniors in need and the opioid crisis.

“We have hundreds of seniors living on the edge, having to choose between paying for food, rent, heat and medicine. They should not feel invisible or left behind at the moment they need us most,” Strauss said. “And the opioid crisis affects people of all ages. We

need to not only work on treatment and recovery, but we must also invest in prevention.”

A longtime storyteller, Strauss believes that showing the impact of major issues on people is an important way to elicit legislative change. When helping adopted citizens fight to access their own birth certificates, Strauss used the most powerful tool at her disposal: her camera.

“Filming a bureaucrat telling a 75-year-old woman that the only way she'd ever get her birth certificate was if she changed existing law,” Strauss recalled as an impactful experience in her career. “The look in her eyes said it all – the pain, the need, the despair. It helped legislators understand what constituents were experiencing.”

Strauss's films gave countless residents a voice, helping to pass legislation in states where decades of previous efforts had proved fruitless. Her work ethic and compassion have drawn many residents to her campaign.

“Jean has the rare ability to relate to a wide range of people and engage them on complex issues,” said public school teacher and North Brookfield resident Elisabeth Melad. “She's smart, tireless and genuine. She'll work harder than anyone else on our behalf because she takes people and the issues that matter to them seriously. She will give this her all, and that is what I want and what we need in a state rep.”

For Strauss, it has been a thrill to meet new residents and energize people of all ages throughout her campaign.

“This is a job interview, plain and simple,” Strauss said. “State representatives are lawmakers whose work should improve our lives. They advocate for their constituents, and help them to be heard and effect change. I can do that.”

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EDITORIAL

Grave Perspective

Graveyards in our area of New England hold a special fascination for many, particularly during the changeable, tricky season of autumn. As we saw this past week, a day that's humid, near 80 degrees and feels like summer can quickly give way to a night sky of racing clouds, moonlight and a damp chill creeping across the yard, yielding perfect graveyard-at-Halloween vibes.

One season passes into the next and the plants and flowers so tenderly planted and cared for in the spring diminish and die back. Autumn colors seem to pay tribute to this loss – celebrating, rather than mourning – because after all, in six months, the cycle will begin again.

Graveyards in ANY season remind us of this same truth: life begins, ends, begins again, ends again. And with each new generation, problems arise, are struggled with, sometimes resolved, and replaced with new problems. As pessimistic as that may sound, it's also oddly comforting; there is indeed nothing new under the sun.

In our corner of the world, seasons and generations have passed into history for centuries. Those tranquil, ancient graveyards preserve the memories of residents who, like us, worried about weather and politics and the economy and their children and the future. Like us, they had great days when things just seemed to “work”. They had other days when nothing went right. But life continued on...THEY continued on.

Perhaps one lesson learned from wandering among the graves is that what connects us as people – past and present – are the things we care about. In our towns and villages, we care about local schools, our community parks and rec centers, our businesses and organizations and our neighborhoods. We care about the price of fuel, getting our seasonal decorations up, finding deals at the grocery stores and the upkeep of our properties. We care about our neighbors and co-workers, our friends and family. We care about making an impact; we also care about preserving history. We hope for change and also embrace our traditions.

The same can likely be said for the names of those in those graveyards, the many who came and went before us. Life goes on.

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OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Emerson: make it more than politics

To the Editor:

This message is to the more thoughtful and progressive of my fellow citizens.

Do not let this coming election become a referendum on the lunacy of our current president. This is exactly what the powerful want you to do. Rather, let this election be a referendum on what kind of society you want to live in. For this is the real issue of our times. Is this society to be further disassembled for the sake of a select few or is it to be reassembled in a more sustainable and benign form stressing mutual respect of individuals and groups toward each other, economic security for all and universal approaches to the well-being of all free from the poison of the profit motive with thoughtful considered approaches to the problems and issues that are currently plaguing our society and the world at large?

There is no excuse or rationale for the kinds of race hatred, sexual exploitation, economic exploitation, systematic looting and just plain mean spiritedness that I have seen this society descend to in my life time. I wish I could say that this is a recent phenomenon, but as a student of history I have seen this behavior as emerging simultaneously with the agricultural revolution 10,000 years ago. Having said that, however, it has always been in our power not to be that way. We have been endowed by whatever means you chose to believe with the gifts of individuality, creative intelligence and free will. For the more spiritual among us I would say a link to the Creator through Christ Consciousness has also been given.

Regardless, the point is that we possess the tools to change the set of living con-

ditions in which we exist. I have stated previously that economic systems and governments are inventions of humans and that our economic system does not have to be linked to our political system. Wealth does not have to be hoarded but we can recognize that all those that contribute to the economic well-being of society are entitled to a fair share of the benefits that wealth can provide. The benefits of medical advances can and should be made available to all who need it, not to just those who can afford it. I find the concept of any group of people profiting off the misfortune of another to be morally repugnant. Quite frankly, I cannot understand how anyone could think that is the way existence must be. If we put our creative intelligence and freewill to work it can be anyway we say it may be.

Unfortunately events have progressed to such a point that all discussions may be rendered moot by the overwhelming force of global warming. I do not know if mankind will survive, but if it does an opportunity will be made available to recreate our set of living conditions to those of sustainability, tolerance, mutual cooperation for the common good, fair distribution of the necessities of life and freedom from the oppression of wealth. The earth does not belong to individuals or economic entities, it belongs to all the life that has arisen from it. Destroying this planet is the moral equivalent of murdering our mother.

So use your creative intelligence and freewill to insist upon a world that is a pleasure to live in rather than an ordeal. Do not tolerate selfishness.

ROBERT EMERSON
SPENCER

Bagg: vote Democrat

To the Editor:

The founders of our great nation did not desire political parties. They wanted a government for, by, and of the people where elections were an exchange of ideas. They wanted politics to be about representing constituents and big ideas. Unfortunately this system collapsed almost immediately and parties were formed. Politics has been a “team sport” since almost the beginning of this country. Furthermore, our plurality, winner-take-all system as made it such that only 2 viable parties can exist at any time. A vote for a 3rd party is wasted. Ergo, our system is about picking the “least bad” - or choosing the party who is the biggest threat and voting against them.

It is important that we pack as many Democrats into as many offices as possible on Nov. 6. I think it goes without saying that the national Republican party has become an embarrassment under the “leadership” of Donald Trump and our local Republicans’ willingness to continue to be associated with such behavior and policies should be very telling. The racism, misogyny, dishonesty, win-at-all-costs, undemocratic, unrepugnant, and quite frankly un-American behavior should not be tolerated...yet it is. We need D’s in the House and Senate to act as a check on Trump and his brown shirts. Redistricting is coming in 2020, and we need D’s in State House to avoid any type of gerrymandering. Voter suppression is done at the state level, and Republicans can no longer be trusted. Anybody that could be trusted would have distanced themselves from the

Republican party and said loudly and clearly, “I don’t stand with them”.

For Senator, vote Elizabeth Warren. She has fought for the working people of this state, gone toe-to-toe with Trump, and will continue to. Re-elect Jim McGovern - he is a strong voice for the people and not corporations. For Governor vote Jay Gonzalez. Charlie Baker is a decent man and I would vote for him if he were an independant, but a message needs to be sent - we will not tolerate association with Republicans.

For State Senate, re-elect Anne Gobi. She represents the people of this district well and has continued to fight for this district. For State Rep, vote Jean Anne Strauss. For the same reason we need to send a message to Charlie Baker, a message needs to be sent to Donnie Berthiaume. Berthiaume has seen the last 2 years of this administration yet continues to be affiliated with it.

For Register of Deeds, elect Kathryn Toomey. Kate Campanale has artfully used red posters without mentioning her party, but continues to be a Republican. Kate is a Republican party hack and is a “team player” despite what the leader of her party says, does, and other Republicans are OK with. Worcester County needs to send a message to Kate, say “we see through your red posters”, and say “Association with deplorable is deplorable”. We do that by voting for Kathryn A. Toomey for Register of Deeds.

Together, we can make Worcester County Great Again! #MWCGA

FRED BAGG
SPENCER

Blanchard: sparked memories

To the Editor:

It was wonderful to read Patrick Moon’s article about H.L. Mencken and the Peabody Book Shop and Beer Stube; it brought back many memories for me. As a Baltimore native I visited that establishment many times. There was often music there, and nightly magic shows by The Great Dantini. It had several owners over the years, but the one I knew was the last owner, Rose Hayes.

Rose was as much a character as the patrons who congregated there. I remember auditioning to perform there in the 1970s; I played for three hours for free,

drinking colas at 75¢ a glass; poured from a bottle with a 69¢ price tag on it. At the end of the night she offered me a job — cleaning out apartments.

Sadly, after Rose died no one stepped in to take over or to maintain the property. Eventually water damage due to a leaky roof led to the building being condemned and torn down. Thus a piece of history, frequented by Mencken, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and many others, was lost. It is now a parking lot.

GARY BLANCHARD
WEST BROOKFIELD

Carpenter: supports Berthiaume

To the Editor:

My wife Sheryl and I are urging voters to re-elect Donnie Berthiaume as our state representative here in the fifth district. As many of you know, Donnie is a central Mass original. He was born and brought up right here. He is intimately aware of his constituents’ needs and concerns. Donnie knows us because he is one of us. Over the last four years, he has helped many in his district with anything from housing needs to legislative actions. He and his legislative assistant Donna Farmer have been strong and focused advocates for our seniors and

have helped dozens of local folks with needs, problems and concerns. They have sought and secured grant money for many of the district’s towns. And the amount of volunteer work Donnie does quietly and without seeking recognition is second to none. An honest hard working local man who reaches across the aisle to get things done for our central Mass towns, that’s Donnie Berthiaume. Re-elect him please.

MARK AND SHERYL CARPENTER
EAST BROOKFIELD

How can you become a ‘sustainable’ investor?



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Your values are important to you – and so are your investments. But you don’t have to keep these two

parts of your life separate if you pursue sustainable investing.

If you haven’t heard of this term, you might know it by other names: socially responsible investing, values-based investing and environmental, social and governance (ESG) investing. Essentially, sustainable investing incorporates non-financial or indirect financial considerations, specifically environmental concerns (climate change, renewable energy, water scarcity), social concerns (human rights, product safety or liability) and governance issues (corporate behavior, executive compensation, lobbying and so on). As a sustainable investor, you would invest in companies that take what you’d consider a positive stance on these issues, or are at least improving in these areas, and you’d avoid businesses that fall on what you perceive as the negative side.

There are many ways to implement a sustainable investing approach that addresses your specific concerns, with varying levels of diversification and control. Some investors select individual stocks of companies they are comfortable supporting. But you might find it more affordable, and more efficient, to invest in mutual funds or exchange-traded funds (ETFs) that focus on sustainable investments.

When exploring sustainable mutual funds and ETFs, make sure you look beyond the name of the fund to assess whether its ESG approach aligns with your personal interests and goals. Also, look for these key elements:

Diversification – By definition, mutual funds that concentrate on sustainable investments might exclude entire industries, which could hurt your portfolio’s performance if the excluded investments perform better than the rest of the market. For example, a fund that excludes all oil-related companies might generate poor returns during a period of rising oil prices. Therefore, you may prefer to invest in a fund that integrates environmental, social and governance considerations into the investment process without excluding specific sectors or types of companies. You can further dilute this risk by owning a wide array of sustainable funds that use different approaches or processes to invest in sustainable companies. However, while diversification can reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio, it can’t guarantee profits or protect against all losses.

Track record – As you have no doubt heard, past performance can’t guarantee future results, so you may not want to over-concentrate on a fund’s historical returns. Still, it might be worthwhile to compare how one fund has performed over time in comparison with similar funds or an index. Many sustainable-investing funds are newer or weren’t always invested sustainably, so be sure the track record you are considering is relevant.

Here’s something else to keep in mind: The universe of mutual funds is vast, and some funds may not market themselves as “sustainable,” but still include sustainable considerations in their investment selections. These funds could provide you with more options.

Finally, consider including charitable contributions in your investment strategy. In some cases, you may decide that’s a better way to meet your financial and non-financial investing goals than limiting your investment choices.

By following a sustainable investing approach or incorporating charitable donations in your financial strategy, you can express your beliefs in a tangible way – while still working to achieve your long-term goals.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Miller: Vote Yes on 2

To the Editor:

On November 6, on schedule, there will be a general election across the United States. As a student of history and civics the integrity of our democracy, our constitutional republic always concerns me more than any specific race or candidate. This brings me to question 2 on the Massachusetts ballot. While I recognize how little impact this question has, it is important to send a message and vote YES on 2 for the principal of the matter.

In 2010 the Supreme Court of the United States ruled 5-4 in Citizens United v. FEC that corporations have 1st amendment rights no different from people. Mockingly this has been referred to as the court saying corporations are people and opponents saying that corporations are not people.

The court actually ruled that a conservative non-profit corporation (Citizens United) was protected by the free speech clause of the 1st amendment to use anonymous corporate donations to create a political film critical of Hillary Clinton and advertise the film during the 2008 Democratic primary elections. This had been previously prohibited by federal law, the 2002 Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act, or the McCain-Feingold act which had prohibited "electioneering communication" within 60 days of an election or 30 days of a primary, and had prohibited expenditures by corporations and unions.

By ruling that corporations possess constitutional rights, and effectively

ruling that "money is speech" (Justice Scalia actually said that on TV) our politics have been flooded with money. Super PACs came out of this. All the ads you see on TV and elsewhere that are not put out by candidates ("...I approve this message") are due to this. Each of the elections since 2010 have broken records of how much had been spent. Corporations and the extremely wealthy aren't spending money for their health - they expect return on their investment. Money moves the needle on elections and the 2010 Citizens United case allows unlimited anonymous money to influence elections.

I don't believe that the framers of our constitution could have conceived of the mass media and ability of money to reach people and flip elections. The extremely wealthy of today are not a lot different than the aristocracy of Europe of centuries past. Our nation, this constitutional republic, was founded with the intent of giving the power of governance to the people and taking it away from the aristocracy. We need a constitutional amendment defining the constitution only to apply to persons, not corporations.

This commission will not be terribly effective. It will only give recommendations. The very point is to make national headlines. The more people that understand this issue the better. Vote YES on 2.

EDITH MILLER
LEICESTER

Luukko: supports Berthiaume

To the Editor:

As a citizen and businesswoman, I am writing to express my support for Donnie Berthiaume's bid for State Representative of our district in this coming November election. I have known Donnie for a number of years, and I am grateful for the service he has already provided to us as a State Representative. I am convinced that when you have the opportunity to meet Donnie you will see, as I do, that he is a straight-forward, honest and humble guy who remembers his roots, and genuinely cares about the people in his district and across this Commonwealth. He is tireless in his commitment to his role in the State House by always being there for the vote, and as a member of the Ways and Means Committee to make sure our tax dollars are being spent in constructive ways that actually benefit central Massachusetts and this state. As a financial advisor, that is something that I respect, as I have watched and been frustrated over the years by the careless spending of our taxpayers' hard-earned money. It is refreshing to know that Donnie is there with a practical view towards the budget. I also

appreciate that Donnie works across the aisle and is happy to help all, regardless of their station in life. He isn't too proud to talk to anyone just because he is an elected official. Being a Generation X woman, this is something that I value, and I believe our generation values. It is called authenticity. It is something that seems to be harder and harder to find these days particularly in the political realm.

Donnie has an infectious humor and a down to earth common sense that enables bi-partisan agreement to get things accomplished for his constituents. His middle of the road approach and true sense of caring are just more examples of the traits that I believe make Donnie different. Donnie Berthiaume is a benefit for ALL the people of central Massachusetts to have on Beacon Hill advocating for our smaller towns. Please join me in voting for Donnie Berthiaume this November. Let's keep someone in office working for us who is balanced, who is centered, and who has grown up in central Massachusetts!

AMY H LUUKKO
EAST BROOKFIELD

Dubois: Vote NO on 3

To the Editor:

I recently received the pamphlet on ballot questions sent to every home in Massachusetts and there was one that disturbed me the most, and that was question 3. The MA legislature violated God's will in 2016 by enshrining into law that "gender identity" would be defined as a person's sincerely held belief of their own gender regardless of whether or not it was associated with the person's physiology, biology, or the sex assigned at birth by God. The law went on to protect these "sincerely held identities" from being discriminated in any area that has separate male and female facilities such as restrooms, locker rooms, and whatnot. The law further went on to prohibit any advertising or signage by owners of business that appears to discriminate on the basis of these people's beliefs about their own gender.

Make no mistake - Massachusetts passed a bathroom bill in 2016 allowing men to use the women's bathroom by simply dressing up as women and "sincerely believing" that they are women. The safety of all women and

girls is at stake here. No longer can a man who wears a wig and enters a girls locker room be prosecuted. God assigns genders, it began with Adam and Eve, and it is binary. There are men, there are women and the determination is made by God.

God has spoken and we are called upon to do what is right. "Transgender" people are disturbed and need to be saved by our Lord, Jesus Christ. They have an illness and they deserve our deepest sympathies.

On Nov. 6 WE THE PEOPLE have a chance to repeal this Godless travesty. A "NO" vote on question 3 will repeal all protections in Massachusetts given to people who believe they are a different gender than God assigned them or biology and physiology confirms. A "NO" vote will allow police to arrest the man with a wig who attempts to go into the ladies' room. A "NO" vote protects our daughters in locker rooms. A "NO" vote returns Massachusetts to biblical greatness.

CHRISTOPHER DUBOIS
SPENCER

McRae: I ask the uncommitted

To the Editor:

In view of the gut-wrenching spectacle forced upon the country by the Democrats in the recent Kavanaugh confirmation hearings, I ask the still uncommitted-and fair-minded-voter: Why would you even consider rewarding this thug party with your vote for any office from District Attorney to U.S. Senator? Has there ever in all of our history been a more irresponsible and shameless attempt, for mere political and ideological reasons, to destroy the life, family, and career of an eminently qualified and thoroughly decent jurist like Judge-sorry, it's now JUSTICE--Brent Kavanaugh? The only thing these gutter-dwelling Democrat Senators and their media allies didn't accuse the Judge of doing was arranging barnyard trysts for himself and his drunken high school buddies in the Maryland farm country, but I'm sure they would have had they thought of it.

Simply because they feared hav-

ing a highly intelligent and accomplished jurist on the bench of the USSC, one who actually respects and reads the Constitution as written, The Democrats were willing to scrape the absolute bottom of the barrel in their frenzied attempts to maintain their political dominance of the courts, their only hope of continuing to control the American people and their culture. The rule of law, fairness, equity, etc. meant nothing to them.

This time around, your vote for an unapologetic Democrat-any Democrat for any office--says more about you and your character, than anything else. No proud Republican here, but even the squishiest, most pusillanimous of them all is vastly to be preferred over their Donkey Party opposition. Send a message: Democrats, you crossed a line, and we're not going to forget it.

JOHN MCRAE
EAST BROOKFIELD

Har-Yarok: Vote NO on 1

To the Editor

Like most, I received the voter information pamphlet in the mail recently for the Nov 6 election. If I am totally honest, all of the races are either non-competitive or inconsequential. For example I think it is nearly certain Charlie Baker will be re-elected and quite frankly I don't have an opinion about the Worcester County Registrar of Deeds. What IS very consequential and up for grabs are the ballot questions.

I would like to use this opportunity to urge everyone to vote NO on question 1, which is the proposal to create mandatory nursing ratios. If question 1 were to pass it would create chaos in our state's healthcare system with no obvious way to comply without severely impacting patients. While I believe it is imperative in a civilized society, especially a wealthy first world society such as ours, to provide quality healthcare as a right to all - this ballot initiative will have far reaching unintended consequences.

The chief complaint I have heard concerning this initiative is cost. While cost is important and cannot be ignored, cost is not my biggest concern. Cost can be solved - premiums can go up, taxes can be raised. My biggest concern is the nursing shortage and that is a problem without a solution. Money, as it turns out, does not create people ex nihilo.

A recent search on UMass Memorial's website showed that they have 92 open nursing positions and

Baystate Health has 177. If question 1 passes the shortage will become more severe. I read recently that a local hospital would need to hire 21% more nurses to become compliant. If we assume that money is infinite, there are not hoards of unemployed nurses TO HIRE.

What will happen instead? I suppose it is possible for wages in MA to rise so high that we attract nurses from neighboring states and create crisis there - however I would expect those states to respond. The obvious choice for hospitals in MA to avoid fines is to severely restrict access to care. They can shut down entire floors, refuse to do certain services, turn away non-emergencies. This will cause an economic contraction of healthcare in MA as MA residents are forced to go to neighboring states just to find care.

What is the solution to providing more nursing staff to patients? Break down nurses' restraint of trade. Nurses have been amazingly successful at restraining their trade by pushing out "nurse-light" positions such as LPN's, CNA's, etc. Nurses have also been successful at restricting the number of slots in nursing schools to limit the number of nursing graduates. The only way we are going to get more nurses in hospitals is to have more nurses.

VOTE "NO" on question 1 on November 6.

OMAR HAR-YAROK
EAST BROOKFIELD

Graham: No on everything

To the Editor:

We don't want it! We don't need it! We can't afford it! On Nov.6 we will be faced with several ballot questions. You will read and hear things on both sides of every issue but I urge all to tune that out. VOTE NO on EVERYTHING.

Spencer and the Brookfields are ground zero for the TEA Party of Massachusetts. We are red towns, and we need to flex our red town muscle and vote no on everything. A yes vote seems to always mean higher taxes and more government interference in

our lives. When in (any) doubt, always vote no to ballot questions. The ballot initiatives represent what even the Democrat super-majority in the State House in Boston couldn't pass. Ballot initiatives are even better than the leftists in our state government.

We don't want it! We don't need it! We can't afford it! VOTE NO on EVERYTHING. God Bless America, and no place else!

GEORGE GRAHAM
NORTH BROOKFIELD





Hi! My name is Jaycob and I love to smile and give hugs!

Jaycob is a charming, engaging and likeable boy of Caucasian descent who is quick to give hugs. Those who know him best say that he has a silly side and is remarkably kind. Recently, when he was at the doctor's office he asked for extra stickers so that he could bring them back to the other children in his home. Jaycob loves playing with Matchbox cars, Pokémon, Beyblade toys and video games. Jaycob hopes one day to be a contestant on the television show Wipe-Out, where contestants have to navigate an obstacle course. He plays the video game version and believes that he could complete the course in real life if given the opportunity.

Jaycob enjoys going to school, is academically on track, and gets along well with his peers.

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TO THE EDITOR**

North Brookfield senior supports Strauss

To the Editor:
I wholeheartedly support Jean Strauss, the Democratic candidate for State Rep in the Fifth Worcester District. I know Jean will provide strong leadership and will work tirelessly and with full-time commitment to improve the legacy we leave the next generation. I believe it is imperative that we elect a legislator who has the skills and experience to initiate and author legislation that will address the needs of our district. I do not know of any significant legislation that has been personally authored by the incumbent, Donald Berthiaume, during his four-year tenure. He is involved with community service, but is that enough qualification to serve as our state representative? In meeting voters while canvassing for Jean, I have been impressed by how seriously most people take their voting responsibility. Rather than simply voting along party lines, many of the people I have had the chance to speak with show a genuine interest and concern for supporting candidates who will address the issues that matter to them. I am particularly asking unenrolled voters to do their homework, to look at Donnie Berthiaume's voting record and to learn more about Jean Strauss and her platform by visiting www.jean2018.org. I am confident that Jean Strauss will earn your vote on Nov. 6!

CLARE KEHRER
NORTH BROOKFIELD

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POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Police Department

Editor's Note: The information contained in this police log was obtained through public documents kept by the police department, and is considered to be the account of the police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:08-1:40 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:17 a.m.: mv stop (Greenville Street); 6:39 a.m.: animal complaint (School Street), bear in area; 7:27 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), services rendered; 8:21 a.m.: larceny (Main Street), unauthorized med pick-up; 9:30 a.m.: animal complaint (Kingsbury Road), services rendered; 9:45 a.m.: citizen complaint (Cherry Street), erratic operation; 9:49 a.m.: medical/general (Depot Road); 10:12 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 10:53 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:28 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 11:38 a.m.: suspicious activity (Elm Street), spoken to; 12:05 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 1:41 p.m.: mv complaint (Maple Street), erratic operation; 1:49 p.m.: animal complaint (Greenville Street), loose horses; 1:58 p.m.: medical/general (Summit Street); 2:05 p.m.: animal complaint (Sherry Lane), missing cat; 3:02 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 3:02 p.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street), alleged assault; 3:27 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road), lift assist; 3:49 p.m.: animal complaint (Highland Street), spoken to; 4:16 p.m.: medical/

general (Lincoln Street); 4:37 p.m.: animal complaint (Duggan Street), animal bite; 4:53 p.m.: animal complaint (Meadow Road), spoken to; 5:06 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 6:00 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 6:16 p.m.: medical/general (Maple Street) 6:44 p.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 7:01 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), spoken to; 7:03 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), erratic operation; 7:18 p.m.: DPW call (Cherry Street), street lights out; 7:43 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:14 p.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), Webster PD bolo.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

12L09-12:10 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:16 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 12:20 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 12:33-1:03 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:05 a.m.: animal complaint (Briarcliff Lane), barking dog; 1:07 a.m.: suspicious activity (Valley Street), spoken to; 1:48-2:17 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:54 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 7:15 a.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 9:03 a.m.: animal complaint (School Street), bobcat in area; 9:45 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 11:40 a.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 11:56 a.m.: animal complaint (Mechanic Street), sick cat; 12:29 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 12:51 p.m.: officer wanted (North Brookfield Road), VIN verification; 1:10 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), traffic hazard; 1:51 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Leicester PD bolo; 2:32 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 2:35 p.m.: FID issued (West Main Street), assisted; 2:59 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 3:18 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), domestic dispute; 3:43 p.m.: citizen complaint (West Main Street), erratic operation; 3:46 p.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), report taken; 4:05 p.m.: fire alarm (Debbie Drive), services rendered; 4:42 p.m.: citizen complaint (Chestnut Street), utility pole

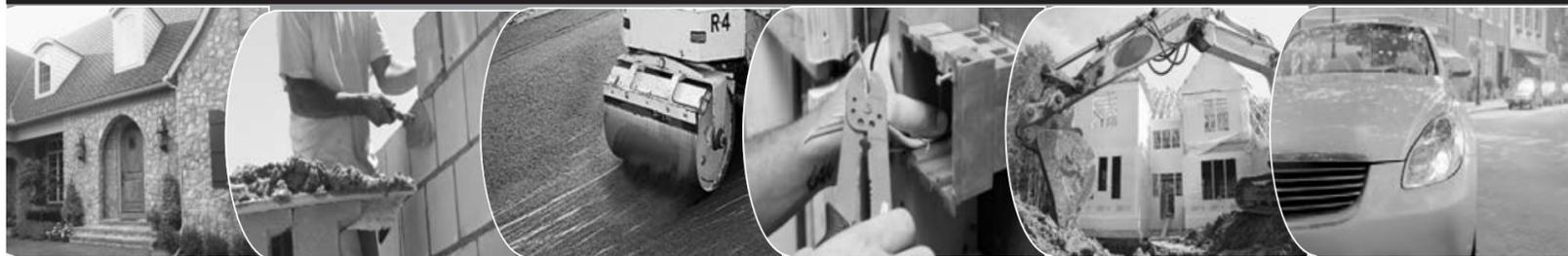
leaning; 5:42 p.m.: fraud (Greenville Street), IRS scam call; 5:53 p.m.: disturbance (Lloyd Dyer Drive), domestic dispute; 6:08 p.m.: animal complaint (Old Farm Road), bear in yard; 6:50 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), intoxicated party; 7:24 p.m.: animal complaint (High Street), bear in area; 8:22 p.m.: animal complaint (Langevin Street), loose dog; 8:23 p.m.: suspicious mv (Howe Road), spoken to; 8:27 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 8:35 p.m.: officer wanted (Donnelly Road), annoying phone calls; 8:49 p.m.: accident (Pope Street), report taken; 9:22 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:58 p.m.: animal complaint (Woodside Road), missing dog; 11:44-11:56 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

12:14 a.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 12:20 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), disconnected; 12:20 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:27 a.m.: disturbance (Valley Street), poss. domestic dispute; 2:00 a.m.: animal complaint (Water Street), bear on street; 5:49 a.m.: suspicious mv (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 7:29 a.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), spoken to; 10:00 a.m.: building checked, secure; 11:43 a.m.: fire alarm (Taylor Street), services rendered; 12:19 p.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Street), stray dog; 1:28 p.m.: juvenile matter (Bixby Road), spoken to; 1:53 p.m.: juvenile matter (Highland Street), spoken to; 2:06 p.m.: medical/general (Oakland Drive); 3:29 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), sidewalk blocked; 4:09 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Greenville Street), accidental; 4:40 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Sturbridge PD bolo; 5:46 p.m.: fraud (Hastings Road), unauthorized use of c/c; 6:26 p.m.: animal complaint (Highland Street), loose dog; 6:59 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 7:27 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), bear in area; 7:31 p.m.: suspicious activity (Bixby Road),

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

12:53 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street), spoken to; 1:21 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 1:27-1:31 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:31 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 1:33 a.m.: building checked, secure; 2:19 a.m.: mv complaint (Elm Street), spoken to; 2:34-2:59 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:00 a.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 3:36-3:45 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:15 a.m.: accident (Charlton Road), report taken; 4:57 a.m.: disturbance (Temple Street), domestic dispute; 8:11 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street), lift assist; 8:48 a.m.: officer wanted (Briarcliff Lane), simple assault; 9:54 a.m.: school alarm (Lake Street), services rendered; 10:38 a.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services rendered; 11:15 a.m.: commercial alarm (Maple Street), services rendered; 12:52 p.m.: disturbance (Sullivan Street), unwanted party; 1:06 p.m.: 911 call (Howe Village Road), mis-

dial; 2:18 p.m.: officer wanted (Oakland Drive), spoken to; 2:53 p.m.: 911 call (Howe Village Road), wellness check requested; 3:52 p.m.: larceny (Maple Street), shoplifting; 4:30 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 4:42 p.m.: officer wanted (Church Street), spoken to; 4:58 p.m.: medical/general (Bixby Road); 5:28 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 5:32 a.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), spoken to; 6:16 p.m.: officer wanted (Donnelly Road), spoken to; 6:33 p.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 8:30-8:31 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:49 p.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 8:53 p.m.: disabled mv (Smithville Road), assisted; 9:08 p.m.: building checked, secure; 10:45 p.m.: medical/general (Donnelly Road).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

12:51-2:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:53 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 3:04 a.m.: medical/general (Meadowbrook Road); 3:44-3:45 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:03 a.m.: vandalism (Mechanic Street), mv vandalized; 8:00 a.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 8:02 a.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 8:11 a.m.: school alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 9:38 a.m.: missing person/adult (Lakeshore

Drive), services rendered; 9:49 a.m.: juvenile matter (Paxton Road), spoken to; 9:54 a.m.: animal complaint (Route 49), loose chicken; 10:05 a.m.: accident (North Spencer Road), report taken; 12:36 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 12:47 p.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), report taken; 1:03 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 1:07 p.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village Road), services rendered; 1:26 p.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 1:54 p.m.: suspicious activity (Treadwell Drive), spoken to; 2:50 p.m.: larceny (Browning Pond Circle), items stolen; 4:40 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no service; 5:19 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (South Spencer Road), no service; 6:38 p.m.: commercial alarm (South Spencer Road), services rendered; 6:42 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), unwanted party; 8:32 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no service; 11:45 p.m.: building checked, secure.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

12:02-1:31 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:27 a.m.: suspicious mv (Ash Street), services rendered; 7:20 a.m.: juvenile matter (Temple Street), services rendered; 7:37 a.m.: medical/general (Northwest Road); 7:54 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street),

child w/phone; 8:43 a.m.: burglary/residence (McDonald Street), missing dog; 9:12 a.m.: suspicious activity (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 9:20 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 10:24 a.m.: lost/found (Main Street), wallet found; 10:40 a.m.: suspicious mv (Hastings Road), spoken to; 10:45 a.m.: animal complaint (Prospect Street), loose dog; 10:53 a.m.: 209A service (South Spencer Road); search warrant (West Main Street), executed; 12:05 p.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 1:39 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 2:33 p.m.: spill chemical/fuel (High Street), service rendered; 2:56 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 4:13 p.m.: accident (Donnelly Road), spoken to; 4:24 p.m.: fraud (Rene Drive), computer scam; 4:46 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), removed traffic hazard; 5:17 p.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 6:03 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no service; 6:08 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 6:27 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), service rendered; 7:14 p.m.: fire alarm (Charlton Road), services rendered; 7:47 p.m.: fire alarm (Charlton Road), services rendered; 8:06 p.m.: animal complaint (Chestnut Street), barking dog.

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SPORTS

Warriors remain hot, work through David Prouty defensive trap to win



Nick Ethier photos

David Prouty's Alex Skov reaches back with his left foot to clear the ball out of his team's zone.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — What looked like a record player on repeat continued to see the Tantasqua Regional boys' varsity soccer team try and place a pass through David Prouty Regional's defense, where a Warrior would gain possession of the ball and go in on the Panthers' goal.

But time and time again, the referee's whistle would blow, insinuating an off-sides call on Tantasqua.

"There were so many off-sides tonight," said head coach Matt Guertin. "We know how to break an off-side trap and we were a little lackadaisical tonight."

The Warriors were called for at least 10 off-sides calls in the first half, but they eventual-

ly broke it and scored three times in each half to down Prouty, 6-0, in a game played Wednesday, Oct. 10 at the Paul R. Archaibeault Athletic Complex.

"We finally broke through — it took figuring it out and staying on the game plan," said Guertin before adding that it is something they "need to fix. We might see it later [in the post-season]."

Despite the defeat, Panthers' head coach Jed Prouty was proud of the way his defensive unit — spearheaded by Nick Soter, Alex Skov, Zack Bergeron and Isaiah St. Vil — kept the high-flying Warriors at bay for much of the contest.

"It definitely neutralized their offense, to some extent," he said of the defensive scheme. "I

think we pulled them 25 times off-sides with that trap.

When asked how the trap can be an effective tool, Jed Prouty said the following: "It comes down to communication. You have to have guys on that backline who are familiar with what they are doing who really understand how to utilize it."

After being called off-sides twice in the early going, Tantasqua struck first on its third attempt in the fifth minute. There, Logan McCarthy passed a through-ball to Amsey Eroh, who blasted a shot to the inside corner of the near left post.

Prouty nearly netted the equalizer in the 10th minute when the Warriors' defense was called for obstruction. That set up an indi-

rect kick, where Erik Mikkila's missile found the back of the net in the upper right-hand portion.

But the ref called the goal off, as a different member of the Prouty team didn't touch the ball before Mikkila's shot. Jed Prouty, Mikkila and the rest of the Panthers believed that a direct kick was called.

"I think it certainly would have changed the whole complexion of the game," said Prouty. "It would have been 1-1 at the time and it would have lit a fire under our guys I think. Unfortunately it was a miscommunication."

Nonetheless, Prouty was glad to see Mikkila get the ball into the net.

"He's certainly good on the set pieces," said Prouty. "It was nice to see him find the back of the net — unfortunately it didn't count."

Tantasqua took advantage of the non-goal and added two more before halftime. Able Lidonde scored in the 14th minute and McCarthy added one in the 21st.

The Warriors then padded their lead with second half goals off the feet of Lidonde, Tyler Furey and Ethan Eroh. Tyler Rodrigues picked up an assist on Furey's tally.

Despite the six goals against, it could have been worse for the Panthers if not for the play of keeper Dan Blazejewski, who turned aside 19 shots.

David Prouty is now 5-7-1 as it must get on a winning streak to qualify for the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament.

Tantasqua, meanwhile, remained unbeaten at 13-0 and is firmly in the upcoming Central Mass. Division 1 Tournament.

"We're having a good run," Guertin said. "Guys are playing well, we just have to stay focused. We know we have a long road ahead. Now it's about perfecting the things we need to and getting healthy."



Isaiah St. Vil of David Prouty races down the sideline with possession of the ball on his foot.



Nick Soter of David Prouty settles the ball while moving down the field.

Parmenter's four goals pace Oxford's offense in win over Panthers

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SPENCER — Oxford High senior striker Gina Parmenter scored four goals and assisted on another in the Pirates' 5-0 district tournament clinching victory over David Prouty Regional on Tuesday, Oct. 9.

The win improved the Oxford girls' varsity soccer team's record to 9-2, and the Pirates will be playing in the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament come November.

"She is a senior and I needed her to put us on her shoulders to put it away early, which she did," explained Oxford head coach Colby Harvey of Parmenter. "She has always been there and has been a rock for us this year. When we can lean on her a little bit it makes it easier on the younger players."

The Pirates roster a young team, so to clinch a spot in districts with seven games to go is quite a feat.

"This team has been rebuilding for a long time," expressed Harvey. "Last year we made districts for the first time in 11 years and I was an assistant coach. Now being the head coach it feels really good to get there right now, not having to worry about that and we can just focus on one game at a time."

Oxford was on the attack early. Parmenter corralled the ball near 20 yards out and sent a looping shot toward the Panthers' goal. The senior's shot pierced the net in the upper left 90 just past the outstretched arms of Samia



Katie Boria of David Prouty rears back to fire off a shot toward Oxford's net.

Welch. This gave Oxford a 1-0 lead early in the first half and they never backed down from there.

"It is huge and it has been our thing all year," said Harvey. "The identity of this team in the past has been coming out a little bit slow and we knew with David Prouty if we kept them in the game they would bring a game to us, so we had to get out quick and get our goals quick."

On top of a great offensive output, the Pirates' defense was outstanding throughout. They attacked the ball aggressively and stopped all of the Panthers' potential chances.

"Biggest problem we had was getting balls through, not going to feet up top," stated David Prouty head coach Mike Moroney. "First half we came out flat. Our defense was playing very literal flat...and there was no motion in the defense. In the second half they came out with more intensity and a

little more organization, better ball movement and awareness."

Little tweaks to their defense have made all the difference for Oxford.

"They did a great job," Harvey explained. "We made a couple adjustments recently, we put a different player back there, which has allowed us to rotate players so they don't get as tired. We are squeezing things and not allowing things to get through."

Continuing to mature and grow will be important in Oxford's district run.

"We have to be mentally ready," stated Harvey about what is important for his team's success. "We don't always come out fast, but we are definitely getting better at it. We are young, we have a couple of seniors, but in all honesty we are young so we want to continue to move forward and build on our mentality."



Mathew S. Plamondon photos

The David Prouty defense had the tough task of clearing the ball out of the zone for much of the contest with Oxford.

SPORTS

Proud Pirates take care of business versus David Prouty while celebrating 50 years



David Prouty's Jason Anderson fights for extra yardage while being tackled to the ground.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD — Oxford High celebrated the 50th anniversary of its football program in style at Homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 13, rolling over David Prouty Regional, 46-6.

Starting quarterback and defensive back Joel Erickson led the way for the undefeated Pirates. On offense the senior carried the ball five times for 62 yards, including a 17-yard touchdown and completed all three passes he threw for 136 yards and a pair of scores. Defensively he made six tackles, recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass.

"Every week Joel gets better and better," Oxford head coach Jeff Clarkson said. "On and off the field he's a leader and he does his job. We love him. He ran the ball well tonight; he took off a couple of times and made plays with his feet. We

want him to do that, we told him we needed him to play aggressive. I told him, 'We need you to go when you have the opportunity.'"

The 6-0 Pirates scored on the opening possession of the game, driving 53 yards on six plays. Erickson took care of the final 17 yards, scrambling out of the pocket, weaving through traffic and then diving into the end zone head-first for the score. Niko Murray then rushed for the two-point conversion and, with 8:22 left in the first quarter, Oxford led, 8-0.

"I like being a threat," Erickson said of his success running the football against the Panthers. "A lot of teams key on Niko and we have some kids that can come in and make plays and I feel like I'm one of those kids. I want to be able to help this team out as much as I can. It's a good feeling."

The Pirates increased their

lead to 14-0 by the end of the first quarter, 20-0 on the first play of the second quarter and 33-6 by halftime.

As impressive as the offense was in the game, the defense came to play, too, forcing David Prouty into six turnovers — three interceptions and three fumbles.

"Our defense did their job," Clarkson said. "They did everything we asked them to do. We knew they were going to come out throwing the ball and our defense covered them up. They made plays for us."

Other standouts on offense for Oxford were Murray, brothers Sam and Ben Wing, and Tyler Jacques. Murray gained 62 yards rushing on five carries, had scoring runs of five and 30 yards and caught a swing pass from Erickson and went 73 yards for another touchdown. Sophomore Sam Wing gained 42 yards on six carries while Ben Wing, just an eighth-grader, rushed three times for 69 yards, including a 62-yard scoring scamper. Jacques, a sophomore, hauled in a seven-yard scoring strike from Erickson.

Leading the way defensively for the Pirates were: senior Ryan Walsh (seven tackles, fumble recovery, interception); Ben Wing (seven tackles, fumble recovery); Erickson (six tackles, fumble recovery, interception); junior Will Vega (three tackles, interception — returned 27 yards for a TD); and freshman Antoine LaCourt Ramos (five tackles).

At halftime Oxford honored the golden anniversary of its football program by announcing more than 40 former members of Pirates' teams of the past and having them walk out to midfield. Clarkson, Class of 1993, was included in that group.



Cam Dubey of David Prouty surges ahead while carrying the football.

"It was wonderful," Clarkson said. "Just to go out there and see Mr. [Roger] Bacon and Coach [John] Doldorian, and the guys that started this program, and all the former captains, that was great. That was the highlight of the day."

"When I went out there and shook their hands and told them I loved them I had tears in my eyes," added Clarkson, as tears returned to his eyes. "Ron Prunier, one of the program's first captains was here, and so many other guys as well. I was very pleased, very happy, with how the day turned out; it was something that was good for the school."

Erickson said the team was energized by seeing all the former players.

"The fans, everyone being here, the alumni coming back, it was just a great feeling," Erickson said. "I want to be able to come back here and do the same thing. So many people

came back and knowing that they all support us, it's a great feeling and it makes me want to put on a show for them."

And he did. David Prouty's lone touchdown was scored by senior quarterback Braedon Wood on a five-yard run late in the second quarter. The score capped a seven-play, 63-yard drive.

"We had six turnovers, you can't do that. We did not play well. We did not execute offensively, defensively or on special teams," said Panthers' head coach Pat Rossi, whose team fell to 3-3. "We had our chances. We felt we could play with them. We made some plays early, we'd fight right back and we turn it over. We have a big play and then a turnover. We get a kickoff, we make a turnover. It was a culmination of errors. It was a combination of horrendous play on our end and excellent execution on their end."

Williams to honor Ronald Tarentino Charitable Fund at Great Floridian Triathlon



Courtesy photos

On Oct. 20, Leicester's B.J. Williams will compete in the Great Floridian Triathlon in honor of the memory of late Leicester and Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — During his life, Ron Tarentino, Jr. volunteered much of his time to the Leicester community — a place where he worked and lived for several years. Since his death in May of 2016 in a line of duty shooting in Auburn, the community has given

generously back to the family of their adopted son.

That tradition will continue on Saturday, Oct. 20 when town resident Bryan Joseph "B.J." Williams, an officer in the Worcester County Sheriff's Department, participates in The Great Floridian Triathlon in Clermont, Fla.

Williams, 34, will compete in honor of the memory of Tarentino as well as three other fallen Massachusetts officers — State Trooper Thomas Clardy, Sgt. Sean Gannon, a canine officer in Yarmouth, and Weymouth Sgt. Michael Chesna — as well as The Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Charitable Fund.

Williams and his wife, Andrea, are neighbors of the Tarentino family, living on the same street, just a couple of houses down from the family.

"I never had the chance to actually become friends with Ron," Williams said. "The times I saw him were when he and his wife were walking or running up and down the street. He was always very friendly; he always had a smile on his face. He was always smiling and very community oriented, very friendly with people around the town. The family is still very involved in the Leicester community."

Established in 2018, The Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Charitable Fund is a non-profit organization dedicated to honoring his memory by embodying Ron's character through acts of kindness, generosity and service to the greater community. Tarentino served with the Auburn Police Department for two years and he had previously served with the Leicester Police Department

for seven years.

During the race Williams will be wearing a custom jersey that will show the Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Charitable Fund logo and lists the names of Tarentino, Clardy, Gannon and Chesna on the front and the rest of the 129 names of fallen officers — nationwide — from 2017 on the back.

In addition, during the 26.2-mile marathon portion of the 140.6-mile test of endurance (2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride, 26.2 run) Williams will carry a three-foot by five-foot Thin Blue Line flag, the flag that has come to represent fallen officers. The Thin Blue Line flag symbolizes the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve.

Williams said he got the idea to compete in The Great Floridian Triathlon to honor Tarentino's memory and legacy at, not surprisingly, this year's Tarentino Strong Road Race, which was held in Leicester in April.

"I've helped the past two years with the Tarentino Strong Road Race here in Leicester and at this year's race in April it [competing for Tarentino] just kind of dawned on me," Williams said. "I saw other officers there, active and retired, and individuals who graduated with Ron in his [police] academy class. Just seeing the interaction and the community support led me to a new thought."

"That thought was to find a way to honor officer Tarentino and the three other officers in Massachusetts [Clardy, Gannon and Chesna] who have died in the line of duty," Williams continued, "as well as any active, retired or fallen officer as well. It would just be a way to honor the sacrifice that officers and their families make in their careers."

In addition to honoring the four Massachusetts police officers who were killed in the line of duty at The Great Floridian Triathlon, Williams will also honor two fallen Florida police officers — Matthew Scott Baxter and Sgt. Richard Samuel Howard III of the Kissimmee Police Department.

"I did a little research and found that where I would be competing two officers had died in the line of duty, so I wanted to honor their memory as well," Williams said. "If there are towns where I'm competing that there has been a fallen officer or officers, I'll compete in the race to honor that officer or officers as well. But, if not I will be running the race to honor and support the active officers in the line of

duty because being an officer myself I know what it takes."

Williams began competing in endurance races after a car accident almost ended his life in July of 2005. Prior to that, the Longmeadow native was a junior hockey player in the Boston area.

"I was ejected out of the passenger side of a truck on the Mass. Pike in Warren," Williams said. "When I woke up a couple of days later in the hospital I was told playing hockey was no longer an option for me. I was 21 years old at the time."

About six months later Williams began competing in endurance races; he has completed in 134 races since that time. This will be his eighth 140.6-mile triathlon with his best finish being 13 hours, 49 minutes.

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Bryan Joseph "B.J." Williams

Bryan Joseph "B.J." Williams, a Leicester resident, is set to run in the Great Floridian Triathlon in Clermont, Fla., on Saturday, Oct. 20. Williams, an officer in the Worcester County Sheriff's Department, is running the triathlon in part to honor The Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Charitable Fund. Williams and the late Tarentino, an Auburn Police Officer, were neighbors.

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SPORTS

Rams score late go-ahead goal to edge past Leicester



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Nida Orloff of Leicester dribbles the ball on a Shepherd Hill defender.



Leicester's Grace Guinee takes a throw-in to get the ball back in play.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — Maria Holland scored on a breakaway with 6:41 to play to help lead the Shepherd Hill Regional girls' varsity soccer team past Leicester High, 2-1, on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at Memorial Field.

With the win the Rams improved to an even 5-5. The defeat, which dropped the Wolverines to 6-4-3, put a damper on Leicester's Senior Night festivities. Before the game the team honored its six seniors — Samantha Walsh, Emily Oliver, Elise Leveillee, Michaela Hippert, Alexandra Rowland and Kyra Prouty.

"I was proud of how hard the girls worked out there tonight, but it's tough to lose on Senior

Night," Leicester first-year head coach Ali Murphy said. "I'm proud of the team; I think we have grown a lot throughout the season. As for this loss, we're going to learn from it, move on and move on up."

On the game-winning goal the ball ricocheted through a mass of players at midfield and bounced toward the Leicester goal. Holland, who was already moving in that direction, quickly gained control of the ball and headed toward the Wolverines' net. When she was 10 yards away, just as Leicester goalie Alexa Dufries started to lean toward her right Holland shot the ball to Dufries' left.

Dufries recovered, and made a diving attempt to save the ball, but the ball rolled just past

her outstretched left arm and inside the post before nestling into the back of the net.

"I saw the ball rolling past their defense and I knew I had to get on it," said Holland, a sophomore. "I took a touch, got control of the ball, dribbled in and then it was just me and the goalie and I knew I had to get a good shot off."

"I just knew I had to beat the goalie and put the ball in the back of the net," Holland added. "When I got through the crowd I moved to the center of the field so the whole goal would be open for me to shoot at. I felt good about the shot when it left my foot. I was pretty confident that it was going to go in."

Leicester tied the game,

1-1, just five minutes earlier, Wolverines' junior Nida Orloff scoring on a free kick from 20 yards out. Orloff's rocket of a shot went left-to-right up and into the goal past the outstretched arms of a leaping Alyssa Trueman, Shepherd Hill's senior goalie.

"That was an incredible shot by Nida to tie the game," Murphy said. "She's a very good player and she had a great second half."

After an evenly played but largely uneventful first half, Shepherd Hill took a 1-0 lead in the sixth minute of the second half, junior Paula Barbaie unleashing a 25-yard shot from the right side that just dropped into the left side of the goal, almost brushing the crossbar and the left post as it went in.

"That was a fantastic shot on Paula's part," Shepherd Hill head coach Amanda Brotherton said. "She's been working on that shot in practice all season."

A big part in the Rams having a chance to win was the play of Trueman, who made 10 saves in the game, many of the diving and leaping variety.

"Alyssa is a sensational, absolutely phenomenal goalkeeper," Brotherton said. "She's a stud. She shows up for every game and she is a fantastic kid."

Brotherton said she was pleased by the resiliency her team showed after Leicester came back to tie the game, 1-1.

"I think we finally figured it all out," Brotherton said. "Obviously after our first game of the season [a 4-0 loss to Marlborough] we had a lot of lessons to learn."

"I told the girls this time around 'you're going to face challenges; it's not going to be easy. People don't think you belong on the field with them,'" Brotherton continued. "I told them it's going to be a challenge all season. It's up to them to put it out there and essentially, looking at all the other stuff going on in every league, it's anybody's game. It's who shows up, who puts the heart in and who wants it more."

After the game Murphy was frustrated by some of the scoring chances the Wolverines had that they just couldn't connect on.

"[Trueman] is a great goalie and they're a good, solid team," Murphy said. "We pressured them in the second half, I was proud of that; it's just a tough result. The outcome didn't necessarily dictate who outplayed who. It was an up and down game. I was really proud of our second half push. We're a team that has come from not being able to do that. To see them push through that second half is better than being buried by the first half. I'm proud of them."



Elise Leveillee of Leicester traps the ball out of the air to gain possession.



Leicester's Madison Hippert boots the ball up the field.



Leicester's Alexa Dufries stops a shot taken by Shepherd Hill's Maria Holland.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Oct. 9

Tantasqua 154, Sutton 181 — The Warriors' golf team upped their win total to 12 — they are now 11-2 — after defeating the Sammys at Hemlock Ridge. Michael Sosik was medalist after carding a 1-under par 35. Ryan Slade contributed a 37.

Tantasqua 1, Doherty 0 — Evan Thomas' goal was the difference for the Warriors' junior varsity boys' soccer team. The goal came from a corner kick push back from Jack Leland. Noah Brown and Matt Schirm shared goaltending duties to combine on the shutout.

Bartlett 169, David Prouty 203 — Colin Nosek (42), Fisher Haynes (53),

Adam Gibson (54) and Gaven Haynes (54) were the golfing scorers in a losing match to the Indians.

Oct. 10

Leicester 15, David Prouty 50 — Emily Moughan won her sixth straight race to lead the Wolverines and the girls' cross-country team to victory. Moughan ran the 2.7-mile course Spencer in 19:46, while Ellie Hills, Abby Bernabei, Lydia Petit, Lianna Jennings and Molly Ledbetter placed two-six before a Panther came in seventh. Leicester is now 6-3.

Leicester 15, David Prouty 50 — Ryan Butler's first time placing first in a boys' cross-country race — a 2.7-miler in Spencer — helped the

Wolverines to their second victory of the season. Butler finished in 17:45, while Matt Berube and Vinny Aubin both posted season-best times to finish second and third, respectively. Seamus O'Connor and Josh Garcia took fourth and fifth place.

Tantasqua 152, David Prouty 190 — A two-under par 34 was shot by Colin Nosek to earn medalist honors for the Panthers' golf team at Hemlock Ridge, but the host Warriors prevailed. Michael Sosik led Tantasqua (13-2) with a one-over par 37. Fisher Haynes (51), Ashton Valley (52) and Zach Fritze (53) contributed for Prouty (6-10).

Oct. 12

Leicester 186, David Prouty 194 — Despite losing to the Wolverines' golf team, the Panthers' Colin Nosek was medalist after shooting a 38. Gaven Haynes (51), Zach Fritze (51) and Fisher Haynes (55) also scored for Prouty.

St. John's 193, Tantasqua 218 — The Warriors' golf team fell short when using the best five of eight score format versus the Pioneers. Tantasqua's Michael Sosik was the team's top finisher with a 2-over par 38 in cooler, blustery conditions. The Warriors dropped to 13-3.

SPORTS

Tantasqua's run game on point to beat Pioneers



Nick Ethier photos



Ryan Sears of Tantasqua runs up the gut and through Southbridge's defense.

Tantasqua's Sebastian O'Leary — who earned the Ted Farland Memorial Award as the game MVP — displayed strong defense against Southbridge. Here, he tackles the Pioneers' Simon Gonyea.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — It took all of 15 seconds — spectators were still settling into their seats at Harry J. McMahon Field — for the Tantasqua Regional varsity football team to grab a lead versus Southbridge High on Friday night, Oct. 12, and it turned out to be a lead they would never relinquish.

When all was said and done, the Warriors took the short trip back home to Sturbridge as winners, 24-0.

"It was a good start," said Tantasqua head coach Jon Hargis of Alex Lord's 60-yard touchdown run on the game's first snap. "Especially coming to Southbridge, they always

play hard."

It was Lord's only carry of the game, but it proved to be a big play.

"Alex Lord is one of our backup running backs...so we tried to catch them off guard," said Hargis. "Seeing him have some success on the offensive side [is good to see]."

The Warriors' Jarred Spratt kicked the extra point through the uprights, and it was 7-0.

After the Pioneers were forced to punt on their first possession, Tantasqua embarked on a seven-play drive that was capped by a 24-yard field goal off the foot of Spratt to up the lead to 10-0.

The Warriors went ahead, 17-0, midway through the sec-

ond quarter when Sebastian O'Leary barreled into the end zone from four yards out and Spratt followed with another extra point.

O'Leary finished with 50 yards on four rushing attempts, played stellar defense from his cornerback position, and earned the Ted Farland Memorial Award as the game's MVP.

"He's a tough, squirmy guy," Hargis said of O'Leary's playing style. "He did a good job on defense and ran the ball well offensively."

The final score came with 17 seconds to play until halftime. Ryan Sears (8 carries, 33 yards) plunged in from 10 yards out and Spratt made one more kick to account for the 24-0 score.

The second half didn't feature any scoring, as the Pioneers' defense buckled down and limited the Warriors' offense to just 59 yards.

"I thought we battled pretty

hard," said Southbridge head coach Frank Koumanelis. "I just told those kids I'm proud of them. The score may be 24-0, but they battled all the way through — we held them scoreless in the second half."

Koumanelis then alluded to his very slim roster, saying, "With 17 kids, it's pretty tough on them. They're all going both ways [on offense and defense]."

Three Pioneers were out with concussions, including quarterback John Cortez.

"Our quarterback was hurt, so we turned our fullback into a quarterback," Koumanelis said of Garrett Lazo, who completed 6 of 9 passes for 71 yards. "He did all right and we'll be fine."

Hargis also gave kudos to Southbridge, who remained winless at 0-6.

"For what they're going through, the injuries and numbers they have, you've got to give them credit. The coaching

staff has done a great job over there," he said.

Tantasqua kept the shutout intact by seeing Liam Gore recover a first half fumble and Bobby Mosely and Mike Rucki come down with second half interceptions. They improved to 4-2 and are in the thick of things as far as the Central Mass. Division 4 playoff picture is concerned, where four teams will advance. With two regular season games remaining — versus Northbridge and at Bartlett — the Warriors are focused on the task at hand.

"I think 6-2 gets you in, 5-3 possibly gets you in," said Hargis before adding that the division — which also features potential playoff teams in Nashoba, Grafton, Marlborough, Fitchburg and Westborough — is a "jumbled mess — there's nobody penciled in."



Tantasqua's Espyn Davis waits for the ball to come down to haul in one of his four catches. Davis finished with 116 receiving yards.



Jarred Spratt of Tantasqua successfully kicks a 24-yard field goal.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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Softball pitching lessons coming to Southbridge Community Center

Softball pitching lessons will be available at the Southbridge Community Center (152 Chestnut Street) on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. They start Oct. 21 and run through Feb. 24, 2019. Team and league discounts are available for three pitchers or more. Pitchers must bring a catcher (no fee) that can be a parent, teammate, etc. Please contact Bill Rahall (wlah@yahoo.com 860-576-3440) for more details. Clark University pitching coach Steve Genese will be on hand at the lessons.

Kettle Brook Golf Club — Kettle One League Results

Week 24
First Place: Vinny Cloutier and Jeff Wozniak, +2
Second Place: Dave Lussier and George Kiritsy, +1
Closest to the Pin on Sixth Hole: Mike Wong
High Quota: Franny Berthiaume, +3

Week 17-24 Winners
First Place: Kris Houston and Scott Letendre, +22
Second Place: Francis Berthiaume

and Butch Thibault, +10
Third Place: Dave Lussier and George Kiritsy, -2

Week 1-24 Individual Winners
High Aggregate: Robert Francis, +19
High Points
First Place: Pat Gallant
Second Place: Robert Berthiaume
Third Place: George Kiritsy

Leicester Rec Basketball holding signups at Town Hall

The Leicester Rec Basketball league will be holding signups on three separate days at Leicester Town Hall for boys and girls in grades 3-8. The days and times are as follows:
Saturday, Oct. 20: 1-4 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 21: 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 24, 6-8:30 p.m.
The fee is \$70 per child with a \$100 family max.

Quail Hollow golf results and news

Pit's Crew
First place: Bruce Gillis, Jack Brigham, Ron Jette and Jack Gordon, -9
Second place: Jim Hebert, Russ

Emerson, Bill Waldo and Bob Ford, -8
Third place: Tom Crosbie, Wayne Pierce, Dave Archer and Dick Morse, -7

Still Harts Golf League looking for players in 2019

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Shootout at Quail Corral

On Sunday, Oct. 21 at 10 a.m., there will be a nine-hole event called the Shootout at the Quail Corral. Everyone tees off from the 10th hole and there are eliminations on each hole until two are left at No. 18. The winner is crowned "the last player standing." The competition is open to all, please call the pro shop at (508) 882-5516 to register. The entry fee is \$10.

Halloween Costume Party
On Saturday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m., the clubhouse will host a Halloween Costume Party. Laughter is a requirement.

SPORTS

Indians outlast Quaboag in gridiron matchup

WEBSTER — On Friday, Oct. 12, The Bartlett High varsity football team evened its record to 3-3 after defeating Quaboag Regional at Memorial Athletic Field, 34-14. The Cougars slipped to 2-4. The Indians next play at Millbury High on Friday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., while Quaboag will play host to Leicester High on the same day and time.



Santino Trifone of Quaboag rushes the ball away from an oncoming Bartlett defender.

Jason McKay photos

Quaboag's Aidan Gilman makes his way into the end zone after picking off a Bartlett pass.



Quaboag's Matthew Griffing rushes the ball through Bartlett's defense.



Aiden Chaput of Quaboag looks for an opening while rushing the football.

Bay Path can't keep up with Beavers in defeat

UPTON — First, the Bay Path Regional varsity football team lost its home field versus Blackstone Valley Tech on Friday, Oct. 12 when the surface was deemed unplayable. Then, the Minutemen lost the game to the Beavers, now being played at Valley Tech's home, 42-0. After starting the season 3-1, Bay Path has since lost its last two games to drop to 3-3. They hope to get back on track during the final two regular season games — Friday, Oct. 19 versus Worcester Tech at 7 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 26 at Abby Kelley at 7 p.m.



Matthew S. Plamondon photos

Bay Path's Christian Bowlin drags down Blackstone Valley Tech's JD Antaya.



Bay Path's Daniel Keefe follows a blocker and takes a kick return up the field.



Michael Keeler of Bay Path fires a pass up and over the line and down the field.



Bay Path's Tyler Gillespie breaks through the hole for a big rushing gain.



Christian Bowlin of Bay Path sends a punt deep down the field.



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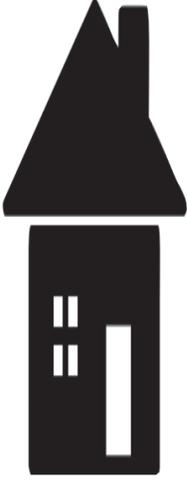
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Memorial dedicated to town heroes

SPENCER – The annual public safety open house featured a special addition this year, as a memorial was dedicated in honor of several former first responders. The plaque is separated into two columns – one for police and the other for the fire department. Honored on the SFD side is Edward Prouty, who died while fighting a fire in 1920. The police side of the memorial honors Chief Robert Parker and Officer Richard McEvoy, who each sustained serious injuries during their service in the twentieth century.

The event also included a pancake breakfast, displays of emergency vehicles, and a visit from the UMass Memorial Medical Center helicopter crew. Senator Anne Gobi, State Representative Donald Berthiaume, District Attorney Joe Early, and several other guests were on hand. Kevin Flanders photos.



Anne Gobi was able to get a very good photo of the memorial itself.



American Legion members display the colors during the ceremony.



The Herholz family, of Spencer, gets ready to check out some vehicles.



Spencer Fire Department members pose for a photo.



Local youngsters find out what it's like to put out a blaze.



The Bauce family, of Spencer, spends the morning at the public safety complex.



The Gorham family, of Spencer, is all bundled up on a cold morning.

GOVERNOR

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Massachusetts was named the most innovative state in the country and the Commonwealth has attracted major business investment."

Baker highlighted his education record by saying "the Commonwealth has increased support for local public schools by over half a billion dollars, bringing educational investments to a record level."

Baker pointed to the Commonwealth Commitment program "which leverages our state's community colleges and the UMass system and allows students to pursue a four year degree for less than \$30,000."

He noted the state's secondary school students "continue to finish first in the National Assessment of Educational

Progress Exam in English and math. The Commonwealth has the highest graduation rate and lowest dropout rate ever."

The governor said he signed a first-in-the-nation law which limits new prescriptions to seven days to fight the opioid crisis "and invests more resources in prevention, education and recovery." Baker said the state has invested more than \$200 million "across state government to combat substance misuse, a 70-percent increase since 2015. He said he's proposed new legislation to stiffen penalties "for drug dealers whose actions lead to fatalities."

Baker said his administration has increased state aid to cities and towns every year since he took office in 2015.

He boasted the August sales tax weekend has become per-

manent under his leadership.

Opposing Baker as the Democratic nominee is Jay Gonzalez who served as Secretary of Administration and Finance between 2009 and 2013 under then Governor Deval Patrick and served as well as chair of the state's Health Connector. He defeated Bob Massie in the September primary.

Gonzalez is touting his experience "providing health insurance coverage for low-income residents, helping cities and towns build new schools and fire stations and managing the state budget...during the Great Recession."

He said he oversaw the implementation of Massachusetts' health care reform and chaired the state's Board of Early Education and Care.

"The income gap here in

Massachusetts is one of the worst in the country and is growing. That's why I support raising the minimum wage and paid medical and family leave," he said.

He added, "women must have equal career opportunities and equal pay and workplaces free from discrimination and harassment."

"President Trump," he said, "has disparaged and discriminated against people of different ethnicities, backgrounds, religious beliefs, and gender. His unconstitutional Muslim travel bans and increased raids to detain and deport immigrants have been particularly harsh and fear provoking for immigrant communities across Massachusetts."

Gonzalez said he strongly supports early childhood education.

"These early investments in our children pay dividends on multiple levels and across generations. Working families deserve our best efforts to support their children getting the start they need toward academic and career success and to support their own workforce participation and economic prosperity."

Gonzalez backs reforming the state's 1993 school funding formula.

"We need," he said "to end the opioid epidemic, the most serious public health crisis of our time. No more tragic deaths from overdoses. No more lives ruined by addiction. No more families torn apart. We need people of all ages to be educated about the dangerously addictive nature of opioids and the existence of alternatives for managing pain."

SOLAR

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The committee will review all aspects of the town's solar bylaw, then compare it to those of surrounding communities. Once the review phase is complete, the committee will make recommendations to the Board on potential revisions or additions to the bylaw.

Selectman Hicks is looking forward to working with the committee and providing assistance as a liaison to the board. By working with town officials from different departments, committee

members will have access to an array of informational and procedural items.

"I will answer or get the answers to any questions the committee has," Hicks said. "I will give the selectboard periodic updates on the committee's progress."

Recent solar projects in town have garnered significant attention during the last three years, and residents have strong opinions on both sides of the issue.

In May, selectmen voted 4-1 to waive the town's right of first refusal for a pair of parcels on McCormick Road. This decision enabled a solar proposal

to move forward for the parcels at 20 and 32 McCormick Road. Previously, an extensive 2016 project converted lands at St. Joseph's Abbey into solar arrays.

Before moving forward with analysis of new proposals, selectmen wanted to give the bylaw committee time for its review process.

"We want to have a bylaw that is as comprehensive as we can make it," Pepe added.

In early October, Town Administrator Thomas Gregory met with town counsel to receive guidance on the optimal membership and scope of the bylaw committee. Members are expected to

discuss several topics, including the idea for regulations capping the number of commercial solar arrays that can be built in town. This has been done in North Brookfield and other area towns.

There is no timetable for when the committee will finish its review phase and make recommendations. Selectmen said it is important to allow the work to be completed without a set deadline.

"We don't want them to have time constraints. This is definitely going to take some time for it to be done right," Pepe said.



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Robert W. "Bob" Gailey, 82

NORTH BROOKFIELD - Robert W. "Bob" Gailey, Ph.D., 82, of North Brookfield died on Monday, October 8, 2018 at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center in Worcester.

He leaves his wife of 61 years, Shirley G. (Clark) Gailey; his son, Robert C. Gailey and his wife Carol of Torrington, CT; his daughter, Susan Nikola-Costa of Newtown, CT, and 2 grandchildren, Jennifer and Tyler. He was born in and grew up in Portsmouth, NH, son of the late Albert and Alma (Chapet) Gailey.

Dr. Gailey was a United States Air Force veteran, obtaining the rank of Captain. While serving, he and Shirley were stationed throughout the United States including Alaska.

Robert highly valued education. He obtained his BA from the University of New Hampshire, and then went on to earn both a Master's degree and Ph.D. in Education from the University of Massachusetts. He spent his career in Financial Administration working at Greenfield Community College, Western New England College, and lastly as Vice-President of Finance at

Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Bob was a former member of the Rotary Club of Springfield, and a current member of the East Brookfield Baptist Church. He was a great fan of the Red Sox and Patriots since a child, and kept that passion throughout his life. He renovated a lake house in New Hampshire, where he and Shirley spent many summers, and enjoyed dinners out at 308 Lakeside on Lake Lashaway as well.

A Funeral Service for Bob will be held on Friday, October 19, 2018 at 11:00AM in the East Brookfield Baptist Church, 262 East Main St., East Brookfield. Burial with military honors will be in Russellville Cemetery in Hadley at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name may be made to the East Brookfield Baptist Church, or the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

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Yvette J. Bouvier, 90

SPENCER- Yvette J. (Lacaire) Bouvier, 90, of 1 Lacaire Lane and most recently of Notre Dame du Lac Assisted Living in Worcester, died Tuesday, October 9 in St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester.

She was the wife of George A. Bouvier who died in 1996. She leaves her sons Paul G. Bouvier and his wife Susan and Mark G. Bouvier and his wife Michele, all of Spencer, daughters Jeannine M. Bowen and her husband James of Beverly and Louise M. Bouvier and her companion David Cameron of West Brookfield; eight grandchildren, Jason Bowen and his wife Lynda, Justin Bowen and his wife Sarah, all of Beverly, Laura Bouvier of Worcester, Kyle Bouvier of Spencer, Nicole Whitecavage and her husband Charles of Spencer, Jason Lavelly of San Diego, California, Molly Cameron of West Brookfield and Luke Cameron of Snowmass Village, Colorado; five great grandchildren, Madison, Logan, Patrick, Elizabeth and Charles, and several nephews. She is predeceased by a brother, Roger Lacaire, and two sisters, Helen Bouley and Rita Lacaire.

Yvette was a secretary for the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional

School District for many years, retiring in 1993. She later worked as the parish secretary for Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish.

Born in Spencer, she was the daughter of Henry and Albina (St. Germain) Lacaire, and graduated from David Prouty High School. As a member of Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish, Yvette enjoyed singing in the choir and served on many parish ministries. She was also a member of the St. Anne's Sodality.

The family would like to thank the caring staff at Notre Dame, as well as St. Vincent Hospital for their compassionate care. A special thank you to Dr. Tony Samaha and his staff for the excellent care they provided to Yvette over the last five years.

Funeral services will be private and at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours. Please omit flowers. Memorial contributions may be made to Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish Memorial Fund, 60 Maple Street, Spencer, MA 01562.

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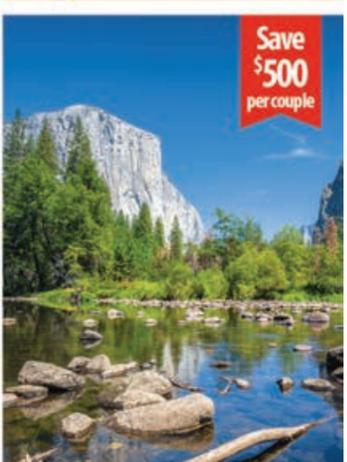
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Catherine J. Schultz, 63



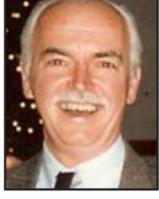
Catherine J. (Turner) Schultz, 63 years old, died peacefully on Thursday morning, September 27, in her home in Fitchburg after a brave battle with brain cancer.

Cate was born in Clinton, Massachusetts on June 27, 1955 to the late Lilly (Johnson) Turner and Wesley Turner. She is survived by her husband Bernie Schultz III, four daughters Laura Schultz of Leominster, Nina Schultz and partner Jason Morse of Fitchburg, Emily Schultz and fiancée Ryan Smith of Keene, N.H., Rachel McCullough and husband Cullen of Spencer, MA, and grandchildren Isabelle, Matthew, and Benjamin. Additionally, Cate is survived by her sister Barbara Sacco and husband Jerry, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Diane Ridlon.

Cate grew up in Lancaster, Massachusetts and was a 1973 graduate of Nashoba Regional High School where she was All State in Chorus.

Cate attended Fitchburg State College before starting a short working career as a secretary at the former Erna Plastics in Leominster and a teacher's aide at the Busy Bee Preschool Center in Fitchburg. She spent most of her life raising her children and enjoying the company of her family, including her three precious grandchildren. Cate was a talented artist, from painting wall murals to designing personalized board games. In addition to loving music, Cate also enjoyed literature. Before her illness, she spent a year and a half co-writing a novel with one of her lifelong best friends, Pam Denny. In addition to Pam, her other lifelong best friends, Adele Martin and Colleen Champagne, remained devoted to Cate for the duration of her life. Funeral was held Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018 at 11 am in St. Joseph Church, 49 Woodland St., Fitchburg, MA. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or a light a candle.

Gerald P. "Jay" Menard 77



LEICESTER - Gerald P. "Jay" Menard 77, of Leicester, died peacefully, on Monday, Oct. 8 at home.

He leaves his wife of 57 years, Barbara M. (Stonequist) Menard, his daughters Sheryl A. Menard of Spencer, and Wendy C. Begonis and her husband Robert of Leicester, a sister Jackie Boyce of Northampton, nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his daughter Michelle Menard in 1966.

Jay was a Quality Assurance Engineer for the former Jamesbury Corp. in Worcester, retiring in 2009. During his 40 years with the company he was able to travel the world and always had a good story to tell when he returned.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Napoleon and Catherine (Kaminski) Menard, graduated from Worcester Boys Trade and Worcester Junior

College before serving in the National Guard.

Jay loved being outdoors and especially enjoyed camping and his yearly trip to Myrtle Beach. He enjoyed dining out and trying new restaurants with Barbara and he would never miss an opportunity to sit down with his beloved son-in-law Bob and have a beer and chat.

Calling hours for Jay were held on Friday, Oct. 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main St., Leicester with a prayer service at the conclusion of calling hours at 5. Burial in Notre Dame Cemetery, Worcester will take place at a later date. Because Jay was an animal lover, memorial contributions may be made to Second Chance Animal Services, P.O. Box 136, E.Brookfield, MA 01515. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Mabel Buzzell, 78,

Kristopher R. Adams, 49



EAST HAMPTON- Kristopher R. Adams, 49, died on Tuesday, October 9, 2018.

He leaves two daughters, Alexandra Martindale, and Alexandra Adams and her mother

Jennifer Axon; his parents, Kenneth R. Adams and Johanna (Wagner) Adams of Chesterfield; his brother, Jon Adams and his wife Elizabeth of Barrington, NH; his niece and nephew, Chloe and Jack Adams, and two grandchildren, Alice and Nickolas. He also leaves his maternal grandmother, Phyllis Adams of West Brookfield; his uncles, Mark Adams and his companion Eileen of West Brookfield, Stephen Wagner and his wife Jackie of Uxbridge, and Alan Wagner and his wife Barbara of Jupiter, FL; several cousins, and his special friend Shannan of Chesterfield. He was born in Ware, and grew up in West Brookfield, and later moved to Chesterfield as a teen.

Mr. Adams was a United States Air Force veteran, and earned an Associate Degree at Holyoke Community College.

Kris had a talent for being able to tinker and fix small motors.

He was an excellent cook, and made delicious cheesecake. He enjoyed fishing with family and friends, photography, and biking. He loved to garden, and could make anything bloom and grow.

Services for Kris will be held privately, and there are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, his family kindly asks that memorial donations may be made to ServiceNet, Inc., 21 Olander Drive, Northampton, MA 01060 or at servicenet.org.

Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., in West Brookfield is assisting his family with arrangements.

An online guest book is available at varnumfuneralhome.com

Marilyn I. Fanion, 58

SPENCER- Marilyn I. (Chambers) Fanion, 58, died at home, October 6, 2018, after an illness.

She leaves her daughter Jessica "Pepsi" Lynn Cote of Waterville, Maine, 2 grandchildren, Mason Scott and Faith Richard both of Maine, 2 brothers Freddie Chambers and Harry Chambers both of Oakfield, Maine, and 5 sisters Lisa Dupont of Worcester, Susan Anderson of Dyer Brook, Maine, Valerie Chambers of Brimfield, Linda Dashnaw of W. Brookfield, and Franki

Taylor-Britto of North Grosvenordale, CT, and many nieces and nephews.

Marilyn was born September 24, 1960, in Millinocket, Maine, daughter of the late Harry M. Chambers and Leona M. (Hayes) Chambers Taylor. Her step-father was the late Frank Taylor.

She enjoyed spending time with her family, and being a homemaker.

There are no calling hours. Burial services will be in Maine. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550.

Pauline J. "Paula" Swedis, 74



SPENCER- Pauline J. "Paula" (Duguay) Swedis, 74, of R Jones Road died Friday, October 12 in St. Vincent Hospital after an illness.

Her husband John T. "Jack" Swedis died in 2015.

She leaves two sons; Scott M. Swedis of Spencer and Joshua N. Swedis and his wife Carina of Worcester, a daughter Heather M. Benham and her husband Scott of Spencer, two grandchildren; John and Alison Benham, a sister Alice Bernard of Swansea and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers; Donald and Paul Duguay

and a sister Irene Perry.

Paula was a hairdresser for many years at Town House Coiffures in Auburn. She enjoyed crocheting, bingo and bowling. She was an avid Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots fan.

A Memorial service will be held on Thursday, October 18 at 11:00 AM in J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Burial will be private at the convenience of the family. A calling hour will precede the service from 10:00-11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Children's Tumor Foundation, 120 Wall Street, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10005-4002. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Phillip M. Landry, 31



LEICESTER - Phillip M. Landry, 31, of Whittemore Street died unexpectedly on Thursday, October 11 in Worcester.

He leaves his son Caleb Landry of Dudley, his father Dwayne Landry of Leicester, his mother Donna M. Landry of Missouri, a brother Jeremy Landry and his wife Amanda of North Brookfield, several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was predeceased by his grandmother Irene Landry.

Phillip was born in Ft. Lauderdale,

Florida. He was a carpenter for several area contractors. He enjoyed carpentry, landscaping and loved children.

A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, October 19 at 1:30 in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 27th from 12:00-4:00 PM in the Leicester Knights of Columbus, 91 Manville Street, Leicester. There are no calling hours. MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements.

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NORTH BROOKFIELD- Mabel (Tucker) Buzzell, 78, passed away Saturday, October 13, 2018, surrounded by her family after a long illness.

Mabel was born on March 24, 1940, in Ware, of parents Joseph and Margaret Tucker. She graduated from North Brookfield High School in 1958. She then attended The Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, graduating in 1961, and later received her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing from Worcester State College in 1985. Mabel worked as a nurse at Memorial Hospital in Worcester (now UMass Memorial) from 1961 to her retirement in 2007, spending the majority of those years on the ICU. She was a board member for the alumni association for many years.

Mabel was a lifelong member of Christ Memorial Episcopal Church in North Brookfield, where she was involved as a member of the vestry, the altar guild, the choir, and was active in the Episcopal Church Women's organization. She was a dedicated member of the Post 41 North Brookfield American Legion Ladies' Auxiliary since 1966; in 2017 a recognition dinner was given in honor of her fifty-plus years of ser-

Nancy Jean Rucki, 72



WARE - Nancy Jean (Demers) Rucki, 72, of Ware died on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at home with her loving family by her side.

She leaves her husband of 47 years, Ronald J. Rucki of Ware; one son, Scott Rucki of Wilbraham; her daughter, Lisa Floury and her husband Chris of Warren; her mother, Alice "Lorraine" (Gibbs) of Ware, and five grandchildren, Amber, Emily, and Travis Floury, and Olivia and Lauren Rucki. She also leaves her sister, Shirley Socha of Ware. She was born in Ware, daughter of Alice "Lorraine" (Gibbs) and the late Albert Demers, and was a life-long resident of Ware.

Nancy always had a caring, quiet nature. She enjoyed gardening, bird watching, and putting puzzles together. Her greatest loves though were her husband Ron, her children, and her grandchildren. She held her Catholic faith closely, and it never wavered despite her illness;

always knowing that God gives eternal life to those who follow Him.

Nancy was a member of St. Mary's Church in Ware.

A Funeral Mass for Nancy was held on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 10AM in St. Mary's Church, 60 South St., in Ware. Calling hours were held on Sunday, October 14, 2018 from 5 to 7PM in the Charbonneau Funeral Home, 30 Pleasant St., in Ware. Burial was in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery following mass. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Mary's Church or Baystate Visiting Nurses and Hospice Association, P.O. Box 9058, Springfield, MA 01102.

The Rucki and Floury families would like to thank the devoted nurses of Baystate Hospice - Mamie, Melissa, Kathy, Lucy, Rose, and others, for assisting with Nancy's care.

An online guest book is available at charbonneauafh.com



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The deadline for the business "yellow pages" has passed but I still have a couple of full color glossy spots left that we're adding to the front of the 2019 Business, Community & Restaurant Guide.

If you're interested in one of these full color glossy 1/2 pages that will run as you open the book, please contact me. Actual deadline is October 26 for these pages, but it's first come/first serve. Also, the deadline for the full color glossy Restaurant Guide is October 19. Thank you to the over 100 businesses already joining us for 2019!

SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL OF WORCESTER is having an Open House on Wednesday, October 24 from 6:30-8:30 pm, at 50 Richland Street in Worcester. Please see the ad on the Front of Section B this week for all the details, or visit stmarysworcester.org or call 508-753-1170 for more information.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH in Spencer has an upcoming **Christmas Craft & Vendor Faire** on Saturday, December 1 from 9:00am - 3:30pm in the church hall. If you'd like to join the Faire as a vendor, the application deadline is October 31. Please contact Susan at susan.terkalian@gmail.com for vendor info, and save the date for this fun annual event!

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The answers and randomly chosen winner of all correct puzzles, of the **ABC'S of the Seasons Crossword Puzzle** are in this week's issue! Thank you to all who sent in our crossword puzzle. I'm hoping to do more puzzles during the year!

Check out **MEXICALI MEXICAN GRILLS** ad on our dining page for their specials this month at the Spencer location in the Sugden Block, downtown Spencer!

I'm booking ads for November and December and with these months comes a couple of specials...

'TIS THE SEASON TO SHOP LOCAL is a special page that offers buy 4 weeks, get one week free. I have limited space for spot color ads that run on page 2. It begins November 16 and runs through December 14. DEADLINE is Friday, Nov. 9 noon (or until limited spots are filled). Next comes the **8th Annual HOLIDAY TRIPLE PLAY**... Holiday Messages, New Years Resolutions, and Milestones. Cost is just \$25 per week (must run all 3 weeks). Again, space is limited. If you'd like to sign up or would like more info, please contact me.

Have a great week!

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Friday-Sunday October 19, 20, 21

BYE, BYE BIRDIE: The North Brookfield Theater Guild presents Bye, Bye Birdie Friday, Oct. 19 and Saturday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 21 at 2:00 p.m. The musical will be presented at the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 Adult, \$10 Students, Seniors. and Children 12 and under. For Advance Tickets or Information, please Call 508-331-3021.

Saturday October 20

FALL FAIR: Fall Fair, Saturday, Oct. 20, 9 am to 2 pm at the First Congregational Church, North Brookfield. The fair will feature plants, jewelry, baked goods, homemade items, attic treasurers and a drawing. Lunch will be served and will consist of a number of different soups, and assorted sandwiches. The public is invited.

HARVEST FAIR: On Oct. 20 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer will hold its annual Harvest Fair featuring baked goods, plant table, gift baskets, gift table, holiday table, book nook, children's table, jewelry table, knitting & crochet table, antiques & collectibles and much more. The dining room will be open all day serving "coffee and..." A place to enjoy lunch and visit with friends. We will serve lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come start your holiday shopping!

Monday October 22

MELODY MAKERS CONCERT: On Monday Oct. 22 at 5:45 p.m. at Senior Living at Prouty, 195 Main St., Spencer, a program featuring the Melody Makers, with a concert and a sing-along is planned. The public is invited, the event is free and refreshments are served. Call (617) 431-4937 for information or to reserve your place.

Saturday October 27

HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Road, Spencer a Halloween event to

benefit Second Chance is planned. Indoor and outdoor event activities including costume contest and trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle, Walk 'N Wag pledge raising trail walk with scavenger hunt, doggie games and contests, music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown, guest appearance by the Pike's Adam Webster, CGC certification by 4 Paws Academy and agility "Try Its". **FREE ADMISSION!** Families and pets are welcome!

HARVEST THYME CRAFT FAIR: The annual Harvest Thyme craft fair will be held on Oct. 27 at St. John's Church, in East Brookfield. We are currently accepting applications for vendors. The cost is \$25. per table if you apply before Sept. 30. For more information please call Lou Meyerderks at 508-885-5456.

Sunday October 28

TRIVIAL FUNDRAISER: Second annual trivia night at EB Flatts on Oct. 28. 4:00-7:30. \$10 per person. Sandwiches and drinks for sale. All money raised goes towards the 100th Anniversary Celebration in 2020.

Saturday November 3

RUN-WALK FOR DIABETES: The Apple Run/Walk for Diabetes is an event organized by the Lions Club of the Brookfields'. This year's run/walk will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3 and covers a 5 mile course on scenic country roads beginning and ending at the Brookfield Orchards, 12 Lincoln St., North Brookfield. Walkers will start at 10:30 and runners at 11:00. The Run/Walk will be in its 13th year, with proceeds donated to two diabetes charities: the Clara Barton Camp for Diabetic Girls in Oxford and the UMass Diabetes Research team in Worcester. Run/Walk sponsor RapsCALLION Brewery will again be onsite. For more information go to brookfieldslionsclub.org.

Saturday November 10

STRAWBERRY HILL FAIR: On Saturday, Nov. 10, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. the Leicester First Congregational Church, 1 Washburn Square, Leicester will hold its annual Strawberry Hill Fair featuring gift baskets, handmade knitted items, holiday decorations, centerpieces, ornaments and much more. There will be second-hand treasures, raffles, baked goods, a country store featuring homemade goods and fresh winter produce. Enjoy some great lunch specials with apple crisp and ice cream at our cafe.

Saturday December 1

FIFTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL: The 5th annual Winter Festival at East Brookfield Elementary, 410 E. Main St. is scheduled Saturday, Dec. 1, 9 AM-2PM. Pix with Santa \$20 for a package; food for purchase and Kid's Activity Room.

ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP HOURS FOR August 22 through June 28, 2019
Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to

noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. to noon at the First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer. We will be closed October 15 through the 19 for set-up for our Harvest Fair on Saturday, Oct. 20 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come in and see our daily specials. (508) 885-2149.

DEJA NEW: Art, Antiques & Collectibles Marketplace which is open in the St. Joseph's Rectory building at 759 Main Street Leicester. Hours are Tuesday 5-7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m.-noon, Thursday 3-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, all proceeds going back into the town's Food Pantries, Hearts for Heat and programs for the needy. We are non-profit and run on volunteers. We are open May into December.

EAST BROOKFIELD LIBRARY PROGRAMS: The East Brookfield Public Library is currently conducting their fall registration for children's programming. Rhythm and Rhyme is for toddlers aged 18 mos. to 3 years. This program runs from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and includes lots of music, finger plays, physical activities and a story with a related craft.

Preschool story time is geared for children aged 3 to 5 years old. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30a.m. Seasonal songs, poems, and gross motor activities are part of this program, as well as a story and craft that encourages fine motor skills. Both programs are held on Thursday mornings. Parents and caretakers are asked to remain with their children. For more information or to register by phone call (508) 867-7928. You can also like us on Facebook and visit our website @ www.eastbrookfieldLibrary.com. We look forward to seeing you!

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 kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

THRIFTY: St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish, 759 Main St., Leicester, 508-859-8083. New 2 You Thrift Shop. Hours: Tuesday 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to noon., Thursday 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. We have added Thursday hours.

FREE FOR MOM & KIDS: There will be free weekly parent/child programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com.

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The Stonebridge Press Sports Department is seeking an individual to cover high school sports on a freelance basis. Candidate will be reliable and flexible with hours, and will be needed on nights and weekends as assigned.

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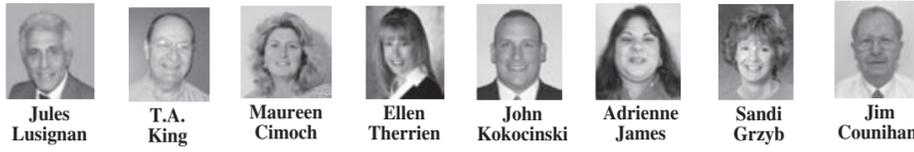
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DUDLEY - 5 Corbin Road! Welcome Home! Beautiful Tri-Level Home Set on 4.5 Acres! 9 Finished Rooms, 3-4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths! Huge Oak Cabinet Packed Kitchen w/Corrugated Granite & Pella Sliders to Enormous Trex Deck & In-ground, Heated Pool! Dining Room w/Bay Window, Hardwoods, Wainscot & Crown Molding w/French Doors Leading to the Sunroom which has Heat & AC where You Can Enjoy Your Morning Coffee Watching the Wildlife Around Your Pond or Take a Walk Across the Bridge to Check on Your Blueberry Bushes! Fireplace Living Room w/Large Front Window, Custom Built-ins & Hardwoods! 3 Large Bdrms w/Lots of Closet Space! Office Could Be Easily Made into 4th Bdrm! Master has Private Balcony Over Looking the Pool! Master Bath has W/D Hookups, Double Vanity & Walk-in Closet! Finished Walk-Out Lower Level Would Make a Great Game Room! 2 Car Garage which Leads to Basement which Houses the Utilities, another W/D Hook-up and Storage (Garage)! Too Many Updates to List Here! A Must See House! **\$459,900.00**

WEBSTER - 24 Emerald Ave! 2 Family! 5/5 Rms! 2,800 sqft! Each w/in-line Kit w/Pantry, Fam Rm, Liv Rm, 2/3 Bdrms! Washer/Dryer Hookups! Heated First! 2 Car Detached Garage! Insulated Windows! New Furnaces! Incredible Yard! Lead Certificates! Well Maintained! **\$239,900.00**

THOMPSON - Quaddick Lake! 52 Breaults Landing! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! Huge Level Lot/Lawn to the Water - .88 Acres! Open Floor Plan! 4/5 Room Ranch! 2 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Appliances & Furnished! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Round! LP Gas Heat & HW! Generator! **\$229,900.00**

WEBSTER - 52 Whitcomb St! Attention Investors! Owner Liquidating! 5 Family! 5/4/4/4 Rooms! 2/2/2/2 Bedrooms! Completely Renovated! All Units Are Very Well Maintained! Furnace Was Rebuilt! Updated Electrical & Plumbing! Off Street Parking! Walk to Schools & Shopping! **\$325,000.00**

WEBSTER - 5 Chestnut St! 6 Rm Ranch, 3 Bdrms, Remodeled Bath, Finished Lower Level! Corner Lot! Frp/Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Hrdwd Flr, French Drs to 16x24 Deck! Din Rm w/Hrdwds! Remodeled Kit w/Cherry Cabinets & SS Appliances! Solar Hot Water! 1 Yr Old Roof! A/C Pool! Shed! **\$269,900.00**

AUBURN - 9 Lorna Dr! 2680' Split Entry! Applanced Oak Eat-in Isl Kit w/Corian Counters! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Sun Rm Cathedral to Trex Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Frp/Liv Rm! 2 Full Baths! 4th Bdrm/Office! Laundry! C/Air & Vac! Professionally Landscaped, 46 Acre Lot! 2 Car Garage! **\$389,900.00**

WEBSTER - 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 Rm Colonial w/Greenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm! Liv Rm! Den! w/Book Shelves! Full Bath! Den w/Built-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to Schools & Churches! **\$104,900.00**

DUDLEY - 13 Pineview Rd! 7 Rm Colonial! Tiled Foyer! Kit w/Din Area & Slider to Composite Deck! Din Rm! Liv Rm! Den! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/Carpeted Bdrms & Full Bath! Master Walk-in Closet & Bath! Finished Lower Level w/Gas Frp/Liv Rm! Fitted! Roof! 2017! Attached 2 Car Garage! Town Services! **\$359,900.00**

DUDLEY - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated 6 Rm, 3 Bdrms, 2.5 Bath! 1 Acre! Lot! Cul-de-sac! Hrdwds Throughout! Open Liv Rm, Kit & Din Area! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Slid! Slider to Composite Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Master Bath! 2nd Flr w/2 Large Bdrms & Full Bath! Garage Under! **\$309,900.00**

SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! Expandable 9 Rm 2,150' Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Driv! New Granite Kit! Din, Liv & Frp/Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Yr Rd Sunroom w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! 2 1/2 Master w/Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 12x24! 3 Season Porch! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage! A/C! **\$464,900.00**

THOMPSON - 854 Thompson Rd! 9 Rm Split! Beautiful, 63 Acre Lot! Applanced Granite Kit! Dining & Frp/Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! 17x18 Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/Tile Flr! 3/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Hrdwds! Frp/Liv Rm! 1.5 Baths! 2 Car Garage! Recent Furnace! 18x24 Deck! Shed! **\$269,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 54 West Pt Rd! North Pond - Killdeer Isl - West Expo - Beautiful Lake Views & Sunsets! 2002 Built 6 Rm Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Rd Living! Applanced Kit w/Center Isl! Lake Facing Din Rm w/Panoramic Water Views & Recent Wood Frp/Liv Lake Facing Liv Rm w/LP Gas Frp/Liv, Recent Wood Frp & French Door to Deck! 1st Flr Laundry & Hall! 2nd Flr w/3 Spacious Bdrms! Lake Facing Master Suite w/Fantastic Lake Views, Frp/Liv, French Dr to its Deck, Dressing Office Area & Full Bath w/Whirlpool Tub! 2nd Full Bath off the Hall! Huge Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level w/Gas Stove & Slider to Stone Patio is Ready for "Finishing"! Additional Lakeside Deck! Dock! **\$559,900.00**

DOUGLAS WATERFRONT! 36 Cedar St! Badluck Pond (110Acres) aka Cedar Lake or Laurel Lake! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 2.74 Acres! 633' Waterfront! 471' Road Front! Beautiful Private Setting! Huge 2836', 2688' Custom 6 Rm Cedar Ranch w/Hrdwd Flrs Throughout! Spectacular, Open Din Rm & Great Rm w/Stone Frp/Liv, Soaring Beamed Cedar Cathedral Ceiling, 6 Sky Lights, Recessed Lighting, 1/2 Bath & 3 Sliders to 96' Lake Facing Screened Porch! Custom Kit! Dining & Living Rm w/Skylights, Recessed Lighting, Slider to Porch, Wall Oven & Center Island w/Tripole Bob Sink, Cooktop & Dishwasher! Mud Rm Entry w/2 Dble Closets, Tile Flr, Door to Kit & Door to Full Bath! 2 Lake Facing Bdrms w/Walk-in Closets, Skylights & Sliders to Porch! Full Title Bath w/Separate Shower & Whirlpool Bath w/Door to Master & Hall! Office w/Dble Closet! 2.5 Baths Total! Cedar Lined Closets! Full Basement! Plus 36X72' 2 Story Heated Boat House/Garage/Work Shop w/Half Bath! Upper Level 5 Rm Caretaker/In-Law Apartment w/2 Full Baths! Game Rm w/Full Bath! 5 Full + 2 1/2 Half Baths Total! One of a Kind Waterfront Home! **\$599,900.00**

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 Applanced Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwds & Sliders to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frp/Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdwds! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frp/Liv Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$729,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 209 Beacon Park! - 1280' Townhouse! 5 Rooms! Spectacular Sandy Beach! Fantastic Lakeside Pool! Applanced Kitchen! Carpeted Dining Rm & Fireplace Living Rooms! 2 Spacious Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Updated Tile Baths! Central Air! Garage! **\$239,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 130 Killdeer Island - North Pond! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm 3 Season Home! Add Heat & Use Yr Round! Great Potential! 4 Bdrms w/Hrdwds, 2 Lake Facing! Frp/Liv Rm w/Lake Views! Spacious Kit & Dining Area! 2 Baths! 55' of Sandy Beach! **\$475,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,000' Level Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemporary Colonial! Built 2015! Like New! Open Fr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Island, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Frp/Liv, Surrounded by Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling Fan! Dining & Living Rm w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile Shower! Laundry Rm! "Wood Look" Tile Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hrdwds, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bdrm Access! Lake Facing Bdrm w/Hrdwds, Dble Closet & Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hrdwds & Dble Closet! Full Bath w/Dble Granite Vanity & Tile Flr! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2x6/2' 2 Story Detached Garage! Deck! Get Packing! **\$785,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 194 Killdeer Island! North Pond Views! Sandy Shore! 6 Rm Cape! Open Liv & Din Rm w/Wholly Restored Fireplace! New Lake Facing Windows! 2 1st Flr Bdrms, 1 Lake Facing 3 Bdrms! 2 Updated Bathrooms! Huge Composite Deck w/Walk-out Balcony! Walk-out Lower Level to Courtyard! Garage Under! **\$569,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 12 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! 5 Rm Ranch! 80' Waterfront! Completely Remodeled! 10 Yrs Ago! Kraftmaid Cabinet Kit w/Island & Silstone Counters! Bamboo Wood Flrs Throughout! Open Fr Plan! Composite Deck! Lake Facing Master! 2 Full Bath! Fam Rm! **\$399,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 202 Killdeer Island Rd! Panoramic View of North Pond! Natural Sandy Shoreline! Complete Rebuild Since 2002! Custom Center Island Applanced Granite Kitchen w/Walk-in Pantry, Recessed Lighting, Hardwoods & 1/2 Bath! Open Floor Plan! Dining Rm w/Window Seat, 2 Closets & Hardwoods! 19X19 Lake Facing Living Rm w/Hardwoods & 2 Sliders to Deck w/Recent Awning! Upstairs to 4 Bedrooms or 3 Plus Office! Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Walk-in Closet & Master Bath w/Tile Floor, Huge Corner Shower w/Seat, Double Linen Closet! Full Bath! Halfway Laundry Closet! Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level Family Room, 2 Sliders to Patio! Full Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! 4 Zone Heat & 2 Zone C/Air only 2 Years Old! Start Packing! **\$649,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,698' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemporary Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Fr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/Tile Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frp/Liv, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdwds! Granite Kit w/Island, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdwds & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble, Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frp/Liv, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Decks! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 810 Beacon Park! 5 Rms, 1,100' Garden Unit! Fantastic Lake Views! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths! Brand New Heat & A/C Unit! Applanced! Din Rm w/Bay Window! Large Covered Patio & Manicured Courtyard! Garage! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! Best Seat for July 4th Fireworks! **\$259,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 104 Treasure Island! 1,974' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frp/Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Bath! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$324,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 602 Treasure Isl! Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frp/Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Bath! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$334,900.00**

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WEBSTER - 20 NORTH MAIN ST

2 Family - Spacious 3 bedrooms each apartment. Hardwoods, pocket doors, 10ft ceilings, New gas furnaces! Partially finished 3rd floor, 1st floor handicapped accessible, 2 car garage. All town services **\$199,900**

<p>WEBSTER - 7 HICKORY LN</p> <p>New Listing Warm and Inviting. This Lovely Ranch Sits On A Beautifully Landscaped Yard Nestled in A Very Quiet, Wanting Neighborhood. This 3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath Home Has So Much To Offer!! Fully Applanced Eat-in Kitchen, Newly Carpeted Living Room and Three Cozy and Comfortable Bedrooms All On One Floor. Walk Down To The Lower Level To The Open And Spacious Family Room With Pellet Stove! \$259,000</p>	<p>DUDLEY - 32 DUDLEY HILL RD</p> <p>Expanded Cape! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath located in beautiful Dudley! Town Water & Sewer! A little TLC will go far to making this your forever home. Extra large perennial packed park like yard is sure to help soothe and relax you NEW PRICE \$199,900</p>	<p>THOMPSON, CT - 653 QUINEBAUG RD</p> <p>Fantastic Ranch - One Floor Living with 3 Bedrooms / Hardwoods, 2 Full Tile Baths! Eat-in Kitchen with Built-ins, Appliances Included, Fireplace! Family Room with Hardwoods, Lots of Natural Light, Ceiling Fans, French Doors, First Floor Laundry, Screened in Porch - walks right out to your own private pond. New Roof in 2014. Spacious Flat Level Lot with Circular Driveway. Two separate 1 Car Garages. \$279,900</p>	<p>THOMPSON, CT - 359 E. THOMPSON RD</p> <p>Very Interesting property, to a home owner or developer. 47 +/- Acres! Home is a 1300 sq ft ranch with a barn. The home consist of 3 bedrooms, and 1-1/2 bath, basement, farmers porch and 1 car garage. Much of the land is cleared. This property has 300' +/- of road frontage on East Thompson Rd. and road frontage on the entire length of pavement on Roy Rd. Rectangular in shape greater than 1300' wide x over 1600' deep. Needs TLC! \$300,000</p>
<p>THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE</p> <p>New Price! Roomy 1300 sq. ft., Hip roof Ranch Cottage! Eat in Kitchen, Fireplace living room with bow window! 3 bedrooms, enclosed heated sun room, central air, Koi Pond, on .87 +/- acre! \$265,000</p>	<p>PUTNAM, CT - 10 KNOLLWOOD LN</p> <p>Spacious Townhouse! 2 Large Bedrooms w/plenty of closet space, 1-1/2 Baths, Open Floor Plan, Appliances, Packed Kitchen with Breakfast Bar & Pantry Closet, Living Room with Sliders to Private Deck, 1 Car Garage Under, Basement for Laundry/Storage. Convenient Location, near Interstate 395! Fabulous area amenities like restaurants, shopping, walking trails along the river, community events, and recreation! NEW PRICE \$129,900</p>	<p>LAND! WEBSTER/DOUGLAS BUILDABLE LOTS Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abuts Douglas State Forest \$132,900 Webster Lake - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Buildable w/Town Water & Sewer. \$59,400 SORRY SOLD Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer \$250,000 Thompson - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view \$99,900</p>	
<p>PUTNAM, CT - 310 WALNUT ST</p> <p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>NEW PRICE! Simply Move In & Enjoy! Spacious 1,868 SF, 3-4 Bdr Ranch Home! Finished Lower Level & 2 Car Garage Under. Park-like 3 Acres +/- parcel w/250' of road frontage! Quality built & meticulously maintained home! Ceramic counters, updated appliances, ceramic tiled floors, and Center Island w/custom lighting and a ceiling pot rack. Formal Living Room, bow window! Fireplace w/gas insert. Fully heated 4-season sun room! Entertain your guests in the private 2x6-6 3 season room! Finished lower level cozy family room w/furnished! Central air conditioning, wiring for a generator, 2 outbuildings! \$269,900</p>	<p>WOODSTOCK, CT - 606 PROSPECT ST</p> <p>FIRST TIME OFFERED!! Pristine Colonial on 2.54 Acres! Picturesque Setting!! Magazine Quality Decor! Arched Openings, Balcony, Bonus Room over Garage! 9 rooms, 3 Bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, Teen Suite - Media Room - Game Room - Craft Room! Brick Patio with Attached Fire Pit! *2011 Updates: Roof, Furnace & Re-pointed Chimney! All This and More is Waiting for YOU NEW PRICE \$399,000</p>	<p>WOODSTOCK, CT - QUASSET LAKE</p> <p>150 W. Quasset Rd. - Extraordinary Waterfront Retreat on Quasset Lake! Unique, Tranquil, Quiet, Secluded & Private! Long circular driveway! 5.5 acres of land! Paved, covered patio & balconies, stone lead 3 car detached garage w/heat stove, Cape Cod style w/ winding gravel path to 255 +/- of shoreline! 5,000 sq ft hip roof 3 story Colonial! 2 living rooms! 2 family rooms, 2nd floor private office suite, laundry room, exercise studio, LL kitchenette, sauna, 2 fireplaces & more! Master BRs w/private baths! \$1,299,000</p>	

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<p>Eastford \$310,000 NEW PRICE</p> <p>Pristine Eastford home, frontage on year-round babbling brook. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, granite kitchen, expand bonus room. John Rich 860-315-2615</p>	<p>Putnam \$4,000/mo. Commercial Lease</p> <p>Location! 2,696 SF commercial space for lease with ample parking. Convenient to I-395. Vivian Kozey 860-455-5363</p>	<p>Brooklyn \$199,000</p> <p>3 BR 1.5 BA. Beautiful oak floors, replacement windows. Newly painted. Excellent move-in cond. Partly finished basement. Richard Governale 860-428-7656</p>	<p>Pomfret \$825,000</p> <p>On 26 acres with gorgeous southerly views! Over 6,000 SF with 8 BR and 5.5 BA! In ground pool, pool house, 3-stall barn! The Gosselin Team: Stephanie 860-428-5960</p>	<p>Brooklyn \$545,000</p> <p>Sensational Contemporary w/privacy. In-law on lower level, wood floors, 2 stone fireplaces & master suite on main level, 3 bay garage! Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Thompson \$149,000</p> <p>Unique opp. for a commercial/mixed use building in great location! The owner will sell building w/all contents (antiques/collectibles). The White/Cook Team: Diane 860-377-4016</p>
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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 Alfred Magnone Jr. and Christine Magnone a/k/a Christine M. Magnone to Bay Finance Company, Inc., dated April 23, 2003 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 29844, Page 364, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Bay Finance Company, Inc to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. dated April 23, 2003 and recorded with said Registry on April 29, 2003 at Book 29844, Page 381 and by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP dated June 29, 2010 and recorded with said Registry on July 2, 2010 at Book 46002, Page 68 and by assignment from Countrywide Home Loans Inc. to Nationstar Mortgage LLC dated April 2, 2013 and recorded with said Registry on July 8, 2013 at Book 51169, Page 128 and by assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC to MTGLQ Investors, L.P. dated January 13, 2017 and recorded with said Registry on April 13, 2017 at Book 56971, Page 63 and by assignment from (corrective) Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing L.P., f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP to Nationstar Mortgage LLC dated February 13, 2017 and recorded with said Registry on May 12, 2017 at Book 57110, Page 257, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 p.m. on October 31, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 113 NORTHWEST ROAD, SPENCER, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT: The land in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the Town of Spencer on the westerly side of Northwest Road and shown as Lot 2 on a plan by BryLee civil Engineering company title "Plan of Land In Spencer, Massachusetts, Owned by Lucien L. Tetreault" recorded in Plan Book 6597, Plan 71, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe on the westery side of Northwest Road at the northeasterly corner of property of the Lot to be described; said point being also the most southeastly corner of land now or formerly of Milton r. Letendre;
 THENCE S. 6° 40' 13" E. by a stone wall along the westerly side of Northwest Road a distance of 67.09 feet to an iron pipe;
 THENCE S. 21° 42' 40" E. by a stone wall along the westerly side of Northwest Road for a distance of 149.23 feet to a drill hole;
 THENCE S. 68° 17' 20" W. a distance of 25.27 feet;
 THENCE N. 21° 42' 40" W. a distance of 25.47 feet to an iron pipe;
 THENCE S. 80° 59' 17" W. a distance of 60.00 feet to an iron pipe;
 THENCE S. 9° 00' 43" E. a distance of 40.40 feet;
 THENCE S. 81° 36' 53" W. a distance of 238.08 feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 20° 21' 07" W. a distance of 100.00 feet, the last six courses by land of said Lucien L. Tetreault;
 THENCE N. 69° 38' 53" W. a distance of 192.49 feet to a drill hole;
 THENCE N. 70° 47' 22" W. a distance of 317.34 feet to a drill hole the last two courses by land now of formerly of Alden J. Tetreault;
 THENCE N. 6° 34' 18" E. a distance of 268.09 feet to a drill hole;
 THENCE N. 2° 46' 03" E. a distance of 87.03 feet to a drill hole, the last two courses by land now or formerly of Eleanor S. Downey;
 THENCE S. 77° 19' 35" E. a distance of 395.51 feet to a stake;
 THENCE S. 76° 46' 31" E. a distance of 368.35 feet to the point of beginning. The last two courses by land now or formerly of Milton R. Letendre. Being the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagors by deed dated November 22, 1995 and recorded at the Worcester District Registry of deeds in Book 17489, page 78.

For mortgagor's(s)' title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17489, Page 78. 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.

MTGLQ INVESTORS, L.P.
 Present holder of said mortgage
 By its Attorneys,
 HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
 150 California Street
 Newton, MA 02458
 (617) 558-0500
 201406-0835 - TEA

October 5, 2018
 October 12, 2018
 October 19, 2018

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT COMPLAINT TO FORECLOSE TAX LIEN

[seal] No.16TL000053 TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

and to John W. Bowker, deceased, formerly of Fort Myers, in the State of Florida; Arnold J. Bowker, Cornelia Shea, Faith E. Maloney, Christopher P. Bowker, Jane Finocchio, all now or formerly of Scituate, Plymouth County, said Commonwealth; Mary B. Dunn, now or formerly of Austin, in the State of Texas; Anne E. Azmi, now or formerly of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee; Richard J. Bowker, now or formerly of Hingham, Plymouth County, said Commonwealth; Stanley A. Bowker, now or formerly of Plymouth, Plymouth County, said Commonwealth; Joseph P. Bowker, now or formerly of San Pedro, in the State of California; H. Thomas Bowker, now or formerly of Washington, D.C.; Joan Bowker, now or formerly of Underhill, in the State of Vermont; or their heirs, devisees or legal representatives:

Whereas, a complaint has been presented to said Court by the Town of Spencer, in the County of Worcester, and said Commonwealth, to foreclose all rights of redemption from the tax lien proceedings described in said complaint in and concerning a certain parcel of land situate in said Spencer, in the County of Worcester, and in said Commonwealth, bounded and described in said complaint as follows: Property: Land & Building Containing: 15028.00 SF (more or less)

Location: 50 Lake St.
 Parcel ID: 0U15 -00016
 Registry: 07392/0086
 Recorded at: Worcester County Registry of Deeds

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said complaint you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer, under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said complaint, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Courthouse located at Three Pemberton Square, Room 507 in Boston, MA 02108), on or before the twenty-sixth day of November in the year two thousand and eighteen.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said complaint will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said complaint or any judgment entered thereon. And in addition to the usual service of this notice as required by law, it is ordered that the foregoing citation be published in the New Leader a newspaper published in Southbridge. Witness, **JUDITH C. CUTLER**, Esquire, Chief Justice of said Court, this second day of October in the year two thousand and eighteen.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
 Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder

Plaintiff's Attorney: James E. Coppola, Esq., Coppola & Coppola, 40 South Street, Marblehead, MA 01945 (781) 639-0140 October 19, 2018

(SEAL) COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 18SM005724 ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Heirs, Devisees and Legal Representatives of the Estate of Dorothy T. Turner; Patricia Norton and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 et seq.:

American Advisors Group claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in East Brookfield, numbered 109 Evergreen Street, given by Dorothy T. Turner to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, dated November 7, 2013, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51763, Page 335, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before November 19, 2018 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, **JUDITH C. CUTLER** Chief Justice of said Court on October 3, 2018.

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder
 13291
 October 19, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2000 Docket No. WO18P2833EA Estate of: Clifford E. Stanikmas Date of Death: September 9, 2015 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Andrea L. Burke of Spencer MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Andrea L. Burke of Spencer MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
 October 19, 2018

HERE & THERE → Local Events, Arts, and Entertainment Listings

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 7:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 2:00 P.M.

The Theatre Guild of North Brookfield presents **BYE BYE BIRDIE** in the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium \$15 for adults; \$10 for seniors and children under 12 For tickets call Joe at 508-331-9031

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20
 KLEM'S 13th ANNUAL DOG COSTUME CONTEST 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Awards for scariest, most original & funniest KLEM'S 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

2nd ANNUAL AMERICAN LEGION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CRAFT FAIR 9 am - 2 pm Full hall of crafters, raffles, and more! American Legion Gaudette Kirk Post 138 175 Main St., Spencer, MA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21
 A NIGHT OF SPIRIT WITH MARKUS 6-8 p.m. Join us as Markus Harrington delivers messages from loved ones that have passed (spirit.) Light refreshments will be served. Seating is limited so do not wait to register. \$55.00 per person or 2 for \$100.00 All tickets must be purchased in advance and are non-refundable.

Stop by A TOUCH OF MAGICK 195 South Main St., Uxbridge, MA or call to reserve 508-779-7386

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25
 PUMPKIN CARVING WORKSHOP 6-8 p.m. Create your own pumpkin masterpiece. Class includes pumpkin and all materials. \$40.00 paid in advance. Class size is limited so you must pre-register. Under 18 welcome

if accompanied by an adult. No participants under 13 please. You are welcome to bring your own adult beverage (over 21 only) Call to reserve your spot 508-779-7386 A TOUCH OF MAGICK 195 South Main St., Uxbridge, MA

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY OCTOBER 27 AND 28
 CASTLEBERRY FALL CRAFT FESTIVAL AT STURBRIDGE Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center 366 Main St., Sturbridge, MA Over 125 booths of Juried American-made arts, crafts, specialty foods and music. Adult admission: \$7.00 Under age 14: Free Rain or shine Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4 For more information: www.castleberryfairs.com

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3
 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ALBANIAN KITCHEN AND BAZAAR Bake table featuring traditional

Albanian favorites. Albanian-style café with a variety of food items to dine in or take out. Theme baskets, this 'n' that table, handmade jewelry, and illustrated children's books by Ruth Sanderson St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church 126 Morris St., Southbridge, MA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1
 PICTURES WITH SANTA AT KLEM'S 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Children and pets welcome! With a \$5.00 donation KLEM'S 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

ONGOING
JUNE 9 THROUGH OCTOBER 20
 KLEM'S FARMERS MARKET Every Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Visit many local crafters, artisans & more! www.klemsonline.com 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)

ROADHOUSE BLUES JAM Every Sunday, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102

Trivia Night
 TRIVIA SATURDAY NIGHTS 7:00 p.m. register 7:30 p.m. start up HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB 325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA 508-892-9822

WISE GUYS TEAM TRIVIA Every Tuesday, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike (Rt. 44) Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY NIGHT HEXMARK TAVERN AT SALEM CROSS INN 260 West Main St., West Brookfield, MA 508-867-2345 www.salemcrossinn.com

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ALL BEST OFFER MOVING SALE: 6 Chairs, Two wedding dresses size 14 & 18; Mother of bride dress size 18; Bridesmaid dresses, size 18; Piano; 2-draw filing cab. Green Sofa & Loveseat; 4-burner gas grill; Patio Table w/ Glass Top; Pressure washer; 6 Chairs; Umbrella Tools, Axes; Recliner; Twin Beds; Desks; Book Cases; TV. (774) 262-0442

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100 GENERAL

107 Misc. FREE

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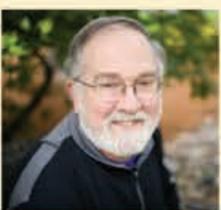
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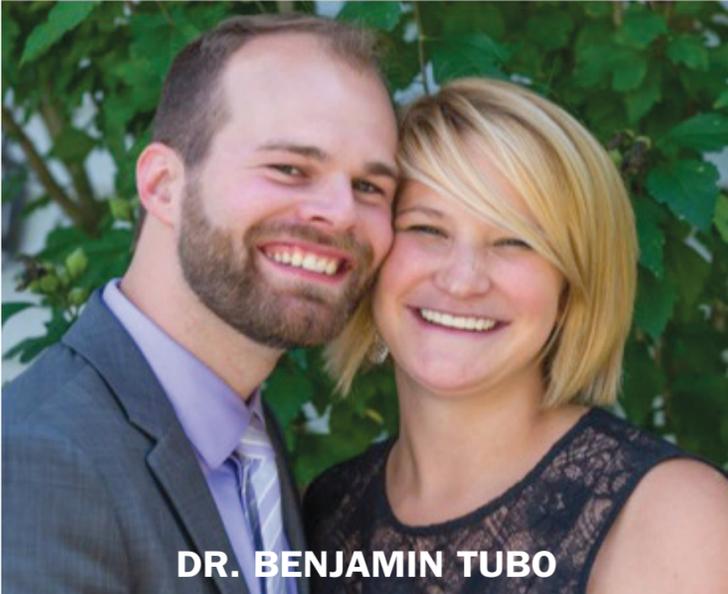
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How to make smart choices at the buffet table



Healthy eaters can do their best to avoid the "buffet binge" at their next special occasion.

Buffet dining can be found everywhere from wedding receptions to all-inclusive resorts to cafeteria-style restaurants. Unlimited access to a wide array of foods means there's likely something for everyone to enjoy at the buffet

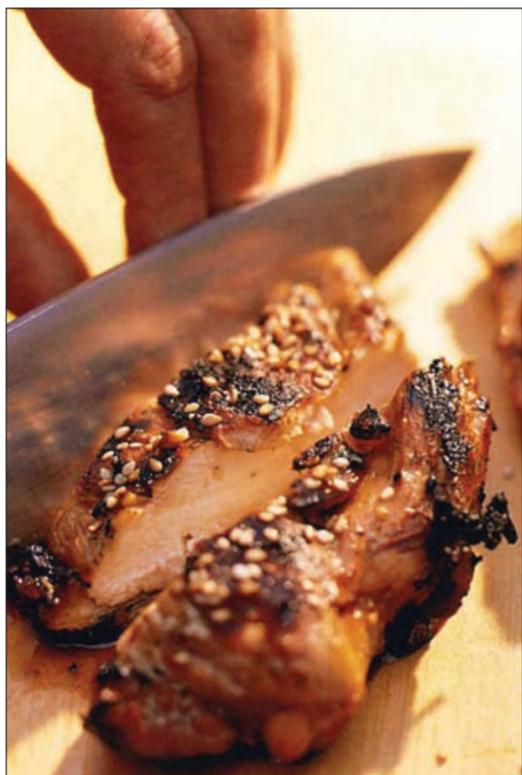
table. But having so many foods at one's fingertips also may compel some people to overeat. Some people are tempted to get their money's worth, while others have difficulty controlling portions with so many deli-

cious offerings beckoning. Limitless food supplies often tempt people to dine on much more than they normally would at sit-down meals. Dubbed "buffet binging," individuals may walk away from buffet lines feeling bloated.

However, there are some tricks to enjoy buffets without ending up with the post-buffet bloat. Do a sweep of the area first. Examine the buffet offerings before picking up a plate. If something looks irresistible, leave room for it by going spar-

- ingly on other foods.
- Snack before arriving. Fill up on high-fiber foods before visiting the buffet line so you'll be less likely to overdo it. If that's not possible, have a salad or broth-based soup as an appetizer. Both options are filling but not too high in calories.
- Use a small plate. Pick a small plate so you can't fill it up with more food than you need to feel satisfied. If you're still hungry after finishing your plate, you can always go back for a second helping.
- Pick some protein. If the idea is to make the meal worth it from a financial standpoint, stick to protein-rich offerings like meat, poultry and seafood. These tend to be the most expensive items on the spread.
- Choose unusual foods. When indulging in an item or two, select foods you don't regularly have access to. And don't hesitate to give signature dishes a try.
- Load up on veggies. Fill your plate with plenty of vegetables, which are filling and healthy. Just be wary of how veggies are prepared, skipping those that are coated in cream sauces or look laden with butter.
- Indulge wisely in desserts. Pick up very small pieces of dessert if you want to sample various offerings. Fill the rest of the plate with fresh fruit, which is refreshing and low in calories.
- Slow down. Eat slowly and register when you are full. This will help you eat with your stomach and not your eyes. After visiting the buffet line, sit beyond the sightline of the buffet so you're not tempted to revisit it.

Explore new flavors over an open flame



Just about anything can be cooked over an open flame. No matter the type of grilling they're using, cooks who prepare meals over an open flame can't help but notice the distinctive flavor that's unique to grilled foods. Trying something new this grilling season can open cooks' eyes to a host of flavors they might not instantly associate with grilling. The following recipe for "Ginger Soy Chicken Breasts" from Eric Treuille and Birgit Erath's "Grilling" (DK Publishing) is one such meal that can open cooks' eyes to the many wonderful foods that can be cooked over an open flame.

GINGER SOY CHICKEN BREASTS SERVES 4

2 tablespoons grated fresh ginger
 3 garlic cloves, crushed
 2 tablespoons dark brown sugar
 2 teaspoons sesame seeds
 2 teaspoons toasted sesame oil
 1 tablespoon medium dry sherry
 1/2 cup soy sauce
 4 boneless chicken breast halves, slashed (see below)
 Salt
 Black pepper
 1 recipe Cilantro Coconut Sauce (see below), optional

Combine ginger, garlic, sugar, sesame seeds, sesame oil, sherry, and soy sauce. Add chicken and toss to coat evenly. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes, turning once. Grill according to instructions below. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Serve hot with

CILANTRO COCONUT SAUCE (optional).

To slash chicken breasts: With a sharp knife, cut 3 parallel slashes through skin, about 14-inch deep.

Outdoor grill: Grill skin-side down on medium-hot coals until crisp, about 7 minutes. Turn and continue grilling until chicken is opaque with no trace of pink, another 5 minutes.

Indoor grill: Preheat broiler. Broil skin-side up until skin is crisp, about 7 minutes. Turn and continue cooking until chicken is opaque with no trace of pink, another 5 minutes.

CILANTRO COCONUT SAUCE MAKES 2 1/8 CUPS

- 1 handful cilantro leaves
- 1 handful fresh mint leaves
- 4 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 green chile, seeded and chopped
- 1 avocado, peeled, halved and pitted
- 1/2 teaspoon grand cumin
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 1 1/2 cups coconut milk
- Salt
- Tabasco sauce

Place cilantro, mint, garlic, chile, avocado, cumin, sugar, lime juice, and coconut milk in a food processor or blender; pulse to a purée. Add salt and Tabasco sauce to taste. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes to allow flavors to blend. Serve chilled.

Cooks note: To avoid discoloration, store in a bowl with plastic wrap, pressing directly on the sauce to prevent contact with air.

Most popular ethnic cuisines across the country



Chinese food is one of the most popular ethnic cuisines enjoyed in both Canada and the United States.

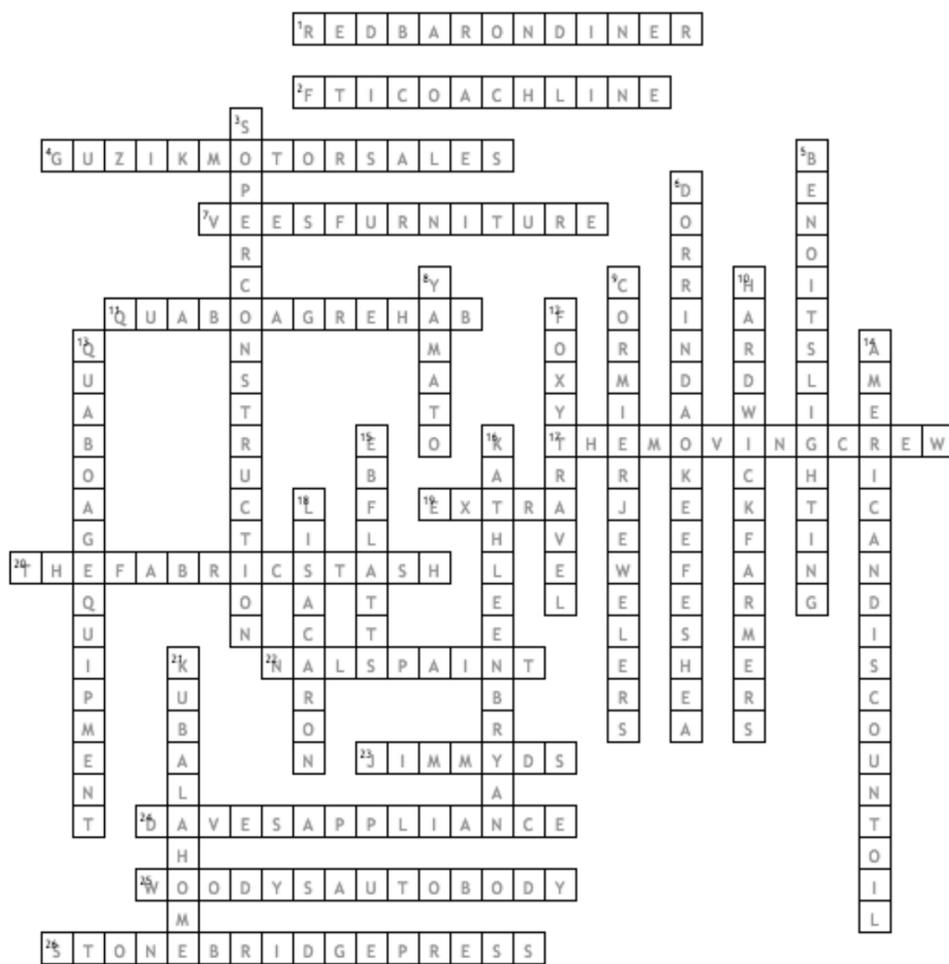
What constitutes "ethnic" food differs from person to person. Someone of Italian descent may dine regularly on garlic-infused pasta dishes, while a person from another area of the world may find such foods exotic. In the cultural melting pot of North America, various cuisines representing countries that span the globe are within arm's length for many people. According to Technomic, a Chicago-based research firm, 77 percent of Americans enjoy ethnic foods while dining out once a month. Around 38 percent order ethnic food weekly. In addition, many more people prepare ethnic cuisine at home. A growing interest in ethnic foods is fueled by young people. Technomic notes that millennials

are more apt to want to try various cuisines and then incorporate them into their regular dining experiences. The National Restaurant Association found that 60 percent of people are likely to "tie their favorite ethnic food to their family history." Interest in ethnic foods tends to be highest in urban areas where restaurants and ingredients may be more readily available. When it comes to the top ethnic cuisines enjoyed throughout the states or provinces and territories, Chinese, Mexican and Italian rally for the top spots on diners' plates. While the NRA has Italian cuisine as earning top-billing, Technomic's list says that Chinese food, at 76 percent, followed by Mexican food (74 percent)

and Italian (71 percent) comprise the biggest ethnic draws. Japanese or sushi comes in a distant fourth at 32 percent in the United States. The statistics portal Statista indicates that, as of January 2015, Chinese, American and Italian foods are quite popular in Canada. However, the percentage of people who cook these foods as opposed to eating them out at a restaurant varies. Chinese food is most widely enjoyed in a restaurant setting, while Italian food is frequently whipped up at home. As immigration tides change, ethnic cuisine may change with them. However, interest in experiencing ethnic dining is likely to remain consistent.

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- 1. D is for Red Baron Diner
- 2. M is for FTI Coach Line
- 4. G is for Guzik Motor Sales
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- 11. N is for Quaboag Rehab
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- 20. Z is for The Fabric Stash
- 22. P is for NALS Paint
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- 3. S is for Soper Construction
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- 6. C is for Dorrinda O'Keefe Shea
- 8. Y is for Yamato
- 9. J is for Cormier Jewelers
- 10. H is for Hardwick Farmers
- 12. F is for Foxy Travel
- 13. Q is for Quaboag Equipment
- 14. O is for American Discount Oil
- 15. B is for EB Flatts
- 16. R is for Kathleen Bryan
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- 21. K is for Kubala Home

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Potential benefits of a vegan diet

A nutritious diet is an integral component of a healthy lifestyle. One of the great things about eating right is there are many ways to do so. A healthy diet that works for some people might not work for others with different tastes, and it doesn't have to.

Eating right can boost immune systems and help people be more productive, and some people even tailor their healthy diets to align with their personal beliefs. One such example is veganism. Adherents to veganism do not eat or use animal products, and many do so to advocate for the ethical treatment of animals.

Regardless of why people choose vegan diets, the potential health benefits of such decisions are myriad.

- **Shed excess weight:** Vegan diets may help people shed excess weight. A 2015 study published in the journal Nutrition found that vegan diets may result in greater weight loss than more modest recommendations. The vegan diets used in the study did not require participants to limit their caloric intake, though many might have simply by the nature of the vegan diet, which is packed with satisfying foods full of nutrients such as fiber that can help people feel full and maintain that feeling of fullness for long periods of time.
- **Improve kidney func-**



tion: Studies have indicated that people with diabetes who replace the meat in their diets with plant protein may reduce their risk for poor kidney function. One such study, published in the Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Nutrition, concluded that, while more studies are necessary,

substituting soy protein for animal proteins usually decreases hyperfiltration in diabetic subjects and may reduce albumin excretion as well.

- **Protect against certain cancers:** The World Health Organization says that roughly one-third of all instances of cancer across the globe can be

prevented if people make the right lifestyle choices. That includes their choice in diets. Due to the nature of vegan diets, vegans tend to consume considerable amounts of fruits and vegetables. That's good news, as an analysis of data from the Health Survey for England found that eat-

ing seven or more portions of fresh fruits and vegetables every day can reduce a person's risk of dying from cancer by as much as 15 percent.

- **Reduce risk for heart disease:** Fruits, vegetables and fiber also have been linked to a lower risk of heart disease. A study from research-

ers in Japan found that intakes of plant-based foods, particularly fruits, were associated with reduced mortality from cardiovascular disease.

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