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Further downtown design assured with state grant

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Continuing their emphasis on downtown revitalization, officials recently received a state grant to help create design guidelines for the center of town.

The grant of up to \$15,000 was awarded as part of the Massachusetts Downtown Institute's Technical Assistance Program. The MDI is a division of the state's Department of Housing and Community Development, which assists towns with housing opportunities and overall revitalization.

With Spencer's road and sidewalk improvement project on Route 9 set for completion this summer, officials are looking forward to furthering development downtown. Spencer Town Planner Paul Dell'Aquila submitted the application for state grant funding, which was awarded by Lt. Governor Karyn Polito during a ceremony in Marlborough last month.

Now the goal for Spencer officials is to combine public input and municipal leadership to structure a comprehensive set of guidelines.

"With the Main Street construction project winding down – and a number of downtown properties about to undergo redevelopment – the timing of this award is perfect," Dell'Aquila said. "With easy to understand design guidelines in place for buildings and

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Courtesy photo.

Spencer Town Planner Paul Dell'Aquila celebrates the town's state grant award with Lt. Governor Karyn Polito during an event in Marlborough last month.

Marijuana regs top warrants in upcoming town meeting

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – Town meeting voters will consider next month a zoning bylaw seeking to outline where recreational pot shops could operate in town.

Zoning proposals for recreational marijuana facilities are on the table in several area towns. Bringing such businesses to town has many financial incentives for officials to consider, including two major revenue streams. The first involves the host community agreement, which allocates yearly payments between \$75,000 and \$250,000 to municipalities based on sales. The second revenue source for towns is a three-percent local sales tax.

Though the zoning proposal requires town meeting approval, officials have already discussed potential uses of revenue if the propos-

al is passed.

"The goal of the proposed bylaw is to create proper zones and conditions for the legal sales and or growth of marijuana," said Selectman Doug Belanger. "The Select Board has been discussing using the considerable new revenue to address the long-time shortage of funds for capital items, sports fields and parks, and of course the operating budgets."

Town officials are currently structuring Leicester's host community agreement, which was discussed at recent selectmen's meetings. The zoning article, sponsored by the Planning Board, will be discussed along with the local sales tax option during the May 1 town meeting.

"My recommendation would be that the host community funds be used to fund

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Celebrating a century with family, friends and well wishers



Kevin Flanders photos

Dorothea Tarbell celebrated her 100th birthday last weekend with friends, family, and even a few town officials stopping in to say hello.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD – Despite the continuing advances in medical treatment and nutrition, most of us won't live to see 100 years. Many of us

don't even know a centenarian, but residents and town officials were thrilled to meet the latest member of an elite club last weekend.

Even the healthiest among us will be lucky to reach the

triple-digit mark. It requires factors beyond our control to find the proverbial fountain of youth, which Dorothea Tarbell joked about with family and friends during her 100th birthday celebration. Held on April 14 at Tarbell's residence, Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center, the birthday party delivered plenty of gifts and fun surprises for a woman who spent her entire career helping others.

"I've found the fountain of youth," Tarbell laughed following a pizza lunch. She then proceeded to jest with family members and friends, warning that she may not tell them where the elusive fountain is located.

Tarbell's family and her friends at Quaboag can always rely on her humor and easy-going disposition. She was all smiles during the party, especially after a few unexpected guests surprised her with honorary proclamations and other gifts. Among them was Selectman Deborah Provencher

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Courtesy photo.

Steven Chalmers, center, has run his karate and yoga business for several years in town.

Keeping it real: business wants to stay in historic building

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Business owners at the Sugden Block building have plenty of questions these days, not only surrounding the future of the building's ownership but also its existence. Owners are hoping many of those questions will be answered by year's end.

For Steven Chalmers and his wife, Shirley, the owners of Goju-Kai Karate-Do, doing business in Spencer has enabled them to forge several relationships in a close-knit community. They have many great memories of the Sugden Block building, even before their karate and yoga business began to expand there. From 1995 to 2000, Shirley Chalmers tap-danced in the space that would eventually house their business, and

her husband taught yoga for another dance studio in that same space years later.

In 2002, the Chalmers rented three spaces on the building's second floor. They dedicated two of the spaces to karate and yoga, then utilized the other space for massage therapy. As longtime Spencer residents, they were thrilled about operating a business in the downtown corridor and wanted to keep their space authentic by restoring the floors and making several other improvements.

Like many Sugden Block business owners who have invested significant time and funding into their spaces, the Chalmers don't want to see the building eventually torn down. Some owners hope

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Grant program helps local farmers modernize projects

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Committed to supporting local farmers, Senator Anne Gobi celebrated Agriculture Day at the State House earlier this month by announcing significant grant

funding for farmers.

Gobi's office helped secure \$87,900 in grant funding, which will be split between three local farms to assist with projects that mitigate climate impacts and address changing conditions. The grants were

awarded through the newly created Agricultural Climate Resiliency and Efficiency (ACRE) Program, which was established by Governor Charlie Baker.

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Resident recipient of the recognition

NORTH BROOKFIELD — For many, the month of March represents the beginning of spring, the culmination of frigid winter weather, and the longing for warmer, sunnier spring days. All though winter seems to be lingering, there is an extra spring in the step of one lucky local resident. Richard Ferguson Sr., of North Brookfield, was recently awarded a \$100 gift certificate for being the March winner of North Brookfield Savings Bank's Hat Contest.

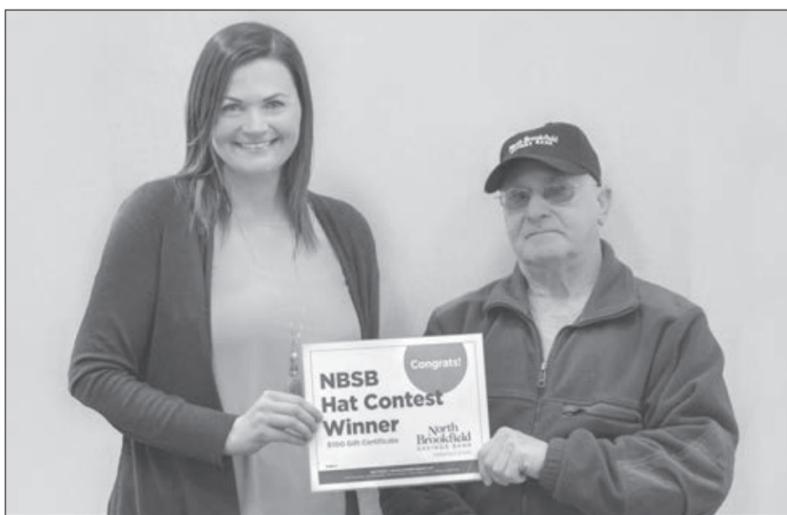
Each month, anyone spotted wearing a North Brookfield Savings Bank hat in the community by a bank representative is entered into a drawing to win a \$100 gift certificate to a local establishment. Ferguson was spotted wearing his blue North Brookfield Savings Bank hat by assistant vice

president and marketing manager Caitlin O'Connor while he was getting ready to do some shopping at Klem's in Spencer. Later he visited the North Brookfield, Gilbert Street Branch location to collect his \$100 gift certificate to Klem's.

To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank Hat Contest and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com.

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North Brookfield Savings Bank Assistant Vice President and Marketing Manager Caitlin O'Connor presented a \$100 Klem's gift card to North Brookfield Savings Bank's March Hat Contest Winner Richard Ferguson Sr.



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 Holly Kularski, Veteran Services Agent for North Brookfield will be available to answer questions.
 Access the forum through the through the Spring Street entrance. Refreshments and printed resource materials will be available. For more information, please contact Sue Lewandowski at CMCseniorwarden@gmail.com or call Rev. Dr. Paula Winsor Sage at (774) 287-7733.

9am-2pm Roadside trash pickup; highway department open for disposal. Black trash bags only.
 9am-12pm Haston Library: Book Walk at the Children's Room.
 All day Hike Wendemuth Meadow (Bates St.) and NB Town Forest (W. Brookfield Rd).
SPENCER PRIDE DAY
 sponsored by the First Congregational Church 207 Main St. Spencer will be held on April 28 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. T-Shirts, gloves and trash bags will be available when volunteers register at the church at 9 to 9:30 AM. If you have a T-Shirt from last year, please consider using it.
 It should be a way for all of us to affirm our pride in our community. The church has purchased bright lime yellow T-shirts for all participants. A light lunch of hot dogs, chips, drink and pastries will be served to all participants at 11:30 a.m.
 Anyone wishing to help in this project please call the church office between 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday at 508-885-2149.
DPHS GRAD IN PLAY
 James Joyce, a 2016 graduate of David Prouty High School and resident of East Brookfield, takes on the role of Mr. Marks in the production of Intimate Apparel.
 The story follows a black woman in 1905 New York City struggling to make ends meet, to find love, to find dignity while sewing intimate apparel for women, from the wealthy to prostitutes.
 Performances take place April 26, 27, 28 at 8 p.m. and April 29 at 2 p.m. in Worcester State's Fuller Theater at 486 Chandler Street, Worcester. Tickets may be purchased at VPABoxOffice@worchester.edu, (508) 929-8843, or at the door. Tickets are \$14 general public, \$10 seniors, and \$7 students.
GOSPEL & JAZZ
 Ware Trinity Episcopal Church will host a Gospel and Jazz Fest at the Ware Town Hall on Saturday, April 21 from 6-9 pm. Amherst College Gospel Choir, Goodwin Memorial AME Zion Church Choir, Amherst, and the Ware Community Jazz Ensemble will be performing. The 2018 Gospel and Jazz Fest is a fundraising event to benefit the Ware Jubilee Diaper Program. This program gives diapers to families in need weekly at no cost. Diapers cannot be purchased through WIC or SNAP are a large expense for families with babies. Admission is free. However donations will be welcomed, to help purchase diapers for families in need. Doors will open at 5:30. No food or beverages may be brought into the Town Hall.
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Snyder chooses to continue if voters want him

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

BROOKFIELD – When Selectman Clarence Snyder was elected to the Board in 2015, he was expecting to serve only one term and then depart. Three years later, with that term set to expire next month, Snyder feels there is still far too much to address for him to step aside now.

Recognizing the many opportunities and challenges on the table for Brookfield, Snyder felt he owed it to the town to run for re-election. Running unopposed, he will have a chance in his next term to continue the momentum the town has seen in the last three years. Among the most exciting headlines for Brookfield was a major archaeological project which confirmed the existence of an Adena burial ground at the former Tobin Campground site.

Several fascinated residents from throughout the area attended a public informational meeting on the project this past winter.

“This project offers the opportunity to share our history and that of the culture that existed long before the European contact period. There is much to be learned from the Adena culture,” said Snyder, who played an integral role in connecting project leaders with residents and town officials.

Funded by a Massachusetts Historical Commission grant, the project located evidence of Adena habitation of the area surrounding Quaboag Pond approximately 3,000 years ago, if not longer. Evidence was discovered of pottery making and other activities taking place at the site, all of which is linked to the ancient Adena culture of the Ohio Valley.

The town still needs to complete the



Brook Clarence Snyder

plan will not start until later this summer or in the fall, as the town still needs to receive the formal dialogue report to make sure we don't miss anything,” Snyder said.

Looking ahead, there are many goals and challenges for Snyder to focus on over the next three years. Attempting to get the owners of several properties to comply with town regulations has been a struggle for officials, with one battle winding up in court. In the last year alone, the town's zoning enforcement officer has cited 18 property owners for being in violation of town bylaws regarding illegal disposal on site.

“Six owners are still in noncompliance, and we are spending valuable town resources to bring them into compliance,” Snyder said. “This has everything to do with safety, health, and a neighbor's property value. The worst offender is now under court order.”

Snyder is worried about a worsening trash problem in town, not just from property owners with illegal refuse on site but also from littering. Selectmen hope to see residents and visitors alike embrace efforts to clean up Brookfield.

“The town has a trash problem that needs to be faced. Each year we do a cleanup day, and each year it seems we find more, not less, trash littering our roadways. This is not an image I want the clients who come to our farm to have,” said Snyder, who owns a farm in town and is active in several agricultural efforts. “Brookfield is just as much a gem of rivers, ponds and open space as it was when the first inhabitants came here over 3,000 years ago. That's why they stayed. As a Scout, I was taught to leave a campsite better than I found it. We have that obligation to the next generation.”

cleanup phase of the project by removing three buildings from the site.

There have been plenty of other accomplishments in Brookfield over the last three years. Snyder and his colleagues on the Board have watched the police department's successful transition to a new station, and selectmen are currently overseeing a major Open Space initiative in town. Over 100 surveys were analyzed as part of this process, and in-person meetings outlined a number of approaches. The next phase is to update the town's Open Space and Recreational Plan, which would include such items as potential improvements to Lewis Field. It would also dictate future use of the former Tobin Campground site, possibly as a park.

“Work on the actual updating of the



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As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with

remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

AMERICAN PICKERS is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: american-pickers@cinetflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST. facebook: @GotAPick

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Initiative Technical Assistance Program. Spencer has been awarded \$15,000 for consultant services to assist the town with the creation of new town center design guidelines.

“Downtown Initiative Grants provide an incredible opportunity for local communities to plan for future development and growth,” said Senator Gobi. “I would like to congratulate the Town of Spencer for securing these funds and I look forward to seeing the results.”

MDI project awards are used to fund a variety of downtown revitalization initiatives across the Commonwealth. In partnership with local towns and cities, the Massachusetts Downtown Initiative will also be providing technical assistance in the form of workshops, programs, and professional consultant services as part of a holistic approach to downtown revitalization. These services will provide the framework and tools to continue

advancing local improvements beyond the grant program. These grants support local downtown revitalization efforts by connecting municipalities with high-impact consultant services. The program is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

For additional information please contact Senator Gobi's office at (617) 722-1540.

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Month after month I have been reporting lower and lower inventory and prices rising as well as interest rates rising. This is causing more people to make a decision to buy a home before they get priced out of the market either by price or interest rate. In most of the towns

we work in we have found that besides the top of that market, whenever a home goes up for sale it sells that first week and has multiple offers above asking price.

This crazy market has caused us to let sellers know that they need to be ready to move if they decide to sell. We also ask the question if they have any temporary housing options until they can find a home. Many people have prepared for this. However, what do you do if you need to buy and sell at the same time?

Since you are selling in a strong sellers market you should be able to dictate a

longer timeframe and maybe a contingency on selling your home with the buyers offer that you accept. You will want to get a ready, willing and able buyer for your home prior to seeking out your next home so you are a stronger buyer. Below is a list of where to find a home

In order to find that right home you can look on the MLS which is what most people do and most times you will find the home there. If you cannot find it there you can look at the following options

You can look on Zillow for For Sale By Owners or Make Me Moves

You can look at Auction web-

sites with occupied homes that you cannot get interior access so these homes most likely will not be listed on MLS. Plus you may also be dealing with evictions and taking a gamble on condition

You can ask friends that you know that live in the area you want to live in and ask if they know anyone looking to move

You can call all the people in a specific neighborhood you want to live in and ask if they have thought about selling their home

You can knock on doors for the neighborhoods you would like to live in to see if they want to move

You can write a letter to the owners of homes you are interested in saying you want to buy their home

You can look at homes for sale from years ago that didn't sell to see if they are interested in selling now because prices are higher now than when they tried to sell before

If you hire the right Realtor, they should be able to do all of this for you to help you find the right home. Most of these activities have a smaller chance of finding the right home but you do want to make sure no rock is left unturned.

Who dunnit with dinner planned at Tantasqua

STURBRIDGE—Woman in Business, Inc., a 501 (c)(3) that supports women by fostering networking, sharing information and experiences, and providing educational opportunities within its local communities, is holding a fundraiser on Wednesday, May 23 to benefit its annual scholarship fund. Over the last 27 years, WIB has awarded over \$40,000 in scholarships to over 100 graduating seniors and young women within its community footprint for their continuing education.

WIB has paired with the Tantasqua High School Drama Club, under the direction of Club advisor Samantha Briggs, to offer an interactive murder-mystery dinner theater experience and an evening to remember!

"Dinner at Eight, Dead by Nine," authored by Michael Druce, is a clever

comedy/mystery written specifically for a dinner theater setting. Audience members expecting a show are suddenly subject to a murder and must help solve the crime.

Tantasqua Drama Club's rendition of the play is also under the direction of student leaders Samantha Sagendorph ('18) Alyssa Cameron ('19).

"The students are so excited to be able to put together this great performance for Woman in Business," Briggs said. "We are fortunate to have an opportunity to support a local nonprofit and show our community how much amazing talent there is in our theater program."

The play will take place on Wednesday, May 23 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with the performance at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30

each for general admission seating and can be purchased online at wibsturbridge.org.

Ticket price includes dinner, theater performance and a sweet treats dessert buffet. The evening will also feature a raffle ticket auction, so guests are encouraged to bring cash to enter to win some great baskets and donated prizes.

"It's truly an honor to be able to partner with such a great school and a great group of kids," said Woman in Business President Laurie Nelson, executive director at Christopher Heights of Webster. "Our scholarship program is so special to graduating seniors; it's fitting that we paired this opportunity with our local students. We're very excited to support the Tantasqua Drama Club and watch them showcase their talent while raising money for such a great cause."

Woman in Business, Inc. is also looking for community members or businesses interested in sponsoring or donating to the event. Sponsorships start at \$100 and businesses can be recognized on many platforms, including social media, printed program booklets and on-site signage. Leading sponsors will also receive two tickets to Woman in Business' Scholarship Awards luncheon in June. Additional information can be found by visiting wibsturbridge.org.

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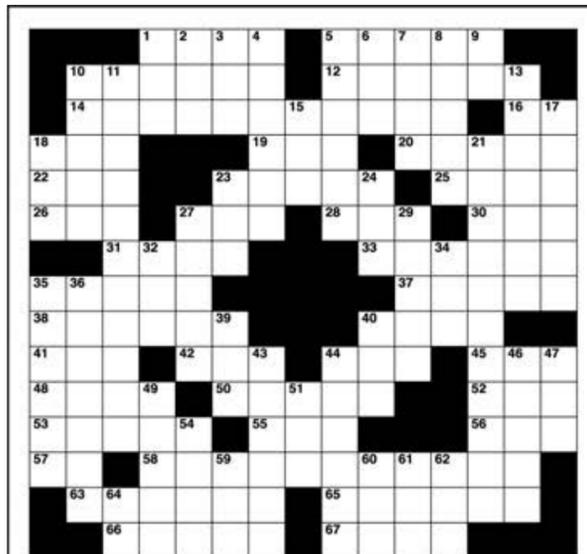
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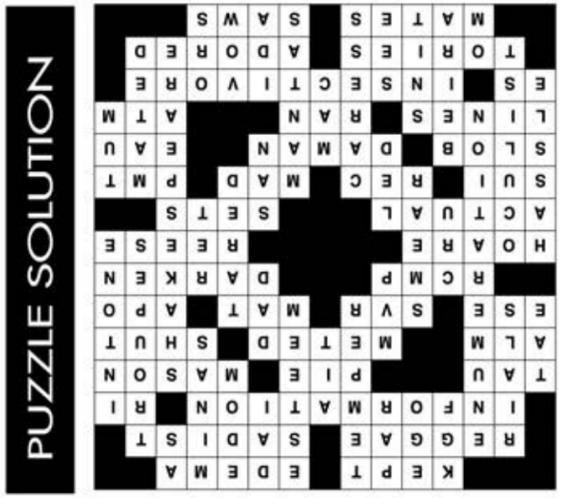


CLUES ACROSS

1. Maintained possession of
5. Dropsy
10. Type of music
12. One who is deliberately cruel
14. 411
16. Rhode Island
18. Follows sigma
19. Baked dessert
20. Craftsman
22. Austrian river
23. Distributed
25. Close
26. Midway between east and southeast
27. Thunderstorm code
28. Where wrestlers work
30. Away from (prefix)
31. Canadian law enforcers
33. Shade
35. Sir Samuel __, Brit. statesman
37. Della __, singer
38. Existing in fact
40. Tennis matches have at least two
41. Reunifying Chinese dynasty
42. Not just "play"
44. Angry
45. Photomultiplier tube
48. Slovenly person
50. __ and Diu
52. Cologne
53. What actors deliver
55. Campaigned
56. Cash machine
57. Spanish be
58. Animal that eats insects
63. Colonists who supported the British
65. Loved
66. A pair of people who live together
67. Work tools

CLUES DOWN

1. Kilogram force (abbr.)
2. Your consciousness of your own identity
3. Score
4. A way to modify
5. Respect
6. Midwife
7. Region near the Dead Sea
8. __ Gerais: gold-rich state of Brazil
9. Equally
10. Monetary units
11. The mentioning of things one by one
13. Traveling entertainers
15. Small island
17. A way to sing
18. __-bo: form of exercise
21. "The Bard"
23. The best player
24. Male parent
27. Harm the reputation of
29. Allow for the tare of
32. Grand __: wine classification
34. Soak
35. Bother
36. Ophthalmologist
39. Preceded
40. __ Francisco, California
43. Touch gently
44. Lithuanian given name
46. Matched
47. Stomach
49. Mother of all gods in Scots' Celtic mythology
51. Partner to cheese
54. Fit of irritation
59. Visit
60. Suffragist Wells
61. Swearing to the truth of a statement
62. Old Red Sandstone
64. Sacred Hindu syllable



PUZZLE SOLUTION

TOWN MEETING

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Your Dental Health

by Edward Larkin D.M.D.



THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY GUMS

Periodontal diseases primarily result from infections and inflammation of the gums and bone that surround the teeth. It is important to address early-stage gum disease, called "gingivitis," before it progresses to more serious "periodontitis," which threatens both tooth and bone loss. In fact, periodontal disease poses as much (if not more) of a danger to dental health among adults than tooth decay. According to a CDC report on the prevalence of periodontitis in the United States, nearly half (47.2%) of adults aged 30 years and older have some form of periodontal disease, and 70.1% of adults 65 years and older have gum disease. Neglecting this problem can lead to potential tooth loss that can be hazardous to overall health.

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Successful April luncheon at Bay Path Hilltop Restaurant

Woman in Business, Inc, the region's only female-based professional support and networking group, held its April luncheon at Bay Path's Hilltop Restaurant in Charlton.

The event featured networking and door prizes, food and beverage service provided by the students at Bay Path Vocational Technical High School, and guest speaker Dennis McCurdy.

McCurdy is a motivational personal development champion and author of two books including "52 Ways to Find a Way." In addition to founding Sturbridge-based McCurdy Insurance Agency in 1975, Dennis is president of Village Toastmasters and is a popular business speaker.

During the luncheon, Dennis offered a presentation on getting out of the way of your own success and potential.

Thirty local women in business came to the event, which filled one of the private dining areas in the Hilltop Restaurant dining room.

Woman in Business offers individual and corporate memberships. All members received discounted monthly networking event registration fees, e-newsletter communication, online membership directory, opportunities to brand their business through sponsorship, and the ability to create a sense of



Courtesy photo

A good crowd turned out for the April Woman in Business program

community among fellow professional peers throughout the year. WIB members often find frequent and direct connections can increase referrals, grow their business and develop individual, interpersonal skills.

WIB is currently holding a member-

ship incentive drive: For every new member who renews or joins, or any current member who refers a new member, all participants will be entered into a raffle to win \$100 worth of scratch tickets. Winner will be drawn in June. Members can apply online or fill out an

inquiry form at wibsturbridge.org or email info@wibsturbridge.org.

The next general membership event for WIB will be Wednesday, May 9 from 5-7 p.m. at Fins and Tales Restaurant in Southbridge. The after-hours networking event provides an opportunity to meet new people, exchange business cards, and get to know the local and successful female business professionals in the community.

On Wednesday, May 23, Woman in Business will partner with the Tantasqua High School Drama Club to hold an interactive murder mystery dinner theater experience - "Dinner at Eight; Dead by Nine," held at the Sturbridge Host Hotel. Tickets are on sale now at wibsturbridge.org and will benefit the WIB Scholarship Fund. Over the past 27 years, WIB has given out \$40,000 to over 100 women who are pursuing their education.

Woman in Business, Inc., is a 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to fostering a sense of community among women in south central Massachusetts and northeastern Connecticut by networking, participating in educational seminars and advice, and supporting each other through personal and professional goals. For more information, visit wibsturbridge.org.

Creative multipurpose tips



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

grandma had a sheet of tinfoil taped behind the radiator? The shiny surface reflects the heat and boosts the warmth.

Vodka

*Is your potpourri losing its scent? Toss in a capful of vodka and mix it up to renew fragrance in the dried flower mix.

*Want your fresh flowers to last a bit longer? Simply add a few drops of vodka along with a teaspoon of sugar to the water in the vase. The vodka kills bacteria, extending the life of the blooms.

*And you can whip up an effective air freshener with vodka. To do: In a spray bottle, mix together six ounces water (distilled if possible), one ounce of vodka, and your choice of essential oil (about 20-30 drops). Shake up and spray!

Dental Floss

*Hanging a picture and don't have any wire? Doubled up dental floss is strong enough to substitute on lightweight pictures

*Are photos stuck together? Instead of pulling apart, lessen the risk of damage by gently shimmying the floss between the photos to pry them off.

*Swaging holiday greenery? Green mint dental floss serves as a strong (and invisible) tie to wind around garlands to hang down stairways or along a mantle.

*Unflavored dental floss can also be used to truss a turkey!

*Dental floss even works as a quick fix to restring beaded jewelry.

*And if you happen to snap your fishing line, a length of dental floss can serve as a temporary substitute.

Here are some additional multipurpose ideas:

· Have extra roof shingles? Stow a few in your trunk during winter weather. If you get stuck, wedge the shingle under the tire for traction.

· Need to clean a grout stain? Saturate a cotton ball in bleach and place it on the stain until it fades out.

· Or place a few drops of essential oil on a cotton ball and put in your car ashtray or other niche to discreetly refresh the whole car.

· Save plastic newspaper sleeves. The long bags protect shoes from other clothing when packing a suitcase.

· Wet boots from winter weather? Stuff newspaper inside your shoes and they'll dry out faster.

· Newspaper also works to prevent odors in thermos bottles between uses. Just pack crumpled newspaper into the bottle before closing to store.

· Stuff Styrofoam packing peanuts into a bean bag chair to puff it back up without spending a dime!

· Spray some no stick cooking spray on your snow shovel to help heavy, wet snow from sticking to it.

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Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! 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 publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint! c/o Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdrr@aol.com.

Frost endorses Lindstrom for Senate

NEEDHAM — U.S. Senate candidate Beth Lindstrom today announced the endorsement of Assistant House Republican Whip, State Representative Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn), who praised Lindstrom's long and successful service to the Republican Party and touted her as the best chance to defeat Senator Elizabeth Warren in November.

Frost said, "Beth Lindstrom has loyally served the Republican Party for over three decades and is clearly our best chance in recapturing the 'People's Seat' which was lost to Senator Elizabeth Warren with her extreme partisan politics, far left agendas and catering to liberal special interest groups. Beth going up against Warren is a match-up we can get excited about as we embark on capturing that magic again. This GOP Primary is about who can defeat Senator Elizabeth Warren. It's about who has experiences in the private sector, government and winning elections, who can go toe to toe with Warren in a debate and who can win in Massachusetts as a Republican statewide. Well, to me it's clear; Beth Lindstrom is the only candidate who checks all those boxes."

Said Lindstrom, "I am proud to have Representative Frost's endorsement. I look forward to partnering with him and other elected leaders as our next U.S. Senator to do what is right by those we mutually represent in Massachusetts. Putting Massachusetts first, putting the people first is my top priority. While Senator Elizabeth Warren is busy chasing headlines she has ignored our state. I aim to end all that."

Frost lives in Auburn with his wife and three daughters. He represents the 7th Worcester District and is one of the House Republican Floor Leaders in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Lindstrom is a mother of three sons, wife and small business owner. She was the first woman executive director of the Massachusetts Republican Party and was so during the Party's banner year in 1990. She worked for Mitt Romney's successful 2002 run for Governor, managed Scott Brown's successful U.S. Senate run in 2010 and was president of the successful Charlie Baker for Governor political action committee in 2014. Lindstrom was the director of Consumer Affairs under Governor Romney and served as the director of the Massachusetts State Lottery as well. She has an MBA from Northeastern University.

In today's climate of encouraging frugality, it's important to get the most use out of the products you buy. Thanks to some creative repurposing, many ordinary items can do double duty all around the house. Read on for some unusual uses for everyday things.

And remember readers, send in your best tips and you'll be in the running to win Dinner for Two at the Publick House!

Bamboo Skewers

Not just for shish kabob or fruit arrangements, a package of inexpensive wooden skewers come in handy!

*Use them to test the doneness of cakes; to easily turn doughnuts and other foods when deep frying; and insert into cake layers to invisibly stabilize a crooked confection.

*Wooden skewers are also in the workshop. To camouflage a narrow nail hole, dip the end of a skewer in white glue, push it into the wall, break it off and paint over.

*The most creative use of all? I once caught my niece using one of the wooden sticks as a hands-free Oreo dipper. She just stabbed the middle cream and dunked the whole cookie into milk!

Aluminum Foil

*Hate to iron? Place a sheet of tinfoil under the ironing board cover (above the foam but below the cloth) to boost the heat of the iron and get the job done more efficiently and quickly!

*Run out of steel wool pads? Crumple up a ball of tinfoil and use to clean pans (not non-stick).

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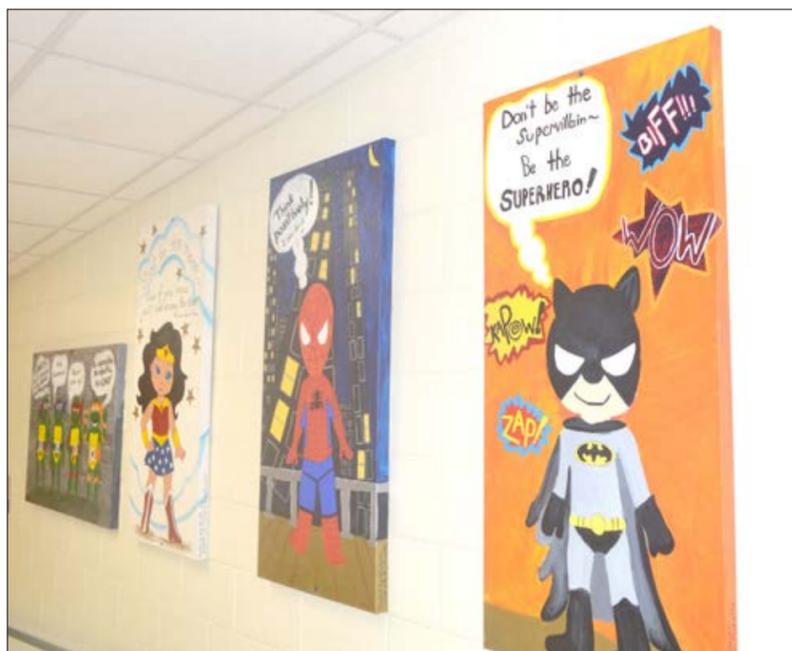
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God Bless America.

CLASSROOM CORNER

Turning walls into works of art



Courtesy photo.

Brimfield Elementary School students recently created several art projects for an exhibit at the annual Tantasqua Regional Schools art show. Here, BES art teacher Roberta Monette shows off the exhibit.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

BRIMFIELD – When Roberta Monette first walked into Brimfield Elementary School as a new art teacher 18 years ago, the hallway walls offered nothing to look at but white cinderblock. Nearly two decades later, Monette has helped transform the school into a showcase of student art.

From murals in the hallways, to paintings in the cafeteria and classrooms, student talent is on display for all staff and guests to see. Monette and her art students pick a handful of new projects every year, brightening their school a little more with each one. Even the bathrooms have been decorated by student art, and staff and students alike have enjoyed the transformation.

“Several years ago, the principal wanted to see more student art on display. It has been a lot of fun doing this, and the kids ask every year about what project we’re going to do,” Monette said.

The kids often work on the projects in teams, decorating certain sections of a mural or a wall painting. The themes often coincide with the subjects of nearby classrooms, with painted silhouettes

representing symbols from a given subject. Community volunteers have gotten involved in the projects as well and worked with the kids.

Monette has also been inspired by venues where she has served as a visiting artist, including Belize. She brings many of those ideas back to Brimfield and incorporates them into the student projects.

Additionally, the students always prepare work for the Tantasqua Regional School District’s annual art show at TRHS. In years past, the students have enjoyed such themes as rainforests and origami. This year, the theme was “Saturday in the Park”, which saw students create many items out of recycled materials for the show earlier this month. These included model airplanes, hot air balloons, and other items.

“The display was all three-dimensional this year, and people were able to walk around and see it. We started painting different elements in January, and the kids worked really hard,” Monette said.

This year’s exhibits also included art history themes, with students in grades 1-6 incorporating elements of famous

artwork into their own projects. These included a few stylistic features from Vincent van Gogh’s painting titled, “The Starry Night”, and other famous works.

The students were excited to attend the show with their families and show off their works. The event also featured artwork from students in the district’s other four elementary schools, plus the junior high school and high school.

Last April, Monette visited Minnesota to take part in a positive behavioral intervention support program at a school. She brought back several new inspirations for projects, and the kids at BES have reaped the benefits.

“It was an awesome experience,” Monette said of the trip, which saw her painting superheroes with students. Back in Brimfield, students here were able to paint their own superhero installations.

Looking ahead, Monette plans to continue painting different sections of the school with her students. Several projects are underway, and staff members can’t wait to see the finished results.



Kevin Flanders photos

Brimfield Elementary School art teacher Roberta Monette and her students have helped transform bland walls into an artistic gallery at the school..

Senate passes student loan ‘Bill of Rights’

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BOSTON — The Massachusetts State Senate voted on Thursday to pass the “Student Loan Bill of Rights,” giving greater protections to student loan borrowers in disputes with companies servicing their loans.

The bill, S.2380, An Act establishing a student loan bill of rights, requires student loan servicers to be licensed companies with the state Division of Banks, and empowers state officials to investigate the servicers and take action against those that violate the state’s banking and consumer protection laws.

“These generations of students are the most

indebted, and saddled with an average of \$30,000 just to obtain a college degree. We want to ensure students have a fair shot to get an education in a manner that is transparent and protects students,” said State Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Sutton)

The bill also establishes a Student Loan Ombudsman in the Attorney General’s Office, who will lead efforts respond to complaints from student loan borrowers and help them understand their rights. Additionally, student loan servicers would have to apply for licenses from the state, which the Commissioner of Banks could revoke if the servicer is engaged in abusive practices such as overcharging students or steering them into costlier repayment plans to make higher profits.

Student loan servicers that break state licensing requirements or take advantage of students could be fined and forced to repay student borrowers under the bill.

The bill now goes to the State House of Representatives, where Representative Natalie Higgins (D-Leominster) is the lead sponsor of the House companion bill.

their orientation to the streets, sidewalks, and neighboring properties, we can better ensure that new projects will be of a quality and a character that will foster an environment in downtown Spencer attractive to businesses and pedestrians alike.”

Once the state disburses the grant funds and retains a consultant for the town, there will be opportunities for public participation and input in the process. Town officials also continue to identify ways to reduce blight downtown and urge property owners to make the center of town attractive for visitors. Now that the road construction project is wrapping up, officials expect more drivers and public transit users to be stopping in town as patrons of shops and restaurants.

Selectmen have repeatedly targeted reducing downtown blight as a goal for 2018, and the state grant funding will help set standards that begin to improve the downtown image. Officials invite residents and business owners to get involved in the process once meetings are scheduled.

“As we see momentum building in Spencer, we want to make sure that everyone who has a stake in the future of downtown has a chance to be heard,” Dell’Aquila added. “We need the public’s feedback to make sure we create standards that are appropriate for Spencer.”

Mother’s Day Honors

Publish Date: May 11, 2018
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Friday, May 4 @ 5 pm

The Spencer New Leader would like to honor all Mothers and Grandmothers in the May 11th issue. The deadline for honors is Friday, May 4 at 5 pm.

Cost is just \$20 per 2.4" X 2" block.

SAMPLE:



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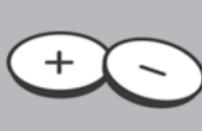
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Annual Evening with the Arts showcases talent



Music students draw big crowds for their performances.

Kevin Flanders photos

LEICESTER – Evening with the Arts is always a special event for students and their families, but this year’s program was especially meaningful. Students, parents and school staff members – even alumni – came together at Leicester High School last week to celebrate the program’s 20th anniversary. The April 11 event exhibited all forms of art produced by students from throughout the district, including visual art, music and theater. District leaders thank all teachers and volunteers who worked hard to make the event happen.



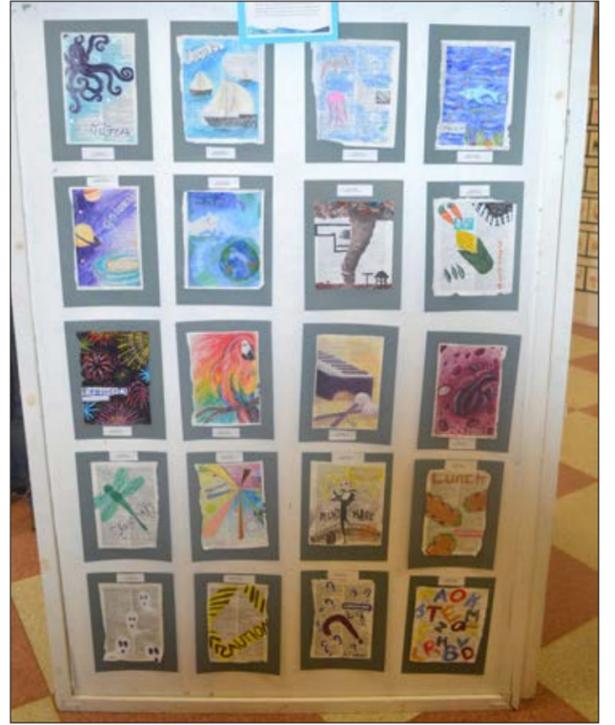
Alumni art is on display to help inspire younger artists to keep following their dreams.



LHS volunteers keep the snacks coming.



LHS junior Maggie Miller’s talents are on display.



Art projects from throughout the district are on display in the cafeteria.



Rachel McNaughtan with her two sons, Max, age 8 and Ben, age 5.



Gabby Danforth, center, and her 11-year-old daughter, Sophia, check out art exhibits with their friend, Amanda Smith, left.



Art projects created by fifth grade students are on display in the cafeteria.



The Decelle sisters are in the house, with Allison, age 11, and Hannah, age 5, getting a look at the artwork.



Owen Murphy, age 6, is all smiles as he takes in a wall of art.



Jesse Rodrigue and his 9-year-old daughter, Jillian, get ready to see some more art.



Ceramic creations rule the cafeteria.

Friday's Child



Hi! Our names are Eli, Eliza and Emerald

Eli, Eliza, and Emerald are a sweet and bonded sibling group of three of Caucasian descent. Eli, is an active child who loves to run and play. He is thriving in school and is well liked by his peers and teachers. Eli does best with structure and consistency. He likes to try new activities, watch

movies, and play video games! He is protective of his younger sisters and enjoys living with them in the same foster home.

Eliza, is a sweet and inquisitive girl who likes to ask “why”. Eliza likes to work towards earning a reward and is proud of herself when she achieves it. Eliza enjoys singing, dancing, swimming, watching TV and arts and crafts. Eliza is said to love attending school! Emmy, loves to play with dolls and color. She has some visual impairments that will likely require follow up surgery and she currently wears glasses. Emmy is described as very loving and she especially loves living with her siblings whom she adores!

Legally freed for adoption, these siblings will need a two parent family who is able to provide them with support, structure and individualized attention. If there are other children in the home it would be best that they are older. Their social worker is seeking an active family as the children have a lot of energy.

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EDITORIAL

War on another front

The United States, United Kingdom and France posed an airstrike on the country of Syria last weekend. By the time our newspaper comes out, we may well be at war with yet another country.

We are currently embroiled in the longest lasting war in American history. The current Iraq "invasion" dates from 2003, when we officially went in specifically to topple the Hussein regime.

And of course there is a sidebar war in Afghanistan as well. American troops have been on this foreign soil, and being killed there, all this time. 15 years.

There are still troops stationed in Korea.

There are still troops stationed in Germany.

And in Okinawa.

The Middle East is the 'hot spot' because there is a lot invested there and not just in a business sense or because of oil. It is a microcosm of the whole world; and a chess game.

We and our allies move our pieces, our rebel troops; our allies whether natives of those countries, or UN troops or others and perhaps we are only puppeteers for some of the activities. While it may well be that though we are sincerely fighting ISIS or other terror cells, we may also be fighting representatives of another government shadowing and providing expertise, weapons and support.

China supported North Vietnam and North Korea.

Someone always will gain if others lose.

It isn't all based on military might either.

Political gains can be as intrinsic as land grabs, water rights, tribal status, religious superiority.

It can be a balance of power; a coup based on bias, on ethnicity; an ethnic cleansing; or in rare cases, an actual revolution resulting in a better government.

The best result usually comes from within. When disgruntled members of the country themselves have decided to unite, and find a way to overthrow tyranny.

Outside interference rarely stabilizes or makes the best decisions for the outcome.

So while we can be righteously outraged by the methodology of the heinous acts by the Syrian regime against its own people reminiscent of many other such horrifying governments in the past; taking steps to insert ourselves into the fray may not be best move.

We can easily see many more years of senseless involvement without resolution; continuing political maneuvering from many angles without justification; young lives lost needlessly; and still more wrangling over an area of the world that apparently would rather fight for eons than to discuss issues in reality.

We are not hawks, nor are we jingoistic and provincial wanting to insulate ourselves in a protectionist society that ignores the rest of the world. We need to stay connected; we need trade; we need allies. But we don't need to jump into every fray as a potential savior.

We aren't. And we shouldn't be.

Countries have a right to resolve their own issues, on their own. We do them no favors by "saving" them from themselves.

And we do ourselves no favors either.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McLaughlins: tremendous success

To the Editor:
The 5th and final Jennifer McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship Dinner was held at Spencer Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, April 7, 2018 and was a tremendous success!! This made it the 10th event that we have held in her memory.

Over 150 people attended the dinner and were fed some great food and entertained by the music of the Polaski Brass Band.

The organizers of the event would like to offer our sincere appreciation to the many volunteers that helped decorate the hall, setup the many tables and chairs, manned the raffle tables and helped serve the food.

This dinner could not have been possible without the many loyal sponsors that have donated money and items over the past 10 years. They have always generously contributed to this event. We very much appreciate their support.

We especially want to thank everyone that purchased tickets to the dinner and played the raffles. They filled the hall to

near capacity.

A very special thank you goes out to all the wonderful local restaurants and businesses that donated the wide variety of favorite dishes that were served at the dinner. The restaurants and businesses that participated are:

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Everyone at the dinner raved about the excellent food that was provided. Please consider patronizing these great establishments and letting them know how much you liked their food and appreciate their community spirit.

Thank you.

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Perron: supports Boulay

To the Editor:
Mr. Ted Boulay, selectman for the town of East Brookfield, will be running for re-election in our town elections.

Mr. Boulay did a good job during his first term, his decisions showed common

sense, good judgement and his agenda always focused on the needs of our town.

I am proud to cast my vote for Ted and ask that you support his re-election too.

EVA E. PERRON
EAST BROOKFIELD.

Tolerance cuts both ways: freedom for the speech we hate

"Those who created this country chose freedom. With all of its dangers. And do you know the riskiest part of that choice they made? They actually believed that we could be trusted to make up our own minds in the whirl of differing ideas. That we could be trusted to remain free, even when there were very, very seductive voices - taking advantage of our freedom of speech - who were trying to turn this country into the kind of place where the government could tell you what you can and cannot do." — Nat Hentoff



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On paper — at least according to the U.S. Constitution — we are technically free to speak.

In reality, however, we are only as free to speak as a government official — or corporate entities such as Facebook, Google or YouTube — may allow.

Emboldened by phrases such as "hate crimes," "bullying," "extremism" and "microaggressions," the nation has been whittling away at free speech, confining it to carefully constructed "free speech zones," criminalizing it when it skates too close to challenging the status quo, shaming it when it butts up against politically correct ideals, and muzzling it when it appears dangerous.

Free speech is no longer free.

The U.S. Supreme Court has long been the referee in the tug-of-war over the nation's tolerance for free speech and other expressive activities protected by the First Amendment. Yet the Supreme Court's role as arbiter of justice in these disputes is undergoing a sea change. Except in cases where it has no vested interest, the Court has begun to advocate for the government's outsized interests, ruling in favor of the government in matters of war, national security, commerce and speech.

When asked to choose between the rule of law and government supremacy, the Supreme Court tends to side with the government.

If we no longer have the right to tell a Census Worker to get off our property, if we no longer have the right to tell a police officer to get a search warrant before they dare to walk through our door, if we no longer have the right to stand in front of the Supreme Court wearing a protest sign or approach an elected representative to share our views, if we no longer have the right to voice our opinions in public — no matter how misogynistic, hateful, prejudiced, intolerant, misguided or politically incorrect they might be — then we do not have free speech.

What we have instead is regulated, controlled speech, and that's a whole other ballgame.

Just as surveillance has been shown to "stifle and smother dissent, keeping a populace cowed by fear," government censorship gives rise to self-censorship, breeds compliance, makes independent thought all but impossible, and ultimately foments a seething discontent that has no outlet but violence.

The First Amendment is a steam valve. It allows people to speak their minds, air their grievances and contribute to a larger dialogue that hopefully results in a more just world.

When there is no steam valve — when there is no one to hear what the people have to say — frustration builds, anger grows and people become more volatile and desperate to force a conversation. By bottling up dissent, we have created a pressure cooker of stifled misery and discontent that is now bubbling over and fomenting even more hate, distrust and paranoia among portions of the populace.

Silencing unpopular viewpoints with which the majority might disagree — whether it's by shouting them down, censoring them, muzzling them, or criminalizing them — only empowers the controllers of the Deep State.

Consider some of the kinds of speech being targeted for censorship or outright elimina-

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Keep your investment 'ecosystem' healthy



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April 22 is Earth Day. First observed in 1970, Earth Day has evolved into an international celebration, with

nearly 200 countries holding events to support clean air, clean water and other measures to protect our planet. As an investor, what lessons can you learn from this special day?

Consider the following:

Avoid "toxic" investment moves. Earth Day events show us how we can help keep toxins out of our land, air and water. And if you want to keep your investment ecosystem healthy, you need to avoid making some toxic moves. For example, don't chase after hot stocks based on tips you may have heard or read. By the time you learn about these stocks, they may already have cooled off — and they may not even be appropriate for your goals or risk tolerance. Another toxic investment move involves trying to "time" the market — that is, buying investments when they reach low points and selling them at their peaks. It's a great theory, but almost impossible to turn into reality, because no one can really predict market highs and lows — and your timing efforts, which may involve selling investments that could still help you — may disrupt your long-term strategy.

Reduce, reuse, recycle. "Reduce, reuse, recycle" is a motto of the environmental movement. Essentially, it's encouraging people to add less stuff to their lives and use the things they already have. As an investor, you can benefit from the same advice. Rather than constantly buying and selling investments in hopes of boosting your returns, try to build a portfolio that makes sense for your situation, and stick with your holdings until your needs change. If you're always trading, you'll probably rack up fees and taxes, and you may well end up not even boosting your performance. It might not seem exciting to purchase investments and hang on to them for decades, but that's the formula many successful investors follow, and have followed.

Plant "seeds" of opportunity. Another Earth Day lesson deals with the value of planting gardens and trees. When you invest, you also need to look for ways to plant seeds of opportunity. Seek out investments that, like trees, can grow and prosper over time. All investments do carry risk, including the potential loss of principal, but you can help reduce your risk by owning a mix of other, relatively less volatile vehicles, such as corporate bonds and U.S. Treasury securities. (Keep in mind, though, that fixed-rate vehicles are subject to interest-rate risk, which means that if interest rates rise, the value of bonds issued at a lower rate may fall.)

Match your money with your values. Earth Day also encourages us to be conscientious consumers. So, when you support local food growers, you are helping, in your own way, to reduce the carbon footprint caused in part by trucks delivering fruits and vegetables over long distances. Similarly, you might choose to include socially responsible investing in your overall strategy by avoiding investments in certain industries you find objectionable, or by seeking out companies that behave in a manner you believe benefits society.

Earth Day is here, and then it's gone — but by applying some of its key teachings to your investment activities, you may improve your own financial environment.

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DON'T MISS A BEAT
CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!



Mom, where do babies come from?

Every parent knows this question is bound to come up eventually. Children are curious little creatures and there is no boundary to their inquisitiveness. Each parent has a different angle when answering such questions. Some parents feel that the truth is the best approach. After all, life is messy and so is birth, it's best to just get it all out in the open. Other parents make up stories of a magical stork that carried their sweet baby in a white cotton bundle and gently dropped him or her at their doorstep. Aww how sweet. Then there are some parents, like me for instance, that try to tell the truth but the science behind procreation is just too far fetched for wee little minds. My daughter did not believe for a second that mommy met daddy, they loved each other very much and they made her, together.



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me where I came from. This is what started the inventive ball rolling. When I was little, I asked my father the same question. His response was prompt and always the same. He bought me at a King's yard sale for a quarter. That's it. That was the story. I was put on the front lawn of a grand castle among the knick-knacks, used Tupperwares and broken electronics. The king must have been liquidating his assets and my father bought me for the low, low price of 25¢.

Nope, she wasn't buying it. The question did not go away, she was persistent. I thought of relaying the stork tale but a flying stork leaves too many questions. Where did the stork get the baby from? How come we don't see storks flying with struggling bundles every day? Are there flight paths and regulations? Why would the stork drop it at the doorstep? Have you been outside in New England lately? It's freezing out there, no place for a newborn.

Parents, it is virtually impossible to answer all these questions adequately and to a curious child's satisfaction. But there is a solution. Make up the silliest, craziest most farfetched story you can think of. A story of their creation that is so out of the ordinary your child will be taken away by the whimsy of such a tale that the young tot may possibly go away to ponder over this new-found origin story for a long glorious while. With their imagination ignited you may be able to get some adult stuff done, that's what I call a parenting bonus.

My daughter, after not believing that she actually did grow inside my belly and sprout from my loins, asked

There you have it. That's where I came from. I of course turned this self-demoralizing aspect of being so cheap at such a young age into; well obviously I was a princess and it must have been a magical quarter because goodness me I was a star and obviously worth all the gold in the kingdom. So, I told my daughter this and she laughed as I laughed. But that didn't get me out of the initial query. Where had she come from? As we sat surrounded by shelves of books I saw one book about dragons. You came from a dragon I told her. She sat up, her eyes wide and hungry. Oh yeah, now this makes sense to her. Of course, she came from a dragon, it was so simple! Here is the story I told my four-year-old daughter Charlotte.

Once upon a time, me and your dad were out walking in the mountains. We turned a corner and saw a big dark cave where a rumbling sound shook the rocks and smoke billowed out the top like a volcano. Your father and I held hands and walked into the cave together. We ventured deep into the abyss and soon stumbled upon a great sleeping dragon. The dragon was guarding three eggs. A green egg, a red egg and a blue egg. Your father wanted the green egg, and I wanted the red egg so we split apart and each went after our own eggs. The dragon would stir and stretch and we would run and hide behind rocks and boulders afraid for our lives. But there was something special



Kim Maschi photos

Charlotte Maschi and her very special tale about where she came from.

about those eggs. We would creep and crawl until I reached my egg and your dad reached his. We were about to pick them up when the blue egg in the middle started to shake. Any time we went to pick up one of the other eggs that blue egg would begin to jump and shiver. So, your dad and I decided that the blue egg wanted us so we were going to take it home.

We both picked up the egg because it was so heavy and we had to carry it away together.

As we stepped away from the warmth of the dragons' belly were heard a big yawn and a grumpy snort. The dragon was awake! She saw that we were taking an egg and she roared and growled. We ran away as fast as we could all while holding onto our precious blue egg. The dragon breathed fire and even though our tushies got toasty we made it out of the cave. We rolled head over heels down a lush green hill for miles until your dad, me and the blue dragons egg rested at the bottom. As the egg rolled to a stop it started to shake and shiver; quake and quiver. Little cracks started to form on the surface of the egg and soon bigger cracks appeared. Something inside was trying desper-

ately to get out. All of the sudden a small fist punched through the shell followed by a foot and another little foot and finally there was Charlotte, little baby Charlotte who came from a fierce and beautiful dragon.

This story is the one my daughter believes; her mom and dad stole her from a dragon. She came from an egg the shade of her favorite color and punched her way out. Her parents got their booties burnt from the dragons' breath which just makes that story all the more believable since they are both so clumsy. She tells anyone who will listen that she came from a dragon, and they believe her because she is both fiery and intense.

Sometimes kids don't want to know the truth, or just want something more than the truth. Reality can be boring and they will have plenty of tedious truth to come as they grow.

Next time your child asks a question, play to their imagination, let them wonder and explore. Give them a story that will soar their soul and kindle their imagination.

Charlotte is not the only dragon baby out there. After all, there were two other eggs and many more caves to discover.

Ex-DIA chief talks cybersecurity at Nichols



Gus Steeves photos

Retired Lt Gen Ronald Burgess speaks at Nichols.

BY GUS STEEVES
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

Throw out the term "cybersecurity" to average people, and if you don't get just a blank expression, you might get some vague understanding of viruses and identity theft risks.

While those are part of it, to former Defense Intelligence Agency Deputy Director Lt. Gen. Ronald Burgess, the underlying issue is a need to find "the sweet spot" between the promise and vulnerability technology has.

"I come from the intelligence world where I believe in 'trust but verify,' ... [but] a chain is only as strong as its weakest link," he noted.

"It really comes down to 'Is my geek better than your geek?'" Burgess said, noting he's not one. "I can look for the electrical cord and unplug it. There, I protected you. That's about as far as I can go."

While many people have been getting "data breach fatigue" from the coverage of numerous large hacks, this issue isn't going away anytime soon, but Burgess noted the US government doesn't yet have a policy of how to respond to cyber incidents. There are several reasons for that. One is that attribution is often very difficult - "there are lots of things you can do to hide it" - and attacks happen very quickly - "weaponized ones and zeroes can travel around the world in 132 milliseconds." Beyond that, even if you can identify the actual source, you don't know if striking back will cause "collateral damage" to some civilian system - he used the example of a hospital - because of how interconnected things are online. Furthermore, he noted, "Industry doesn't want to reveal what its capabilities are," and is therefore not always willing to help.

Combine those and other factors, and cybersecurity is "an issue you and your generation are increasingly going to have to address," he told several dozen people at Nichols College last week. After he finished, he agreed it's also a

global concern to prevent third parties from using cyberattacks to spark wars between major powers, although the world's nations have only begun the process of collaborating to handle it.

"It's going to take everybody to pull the best of the breed together" to succeed, he added.

While the media covers the big breaches, the issue really starts at home with what he termed "personal hygiene on the internet." Burgess does no social media and is very careful using the Web in any public setting, and he advises people make their passwords stronger while remembering "all of the accounts you have passwords for are not created equal." Many people are "lazy" about passwords, choosing ones too closely tied to them personally or too generic, and using them repeatedly across websites and platforms. That makes people vulnerable when there are "four connected devices for every human being on the globe."

Burgess summarized his background in intelligence, noting he had a "typical 38-year career" in the Army until 1997, when he started getting into fighting the South American drug trade. After 9/11, he was told to create the prison at Guantanamo and based interrogation there on "how we did it the

last time," during World War II and Korea, although he later noted he's "not a believer that the end justifies the means." Burgess said the idea that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction at that time was false, but was an Iraqi "strategic deception operation directed at Iran" that "worked too well. We believed it and invaded them."

After a while, he was promoted to principal intelligence advisor to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, followed by a step up to Deputy DIA Director, which made him the guy who gave the president his daily intelligence briefing under the last part of George W. Bush's term and the first four months of Barack Obama's.

"For an intel guy, it's always tough" to discuss cybersecurity issues because "I can't always keep straight what's classified and what's not because I heard it so much," he admitted, noting there are many challenges in the field with devices, systems and "sometimes the problem is looking itself in the mirror."

Fixing it will need an overhaul of education in the US at various levels - government, private sector, individuals and academia - because "we have a challenge in this nation of turning out the right people with the requisite skills," Burgess said. Right now, far

too many technical and scientific slots in education are being taken by foreign students, who often take their new skills home with them. That's been part of why the US has seen its technological advantage over most other nations shrink in the past 10 years.

While Burgess generally supports the practices in the PATRIOT Act, he noted some of its effects do deserve public debate. He said he often asks people if they've had a personal impact from it, and almost never gets a yes, but did get one from a librarian, regarding the law's requirement to report people who take out certain kinds of books.

"Is that a discussion we as Americans need to have? The answer is yes," Burgess said, adding the public needs to determine "what we're comfortable with." He admitted, though, that he'd "probably make you a little uncomfortable where I'd want to go with that."

Even beyond that, though, he said, "You as a US citizen need to have an informed opinion." He didn't care what opinion, but only that citizens "be able to state an opinion and defend it with reason."

"Teaching people critical reasoning skills is important," he added later. "You shouldn't accept things at face value."

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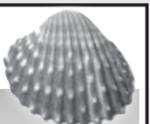
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Nichols inaugurates new Relay for Life



Antonio DiFronzo and Joey Siciliano hang out after the opening lap.



A participant signs up for one of the raffles.



Monica Nelson of Charlton talks about being a cancer survivor to start things off.

Gus Steeves photos

BY GUS STEEVES
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Despite the breezy chill, well over 100 people turned out to inaugurate Nichols College's first Relay for Life Sunday afternoon, April 8.

"You may be by yourself on a moving sidewalk whisking you faster than you're comfortable traveling, but there are people all around you who are willing to run alongside you for a bit," said keynote speaker Monica Nelson of Charlton. "You just have to reach out."

That, of course, is a key point of Relay. Although it is a major fundraising vehicle for the American Cancer Society, collecting to support various research projects, the people involved generally see it also as a big support community. According to the ACS's most recent unaudited financial statement (for 2016, available at its website), the charity raised a total of \$841.4 million (\$779.1 million of that as "support from the public"). It spent just under \$887 million, of which \$222.8 million went to "mission support" (management and fundraising), \$309.8 to "patient sup-

port," \$152.5 million to research, \$113.7 million to prevention, and \$88.2 million to "detection/treatment." Its report notes public support fell by \$31 million between 2015 and 2016 "primarily due to a steady decline in participation for Relay for Life," its largest (but not only) public fundraising vehicle.

On the local level, though, the Nichols effort actually exceeded its goals. Organizer Nick Anderson said he'd aimed for \$10,000, but "hit that two weeks before the event." So he upped it to \$15,000, and was already at that by the time the event began.

Next year, he hopes it'll mushroom. "I plan on making it public for anyone from the surrounding communities next year," he said.

Specifically, this event was held in memory of a friend's father, Leo Siciliano, who died of cancer in 2004, and Anderson called on other friends from back home (Boston and Melrose) to participate in his honor. One of them, Joey Siciliano, said he "appreciates Nick doing this" in his father's name. "I'm very impressed with his being able

to pull it off."

His friend Antonio DiFronzo agreed, saying he's "very proud of him. He's like family."

By starting it this year, Nichols joined an already growing list of area Relays. Several are happening this month: Tantasqua, Assumption College and Clark University were on April 6; WPI's is on April 14; and Holy Cross is on April 29. Going forward, there are also Relays in Brooklyn and Somers, CT on May 19; Auburn Schools on June 1; Southbridge on June 15; Worcester on June 16; and Auburn again on Sept. 7.

Anderson said his committee recruited 23 teams totaling 161 participants this year.

"Anyone that's been impacted by cancer, this is about them," he said. "Competition to raise money is great, but people can get away from the fact these are real people."

Mike Weinberg of Chappaqua, NY, father of Nichols Relay committee member Josh Weinberg, has seen the value of participating for years.

"The more you make it a fun thing, the more people get involved," he said. "Sure, people could write a \$10 check, but that doesn't create community."

His town's high school has had one a long time, and the illness has hit his family, claiming his mother and sickening his father in 2009, "so it was pretty easy to get involved." When Josh came to Nichols, he wore his school's Relay shirt, and ran into another student wearing his school's shirt, and "six months later, we had Relay here."

"If you're a survivor, it's nice to have people come up and give you a hug," Weinberg said. "No one wants to talk about it, but sometimes publicity hits people over the head. I think that's good."

To him, such publicity makes a difference if it encourages someone to get cancer screening or helps a family stay with their child in Boston while they get treatment.

"Someone who wants to stand up and do something should be celebrated," Weinberg added.

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SPORTS

First time on the field not a problem for Prouty, who defeats Cougars



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Liz Gibeault of Quaboag begins her windup in the circle before delivering a pitch.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SPENCER — Despite being outside for the first time this season, the David Prouty Regional varsity softball team used patient at-bats, timely hitting and aggressive base-running to propel them past Quaboag Regional, 7-4, on Wednesday, April 11 at the

Wire Village School. "I think we played very well, like I said we haven't practiced infield so considering all those factors and all the lovely weather we had I think we did fine," explained David Prouty head coach Christine Haley. "There are definitely things I think we can work on, but I think we played well."

The Panthers didn't wait long to get on the board and scored the game's first run in the bottom of the first inning when Victoria Bain doubled to deep left to score two runs for David Prouty. The quick start got the offense going and the Panthers were able to score five more runs later in the game. Bain added a triple to her stat line to lead the Panthers' offense.

"We have a good core of girls that are going to be able to teach the other girls and those hits come when we need them," expressed Haley. "Then we have a couple young girls that can hit the ball and then it is about getting them on and moving them."

Although Quaboag was down for most of the game they were able to claw back to the tune of four runs. Highlighting the Cougars' performance was when they scored two runs in the top of the fifth to tie the game at 2-2 on a pair of singles by Desiree Butler and MaKenzie Messier. Both girls came off the bench to provide a spark.

"Just go forward, take the positives from today, which there were a lot," expressed Quaboag head coach John Fox. "Two rookies got their first varsity hits, one on the first varsity pitch she saw. They're going to produce; they're going to get it out there."

Many times throughout the game David Prouty was put into tough situations in the field, especially since they have not been able to practice outside, but the Panthers rose to the test and played well defensively.

"I think our team played well seeing we haven't been able to play outside yet," said Haley. "We have done some practicing, but not infield, today is the first day we have been on the infield."

Being the first game of the season, Quaboag has to shake some rust off, but with a young team there were a lot of posi-



Michelle Lamothe of David Prouty makes a throw over to first base.

tives.

"I am very optimistic," Fox said. "We have replaced seven players from last year, six seniors and the player doing the book who is my co-captain. She blew her knee out playing soccer this year. I think we did all right, I am not dissatisfied at all, and we kept battling until the end. First game, first time on a field, and first time

facing live pitching and I am pretty darn happy."

For David Prouty, an Opening Day win was thrilling since they are going through a rebuild.

"We have a young team, we lost four very good players from last year, it is rebuilding and this is what we needed going into the season," Haley stated.



David Prouty's Taylor Wood launches the ball off the bat and into play.



Catherine O'Donnell of Quaboag secures the ball at first base for a force out.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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SPORTS

Youth movement in Leicester helps Wolverines top Doherty



Leicester's Maddie Hippert bunts the ball into play.



Leicester's Maddie Hippert makes a diving catch in center field.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — Softball teams don't often enjoy a statement win the first time out, but the Division 2 Leicester High Wolverines certainly did, rallying from a pair of two-run deficits for a come-from-behind victory over perennial Division 1 power Doherty High, 5-4, on Friday, April 13, in the season opener for both squads.

"This was, absolutely, a big win for our program; this will give us an enormous lift," Leicester head coach Dave Stanick said. "I told the girls after the game that we've been playing Phil Spellane and Doherty High for several years now and we've only beat them one time before this. For us to come out in our first game on just our third day out on the field and show this kind of moxie was great."

With the score tied at 4-4, Leicester scratched for what would end up being the game-winning run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Freshman Lexa Dufries led off the inning with a single to right field and advanced to second base on a sacrifice bunt down the third base line by fellow freshman Charley Blair.

With two out sophomore Riley Brunelle hit a bouncing grounder to second base that ticked off the glove of the Doherty second baseman and dribbled its way into the outfield. That was all the speedy Dufries needed to scamper home with the go-ahead run.

"I was very pleased to see how we

were able to manufacture a run in that situation," Stanick said.

In the top of the seventh inning freshman pitcher Kya Birtz, in her second inning in relief of junior starter Hannah Wickson, got two quick outs before loading the bases on a walk, an infield single and a hit batsman.

Birtz, however, got out of the jam and delivered the win for the Wolverines when she got Doherty junior Gabrielle Monfredo to hit a grounder to second base that Brunelle turned into a game-winning force out.

Stanick said he didn't spend any time second-guessing his decision to put Birtz in the circle in place of Wickson.

"Why not put her in?" Stanick asked rhetorically. "She's dreamed about pitching in a situation like that her whole life. Kya throws the ball real well; she did a good job closing it out for us. She showed me a lot as a freshman coming into a spot like that against a team like Doherty. She's got a lot of potential."

After allowing two runs in the top of the first inning Leicester tied the game, 2-2, in the bottom of the frame.

Junior Caitlin Kemp (two hits) got things started with a leadoff single to right field. Kemp then advanced to second base on a Doherty error and came home with Leicester's first run of the season on an RBI single to right field by junior Katelyn McKay (two hits, two RBI). Junior Lydia Petit, who reached on the error, tied the game,

2-2, coming home on an RBI groundout to shortstop by Dufries.

After the Highlanders scored single runs in the top of the third and fourth innings to reestablish its two-run lead, the Wolverines tied the game, 4-4, with a pair of runs in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Blair opened the Leicester half of the fifth with a leadoff single to center field. With two out she advanced to third on a double to center field by Kemp and then she score to make it 4-3 on a bunt single by Petit. Kemp, who had advanced to third on Petit's double, scored the game-tying run on an RBI single to right field off the bat of McKay.

Leicester finished with two errors, but the Wolverines' defense made twice as many fielding gems in the game, including a diving stab of a hard shot to center field by sophomore Maddie Hippert in the second inning. One batter later Kemp made a lunging grab just above her shoe tops in right field. In the sixth inning Brunelle made a clutch running catch of a ball that was tailing away from her at second base.

"We had a lot of girls make a lot of big plays today and we'll only go as far as our defense takes us," Stanick said. "We've got good pitchers who hit their spots and throw the ball well, but they're not going to throw the ball by people. So, we've got to play good defense behind them."

With no seniors on the roster a youth movement is definitely in place in Leicester. Stanick credited the leadership of juniors McKay, Wickson, Petit and Kemp for having the team ready to play the opener.

"They did a great job of getting the young kids mentally prepared to play," said Stanick, who had a pair of freshman (Dufries and Blair) in the starting lineup as well as three sophomores (Hippert, Brunelle and catcher Marena Matavaio). "The juniors did a great job all preseason getting those kids ready to play."

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

April 5

Westborough 5, Tantasqua 0 — Playing their first match of the season, the Warriors girls' tennis team fell short against the Rangers. Tantasqua's most successful tandem was the No. 1 doubles team of Victoria Kirkland and Rebekah Bennett, who dropped a 6-3, 6-1 decision.

April 9

Quaboag 5, Southbridge 0 — The Cougars rolled to a girls' tennis victory in their season opener. Emily Flourey, Alyssa Bettencourt and Emma Aberle won their singles matches, while Isabelle Greenlaw/Abby Bouchard and Jordan D'Angelo/Hannah D'Angelo were victorious in the doubles tandems.

Tantasqua 11, Oxford 9 (9 innings) — Jillian Dunn went 4 for 5 at the plate for the victorious Warriors' softball team, which included a homer, triple and double. Dunn also scored five times and drove in three. Teammate Molly Ryan was 2 for 5 with 3 RBI.

Shrewsbury 16, Tantasqua 4 — Camie Freeland, Alyssa Slade, Clair Matlak and Maddy Lowell all scored goals for Tantasqua in its girls' lacrosse matchup with the Colonials, but it wasn't enough in the Warriors' season opener. Goalie Mandy Burns made 12 saves to keep her team in it.

April 10

Westborough 34, David Prouty 8 — The Panthers made their debut by participating in their first girls' golf match in school history. Jenna Petruzzi (3 points), Erin Parenteau (2.5 points), Dana Woodward (1 point), Brooke Pepin (.5 points), Abbie Cashman (.5 points) and Reagan Hingston (.5 points) all scored for Prouty.

April 11

Quaboag 5, David Prouty 0 — The Cougars and their girls' tennis team had their second shutout of the week after dispatching the Panthers.

Winners for Quaboag included Emily Flourey (No. 1 singles), Alyssa Bettencourt (No. 2 singles), Hannah D'Angelo (No. 3 singles), Morgyn Astrella/Jordan D'Angelo (No. 1 doubles) and Tiffany Martin/Natalie Page (No. 2 doubles). The win lifted the Cougars' record to 2-1.

Leicester 3, Tantasqua 2 — The Wolverines' doubles teams of Connor Friend/Ethan Spaulding and Tej Patel/Ryan Butler were victorious, as was No. 2 singles player Sam Kenney, as they edged the host Warriors in boys' tennis action.

Mike Herrmann (No. 1 singles) and Ryan Shanahan (No. 3 singles) were the winners for Tantasqua (0-2), while Leicester improved to 1-1.

David Prouty 20, Worcester 16 — The Panthers and their girls' golf team won a match for the first time in school history. Jenna Petruzzi (5 points), Brooke Pepin (4.5 points), Dana Woodward (4 points), Olivia Pepin (3 points), Erin Parenteau (2 points) and Abbey Cashman (1.5 points) were Prouty's point producers.

Tantasqua 3, Leicester 2 — The Warriors girls' tennis team snuck past the Wolverines in a close matchup. Tantasqua (1-1) winners included Pai Thanasrivanitschai (No. 2 singles), Sarah Scott (No. 3 singles) and Rebekah Bennett/Victoria Kirkland (No. 1 doubles). Grayson LaCroy (No. 1 singles) and Hannah Brown/Kyra Prouty (No. 2 doubles) won for Leicester (1-1).

April 12

Tantasqua 5, East Longmeadow 0 — An impressive sweep was had by the Warriors in their home girls' tennis matchup. Morgan Mascolo, Pai Thanasrivanitschai and Sarah Scott won their singles games, as did the doubles pairing of Victoria Kirkland/Rebekah Bennett and Julia Matton/Jessica Williams, as Tantasqua improved to 2-1.



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ATHLETE of the WEEK

**Caitlin Kemp, Katelyn
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Hannah Wickson**

The four junior Leicester High varsity softball players — serving as team leaders since there are no seniors on the team — helped guide the Wolverines to a 5-4 season-opening win versus Doherty High, a Division 1 program, on Friday, April 13.

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SPORTS

Rockets win again — this time against Tantasqua — to improve to 4-0



Addie Elithorpe of Tantasqua, left, tries to steal the ball away from Auburn's Samantha Perry.

acknowledged that both calls against Hayden were penalties, she quickly added that she'll learn from the mistakes and that the fouls weren't egregious.

"She zigged when she should have zagged," said Egan.

Auburn's first half goals were scored by Olivia Mikkila, Alexis McGrail (twice), Shea Jarvis, Cydney Randall (twice) and Molly Cutting. Cutting had two assists as well, and Julianna Martinelli, McGrail and Isabelle O'Toole also provided helpers.

Tantasqua's Madi Varney scored the Warriors' first half goal, with Rachel Godek assisting.

Despite a six-goal lead heading into the second half, Coach Jarvis knew that the Rockets' back end had to play a strong 25 minutes to preserve the win.

"In the second half we really had to play a stronger defense," she noted.

And although Tantasqua rallied and won the second half, 7-4, Auburn goalie Emma Crowley was her team's best defender to make sure that the Warriors never got closer than making it a three-goal game.

"She made some unbelievable saves today... saves that 20 percent of the goalies would have made," Coach Jarvis said of Crowley, who finished with 12 stops.

Randall made it 8-1 for Auburn before Tantasqua's Cami Freeland and Maddy Lowell followed with goals to pull the game closer.

After the Rockets' Shea Jarvis upped the lead to 9-3, the Warriors responded again with a pair of goals from Liz Beaumont. Godek and Claire Matlak provided the assists as



Jayne Jennings of Tantasqua, with the ball perched high up in her stick, moves downfield.

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Tantasqua now trailed by a 9-5 count.

"We made a few adjustments," Egan said inching closer in the second half. "In the first half our attack was very frantic, [but] in the second half we took a deep breath, looked around and then did something."

Mikkila gave Auburn a 10-5 lead with the game's next goal, but the Warriors potted the next two to make it 10-7. Those goals were scored by Godek and Varney.

The Rockets made sure that Tantasqua wouldn't complete the comeback, though, as She Jarvis scored with 1:04 to play to make it 11-7.

Lowell scored the Warriors' last goal with 15 seconds remaining to account for the 11-8 final score.

"That's one thing I learned today is that my girls aren't going to give up," Egan said of fighting until the bitter end.



Tantasqua's Maggie Austin defends against Auburn attacker Alexis McGrail.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

AUBURN — Despite it being very early in the regular season schedule, Auburn High's 11-8 victory over Tantasqua Regional in girls' varsity lacrosse action at Memorial Field on Tuesday, April 10 was a big win for the Rockets.

"It's a great win. It was a very important win and I think it shows how hard they've been working so far with their defense. It's a great start to the season," said Auburn head coach Tess Jarvis after the Rockets improved to 4-0.

This is just Auburn's second season playing varsity lacrosse, so to beat a perennial district-bound team in the Warriors is a big accomplishment.

Tantasqua, now 0-2, must regroup as they have the entire April Vacation week off from games.

"We have a lot of

kinks to get out," said Warriors' head coach Heather Egan. "Our first game was yesterday, no time to apply the stuff we knew we weren't doing well to today."

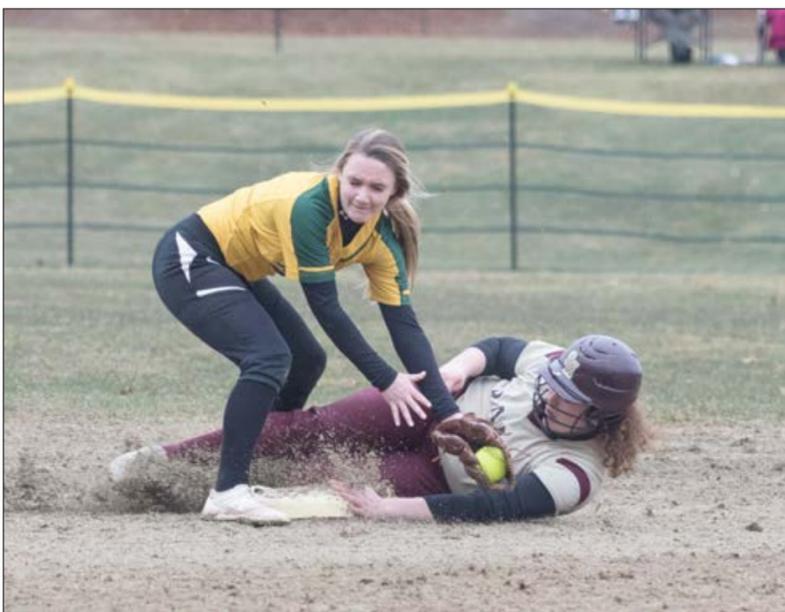
The Rockets scored the game's first seven goals before Tantasqua struck for one to make it a 7-1 game going into halftime. Many of Auburn's goals came on the power play, as the Warriors were called for three two-minute penalties over the game's first 25-minute session.

"We were able to capitalize," said Jarvis.

Two of Tantasqua's penalties went to Rachel Hayden, a senior co-captain and an "anchor on defense," according to Egan.

"Getting her second card in the first half, she can't play," continued Egan. "So you're a man down for two minutes and then she can't go back in after that." Although Egan

Shepherd Hill hits its way past Warriors



Sarah Harlinski of Tantasqua places a tag on a sliding Sophia Sciarappa of Shepherd Hill.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — The Shepherd Hill Regional varsity softball team looked like they were in midseason form for the season opener versus Tantasqua Regional on Tuesday, April 10. The Rams exploded for 14 runs on 14 hits and only allowed two runs against the Warriors, who slipped to 1-1.

Shepherd Hill started quickly by scoring three runs in the first inning due to patience at the plate and timely hitting. The first three batters walked for the Rams and Kiley Wong-Li got hit by a pitch to drive in Shepherd Hill's first run. Keely Scotia followed with an RBI single to right field that scored two more runs for the Rams.

To pace the Shepherd Hill offensive, Kiley Wong-Li went 3-for-3 with a three-run homer and seven RBI. Sciarappa was also 3 for 3 with a pair of runs driven in.

"We really feel like this is a very

circular lineup, very good up and down the lineup with a lot of great hitters," expressed Shepherd Hill head coach Donny Loos. "We work hard squaring pitching up and you saw the results today. There are 13 kids in the lineup that can really swing the bat. It makes it easy, we can plug anybody anywhere and we expect great results."

Cayley Fagan pitched a strong a game for the Rams to go hand-in-hand with great defense. Fagan only allowed four hits and two runs on two solo homers.

"Surprisingly this is the first time we have been outside, so we were not expecting to come out here and make no errors," explained Loos. "In my 40 years out here I don't think we have ever played a clean, error free game. For the first time outside of the gym it was a pleasant surprise. I am really excited for the girls to accomplish that."

The Warriors did not have the outcome they wanted after winning an extra inning thriller against Oxford



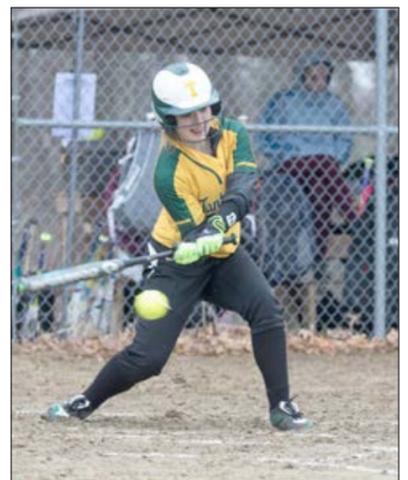
Jillian Dunn of Tantasqua slides safely into second base in front of Shepherd Hill's Carly Snyder.

High in their opener, but they do possess a multitude of talented young players.

"We are young, so we are resilient and our kids fight hard," explained Tantasqua head coach Phil Desroches. "We have to cut down on mistakes, that is a good hitting team over there, but it is the price that we take for being in Division 1. We don't have a lot of experience on our team so it will be a matter of getting better."

Highlighting the Warriors' offense was junior Jillian Dunn, who hit the two solo shots to provide Tantasqua with its offense. Dunn hit one in the top of the third inning to deep center field and followed it up with a shot over the left field fence in fifth.

"She is a stud," praised Desroches. "It is known throughout the league. She went 4 for 5 and hit for the cycle last night and hit two more home runs today. She loves this game."



Tantasqua's Jenna Casine sends the pitch into play via a low swing.

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Offensive, politically incorrect and “unsafe” speech: Disguised as tolerance, civility and love, political correctness has resulted in the chilling of free speech and the demonizing of viewpoints that run counter to the cultural elite. Consequently, college campuses have become hotbeds of student-led censorship, trigger warnings, microaggressions, and “red light” speech policies targeting anything that might cause someone to feel uncomfortable, unsafe or offended.

Bullying, intimidating speech: Warning that “school bullies become tomorrow’s hate crimes defendants,” the Justice Department has led the way in urging schools to curtail bullying, going so far as to classify “teasing” as a form of “bullying,” and “rude” or “hurtful” “text messages” as “cyberbullying.”

Hateful speech: Hate speech — speech that attacks a person or group on the basis of attributes such as gender, ethnic origin, religion, race, disability, or sexual orientation — is the primary candidate for online censorship. Corporate internet giants Google, Twitter and Facebook are in the process of determining what kinds of speech will be permitted online and what will be deleted.

Dangerous, anti-government speech: As part of its ongoing war on “extremism,” the government partnered with the tech industry to establish a task force to counter online “propaganda” by terrorists hoping to recruit support or plan attacks (the program started under President Obama). In this way, anyone who criticizes the government online can be considered an extremist and will have their content reported to government agencies for further investigation or deleted.

The upshot of all of this editing, parsing, banning and silencing is the emergence of a new language, what George Orwell referred to as Newspeak, which places the power to control language in the hands of the totalitarian state.

Under such a system, language becomes a weapon to change the way people think by changing the words they use.

The end result is control.

In totalitarian regimes — a.k.a. police states — where conformity and compliance are enforced at the end of a loaded gun, the government dictates what words can and cannot be used.

In countries where the police state hides behind a benevolent mask and disguises itself as tolerance, the citizens censor themselves, policing their words and thoughts to conform to the dictates of the mass mind lest they find themselves ostracized or placed under surveillance.

Even when the motives behind this rigidly calibrated reorientation of societal language appear well-intentioned—discouraging racism, condemning violence, denouncing discrimination and hatred — inevitably, the end result is the same: intolerance, indoctrination and infantilism.

It’s political correctness disguised as tolerance, civility and love, but what it really amounts to is the chilling of free speech and the demonizing of viewpoints that run counter to the cultural elite.

The police state could not ask for a bet-

ter citizenry than one that carries out its own censorship, spying and policing.

This is how you turn a nation of free people into extensions of the omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent police state, and in the process, turn a citizenry against each other.

Indeed, the U.S. government has become particularly intolerant of speech that challenges the government’s power, reveals the government’s corruption, exposes the government’s lies, and encourages the citizenry to push back against the government’s many injustices. Indeed, there is a long and growing list of the kinds of speech that the government considers dangerous enough to red flag and subject to censorship, surveillance, investigation and prosecution: hate speech, bullying speech, intolerant speech, conspiratorial speech, treasonous speech, threatening speech, incendiary speech, inflammatory speech, radical speech, anti-government speech, right-wing speech, extremist speech, etc.

To emphasize: the powers-that-be understand that if the government can control speech, it controls thought and, in turn, it can control the minds of the citizenry.

In fact, some of this past century’s greatest dystopian authors warned of this very danger.

In Ray Bradbury’s *Fahrenheit 451*, reading is banned and books are burned in order to suppress dissenting ideas, while televised entertainment is used to anesthetize the populace and render them easily pacified, distracted and controlled.

In Aldous Huxley’s *Brave New World*, serious literature, scientific thinking and experimentation are banned as subversive, while critical thinking is discouraged through the use of conditioning, social taboos and inferior education. Likewise, expressions of individuality, independence and morality are viewed as vulgar and abnormal.

In George Orwell’s 1984, *Big Brother* does away with all undesirable and unnecessary words and meanings, even going so far as to routinely rewrite history and punish “thoughtcrimes.”

And in almost every episode of *Twilight Zone*, Rod Serling urged viewers to unlock their minds and free themselves of prejudice, hate, violence and fear.

“We’re developing a new citizenry,” Serling declared. “One that will be very selective about cereals and automobiles, but won’t be able to think.”

The problem as I see it is that we’ve lost faith in the average citizen to do the right thing. We’ve allowed ourselves to be persuaded that we need someone else to think and speak for us. And we’ve allowed ourselves to become so timid in the face of offensive words and ideas that we’ve bought into the idea that we need the government to shield us from that which is ugly or upsetting or mean.

The result is a society in which we’ve stopped debating among ourselves, stopped thinking for ourselves, and stopped believing that we can fix our own problems and resolve our own differences.

In short, we have reduced ourselves to a largely silent, passive, polarized populace incapable of working through our own problems and reliant on the government to protect us from our fears.

In this way, we have become our worst enemy.

As U.S. Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis once warned, a silent, inert cit-

izenry is the greatest menace to freedom.

Brandeis provided a well-reasoned argument against government censorship in his concurring opinion in *Whitney v. California* (1927). It’s not a lengthy read, but here it is boiled down to ten basic truths:

1. The purpose of government is to make men free to develop their faculties, i.e., THINK.
2. The freedom to think as you will and to speak as you think are essential to the discovery and spread of political truth.
3. Without free speech and assembly, discussion would be futile.
4. The greatest menace to freedom is a silent people.
5. Public discussion is a political duty, and should be a fundamental principle of the American government.
6. Order cannot be secured through censorship.
7. Fear breeds repression; repression breeds hate; and hate menaces stable government.
8. The power of reason as applied through public discussion is always superior to silence coerced by law.
9. Free speech and assembly were guaranteed in order to guard against the occasional tyrannies of governing majorities.
10. To justify suppression of free speech, there must be reasonable ground (a clear and present danger) to believe that the danger apprehended is imminent, and that the evil to be prevented is a serious one.

Perhaps the most important point that Brandeis made is that freedom requires courage.

“Those who won our independence by revolution were not cowards,” Brandeis wrote. “They did not fear political change. They did not exalt order at the cost of liberty.”

Rather, they were “courageous, self-reliant men, with confidence in the power of free and fearless reasoning applied through the processes of popular government.”

In other words, the founders did not fear the power of speech.

Rather, they embraced it, knowing all too well that a nation without a hearty tolerance for free speech, no matter how provocative, insensitive or dangerous, will be easy prey for a police state where only government speech is allowed.

What the police state wants is a nation of sheep that will docilely march in lockstep with its dictates. What early Americans envisioned was a nation of individualists who knew exactly when to tell the government to take a hike.

“If the freedom of speech be taken away,” warned George Washington, “then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter.”

Either “we the people” believe in free speech or we don’t.

Either we live in a constitutional republic or a police state.

Never forget that we have rights.

As Justice William O. Douglas advised in his dissent in *Colten v. Kentucky*, “we need not stay docile and quiet” in the face of authority.

The Constitution does not require Americans to be servile or even civil to government officials. Neither does the Constitution require obedience (although it does insist on nonviolence).

Then again, if we just cower before government agents and meekly obey, we may find ourselves following in the footsteps of those nations that eventually fell to tyranny.

The alternative involves standing up

and speaking truth to power.

Jesus Christ walked that road. So did Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr., and countless other freedom fighters whose actions changed the course of history.

Indeed, had Christ merely complied with the Roman police state, there would have been no crucifixion and no Christian religion.

Had Gandhi meekly fallen in line with the British Empire’s dictates, the Indian people would never have won their independence.

Had Martin Luther King Jr. obeyed the laws of his day, there would have been no civil rights movement.

And if the founding fathers had marched in lockstep with royal decrees, there would have been no American Revolution.

So where do we go from here?

If Americans don’t learn how to get along — at the very least, agreeing to disagree and respecting each other’s right to subscribe to beliefs and opinions that may be offensive, hateful, intolerant or merely different—then we’re going to soon find that we have no rights whatsoever (to speak, assemble, agree, disagree, protest, opt in, opt out, or forge our own paths as individuals).

The government will lock down the nation at the slightest provocation.

It is ready, willing and able to impose martial law within 24 hours.

Indeed, the government has been anticipating and preparing for civil unrest for years now, as evidenced by the build-up of guns and tanks and militarized police and military training drills and threat assessments and extremism reports and surveillance systems and private prisons and Pentagon training videos predicting the need to impose martial law by 2030.

Trust me: when the police state cracks down, it will not discriminate.

We’ll all be muzzled together.

We’ll all be jailed together.

We’ll all be viewed as a collective enemy to be catalogued, conquered and caged.

Indeed, a recent survey concluded that a large bipartisan majority of the American public already recognizes the dangers posed by a government that is not only tracking its citizens but is also being controlled by a “Deep State” of unelected government officials.

Thus, the last thing we need to do is play into the government’s hands by turning on one another, turning in one another, and giving the government’s standing army an excuse to take over.

So let’s start with a little more patience, a lot more tolerance and a civics lesson on the First Amendment.

What this means is opening the door to more speech not less, even if that speech is offensive to some.

It’s time to start thinking for ourselves again.

It’s time to start talking to each other, listening more and shouting less.

It’s time to make the government hear us — see us — and heed us.

This is the ultimate power of free speech.

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Gobi calls for study as part of criminal justice reform bill

BOSTON — Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) and the Massachusetts Legislature passed landmark criminal justice reform legislation. An Act relative to criminal justice reform will lead to a more equitable system by supporting our youngest and most vulnerable residents, reducing recidivism, increasing judicial discretion, and enhancing public safety. The bipartisan bill represents a collaborative effort which creates a balance of opportunities for treatment and rehabilitation while enhancing public safety by treating those who would threaten it with serious consequences.

Included in the final version of the bill is an amendment put forth by Senator Gobi that establishes a special commission to review the qualifications and scope of practice for Qualified Examiners who are professionals responsible for determining whether or not an individual meets the criteria for a Sexually Dangerous Person.

This amendment arose from the release of convicted rapist, Paul Shanley, a Boston priest notorious for his role in the Catholic Church's sex abuse scandal who was convicted in 2005 but subsequently released last year after examiners deemed him to no longer be a threat to society.

"I appreciate the work of the judicial committee and their willingness to include this vital provision," said Senator Gobi. "Protecting children from sexual predators is paramount, and this is an important step."

Current law only requires Qualified Examiners to be licensed psychiatrists or psychologists with two years of experience in the diagnosis and general treatment of sexual offenders. However, sex offender-specific risk assessment demands specialized knowledge and training, especially given the high stakes involved with getting this important task right. This legislation directs the special commission to deter-

mine whether the current Qualified Examiner standards and practices need to be revised in order to support effective practices and, most importantly, ensure public safety.

"We are grateful for Senator Gobi's leadership on this important issue," said Dr. Laurie Guidry, public policy director for the Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. "She has opened the door to bringing the most current research and evidence-based best practices on the assessment of sexual dangerousness. Based on this research, a task force will be able to update the guidelines for qualified examiners as they evaluate sex offenders returning to the community. We are confident that this change will help make the communities in Massachusetts safer for everyone."

The final version of the bill will also include the following provisions:

- Provisions to provide better care for vulnerable populations in the criminal

justice system;

- Establishes a process for expunging criminal records;
- Raises the minimum age of criminal responsibility from seven to twelve;
- Extends the Good Samaritan protections to alcohol incapacitation for individuals under 21;
- Creates the nation's strongest law for Carfentanil trafficking and strengthens the existing Fentanyl trafficking law, bolstering the Legislature's multi-tiered approach to the opioid epidemic;
- Updates the Commonwealth's bail system and enhances judicial discretion by requiring a judge to take a person's financial resources into account when determining bail.

The commission must report its findings by Dec. 31, 2018. The legislation now awaits signature from Governor Baker.

FARMERS

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In Spencer, Royal Crest Farm, LLC, will receive \$27,900 in grant funding for a no-till drill project. This will enable owner Anthony Moschini and his staff to re-seed hay fields without needing to till the ground, thereby helping with erosion control on the hilly terrain. The project will also improve efficiency for the staff by freeing up hours that would have been spent tilling and plowing.

"This will be excellent for erosion control, and it will help make the farm more feasible," said Moschini, whose parents bought the farm in 1982. "Living in Spencer, you're always working on a hill, and this will have a great impact on reducing erosion."

Jordan Dairy Farm, Inc., in Rutland will receive \$30,000 in grant funding for a no-till drill project. Meanwhile, Barre's Carter and Stevens Farm, LLC, will get \$30,000 for a roller crimper and no-till plant modification project.

For Gobi, it means a lot to assist local farmers as they navigate the often tricky grant application process. The ACRE program was implemented after Governor Baker called for a comprehensive approach to further reduce greenhouse gas emissions and minimize the impacts of climate change on farmers. It isn't easy to introduce new systems at a farm and train employees on them, but state officials are thrilled that farmers are taking the initiative to focus on green strategies.

Looking ahead, legislators hope to secure even more grant funding for

farmers in the future.

"Our farmers are constantly doing their part to keep farms sustainable while balancing environmental issues," Gobi said. "These grants are an important piece of that mission, and I congratulate all of the awardees on their willingness to try new practices for the good of our climate."

The ACRE program also funds materials and labor costs for the implementation of practices that help improve soil health, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and sequester carbon. Experts predict that farms will be impacted by an increase in damages from severe storms and climate change over the next decade, including longer periods of drought, higher overall temperatures and elevated evaporation rates. For this reason, it is important to have proactive

programs in place to combat the effects of climate change, officials said.

The ACRE program also offers incentives for farms that address risks and strengthen their economic and environmental resiliency in response to the changing climate. Proposals that address both mitigation and adaptation in their projects are prioritized in grant funding.

Agriculture Day is a collaborative effort between the Massachusetts Promotional Board and the Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation, bringing farmers, producers and agricultural organizations together. Each year, the event helps promote farm products available across the state, in addition to bringing awareness to the challenges facing the agricultural industry.

CHALMERS

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the town retains the building, while others would like to see it sold to a private buyer.

"We would like to see the town of Spencer continue ownership of the building. In the 25 years our family has lived in Spencer, we have always utilized the businesses at the Sugden Block," Steven Chalmers said. "This building is an important part of the town's history. I would like to see the needed, long overdue maintenance be done little by little until it's up to date."

Selectmen have repeatedly expressed their desire to see the building in private ownership. Several grant funding opportunities exist for private owners that aren't possible in a

municipally owned structure. Plus, the costs of renovations are too steep for the town to handle, selectmen said.

The building is currently less than half full in terms of total tenant spaces. But business owners feel the building's uncertain future has played a big role in these vacancies.

"This building provides a great opportunity to local entrepreneurs to start up a business," added Chalmers, a fourth degree blackbelt. "When all spaces are rented, the building more than supports itself. If the building was guaranteed to stay town-owned, I'm sure all the renters would spruce up the stairwells and the lobby to help the overall attractiveness. We have been hesitant to make an energetic effort to expand our students and clients due to

the constant concern that the building will be sold or demolished."

Town officials have recently teamed up with local business owners to set up an art gallery in an unoccupied space of the building. Over the past 15 years, the businesses on the second and third floors of the building have been geared toward the arts and physical health. Mexicali Grill continues to be a strong attractor on the first floor, combining with other businesses in the building to draw dozens of customers daily from out of town.

"This provides a very rich experience for local people at an affordable price. The rents are reasonable for these types of businesses to be able to stay afloat," Chalmers said. "I think I can comfortably say that most

people using the services provided are coming in from surrounding towns. Many of my students and parents shop and dine while in town."

The Chalmers' business trains students in the traditional martial art Goju-Ryu karate, in addition to their therapeutic massage business with yoga classes. They have also offered after-school classes in the local school districts for the last 28 years.

Moreover, the Chalmers provide a mobile massage therapy or yoga session to clients in their homes. Though many business owners have departed Spencer for larger communities in recent years, the Chalmers have enjoyed doing business in their hometown.

"Operating our business at the Sugden [Block build-

ing] has been a good experience for the most part. The only real drawback has been the town's lack of interest in the building," Chalmers said. "The Sugden building brings activity and life to downtown Spencer. When taken care of and filled to capacity, it will certainly bring more."

Even after years of neglect, the Chalmers still feel the building has the potential to help Spencer thrive. The downtown revitalization project helped transform roads and intersections, and business owners feel the focus now needs to shift to improving the buildings.

"Hopefully the construction project will ease the traffic flow and bring a nice look to the area," Chalmers said.

West Brookfield student designated a leader by school

WILLIMANTIC, CT — A number of civic-minded students from Eastern Connecticut State University are serving the community this spring semester as Student Leaders with Eastern's Center for Community Engagement. 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. The community projects he oversees are the Natchaug Elementary after school program and the North Windham School after-school program.

When asked how he defines "student leader," Antonopoulos said, "They are Eastern students who strive to work closely with the Willimantic community and seek to establish a positive relationship between residents and Eastern's students, staff and faculty."

"I think it's important to engage with the community because if you have a major that involves a lot of interpersonal communication, getting involved with CCE programs will get you that experience as well. Another reason is that most students will be living on campus for all four years, and getting involved with the CCE gets them out of their dorm rooms to see what Willimantic is really like," he added.

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.

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“Collectors Weekly” states that the term “costume jewelry” was coined in 1920. Jewelry made from non-precious metals was worn during ancient times. There was great demand in Europe for jewelry with precious gemstones during the 17th and 18th centuries. In 1724, a French jeweler, Georges Frédéric Strass, developed a special leaded glass known as paste. When polished with a metal powder, the glass is said to have shined like diamonds. His “diamante” cre-

ations where more affordable than gemstones.

During the Victorian era, paste was still being used with mirrored back glass, black jet and other materials. Jeweler, Daniel Swarovski developed fine crystal rhinestones in 1892. With the rhinestones many facets and luster, he was able to simulate diamonds, rubies, sapphires and emeralds.

The popularity of costume jewelry grew tremendously in the 1920s. Coco Chanel launched a line of “statement” accessories. Made to look like flowers or frogs, the pieces were as much art as jewelry. They became a tremendous hit.

Much of the new jewelry in the 1920s was made of bakelite. Bakelite is a synthetic plastic that could be made into bright colors for jewelry. “Collectors Weekly” notes that some of the names for bakelite colors were Apple Juice, Butterscotch, and Salmon.

Modernist jewelry came into vogue during the 1930s “influenced by Bauhaus, Futurism, Cubism, and Abstract Expressionism, as well as new industrialization.” Around the same time, Eisenberg, Trifari, and Hobe began making impressive imitations of pieces by makers like Cartier.

In the 1950s, matching earring, brooch and necklace sets were popular. Jackie Kennedy and Elizabeth Taylor helped make Victorian era charm bracelets trendy again when they began wearing them.

Prices vary greatly for costume jewelry. Buyers can sometimes find pieces for a dollar or two. Many pieces sell for considerably more though. Signed pieces are desirable, but some of the more famous designers didn’t sign their earliest pieces.

We typically sell groups of vintage costume jewelry at auction. Groups typically sell in the hundred dollar range. Some pieces sell for much more though. A bakelite “googly eye sailor” pin went for \$750 at a



2009 auction. A bakelite cigarette and matches pin brought \$2,300 at auction in 2016. A vintage “Philadelphia” bakelite bracelet with multi-colored triangles sold for \$2,600 at auction in 2010.

An elephant motif costume jewelry set with necklace, ear clips and brooch by Josef of Hollywood reached \$1,400 at auction in 2016. Two Christian Dior sets of matching jewelry fetched \$1,900 the same year. Two Chanel costume jewelry faux pearl necklaces sold for \$2,000, also in 2016. These are very strong prices for a type of jewelry sometimes referred to as fashion jewelry, fake or junk.

Online bidding is taking

place for the Sterling online auction. The preview takes place at the estate on April 21st. The Weymouth online auction will be listed soon. Details will also be listed soon for the Southbridge estate sale in May. We are still accepting quality consignments for our May 31st live auction in Worcester. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events.

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Despite the weather the lakes are yielding a wealth of spring



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
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Trout fishing at Wallum Lake this past weekend was fantastic for many anglers, with most catching their limits of five fish after a couple hours of fishing. The rainbow trout were some of the best fish in years. Many anglers remarked about the size and quality of the fish which were in the 2 pound+ class. The main parking lot was only half full of vehicles and boat trailers at 7:00 a.m., but filled to capacity by 10:00 a.m. which was better than previous years. Not many youngsters were spotted fishing by this writer during the early morning hours, but as the day warmed, numerous young anglers were observed reeling in some fish, both in boats and on the land. Reports of Rhode Island stocking some big rainbow trout into the lake prior to opening day had to be true. Nice fish. Massachusetts also made two stockings prior to opening day.

My fishing buddy Herb Hingley from Maine arrived unannounced a couple of days prior to opening day at Wallum Lake. It is a good thing I kept an open spot on my boat. Herb moved to Maine a number of years ago, but he usually makes a couple of trips back to visit his friends and family in Rhode Island & Massachusetts. This week’s picture shows Herb with a nice 19 “rainbow trout he caught at Wallum Lake on opening day.

The second picture shows a couple of anglers fishing at Wallum Lake with their dog taking a ride. Every time they hooked into a fish the



Even the pooch got into the day as he enjoys the ride on the lake. He apparently is a new kind of fish retriever.

dog became as excited as the anglers, and was right there to watch the fish come aboard.

April 30 is opening day in Massachusetts for the spring turkey season. I did a little scouting last week and spotted a monster tom bird in a local field. Hopefully he sticks around until opening day. It is not too early to do some scouting, and sighting in your shotgun prior to opening day. More on turkey hunting next week.

Wallum Lake Rod & Gun Club will have their skeet range open to members and non-members for the next two Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have never shot skeet and you would like to give it a try, you should take the time to attend one of the weekend shoots. Members are eager to assist anyone that attends one of the shoots and will have you enjoying one of the top skeet ranges in the area.

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The New England Outdoor Writers held the annual awards

banquet at the Singletary Rod & Gun Club this past Saturday, to honor numerous outdoor writers for their professionalism in the communication and media coverage of the outdoors, and to promote and encourage the conservation and use of our natural resources. It was also a time to hand out scholarships to college students that are majoring in wildlife biology, conservation, and environment, to mention a few. This year’s scholarship winners were University of Maine: Meija Kanfi, University of New Hampshire: Michaela Dunn, University of Connecticut: Janet Barclay, University of Vermont: Matthew Gorton, University Of Rhode Island: Dustin Meattay, and the University Of Massachusetts: Eric Wuethoff.

The Joe Yerka Award went to Andrew Schafereyer, and the Dick Cronin award went to Erin Merrill. The late Dick Cronin was the former director of Mass. Fish & Wildlife and the late Joe Yerka was a native of Douglas and co-creator of the famous Mooselook Wobbler. Joe was extremely generous to the NEOWA for many years with his fishing lures and had a great relationship with the



Courtesy photos

Good friend Herb Hingley with his 19 inch rainbow from opening day at Wallum Lake.



Recipients of scholarships at the New England Outdoor Writers annual banquet.

media and product manufacturers. Congratulations to all of the award winners and the outdoor writers.

The third picture shows the recipients of the scholarship awards.

The Singletary Rod & Gun Club will hold their annual spring derby this Sunday April 22, starting at 7:00 a.m. for members only, with breakfast being served at 6:00 a.m. The huge buffet will be as good as always, so come early. The

trout were stocked last week and should make for a great day of fishing!

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club will open their club pond to fishing this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Breakfast will be available to members and guests starting at 7:00 a.m.

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BIRTHDAY

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and a few first responders from West Brookfield Police and Fire.

“This is a very special day. I have never known anyone who is 100 years old – it’s awesome,” Provencher said.

Born in Webster, Tarbell graduated from Bartlett High School before moving to Rutland. Upon graduation from St. Agnes School of Nursing in Hartford, CT, she worked at Rutland State Hospital for over 20 years as a nurse.

Tarbell has three children, three grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. Her husband, Virgil, passed away in 1962. Many of her old friends from Rutland, where she lived for over 50 years, made sure they were in attendance for the triple-digit celebration.

“A lot of these folks she hasn’t seen in years. It was great for her to see them again,” said Tarbell’s granddaughter, Janie Prevost.

Tarbell enjoys crossword puzzles, outdoor activities, and getting plenty of reading done. She has spent the last three years at Quaboag Rehabilitation Center, and her new friends and staff members were excited to join in the celebration and pizza party.

From all of us at the Spencer New Leader, happy 100th birthday, Dorothea.



TOP: Dorothea Tarbell displays the certificate of congratulations.



RIGHT: She was presented with a special proclamation recognizing her big day from Selectman Deborah Provencher.



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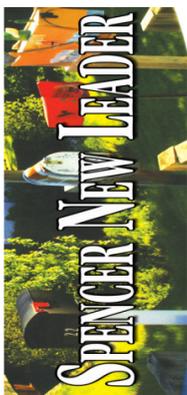


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He leaves his companion of 11 years, Leona Saucier, with whom he resided; a son, Paul Stewart & his wife, Brenda of Spencer; a daughter, Kim Harrington & her husband, Wayne of Holland; four grandchildren Nick & Tara Harrington, Jennifer Stewart and Scott Stewart and his wife Ashley; two great grandchildren, Lilly and Olivia; a sister Julie (Stewart)

Hussian of Hudson; many nieces and nephews.

Joseph was born in Marlboro, the son of Joseph & Yvonne (Parmeleau) Stewart and lived most of his life in Marlboro before moving to Spencer in 1999. He worked as a machinist all of his life. Joseph touched many lives and will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

Funeral Services will be private for the family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society. Pillsbury Funeral Home 163 Main St. Spencer is directing arrangements. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

Rachael A. Kowal, 34



SPENCER- Rachael A. Kowal, 34, of Pleasant St., passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 11 in her home after a long and courageous battle with colon cancer. She leaves her soon to be husband Jed LaMagdelaine with whom she lived, her mother Kathryn (Young) Payne and her husband Richard of Charlton, her father John Kowal of Spencer, brothers Daniel Kowal and his wife Karen of Sturbridge, and Benjamin Kowal of Millbury, her nephews Ethan and Colin Kowal and niece Madeline Kowal.

Rachael was the bar manager at Johnny's Tavern in Amherst for several years prior to her illness. Born

in Marion, MA., she graduated from David Prouty High School in Spencer, and UMASS-Amherst. Rachael's magnetic and vibrant personality, wit, and devotion to others affected everyone who knew her.

Special thanks to Rachael's aunt Kathleen Nash for providing care and compassion during her final days.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service is planned at Tower Hill Botanical Garden at 11 French Drive in Boylston, MA on Tuesday, May 29, at 7:00 p.m. All are welcomed.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Dana Farber Cancer Institute at <http://www.dana-farber.org/>

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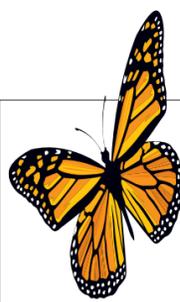
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Harry James Corbett Jr.



BARRE- Harry James Corbett Jr. of Hutchinson Island FL, died at his Suffield, CT home on April 8, 2018 after a long illness.

He was the son of the late Harry J. Corbett and Catherine (Devine) Corbett. Harry was married to M. Isabel Corbett. He was born in Barre, MA and resided there during his early years. He was a graduate from Barre High School, where he was active in varsity sports. He then graduated from St. Anselm College. Then, he entered the USAF officer Training School. He spent 7 years in the USAF; stateside on combat crew missile officer duty. He finished up as a Captain after serving volunteer duty in Vietnam. His professional career was in: Commercial Lending and Finance in commercial banking, with extensive time working for Shawmut National and Fleet Financial. Prior to moving to Florida, he and his wife resided in Farmington, CT and Harwich Port, MA.

In recent years, Harry was active

in philanthropy and had established a Charitable Trust and Foundation where various entities in his hometown will share in future annual bequests, some named for his mother who taught in Barre for over 40 years. There were many people in his hometown, specially his mother's friends, that took time for him and this is his way of giving back.

Besides his wife M. Isabel Corbett, he also leaves several sisters and brothers in law, nephews, nieces and cousins.

Harry's family received friends Thursday, April 12, 2018 from 5 - 7pm in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 96 S. Barre Rd., Barre, MA. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, April 13, 2018 at 11:00AM in St. Joseph Church, 29 South St., Barre. Burial was in the parish cemetery. He requests that no flowers be sent and requests that others look around their hometown and think about giving a little to improve each day in their own communities. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com



Barbara A. Corley, 91



LEICESTER- Barbara A. (Greiner) Corley, 91 of the Rochdale section of Leicester, died Thursday, April 12 in UMASS Memorial Medical Center in Worcester.

She leaves her husband of 68 years, Paul R. Corley, her sons Steven P. Corley and his wife Kathleen A. Corley, and Brian J. Corley all of Rochdale her daughter Kathleen B. Asquith and her husband Paul of Cherry Valley, three grandchildren; Amy Schrader and her husband Marc of Leicester, Marc Corley of Smithfield, RI, and Dean Largesse, Jr. of Cherry Valley, her two great granddaughters; Madelyn and Lilly Schrader, nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by a brother George F. Greiner, Jr., sisters Shirley DeStratis and Louise Smith.

She was born in Worcester, the daughter of George F. and Lydia T. (Hicks) Greiner, Sr. and later graduated from South High. She was a member of St. Aloysius-St. Jude Parish.

Barbara enjoyed traveling around the country with Paul to visit friends and family. She was a great cook and made sure Sunday dinners and holidays were always special. Later in life, she took great pleasure in spending time and going out with Paul and Brian. Barbara got a real kick out of any gift that had a scratch ticket attached to it. She will be remembered for her kind spirit, her devotion to her family, always taking care of others and forever praying for those in need.

She showed amazing strength and courage throughout her life, but never more than during these past few years.

Funeral services and burial in St. John's Cemetery, Worcester were held privately at her request. Please omit flowers. Contributions may be made to Andrew Lauder Memorial Fund, payable to Town of Leicester School Dept., c/o Susan Bulman, Leicester School Admin. Office, 1078 Main St., Leicester, MA. 01524.

MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main St., Leicester is directing arrangements for the family.

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Gary A. Cook, 73



SPENCER / REDINGTON SHORES, FL.- Gary A. Cook, 73, of Skyview Dr., Spencer and Florida, died peacefully at home in Spencer on Saturday, April 14th.

He leaves his wife of 50 years, Suzanne M. (Lacaire) Cook, his sons Jonathan A. Cook and his wife Jeniffer and Justin M. Cook and his wife April all of Spencer, five grandchildren Bradley and Samara Cook of Spencer, Madison, Ayden and Parker McKeon of Spencer, nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by a son Jeremy Cook in 1995 and his brother Carl W, Cook in 1973.

Gary was the owner and operator of Bemis & Hobbs Oil Co. in Spencer for 30 years, retiring in 1998.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Robert H. and Doris M. (Kenward) Cook and later graduated from David Prouty High School in Spencer and

served his country with the Mass. National Guard.

He was a former incorporator and trustee of Spencer Savings Bank, former member of the Spencer Exchange Club, honorary life member of the Spencer Fish & Game Club and the former Massasoit Golf League.

Gary enjoyed his extended family and friends in Florida.

The family would like to thank the staff at Overlook Hospice for their compassionate care of Gary in his final days.

Funeral services and burial in Worcester County Memorial Park, were held privately in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a local charity of choice.

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Dorothy Irene Docwra



NORTH BROOKFIELD- Dorothy Irene Docwra, formerly of Ashland and North Brookfield, joined her parents and her siblings on March 19, one day before her 97th birthday. She

spent her last day doing watercolor painting, had lunch with cake and fell asleep.

Dot was born in Edinburgh, Scotland the daughter of Jane Cumming Glass Docwra and John James Docwra. She immigrated with her family to Massachusetts in 1923 and became a naturalized citizen in 1947.

She graduated from North Brookfield High School in 1939 and went to Memorial Hospital School of Nursing to become a Registered Nurse graduating in 1947. She served as a United States Public Health Cadet Nurse from 1942-1948 and worked at the VA Hospital in Rutland for many years. Dot was a very talented artist working primarily in oils and watercolor. She was known for her dry sense of humor and her ability to speak up for herself. She was pre-deceased by her siblings and their spouses: John and Madelyn (Leach) of Brookfield, Daniel and Ellen (Howland) of North Brookfield, Thomas and Gertrude of Venice, FL, Stephanie and Sheldon Sherman of Marlborough, Rodney and Ann (O'Brien) of Spencer, and her niece Barbara Sherman Wells of Marlborough and her nephew Daniel Docwra of Spencer.

She leaves her nieces Ellen Jane

(Mrs. Harold Metcalfe) of Alfred, ME, Margaret Bilodeau of Grafton, Katherine Green of North Grafton, Deborah Anderson of Georgetown, Ohio, Kelly Newell King of Spencer, Patricia Newell Johnson of Cape Cod and her nephews Daniel Sherman of Hudson, Lawrence Sherman (and Inge) of Melbourne, FL and Robert Docwra of Ware, Harry Newell, Michael Newell and spouses of deceased nieces and nephews, Diane Docwra of Spencer and Walter Wells of Marlborough. She also leaves many great nieces and great nephews.

The family would like to thank the many people who made her final years enjoyable and comfortable. Doctor Rohit Jangi of Ashland who was her primary care for many years. She trusted you implicitly. Doctor Robert Love, her heart specialist. She enjoyed her office visits. The women who took special care of her at Bethany Health Care Center in Framingham. She was a very observant person and she had special praise for Janette and Elba. The nurses on the fourth floor at Bethany all knew her and took wonderful care of her. Her watercolor volunteer, Nancy, made her last few months more enjoyable because she was able to work on her painting and visit with someone who spoke the same language, art.

A graveside service will be held on May 17, 2018 at 11:30AM in Walnut Grove Cemetery Elm St. North Brookfield. Pillsbury Funeral Home in North Brookfield is directing the arrangements. For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

Gloria I. Reid, 96



SPRINGFIELD / WEST BROOKFIELD - Gloria I. Reid, 96, of Agawam died on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at Wingate of Springfield.

She leaves her step-daughter, Robin Berrouard and grandchildren Todd Carney, Phyllis Falkner, Patricia Eyer, Michael Keegan and Maureen Budrow. She was predeceased by her husband of 43 years, Allan T. Reid in 2012, as well as her daughter, Diane Carney, and her sons, William L. Keegan, and Robert Keegan. She was the daughter of the late Louis and Eleanor Torres. She grew up in Springfield. After retirement Gloria and Allan lived on Lake Wickaboag in West Brookfield.

Gloria worked for the US Postal

Service before retiring in 1982.

She was a member of the George Whitefield United Methodist Church and sang in the choir, as well as the West Brookfield Senior Citizens, and NARFE, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association.

A Funeral Service for Gloria was held in the George Whitefield Methodist Church, in West Brookfield on Monday, April 16, 2018, at 10:30AM. Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery in West Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice or the George Whitefield Methodist Church, 33 W. Main St., West Brookfield, MA 01585.

Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting her family with arrangements. varnumfuneralhome.com

Juliette M. Woods 93



SPENCER- Juliette M. (Sourdif) Woods 93, of Spencer, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 10 at Jewish Health Care in Worcester, surrounded by her loving caregivers. She was the wife of Philip C. Woods, Sr. who died in 1980.

She leaves her son Philip C. Woods, Jr. and his wife Patricia, James M. Woods and his wife Nancy, her daughter Donna Marie Duszak and her

husband Robert all of Spencer, her brother Leo Soudif and his wife Joyce of Spencer, five grandchildren; Sheri Arsenault, Shelie Wells, Scott Woods, Kevin Woods and Joseph Lazarick, III, and eight great grandchildren, many loving nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her sisters Annette

Goodwin, Lillian Gagne, Rita Flannery, Marie Burgess, Lorraine Richmond and Jeanette Farren.

Born in Spencer, she was the daughter of Delphin and Exina (Mathieu) Sourdif. Her favorite activities included playing cards and scrabble. She loved to read and spend time with her family. Special thanks to all those that faithfully visited her at J.H.C including her nieces Patty and Sandy. Additional thanks to Anne Marie Jette and the staff at JHC whom she saw daily.

Funeral services for Juliette, were held on Saturday, April 14 at 10 a.m. in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Burial followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A calling hour preceded the services from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturday. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Spencer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 147, Spencer or Mary, Queen of the Rosary Food Pantry, 60 Maple St., Spencer, MA. 01562.

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Hazel M. Gaucher, 89



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

Alzheimer's Disease.

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

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

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

Marion R. Nordquist-Hunt, 86

WEST BROOKFIELD - On April 9, 2018, Marion went to meet the Lord, peacefully, surrounded by her loving family.

Marion was born September 12, 1930 and last resided at Southbridge Rehabilitation and Health Care, in Southbridge, MA.

Marion leaves behind 5 children, Karen M. Bombard of West Brookfield, Cynthia Nalbandian and her husband Ralph of Oxford, Karla Nordquist of Worcester, Kenneth Nordquist and his wife Crystal of Spencer, and Matt Blomster of New Hampshire. Marion also leaves behind 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Marion worked as a secretary in many offices in the Worcester area and retired from Hanover Insurance Company in 1992.

Marion was a soprano soloist in many churches in the Worcester county area. She attended the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, MA, and Salters Secretarial School. She was a member and administrator for the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

Marion was a member of several committees and past president for the women at the George Whitefield United Methodist Church of West Brookfield, MA. She was a member and past

President of the West Brookfield Senior Club and became Director of

the Senior Choir later known as the Silvertones, which was her passion. She was also a past Matron of the Stella Chapter 43 Order of the Eastern Star. Marion also loved flower gardening.

The Family would like to thank the staff at the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Health Care for all the wonderful, heart filled care they gave to Marion and her Hairdresser Donnalynn for keeping her beautiful.

A Funeral Service will be held for Marion on Friday April 20, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. at the George Whitefield United Methodist Church, 33 W. Main St. West Brookfield. Memorial Donations may be made to George Whitefield United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 576, West Brookfield, MA 01585. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc. is assisting the family with arrangements.

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<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER - 11 Upper Gore Rd! Convenient 6 Rm Ranch! Fully Appliance! Oak Kit! Frplc! Din Rm w/Hrdws! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdw! 1st Spacious Liv Rm w/Brick Heart! 1st Flr Laundry! Large Trex Deck! Updated Windows, Siding & Furnace! Garage! Shed! Sold w/dk! 39 Acre Lot! \$259,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 10 Arlwright Rd! Attention Investors & to Owner Occupy! 2 Family! 87 Rms! 3/3 Bdrms! 2,500' of Living! Each Has Kit w/Breakfast Nook, Dining & Liv Rms & Den! 1st Flr w/Pellet Stove, Deck w/Enclosed Porch! 2 Car Garage! Updated Windows! Newer Roof! Minor Cosmetics Needed! \$199,900.00</p>			<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 56 Chase Ave! Well Maintained 2 Fam! 6/4 Rms! 3/2 Bdrms! Appliance! Eat-in Kts! Formal Din Rm! Carpeted Liv Rm! Large Bdrms! Updated Full Baths! Skylight! Hrdws! 6 Panel! 1st 22 Oil Heat! Furnaces 1 Yr Old! Newer Plumbing & Electric! Fenced! Yard w/Patio! \$219,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 47 Harris St! Custom Built 6 Rm Ranch! 43 Acre Lot! Eat-in Kit w/Oversized Pantry! Frplc Liv Rm w/Bay Window! 3 Large Bdrms w/Wall to Wall Carpets & Large Closets! Den! Full Bath w/Linen Closet! Semi-Finished Lower Level w/Full Bath! 10yr Young Roof! Newer Gas Furnace! \$229,900.00</p>		
<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 294 Killdeer Island! North Pond! 62' Waterfront! Panoramic Views! 8 Rm Colonial! Kit w/Double Oven! GLEAMING Hrdw! 4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! 14x20 Trex Deck! Newly Painted! Prof Landscaped! Fenced! Yard! Plenty of Docks Included! \$524,900.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 10 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! Sandy Shoreline! 9 Rm Contemp Ranch! 3 Bdrms! 3 Baths! 1.5 Lake Views from Most Rooms! Hrdw & Tile Flrs Throughout! Brunarhan Custom Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! 1st Flr Office! Master w/New Bath! Frplc Fan Rm! Deck w/Custom Bar! 2 Car Garage! \$639,900.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 412 Beacon Park! WATERVIEW 1,280' 5 Rm Townhouse! End Corner Unit! Lake Views! Appliance! Galley Kitchen! Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdws! Din Rm w/Hrdws! Master w/Custom Bath & Closet w/Skylight! 2.5 Remodeled Tile Baths! Central Air! Garage! Great Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! \$279,500.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE Access! 2-A Lakeview Rd! 7 Rm Split Entry Cape! Appliance! Granite Kit! 4.5 Spacious Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! C/Art! Handicap ELEVATOR! 2 Car Under! 30x40' 2 Story Detached Garage w/12' Ceiling & 3 Car Lifts! Overlooking & Short Walk to Lake & Dock! \$489,900.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Long Island! Accessible by Boat Only! "True Summer Cottage" Ready to Rough It! Loads of Potential! Water on 2 Sides! Panoramic Views Across Wide Expanse of the Middle Pond! 3 Separate but Connected Buildings! 4 Bedrooms! Town Water & Sewerage! \$229,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Lakeview Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! Ideal Summer or Yr Round! Western Expa - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! New Quartz & Stainless Kit! 3 Remodeled Bdrms! 2 New Baths - Master Bath! Tile & Hrdws! Frplc! Oil Heat! Unique Waterfront! \$575,000.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 15 Lakeview Rd! Reid Smith Cove! Enjoy the Music of Indian Ranch & the Indian Princess! Rm Summer Cottage w/Possible Bdrms! Master Overlooking Lake! Great Potential! Or Tear It Down, Build Something New! 50' x 118' Lot w/Gene Slope, Almost Level! Town Sewer! \$297,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 33 Beacon Rd! 6 Rm, 3 Bdrms, 3 Baths! 141' Waterfront! 12,458' Lot w/Plenty of Privacy! Kit, Master BdrM, Master Bath, Roof & Windows New in 2013! Enjoy Sunsets from Wrap-around Porch! Appliance Lake Views! Frplc Liv Rm! SS Appliances! C/Art! 2 Car Garage! \$519,900.00</p>
<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Exposure! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 BdrM, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance! Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdws & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdws! Comfortable Master BdrM! Frplc Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! \$729,900.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 48 Laurelwood Dr! Reid Smith Cove! One of the Lake's Best Lots! Beautiful 10 Rm, 3,686' Contemp! 104' Waterfront, 228' Rd Frontage, 33,628 Sq. Ft. or 77 Acres! The Best on Market! Gradual Sloped Lane to Beach/Shore! Private Rd w/Woods Across Street! Location, Slope to Water, View & Exposure, Things You Can't Change. After that it's One's Imagination! Front, Back, & Side Yards, Space to Room, Entertain, Park & Expand! Main Level, White & Black Granite Kit, Center Isl w/Gas Range & Sink, Wall Ovens! Din Area! Lake Facing Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral Open to Sun Rm w/Water View! Lake Facing Office/Possible 4th BdrM! Half Bath! Upstairs, 3 Bdrms, 2 Bathrms! Amazing Lake Facing Master, Bath w/Whirlpool, Steam Shower, Dble Vanity, Cathedral w/Skylight & Laundry! Walk-out Lower Level w/ Frplc Fan Rm, Summer Kit & 3rd Full Bath, 3.5 Total! C/Art! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage & More! \$1,100,000.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expat Super Sunsets! 9,688' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 on 2nd Home, Lake View! Open Fr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/17' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdws! Granite Kit w/Isl, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdws & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdw 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 Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Docks! Get Picking! \$724,900.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 109 Beacon Park! Waterfront, Beach Front, Pool Side! Townhouse w/BOAT DOCK! 5 Rms! Move-in Condition! Panoramic Lake Views! Appliance! Din & Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdws! Lake Facing Master! Custom Master Bath! 2 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! C/Art! Garage! \$288,000.00</p>	<p>NEW PRICE</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - Access! 124 Gore Rd! 440' Waterfront! Great Location! Direct Highway Access! 34 Acres! UNDEVELOPED LAND w/EXQUISITE VIEWS! Explore the Opps! Private Restaurant, Hotel, Condominiums! Cozy 4 Rm, 2 BdrM Home! Oversize 2 Car Garage w/2nd Floor! \$379,900.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 602 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,574' Hrdw! Floors! Appliance! Granite Kit! Open Fr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Bidet! 3 Baths! Frplc Fan Rm! C/Art! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows/Doors! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! \$344,900.00</p>		

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<p>DUDLEY - 67 WEST MAIN ST</p> <p>Looking for a place for your at home BUSINESS? CORNER lot! 8,580 SF (20 acre), 2 story single family home w/3 BRS, 2 Baths! Possible to convert this home back to a 2 family! Municipal Water & Sewer! Recent Natural Gas Boiler, FHW Boiler, 2 Car Detached Garage! Auction online go to xome.com Apr. 7-10 \$185,000.</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 203 BEACON PARK</p> <p>Webster Lake Condo in BEACON PARK! 10 acres of Park like Grounds!, Natural Sandy Beach! Excellent for Swimming! Do your early morning laps in the in ground pool! 1200'+ sf Living space! 2 large bedrooms, dining and living room! 2 Sliders - Deck! BOAT DOCK INCLUDED! Buy now - enjoy the 4th of JULY FIREWORKS! \$254,900</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 110 LAKESIDE AVE</p> <p>Panoramic Views Define this Unique Webster Lake Waterfront Contemporary! 190' of water-frontage spanning the horizon from East To West! Pavilion sits at water's edge! Lakeside patio, fire pit & sandy beach for swimming! Huge waterside decks & aluminum docks! Contemporary style home offers 2,497 SF +/-, 9 Rms, 4 Bedrooms, 2-1/2 Baths including private master bath. Open concept w/kitchen/dining/living & year-round sun-room. Lake facing private master BR suite. Walkout lower level features a family room, half bath & lakeside 3 season room! 2 car attached garage! \$755,000.</p>	<p>LAND!</p> <p>WEBSTER/DUDLEY BUILDABLE LOTS</p> <p>Webster Lake - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Buildable w/Town Water & Sewer. \$59,900</p> <p>Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer \$229,900</p> <p>Dudley - View St, 17,280 SF. Mostly cleared land. Dead end street \$49,900</p> <p>Oxford - 4 Leicester St, 8.47 acres, mostly cleared \$149,900</p> <p>Thompson - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! \$99,900.</p>	
<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 7 CEDAR DR</p> <p>SORRY, SOLD!</p> <p>English Tudor Style Colonial! Cathedral ceiling Dining & Fireplaced Living Room! 1600+ sq ft of living area! 3 Good size bedrooms. Master bedroom with Master Bath! 1 bedroom on the main living level, 2-1/2 Total Baths! 7 rooms total! Finished basement with Health Forced hot air by oil Central Air Conditioning! 14' x 42' car port! 3 car garage! Comes with Non-Separable Waterfront Lot, on Middle Pond! Enjoy Webster Lake without the High Taxes! \$367,000.</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD</p> <p>Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5,697 +/- SF Lot, 30' Rd & Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 5664+ SF of living area w/2 BRs & full bath. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/terrace potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Floor Plan w/sliders to full front dock! Spectacular Western views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available. \$345,000</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 22 LAURELWOOD DR</p> <p>1st Time Offered in Reid Smith Cove, Spectacular 3700 +/- SF, 13 Rm/4.5 Bath Lake Home, Uniquely Designed for Lake-Style Living! Private Setting, Ideal Location, .68 Acres, 92' of Natural Shoreline, Prof. Landscape, Multiple Decks, Lakeside Cabana, 3 Mstr BR Suites w/Elegant 1st Flr Mstr - all w/ Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living & Billiard Rms & Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information \$1,150,000.</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 705 TREASURE ISL.</p> <p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>Just in time for summer! Move in ready! This End Unit Condo is nice and bright with early morning natural light! Hardwood floors! Recent Energy Efficient Windows! 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 Baths, Fireplaced walkout Lower Level! Impeccable Park like grounds, Heated Pool! Boat Slip! Don't miss out! \$334,900</p>	

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Ad Libs by June

For those of you who are procrastinating on writing a special tribute to Mr. D, I've extended the deadline to April 27 for a publish date of May 4. Please feel free to email me if you have any questions.

Check out **GUZIK MOTOR'S** Pre-owned Pick of the Week on page 2 this week. They will be featuring a different car twice a month. This is a family owned and run dealership that sells brand new Jeeps, Rams, and Dodge, and pre-owned all makes and models. Car buying the way it should be with never a doc fee or dealer prep fee. Visit guzikmotor.com to view all of their inventory. They are located just over the West Brookfield line in Ware.

I'm already receiving adorable photos for our **WE LOVE OUR PETS** page coming up in June. Email your pet photo today! If you are a business and would like to be a sponsor, cost is just \$60 for a 2.4" X 2.5" block. The section will run in all 7 Mass papers!

I would like to welcome **LAMOUREUX GREENHOUSES** this week to our Community Matters page. Despite the weather, they are filling their greenhouses with gorgeous plants so that you'll be ready for spring when the weather turns. Pansies, violas, creeping phlox, trees & shrubs, fairy gardens, gnomes & accessories, and beautiful house plants. They are celebrating 40 years in business! Visit them daily from 9-5 at 9 Schoolhouse Road in Brookfield, MA.

SALES FOR TALES thrift store is having a big 50% off everything sale on Saturday, April 28. They are located across from Lamoureux Ford. You'll be sure to find some great treasures here!

Also on April 28 is the **SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 138 GIANT MEAT RAFFLE!** Stop by Sales for Tales during the day and then hit the meat raffle when the doors open at 5 pm (first table drawn at 6 pm). See the ad on the Front of Section B this week for all the details.

Have a great week!

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CALENDAR

Saturday April 21

PAJAMAS & PANCAKES! At Merriam Gilbert Library, 3 West Main St., West Brookfield. Two seatings: 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. \$5 per person, \$15 for a family of three or more! Pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee/tea & more! Each child receives a free book, raffles, too! Please pre-register - pay and the door or pay by April 16 & receive three free raffle tickets. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Friends of the Library. (508) 867-1410

NB EARTH DAY: North Brookfield's Earth Day Clean-up: Residents encouraged to take ownership of your street 8am-9am **FREE** Pancake breakfast at the NB Senior Center, 29 Forest Street. Black bags to be distributed. Food donated/prepared by the Hayden Masonic Lodge. 9am-2pm Roadside trash pickup; highway department open for disposal. Black trash bags only. 9am-12pm **Haston Library:** Book Walk at the Childrens Room. All day Hike **Wendemuth Meadow** (Bates St.) and **NB Town Forest** (W. Brookfield Rd).

Tuesday, April 24

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

Thursday, April 26

VETERANS SERVICES: the series supported by Christ Memorial Episcopal Church continues 6:30-8:30 p.m. focusing on communication and collaboration among organizations, programs and businesses addressing veterans' services. Each Thursday forum will be held in the church undercroft at 133 North Main St. from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Childcare will be held across the street at the **Haston Library** by accessing the Spring Street entrance. Refreshments and printed resource materials will be available. For more information,

please contact Sue Lewandowski at CMCseniorwarden@gmail.com or call Rev. Dr. Paula Winsor Sage at (774) 287-7733.

Friday April 27

PUB QUIZ: The annual United Way Pub Quiz is scheduled Friday April 27 at the Oliver Wight Tavern at Old Sturbridge Village. Check in at 6 p.m., Game begins at 7 p.m. with an optional dinner buffet available 6-7:30 p.m. for an additional \$25 per person. Teams of four, \$100 per team, individual and team registration available. Payment must be received by April 20 to reserve a spot. Dinner reservation and payment also due prior to event. Cash bar. Registration available at www.unitedwaysc.org. For information call (508) 765-5491. Always great fun, space is limited, register early.

Saturday, April 28

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

Sunday, May 6

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

see it!! There is no registration fee just show up! Raffles & giveaways from Ames Performance, fbodywarehouse & Rock Auto. There will also be a DJ playing all our favorite car tunes. If the weather is questionable check our Facebook page to see if all systems are go or if it is postponed to the rain date Sunday May 20.

Saturday, June 16

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

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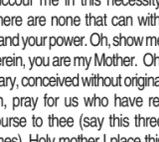
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Notice of Public Hearing- Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals
 At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 01, 2018 in the McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the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

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

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

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial Town Hall located at 157 Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday and 7:30am-12:00pm on Thursdays.

The ZBA is committed to ensuring that its public meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Should you require auxiliary aids, services, written materials in other formats, or reasonable modifications in policies and procedures, please call 508-885-7500 ext. 180 in advance of the scheduled meeting.
 April 13, 2018
 April 20, 2018

(SEAL)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

18SM002256 ORDER OF NOTICE

To:
 Lisa S. Worthington;
 Mark J. Worthington
 and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 et seq.:
 Specialized Loan Servicing LLC
 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Spencer, numbered 24 Oakland Drive, given by Lisa S. Worthington, and Mark J. Worthington to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corporation, dated May 24, 2006, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39148, Page 138, 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 May 21, 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 April 9, 2018.
 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder
 201206-0945-PRP
 April 20, 2018

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

225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200

Docket No. WO15P4027EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of:
 Florence D Olensky
Date of Death: 10/22/2015

To all interested persons:
 A Petition for **S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Stanley P Olensky of Spencer MA** and **Sandra A Fisher of Kingston MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Stanley P Olensky of Spencer MA** and **Sandra A Fisher of Kingston MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
 You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/15/2018.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
 A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
 WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: April 10, 2018
 Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate
 April 20, 2018

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

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| <p>FRIDAY, APRIL 20</p> <p>JARED FISKE
 7-10 p.m.
 Playing acoustic music in the bar
 308 LAKESIDE
 308 East Main St.
 East Brookfield, MA
 774-449-8333</p> <p>SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S
 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Come visit the dogs and cats available
 KLEM'S
 117 West Main St.
 Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
 www.klemsonline.com</p> <p>SATURDAY, APRIL 21</p> <p>9:00 p.m.
 TEQUILA BONFIRE
 A 308 favorite!
 308 LAKESIDE
 308 East Main St.
 East Brookfield, MA
 774-449-8333</p> <p>SATURDAY, APRIL 28</p> <p>EQUIPMENT CONSIGNMENT AUCTION AT KLEM'S
 10:00 a.m.
 Buy or sell!
 KLEM'S
 117 West Main St.
 Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
 www.klemsonline.com</p> <p>GIANT MEAT RAFFLE
 6 P.M.
 DOORS OPEN AT 5 P.M.
 6 tables to be raffled off totaling over \$2000 in high quality meats
 Seafood and BBQ table
 50/50, burgers & dogs for sale
 SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
 POST 138
 175 Main St., Spencer, MA</p> | <p>WEBSTER 5 - 150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
 1-4 p.m. (Rain date April 29)
 Face painting, pinata for charity, music from 96.1 WSRS, historical entertainers, food truck favorites and giveaways.
 Fun for the whole family
 Town Hall lawn
 Webster, MA</p> <p>SATURDAY AND SUNDAY APRIL 28 AND 29</p> <p>ANNUAL SPRING DERBY 2018
 8:00 a.m.
 Registration and breakfast starts at 6:00 a.m.
 Spencer Fish & Game Club
 Cash prizes and trophies
 Large trout up to 11 pounds stocked for the event
 Youth archery shoot
 155 Mechanic St., Spencer, MA</p> <p>FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY MAY 4, 5, 6</p> <p>Klem's SpringFEST & Tent Sale
 Come early for the best selection!
 TENT SALE HOURS:
 Friday - Noon - 7 p.m.
 Saturday - 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
 Sunday - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 www.klemsonline.com
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY MAY 10-13</p> <p>RECORDS & BURPEE CHILDREN'S ZOO
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 KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>FRIDAY, MAY 18</p> <p>Second Chance Pet Adoptions
 At KLEM'S</p> | <p>2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
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 www.klemsonline.com
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>COMEDY NIGHT AT MAQUI'S BAR
 8:30 p.m.
 Presented by the Providence Comedy Factory
 Featuring 4 headliners
 \$15 pp
 Tickets available at Maqui's
 Or call 774-230-2520
 Or 401-639-77226
 61 Chestnut St., Southbridge, MA</p> <p>SATURDAY, MAY 19</p> <p>5th ANNUAL RIDE FOR NICK'S HOUSE
 With the American Legion Riders of Post 138
 Registration 9-10:15 a.m.
 175 Main St., Spencer, MA
 Raising money for local veterans
 \$20 per bike; \$10 general public
 774-200-6459 for more info</p> <p>FRIDAY, JUNE 15</p> <p>2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
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 At KLEM'S
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 www.klemsonline.com
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 16</p> <p>ATHA Quiet Corner HOOK-IN
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 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Rte. 169 & 171, Woodstock, CT
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 \$15 for Hook-In All Day
 Pre-register by June 1, 2018
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 Contact: gretchg@verizon.net</p> | <p>FRIDAY, JULY 20</p> <p>2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
 Second Chance Pet Adoptions
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 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY JULY 20, 21, 22</p> <p>Klem's DockDogs Days 2018
 The world's premier canine aquatics competition
 www.klemsonline.com
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>FRIDAY, AUGUST 17</p> <p>Second Chance Pet Adoptions
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 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
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 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> <p>ONGOING</p> <p>JUNE 6 THROUGH AUGUST 29
 WEDNESDAY NIGHT CRUISING FOR CHARITY CAR SHOW
 5 p.m. - dusk
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 508-885-2708(Ext. 104)</p> <p>JUNE 9 THROUGH OCTOBER 20</p> <p>KLEM'S FARMERS MARKET
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 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)</p> | <p>ROADHOUSE BLUES JAM
 Every Sunday, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.
 CADY'S TAVERN
 2168 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI
 401-568-4102</p> <p>TRIVIA SATURDAY NIGHTS
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 HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB
 325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA
 508-892-9822</p> <p>WISE GUYS TEAM TRIVIA
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 CADY'S TAVERN
 2168 Putnam Pike (Rt. 44)
 Chepachet, RI
 401-568-4102</p> <p>LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
 FRIDAY NIGHT HEXMARK TAVERN
 AT SALEM CROSS INN
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 508-867-2345
 www.salemcrossinn.com</p> <p>TRAP SHOOTING
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 508-832-6496</p> <p>TRIVIA TUESDAYS
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