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K9 Tyson to get body armor



Courtesy photo

K9 Officer Tyson, with his human partner Officer Shane DiDonato, will be receiving a protective vest thanks to a charitable donation.

DUDLEY — K9 Tyson will receive a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc.

Tyson's vest is sponsored by the Heather Fest fundraiser in 2016 hosted by Heather McKibben of Norton and will be embroidered with the sentiment "Donated by HeatherFest in memory of Gertie O."

Delivery is expected within eight to ten weeks.

Tyson has been working with the department since November 2016, along with his handler, Dudley Police Officer Shane DiDonato. The K9 program in Dudley was made possible through a grant from the Stanton Foundation, which provided more than \$25,000 in funding for the purchase of the dog and associated costs over a three year period. The town will continue the program for at least an additional two years.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c (3) charity located in East Taunton, whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. The non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their

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Oxford officials eye renovations for community center

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — Town officials are putting their foot down and saying it's time the town decide what it wants to do with its dilapidated community center.

Town Manager Brian Palaia held nothing back when discussing the state of the facility during the Board of Selectmen's March 7 meeting saying the community center has become somewhat of an eyesore. He said Oxford needs to make a decision sooner rather than later about whether or not it wants to invest in the building or let it continue to fall apart.

"The Oxford Community Center has been identified in our master plan process as a facility that doesn't really meet our needs right now or in the future so we need to reevaluate what our expectations are of that facility," Palaia told selectmen.

Currently the center plays host to several community programs and offices. The school district superintendent and other education offices are housed in the facility, while basketball and other indoor sports take place in the center's gym. The facility also hosts the annual Project Santa event around Christmas time and several other community events over the course of the year. However, only one floor has seen any real upgrades while the remaining levels of the building continue to deteriorate.

"It needs to be better than it is right now. It's in a worn down state. It can't continue on as it is and make a profit as an enterprise fund. I've said it before, it's not a surprise, it's a little bit embarrassing to go there and look at what it is,"

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INDIANS RACE PAST GREATER LOWELL FOR DISTRICT TITLE

Photo courtesy Rich LeBlanc

Anthony Grzembski and the Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team ran away from Greater Lowell Tech for the Central Mass. Division 3 district championship last Saturday, March 11 at Worcester Polytechnic Institute's Harrington Auditorium. The Indians won the game, 96-66, and advanced to the state semifinals. See story and more photos page 12.

At one with Mother Nature: Poutre finds joy in the outdoors

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — The great outdoors, where many find their peace of mind while others discover their sense of exploration. For Oxford High School student Matthew Poutre it's also where he feels most comfortable in the world and has the most fun.

Poutre is an avid nature lover who enjoys some of the more active offerings Mother Nature provides. While not a hunter or a fisherman, Poutre enjoys kayaking, mountain biking, hiking, and exploration, which earned him the title of "the outdoorsman" in Oxford High Schools Class of 2017 "That's A Picture" campaign.

Poutre was pleasantly surprised to learn of his inclusion in the campaign, especially for his love of nature and the outdoors. He said his connection with the environment comes from a strong appreciation for its natural beauty as well as a love for many activities that include getting out and getting active.

"My connection to nature really started in my freshman year. I ran cross country and here at Oxford High School we have Hodges State Park right out in back so I'd run a lot of the trails and they are some of my favorite trails that I've ever been on. Some of the things you can do inside for activities just aren't as memorable. You have

more fun with other people outside. The fun you have then lasts so much longer," Poutre said. "I identify myself as a conservationist and I appreciate the environment and take care for the environment pretty seriously so that plays a part in it too. I think it's important for us to remember that nature will always prevail over humanity and humanity comes from nature. It's important that we respect it. It's where we come from."

Poutre has hiked many popular locations throughout Worcester County, but has also managed to enjoy some lesser-known sights as well. He recalled a time when he

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Jason Bleau photo

Oxford High School senior Matthew Poutre was named "the outdoorsman" as part of the school's "That's A Picture" campaign.

Initial budget requests beyond revenue projections

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

DUDLEY — While Dudley's town budget is still very much a work in progress residents got a snapshot of how things have begun during a presentation by Town Administrator Greg Balukonis in late February.

Balukonis noted that the town will have some work to do if it wants to

avoid an increase or the possibility of a Proposition 2 ½ override. He said the town is currently operating with a \$254,000 deficit based upon requests submitted from town departments and projected revenues for the next budget year.

The biggest hurdle for the budget

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Webster adds youth to Finance Committee

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

WEBSTER — The Board of Selectmen has appointed two new members to the Board of Finance effective Feb. 27 after hearing from three candidates for the open seats during a meeting that evening.

The board has the ability to promote

up to five candidates to the Finance Committee on its own and four of those seats remained open as of the Feb. 27 meeting. The two candidates are young members of the local community who said they wanted to be a bigger part of their hometown and bring finance backgrounds to the table to assist as

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WEBSTER:

Tuesday March 21

Personnel Advisory Board, 7 p.m.,
 Town Hall

ENTERTAINMENT AND EVENTS

DON'T MISS A THING!

What exactly is a Condominium?



REALTOR'S
REPORT

JAMES
BLACK

I think many times people will confuse the terms townhouse and condominium and think they are something different. Which they could be but you could also have a townhouse style condominium. Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines a Condominium(condo) as individual ownership of a

unit in a multiunit structure or on land owned in common. A Condo could either be a Garden Style which is one level in a multiunit building or it could be townhouse style which is multiple levels or even a freestanding home that is on common land. Condominiums typically have condos fees which will cover any common areas of the building and the grounds. These fees are typically paid by the owners on a monthly basis and are based on the size of the unit.

Another type of ownership could be a single family attached home which many times are townhouses where

you own you side of the building and the only common areas are the wall attaching the building and the roof. The challenge with this is that the roof will either need to be replaced by both parties agreeing to replace it or 1 party may decide to only replace their side of the roof.

When purchasing a condo one of the most important things is the health of the condo association. Many times you can tell the financial health of the association by looking at the exterior maintenance or interior maintenance of common areas. You will want to review and make sure the association has the needed

reserve funds for any big repairs especially if you can see deferred maintenance such as a roof when looking at the property. Otherwise they may need to temporarily increase the fees to cover the cost of the repair called a special assessment.

In summary, it is important to understand the difference between these different types of ownership and also hiring the right attorney and Realtor to ensure that you are making a sound investment and that you are protected. This doesn't encompass every scenario but covers many of the most common scenarios around condos.



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ST. PATRICK SUPPER

The First Congregational Church of Dudley, 135 Center Road is having a Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner on Saturday March 18. The menu will include: corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots and turnip. Dessert will be chocolate mint cake with real whipped cream. Servings will be

at 5 p.m. AND 6:15 p.m. Adults: \$10; Preteens: \$5. Children 5 and under FREE. Reservations are advised. Please Call MJ at (508)943-1684. Tickets are also sold at the door. Handicapped Accessible.

PRE-K REGISTRATION

DUDLEY - The Dudley-Charlton Regional School District will hold registration sessions in April for its Preschool Program at the schools which house the program.

Registration will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 5 and 6 from 9 a.m. to noon, and from 1-4 p.m. at Charlton Elementary School, 9 Burlingame Road, Charlton, and at Mason Road School, 20 Mason Road, Dudley.

For the 2017-18 school year, the tuition rate is \$1,000 per year for two half-days.

For further information, contact Mason Road School Principal Robin L. Parmley at 508-943-4312, or Charlton Elementary School Principal Lori A. Pacheco at 508-248-7774.

STEAK DINNER

The American Legion Post 184, 9 Houghton Street in Webster will be hosting a steak supper on Saturday, April 15 at 2 p.m. The meal includes steak, baked potato, salad, rolls & butter and dessert. The cost is \$15 per ticket and may be purchased in the lounge. Pre-purchase of tickets is strongly advised. There will only be a limited number of tickets available the day of the dinner.

B-BALL

Charlton/Dudley Women's Basketball: Please come and check out the women's pick-up basketball at the Heritage School in Charlton every Monday school is in session from 7-9 p.m. No set teams and no fees. Come for the exercise and fun of playing basketball. Ages 18 and up. Call Deb at (508) 248-3600 for information.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

A Spring Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, April 22 in Hodges Hall of Grace Episcopal Church, 270 Main St, Oxford from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to the Rummage Sale, there will be a Bake Sale and some items from the Lakota people of Pine Ridge Reservation. Church tours available on request. Lunch will be provided free of charge. All are welcome.

OPEN HOUSE

St. Joseph School, 26 Main St., North Grosvenordale will hold an open house Wednesday, March 22, 6-7:30 p.m. St. Joseph is a PreK-grade 8 affordable tuition school concentrating on academic excellence and outstanding Catholic education for more than 130 years. For information call (860) 923-2090 or visit schoolofstjoseph.org.

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French-Canadian Genealogy: How and Why on Thursday, March 23, 6-7:30 p.m.

The Crawford Library Genealogy Group is hosting Margaret Fortier this month. Margaret will present on the basics of French-Canadian history as it relates to genealogy. She will provide a practical step-by-step approach to research, whether the trail starts in the U.S. or Canada. Margaret is a professional genealogical researcher, writer, and lecturer and has been researching for 17 years. She specializes in 19th and 20th century immigrant ancestors. A graduate of Boston College and Bentley University, she also holds a certificate in genealogy research from Boston University. This event is free and open to the public. Registration is encouraged by calling the Library. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Backyard Astronomy: Scanning March Skies Using Our New Library Telescope! Thursday, March 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Aldrich Astronomical Society members will present this program to familiarize the public with our new library telescope. This telescope was donated by local resident and astronomer David Duby as part of Aldrich's "Adopt a Library" program. After the presentation, we'll move outside for some night sky viewing, weather permitting. Spacey door prizes will be available for children. This program is free and open to the public. No registration is required.

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DUDLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

ARRESTS
 Sunday, February 26
 12:27 a.m.: MV stop (Center Road) arrest: Cian J. Merritt, age 21 of 29 Mt. Pleasant St., Westborough: MV lights violation, OUI-liquor and negligent operation of MV.
 12:53 a.m.: suspicious person (Center Road) arrest: Luke Milano, age 19 of 156 Orton Road, West Caldwell, NJ: person under 21 in possession of liquor and bylaw violation.
 Thursday, March 2
 4:16 p.m.: attempt to serve (Oxford Avenue) arrest: Ryan T. Christian, age 28 of 42 Oxford Ave., Dudley: out of agency warrant.
 Friday, March 3
 Adult male, age 19: domestic A&B

WEBSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

ARRESTS
 Sunday February 19
 6:45 a.m.: disturbance (Robinson Street) arrest: adult female, age 18 of Webster, domestic assault and battery
 7:40 a.m. follow up (Stephen Drive) arrest: Thomas W Izbicki, age 56, of 3 Stephen Drive, Webster: A & B
 5:58 p.m.: burglary B&E (Hill Street) areest: Randy Allen Niven, age 24, of 32 Newbury St., Worcester: disorderly conduct, A & B on police office, resist arrest, warrant arrest, fugitive from justice without warrant
 9:21 p.m.: attempt to serve (Old Worcester Road) arrest: Shaun P

Murphy, age 21, 47 Old Worcester Road, Webster: warrant arrest
 Tuesday February 21
 6:38 p.m. citizen contact (School Street) arrest: Daniel Timothy Phillips Sr., age 48, homeless, Webster: warrant arrest AND Kayla Marie Farford, age 27, homeless Webster: warrant arrest.
 7:35 p.m.: suspicious person (Village Way) Aaron E. Nelson, age 40, of 8 South St., Cherry Valley: warrant arrest.
 Wednesday February 22
 7:23 a.m.: summons service (Harris Street) arrest: Joseph Peter Kenadek, age 51, 8 Harris St. #2R, Webster: warrant arrest
 7:41 a.m.: summons service (Robinson Street) arrest: Lori A Perorato, age 44, 7 Robinson St., #2, Webster: warrant arrest
 8:17 a.m.: summons service (Chestnut Street) arrest April Stanley, age 31, 8 Chestnut St. #1, Dudley: warrant arrest
 9:08 a.m.: summons service (Wysocki Drive) arrest Joshua Felix White, age 23, 8 Crown St, #1L, Webster: warrant arrest AND Ryan J. Peltier, age 30, 6 Wysocki Drive #19, Dudley, warrant arrest.
 10:45 a.m. summons service (Stefaniak Avenue) arrest: Kent E. Leber, age 38, 29 Stefaniak Ave. BASE, Webster: warrant arrest
 2:30 p.m.: follow up (Stephen Drive) Adult Male, age 56, Webster: violate abuse prevention order.
 3:21 p.m.: summons service: (I-395) arrest: Bruce Anthony Barton, age 29, 1257A Thompson Road, Thompson: warrant arrest.
 5 p.m.: MV stop (West Main Street) arrest: James R. Jackman, age 49, 5 Central St. #1, Westborough: QUI-liquor third offense, possession of open container of alcohol in MV, marked lanes violation.

8:10 p.m.: arrest (Scenic Avenue) Martina A. Maska, age 46, 48 Scenic Ave., Webster: A & B, wanton destruction of property less than \$250
 Friday, February 24
 12:29 a.m.: suspicious person (Woods Grove Drive) arrest: Brandon Austin Long, age 19, 44 North River Lane, Danielson, CT: possession to distribute class D drug, possession to distribute class E drug, trespassing, conspiracy to violate drug law, possession class E drug and arrest: Scott N Westgate Jr., age 21, of 93 New St., Rehoboth: possession to distribute class D drug, possession to distribute class E drug, trespassing, conspiracy to violate drug law.
 4:59 pm MV stop (Poland Street) summons: Amy M. Hug, age 41, 5 Highland St., Webster: improper operation of MV.
 Arrest: Ronald W. Boisclair, age 50, 50 Highland St., Webster: failure to use care/caution- start/stop/turn/back, operating MV with license suspended subsequent offense.
 7:45 p.m.: MV stop (Thompson Road) arrest: Scot M. Wilson, age 63, 35 Park St., Oxford: OUI-liquor second offense, negligent operation of MV, license not in possession.
 Saturday February 25
 12:43 a.m.: MV operating erratically (Lower Gore Road) arrest: Reinaldo R. Serrano, age 41, of 308 High St. #2L, Webster: OUI-liquor second offense, negligent operation of MV, license not in possession.
 Sunday, February 26
 4:11 p.m.: assist other agency (East Main Street) arrest: Ariana M. Tremblay, age 23 of 8 Chestnut St. #2R, Dudley: probable cause arrest from

another agency.
 Monday, February 27
 10:02 a.m.: MV stop (Prospect Street) arrest: Stephen M. Beaudry, age 42 of 45 Hollywood St. #3, Worcester: operating MV with license suspended subsequent offense, unlawfully attaching plates, unregistered MV subsequent offense, uninsured MV.
 4:23 p.m.: assault (Lake Parkway) adult female, age 59 of 5 Lake Parkway, Webster: assault and battery and A&B with dangerous weapon AND arrest: adult male, age 46 of 5 Lake Parkway, Webster: possession class B drug and domestic assault and battery.
 Wednesday, March 1
 2:12 p.m.: search warrant served (East Main Street) arrest: Amanda Angers, age 34 of 34 Park St. #5, Webster: two counts possession of class B drug, two counts possession to distribute class B drug, drug violation near school or park and conspiracy to violate drug laws AND arrest: Patrick L. Evans, age 43 of 13 East Main St.#2B, Webster: two counts possession class B drug, drug violation near school or park, two counts possession to distribute class B drug subsequent offense, and conspiracy to violate drug law.
 Thursday, March 2
 9:53 p.m.: MV stop (I-395) arrest: Michael T. Mercer, age 31 2 Talbot Ave., Moosup, CT: OUI-liquor, operating so as to endanger, unregistered MV, uninsured MV, possession open container of alcohol in MV, marked lanes violation.
 Friday, March 3
 10:30 p.m.: accident (Main Street) arrest: Vernon L. Tyson, age 27 of 3B Perry Lane, Dudley: OUI-liquor, negligent operation of MV, failure to use caution when starting, stopping or turning.

Suspect arrest in Marty's robbery



Zachary Coghlin

DUDLEY — At approximately 8 p.m. March 8, the Dudley Police Department arrested a suspect in connection with the Feb. 16 armed robbery at Marty's Liquors at 119 West Main St.
 On that date, a clerk was threatened with a knife by a male subject who demanded money. The suspect fled the scene with what was believed to be some \$2,450 in cash. During the robbery, the suspect was observed wearing some distinctive clothing and he covered his face with what was believed to be a shirt.
 Officers James Annese and Officer Shane Didonato worked developing information and gathering evidence in the days since this incident occurred.
 As a result of the investigation, they applied for an arrest warrant for Zachary Coghlin, age 27, of 19

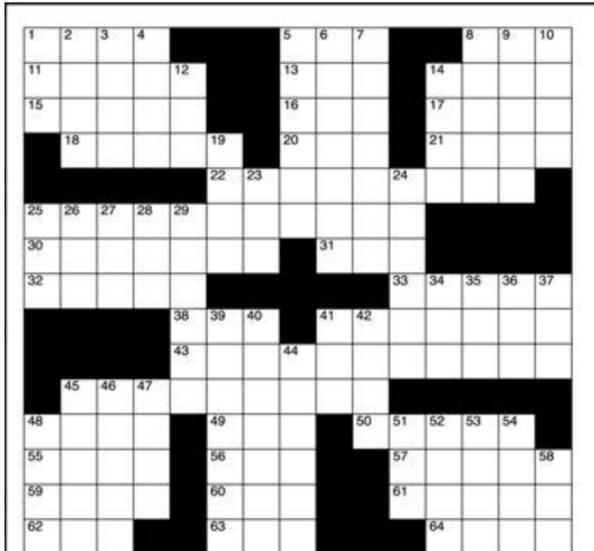
First Ave. Apt. #2 Dudley. He was arrested at his residence and is charged with the following:
 1. MGL Ch. 265 s. 17b- armed robbery while masked
 2. MGL Ch. 272 s. 53f- disorderly conduct
 3. MGL Ch. 272 s. 53g- disturbing the peace
 4. MGL Ch. 266 s. 25- larceny from a person
 5. MGL Ch. 266 s. 30a- larceny over \$250
 6. MGL Ch. 265 s. 18m- assault to rob- while armed with a knife
 7. MGL Ch. 274 s. 7- conspiracy
 8. MGL Ch. 268 s. 13b- obstruction of justice
 After being taken into custody, and during transport to the station for booking, Coghlin intentionally banged his head on the inside of the cruiser causing a cut to his forehead. He was taken to Harrington Hospital at Hubbard for medical treatment. Additional charges may be sought.
 He was held on \$10,000 bail for a court appearance at Dudley District Court March 9.
 The Dudley Police thank officers from the Southbridge and Webster police departments, The Worcester County Sheriffs' Department, as well as the witnesses and members of the public who provided information and assistance with this case.

Odiorne death under investigation

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER
WARE — One month after Brian Odiorne made the ultimate sacrifice for his country, the community continues to rally together in celebration of his legacy.
 Army Private First Class Odiorne, age 21, died last month in Al Anbar Province, Iraq, as part of Operation Inherent Resolve. It had been a longtime goal for him to serve his country, and he will always be remembered as a local hero.
 Pfc. Odiorne belonged to the First Cavalry Division based in Fort Hood, TX. The cause of his death was not released, and it remains under investigation.
 At Pathfinder Regional Technical High School in Palmer, Odiorne's alma mater, students and staff members are committed to honoring his memory. Odiorne attended Pathfinder as a machine technology student, graduating in

2014 after an impressive career in the classroom and on the playing field. He competed on both the PHS football and wrestling teams, and staff members described a strong commitment to academics.
 "He was a great student and was very well-liked among his peers. He worked hard and was always willing to volunteer and help those in need," recalled Assistant Superintendent and Principal Mary Jane Rickson.
 Students and staff came out in strong numbers to show their support as Odiorne's funeral procession passed by earlier this month. Though most of the students never knew him – the current seniors were freshmen when he graduated three years ago – many staff members recall him as a driven student-athlete and school volunteer. He took part in several projects to help improve PHS.
 "This has been a very difficult time for our school. Being part of the military was something

he always wanted to do, and he inspired classmates and staff with his dedication," Rickson added.
 Looking ahead, school officials and students have their sights set on creating a memorial in Odiorne's name. The school's booster club is actively collecting donations, and all proceeds will be used to buy a piece of equipment dedicated in Odiorne's name. Officials hope the equipment can benefit members of the football and wrestling teams – or perhaps machine technology students. Staff members want the piece to have a daily impact on students following in Odiorne's footsteps with their own passions.
 Officials will determine exactly how they want to use the booster club donations at a later date.
 Odiorne is survived by his father, Duane Odiorne, and his mother, Sharon Staples. He has two half-brothers.

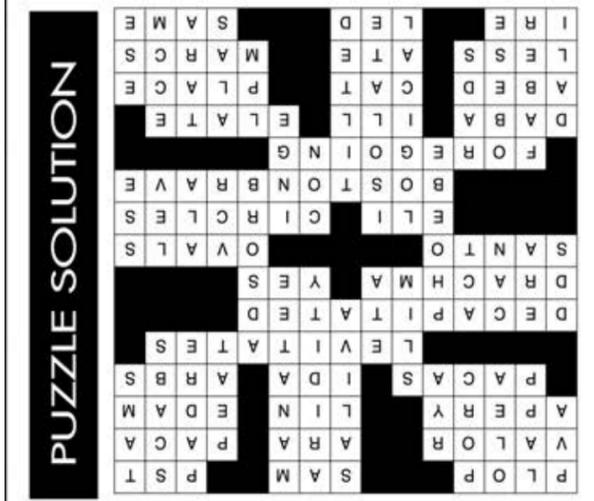


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Fall down
- 5. Walmart founder Walton
- 8. Los Angeles time zone
- 11. Gallantry
- 13. Early Supreme Court justice Bartlett
- 14. One-time governor of MD
- 15. Act of imitating
- 16. Popular basketballer Jeremy
- 17. Round Dutch cheese
- 18. S. American rodents
- 20. Comic opera "Princess "
- 21. Commodities buyers and sellers (slang)
- 22. Hovers
- 25. Having had one's head cut off
- 30. One-time monetary unit of Greece
- 31. Not no
- 32. Beloved Cubs third baseman Ron
- 33. Shapes
- 38. Giants signal caller Manning
- 41. Moves all the way around
- 43. Babe Ruth retired as one
- 45. Relinquishing
- 48. Native religion in China
- 49. Not well
- 50. Fill with high spirits
- 55. In bed
- 56. Type of pet
- 57. Somewhere to go
- 59. Smaller quantity
- 60. Ingested
- 61. Singer and Jacobs are two
- 62. Anger
- 63. British rockers __ Zeppelin
- 64. Like

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Polyvinyl acetate
- 2. Canadian folk musician
- 3. Evergreen trees and shrubs
- 4. Meat from a pig (French)
- 5. Secretion
- 6. Quality of yielding nothing of value
- 7. Aquatic mammal
- 8. Father
- 9. Protective crusts
- 10. Caps
- 12. Handwoven rug
- 14. Soil-like material
- 19. Not wide
- 23. When you aim to get there
- 24. Hold molecules
- 25. Tooth caregiver
- 26. Amount of time
- 27. Beverage container
- 28. Perform
- 29. Appollo's grandmother
- 34. Obsolete home-ent. device
- 35. Serbian mythological demon
- 36. Bulgarian currency
- 37. Midway between south and southeast
- 39. Makes sense
- 40. A way to single out
- 41. Criminal (slang)
- 42. Former Tigers third baseman Brandon
- 44. Wobbled
- 45. Singapore's second highest peak
- 46. Grossly overweight
- 47. Radioactivity units
- 48. Famed Spanish painter
- 51. Internet router algorithm
- 52. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 53. Druidic mother goddess
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Legislators propose way to fund early voting

BOSTON — According to a recent report by State Auditor Suzanne Bump, provisions of a 2014 state law requiring municipalities to conduct early voting constitute an unfunded mandate. Senate Republicans including Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Webster) are moving to address that problem with a bill to require the state to meet its funding obligations for an elections process that has become popular with voters.

Communities across the state will have mandated expenses for the state's new election law covered under a legislative proposal announced today by the Senate Republican Caucus.

Republican members of the Senate have consistently sought to address concerns about state laws which result in unfunded mandates to municipalities. Following inquiries from Woburn and Oxford, the State Auditor recently issued findings confirming that the early voting law did impose financial impacts which are unfunded state mandates. Local officials' claims that the directive transgresses protections of the Local

Mandate Law, adopted nearly 40 years ago to shield cities and towns from burdensome expenses, have been affirmed by the State Auditor's office.

The bill will allow cities and towns to create an Early Voting Reimbursement Fund which would then receive reimbursements from the state for expenses incurred resulting in compliance with the new law. According to a Division of Local Mandates survey, \$720,000 would be required to cover the costs shouldered by local election departments for the 282 communities who responded to the division.

"We cannot burden our cities and towns with unfunded mandates; some of which are already struggling to make ends meet. If Beacon Hill can find \$18 million to give themselves pay raises, I think we can find \$720,000 for municipalities to provide early voting as an option for its residents," said Senator Fattman.

In addition to new procedures required to be used by municipal clerks, the state law dictates that cities and towns employ poll workers at a minimum of

one polling place during the early voting period, in many instances this also required additional spending on materials and measures to assure voter privacy.

"The act of voting is fundamental and it is important to understand that even in our national elections it is individual cities and towns that bear the expenses of managing and conducting elections," said Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). "Early voting is an important option for citizens and we need to help those that run our elections by acknowledging that the state's new early voting law provided a mandate to communities to add hours, staff and equipment but didn't provide the funding. This bill remedies that."

Text of the bill:

SECTION 1. Section 25B of Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new subsection:-

"(r) The commonwealth shall reimburse each city and town to the full extent of the

amounts expended for mandated early voting procedures and operations. The state treasurer shall annually, on or before July 1st of the year following the election, for which reimbursement is being sought, pay to cities and towns, the sums required for such reimbursement and approved by the secretary of state. Each city and town may establish an Early Voting Reimbursement Fund. Reimbursements made by the

commonwealth pursuant to this section may be deposited into the fund and may carry forward for 1 fiscal year."

SECTION 2. Section 25B of Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting in subsection (o) the following at the end thereof:-

"including the means to seek, process and approve reimbursement subject to subsection (r)"

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following new lives were welcomed at Harrington Hospital, Southbridge:

• Krystal Perez and Andres Vazquez, of Southbridge, welcomed Ariani Jasmine Vazquez on Dec. 27, weighing 8lbs, 1 oz. Proud grandparents Chad Miller, Carmen Arroyo, Gail Christian, Edwin Sanchez and Ramon Perez.

• Samantha Smith and Daniel Applin, of Dudley, welcomed River Brynn Applin on Jan. 4, weighing 6lbs, 9 oz. Proud grandparents are Michael and Shirely Smith, Margaret Hemann, Marilynn and Jim Rudginski. Proud sisters Brittany and Makayla Applin.

• Jason and Kristina Edwards, of Brookfield, welcomed Jason Paul Edwards Jr., on Jan. 5, weighing 7lbs, 15 oz. Proud grandparents Dennis and Sandra Jette; Wayne and Joyce King.

• Ashley Newton and Chris Eishor, of Oxford, welcomed Lydia Kristin Eishor on Jan. 10, weighing 6lbs, 7 oz. Proud grandparents Kristin and Tim Parone, Ken and Christine Newton, Kathleen and Vernon Eishor. Proud big sister Anabelle; big brothers Chase and Colt.

• Ranae Dubuque and Michael Snow, of West Warren, welcomed Camden Axle Snow on Jan. 14, weighing 8lbs, 11 oz. Proud grandparents Crystal and Nathen Nilson; Lois and Arthur Snow. Proud aunts Chandra Dubuque, Kayla Dubuque and Vivian Nilson.

• Cole Scheffler and Krysti-Lee Lawrence, of Sturbridge, welcomed Asa Joseph Scheffler on Jan. 31, weighing 6lbs, 14 oz.

• Marlene Reyes and Emilio Torres, of Southbridge, welcomed Alexander Gabriel Torres on Feb. 13, weighing 7lbs, 10 oz. Proud grandparents Alicia Rolon, Neisa L. Mojica, Ivan Reyes and Pedro J. Torres.

• Kaitlin Peret Storm and Bill Storm, of Holland, welcomed Jayden Alexander Storm on February 27, weighing 8lbs, 7 oz. Proud grandparents Karen and Jim Peret. Proud aunts and uncles Heather and Don Briere, James Peret, Matt Peret and Louis and Kathy Johnson.

• Kimberly Dolan and Freddie Jenoure, of Southbridge, welcomed Noelle Marie Jenoure on Feb. 28, weighing 7lbs, 12 oz. Proud grandparents Rick and Christine Stoddard; Fred and Pam Jenoure. Proud brothers Nadrick, Shane, Frederick,

Dylan and Tyler.

• Benjamin Normandin and Kaitlyn McFarland, of Southbridge, welcomed Finnley Jack Normandin on Feb. 28, weighing 7lbs, 4 oz. Proud grandparents Rite Normandin and Walter Handenk; Wendy McFarland. Proud sister Isabelle Lamica.

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St. Joseph students take lesson of Lent to heart

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St. Joseph School Fifth Grade and Pre-Kindergarten “Buddy Classes” joined together on the First Sunday of Lent to proclaim the Liturgy of the Word and present the offertory gifts during Family Mass. In addition, all St. Joseph School students were encouraged to write down a good deed or sacrifice that they made during the week and present them during the offertory.

Then, in honor of their good deed or sacrifice, each child was given a flower to place at the foot of the crucifix.

The students began Lent by praying that Jesus would open the doors of their hearts so they could welcome Him. They also asked to be inspired so that they could do good deeds for others and that their good deeds of the Lenten Season would increase their joy of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The students of St. Joseph School invite you to join them at 9:30 a.m. Family Mass each Sunday during this Lenten Season.



St. Joseph spends entire week celebrating schools

WEBSTER — On Sunday, Jan. 29, St. Joseph School began its 2017 Catholic Schools Week observance. CSW is the annual celebration of Catholic education and its role in making the world a better place. This year's theme was “Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service,” which underscored the St. Joseph School commitment to ensuring its students are afforded the opportunity for academic excellence.

Each day of the week from Jan. 29 through Feb. 3 had a special theme. It began with school children, their families, faculty and administration gathering together with parishioners to celebrate St. Joseph Parish. The mass was presided over by Bishop Robert McManus and featured the presentation of the Partners in Education awards to business manager Ewa Mamro and faculty member Karen Lefebvre as well as a procession honoring the diversity of the students and families at St. Joseph School. Following Mass, the school held its first open house of the week so families and guests could tour classrooms; learn about the many cultures that have influenced the town of Webster and the St. Joseph Community; sample delicious international cuisine; and, enjoy a variety of entertainment including Asian dancers and Caribbean drummers.

When the children returned to school on Monday morning, their focus turned to celebrating the community through acts of service. The students gathered

with their “Buddy Classes” to create beautiful valentines eventually distributed to residents in local nursing home facilities. The students also collected personal care items for “Blessing Bags” that were given to people in need through the Webster-Dudley Food Share and the St. Andrew Bobola Fellowship Meals Program.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, parents and volunteers were greeted by teachers who braved the cold during morning drop-off to hand-out coffee and doughnuts. Later in the day, the teachers were rewarded with stress screenings and massages from Paige Chiropractic and a delicious luncheon courtesy of the Home and School Association and catered by Tom's International Deli. While the teachers enjoyed their meal, students in grades 4-8 continued to celebrate Catholic Schools Week with high-spirited and very competitive games of bingo. Meanwhile, numerous parents volunteered to stay with the pre-school through second grade classes so they could enjoy movies and games, too.

The following day, the focus of the school's celebration turned to the nation and the world. Each student came to school wearing a hat decorated in honor of their classroom's assigned country. The hat was either a traditional hat or one made in a manner that somehow celebrated their designated country. Many of the first-grade students who studied India wore traditional saris, the kindergarteners wore hats that paid tribute

to Egyptian pharaohs, and other classes featured hats with their countries' flags, or other significant items. There was a school-wide hat parade displaying their creations where each student was greeted with cheers and applause. That same day, students also gathered at the Basilica with their buddies to say the Living Rosary. The day ended with the second open-house of the week. Highlights of the open house included a delicious spaghetti dinner sponsored by the Home and School Association and prepared by the Knights of Columbus; a fundraiser during which the Dean of Students, Richard Skrocki and the Principal, Michael Hackenson were taped to a wall; and a Scholastic Book Fair.

The theme Feb. 3 focused on celebrating vocations. After enjoying a delicious pancake breakfast, the students returned to their classrooms to meet with members of the community who discussed their careers and/or their roles in the church. Special guests included: John Gogolinski who discussed his career in engineering; Stephen Kohut who shared his experience as a deacon; David Laabs who shared his art and spoke of how he turned his love for art into a business; and, Jan Szwarc who spoke about his experience as a geography teacher in Poland and the importance of geography as a subject.

On Friday, students and faculty celebrated First Friday Mass and later ended the day with a special show provided

by the Home and School Association: Casey Carles' Bubble Mania: Science, Art & Comedy. The week culminated with a student-parent basketball game on Saturday followed by a “Snow Ball” dance where grades 6 through 8 invited fellow All Saints Academy students to celebrate the end of Catholic Schools Week and dance the night away.

Although Catholics Schools Week was officially only one week long, St. Joseph School continued the celebration throughout the month of February. On Friday, Feb. 10, students gathered with their “Special Persons” for the SJS Winter Ball. The event, held at the PACC Hall, catered by Tom's International Catering and photographed by Village Photo, featured an evening of food, fun, and dancing.

Finally, St. Joseph Schools students, along with family and friends, attended the first SJS Princess Tea and Super Hero Event. On Sunday, Feb. 26 a.m., 26 students, dressed in their best princess gowns and super hero costumes, attended 9:30 Mass for a special blessing by Monsignor Czarnecki before heading to Point Breeze Restaurant for a luncheon and meet & greet with Cinderella, Spider Man, Superman, Iron Man and Captain America. Festivities included face-painting, games, and more!

Thank you to all the wonderful faculty and parents who made the month of February truly a “Month to Remember” at St. Joseph School.

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Practical nurses ushered into honor society



The newest inductees at Bay Path into the National Technical Honor Society

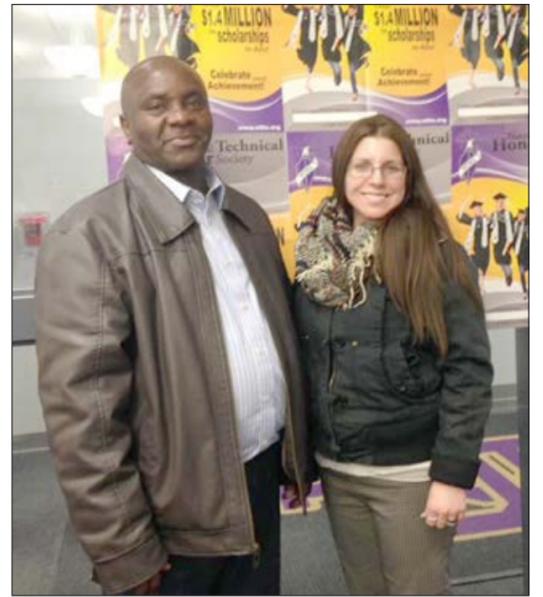
CHARLTON —Twelve outstanding Bay Path RVTHS practical nursing program students will be the newest members of the National Technical Honor Society. NTHS is the acknowledged leader in the recognition of outstanding student achievement in career and technical education. Students must have earned at least a 3.0 grade point average

to be eligible for membership, and be recommended by faculty with out reservations. NTHS members should be good, honest, responsible student-citizens who have made a personal commitment to excellence and who agree to uphold the NTHS standards of conduct. NTHS members also adhere to PN graduation competencies,

exhibit excellent clinical performance, maintain professional integrity (including attendance) and community involvement (active involvement in student government, civic or service organizations).

This is the second year that Bay Path practical nursing program is welcoming members into its chapter of NTHS that

was nationally chartered on campus, Feb. 25, 2016. Far more than simply an academic honor society, NTHS emphasizes the importance of seven attributes: Skill, Honesty, Service, Responsibility, Scholarship, Citizenship, and Leadership. NTHS membership is the highest honor awarded for excellence in workforce education in America and is considered the benchmark performance and leadership in business and industry. This year's induction ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 11 at the Hill Top Restaurant. To be inducted on the evening ceremony are: Marilyn Burlingame (Leicester), Samantha Dion (Brimfield), Lauren Elias (Boylston), Kalie Hernandez (Charlton), Nicole Lavallee (Southbridge), Megan Luciw (Leicester), Kiana McDonald (Munson), Peter Njau (Worcester), Donna Pope (Southbridge), Angela Rainsford (Spencer),



Courtesy photos

Honored for his contributions to the program is George Kiiri.

Danika Rhodes (Auburn), and Danielle Southall (North Grosvenordale, CT).

To be inducted as honorary members for

their contribution to the PN program are: Shawna Esposito, LPN (Hardwick) and George Kiiri, LPN (Worcester).

Gold medalist Hucles keynotes Women in Business conference

DUDLEY—The Institute for Women's Leadership at Nichols College will host the 7th annual Empowering Women in Business Conference Thursday, March 23, 1:10-7 p.m. Olympic gold medalist Angela Hucles, chief empowerment officer of Empowerment Through Sport, is the keynote speaker. Her talk is scheduled to start at 2 p.m., and it will be held in Daniels Auditorium on Center Road.

"The conference provides women the opportunity to advance their career, grow their business, and help design their future by pursuing professional development within a welcoming environment of career-focused women leaders," said Jean Beaupre, faculty director of the IWL, whose mission is to develop the leadership potential of female students and serve as a resource and authoritative community voice on women's leadership.

"Women attending the conference can expect to gain inspiration, a sense of achievement, and an increased business network within the local community."

Hucles is a two-time Olympic gold medalist for U.S. soccer (2004 and 2008), two-time women's World Cup bronze medalist (2003 and 2007), former professional soccer player for the Boston Breakers, and the U.S. Soccer Foundations' 2009 Humanitarian of the Year. Serving as president of the Women's Sports Foundation (2014-16) founded by Billie Jean King and covering the 2012 Olympics for NBC and 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup for FOX as

a sports broadcaster and analyst, she combines sports and leadership to serve as a conduit of inspiration and empowerment when she speaks to groups and works with athletes.

With more than 30 years' experience in the sports industry, Hucles launched Empowerment Through Sport, a sports leadership and wellness lifestyle brand that helps collegiate- and elite-level athletes navigate the career transition process and youth athletes develop confidence and leadership skills that benefit them in all areas of life.

Conference goers are encouraged to share their interest in business with accomplished women in the field and with just launching their careers. In addition, several concurrent sessions have been designed for personal and professional development. Session topics include: learning strategies to break through roadblocks to success; boosting productivity; social media techniques; using emotional intelligence to become a high-performing leader; and preparing for retirement. There will be opportunities to network with other women throughout the event. A light buffet is included. The evening ends with a door prize and several raffle items.

Earlier this month, the IWL published its second edition of the biennial Massachusetts Women's Leadership Index, which measures the percentage of women who serve in positions such as CEO and board member in business, nonprofit organizations, and public entities in the state. According to the

Index, women represent 51 percent of the U.S. population yet only 20 percent make up the U.S. Congress; 5.3 percent are CEOs of S&P 500 companies; 18.6 percent hold corporate board seats; and they experience a wage gap of 83 percent. The Index also notes that at the current rate of change, women won't reach parity in corporate board seats or wages for nearly four decades, and it could be more than a century before women have equal representation in U.S. Congress.

The Empowering Women in Business Conference is open to the public and costs \$25. Nichols community and

exhibitors may attend at the reduced rate of \$10. To register, please click here.

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Friday's Child



Emmanuel or "Manny" is a funny 4-year-old boy of Caucasian descent. He loves to play with his toy trucks and balls. Emmanuel has a diagnosis of mild Cerebral Palsy and as a result has low muscle tone. He recently started walking and taking steps on his own. His orthopedic doctor has stated that Manny will be able to walk on his own in the future, but will continue to need physical therapy and occupational therapy to meet this goal. Emmanuel is generally an easy-going child who is easy to please. Manny loves one-on-one attention. He gets along well his foster family, their extended family, and the other foster children in the home who are same age or younger. Manny attends a public preschool full time through the regular school year and summer through special education services. He receives support for speech, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. He is well-liked by his teachers and enjoys interacting with the other children. Emmanuel will need a family that can provide pictures and a letter to his birth mother once a year. Manny does have visitation with four of his siblings and this would be expected to continue post adoption. He would do best in a one or two parent household with no children or older children.

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LEARNING

Prom is experience ‘you’ll never get back’

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE STAFF WRITER

OXFORD – Prom season is slowly creeping in and for many students their junior or senior proms stand as the most anticipated events of their high school years, other than graduation of course. Young men and women dream of having the perfect outfits, the perfect date, and maybe even getting the crown as king or queen at the end of the night.

Oxford Senior Aiden Rawson got to enjoy every aspect of his junior prom last year as the Junior Prom King alongside the Queen, Natalie Bolio, and as a result was named the “Prom Goer” in the school’s class of 2017 “That’s A Picture” campaign, acknowledging him as the life of the party. Rawson is heavily involved as a member of the graduating class at Oxford High School. He’s president of Best Buddies, vice president of the Student Council, assistant editor of the yearbook, a cast member of the school’s upcoming production of “Mary Poppins,” and the voice students hear every morning on the intercom to get the day started, but to him one of his most cherished memories of high school will always be the proms, one

of which he hasn’t even attended yet.

Rawson called the junior and senior proms significant experiences for any high school student to embrace and enjoy. Inspired by his brother’s joy after his own senior prom Rawson knew from an early age that he wanted to embrace the events to their fullest; and sees them as important opportunities for students to socialize and come together to celebrate their high school years without the concern of academics to weigh them down.

“I think it’s just the inclusiveness of it, the fact that everyone has the opportunity to experience the same thing on the same night with the same people we’ve been with since kindergarten. I like the idea that we’re all kind of just celebrating the fact that we’re juniors or seniors and we’re having a great night together,” Rawson said.

“It’s more than just spending a bunch of money on the dress and the flowers, and the tuxedo and all that. At the end of the day you don’t get a lot of time to be in high school. I remember my freshman year they said it would go by in the blink of an eye and it definitely has.



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Aiden Rawson, the energetic life of the party, was named Prom King last year at his junior Prom, pictured with his Queen Natalie Bolio, so it’s natural he’s the “Prom Goer” in the school’s “That’s A Picture” campaign.

I think that prom gives you that one night you can always look back on and remember. My parents still remember their proms. They still remem-

ber the exact date they went to prom together. It’s an opportunity to create a memory with your classmates that can’t be replaced.”

Some may see being named a “Prom King” as a temporary honor, one that leaves no lasting impact outside of the prom itself. Rawson would argue against that perspective as his status as Junior Prom King has made him the go-to man to be the life of the party among his classmates. He called it an honor to receive the title, which was voted on by teachers at the event, and said that it only added to a great night full of memories that he will cherish forever.

“A lot of people say it’s a big popularity contest but I don’t think that’s the case. Because I was named ‘Prom King’ last year now a lot of times my classmates will ask if I’ll be at dances and stuff and nine times out of ten I am there. It’s interesting because it created an expectation that I’m the first one on the dance floor and I get the party started,” Rawson said.

“You will never get this back. There’s no prom in college. This is it. It’s certainly a personal choice if student don’t want to go, but it’s an experience you shouldn’t underestimate. You have to take every chance you can get to just be a kid and live a little bit and not worry about everything. I know I do a lot of stuff here at

the school and sometimes it can be stressful and overwhelming. I think prom is a good time to just relax and it’s a good night to forget everything and join the class in some fun.”

It’s also a night for students to work to bring enjoyment to their fellow students as well. Rawson was not only Prom King last year, he was also a member of the group of students who put the event together. While he is not as involved in the planning of his senior prom, he felt proud to be a part of making the junior prom a memorable evening and touted the rewards of prom being a truly student-led effort.

“It is very much a student driven activity. For the most part the students do the decorating, they choose the music and to be involved in it last year and see the finished product was awesome,” said Rawson. “The day before we had finished decorating and we were just about to leave when we turned around and knew it would be a great night. It was amazing the night of prom to see everyone else having a good time at something we worked so hard to plan and make an amazing time for everyone.”

Bartlett students take part in training

WEBSTER — Bartlett High School was recently selected as one of the high schools across the state to participate in Phase 2 of the MVP Game Change grant through Northeastern University’s Sport in Society program. This grant was funded through the generosity of the Robert Kraft Foundation and Atty. General Maura Healey’s office.

The goal in providing trainings in the MVP curriculum is to empower students to play an active role in preventing violence and to recognize the signs of unhealthy relationships.

Thirty sophomores and juniors participated in the three day training to promote healthy relationships in their own lives and at Bartlett High. Many of these students will teach younger students about healthy relationships in the coming months at Webster Middle School.



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Students who took part in the MVP training included, front: Dylan Paddleford, Corey Harrington Back: Lorin (trainer); Victoria Mann, Gladys Ayala, Mariya Lempicki, Nilixa Cruz Suarez, Brandi Mercer, Allison Wheeler-Ramsey, Noah Karlon, Ryan Zajac, Ben Maldonado, Orion Walker, Cody Adams, Dominic Palmerino, Dave (trainer), Dezmen Gonzalez, Rodel Portante, Olivia Houlihan, Justin Silva, Sophie Santoro, Diego Sepulveda, Julian Ortiz, Ashley Millett, Samantha Proulx, Alyssa Ward, Allison Grzembski. Advisor: Kim Dobro Missing: John Bsoumal, Nate Whipple, Aliyah Arrington, Victoria Bugar, and Amyah Jones.

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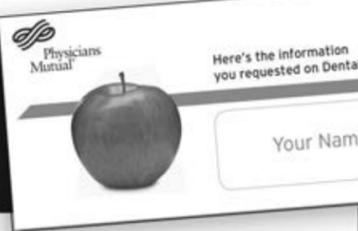
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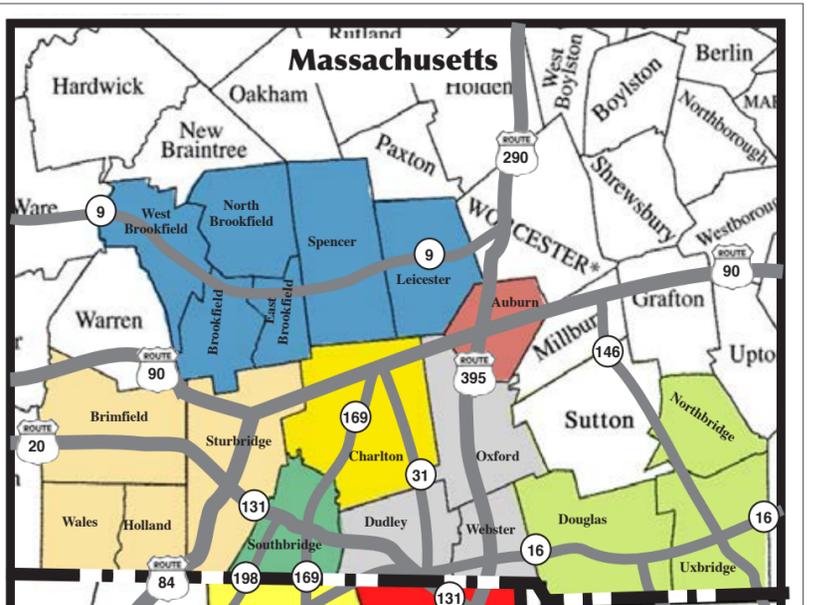
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Center of Hope accredited

To the Editor:
 The Center of Hope Foundation, Inc. is very pleased to share that it has received a three-year accreditation for its Programs and Services in its 64 town area in Massachusetts and northern Connecticut.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization, demonstrating the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. To receive a three-year accreditation, the agency underwent a rigorous peer review process, demonstrating to a team of visiting surveyors its commitment to offer programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality.

The Center of Hope Foundation, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization that has been providing day programs, employment supports, and many other services since 1956 for individuals with intellectual disabilities. More information can be found by visiting www.thecenterofhope.org.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

The survey summary narrative included quotes such as "Center of Hope is truly a leader in its community. It has developed an impressive 14 innovative business opportunities and

embodies an entrepreneurial spirit. The organization is active in the Chamber of Commerce and has played a large role in the revitalization of the region out of which it operates."

"Direct Care Staff members are compassionate individuals who work very hard to provide community opportunities to the individuals served. The management staff is knowledgeable about current trends in the field, regulatory issues and person-centered planning. Management is enthusiastic about the care it provides and is always looking at ways to do more to serve the community."

The surveyors also noted that they have not seen any other organization with this commitment to an entrepreneurial spirit and ability to operate these many small business opportunities or improve quality and services as much since their previous survey.

The Board and management staff of CoHF would like to express our appreciation to all of the employees who worked diligently towards meeting these goals. Without the wonderful and positive staff of this agency, we could not meet the standards of our accreditors, meet the needs of the people we serve, or send happy people home each day. Congratulations and Thank You.

The Center of Hope would welcome an opportunity to further acquaint people from our communities with our services and respond to questions. We believe our organization is a valuable asset, and our CARF accreditation underscores our commitment to the community we serve. Please feel free to call us for a tour.

CINDY HOWARD
 EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT/COO

Yes, there's a reason for fire lanes...



I recently received a question in the mail relative to Fire Lanes. From time to time, the person notices private and commercial vehicles parked in marked Fire Lanes in front of local businesses. I was asked to explain the law and remind members of the public

to keep these locations open for emergency vehicles.

There are a few areas in the law where this issue is addressed. The town of Dudley, along with many others in the Commonwealth, has accepted Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 21. This law authorizes cities and towns to enact by-laws, to govern certain occurrences in their respective communities, and seek non-criminal violations for these offenses. One part of this law addresses Fire Lanes. It states in part, "For prohibiting or regulating the leaving of vehicles unattended within the limits of private ways furnishing means of access for fire apparatus to any building."

In Dudley, our local by-laws Article 10 Section 4, addresses Fire Lanes and has similar language to that contained in the state law. It provides for a \$50 non-criminal fine as a punishment for leaving a vehicle unattended in Fire Lanes. In some instances, in addition to the fine, the vehicle can be towed away at the owner's expense.

Other fire lane violations are also contained in the General Laws. Chapter 89 Section 7A addresses driver conduct with respect to emergency vehicles, such as pulling over upon their approach. This section also prohibits anyone to, "...drive said vehicle, or park or leave the same unattended, within eight hundred feet of a fire or within the fire lanes established by the fire department, or upon or beside any traveled way, whether public or private, leading to the scene of a fire, in such a manner as to obstruct the approach to the fire of any fire apparatus or any ambulance, safety or police vehicle, or of any vehicle bearing an official fire or police department designation."

Vehicles cannot be parked so as to obstruct emergency vehicles in the performance of their official duty. A violation of this section carries a \$100 fine and the vehicle may also be removed.

Since most parking violations are locally enacted laws, other communities can have greater penalties for these offenses. However; the behavior of drivers should always be the same. Avoid parking in these designated areas. Pay particular attention to those places where an active emergency response is underway. It is crucial for first responders to have free and clear access to buildings and hazardous scenes. Your cooperation in providing safe access is certainly greatly appreciated.

Thanks again for your questions and comments. Please send them to me at the Dudley Police Department, 71 West Main St., Dudley, Ma. 01571 or email at swojnar@dudleypolice.com.

Opinions expressed in this weekly column are those of Chief Wojnar only and unless clearly noted, do not reflect the ideas or opinions of any other organization or citizen.

EDITORIAL

Is it spring yet?

We shouldn't complain of course, compared to a few years ago, this has been a most mild winter. The problem is, it decided to wait an extra month before arriving.

March should be crocus, lilac, daffodil, lambs and warmer weather; not being dumped on yet again by several inches of Old Man White Stuff.

Those who shrug it away, and still don't believe in "global warming" or whatever name the climate change gurus are calling it these days should think long and hard about these sorts of changes.

No, it isn't 'warmer.' But it is most certainly a change.

Our winters have been consistently starting a month later (Other than a freakish storm here and there, how often is there snow before Christmas?) and lasting well into March. The shift is temporal as much temperature. Yes, according to those that measure the solstices still happen on the same approximate dates, but the weather hasn't noticed.

The weather, being the weather and as changeable as it wants to be, is not on a fixed linear schedule, and doesn't like human measurement. So, it pays no attention to the weather gurus at all and slides itself further down the month measurements and ignores what is expected. We now have winter from sometime toward the end of December to sometime toward the end of March and the devil with the calendars.

Spring is actually a bit shorter this way, because the sun does indeed climb higher into the sky despite the temperature; and the earth does warm quickly once the snow does stop. So the flowers arise, the seeds sprout, pretty much in the same time frame as before. Anyone who gardens knows planting much before Mother's Day is a fool's paradise at best.

As we therefore sit watching this round melting into the earth, hopefully refilling ground water (technically we're still in drought conditions, think about that one a moment too), we can hope the warmth indicated by the sun being higher, actually shining a mite longer and the reality that, indeed we are halfway through the month of March just might also mean the end of winter is really near.

We aren't harbingers of the warming warnings; we don't cling to the warmer of the climate change frighteners; but we do see scientific proof and, reality with our own experience that the weather is indeed different. Whether it is a permanent change, an indicator of better or worse to come or just a cycle that will possibly change again in a few years who can tell. We will, however, be pulling the warm clothes out at the same time next fall in anticipation; and expecting we won't be putting them away again for an extra month or so the following spring.

There is a saying where we once lived, it was nine months of winter there, and three months of poor sledding...we're soon there.

Time for Some Financial Spring Cleaning



FINANCIAL FOCUS
 JEFF BURDICK

Spring is in the air, even if it's not quite there on the calendar. This year, as you shake off the cobwebs from winter

and start tidying up around your home and yard, why not also do some financial spring cleaning?

Actually, you can apply several traditional spring cleaning techniques to your financial situation. Here are a few ideas:

Look for damage. Damage to your home's siding, shingles and foundation can eventually degrade the structure of your home. Your investment portfolio is also a structure of a sort, and it, too, can be damaged. Specifically, you may have deliberately constructed your portfolio with an investment mix - stocks, fixed-income vehicles, cash instruments, etc. - that's appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance. But over time, your portfolio can evolve in unexpected ways. For example, your stocks may have grown so much in value that they now take up a larger percentage of your holdings than you had intended, possibly subjecting you to a higher degree of risk. If this happens, you may need to rebalance your portfolio.

Get rid of "clutter." As you look around your home, do you see three mops or four nonfunctional televisions or a stack of magazines from the 1990s? If these items no longer have value, you could get rid of them and clear up some living space. As an investor, you also might have "clutter" - in the form of investments that no longer meet your needs. If you sold these investments, you could use the proceeds to fill gaps in your portfolio.

Consolidate. Do you keep your lawn-

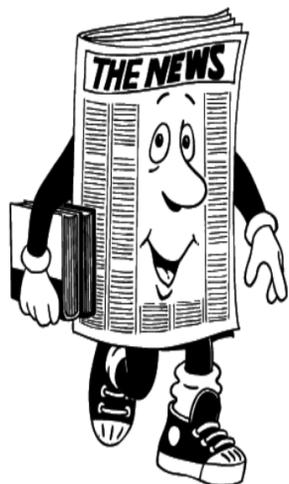
mower in a shed, a rake in your garage, and your gardening tools in the basement? When working on your outdoor tasks, you might find it more efficient to have all these items in one location. You could also have your investments scattered about - an IRA here, a new 401(k) there, and an older 401(k) someplace else. But if you consolidated all your investments in one place, you might cut down on paperwork and fees, and you wouldn't risk losing track of an asset (which actually happens more than you might think). Even more importantly, when you have all your investments with one provider, you'll be better positioned to follow a single, centralized investment strategy.

Prepare for a rainy day. As part of your outdoor spring cleaning, you may want to look at your gutters and downspouts to make sure they are clear and in good repair, so that they can move rainwater away from your home. Your financial goals need protection, too, so you'll want to ensure you have adequate life and disability insurance.

Seal leaks. In your home inspection this spring, you may want to investigate doors and windows for leaks and drafts. Your investment portfolio might have some "leaks" also. Are investment-related taxes siphoning off more of your earnings than you realize? A financial professional can offer you recommendations for appropriate tax-advantaged investments.

This spring, when you're cleaning your physical surroundings, take some time to also tidy up your financial environment. You may be pleased with the results.

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SPORTS

Oxford Pirates take home South Central Mass. Fourth Grade Championship



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The Oxford Pirates Fourth Grade Travel Basketball team recently took home the South Central Mass. B Division Championship. The team included, from left, (top row) Sean Tyrrell, Kofi Owusu, Dylan Dipietro, Daniel Wing, Kellen Clarkson, (bottom row) Anthony Jacob, Ryan Plante, Jacques Boulais, Brayden Mercier and Austin Kravitz. The coaches were Jason Harnios and Matt Dipietro.

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Series over average — Trevor Collins +50, Cherie Borski +26

Tuesday Bowlerettes
Single — Charles Knorr 124, Brenda Mayer 113, Pam Martin 92
Series — Charles Knorr 321, Brenda Mayer 320, Peg Brier 257

Wednesday Women's Industrial
Single — Lynne Smith (Gail's Gals) 135, Joanne Grzembski (Nikki's Doghouse) 113, Gail Greenleaf (Gail's Gals) 110
Series — Lynne Smith 363, Joanne Grzembski 306, Noelle Gorski (Harbro Cars) 293

Thursday Coffee
Single — Virginia Manstream 121, Marsha Kallgren 114, Lorraine Brezniak

110
Series — Virginia Manstream 307, Marsha Kallgren 302, Carolyn Josti 301
Series over average — Carolyn Josti +61

Thursday Men's Industrial
Single — Roger Gauthier 122, Bo Gauvin 120, Peter Gauvin 119
Series — Bo Gauvin 348, Roger Gauthier 333, Joe Pranaitis 321
Series over average — Roger Gauthier +42

Saturday Youth
Single — Brendan Moran 97, Jordan Ashton & Jarrett Towne 92, Amelia Peterson 91, Hayden Towne 85, Abby Towne 80

Series — Brendan Moran 273, Jarrett Towne 265, Liam Hickey and Amelia Peterson 252, Hayden Towne 232, Abby Towne 215

Series over average — Brendan Moran +60, Amelia Peterson +15

Sunday Mixed
Single — John Dupuis 130, Brian Lavallee 123, Angel Claudio 118, Carol Turner 114, Leigh Farrar 110, Sheila Lavallee 99

Series — John Dupuis 336, Rick O'Connor 321, Brian Lavallee 319, Leigh Farrar 300, Carol Turner 292, Patti Julian 270

Series over average — Roger Robidoux +55, Sheila Lavallee +23

SPORTS BRIEFS

Online registration now open for Webster Little League spring baseball

For all players that have signed up for the Webster Little League spring baseball season — the registration period has passed — player evaluations ("tryouts") for all players ages 7-12 who wish to play in our Minor or Major Divisions will be Saturday morning, March 18 in the Bartlett High School gym. This year, all new and returning players ages 7 to 12 must attend even if on a Major division team last season. All players will be placed on a team in the division appropriate for them based on their age/skill level. More information is available online. We are looking forward to another great season and the more volunteers we have the better it will be. Any problems or questions, please contact Bobby at (508) 948-9637.

Veterans Inc. to host annual Best Ball Charity Golf Classic

WORCESTER — Veterans Inc. will host its 20th annual Best Ball Charity Golf Classic on Wednesday, May 10 at the Heritage Country Club in Charlton. All proceeds will benefit veterans in need and their families.

The 18-hole golf classic will include an 8 a.m. registration time and a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Player registration is \$150. Golfer registration includes giveaways, greens fees, golf cart and a steak dinner. The tournament will include Hole-in-One contests sponsored

by Sheldon's Harley-Davidson of Auburn, a men's and women's longest drive, a closest to the line contest and a closest to the pin contest. The deadline date for registration is April 26.

Sponsorship opportunities are available at many levels from major to hole sponsorships. Donations of raffle items are also being accepted. All donation amounts are greatly appreciated and recognized. For a list of Sponsorship Opportunities and to download Sponsorship and Registration forms, visit our website at www.veteransinc.org. The tournament is Co-Chaired by State Representative John J. Mahoney and Mayor Joseph M. Petty of Worcester. For more information on how to become a sponsor or register, please contact (508) 791-1213 extension 1162 or email golf@veteransinc.org.

U.S. Baseball Academy coming to Worcester State

The U.S. Baseball Academy, the nation's largest training program, is coming to Worcester State University from June 26-29. Advance registration is required. Kids sign up for the sessions they want, although most participate all four days from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please visit www.USBBaseballAcademy.com for more details. You can also call the offices at 866-622-4487.

Webster Fastpitch Softball now holding spring season signups

Webster Fastpitch Girls' Softball spring registration may be done in person at the Winter Clinic on Tuesday nights at the Webster Middle School or online at www.eteamz.com/webster-fastpitch/. This is for girls aged 5-16 and the cost is \$50 for girls under 8 and \$75 for ages 8-16. If a child has not signed up in previous years, please bring a copy of their birth certificate.

Join the free Charlton/Dudley Women's Basketball League

Please come and check out the Charlton/Dudley Women's Pickup Basketball League at the Heritage School in Charlton every Monday while school is in session from 7-9 p.m. There are no set teams and no fees. Come for the exercise and the fun of playing basketball. The league is for ages 18 and up. Call Deb at (508) 248-3600 for information.

Rochdale Baseball to join Central New England Baseball Association

The South Central Express of Charlton will now be known as the Rochdale Express, and their new home field will be at Rochdale Park, home of Becker College baseball. The team will be looking for players of all ages (19-plus) who have either graduated from their American Legion program or still want to play competitive baseball. The team is part of the Central New

England Baseball Association (cneba.com), a wooden bat league. Anyone interested in playing in an adult men's baseball league is encouraged to contact Joel Hart at (508) 864-9709 or at hartattack31573@gmail.com. Tryouts will be in early May when field availability is made known, and spots at all positions are open.

Charlton Dudley Youth Football and Cheer accepting 2017 registration

The next registration for the Charlton Dudley Youth Football and Cheer program is Saturday, March 18 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at two locations, the Charlton Library and Dudley Town Hall.

Charlton Dudley Youth Football and Cheer offers grade based football and cheering for Pre-K (at least 5 years old) through eighth grade boys and girls in Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge and Thompson, Conn. The league competes in the Central Mass. Youth Football and Cheer conference, covering primarily Central Massachusetts.

Registration is \$120 per player/cheerleader (\$110 for each additional family member), \$110 for Tiny Mite players and cheerleaders (pre-K and first grade) and \$75 for flag football (Pre-K and first grade). VISA and Mastercard are accepted. All participants will also be required to sell 20 raffle tickets. For more information, please visit www.cdrams.com or e-mail cdyfcrams@gmail.com with any questions.

SPORTS

CENTRAL MASS. DIVISION 3 BOYS' BASKETBALL FINAL

Bartlett erupts for 96 points to claim district title from Greater Lowell Tech



Photos courtesy Rich LeBlanc

The Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team holds the Central Mass. Division 3 district championship banner for the first time since the 2006-07 season. The Indians defeated Greater Lowell Tech, 96-66, to win the title.

BY NICK ETHER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

WORCESTER — The Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team scored a mere 43 points (36 below their season average) in their two-point victory versus Tyngsborough High in a Central Mass. Division 3 district semi-final — head coach Tony Paranto called it a “rock fight” — but the Indians showed how they can score nearly at will when they faced No. 3 Greater Lowell Tech for the sectional championship at Worcester Polytechnic Institute's Harrington Auditorium on Saturday, March 11.

Behind a career-high 30 points from sophomore Cody Adams and strong production from seniors Tyler Davern (24 points, 19 rebounds) and Anthony Grzembksi (23 points), No. 1 Bartlett defeated the Gryphons, 96-66, for their first district crown in 10 years.

“Now we've done something that's only happened one other time in the school. It was back in '81 when we won the Clark Tournament as well as the district title,” said Paranto, adding that this squad also went a perfect 11-0 inside the Southern Worcester County League. “I'm very proud of those kids.”

Bartlett proved to be a little bit faster than Greater Lowell, a team also known for its speed up and down the court.

“We knew they were very quick,” said Paranto. “I told Anthony [Grzembksi], ‘I think you're the fast-

est kid in the state of Massachusetts,’ and obviously he proved it. I think we had a little bit more quickness than them tonight.”

“We knew this opponent wanted to run up and down the floor with us, so we proved today that we can score big numbers,” added Grzembksi.

The main difference for Bartlett when they played Tyngsborough and then Greater Lowell was the 3-point shooting. The Indians were 0 for 16 versus the Tigers, but they rained nine treys down on the Gryphons.

“Coach made us get a lot of shots up at practice, every day we got 1,000 shots up each, so that helped a lot,” said Adams, who knocked down four shots from distance.

The 6-foot-6 Davern also hit four 3-pointers, including two in the opening period that elevated the Indians to a 24-10 lead after the initial eight minutes.

“It's great to have an asset like Tyler Davern that can go to the outside and shoot from 24 feet,” said Paranto. “It stretches the defense out.”

Davern had a 12-point first quarter, and then both Grzembksi and Adams scored 9 points apiece in the second frame as the Indians took a 47-31 halftime lead.

“For a sophomore, stepping into that limelight...Cody was tremendous out there,” Paranto said of Adams' shooting prowess.

“Ant [Grzembksi] gave me the ball in the open



Members of the Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team can't contain their excitement following the Indians' win versus Greater Lowell Tech for the Central Mass. Division 3 district championship.

spots so I could score,” added Adams.

Greater Lowell came out a desperate bunch in the second half and scored 20 third quarter points. The only problem for the Gryphons was that Bartlett countered with 23 points to grab a 70-51 lead with a quarter to play.

Adams then put the game away with a personal 5-0 run on a traditional three-point play and layup to boost the lead up to 75-53.

“He's quick and a silent scorer for us, but he does

all the little things and that's what makes him special,” Davern said of Adams.

The Indians' Johnny Torres, a junior, provided energy throughout the contest and added an important 10 points to give Bartlett four double-digit scorers.

“Johnny Torres had a tremendous game running the floor, he did a great job on the boards for us,” said Paranto.

And in the end, all of that was enough for the Indians (22-3) to end Greater Lowell's season at 18-5.

“It's something that you dream of coming into a high school career and to finally get it is something special,” Davern said of a district championship.

Bartlett then played Western Mass. champion Palmer High (22-1) in a Division 3 state semifinal on Monday, March 13 at the DCU Center in Worcester. The Panthers got past the Indians, 80-65. Check back next week for the story and photos from Bartlett's final game of the season.



Bartlett's Cody Adams decides what to do with the ball while being flanked by a pair of defenders from Greater Lowell Tech.



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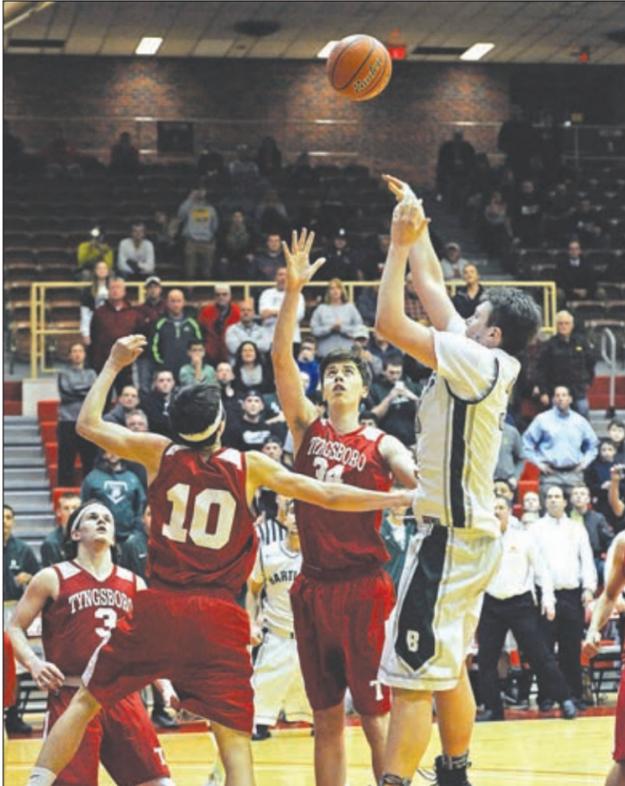
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HOW THEY GOT THERE

Davern beats buzzer as Indians get past Tyngsborough in district semifinals



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Bartlett's Tyler Davern releases the winning jump shot in the final seconds versus Tyngsborough.



Led by Tyler Davern (hand raised, center), Bartlett defeated Tyngsborough on a last second shot, as the Tigers' Christian Beck lowers his head in disbelief.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

WORCESTER — With the Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team engaged in a defensive struggle with Tyngsborough High in a Central Mass. Division 3

boys' semifinal at Worcester Polytechnic Institute's Harrington Auditorium on Monday, March 6, the one thing that helped the top seeded Indians out with the game on the line was the presence of a pair of 1,000-point scorers.

And both players, point guard Anthony Grzembksi and past presence Tyler Davern, contributed toward the winning basket as time expired. Grzembksi drove to his right and forced the Tigers' defense to collapse on him. From there, Grzembksi found an open Davern near the free throw line. One dribble and one shot later, and Bartlett escaped with a 43-41 victory after Christian Beck's desperation 3-pointer from past the midcourt line sailed wide.

"We're going to rely on those two to try to win the game for us," said Indians' head coach Tony Paranto of Grzembksi and Davern.

"Coach drew up a very good play," added Davern, who finished with 21 points and 10 rebounds. "All the thanks to my teammate, Ant for getting it to me and it feels great to hit that shot."

For Grzembksi, he knew he had to look for Davern with the game on the line.

"The play was for [Davern] to come middle and he was wide open. I passed it to him and he made a great shot," he said.

The win was a stark contrast from their 86-74 quarterfinal round victory versus Leicester when they knocked down 14 3-pointers. The Indians didn't hit a single shot from distance this time around.

"Who would have thought that we don't make a 3-pointer and we win the game," said Paranto, whose team averages 79 points per game. "We struggled offensively, it's a credit to them, though. They did a good job of closing on our shooters on the outside."

But much can also be said about Bartlett's defense for holding Tyngsborough to 41 points, including just nine in the fourth quarter.

"We played great defense. Everyone knows our style, the up-tempo, but to win championships you've got to play defense," said Paranto.

"It shows a lot about this team," added Grzembksi. "Everybody looks at us and says that we're the team that scores. Today we played great defense. The last possession we got the stop when we needed to and we got the score."

The Indians' last defensive possession occurred when the Tigers' Joshua Kelly attempted a 3-pointer and missed. Cody Adams (14 points) pulled down the rebound, which set up for the dramatic game-winner following a Bartlett timeout.

The game was close throughout and never eclipsed a two-possession differential either way. And now the Indians have returned to the Central Mass. Division 3 district championship game,

where they lost to Oxford High a season ago. Bartlett (21-3) will play No. 3 Greater Lowell Tech (18-4).

"We're hungry. We've got good senior leadership," said

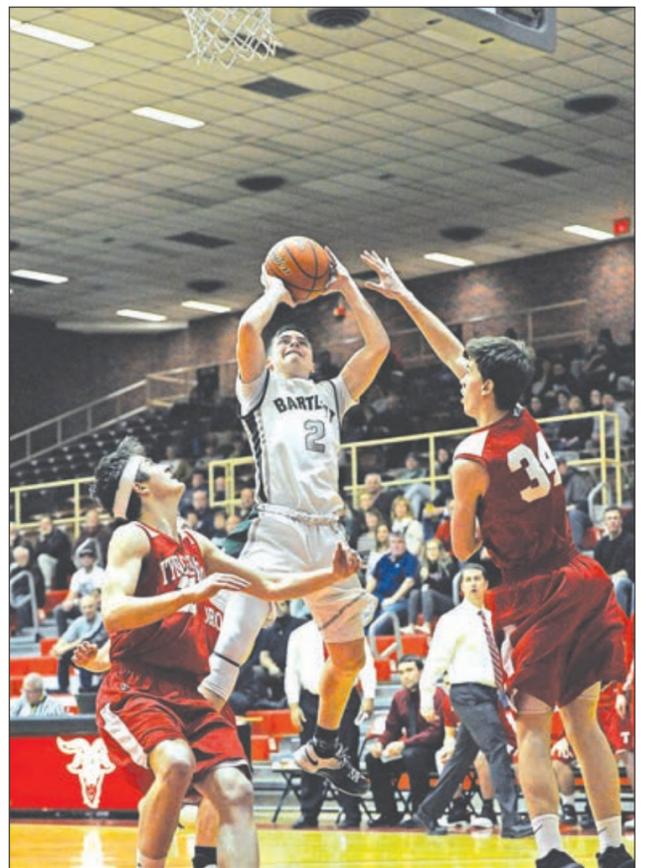
Paranto. "We'll be ready to go." "We have some business that we need to take care of. We're looking to get revenge for last year," concluded Davern.



Anthony Grzembksi of Bartlett releases a layup against Maxwell Hurley of Tyngsborough.



Bartlett's Tyler Davern releases an interior shot while drawing contact against a Tyngsborough defender.



Cody Adams of Bartlett elevates to shoot a midrange jumper versus Tyngsborough.



Bartlett's Anthony Grzembksi has the court presence to reach down to gain possession of the ball but still look ahead for an open teammate to potentially pass to, all while being double-teamed.

SPORTS

WESTERN MASS. DIVISION 1 GIRLS' BASKETBALL FINAL

Rams again thwarted by familiar foe in Springfield Central



Nick Ethier photos

Shepherd Hill's Ingrid Lindstrom (31) jockeys for position against Springfield Central's Sha'raya Haines Hughes for a potential rebound.



Last Friday, March 10, players from Shepherd Hill walk off the court as Springfield Central begins to celebrate its Western Mass. Division 1 district championship. The Golden Eagles defeated the Rams, 73-31, at the Curry Hicks Cage on the campus of UMass-Amherst.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

AMHERST — The one thing that has eluded the Shepherd Hill Regional girls' varsity basketball team in its four-year existence in the Western Mass. Division 1 district tournament is a victory over Springfield Central.

Unfortunately for the third ranked Rams, that trend continued on Friday, March 10 when they squared off with the top seeded Golden Eagles in the district championship game at UMass-Amherst's Curry Hicks Cage.

Central's defensive quickness — including an effective pressing and trapping game — gave Shepherd Hill fits, which included 25 first half turnovers, as the Golden Eagles led at the halftime break, 34-13.

Central continued to pour it on in the second half, leading to a 73-31 defeat of the Rams.

"They were fast, they were disciplined and they were deep — trifecta," said Shepherd Hill head coach Jim Hackenson. "Their press in the first half kind of put us down a little bit. They were tenacious on their defense."

In regard to the 25 first half turnovers, Hackenson remarked, "that's 25 non shots [offensively]."

Junior point guard Bailey Savage, being the primarily ball handler, had to deal with the Golden Eagles' defensive attack first-hand.

"They're a real talented team, just so much work on their multiple defenses," she said. "They just really perfected it and we just had trouble dealing with it."

Central took a 5-0 lead early on, but it was only a four-point game (11-7) in the waning moments of the opening period. The Golden Eagles tacked on four additional points late in the frame, though, to take a 15-7 lead entering the second quarter.

Shepherd Hill continued to show some fight in the next period, displaying good defense in the half-court. But Central was at its best when they parlayed forcing turnovers into scoring points on the fast break. Midway through the quarter a traditional three-point play for the Golden Eagles expanded the lead to 24-9.

The 21-point, 34-13 halftime disadvantage proved to be too much for The Hill to climb, but they gave it their best effort in the second and third quarters.

"We didn't quit, that's one thing I've got to be proud of the girls for," said Hackenson. "But Central won the third quarter, 23-13, and the fourth frame, 16-5, to improve to 20-3 and win the Western Mass. Division 1 district championship for the third time in four years, including the 2013-14 and 2014-15 seasons."

For Shepherd Hill, their season ended with a record of 17-6.

"This was the farthest I've been with this team," said Savage. "I knew this team was special, I knew we could get this far."

"This is the furthest we've been out here, which I think is a tribute to our program," Hackenson said of competing in the Western Mass. bracket. "For us to get here, you don't get here by not having a good team."

This will end the Rams' run in Western Mass., as they will be moved back to Central Mass. in the realignment for future postseason play. Shepherd Hill qualified for the playoffs all four years they competed in Western Mass., reaching a quarterfinal, two semifinals and now a final. All four season-ending setbacks came at the ends of Central.

"We've got a lot coming back, but we've got a lot to work on," Hackenson said, as Morgan O'Malley (4 points, 7 rebounds) and Danielle Donnelly played in their final game and are set to graduate, but the likes of Savage, sophomore Molly Springer (11 points, 15 rebounds) and others will return. "You can't just say next year that we're going to come back and repeat, not unless we work at it."

Savage said that she will be committed to become quicker, a better ball-handler and a smarter decision-maker when dealing with an opponent's defensive pressure, among other things, which could "lead to a championship."



Shepherd Hill's Molly Springer finds open room in the paint to score a basket versus Springfield Central.



Makayla Norton of Shepherd Hill tries to dribble past a Springfield Central defender.



Bailey Savage of Shepherd Hill attempts to keep the ball away from defender Alayah Sweeney of Springfield Central.

SPORTS

HOW THEY GOT THERE

Team effort sends Shepherd Hill past defending champion Colts



Nick Ethier photos

Kyra Foss of Shepherd Hill looks to her right and pushes a pass down the court.



Shepherd Hill's Molly Springer moves around Chicopee Comp. defender Samantha Spagnoli and release a left-handed layup.



Bailey Savage of Shepherd Hill dumps a pass down low into the paint.



Shepherd Hill's Julia Dandridge keeps the ball away from Chicopee Comp.'s Arriana Hasiuk before bouncing a pass to the interior.

in 2014 and then the semi-finals in 2015 and 2016 — all to Springfield Central — before facing off with Chicopee Comp. this year in a semifinal played at Western New England University on Tuesday, March 7.

The Hill, ranked third in the bracket, picked up contributions from just about everyone as they edged past the second seeded and reigning champion Colts, 56-49.

"I just think it was an overall team effort with everybody," said head coach Jim Hackenson. "Offensively, everybody's contributing."

Point guard Bailey Savage scored a team-best 20 points, while post presence Molly Springer finished with 14 points and 5 rebounds and guard Morgan O'Malley scored 10 points, including 7 made free throws in 9 attempts.

"We've been playing with each other for a while so we know each other's moves, so we know where to go and how to be open," Springer said of the guard's ability to find she and fellow interior players Julia Dandridge (7 rebounds) and Ingrid Lindstrom down low, where they can either attack the basket or dish it back out for someone to shoot an open jumper.

The Rams started out hot, racing to an 8-0 lead just over two minutes in thanks to a layup from Kyra Foss and 3-pointers from Savage and O'Malley.

But Chicopee Comp. came back and Arriana Hasiuk beat the first quarter buzzer to even the score at 14-14.

From there, the Colts relied on Ashley Rouleau to score the majority of her team's points. She netted 7 points in the first quarter and hit two more 3-pointers in the second for a total of 13 as Comp. held a slim lead at the half, 27-25.

"We saw that they were double screening for her," Hackenson said of Rouleau, who finished with 22. "They did a good job getting her free, but we responded. We didn't go into a big time lull scoring like we have in the past. Sometimes we get stuck on a number, and we didn't."

In fact, the Rams won third quarter scoring, 15-10, to grab a 40-37 lead heading into the final frame. Savage and Springer totaled 13 of the 15 points — seven for Savage, six for Springer — in third quarter action.

"Bailey had a tremendous game," said Hackenson. "She had a lot of pressure on her and the other girls came through for us, too."

That included Springer, who was constantly harassed under the basket by the Colts' defense.

"She's strong and athletic and she's getting double and triple teamed," Hackenson said of Springer. "She's going to wake up sore tomorrow."

With three and a half minutes to go in regulation, a 3-pointer from Savage gave Shepherd Hill its largest lead of the half at eight points, 52-44. Savage and O'Malley then hit free throws late as the Rams (17-5) held on to reach the district final, ending Comp's season at 18-4.

The Hill will meet their familiar foes in top seeded Springfield Central (19-3) in the championship game, as the Golden Eagles defeated No. 4 Northampton High in the other semifinal, 60-51.



Shepherd Hill's Kyra Foss releases a shot up and over the outstretched reach of Chicopee Comp. defender Arriana Hasiuk.



Shepherd Hill's Bailey Savage looks at the basket before spotting up and making a 3-pointer from the top of the key.



Morgan O'Malley of Shepherd Hill gets a pass off to teammate Ingrid Lindstrom.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SPRINGFIELD — Having competed in the Western Mass. Division 1 postseason bracket for the fourth straight sea-

son, the Shepherd Hill Regional girls' varsity basketball team has finally knocked the proverbial monkey off their back by getting past the semifinal round. The Rams had lost in the quarterfinals

The weird and the wonderful at auctions



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There are many new antique related events taking place around the country. An estate sale was scheduled at the birthplace of P.T. Barnum in Bethel, CT according to the Danbury News-Times. P.T. Barnum posters and newspapers from as early as 1891 were scheduled to be included in the sale. The counter and chairs from English Drug, which was later established at the same location will also be included in the sale. Mary English lived in P.T. Barnum's home for 23 years but decided it was time to downsize and sell the collection and other personal property.

The Malibu Times reported that a Malibu, CA woman discovered a "national treasure" at a local estate sale. When she arrived at the estate sale she learned that it was the home of Carroll O'Connor who played Archie Bunker on the television show "All in the Family." Her father was a big fan of the show and he wore the same sized clothing as Mr. O'Connor. She purchased four of O'Connor's jackets.

The woman who was running the sale was the daughter-in-law of the O'Connors. The seller wrote a note to the buyer's father saying, "Dear Ron, Jerri tells me you're a huge fan. Wear them in good health." When the buyer brought one of the jackets she purchased for \$40 to be evaluated by an appraiser at the "Antiques Roadshow" it was said to be worth upwards of \$20,000.

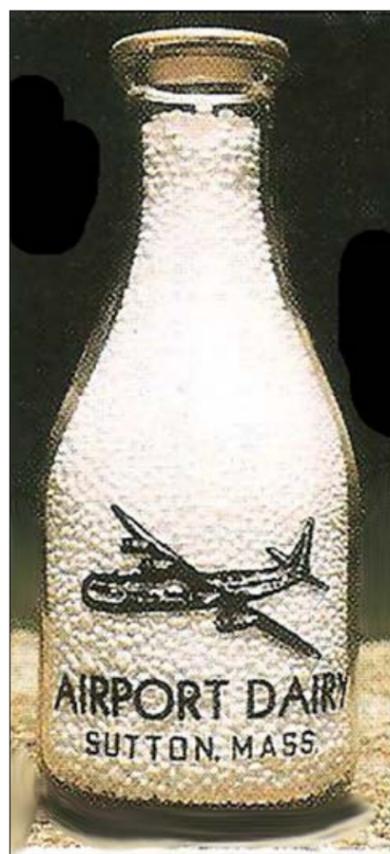
The Indianapolis Star reported a sale which is described as "the weirdest auction ever." Items scheduled to be auctioned by the Indianapolis Motor Speedway include an organ "as big as a Chevy Suburban," a Conestoga wagon and miniature trains. Other items include a 19th century American LaFrance horse drawn pumper fire engine, a "Cigar Store Indian," carousel horses, sleighs, and a high wheeled bicycle used to "play bicycle polo in the 1880s." It is believed that some of the items were originally acquired to be included in an amusement park that was never built. After the items sell, the additional space will be used to display some of the 300 cars that the museum currently owns.

With many museums seeing attendance and funding down and many organizations seeing a decline in membership, auctioning items is

becoming a great option to increase revenue. Donated items often don't fit in with the mission of the organization. A town historical museum may hold items related to other towns, state or national history. Deaccessioning items that aren't displayed or needed may provide extra funds for preservation, archiving items or building improvements.

We will be auctioning a milk bottle and other dairy related memorabilia collection from the estate of Doug Taylor of Mendon in our Worcester location on April 27. I'll be appraising items for the public as part of the Summer Solstice activities at the "Residence at Valley Farm" in Ashland on June 21. Our next multi-estate auction will take place on Aug. 31 in Worcester. Please keep watching www.centralmassauctions.com as other events are currently being planned.

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Palaia said. "We've taken steps to get grants and we're going to be addressing some of the bathrooms there, but we need to get to a decision point. If our expectations are that this is going to be a facility that provides services to the public, then we're going to need not only some tax subsidy to bring that up to code, but we're going to need a fresh set of eyes in there as to

what revenues we're going to generate."

Selectman John Saad said he too believes the community center needs to be a priority in the town's long and short term planning. While it will be a cost to the town to bring the building up to expectations, it's one he believes will be a worthy investment considering the significance of that center to the community as a whole.

"We have a building there that we just can't let deteriorate. We spent a lot of money on one floor of that building to house the school department and it was absolutely ridiculous the way it was handled because you've got a building with a top floor that's been completely renovated and three other floors that are 60 years old and nothing's been done," Saad said. "So, we all know that strength relies on a good foundation and we don't have a good foundation. The other three floors have had it.

It needs heavy repair. So, we really have to explore what it's going to cost to renovate that building." Saad noted that the citizens of Oxford have shown their support for renovations in the past by expressing continued interest in the community center in the town's master plan. However, if selectmen are to push through any funding for the center they will have to hope that commitment goes beyond that document, as it

may require taxpayer money to see things through, considering the town has no guaranteed grants or reimbursements currently in the pipeline.

"The people told us loud and clear they want to continue with the community center. If they want to expand it and also take care of the financial aspect of fixing that building then that's the way to go, but there's going to be a lot to battle. I can see it coming," said Saad.

BUDGET

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right now is the spending plan put forward by the school district.

"The total revenues are about \$600,000 and that would include increasing our new growth to \$100,000 and involve utilizing money from the overlay surplus account. It would involve also utilizing some money that we set aside in free cash from the fall town meeting to the tune of \$175,000 in addition to our regular traditional revenue source increases.

The total of these revenue increases is about \$602,000," Balukonis explained. "The interesting thing is when you look at mandated school spending and you consider the Baypath increase and the vocational district payments, those total \$529,000."

Specific numbers by department were not presented during the meeting, as it was simply a preliminary presentation to give the selectmen and citizens an idea of what the town is going into. Balukonis said he is going to work with town departments and the

school district to try and find a way to resolve the more than \$250,000 gap his report projected.

"What I'm working to do is to look and identify other sources of revenue together with budget cuts so that we can fit the municipal budget within the amount of available funds we have estimated," Balukonis said. "Municipal budget increases to date total \$244,000 and we need to fit it within about \$73,000. That's less than two percent, but we don't have a choice. We're mandated."

Balukonis said the school district released

a five percent budget increase, which selectmen felt puts the town in a tight situation. Selectman Paul Joseph requested a letter be sent to the superintendent and School Committee informing them a compromise may have to be made.

"I think it's important we convey that we're supportive of both the quality and the efforts of the school system and it's not an adversarial relationship, but we need to remind them, on behalf of the people, that we have more than a school to fund," Joseph said.

Balukonis said that message was already relayed to the school committee as he and Selectman Peter Fox had previously been involved with discussions about the hefty budget hike.

"We met with the regional school committee and we had an opportunity to meet with the superintendent. We found him very receptive to our situation. He understands our situation. I think in the long haul we'll end up with a budget closer to what we're looking for, but what that means is for municipal departments, there's

about \$73,000 that's left after we take out all of the school expenses. Police, fire and highway alone have increases over that \$73,000 so we've got some work to do."

The Dudley-Charlton Regional School Committee is expected to meet by the end of the month to discuss further adjustments to the education budget. Dudley's spring town meeting is in May, giving the town less than two months to finalize its budgets for consideration.

COMMITTEE

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members of the committee.

Kiel Becker was the first appointed by selectmen. The nephew of selectman Randy Becker, who recused himself from the conversation and vote to avoid a conflict of interest, Kiel Becker is a Bartlett and Nichols College graduate who is currently working to practice law in the Commonwealth. He said being a part of the town's Finance Committee would be a humbling experience for him.

"I'm very proud of this town. I'm also very proud of my family that's been involved with this town for nearly a hundred years. My grandparents, my uncle, and my father have all worked very diligently to better the community. It's with that same great sense of pride that I've decided to take the next step in my career and locate myself here in Webster instead of locating in a market that would be a lot easier and more financially beneficial to myself," Becker said. "I believe no education or professional background can prepare you to work for the town. With that being said, I know very many young individuals who are intelligent, dedicated, and devoted to this community who have stepped forward before me and blazed a trail."

Becker received unanimous approval from the Board of Selectmen, with Randy Becker recused and Selectman Mark Dowgiewicz absent for the meeting. The second individual chosen to fill a vacancy was Nick Adamopoulos, a 2005 Bartlett graduate who recently received his Legum Magister degree in taxation from Boston University and currently works in Boston as a tax attorney.

"It would be an honor to offer my services to the town. Hopefully with my background in finance and tax I could have a foundation to help the committee," Adamopoulos told selectmen. "I think it'd be great to give back to the town."

Selectmen passed a unanimous vote of support for Adamopoulos as well effectively adding him and Becker to the committee as of the group's March 9 meeting.

Selectmen also considered Bruce



Nick Adamopoulos



Kiel Becker

Holmes Sr. for an open spot but voted against his appointment in a three to one decision with Selectman Robert Miller being the only vote in favor of Holmes. Selectman noted that they felt Holmes lacked experience and there was concern his appointment could create conflict with current members of the committee. Selectmen stressed their decisions as ones they felt would help the Finance Committee continue to progress in the right direction in the foreseeable future.

"The chairman of the Finance Committee and his committee have really come a long way in a short amount of time," Selectman Donald Bourque said. "I think it's extremely important that we have knowledgeable people on the board that have some sort of experience in finances. There's a lot to learn in a very short amount of time."

POUTRE

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and his friends stumbled upon an old mill that they proceeded to explore. He admitted they might have been trespassing, but they did no harm and it allowed them to enjoy the history that mill contained.

"If you look back at books like 'Huckleberry Finn' it's about guys going off and having these adventures. Today you have a lot of videogames that incorporate adventure and exploration. But, it's kind of cool to go out on a real-life adventure and see these places and enjoy the historical aspect of places you might find. We came across a place one time filled with all of these old newspapers from the 1980s and we just sat there for two hours one night just reading them and going through

them. It was crazy," Poutre said.

As a former cross-country runner, Poutre worked to instill the same respect for the outdoors in underclassmen as Oxford as well. He also admitted that he hates the New England winter because, while it might look beautiful, it limits his ability to enjoy the outdoors. While some may find it easier, or perhaps more enjoyable, to sit on the couch and enjoy a movie or a video game, Poutre said he believes everyone should embrace the opportunity to be at one with Mother Nature and enjoy what she has to offer.

"You risk limiting yourself to one lifestyle if you don't get out there and explore," he said. "That goes for anything, not just the outdoors. It's important to expose yourself to these different activities and see what's out there to experience. You never know what you might find."

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Workshop tips and tricks



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Spring is on the horizon, and along with spring cleaning chores and garden tasks, the promise of warm weather brings with it a roster of “fix it” jobs to tackle. This time of year has most do-it-yourselfers itching to get busy in the workshop or garage. With this in mind, the following tips and tricks are geared to make your time on the workbench more productive!

Metal Magic: Don't pay big bucks for an expensive commercial product sold for removing woodworking stains on saws and metal pieces. Instead, use a spray on oven cleaner for the same great results!

Hammerhead Help: If the head of a favorite hammer gets loose, try soaking the hammer overnight in engine oil. The wood will expand and the hammer will be nice and tight again.

Safe Razors: When cutting with a double edge razor blade, cover one edge with an old wine bottle cork to protect fingers. As a bonus the cork acts as a handle. And when it comes time to sharpen those razor

blades, simply use the striker on a matchbook.

Measuring Up: Mark off a section of your workshop floor by painting inch and feet intervals on it. Now measuring large pieces of lumber will be a snap — no more bending and stretching.

Sliding Along: To coax your retractable tape measure to slide without stalling, simply lubricate the length of metal tape with a drop of car polish to keep it super smooth.

Free Screening: Protect light fixtures in the workshop or garage by covering them with scrap metal window screening. It's a cheap and easy fix that prevents flying wood chips from shattering exposed light bulbs.

Fill it Up: Save that sawdust in a covered jar. When you need wood filler, simply mix the sawdust with PVA glue for a perfect fix!

Tape Trick: When you find yourself taking apart something to fix that has many small parts, simply lay the parts on face double tape and you'll never lose them again!

Smooth Sawing: To keep a circular saw sliding smoothly across boards, rub paste wax onto the bottom of the base plate or shoe of the saw. Apply two coats of auto or furniture paste wax. Let it haze over, then buff it with a soft, dry rag.

The wax coat will also help fend off rust and corrosion

Too Tacky: To make an instant tack board, simply glue a block of styrofoam to the back of the workbench and use it to hang blueprints and notes to aid you in your work. The handy board can even hold spare screws, drawer knobs or other small items that you can simply poke in the foam.

Hooked Up: Are your power cord tools a tangled mess in the workshop? Install a few large, vinyl-covered, screw-in bicycle hooks into your ceiling joists and loop the tool's cord onto a hook. Problem solved!

Perfect Pad: Did you ever notice the underside of a workbench doormat always collects dirt? To make clean-up easier, fold a few newspapers to form a pad and place it under the mat to catch the dirt. Just change the pad regularly.

Workshop Recycling
A spring type clothespin makes a great little vice for small objects being glued. And the large metal binder clips from the office are even stronger for tougher jobs.

Always keep the bags of silica gel that come in vitamin bottles, electronics boxes, and even purses. Just toss a few in your tool box to prevent your small tools from rusting.

If you dampen the bottom of an old clay pot, you'll have a

good substitute for whetstone to sharpen your metal tools.

Do your safety glasses get dusty in the workshop? Wipe them down with a fabric softener dryer sheet to reduce the static that attracts the dust. And a used fabric softener sheet works like a tack cloth to collect and wipe up sawdust from drilling or sandpapering.

Don't toss out that old metal toilet paper holder. Hung on your workshop wall, it can serve as a rack for different sized rolls of tapes.

Old record album covers make great storage pockets in the workshop. Store loose sheets of sandpaper in an album cover and label the grade of paper on the outside. And slide circular saw blades in an album jacket for safe storage.

An old dish drainer can find new life in the workshop. Use it to store circular saw blades and angle grinder disks. Just stack the items as you would dishes.

Golf tees are the perfect shape and size to “cork” the inputs of air powered tools to prevent dirt and dust building up when not in use.

An old plastic travel toothbrush holder makes a safe place to hold a sharp glass cutter.

No water in the workshop?

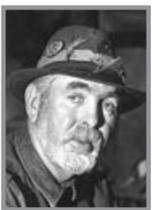
An empty super-sized liquid laundry detergent jug with a spigot makes a great portable “sink.” Just fill an empty jug with water. The detergent residue adds just enough soap to the water for clean handwashing in a pinch.

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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 kdr@ao.com.

Too early this year, it's not over yet!



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Prior to this past week's cold blast, I was sitting in my back yard enjoying the nice warm weather. What the heck happened? I also have a small pond in the back yard, and the sound of the peepers (tree frogs) were also singing, but they too have retreated back to their winter home. As I write this column a big winter storm was predicted for Tuesday into Wednesday with numerous other winter storms predicted through next week! That is what I get for taking my boat out of winter storage a couple of weeks ago!! It is not over until it is over!

Attending the saltwater fishing show in Providence last week sure made me anxious for spring to return. Meeting old friends that I had not seen for months, brought back many memories of our younger years fishing and hunting in the Valley and neighboring states. Looking over the latest fishing gear and saltwater flies, made me realize how much fishing tackle has changed. Rods and reels are much smaller and can still handle most saltwater fish. The small reels have a very

smooth drag system that makes fishing even more enjoyable to use.

I have taken a few buddies fishing on my boat over the past few years, and they often comment about my somewhat antique fishing gear, but they still land most of the fish that they hook into! The cost of new fishing gear is extremely expensive, and my response to them is to purchase some for the next trip, but I never see any! Indulging in free samples of hot grilled crab cakes, numerous treats of smoke jerky, along with other tasty treats available at the show, temporarily satisfied my craving for more food for an hour or two. After the show my brother Ken and I stop at Park Square Pizza for a bite to eat before heading home. The pizza is as close to eating at the former Mezzaluna pizza shop in Rhode Island years ago as possible.

Prior to the latest snowstorm ticks were starting to show their ugly heads. Numerous pet owners were taking the nasty little creatures off their pets on a daily basis. It is expected to be a very bad year for tick bites on both humans and pets. Keeping your pets on medication to prevent tick bites comes in many forms today, and although it may be a bit pricey, it is necessary to keep your pets safe from Lyme disease. The second wave of nasty

bugs will be the invasion of the Gypsy moth caterpillars this spring, eating every tree and bush that they can find. They too are expected to be worse than last year.

My nephew Captain Mel True of (Fish Net Charters) informed this writer of the new restrictions on commercial fishing in Massachusetts for tautog this spring. There will be no commercial fishing for tautog, but they will be able to catch their normal quotas in the fall! It took the Marine Fisheries long enough to realize that catching spawning tautog in the spring was not good for the species. This year the fish will be able to spawn before they are caught.

The captain of the Yankee Fleet out of Gloucester MA was not too happy with this year's cod and haddock regulations. He has had a hard time keeping his charter business going, but hopes he can survive the latest round of reductions on cod and haddock. The Clipper Fleet was forced to close a couple of years ago because of the strict regulations on cod and haddock, after more than 50 years in the business. The haddock limits have been reduced to 12 fish daily, although a recent report by the Marine Fishery Board have reported that there stocks have been completely rebuilt, higher than they were 40 years ago. No cod will be allowed again this



Courtesy photo

This week's picture shows a group of die-hard archers that took part in last week's 3-D archery shoot at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club despite the brutal cold weather. More than 25 archers attended the shoot. Joe Ricard, Steve Paul, Mike Lucier and Pete G. are shown in this week's picture

year in the Gulf of Maine. Commercial fishing boats dragging the saltwater for different species of fish are having larger by catch of haddock in their nets. A complete list of fishing regulations should be out soon.

Al's Gold Fish Co. will introduce a new series of saltwater lures this year. The new owner of the company Mike Lee has a lot of new ideas for the 65-year-old company. The company has changed ownership numerous times. Lee

purchased the company in 2015. Every freshwater angler had at least one of the Al's Goldfish lure in their tackle box over the last 65 years.

This past week I received my March issue of the New England Outdoor Writers newsletter in the mail. This group of writers which I am proud to be a member of for many years, has been awarding scholarship monies to young student that are pursuing degrees in many forms of wild-life conservation etc.!

NEOWA. is a nonprofit organization. They will be holding their annual meeting at the Singletary Rod & Gun Club Saturday April 8. All attendees will receive an Al's Goldfish commemorative lure made especially for the 75 year anniversary of the NEOWA. The lure will depict a background of a wild brook trout in fall spawning colors with the NEOWA logo. How neat is that?

Take A Kid Fishing & keep Them Rods Bending.



If a used car has been in a minor accident, you may be able to drive a real bargain where others pass.

Accidents Need Not Be Deal Breakers

(NAPS)

Many used car shoppers avoid cars that have been in an accident but their loss may be your gain. Here are some tips to help you find a bargain:

- Severity. If the vehicle was in only a minor accident, it could work out in your favor. You might pay less for a great car that just needed a few parts replaced.

- Structure. Check for reported frame or unibody damage; specialists can measure the frame to see if it's out-

side manufacturer specs.

- Get a Vehicle History Report. Accidents reported to Carfax often include helpful details like what areas of the vehicle were damaged, airbag deployments, if the vehicle had to be towed and so on.

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OBITUARIES

Frank E. Benson Sr., 73



THOMPSON — Frank E. Benson Sr., age 73, of East Thompson Road, died March 5, 2017 at Davis Place in Danielson, surrounded by his loving family. Husband of Patricia M. (Rogers) Benson, she died in 1992. Born Jan. 2, 1944 in Webster, son of the late Frank M. and Dorothy L. (Cordray) Benson.

He served in the US Army from 1965 to 1971 with the 250th Combat Engineers. He worked and retired from the Providence Worcester Railroad as an assistant division engineer in the track department. He was an avid candlepin bowler with the Tri-Town Bowling League in Webster for many years. He loved boating, fishing, his projects, fixing things and being outside working on the yard on his tractor.

He leaves his children, Frank Benson Jr. of Thompson, Brenda Benson of Quinebaug, Jennifer Piechocki and

her fiancé Michael Kiley of Thompson and predeceased by his son Timothy in 2015. He also leaves his sisters Vera Keene and Dorothy Hetherington, his grandchildren Jacqueline Bonengel, Laura Bonengel, Kate Bonengel, Kylie, Nygard, Isabella Sarette, Robbie Piechocki Jr., Patricia Benson, Cheyenne Benson, Patrick Benson, Travis Benson, Christian Kiley, Lillian Kiley and Lucy Kiley, great grandchildren, Tyrone, Brianna, Louis, Blake, Jonathan and a baby boy due in 2017, and many nieces and nephews and his dog Bella. He was also predeceased by his sisters Elizabeth Sharpe and Shirley Caswell.

The Smith and Walker Funeral Home (smithandwalkerfh.com), 148 Grove St., Putnam was entrusted with arrangements.



Pauline A. Burke, 89

BROOKFIELD — Pauline A. Burke, age 89, of River Street, passed away on Saturday, March 4th, in the Baystate Wing Hospital, Palmer, after a brief illness.

Pauline was born in Waltham, the daughter of Clarence and Elizabeth (Egan) Burke. She worked for 20 years as an assembler for the Southern Worcester County Rehabilitation Center in Webster. She enjoyed trips

to the casino especially her trips to Foxwoods. Pauline truly loved living with Dorothy Harkins who was her caretaker and best friend for the past 44 years.

Funeral services for Pauline will be private. There are no calling hours.

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home (morrillfunerlahome.com), 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

James O. Mason, 92



WEBSTER / FT. MYERS, FL — James O. "Jim" Mason, age 92, died Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in Joanne House at Hope Hospice in Bonita Springs, FL. His first wife of 50 years, Louise (Madura) Mason, died in 1995.

He leaves his wife, Irene (Thain) Mason of Ft. Myers; two sons, James P. Mason and his wife Carla Manzi of Webster, Gary R. and his wife Sharon Mason of Plymouth; a daughter, Mary Ellen Mason of Ft. Myers, FL; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother, Robert J. and his wife Barbara Mason of Yarmouth and Ft. Myers, FL; a sister, Lorraine Kilborn of North Grosvenordale, CT; nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his son, Kenneth A. Mason in 1996, by a brother, Harold Mason and by five sisters, Mary Rose Lyons, Doris Kroll, Marjorie Bernier, Jeanette Lozinski and Shirley Deary.

He was born and raised in Webster, a son of Atwood and Rose (Breault) Mason and attended Saint Louis High School.

He was an Army veteran and ex-POW

of World War II.

Mr. Mason and his brother Robert were very successful contractors. They constructed many commercial, residential and religious buildings, including Saint Louis Church in

Webster and the Dudley District Court House. Their business took them from northeast Connecticut to southeast New Hampshire. He retired in 1981.

He was a member of Saint Louis Church in Webster. He belonged to the V.F.W., the Exchange Club and the Webster Lodge of Elks #1466. He enjoyed traveling, was a skilled wood worker and was an expert mason.

The funeral was held Wednesday, March 15, from Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster, with a Mass at noon in Saint Louis Church, 14 Lake St., Webster. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Dudley, with the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council performing the military honors.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to Saint Louis Endowment Fund, 15 Lake St., Webster, MA 01570.



Debra A. (Marks) DiStefano, 50

WEBSTER — Debra A. (Marks) DiStefano, age 50, died Friday, March 3, 2017.

She leaves a son, Rocco DiStefano of Rutland; her parents, Alfred R. Marks and Lorraine L. (Arpin) Marks; a brother, David and his wife Christine Marks of Thompson, CT.

She was born in Southbridge and lived in Webster most of her life.

A private funeral was held for the family and invited guests on Friday, March 10, 2017 from the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street, Webster. Private burial will be in Mount Zion Cemetery.

Leo C. Pacher Jr., 72



DUDLEY — Leo C. Pacher Jr., age 72, died Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester, surrounded by his family.

He leaves his wife of almost 45 years, Nancy J. (Kuzdzal) Pacher; four children: Leo R. Pacher and his wife Elizabeth "Betsy" Pacher of Davidsonville, MD, Keith A. Pacher and his wife Bonnie Pacher of Baldwinville, Crystal I. Allard and her fiancé Daniel Stevens of Charlton, and Tiffany J. Pacher, also of Charlton; six grandchildren, Corey Pacher, Cameron Allard, Charlie Pacher, Carissa Allard, Katherine Pacher and Caylianna Pacher; nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Irene Farquhar and Beatrice Carroll.

He was born and raised in Webster,

the son of Leo C. Pacher Sr. and Irene J. (Gancy) Pacher and graduated from Saint Louis High School in 1962. He had lived in Dudley since 1976.

Mr. Pacher was employed by Anglo Fabrics Company as a loom programmer and then as a supervisor for over 20 years. He was a machine operator at Lucent Technologies in Sturbridge before retiring. He then worked part-time as a receiver at Park 'N' Shop in Auburn.

He was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Webster. His family, especially his grandchildren, was his treasure.

The funeral was held Saturday, March 11, from Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster, with a Mass in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 18 E. Main St., Webster. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Webster.

Walter J. Rice, 85



OXFORD — Walter J. Rice, age 85, of Holbrook Road, died peacefully on Saturday, March 11, 2017, in his home surrounded by his family.

He was predeceased by his wife of 56 years, Lorraine V. (Dube) Rice who died in 2006. He is survived by four children, Denise M. Rice of Oxford, Norma J. Cazeault and her husband Michael of Oxford, Linda A. Rice of Southbridge, and Kenneth M. Rice and his wife Wendy of Worcester; eleven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by two brothers and one sister. He was born in Leicester, son of the late Morgan J. and Mary E. (Daviau)

Rice, and lived in Oxford since 1966. He graduated from South High School in Worcester.

Mr. Rice worked for Thom McAn in Worcester and Auburn for 32 years. Later, he worked for Masterman's in Auburn for 15 years. He was a member of St. Roch's Church in Oxford, and was an avid sports enthusiast who enjoyed playing, coaching, and watching sports.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 2017, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial will follow at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours are Thursday, March 16, 2017, from 6-8 p.m. in the funeral home.



Patricia Ann (Fleming) Stockmal, 66



BROOKFIELD — Patricia Ann (Fleming) Stockmal, age 66, of Town Farm Road, died Tuesday, March 7, 2017, peacefully in her log cabin surrounded by her family. She is survived by her husband

of 25 years, Stephen W. Stockmal of Brookfield; two daughters, Tracey Ouellette and her husband Steven of Spencer, and Shelly Maher and her husband Richard of Oxford; seven grandchildren, two great grandchil-

dren, and several brothers and sisters. She was predeceased by her son, Lawrence E. Carlberg Jr., who died in 2013. She was born in Grafton, daughter of the late Simeon and Marjorie (Bragg) Fleming.

Mrs. Stockmal was a loving wife, mother, mama, friend, and inspiration to everyone she knew. She loved country living and raised any wild animal that touched her hands. She enjoyed fires with her family and decorating anything she could.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford was entrusted with arrangements.

Louis D. Paquet, 67



CHARLTON — Louis D. Paquet, age 67, of Partridge Hill Road, died Thursday, March 2, 2017, in his home. He is survived by spouse of 25 years, Melanie A. Dunlevy of Charlton; his sons, Louis "Chuck" D.

Paquet and his partner Melissa Palana of Barre, VT, Travis S. Paquet and his wife Hilary of East Montpelier, VT, Phillip A. Paquet of Berlin, VT, Robert A. Dunlevy Jr. and his wife Tara of Worcester, and Jonathan M. Dunlevy of Dudley; his mother, Phyllis E. (Blanchard) Painchaud and her husband Richard of Barre, VT; his sister, Cheryl D. Buzzi and her husband Michael of Barre, VT; six grandchildren, Colby Paquet, Emmeline Paquet, Patrick Paquet, Jasper Paquet, Joshua Samanigo, and Logan Dunlevy; and several cousins, nieces, and nephews, including Jim and David Buzzi. He was born in Barre, VT, son of the late Philip L. Paquet, and lived in Charlton for the past 20 years. He attended Chelsea High School in Chelsea, VT, and grad-

uated from Spaulding High School in Barre, VT.

Mr. Paquet was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War, where he received his certification as a sharpshooter and served as a radio operator. He was an independent long-haul truck driver for many years. He participated in scouting with Cub Scout Pack 165 in Charlton when his sons were young. He enjoyed researching his family history, genealogy, watching NASCAR, and loved Vermont. He was a dedicated spouse to Melanie, and will be remembered as a loving father and grandfather whose family meant everything to him.

A military graveside service will be held at the Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Randolph Center, Vermont, at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. There are no calling hours.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.



Shirley Ratcliffe, 82

WEBSTER — Shirley Ratcliffe, age 82, passed away peacefully in her sleep, Oct. 26, 2016.

She leaves behind a companion of over 50 years, Francis Melzer; a daughter, Arline Gendreau; two grand kids, Dan and Eric Gendreau, Dan's wife Tacy Gendreau, four great grandkids Morgan Gendreau, Tyler Rousseau, & her "twin boys" Sammy and Aidan Gendreau.

Shirley Ratcliffe, known by most as "Meme" worked at many of the local restaurants and clubs. With a larger than life personality and flashy way of dressing, Shirley was unforgettable. Her longtime companion of over 50 years "Francis Melzer" cared for her night and day until the day she passed. To quote one of the nurses that took care of Shirley "Everyone should have a Franny." Their love should be a lesson for anyone in this world trying to make it as a couple. Always together, they would be the first ones to compliment you. They made you feel welcome in any conversation. Whether it was

making you laugh, or getting a joke 30 minutes after you told it...Shirley was "one of a kind".

A definite people person, Shirley loved going out. Her beautiful smile could attract and be noticed by everyone. The only thing bigger than her beautiful smile was the love she had for her family & friends. Whether it was a card or present on the holidays or your birthday, Shirley never forgot you. She was so proud being a great grandmother. Everywhere she stayed she had out the pictures of her great grandkids. They could never leave seeing her without a giant hug and kiss and a few extra dollars in their pockets. Shirley will be missed by so many, but never forgotten...she made sure of that.

There are no calling hours. Mass will be held for Shirley Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 10 a.m. in St. Louis Church, Lake St., Webster, burial will be private.

Arrangements are entrusted to Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School Street Webster.

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CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

FISH FRY: Holy Trinity Parish, 68 Lake St. Webster will be serving a fish dinner every Friday during Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a dinner of baked fish with hand cut French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll. The cost is \$9. Eat in or take out.

LENTEN FRIDAY MEALS: Every Friday during Lent: 11:30 a.m. thru 2 p.m. and Friday Evenings from 4-6 p.m. St. Andrew Bobola Church in Dudley will be hosting a baked scrod dinner. The dinners will be eat in or take out from the church hall. Scrod dinner includes baked scrod, baked potato, coleslaw, rolls and coffee, tea or soda. The cost per adult dinner is \$9.50 and child's dinner \$5.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

TRADITIONAL MEAL: The First Congregational Church of Dudley, 135 Center Road is having a Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner on Saturday March 18. The menu will include: corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots and turnip. Dessert will be chocolate mint cake with real whipped cream. Servings will be at 5 p.m. AND 6:15 p.m. Adults: \$10; Preteens: \$5. Children 5 and under FREE. Reservations are advised. Please Call MJ at (508)943-1684. Tickets are also sold at the door. Handicapped Accessible.

MONDAY, MARCH 20

BUY SPAGHETTI, HELP A SCOUT: from 4-7 p.m. have spaghetti with meatball or sausage at just \$5 a plate, eat in or take out at the P&D House of Pizza in Oxford, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to Boy Scout Troop #165 for their Seabase Trip.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

FISH FRY: Holy Trinity Parish, 68 Lake St. Webster will be serving a fish dinner every Friday during Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a dinner of baked fish with hand cut French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll. The cost is \$9. Eat in or take out.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 25

INDOOR FLEA MARKET: at First Congregational Church, 355 Main St., Oxford, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. To reserve a table at \$25 each, call Fran at (508) 987-8961 and leave a message.

French Toast Breakfast! Help support Oxford Rainbow Girls by enjoying a hot breakfast and family fun! Breakfast kicks off at 7 a.m. where we will be serving French toast, sausage, juice, milk, coffee or tea! Payment is through donations only! At Oxford Masonic Lodge, 22 Mount Pleasant St., 7-11 a.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 31

FISH FRY: Holy Trinity Parish, 68 Lake St. Webster will be serving a fish dinner every Friday during Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a dinner of baked fish with hand cut French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll. The cost is \$9. Eat in or take out.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 2

FASHIONISTA: annual fashion show by the Dudley Woman's Club at Point Breeze. \$35 per person, visit the website: dudleywomansclub.org or mail a check to: DWC, PO Box 294, Dudley MA 01571 for the number of tickets you need. Raffles, baskets, money raffles and boutique vendors.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

FISH FRY: Holy Trinity Parish, 68 Lake St. Webster will be serving a fish dinner every Friday during Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a dinner of baked fish with hand cut French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll. The cost is \$9. Eat in or take out.

LENTEN FRIDAY MEALS: Every Friday during Lent: 11:30 a.m. thru 2 p.m. and Friday Evenings from 4-6 p.m. St. Andrew Bobola Church in Dudley will be hosting a baked scrod dinner. The dinners will be eat in or take out from the church hall. Scrod dinner includes baked scrod, baked potato, coleslaw, rolls and coffee, tea or soda. The cost per adult dinner is \$9.50 and child's dinner \$5.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

FISH FRY: Holy Trinity Parish, 68 Lake St. Webster will be serving a fish dinner every Friday during Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a dinner of baked fish with hand cut French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll. The cost is \$9. Eat in or take out. Final night.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 15

STEAK DINNER: The American Legion Post 184, 9 Houghton Street in Webster will be hosting a steak supper on Saturday, April 15 at 2 p.m. The meal includes steak, baked potato, salad, rolls & butter and dessert. The cost is \$15 per ticket and may be purchased in the lounge. Pre-purchase of tickets is strongly advised. There will only be a limited number of tickets available the day of the dinner.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE: A Spring Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, April 22 in Hodges Hall of Grace Episcopal Church, 270 Main St, Oxford from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to the Rummage Sale, there will be a Bake Sale and some items from the Lakota people of Pine Ridge Reservation. Church tours available on request. Lunch will be provided free of charge. All are welcome.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

BUSINESS FAIR: 10th annual East Meets West health & business fair fundraiser and blood drive, Saturday, April 29, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Bartlett High School gymnasium, 52 Lake Parkway, Webster. Presented by Life-Skills, Inc. and Page Chiropractic Health Center. FREE admission, raffles, screenings, demonstrations, giveaways & more! Enter to win a flat screen TV sponsored by Commerce Bank. Something for everyone. For a list of participants & activities, please visit life-skillsinc.org and click on News/Events. Vendors & Sponsors wanted - please email frs@life-skillsinc.org for more information. Proceeds benefit adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities served by

Life-Skills, Inc.

CHICKEN DINNER: The American Legion Post 184 Ladies Auxiliary, 9 Houghton St. in Webster will be having a rotisserie chicken dinner on Saturday, April 29. The meal includes ½ rotisserie chicken, baked potato, salad and dessert. The cost is \$12 per ticket and may be purchased in the lounge. Pre-purchase of tickets is strongly advised. There will only be a limited number of tickets available the day of the dinner.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE: The Oxford Girls Softball League is sponsoring its 18th annual Father Daughter Dance on April 30 from 5-7 p.m. at the Oxford Middle School. Tickets are \$5 and are available at Robbins Garden Center in Oxford. They can also be purchased at the door the day of the dance for \$6. All proceeds benefit the Oxford Lassie League. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Any questions contact John Guillotte at (508) 736-0046

ONGOING EVENTS

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT: The Webster Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at Webster Manor, 745 School St., from 6-8 p.m. Anyone in the area who feels they are in need of help, doesn't know what to do, or is a caregiver for someone with Alzheimer's, is invited to attend and express their concerns regarding the care for their loved one. The members of the group will discuss the ways, means, and the help you will need as your loved one progresses in this disease. Please come join with us at each meeting and you'll be glad that you did. Each person has a different story to tell and you will be given tips to help you work through this agonizing and dreadful disease.

LEAGUE OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: The St. Louis League of Catholic Women is holding its annual membership drive. The purpose of the league is to bring together women to further their cultural, social, and religious interests. The league meets every first Wednesday of the month, with the exception of January, February, July, August, and September. Programs this year will include cupcake decorating, Christmas sing-a-long, flowers in the Bible, movie night, crowning of Mary, and other interesting topics. If you are interested, please call Financial Secretary Louise Duval at 508-943-7695 or club President Carolyn Smith at 508-943-4732.

MEDITATION & YOGA: Guided Meditation on the second and fourth Wednesday every month, 6:30 p.m. at Generations Healing Center, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Wednesdays, Noon to 1 p.m., St. Vincent Cancer & Wellness Center, 1 Eaton Place Worcester. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Saturdays, 8:15-9 a.m., Oxford Community Center, 4 Maple Road, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Boucher School of Dance, 3 Millbury Boulevard, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Free Yoga Classes for Cancer Patients — Restorative yoga classes for cancer patients are offered weekly and are open to patients, survivors, and their families or caregivers. Classes are held every Saturday morning from 8:15 to 9 a.m. at the Oxford Community Center, 4 Maple Road, Oxford, and on Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. at Saint Vincent Cancer & Wellness Center, One Eaton Place, Worcester. The Restorative Yoga program is a complementary therapy that is designed to help reduce lymphedema, increase range of motion, and soothe neuropathies that may occur during all stages of treatment and recovery. This program also promotes relaxation, which is a vital element in healing, as it brings emotional and physical relief from stress through moving meditation and gentle yoga stretches. These programs have been made possible through PinkHippy.Org, a 501(c)(3) non-profit holistic service and support

organization that serves breast cancer patients, survivors and their families throughout Central MA, Northeastern CT, and Northwestern RI. Classes are free for those undergoing treatments or in recovery from breast cancer.

For more information please visit www.pinkhippy.org, call (508) 987-3310, or send an email to info@pinkhippy.org.

NUMISMATICS: The Nipmuck Coin Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St., behind the Oxford Town Hall. For more information, contact Dick Lisi at lisrichard15@yahoo.com.

TWICE AS NICE: The Central Mass. Mother of Twins is a non-profit club to benefit those who are raising multiples and provide support and an outlet. The club meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. every first Thursday of the month at the Oxford Community Center to discuss twins-related issues and have relaxing events such as movie nights and outings to take the children to and or your spouse or just for Moms. Anyone who is a childcare provider to multiples is welcomed and the meetings are held on the second floor of the building of the old school house.

HELP FOR HELPERS: Do you have a family member struggling with addiction or alcoholism? You are not alone. Join Families Helping Families Support Group. Meetings at Dudley Senior Center every first and third Monday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m. We spend so much time with our addicted loved one, that we become victims ourselves. Join us. It's informal, confidential, with tough love advice from the heart, sharing of resources, hope and hugs.

HOLISTIC HEALTH: Chair Yoga and so much more every Tuesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at The First Congregational Church, 135 Center Road, Dudley (please park and enter through the right side basement entrance). Class Fee: \$5/class voluntary contribution (Cancer patients always free). Proceeds donated to the First Congregational Church of Dudley. Instructor: Joanne LaLiberte, Holistic Health practitioner. This class of chair yoga is to expand the lungs and strengthen all the body's major muscle groups, for stability and mobility, balance, increasing flexibility, muscularity of hip and legs and increasing range of motion with our "rear view mirror" twists. We work through the entire body, quieting the nerves, relieving stress, realigning posture and we leave renewed. Chair yoga is open to adults of all ages. It is kept light-hearted with respect for every member of the class. We honor the body as it is right now and work to improve its overall health. We come to class as individuals and leave as family. Get to know yourself through the eyes of chair yoga and build a body that serves you better. Wear comfortable clothing. As with any exercise program, check with your healthcare professional before starting.

KNOWING KNITTERS: Come join the Drop In Knitting Group from 10 a.m. to noon on Fridays at the Pearle L. Crawford Memorial Library, Schofield Avenue, Dudley. All ages and levels, from beginner to expert, are welcome. For more information, call Mary Kunkel at (508) 943-8107 or Jacqueline Vassar at (508) 892-4754.

GOT FOOD? The Bread of Life Food Pantry, Calvary Assembly of God, located at 105 Southbridge Road, is open Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m. They are closed on holidays. They can be reached at 508-949-3711.

SUPPORT: The Cancer Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second Monday of every month in the Boardroom on the 4th floor at Harrington Hospital, 100 South Street, Southbridge. Call (508) 764-2400 for more information.

SUPPORT: Overeaters Anonymous group meeting every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Come to Room RHF-1 at Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret St., Putnam, CT. We will welcome you! For more information, contact Kathryn at (508) 949-0819.

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Rough roads aren't the only thing to worry about when the temperature drops. Tires also get cold and need extra grip to perform at their best. That's something your all-season tires might not be ready for. In fact, in temperatures of 45° F or below, the rubber in all-season tires gradually hardens, leading to decreased road traction and less grip. That can cause difficulty with braking and turning. Winter tire safety experts urge drivers to consider the weather; if you often drive when it's below 45° F—snow or no snow—it's time for a set of winter tires to keep you and your family safe on the roads this year.

"Winter tires are not just for drivers in cities that get snow and ice," explained Mark Marrufo of Discount Tire. "Customer safety is our number one priority at Discount Tire, so we urge drivers to swap out their all-season tires to help ensure they don't suffer from any performance issues when driving regularly in temperatures below 45°."

Winter tires use specially engineered tread rubber with enhanced compound to add the extra grip needed in winter driving conditions that helps keep a car safely in motion without skidding off the road. This added grip provides 25 to 50 percent more traction in snow and ice than regular all-season tires. Tread design in winter tires also uses



Cold weather driving requires tires that are up for the job.

tion edges for exceptional grip in cold weather driving conditions where ice, snow, slush and water may be present. What many drivers may not realize is that precipitation can actually pack in the larger grooves of all-season tires, leading to dangerous skidding and impaired braking.

Consider these five tire and road safety tips:

1. Replace your

all-season tires with superior cold traction winter tires if you regularly drive in temperatures of 45° or below. Make sure to replace all four tires to avoid an unsafe traction mismatch.

2. Don't forget the wheels when switching to winter tires. Having a set of wheels specifically for your set of winter tires will save money in the long run. They pay

for themselves by eliminating the cost of changeovers at the beginning and end of the winter season and by saving your expensive wheels from the wear and tear of ice, slush, snow and salt.

3. Check tire pressure regularly and don't forget to check the spare. Underinflated or overinflated tires may result in poor handling, uneven tread wear and poor fuel

consumption. For every 10° change in temperature, tire air pressure changes 1 psi.

4. Rotate your tires at least every 6,000 miles or earlier if irregular or uneven wear develops.

5. Make sure your tire shop properly torques the lug nuts to the specifications for your vehicle when changing over to winter tires.

Drivers who are unsure

whether winter tires are necessary for their vehicle can stop by any Discount Tire location for a free safety inspection. To locate a store nearby, schedule tire service appointments or search tires and wheels by size, brand and style—or by vehicle year, make and model—visit www.discounttire.com.

Managing A Mobile Workforce— Best Practices



Fleet management solutions can improve the experience of a mobile workforce—for both the employee and manager.

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With every passing year, technology continues to expand and transform the way we communicate and operate, especially in the workplace. Today's workers need all the capabilities of applications to

go with them wherever they are and mobile devices enable them to do that.

By leveraging fleet management software, businesses of any size can improve the productivity of their fleets and mobile workforces by getting vital information from near

real-time and historical vehicle and driver data. These solutions can improve the experience of a mobile workforce—for both the employee and manager.

When it comes to managing this type of workforce, there are a few things one can keep

in mind to maximize the efficiency of your business:

1. Track specific jobs, update schedules or send work order changes in near real time. With fleet management technology, you can alert mobile employees in the field of any changes with SMS, e-mail or

push notifications. Give your workforce an app that provides them with the vital info they need to be productive and efficient.

2. Motivate your drivers by using technology that gives them feedback on their achievements. Offering rewards for their accomplishments as recognition of a driver's performance can also go a long way to making them feel valued.

3. Help reduce the amount of paperwork needed to run your business by digitally recording invoices or customer signatures. Field service management tools like Fleetmatics WORK™ keep all your invoices and payments in one convenient place. It also allows for a speedier invoice process by sending invoices as soon as the job is completed and reducing the wait time for signatures and paper copies.

4. Locate your drivers more quickly through technology in case of an emergency as well as have more efficient scheduling. You can also save time by seeing when a field-worker acknowledges and accepts a new job.

5. Monitor speeding, late starts, vehicle idling and severe driving behavior, to help ensure any issues get fixed immediately—which can help save your driver and business from any legal ramifications.

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LEGALS

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Shirley A. Van Vleck and Brenda A. Ennis to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Community First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, its successors and assigns, dated March 19, 2010 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 45577, Page 213 subsequently assigned to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Community First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 48749, Page 49 and subsequently assigned to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by Bank of America, N.A., by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 51524, Page 144; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on March 31, 2017 at 12 Friar Tuck Lane, Oxford, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: The land situated on the southerly side of Friar Tuck Lane in the Town of Oxford, being Not No. 73 as shown on a Plan of Land in Oxford, owned by Mascor Homes, Inc., Albert L. Fitzback, Surveyor, dated April 25, 1975 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 415, Plan 39, more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northeasterly corner of the premises herein described at a point on the southerly line of Friar Tuck Lane, said point being Five Hundred Ninety and 02/100 (590.02) feet measured easterly along the southerly line of said Friar Tuck Lane from a cement bound at the intersection of said Friar Tuck Lane and Holly Street; THENCE S. 03° 46' 08" E. One Hundred Twenty (120.00) feet along Lot No. 74 to a point at Lot No. 81; THENCE S. 86° 13' 52" W. One Hundred (100.00) feet along Lots No. 81 and 80 to a point at Lot No. 72; THENCE N. 03° 46' 08" W. One Hundred Twenty (120.00) feet along said Lot No. 72 to a point on the southerly line of said Friar Tuck Lane; THENCE N. 86° 13' 52" E. One Hundred (100.00) feet along the southerly line of said Friar Tuck Lane to the point of beginning. CONTAINING 12,000 square feet according to said plan. SUBJECT TO covenants and restrictions recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 5782, Page 102, if in force and effect. SUBJECT TO easements for poles and wires which may affect locus. BEING the same premises conveyed to the Grantor by deed of Mascor Homes, Inc. dated January 23, 1976 and recorded with said Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 5878, Page 319. being the same premises conveyed to the mortgagor by deed recorded herewith in Book 45577 Page 211

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

TERMS OF SALE:

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

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By Its Attorneys,

ORLANS MORAN PLLC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
15-000274

March 10, 2017
March 17, 2017
March 24, 2017

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Dennis A. Bernard and Julie A. Bernard to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Wilmington Finance, a division of AIG Federal Savings Bank, dated July 21, 2005 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36890, Page 344 of which mortgage U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for CIM Trust 2015-4AG Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2015-4AG is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Wilmington Finance, a division of AIG Federal Savings Bank to MorEquity, Inc. dated December 15, 2009 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45305, Page 266; assignment from MorEquity, Inc. to Springleaf Finance Corporation, in Trust for U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for Springleaf Mortgage Loan Trust 2012-3, Mortgage Backed Notes Series 2012-3 dated September 11, 2013 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51494, Page 36 and assignment from Springleaf Finance Corporation, in trust for U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, for Springleaf Mortgage Loan Trust 2012-3, Mortgage Backed Notes Series, 2012-3 to U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for CIM Trust 2015-4AG Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2015-4AG dated January 10, 2017 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 56617, Page 208, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 2 Progress Avenue, Dudley, MA 01571 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00PM on March 27, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land in Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

TRACT I:

The land in Dudley, Massachusetts, located on the southerly side of West Main Street, in said Town of Dudley, and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the southeast corner of land conveyed by Sophie Pierzchala to Joseph Swirzbin, recorded in Worcester Registry of Deeds Book 43, Page 478, by deed dated November 25, 1932.

The division line being as follows: S. 5 degrees 55' E., fifty (50) feet to an iron pin;

THENCE S. 89 degrees 46' W., one hundred forty-three and nine hundredths (143.09) feet to an iron pin;

THENCE N. 9 degrees 03' E., fifty (50) feet to a stake;

THENCE 89 degrees 38' E., one hundred twenty-nine and ninety two hundredths (129.92) feet to the point of beginning.

TRACT II

A certain tract of land in Dudley on the westerly side of Progress Street and being a portion of the tract conveyed by Nicholas D'Alessandro to Frank and Julia Bednarz by deed dated October 20, 1936 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 2679, Page 241, further bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the westerly sideline of Progress Street at the southeast corner of land of Josephine Bednarz;

THENCE by land of Josephine Bednarz, S. 89 degrees 46' W., a distance of 143.09 feet to a stake;

THENCE S. 10 degrees W., a distance of 10 feet;

THENCE easterly with an included angle of 76 degrees 48' a distance of 80.36 feet to a stake;

THENCE deflecting to the left with an interior angle of 177 degrees 27', a distance of 66.16 feet to the point of beginning.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 30995, Page 37. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all

easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for CIM Trust 2015-4AG Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2015-4AG

Korde & Associates, P.C.

900 Chelmsford Street

Suite 3102

Lowell, MA 01851

(978) 256-1500

Bernard, Dennis and Julie, 09-056003, March 3, 2017, March 10, 2017, March 17, 2017

March 3, 2017

March 10, 2017

March 17, 2017

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Jay F. Milner and Susan J. Milner to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated September 26, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 37388, Page 4 subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2005-OPT4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-OPT4 by Sand Canyon Corporation fka Option One Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said at Book 54918, Page 259; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on March 24, 2017 at 23 Pinehurst Drive, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract of land with buildings thereon, situated in said Webster, on the northerly side of Pinehurst Drive and being LOT 33 on "Plan No. 1, Subdivision of property of Emil DiDonato, Webster, Massachusetts" dated March 2, 1953 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 225, Plan 114. Subject to and with the benefit of rights, restrictions, easements, and reservations of record, so far as now in force and applicable. The mortgagors expressly reserve any rights of Homestead and do not which to terminate their Homestead (see Book 23019, Page 139) by granting the within conveyance notwithstanding any waiver of such Homestead in the within mortgage. For title reference, see deed dated October 19, 1993 and recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in book 15751, Page 189.

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

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

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2005-OPT4, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-OPT4

Present Holder of said Mortgage,

By Its Attorneys,

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15-007965

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March 17, 2017

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Scott G. Ross and Linda Pinnelle-Ross to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Sierra Pacific Mortgage Company, Inc., dated October 9, 2008 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 43411, Page 303 of which mortgage Ditech Financial LLC f/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "(MERS)" as nominee for Sierra Pacific Mortgage Company, Inc. to CitiMortgage, Inc. dated July 10, 2015 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54028, Page 108 and assignment from CitiMortgage, Inc. to Ditech Financial LLC f/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC dated May 20, 2016 recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 55361, Page 60, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 143 Dudley Oxford Road, Dudley, MA 01571 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00PM on March 27, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land situated in the Town of Dudley, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is more particularly shown or designated as Lot 6 on a plan of land entitled "PLAN OF LAND prepared for SUZANNE J. VALLEE & WENDY LOU SLINGO, DUDLEY OXFORD ROAD, DUDLEY, MASSACHUSETTS," Scale 1" = 100', May 9, 2001 prepared by Jim Kasierski, PLS, Inc., Dresser Hill Road, P.O. Box 56, Charlton, MA 01507, 508-248-9000, which said plan is recorded with Worcester Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 774, Plan 123, to which plan reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said Lot 6.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 26995, Page 25.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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Ross, Scott G., 16-025048, March

3, 2017, March 10, 2017, March 17,

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March 3, 2017

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March 17, 2017

LEGALS

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT
17 SM 000410
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
 Alyson Garner and Richard Livernois, and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 3901 *et seq.*: Nationstar Mortgage LLC claiming to have an interest in a mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 14 Park Street, given by: Alyson Garner and Richard Livernois to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Call Mortgage Company, Inc., dated March 26, 2007, and recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 40873, Page 145, and now held by 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 April 10, 2017 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 February 23, 2017
 Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder

51758 (Garner-Livernois)
 FEI # 1078.02098 03/17/2017,
 March 17, 2017

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 16 SM 005714 ORDER OF NOTICE TO: Erik J. Butzke and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 501 *et seq.*: Wright-Pratt Credit Union, Inc. claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Dudley, numbered 53 Fairview Avenue given by Erik J. Butzke to Wright-Pratt Credit Union, Inc., dated September 29, 2014, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52854, Page 128, and now held by 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 April 10, 2017 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 this Court on February 24, 2017 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder March 17, 2017

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT
16 SM 010947
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
 Shawn W. Cierpich and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 *et. Seq.*: Nationstar Mortgage LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Dudley, numbered 180 Ramshorn Road, given by Shawn W. Cierpich to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., dated February 3, 2006, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38497, Page 289, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement date August 28, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 50089, Page 62, 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 April 10, 2017 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 March 6, 2017.
 Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder

16-027448 / Cierpich, Shawn
 W./03/17/2017
 March 17, 2017

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT
17 SM 000615
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
 Scott S. Bianchi
 Kristen Bianchi and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 *et. Seq.*: Nationstar Mortgage LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 38 Rawson Road, given by Scott S. Bianchi and Kristen Bianchi to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc., dated January 28, 2005, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 35636, Page 252, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated October 27, 2015 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 54635, Page 114, 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 April 17, 2017 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 March 3, 2017.
 Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder
 17-028180 / Bianchi, Scott
 S./03/17/2017
 March 17, 2017

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. WO17P0674EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
 Charles E French
Date of Death: 12/31/2016

To all interested persons:
 A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **William A French of Chicopee 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: **William A French of Chicopee 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 04/11/2017**. 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 INFORMAL 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: March 03, 2017

Stephanie K. Fattman,
 Register of Probate

March 17, 2017

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. WO17C0082CA
In the matter of:
 Deborah Lynn Wellsby
Of: Dudley, MA
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

To all persons interested in petition described:

A petition has been presented by Deborah L Wellsby requesting that: Deborah Lynn Wellsby be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

Sharon Lynn Wellsby
 IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT **Worcester** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **04/11/2017**

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: March 6, 2017

Stephanie K. Fattman
 Register of Probate

March 17, 2017

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT
16SM011364
ORDER OF NOTICE

To:
 Cindy Lee Labelle
 John A. Larson, Jr. and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C.c. 50 §3901 *et seq.*: Nationstar Mortgage LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 5 Harwood Street, given by Cindy Lee Labelle and John A. Larson, Jr. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Advanced Financial Services, Inc., dated August 28 2009, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44800, Page 86, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated January 26, 2015 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 54247, Page 111, 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 April 24, 2017 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 March 7, 2017.
 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson
 Recorder
 16-026904
 March 17, 2017

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of license Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application
Number X271372
Project Name: Stawiecki Dock, Float, & Retaining Wall System
NOTIFICATION DATE:
MARCH 17, 2017

Public notice is hereby given of the application by **Robert Stawiecki** to maintain an existing residential structure which includes a dock system, float, and retaining walls at **1 Lakeview Road, Webster, MA 01570**. The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received by within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR

9.13(4)(c). Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at 617-292-5929. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below.

Written comments must be addressed to:
MassDEP's Waterways Regulation Program
Central Regional Office
8 New Bond Street
Worcester, Massachusetts 01606
 March 17, 2017

DUDLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Public Hearing Notice

A Public Hearing will be held at the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street in Dudley, MA at 6:30 PM on March 30 to consider a Notice of Intent of David Vitkus for the property located at Peck Ave for single-family house with two resource area crossings. This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Conservation Commission's office at the Dudley Municipal Complex on Mondays and Tuesdays from 11:30-4:30 PM. For more information, call 508-949-8011.
 March 17, 2017

Town of Dudley
Public Hearing
Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, March 27, 2017** at 6:35pm at the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA in the Veteran's Memorial Hall, Room 321A. The purpose of this Hearing: **To Act on an Application for a Class II, Second Hand Motor Vehicle License for Mariusz Kalinowski d/b/a Euro Cars located at 44 Oxford Ave., Dudley, MA 01571**

Anyone wishing to be heard should appear at the date and time specified or submits their concerns in writing. Jonathan Ruda, Chairman
 Dudley Board of Selectmen
 March 17, 2017
 March 24, 2017

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 16 SM 006462 ORDER OF NOTICE TO: The Heirs, Devises or Legal Representatives of the Estate of Marie Martin, Matthew J. Biuso, as Guardian of Julia Martin and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. §§ 3901 *et seq.*: Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 6 Granite Street given by Marie Martin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Loandepot.com, LLC, dated October 14, 2015, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54447, Page 228, and now held by 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 April 17, 2017 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 this Court on March 6, 2017 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder March 17, 2017

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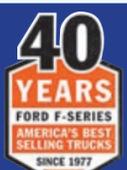
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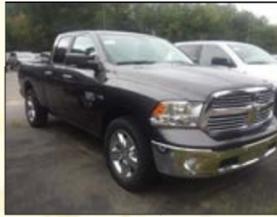
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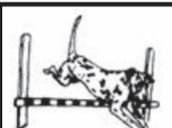


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Send applications/resumes to:
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71 West Main Street,
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Deadline 3/31/17

EOE

311 PART-TIME HELP WANTED

Employment Posting
SEASONAL CEMETERY MAINTENANCE WORKER

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