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The stuff of nightmares

As a parent to two young children, it is quite often that I will be working late at night, typing away on some random document for work, lost in what I am doing, when I am broken out of my trance by the faint moan from down the hallway from one of my children.

Sometimes, the moan fades away to silence, and I know that whatever they were dreaming about has



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passed, and everything is OK. But s o m e t i m e s, the moan develops

into a cry, followed by "Mommy!" I don't take it personally.

Usually, if Mommy hasn't already done so first, I'll tip toe down the hallway and peek in, and give a reassuring pat on the back. If it persists, I'll pick them up and rock them back to sleep.

Sometimes, it happens without a noise, when I'll be startled by one of them suddenly standing in front of me, half asleep and frowning. If that sight doesn't break your heart, I don't know what does.

"Are you having a scary dream?" I asked my son during the most recent wake up. I feel his head nod on my shoulder.

The nod is mostly all I get sometimes, as he is already asleep by the time I get him back to bed.

I'll dream from time to time. Most of them are the most random pieces of memories sewn together in a nonsensical patchwork that defies explanation. I'm in a school taking a final for a class I didn't attend all semester; then suddenly I'm flying over a city like Superman (and yes, more often than not, I do a lap around the globe on top of the Daily Planet); then I'm being chased through the woods by unseen forces; then ... well, random is random for a reason. It's been a long time since I have had a "nightmare" that has truly scared me. Most times, I wake up knowing that I have dreamt something but forgetting nearly everything I had just dreamt about.

One of the most glaring exceptions to that rule came when I was young. I had just watched (and don't ask me why I chose to watch this, because my parents would not have approved) the horror movie "Chucky." For those of you who don't know, the movie surrounds an epically creepy doll possessed by the spirit of a serial killer. Yeah...a killer doll. If you don't know about "Chucky," look it up at your own risk. It's hard to forget how creepy he is. Anyway, the movie gave me nightmares for weeks, and to this day, I can still recall the details of one particular nightmare that involved me being chased by Chucky brandishing a knife in a library. I can look back on it now and laugh, but back then, I'm not afraid to admit it startled me a few times.

So as I work late most nights, and hear my kids toss and turn, I can only imagine the kinds of things they dream about. I can only hope it's all peaceful. As parents, all we want to do is protect them from the horrific stuff this world has to offer, and protect them in a bubble of flowers and lollipops. But sometimes, fear creeps in, and the nightmare is scary enough to really make an impact, and Mommy and Daddy are called upon to make it better. That's all we can do.

One thing I can learn from my childhood that I can apply to parenting? Never show my kids "Chucky." I would just be asking for it at that point. Gives me the creeps...

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The stuff of | Drug take back days a success around region



Courtesy photo

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was a huge success throughout the area. Pictured, residents of Uxbridge turned in several unused and expired medications. BY KEVIN FLANDERS

Several area police departments held successful prescription drug take-back programs on Oct. 22 as part of a national initiative targeting the opioid crisis.

The Blackstone Valley saw several successful take-back programs on Oct. 22.

"Uxbridge Police Department is pleased to report that National Drug Take-Back Day was a resounding success," read a statement issued by the department following the event.

Drug collections recepta-

cles are also available in the lobbies of the Uxbridge and Northbridge police stations. While drug take-back programs were initially started nationwide to prevent environmental contamination from drugs tossed down the sink, the programs have since become integral in reducing opportunities for abuse.

In Spencer, police once again teamed up with CVS Pharmacy to provide opportunities for residents to safely dispose of unused, expired or unwanted medications. Thanks to a grant-funded partnership with CVS, the police department already features a drug disposal kiosk in the lobby. The kiosk, combined with collections events held over the last year, have brought in more than 50 pounds of drugs.

"We encourage people to get rid of these old medications so they cannot be abused," said Spencer Police Chief David Darrin, who has played a leading role among local law enforcement in combating the crisis. "When you're done using a drug, it's important to get it out of the house."

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Senate race coming down to the wire

MOORE, BESHIR GO HEAD TO HEAD IN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS



Michael Moore



Mesfin Beshir

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

For our election profile coverage this season, we invited candidates to participate in a debate-style format in which they answered the same questions about important issues facing their districts.

In our second election profile, candidates for the 2nd Worcester Senate District — incumbent Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury) and Mesfin Beshir (R-Worcester) — provided their answers to the following eight questions.

The 2nd Worcester Senate District includes Auburn, Leicester, and Northbridge, among other communities.

Looking ahead, what are some of your immediate focuses and priorities for the district?

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Cousins Deon Alicea, Dominic Alicea, and Kylie Alicea happy for the early trick or treating before Halloween.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Rayanne Coombs photos
WHITINSVILLE —

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Adventures in writing

YOUNG AUTHOR AIMS TO INSPIRE

> BY OLIVIA RICHMAN NEWS STAFF WRITER

DOUGLAS—Soonto-be-famous author Emily Bastien has published her first book, with many more sure to follow. The 7-year-old

The 7-year-old Douglas resident self-published "Aqua Tales: Stories About Kids Solving Problems," with endless support from not only her parents, but her teachers at Whitinsville Christian School.

Olivia Richman spoke with Emily and her proud mother, Bridgette, about



Photos courtesy Bridget Bastien

"I really like to make up stories," said Emily Bastien, pictured with her family. "I like to make stories about adventures. I also like to make stories about problems. It gives kids all around the world ideas to cope with problems."

the amazing accomplishment and found out there was somehow even more than meets the eye — not only does Emily want to be a famous author, but the goal

of the book was to help others and inspire.

"Aqua Tales" was

Please Read **AUTHOR**, page

Dog park plans moving forward in Uxbridge, Auburn

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

It can be challenging to find a safe, expansive area to walk dogs, but our four-legged friends in two local towns will soon have a brand new place to stretch their legs.

Officials in Auburn and Uxbridge are proceeding with plans to establish dog parks.

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In Uxbridge, the goal is to build a dog park utilizing about three acres of land at the Sutton Street Fields (two of which would be enclosed with fencing). Officials from the Uxbridge Dog Park Committee are currently in the design phase of a three-phase grant

that will enable them to fund the park.

Moving forward, the group needs to raise about \$17,000 for the construction portion of the effort. They are accepting donations from residents and business owners interested in supporting the project. Checks should be made payable to Uxbridge Dog Park and mailed to Uxbridge Town Hall (21 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA, 01569). In addition, there is another fundraiser for brick pavers through which residents can make donations by visiting www. polarengraving.com/

UxbridgeDogPark.

Please Read DOG PARK, page A11

Towns offer early voting for first time

Residents looking to beat the Election Day crowds are in luck, as Massachusetts launched early voting for the first time ever this year. Beginning this past Monday, Oct. 24, town clerks throughout the area have already seen a steady flow of residents

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taking advantage of the new opportunity.

Unlike residents seeking absentee ballots, early voters are not required to provide a reason for doing so. They can simply stop by the town clerk's office during posted hours and fill out the ballot. For residents with work or school obligations – or voters who just want to avoid the lines and busy parking lots -

early voting is a great opportunity.

Town clerks have been busily preparing for early voting, and they are hoping it drives up voter turnout this year.

"Anything that makes it easier for voters to cast a ballot is a good thing," said Spencer Town Clerk Laura Torti. "This will offer convenience for people who want to vote on a different day."

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ing makes it more convenient for residents, the process is requiring town clerks and their staffs to take on added demands. Officials are asking residents to be patient over the coming week, as many towns don't have the funding to secure additional staff members to facilitate early voting.

"In addition to early voting, town clerks still have to handle all of the regular daily demands," said Uxbridge Town Clerk Kelly Dumas, who will be joined by two assistants in running early voting operations.

In addition to holding early voting during its regular business hours, Uxbridge will also host a special Saturday session (Oct. 29 from 8 a.m. to noon). Town officials are estimating about 500 residents to take advantage of early voting, but a first-time process is always difficult to predict, they said.

In Auburn, Town Clerk Debra Gremo sees both the pros and cons of early voting. Without knowing how many residents would attend early voting hours, it was a challenge to decide which section of Town Hall to use for the process. Moreover, town clerks throughout the area didn't know which days to expect peak numbers of guests so they could plan accordingly. With no experience in handling early voting, they had to prepare for many contingencies.

Additionally, extra costs for staffing early voting also came into play in Auburn. But Gremo also recognizes the benefits to early voting and the opportunity to bring more people to the polls.

"We have no idea what the turnout will be - however, I think there will be many voters who will vote early," Gremo told the Auburn News in advance of early voting. "I think one of the pros for early voting is that voters get to choose the day they want to vote, and it is more convenient for the voters. Sometimes it isn't easy for voters to make it to the polling place.

Early voting in Auburn will run from Oct. 24 through Nov. 4 at Town Hall (104 Central Street). Dates and times are as follows:

- Monday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday Thursday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Friday: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Early voting times and locations in the Spencer New Leader towns are listed below:

Brookfield – Regular Hours: Monday, 9a.m. to 3p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Hall, 6 Central Street.

East Brookfield - Regular Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Monday, 6-8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 27: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to Noon; Nov. 3: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Town Clerk's Office, 122 Connie Mack Drive.

North Brookfield - Regular Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, 12 noon to 3 p.m., Tuesday evening, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 25: 9a.m. to 8p.m.; Oct.27: 9a.m. to 3p.m.; Oct. 28: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to noon; Nov. 1: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Nov. 3: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Nov. 4: 9 a.m. to noon, town clerk's office, 215 North Main Street.

West Brookfield – Regular Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Town Hall, 2 East Main Street.

Leicester – Regular Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 25, until 8 p.m., Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Nov. 1 until 8 p.m.; Nov. 4: 9 a.m. to noon, Town Hall, 3 Washburn Square.

• Spencer – Regular Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 26: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Oct. 29: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Nov. 2: 6 p.m. to 8p.m.; Nov. 4: 8 a.m. to noon, Town Hall, 157 Main Street.

Absentee voting will still be available for registered voters who qualify (only those who will be absent from their city or town on Election Day, or have a disability or religious belief that prevents them from going to the polls).

In future years, early voting will only be available for biennial state elections, not for primaries, special elections or local elections.

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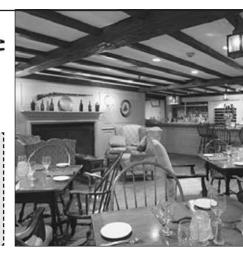


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No tricks, just treats at PTA Trunk or Treat event

WHITINSVILLE — The Northbridge PTA hosted its annual Trunk or Treat event to a record crowd on Sunday, Oct. 23, at the Northbridge High School parking lot. Thirty-six families outrageously decorated their trunks in themes including Harry Potter, Dr. Seuss, superheroes, pirates, and Pokémon, to name just a few. Even Whitinsville Family Dentistry joined in the fun, handing out healthy goodies. More than 250 costumed children enjoyed the creative displays and collect-

ed Halloween treats. There were also games, crafts, a "selfie station" and dance floor. The event was free to the public, but donations to the Northbridge Food Pantry were encouraged upon admission. Although the PTA funds the majority of the event, local businesses including Shaw's, West End Creamery, Fopema's Farm Stand, and Walmart also donated items for prizes, and decorations. Dawn Ison, chairman of the Trunk or Treat Committee, said, "I'm extremely grateful for everyone who volunteered their time, and the many donations we received to make this a very successful event.'





Ahoy, mateys! The Lundquist - Bryce, Jen and Florissa, have a treasure chest full of treats to go along with their pirate themed trunk.

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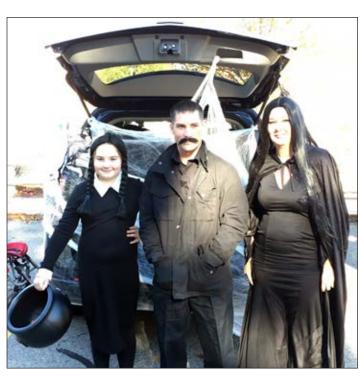


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ABOVE LEFT: Skyler Criasia proudly displays her cemetery themed trunk.

The Marston family — Haley, Brooke and Mike — channeling the Addams Family in front of their spooky trunk.

The essence of the day. Fun was had by all! Florissa Lundquist, Bryce Lundquist, Kathleen L'Hommedieu and

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Tuesday, Nov. 1

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** Friday's Child



Jesse and Selena are playful Caucasian siblings. Jesse, 6, is a charming and sweet young boy. He is very helpful and aims to please the adults in his life. He is also very bright, and is very interested in learning. He loves to run around, play catch, and play with his toy cars. Jesse has done well in his current foster home and has shown the ability to make connections with both the adults and other children. Jesse is usually very engaged in the classroom when learning about new things. He has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for emotional support inside the classroom.

Selena is a sweet, smart and determined 4-year old little girl who likes to doodle,

color and count. Selena has been diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. She has some words, but is not yet able to utilize expressive language. She is able to count up to twenty, and she can recognize her letters and colors. Selena is currently enrolled at a center based daycare where she receives Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services as well as other therapeutic supports. She is currently undergoing evaluations to determine her eligibility for special educational services at school.

Jesse and Selena's social worker is open to considering any type of family where the children can be the youngest or only children in the home. The children would do best with parents who can advocate for her needs, seek resources and provide an unconditional commitment to them as they grow. Jesse and Selena will also need a family open to post-adoption contact with their birth parents.

Who are the Children Waiting for Adoption?

There are approximately 2,400 children in Massachusetts foster care with the goal of adoption. Through no fault of their own, they cannot be raised by their birth parents. Many will be adopted by a relative or foster parent, but more than 600 have no one to adopt them yet. These waiting children are usually older, or sibling groups who belong together, children of color of all ages, and children with intellectual, physical or emotional difficulties or disabilities. These children have experienced many losses and changes in their lives, and need patient and dependable adoptive parents who can help them grow and thrive in their new family. Free post-adoption support services are available to help.

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



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DIY fall potpourri and autumn wax tarts



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Scents are powerful. Just a small whiff of certain s mells can fuel emotions. From

altering moods and sparking memories to creating calm and promoting focus, fragrance can be profoundly influential in our everyday lives

Autumn in New England offers an abundance of native sights and scents that can be captured as everlasting fragrance for the home. This week's column will spotlight a few simple recipes to bring the spectacular fragrance of the season indoors for months to come.

*** New England Potpourri Mix

This all-natural autumn potpourri mix will bring you back to a walk along winding New England roads. A few drops of essential oil may be added to boost the scent as the mixture ages.

Ingredients: Dried slices of two Red or Golden Delicious apples (or other hardy New England variety); dried slices of one orange; eight cinnamon sticks; one tablespoon nutmegs; three tablespoons whole cloves; 2 Whole nutmegs; Filler: acorns, dried leaves, bark pieces, pinecones, etc.

Directions: Break up (or smash) the cinnamon sticks and some of the whole cloves to release fragrance. Mix together all ingredients, gently folding in apple and orange slices last. Place in an open bowl or pack in a clear glass jar for gift giving or later use.

Pie Spice Sachets

The sweet scent of freshly baked apple and pumpkin pies can be resurrected every time you reconstitute these essence filled sachets. Best of all, these can be used to scent the air and to spice up cider!

Ingredients: 2 tablespoons pumpkin pie spice; 4 teaspoons ground cinnamon; 2 teaspoons nutmeg; 2 tablespoons applesauce

Mix the applesauce and spices together in a bowl. Dough will be very stiff. Pinch off small pieces of dough and roll into balls. Press down to form discs, about an inch or so. Bake in a 275-degree oven for about two hours or until fully dry and firm. Allow to cool and harden.

To use for simmering potpourri: Drop one disc into a couple of inches of simmering water.

To use as spice sachet: Drop disc into Preheat oven to 275 degrees and bake for 1 1/2 hours until dry and firm. Cool. Use as a simmering potpourri by simply dropping in boiling water. To use as a spice, drop into container of simmering cider.

Autumn Wax Tarts (Recycled Candles) Making fragrance tarts is easy (and free) if you've collected all your autumn fragranced candle ends throughout the year.

Ingredients: Leftover candle wax; foil

cupcake wrappers.

Directions: Carefully melt leftover candle bits in a double boiler or use the warming tray of a drip coffee maker. Remove wicks and black bits from melted wax. Line a cupcake pan with aluminum foil cupcake wrappers. Pour about an inch of wax into each aluminum wrapper. Allow to cool, then remove wrapper from tin and peel off tart.

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 threecourse 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 thee to share your best helpful

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

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

The meaning of public service

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COMMENTARY

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As a state senator, many of my responsibilities relate to crafting policy and representing the views of local residents on Beacon Hill. However, a less-known function of my office involves assisting constituents every day – hundreds each year – with issues related to

state-level government agencies and other entities.

As a public servant, I have the opportunity to help members of the community with navigating through red tape in government, and to spread information about resources and programs available to residents.

Earlier this year, I was approached by several constituents about an issue they faced with their water bill. In particular, the residents were concerned with the significant cost associated with maintaining and supplying the mandated fire sprinkler system in their housing development. As it happens, the state agency responsible for reviewing and approving utility rates validated the charges assessed by the water company.

Dissatisfied with the decision, my office, in collaboration with local residents and representatives of the

water company, rolled up our sleeves to find a viable approach to addressing the issue. In the end, we found a way to reduce the overall cost associated with the fire sprinkler services while ensuring that the interests of all parties were taken into consideration.

The rate change is now in the final approval stages by the appropriate state agency.

This situation – one of many – highlights the importance of community, business and government sectors coming together to find practical solutions to problems faced by those in our community.

While I may not have the ability to resolve every issue, I take pride in knowing that my office works hard to advocate on behalf of local residents—often achieving positive results. If you are a resident of the Second Worcester District who is seeking assistance with a state-level matter, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office by e-mail, Michael.Moore@masenate.gov, or telephone (617) 722-1485. My webpage, SenatorMikeMoore.com, also contains helpful information about the services available through my office.

Valley Tech students create mural at Mendon Greenhouse



Courtesy photos

Senior Painting and Design Technology student Kayla Dabney of Uxbridge surveys her work at the Mendon Greenhouse before continuing to add detail to the mural on the exterior wall of the building.

UPTON — A mural painted by students in Blackstone Valley Tech's Painting and Design Technology program is adding an extra splash of color and beauty to the Mendon Greenhouse located at 9 Hastings Street in Mendon.

The project at the Mendon Greenhouse began last year when Colleen Oncay provided then juniors, Kayla Dabney of Uxbridge, Stephanie Konicki of Blackstone, and Amanda Godowski of Mendon, a blank canvas in the form of an exterior wall on the front of the

"As a floral and landscape designer, I kept looking at the front of the greenhouse office building as a blank canvas. After my son started at BVT, I became aware of the work being done by BVT students 'out in the field' and reached out to teacher George Creely," Oncay

Oncay asked the students to visit the shop and use their creativity in designing the public art, while still reflecting the type of business the mural would promote. The students toured the flower shop, greenhouse, gift shop, and garden center and used the plants, flowers, and gifts within the Mendon Greenhouse to inspire their design.

"In the work, we find a beautiful tree that matches the fall color of the Chinese Dogwood next door. Our miniature and fairy garden department inspired the fairy on her swing, and even our Greenhouse cat, 'Scotty' is pictured," Oncay said.

Once the students' design was finalized, they began working on the mural by scraping the existing green paint off the wall, sanding the surface, and prim-



Several BVT seniors in the Painting and Design Technology program are involved in a project at the Mendon Greenhouse. Seen here is Kayla Dabney of Uxbridge painting a portion of the mural on the exterior of the greenhouse.

ing the wall with a base coat. Once the canvas was truly blank, the students set to work making their design a reality.

The students painted parts of the mural last year before weather put the project on hold. When their senior year began, the students excitedly returned to the business to finish their work.

"I am so impressed and thrilled by the artwork created by the BVT Painting and Design Shop students on our building! The students obviously love what they do and work so well together. I couldn't be happier with sharing their art with all the people who pass us on Route 16." Oncay said

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The project is set to be substantially completed before the weather turns frigid with a few final touches to be finished in the spring. The hands-on experience provided by projects such as this helps students diversify their skills and support the community.

The exterior of the Mendon Greenhouse received new artwork courtesy of senior Painting and Design Technology students. Pictured here are (left to right) Amanda Godowski of Mendon, Kayla Dabney of Uxbridge, Stephanie Konicki of Blackstone, and instructor George Creely working on the mural.



It's National Save for Retirement Week, so take action



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Congress has dedicated the third week of October as National Save for Retirement Week. Clearly, the government feels the need to urge people to do a better job of preparing for retirement. Are you doing all you can?

Many of your peers aren't – or at least they think they aren't. In a recent survey conducted by Bankrate.com, respondents reported that "not saving for retirement early enough" was their biggest financial regret. Other evidence seems to show they have good cause for remorse: 52 percent of households 55 and older haven't saved anything for retirement, according to a report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office, although half of this group reported having a pension.

Obviously, you'll want to avoid having either financial regrets or major shortfalls in your retirement savings. And that means you may need to consider making moves such as these:

• Take advantage of all your opportunities. You may well have access to more than one tax-advantaged retirement plan. Your employer may offer a 401(k) or similar plan, and even if you participate in your employer's plan, you are probably still eligible to contribute to an IRA. You may not be able to afford to "max out" on both plans, but try to contribute as much as you can afford. At the very least, put in enough to your employer's plan to earn a matching contribution, if one is offered, and boost your annual contributions every year in which your salary goes up.

create an appropriate investment mix. It's not enough just to invest regularly through your IRA, 401(k) or other retirement plan – you also need to invest wisely. You can fund your IRA with virtually any investments you choose, while your 401(k) or similar plan likely offers an array of investment accounts. So, between your IRA and 401(k), you can create portfolios that reflect vour goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. It's especially important that your investment mix offers sufficient growth potential to help you make progress toward the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

• Don't "raid" your retirement accounts early. If you start withdrawing from your traditional IRA before you turn 59½, you may have to pay a 10 percent tax penalty in addition to normal income taxes due. (If you have a Roth IRA and start taking withdrawals before you are 59 1/2, the earnings will be taxed and may be subject to a 10 percent penalty – but contributions can be withdrawn without any tax and penalty consequences.) As for your 401(k) or similar plan, you may be able to take out a loan, but you'll have to pay yourself back to avoid any tax or penalty consequences. (Also, not all plans offer a loan option.) More importantly, any money you take out early is money that no longer has a chance to grow to help you meet your goals. Try to do everything you can, then, to keep your retirement plans intact until you actually do retire. One suggestion: Build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid, low-risk vehicle outside your IRA

National Save for Retirement Week reminds us that we all must act to help ourselves retire comfortably. By making the moves described above, you can do your part.

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The last opportunity to bag a turkey in the Valley

second final segment of the Massachusetts wild turkey season opened this past Monday in the Central District, allowing hunters the last opportunity to bag a turkey this year.

Hens or toms were legal, and with the large

population of birds throughout the Valley, filling their tag was not hard to do. Many large toms were spotted prior to the fall season opener. The two-week season should see some impressive birds being harvested. Although the fall season for turkeys requires a different strategy than the spring season to lure a bird close enough for a shot, patience, determination and time in the woods should have a wild turkey on the Thanksgiving plate.

Archers managed to harvest some nice deer during the first week of the Massachusetts deer season. Although the weather was warm numerous archers managed to harvest a deer. The warm weather posed a serious threat to the spoilage of recently harvested venison. If a hunter did not have a walk in cooler to keep the deer in, processing the deer had to be done ASAP. One young hunter was so happy with his first harvested deer he kept the deer in the bed of his truck showing his venison to many of his friends during

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buddies and processed the deer. Hopefully, he was not too late. Harvesting a deer is often the easy part of hunting. Properly field dressing your deer, and

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having it properly processed will ensure you and your family some great eating venison. If it is not done correctly, the venison can spoil or have a bad taste to it. People that say that they tried venison and it has a game taste are not eating a properly cleaned and processed deer. There are exceptions when a deer is eating the wrong food, like ornamental bushes and cedar bark, which is often during the latter part of the season, and food is in short supply. Properly freezing your venison in airtight bags is also essential

Deer ticks have started to show up on numerous hunters and hunting companions, causing concern for contracting Lyme disease. The hot summer kept the ticks' activity low but with the cooler weather they seem to have become more active and plentiful in some areas of the Valley. Checking for deer ticks every day should be a standard procedure for both man and dog. Keeping your pet on tick medicine through out the year is essential in keeping your

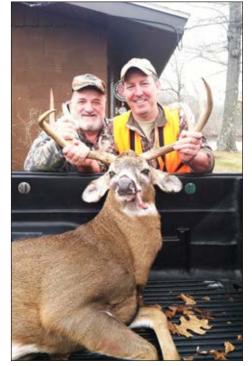
in preventing spoilage or freezer burn.

dog free of the dreaded disease. A product called permitrim can be sprayed on your clothes keeping ticks from clinging to your clothing, but should not be sprayed on your skin. One treatment can last a week or so. The spray can be found at your local sporting goods store.

The second segment of the Massachusetts black bear season will open on Nov. 7-26 in all zones. The third and final season for bear opens on Nov. 28, allowing hunters to harvest a bear during the deer shotgun season, which opens Nov. 28 this year. A permit is required which costs \$5. All hunters should read their abstracts prior to hunting! Black bear populations continue to grow annually and have been spotted roaming thru back yards and woodlots from the western part of the state to the Cape.

Tautog fishing in Rhode Island is open with a six-fish limit and has been providing some great fishing for anglers that can brave the cold conditions. Anglers that fish on board a vessel for hire like party boats can retain the six fish, but if you are fishing from a private boat, only five fish per angler can be retained with a 10 fish total daily for the boat. If three anglers are in a private boat they can only retain 10 fish. Sounds like a rigged system to me.

Take a kid fishing and keep them rods bending!



Courtesy photo

This week's picture shows a couple of excited hunters with their big buck a couple of years ago. Stay calm and shoot straight. It could be you this year. The rut can start any time now and these big boys are roaming the woods in search of does to breed. It is the best time to have a chance at harvesting a big buck!

Antique websites



ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES

door shows are closed for the season. Fewer and fewer yard sales are tak-WAYNE TUISKULA ing place. still antique

shops and flea markets open but you may also want to spend some time looking at websites where you learn more about antiques or buy and sell online.

Ruby Lane (www.rubylane. com) is described as "the world's largest curated marketplace for antiques, vintage collectibles, vintage fashion, fine art and jewelry." There are thousands of dealers who run "shops" on the "cobblestone streets." Categories include antiques, vintage collectibles, dolls, fine art, furniture & lighting, glass, jewelry, porcelain and pottery, silver and vintage fashion. If you find something that you like you can check seller feedback before making a purchase. Some items allow buyers the opportunity to make an offer to the seller. Shipping and payment info are listed along with the terms of

The Internet Antique Shop (www.tias.com) is another option for antique shopping online. Their website states that "TIAS.com is now the largest "fixed price" source of antiques and collectibles on the Internet, serving over 120 million page views per month." When I viewed the website it showed that there were "379,205 items for sale today." Special offers" for the day were prominently displayed. There were 60 categories that could be clicked on and drilled down even further for buyers to find items of interest to them. Individual sellers list their policies for order processing,

shipping and their return policy. There are buttons to make your purchase or to make an offer to the seller.

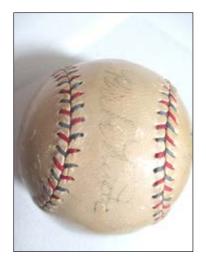
If your goal is to keep updated on exhibitions, auctions, shows and other events primarily throughout the Northeast "the Antiques and Arts Weekly" (www.antiquesandthearts. com) is a good source. They also publish a newspaper that is published weekly. Their website describes their publication as a "weekly newspaper serving the antiques and arts industry, collectors, and insti-

"The Maine Antique Digest" (www.maineantiquedigest. com) also publishes articles of local interest. Their description states "M.A.D. continues to be a must-read for those who are serious about the antiques market, particularly Americana."

The "Antique Trader" (ww. antiquetrader.com) is published in the Midwest and has a more national focus. They are described as "the top online resource to find online auction sites, auction houses, and expert advice about antique furniture, jewelry and collectables." You can find articles on fashion, design, home, culture, machines and collectibles on Collectors Weekly (www.collectorsweekly.com).

Despite the colder fall weather we have a number of events taking place. I'll be appraising items and speaking about antiques at the "Finn Funn" event. I'll be at the Fitzwilliam VFW, Fitzwilliam, N.H., on Oct. 29 from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. The second session of the antique radio auction will take place on Nov. 13 in Carlisle, Mass. It will take place under a heated tent. Our next live auction in Worcester is scheduled for Jan. 26. Please keep checking our website www.centralmassauctions.com or like our Facebook page coming events or like or like our Facebook page www. facebook.com/centralmassauctions to keep updated on upcoming events.

Contact us at: Wayne



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A 1929 baseball in our Jan. 26 auction signed by Babe Ruth and other New York Yankees players.

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Repetitions on repeat

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If you have kids, I am sure you have watched the same episode of "Thomas the Train" over and over, played the same song over and over, and my favorite ... read the same book over and over (and over and over).

While we as parents are satisfied with reading, watching, listening to something once our kids are not. I feel like my kids have gone through phases of favorites. With my son it was Dr. Seuss books, I think I know Who it is that Horton Hears and just when he happened to Hatch his Egg. With my daughter it goes in periods. It was Mickey, anything Mickey Mouse could turn a screaming freaking out toddler into the happiest girl in the world. Although when we took them to Disney last year I wish she was old enough to appreciate it. It turned to super heroes, then Strawberry Shortcake, then Beat Bugs (which to all my Beatles loving parents out there I urge you to join Netflix and watch this! It is all Beatles songs done to a kids cartoon, so no annoying jingles to get stuck in your head), and now it is "My Little Pony." At first I was OK with this, there are three seasons at about 22 episodes apiece. But my little princess wants to watch the very first one, on repeat, all the time. She even has the beginning narrations memorized.

I get to the point sometimes if I have to hear about Night-Mare Moon one more time I will swear off everything I ever loved as a kid just to get it out of my head!

So I decided to reach out and find if this was just my kids or all kids. I asked fellow parents, I scoured the Internet, I even sat down at a pre-

tend tea party with my toddler to ask her why. The answers didn't surprise me, but I did find them a little more reassuring thus making the constant repetitiveness less annoying.

Here are some of the answers I got: · Kids like feeling that they mastered something, repetition helps them per-

fect a line or dance, etc. Repetition is a child's way of understanding something. Have you every watched a movie, then again and

noticed something new? This is the same for kids. · It gives them a healthy feeling of control. If a video comes on with a dance they have watched over and over again they can announce what will happen next and feel like they have control

over the situation. • Because they simply enjoy it. They have not found the bitterness and annoyance that comes with repetition yet, so when they like something they want it often.

· Repetition is a fundamental learning block for kids, while we as adults may only need to do something once or twice to know how to do it, kids are in the spectrum of doing some-

thing 40 or 50 times. Most repetitive behavior

is normal. However if you have a concern definitely talk to your pediatrician. But next time your child wants you to read "Froggy Bakes a Cake" for the seventh time that night, 59th time that week, try not to resist or get annoyed. She is learning and enjoying this. Before you know it, it will be something else and you'll find yourself saying "Don't you want to read Froggy?'

Don't rush it. Let them enjoy themselves. Before you know it this time will be gone and moved onto something else. So go get that remote and watch Frozen one more time. Don't you want to build a snowman? It doesn't have to be a snowman ... OK, bye.

Please write in and share your thoughts! As always, take what you want from what we discuss as advice or information, share with me your favorite tip or recipe and join me on our next edition of "Mom in Motion." E-mail me your thoughts and tips at jill@stonebridge-

September real estate market update

A good economic indicator is sales to first homebuyers, time which is up to 34 percent, which is the highest level in four years, and another great indicator is that distressed sales (foreclosures and short sales) are down

to only 4 percent of the market. This is being fueled by low interest rates and also by the price increases over the last several years putting more sellers in an equity position on their home. Home sales for September are up about 0.6 percent from last year in September, and existing homes sales jumped 3.2 percent nationally month over month. Existing home prices are up 5.6 percent from this same time last

from August to September. In the northeast, existing home sales rose 5.7 percent from last year and prices have increased 2.1 percent since September 2015. In Worcester County, home sales rose 6.8 percent year over

year and inventory has risen 1.5 percent



REALTOR'S REPORT

> **JAMES BLACK**

year but dropped about 20 percent from August to September. From September 2015 to September 2016 the average sales price rose about 9.3 percent.

Real estate is a local and hyper-local market and local economic factors on the state, town, and neighborhood level

will affect your market. This is why it is always important to hire a professional who understands your market and can interpret the economic data to understand where your local market has been and where it is going and what that means to you as a buyer or seller. All the above data was taken from the National Association of Realtors as well as our Multiple Listing Service Property Information Network.

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Saturday, Oct. 29

WHITINSVILLE

Whitinsville Christian School Strings proudly presents "Once Upon a Pops," a fun, family-friendly concert featuring music from Disney, Pixar, Star Wars, and other classic tales. The concert is Saturday, Oct. 29, at 6:30 p.m. at Whitinsville Christian School, 279 Linwood Ave., Whitinsville, in the Krull Auditorium. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event features table seating and complementary cake, coffee, and juice. Advance tickets are required. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students. Tickets may be reserved by emailing strings@whitinsvillechristian.org or by calling 508-372-3248.

Friday, Nov. 4

MILLBURY

Laughing Out Loud Ladies Night Out, Friday, Nov. 4, 6:30 p.m., Charles F. Minney Post, Millbury. Millbury Women's Club would like you to join us again for an evening of fun and laughter with renowned stand-up comic Mary Ellen Rinaldi. She will entertain us with her humor and show stopping energy. Club members will be serving delicious hors d'oeuvres, sandwiches and desserts for your enjoyment. At the end of the evening you will have the opportunity to win one of the many great raffle prizes. Tickets are \$25 and are limited. Call Mary Lou Mulhane at 508-865-9831 to reserve your tickets. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the Asa Waters Mansion and other charitable and educational projects in Millbury.

Saturday, Nov. 5

NORTHBRIDGE

St. Peter's Parish in Northbridge will be holding its Annual Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Parish Hall, 39 Church Avenue. Come out with your family and friends to enjoy the day! Make sure to bring the little ones ... Santa Clause will be making a special appearance starting at 10 a.m. for pictures! We will have all of your goods, white elephant table, craft tables with beautiful handmade items, knitted items and handmade quilts. There will also be tables filled with raffles (you never know what will be there!) & the famous silent auction. Stay and enjoy a bite to eat with all of our "Old-Time" favorite foods being served. If you would like more information please contact the rectory at 508-234-2156.

DOUGLAS

On Saturday, Nov. 5, the St. Denis Catholic Women's Council will host their Annual Holiday Fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Denis Church, located at 23 Manchaug St., in Douglas. Keeping with tradition, the Tea Committee will be serving a scrumptious luncheon consisting of a variety of homemade soups, salads, finger sandwiches and an endless array of desserts. Our Baked Goods Table will have many favorites including cookies, pies, breads and all types of sweet treats. In our lower level expanded church hall the Craft Committee will be selling handcrafted items featuring seasonal décor, adorable snowmen, painted items, doll clothes, handmade chocolates and much, much more. The Fancy Work Table will be offering beautifully handmade knit & crochet baby items, afghans, and warm mittens & scarfs. The Children's Table will have many fun activities for the kids including games, prizes and crafts. We will once again feature, in our Gathering Room, vendors selling jams & jellies, jewelry, handmade rosary beads, and many other wonderful items. Because of the generosity of local businesses, we will offer a wide variety of raffle items such as beautiful gift baskets and service/entertainment gift cards just to name a few of the many items. We will also be selling chances for a separate Scratch Ticket Raffle. There is truly something for everyone at this year's Holiday Fair! For more information or directions, please visit our website: www.saintdenischurch.com.

UXBRIDGE

Home Baked Ham & Bean Supper, Nov. 5, at 5 p.m., in the Community House, 8 Court St., Uxbridge located behind the Uxbridge Town Common. Sponsored by the Uxbridge Congregational Church as a fundraiser to benefit the ongoing restoration of the Community House. Menu includes home baked ham, home baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, brown bread, beverages & dessert. Donation of \$10 per adult, children under 6 free. For reservations call 508-278-2654. Raffles will be available.

Sunday, Nov. 6

MILLBURY

Young People's Classical Concert featuring piano students of Pakachoag Music School and organ students of recitalist William Ness, Sunday, Nov. 6, at 4 p.m. First Congregational Church of Millbury, UCC, 148 West Main St., Millbury.

UXBRIDGE

Hike to Goat Hill Lock: Sunday, Nov. 6, 12-1:30 p.m. This hike uncovers some interesting stories in stone and follows the changes in the landscape along the Blackstone Canal, stone arch bridges, an early stone quarry site and preserved remnants of a canal lock. Moderate hike up Goat Hill with roots and rocks along the path, approx. 2 miles. Meet at River Bend Farm Visitor Center, 287 Oak St., Uxbridge, MA 01569. Rain or slippery trail cancels. Please call the park at 508-278-7604 or email blackstone.heritage@state.ma.us for inclement weather updates.

Friday, Nov. 11

NORTHBRIDGE

15th Annual Veterans Day Breakfast — Sponsored by Northbridge Middle School Grade-8, Friday, Nov. 11, Northbridge Middle School Cafeteria, 8-10 a.m. All veterans, active service members, and their families are welcome.

Saturday, Nov. 12

WHITINSVILLE

The Kathryn Huston Mission Circle of the Whitinsville Presbyterian Church, 51 Cottage St., will host its annual fair on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. "Homespun Holidays" will feature unique crafts, a harvest table, seasonal decorations, a bake sale with our popular cookie walk, a silent auction, cash and carry theme baskets, attic treasures, a kids' corner, and a 5 Star Crunchy Chicken Luncheon served from 11 a.m. The meal is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under.

UXBRIDGE

Looking for that unique gift, or for the opportunity to ease your craving for fresh baked goods. Then stop by Good Shepherd Parish on Linwood St from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for their 4th Annual Holiday Fair, Browse through their wide variety of crafts - including blankets, wood carvings, knitted and crocheted items, jewelry, and much all locally handcrafted by parishioners. Taste the talents of Good Shepherd bakers, whether indulging in pies and baked goods, flavored fudge, or a delicious stroll down the Cookie Walk. Test your luck at the raffle tables, featuring theme baskets, gift cards from local merchants, and a beautiful handmade quilt raffle. Children can even enjoy games in the Youth Center and a Kid's Shopping table. So come for the fair. Stay for the luncheon. And support a great parish community. For more information visit their website at www. goodshepherdlinwood.org.

Wildlife Prepares for Winter: Saturday, Nov. 12, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Learn what animals do to get ready for winter, take a short nature walk to discover signs of wildlife around the park. Follow up with making a birdseed ornament for your own backyard! Meet at River Bend Farm Visitor Center 287 Oak Street Uxbridge MA 01569. Contact 508-278-7604 for questions.

MILLBURY

Upcoming Holiday Craft Fair, Millbury Senior Center, Saturday, Nov. 12, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. New items along with creative crafts. Great gifts for the holidays! Luncheon served along with homemade chicken soup, hot dogs and pastries. Also featuring food items to go! We have raffles! 508-865-9154

Sunday, Nov. 13

UXBRIDGE

Nov. 13: New England Country Music Club dance, VFW, Route 16, Uxbridge, 1 to 5 p.m., Borrowed Time Band.

Saturday, Nov. 19

UXBRIDGE

OLV 34th Annual Holiday Fair — Our Lady of the Valley Regional School & St. Mary's Parish Center, 75 Mendon St., Uxbridge, Saturday, Nov. 19, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Baked goods, wreaths, cash calendar, silent & live auctions, raffles, kids raffles & activities, food & drink. Santa will be stopping by!

Uxbridge High School Parents for

Safe Graduation (PSG) 2017 is holding a Comedy night with Mike Petit, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. at the Progressive Club. Michael Petit is one of the country's top headlining comedians with appearances on Comedy Central, E Entertainment and ESPN. Michaels high energy and hilarious impressions make this a must see show. Tickets are \$25 per person. E-mail us at uhspsg2017@gmail.com if you would like to purchase tickets.

WHITINSVILLE

Whitinsville Fish and Game will be holding a Roast Beef Dinner on Nov. 19, at 6 p.m. Tickets will be on sale Nov. 1, at \$12 per person. Tickets must be purchased prior to the event. Please contact Steve at spierangeli_1@charter. net to purchase tickets and for more information.

Sunday, Nov. 20

UXBRIDGE

Nov. 20: New England Country Music Club Dance, VFW, Route 16, Uxbridge, 1 to 5 p.m., Al Carter & the Nashville Boys Band.

Thursday, Nov. 24

UPTON

28th Annual Thanksgiving Whitin Five-Mile Race & Two-Mile Healthwalk — Thursday, Nov. 24, 8:10 a.m. Linda Usher, 131 South St, Upton, MA 01568, 508-529-6862, juniperhill@charter.net, www.whitinfive.com, http://www.facebook.com/whitinfive.

All are welcome to the Friends Meetinghouse in Uxbridge for the annual interdenominational worship service on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, at 9:30 a.m. Many faiths are represented at this service, which for some members of the community has become as integral a part of the day as the family meal. The Friends Meetinghouse is at the junction of Routes 146A (Quaker Highway) and 98 (Aldrich Street). Dress warmly!

ONGOING EVENTS

UXBRIDGE

The Blackstone Valley Community Concert Band has resumed rehearsals on Thursday evenings, 7-9 p.m., at the Uxbridge High School. The Band is seeking new members (instrumentalists), especially low brass players (trombone, horn, tuba) and percussionists. No audition required. The BVCCB Holiday Pops Concert (free admission!) will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 2 p.m., Uxbridge High School Auditorium. For more information about the band, please visit our website at www.bvccbmusic.org or contact the band via e-mail: bvccband2002@gmail.com

SUTTON

The First Congregational Church of Sutton, 307 Boston Road, presents its monthly free will offering of open seating dinners from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month. All are welcome. Dinners are served with bread, beverage and dessert. For more information, call (508) 865-6914.

The St. John's Episcopal Church Senior Breakfast will not be held in July or August, but will become a Community Breakfast on the first Friday of the month beginning Sept. 2. The breakfast is held from 8 to 9 a.m. at the church, 3 Pleasant Street, off Route 122A in Sutton, and is handicapped accessible. Suggested donation is \$5. For more information, call Cyndy Rogers, (508) 529-4437.

Participants & spectators: Waters Farm is pleased to announce the 2016 Lawn & Garden Tractor Pull season has started. A special date has been set for the week after Mother's Day. Going forward, please join us on the 2nd Sunday of every month, June through September, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The pull is open to all ages. Minors must have adult supervision. Most pulls run in conjunction with other Waters Farm activities for the family. For more information on the tractor pull, contact Bob Chauvin at 508.949.0971. Waters Farm is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, all volunteer organization located at 53 Waters Road, Sutton, and is on the National Register of Historic Homes.

MILLBURY

Parent Support Group in Millbury sponsored by Parent Professional Advocacy League (PPAL). Please join us for our free and confidential Parent Support Group on the second (workshop) and fourth (sharing) Friday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Millbury Public Library. Call PPAL at (508) 767-9725 for further information. Parent Professional Advocacy League is a statewide network of parents and professionals and adolescents with emotional, behavioral and mental health needs.

NORTHBRIDGE

The Caregivers Group will meet in the library at the Northbridge Senior

Center on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 3-4 p.m. If you are currently caring for a family member or close friend, come and join others who share your compassion.

A "Serenity On The Hill" Al-Anon step meeting will be held at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at the Rockdale Congregational Church, 42 Fowler Road, Northbridge. This is a support group for family and friends of problem drinkers. Newcomers always welcome. For more information, call 508-366-0556.

WHITINSVILLE

Come join the Sunshine Yoga Collaborative in our mission to bring community based yoga to Uxbridge and the surrounding communities! These classes are appropriate for those just beginning to the advanced student. Our class is every Sunday morning from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Alternatives, Unlimited at 50 Douglas Road in Whitinsville. We have extra yoga mats, but most folks bring their own. We ask for a \$5 donation per class, which is passed on to a local organization doing good work in our community. Visit us on Facebook: Sunshine Yoga Collaborative.

Every Monday — Celebrate Recovery is a Biblically based step program designed to heal a wide variety of habits and harmful behaviors, such as drug dependency, abuse, eating disorders, depression, anger, pornography, broken relationships. The group meets every week in a two-part session, an open group followed by gender-specific small share groups. Starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 9:00. Come at 6:30 for coffee and conversation. Pleasant Street Church, 25 Cross Street, Whitinsville, 508-234-5268, ext. 14, or email howard@pscrc.org.

The John 21 Community Breakfast at St. Patrick's Church has been established as a response to the needs of many people in our community. Breakfast will continue each and every Saturday from 8-10 a.m. in the Parish Center, 1 Cross St., Whitinsville. Our mission is to serve a nutritious breakfast, free of charge, every Saturday morning in the spirit of community fellowship and hospitality. Teams of volunteers prepare and serve breakfast on a rotating basis. All are welcome. For more information, please contact the ministry coordinator at John21Breakfast@gmail.com. If you would like to make a donation to this project, please contact St. Patrick's rectory at 508-234-5656.

Legos Club the first and third Mondays of each month, for ages 6 and up from 3 until 5 p.m. at the Whitinsville Social Library. For more information about programming, please visit the library's website at www.northbridgemass.org/whitinsville-social-library.

The Men's Bible Study will be held from 9:30 to 11 a.m. every Tuesday in the fourth floor conference room (the upper room) at the Whitinsville Community Center which can be conveniently accessed by elevator. The study is a non-denominational look at New Testament Scripture from a Christian Worldview perspective. Men from all the area towns are invited to share the Word, fellowship, food and fun. Just come to the Whitinsville Community Center or email mikeytierney@gmail. com for more information.

DOUGLAS

Time are tough and the economy is tight. It can be hard to make ends meet. What about your four-legged friends? Project Kibble is a food pantry for pets. Project Kibble will operate out of Dog Orphans Humane Society in Douglas on the second Saturday of each month from 1-3 p.m. Project Kibble accepts donations of dry and wet dog food, cat food, kitty litter, treats, small rodent food (for hamsters, gerbils, etc.), bird and fish food. All collected donations will then be distributed through local food pantries. For more information or to make a donation, please email projectkibble@gmail.com or call 508-234-8131.

HOPEDALE

The Adult Children of Alcoholics 12-step support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Mondays at the Hopedale Unitarian Church, 65 Hopedale St. For more information, call Rose at (508) 234-9004.

UPTON

The Upton Woman's Club is now accepting vendor applications for the 2016 Upton Woman's Club Fall Fair being held Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016 at Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School, 65 Pleasant Street in Upton. This is the biggest and best fair in Upton, and a wonderful opportunity for you to tap into the pre-holiday shopping crowd. Vendors are invited to sell crafts, products and services at their annual Fall Fair, Saturday, Nov. 5 from 9 A.M. to 3 p.m. Booth spaces are limited and accepted on a first come basis. For more information and an application contact Vanessa Majkut, Vendor Chairman Fall Fair, Upton Woman's Club, vmajkut@verizon. net, 508-529-4096.

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SENIOR SCENI

TRI VALLEY INC.

Monday, Oct. 31: Beef with onion and pepper, potato wedges, coleslaw, yogurt Tuesday, Nov. 1: Chicken with asparagus, del Monico potatoes, honey glazed carrots, mixed fruit, tomato rice soup Wednesday, Nov. 2: American chop suey, broccoli and red peppers, baked apples

Thursday, Nov. 3: Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, cold potato salad, fresh fruit

Friday, Nov. 4: Catch of the Day, rice pilaf, California veggies, pudding/diet pudding

NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

Phone: 508-234-2002

www.northbridgemass.org/council-on-aging

Hours: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We require registration for all of our events and trips. Additionally, if you need transportation, please inform the center at the time of registration. Simply call 508-234-2002 to sign-up. Deposits and fees are required at time of sign up in order to reserve your spot.

FREE BOWLING

FINE (Friends of Northbridge Elders) offers free bowling on the first and third Monday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at Sparetime Lanes. This is open to all Northbridge residents aged 60 or older. This is not a league, it is a come-whenever-you-can-make-it activity.

TECHNOLOGY HELP IS HERE Every Thursday from 1-3 p.m. Call to sign up.

WALKING CLUB

Every Tuesday From 10-11 a.m. All are welcome. Meet at St. Patrick's Cemetery.

WE NEED YOU!

The Northbridge Senior Center is in need of Medical Drivers to take seniors to out of town medical appointments. Drivers are reimbursed for their mileage. Call the Senior Center to help us in this very popular and much needed program.

TAP CLASS

Every Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. The class will run for 11 weeks until Nov. 16.

SHUFFLE BOARD LEAGUE Every Tuesday, 8:30-11 a.m.

POOL LEAGUE

Every Wednesday from 8:45-11:15 a.m.

CREATIVE WRITING CLASS Tuesdays 7-8:30 p.m. Come join us for

this brand new night class, all ages welcome, \$5 per class. Instructors are Betsy Moquin and Joan Jeffers.

SENIOR CENTER GIFT SHOP

Open daily. Come in and shop for unique gifts. We have beautiful handmade wreaths and centerpieces for the holidays, handmade baby items and toys. Be prepared for the cold weather with our handmade mittens and scarves. We even have doggie outfits and blankets. Something for everyone!

UPCOMING DAY TRIPS

· Nov. 15: The Salem Cross Inn and Oakwood Ballroom. Enjoy a wonderful lunch with choice of baked scrod or Yankee pot roast followed by visiting the 160-year-old barn to see their dazzling Christmas display. \$63 per person. Deluxe motor coach.

• Dec. 4: "Nana's Naughty Knickers." Join us at the Newport Playhouse for this entertaining comedy. A buffet will be served before the show and a cabaret performance following the play. Deluxe motor coach, \$79 per person.

DOUGLAS SENIOR CENTER

SCHEDULE OF DAILY EVENTS

· Mondays: 9 a.m., Walking Club; 10 a.m., Osteo exercise, Reverse Glass Painting; 12 p.m., Needle Works.

• Tuesdays: 9 a.m., Walking Club; 9:30 a.m., Cribbage; 9:30 a.m., Zumba; 12 p.m.,

• Wednesdays: 9 a.m., Walking Club; 10 a.m., Osteo exercise; 11 a.m., Coloring Group; 12 p.m., Needle Works

• Thursdays: 9 a.m., Walking Club; 9:30 a.m., Computers, 10 a.m. and 12 p.m., Painting; 10 a.m., Tai chi; 12 p.m., Bingo.

SHINE

Our Shine Counselor is here by appointment only. If you would like an appointment please call (508) 476-2283 and we will arrange a time for you to come in and meet with Steve.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WHAT'S HIDING IN YOUR FOOD

Thursday, Nov. 10, at 10:30 a.m. Nurse Ann will be talking to us about sodium. We will be having a salad bar for lunch with all the fixings, price for lunch is \$4 and the presentation is free. Please sign up by Nov. 7.

SHERRIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Tuesday, Nov. 15, join us for a presentation on scamming and how to make sure it doesn't happen to you. Lunch will be the delicious pasta bar. Lunch is \$3 and the program is free. Please sign up by Nov. 9.

HOLIDAY PARTY AND SING ALONG Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 11 a.m. Come and sing along with all the holiday classics with Vinnie Aimes. Lunch to be announced. Please sign up by Dec. 5. The show is free and is being sponsored by the Douglas Cultural Council.

HEALTH SERVICES

The Blood Pressure Clinic with Nurse Ann: Nov. 7, Nov. 17, Dec. 5, Dec. 15 at 10 a.m. Appointments are not necessary and walk-ins are welcome.

SUNSHINE CLUB NEWS

Monthly Meetings: Are held on the first Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. Meetings are held at the senior center.

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

36 South Main St.

Marsha Petrillo – Director – 508-278-8622 Donna Oncay – Administrative Assistant 508-278-8622

Lynne McPherson – Chef – 508-278-8622 Gail Boutiette – Outreach Coordinator Omer Boucher - Van Driver

Please remember to call ahead 48 hours in advance to attend the meal program and also if you need to cancel. Often times during special events there is a waiting list and if you let us know you cannot make it, this will give someone else the opportunity to attend the lunch. Thank you!

Construction of the new fire department is well underway. The parking lot across the street, the old Post Office building, is no longer available. We have a limited number of parking spots available at the center. During special events, we encourage those who can to carpool or take the van. There is additional parking behind Coves, the Library and also at Savers Bank. If you have any questions about parking, please do not hesitate to call the senior center.

Please call the Senior Center 48 hours ahead at 508-278-8622 to reserve your meal and also to arrange for transportation to lunch and for medical appointments. Van transportation begins at 10:30 am each day. Please check with the Senior Center by calling 508-278-8622, Uxbridge Cable Local Access Channel 191, Facebook, or the Council on Aging website for the Lunch Menu.

The Senior Center is a drop off site for the People First Food Pantry. Donations are accepted Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SENIOR CENTER WISH LIST

We welcome and appreciate the support of anyone in a position to give. Your donations make a significant difference in the lives of our elders and help support our daily lunch program. All monetary gifts can be made out to the Town of Uxbridge with Senior Center in the memo section of your check. Gift cards for Hannaford, Walmart and CVS also make nice gifts for senior citizens in need.

We also continue to need in kind donations of Clorox wipes, both regular & decaf coffee, napkins, paper towels and 8 oz. plastic and foam cups. One can donate directly to the center at 36 S. Main Street or online via the town's web page. Every donation helps and comes enormously appreciated! Thank you to all who have already donated as well!

Feel free to contact us at 508-278-8622 or visit us on our web page at Uxbridgema.gov/coa or like us on our FB page or by Googling Uxbridge Senior Center, or even dropping by.

• Uxbridge-ma.gov/coa

sure to be ready.

Facebook.com/ UxbridgeMASeniorCenter

NEW TIME FOR SHOPPING TRIPS Grocery shopping every Tuesday. New Pick up begins at 8:30 a.m. Please make

note of this time change so you will be

DATES FOR WALMART SHOPPING FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER ONLY

Walmart shopping will be on the second and third Thursday in November (Nov. 10 and Nov. 17). Pick up begins at 12:30 p.m. Please sign up in advance for Walmart shopping by calling us at 508-278-8622 to reserve your seat on the van.

If you have purchased the Hannaford Helps Reusable Bags, they will scan them as you check out and a donation of 25 cents will be made towards the senior center's daily meal program. Thank you for your participation!

LUNCH AND LEARN WITH POLICE CHIEF LOURIE

Friday, Nov. 4, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Police Chief Jeff Lourie will hold his monthly Community Policing Bureau Presentation. Jason Johnston, Tri-Valley Inc., will be guest speaker. Jason will be discussing One Care and SKO's (Senior Care Options). Please be sure to call ahead to reserve your seat for this lunch and learn as seating is limited. Uxbridge Community Television will film this event and it will be aired on local cable access. We are thankful to be working closely with the Uxbridge Police Department and to have Uxbridge Community Television film these events.

MEDICARE MEETING

Friday, Nov. 4: SMP Invites you to its 3rd Medicare Beneficiary Council Meeting from 1-3 p.m. at the senior center. Guest speaker will be Susan Salisbury, Tri Valley Inc., Community Services & Information Program Director. Susan will provide an overview of the many quality services and resources offered Tri-Valley Inc. Please call us at 508-278-8622 to register for this meeting. Remember, YOU can help us to raise awareness about health care fraud and abuse. Help us spread the good word! Our motto: "Each One Reach One!" Bring a friend! The Medicare Beneficiary Council meeting is open to the public and we strongly encourage Medicare beneficiaries, family members and caregivers to attend.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Monday, Nov. 7, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. David Reilly RPh Pharmacy Manager of Market 32 Pharmacy will present this lunch and learn. Market 32 Pharmacy has several programs available. They offer a Diabetes Advantage Program which offers certain diabetic meds and supplies for free as well as their Rx Advantage Programs, which is a promotional list of low cost medications where patients can purchase 100 tablets for \$9.99. David will also speak about vaccine use and indication based on age and history. He will be joined by a Massachusetts College of Pharmacy Student, MCPHS. Please call ahead to reserve your seat for this lunch.

ELECTION DAY Tuesday, Nov. 8 - Election Day!

'OH, MY ACHING SHOULDER' Wednesday, Nov. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 Brenda Fitzgerald, director

Uxbridge Orthopedic & Sports Therapy will join us. Cheryl Betterton, PT will present; Frozen Shoulder "Oh My Aching Shoulder." Have you ever had shoulder pain and it hurt so much you cannot even get dressed without pain? Come learn about what physical therapy can do to help you de-thaw your frozen

CLOSED

shoulder.

The Senior Center will be closed on Friday, Nov. 11, in observance of Veterans Day. There will be no transportation and no lunch will be served. Thank you to all those who have served and continue to serve our Country.

GROUP GRIEF COUNSELING

Monday, Nov. 14, and Monday, Nov. 28, 4-5 p.m. at the Uxbridge Senior Center. Georgette Ducey, Hospice Care Consultant from Compassus will be present with Michelle Heron-Maciel, Executive Director Nurse, for group grief counseling. If you are experiencing any type of loss, we encourage you to attend. There are many losses in life: separation, divorce, unemployment, health-related losses, foreclosures and relocations. Please feel free to join these free sessions.

FALLON HEALTH

Friday, Nov. 18, 1-3 p.m. Karrie Soltys, Sales Executive II Medicare Sales for FallonHealth will be here to roll out the New 2017 Senior Plans and Senior Care Options. If you have any questions, please feel free to join us!

THANKSGIVING MEALS

Monday, Nov. 21, 6-7 p.m. Home Delivered Thanksgiving Meals for seniors in conjunction with People First Food Pantry of Uxbridge. If you know of any seniors that are shut-in or in need of a hot Thanksgiving meal, please call 508-278-8622 by Monday, Nov. 14, for delivery on Nov. 21.

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join our Annual Thanksgiving Celebration and we will have UHS students of Kathleen Penza singing for us! Be sure to call ahead to reserve your lunch as seating is limited.

ASK THE NURSE

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Salmon Health VNA will be available for the blood pressure clinic. If you have any questions about new symptoms vou may have, questions about new medications, or any other health problem, they will be able to help you with them. Salmon Health nurse, Janet Iocabelli will be at the senior center every fourth Tuesday. Please join us for this important free monthly clinic offered by the Salmon VNA.

CLOSED

The Uxbridge Senior will be closed on the following days in observance of Thanksgiving. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; Nov. 23, 24 and 25. No Lunch and no transportation. We all wish you a Happy Thanksgiving!

UNDERSTANDING YOUR MEDICAL **PROBLEMS**

Are you confused when you visit the doctor or pharmacist? There are some

things that you can do to make it easier to understand. One way to help is to take a family member or friend with you, two heads are better than one when listing to instructions. Ask questions and ask for more information if you don't understand and have someone write down any instructions for taking medications or therapy. Use the computer to learn more about your medical condition and medications.

BEREAVEMENT COUNSELING

Are you dealing with the loss of a loved one, losing a job or your home or just need to talk to someone? Please call the Senior Center and make an appointment to talk to our bereavement counselor who is available for people of all ages by appointment. All sessions are free, private and confidential. Call the Senior Center at 508-278-8622 to make an appointment.

NAVICARE

Nelly Colon is the new Account Executive. You are eligible to join Navicare if you are 65 or older, live in our service area and have MassHealth. Nelly Colon can be reached at 508-847-8511 and she is also bi-lingual.

VETERAN SERVICES OFFICE

Veteran Services Office is now located at The Uxbridge Town Hall. Carl J. Bradshaw, District Director can be reached at 508-278-8600 ext. 2017 and AnnMarie Cleary, Assistant Director can be reached at 508-278-8600, ext. 2037. Office hours are posted on the door.

THE WEEK AHEAD

• Monday, Oct. 31: Halloween Party! 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., sandwitches and other ghoulish treats.

Tuesday, Nov. 1: 11:30 a.m. - Lunch - Shepherd's pie, mixed vegetables & sugar free pudding. 8:30 a.m. - Pickup begins for grocery shopping at Hannaford's. Call 278-8622 to arrange for pick-up.

• Wednesday, Nov. 2: 11:30 a.m. – Lunch Tuscan chicken, jasmine rice, zucchini

& fresh fruit. • Thursday, Nov. 3: 11:30 a.m. – Lunch American chop suey, garden salad,

Italian bread & sugar free Jell-O. • Friday, Nov. 4: Lunch and Learn with Police Chief Lourie, 11:30 a.m. – Lunch - Baked fish, rice pilaf, green beans & sugar free ice cream.

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER

Lunch is served Monday-Friday, 12 noon, for a \$2.50 donation. Reservations must be made 48 hours in advance.

FOXWOODS TRIP

Monday, Nov. 7: The bus leaves the Millbury Senior Center at 7 a.m. and returns at 4:45 p.m. Cost is \$24. Call or stop by the Senior Center to reserve

UPCOMING HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR Saturday, Nov. 12: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. New

items along with creative crafts. Great gifts for the holidays! Luncheon served along with homemade chicken soup, hot dogs and pastries. Also featuring food items to go! We have raffles!

MILLBURY POLICE ASSOCIATION DINNER

Pasta and Meatball Dinner — Thursday. Nov. 17, at 6 p.m. at the Senior Center. Call 508-865-9154 or stop by for reserve seating!

SENATOR MOORE TURKEY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, Nov. 9, at noon. Sponsored by Michael O. Moore. Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce. Call (508) 865-9154 or stop by for reserve seating!

RMV TRANSACTIONS

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Five Transactions we will Focus on are license renewals (for drivers younger than 75); registration renewals; change of address; duplicate license or registration; how to report a lost or stolen disability placard and how to request a replacement. Call us at 508-865-9154 for an appointment!

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

• Monday — 8:30 a.m.: Walking Club; 9:30 a.m.: Light Exercise; 12 Noon: Lunch; 12:30 p.m.: Wii Bowling; 1 p.m.: Cribbage; 1 p.m.: Game Day, Including Cribbage, Scrabble, Chinese Checkers, Scat & Wii

• Tuesday — 9-10 a.m.: Blood Pressure; 9-11: Coffee in the Garden (weather permitting); 9:30-10:30 a.m.: Tai Chi; 10:45-11:30 a.m.: Zumba Gold; 11:45-12:30 p.m.: Yoga; 12 Noon: Lunch; 1 p.m.: Cribbage & Scat

• Wednesday — 9:30 a.m.: Craft Class; 10 a.m.-2 p.m.: RMV Transactions; 12 Noon: Lunch; 1 p.m.: Social Bingo; 5-6 p.m.: Blood Pressure Clinic first and second Wednesday evenings of the month; 6 p.m.: Bingo (we are resuming our Wednesday evenings Bingo!)

Thursday — 10-11:30 a.m.: Adult "Coloring Class"; 12 Noon: Lunch; 12:45 p.m.: Whist; 2:30-3:30 p.m. Computer & Cell phone class. Reservations required 508-865-9154/

 Friday – 9 a.m.: Shopping; 9:30: Exercise; 12 Noon: Lunch; 12:30 p.m.: Bridge & Scat

OBITUARIES

Deborah Rose Cnossen, 87



UXBRIDGE Deborah Rose (Gray) Cnossen walked into the arms of Jesus Christ, her Savior, on Wednesday, Oct. 19, following a long, joyful, productive life serving her Lord, her family and others for

87 years.

Debbie was born on Sept. 23, 1929, to Dr. Homer and Rose Gray of Uxbridge. She attended Uxbridge Public Schools and following graduation attended Forsythe School of Dental Hygiene; joining her father's dental practice in Uxbridge for several years. On Feb. 4, 1954, Debbie married John W. Cnossen of Uxbridge and the adventure spanning 62 years of life together began. Living in Whittier, California, Manchester, Connecticut and Uxbridge Jack and Debbie raised four sons: Michael (wife, Christie) of Douglas; Tim (wife, Charleen) of Athens, Tenn.; Jack (wife, Robin) of Ponca City, Okla., and Peter (wife, Karen) of Raleigh, N.C., Debbie, Jack and family owned and operated Glen Acres Restaurant and the Quaker Motor Lodge and Conference Center in Uxbridge for many years.

Debbie's greatest passions in life were caring for her husband and family, and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ everywhere and to everyone she encountered. As partners, Debbie and Jack travelled to Kenva. Namibia. Haiti, Trinidad, Barbados, Argentina, Paraguay, Ecuador, Peru, Costa Rica and across the United States in mission to a hurting world through the Work and Witness Program of the Nazarene

Church. A charter member of the Uxbridge Nazarene Church (Valley Chapel), Debbie offered her talents as a gifted pianist, teacher, mentor and friend. Debbie was a tireless worker for the Lord at Douglas Camp Meeting Association in Douglas, and for the Gideons International Distributing Bibles and serving as the New England Auxiliary Representative. Her heart's desire was to tell others about the (Couture) Davis; three children Sheryl life-changing faith in Jesus Christ that Davis of Douglas, Steven Davis and transformed her own life.

and her sons and daughters-in-law, of Douglas; 6 grandchildren; 9 great Debbie leaves 11 grandchildren, five grandchildren; and many nieces and great-grandchildren, her brother, Dr. nephews. Paul Gray of Ashland, Ky., her sister, Joan Keller and husband Rev. Ron ter Mary Jean Lavallee in 2008; six Keller of Mt. Juliet, Tenn., and many brothers, Robert, Anson, Lester, Colby, nieces and nephews. She was pre-de- Leonard and Norman; and three sisters ceased by her sister, Ruth Stinson Mabel Dufresue, Florence Scully and Myers. Most importantly, Debbie Thelma Fedorczuk. leaves a legacy of faith and devotion to her passion for her Lord and her zest for life.

"...Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you." Mathew 6:33 "Well done, good and faithful servant... Matthew 25:21

Visiting hours were held Sunday, Oct. 23, in the Valley Chapel, A Church of the Nazarene, 130 Douglas St., Uxbridge. Funeral services were Monday Oct. 24, in the Valley Chapel. Burial followed in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Mendon St., Uxbridge.

Visit www.bumafuneralhome.com.

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idgePress.com

Roger Davis, 77



SUTTON — Roger Davis, 77, passed away at his home loving with his wife by his side on Saturday, Oct. 22, after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years Eugenie M.A.Y.

his wife Amy Mackey of Galena, OH In addition to her husband, Jack and Mark Davis and his wife Norma

He was predeceased by a daugh-

Born in Sutton, on July 9, 1939, he God that has impacted countless indi- was the son of Anson I. and Bernice viduals and will continue to do so for (Bolster) Davis and lived in Sutton all generations to come as we pass along of his life. He worked as a parts installer for General Motors and as a machinist for the former Whitin Machine Works.

Roger served in the U.S Army as an Artillery Supply Specialist during the

Vietnam Era. A wonderful husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, he loved to spend time with his family and had a great sense of humor. He will be sorely missed.

His funeral will be held Friday, Oct. 28 from Jackman Funeral Home, 7 Mechanic St., Douglas with a Mass at 11 a.m. in St. Mark's Church, 356 Boston Rd., Sutton. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton. Calling hours at the funeral home will be held on Friday, Oct. 28 from 9-10:30 a.m.

To leave a condolence message for the family please visit www.jackmanfuneralhomes.com.

Leo Paul Mahoney, 75



Leo Paul Mahoney, 75, was born Oct. 3, 1941, in Whitinsville. He married his beloved doll, Sandra on May 25, 1991.

Leo died on Oct. 19 after his 16-year battle with Parkinson's disease. He was sur-

rounded by his loving family.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra, and his four children: Paul Mahoney and wife Laurie, Joanne Cancelmo and husband Richard, Jennifer Goldman and husband Kissinger, and Jeffrey Rakitt and wife Susan. He will be missed by his nine grandchildren: Patrick, Reagan, Catherine, Mackenzie, Ethan, Ezra, Jonah, Elijah, and Eliana.

He was one of 10 children from his father John Patrick and his mother Helen (Christian).

He was predeceased by three of his siblings, Ilene, Johnny, and Mary. His surviving siblings are Francis, James, Elizabeth, Joseph, William, and Patricia. One of the greatest memories Leo's siblings will remember in great detail are their many golf outings.

Leo attended school in Northbridge. Throughout high school, he was the star of the football and baseball teams. He joined the Navy when he was just 17

years old, displaying the courage he had that others envied. After the Navy he attended Worcester State and Clark University. He later went on to Florida State University to study for his Doctorate.



After college Leo spent 33 years teaching at Bryant University in Smithfield, Rhode Island. He will be fondly remembered by many students as the toughest teacher they ever had. He began teaching to force himself to overcome his shyness and fear of public speaking. During his years at Bryant he was very involved with the teachers Federation including serving as president.

Sixteen years ago he achieved his dream of retiring and moving to Florida. He had many wonderful friends and great memories in Florida. His other great love was talking politics. You couldn't walk into the house without having to discuss current events.

Donations may be made to Ramat Shalom, 11301 W. Broward Blvd, Plantation, FL or the American Parkinson's Association.

Services were held at Ramat Shalom, Friday, Oct. 21.

Randall F. Morin Sr., 53

Randall F. WHITINSVILLE — "Randy" (Holohan) Morin Sr., 53, of Whitinsville, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 18, in UMass Memorial Medical Center, Worcester. He was the husband of Jean E. (Admire) Morin.

Randy had been a truck driver with Koopman Lumber for a number of years before retiring.

 $He was born \, July \, \widetilde{21}, 1963 \, in \, Worcester$ the son of Ronald and Janis (Brunelle) Morin of Northbridge. He was a graduate of Worcester Vocational Technical High School, class of 1981.

Randy enjoyed riding motorcycles and was a member of the "Christian Motorcyclists Association." Randy was a devoted member of the North Uxbridge Baptist Church and enjoyed reading his Bible and making others laugh. Randy radiated a genuine love and kindness to all he encountered and had a gift of making everyone feel like family.

In addition to his wife, of 11 years, Jean, and his parents, Randy is survived by his sons, Tavid F. Morin of Sutton, Randall F. Morin, Jr. of Whitinsville, Daniel J. and his wife Danyel Whelan of Whitinsville, and Christopher E. and his wife Sarah Bartlett of Uxbridge; three daughters, Caroline E. Bartlett of Dalton, Tiffany J. Hall of Whitinsville, and Katey A. Robards of Sutton; two sisters, Colleen Holohan-Sherman and Kathleen Gosselin both of Northbridge; a step-sister, Carol Morin and step-brother, Jeffrey Kennedy; a granddaughter and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a son, Kenneth J. Bartlett.

Visiting hours were held Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the North Uxbridge Baptist Church, 5 East Hartford Ave., North Uxbridge, followed by a funeral service in the church. Burial followed at Riverdale Cemetery, Providence Rd., Rte. 122, Whitinsville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA

Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Buma Funeral Home,

Whitinsville. Visit www.bumafuneralhome.com.

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

DOUGLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Oct. 19 Adult Male, A&B

Matthew G. Tercyak, of 332 Aldrich St., Uxbridge, was charged with failure to appear

Oct. 20

Paul A. Rota, 49, of 31 Joyce St., Webster, was charged with four counts of failure to appear, operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license and no inspection/sticker

John M. McKay, 55, of 10 Thompson Rd., Webster, was charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, speeding, load unsecured/ uncovered, possess open container of alcohol in motor vehicle

George M. Gagnon, 60, of 64 Perry St., Douglas, was charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, possess open container of alcohol in motor vehicle

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LEARNING

BVT culinary students bake apple pies for WorldSkills event

UPTON — The participants of the 2016 WorldSkills General Assembly, co-hosted Canada's Skills Competencies Canada and the United States' SkillsUSA, were treated to an All-American Barbecue including the American culture's signature dessert — apple pie.

The mini apple pies were made by culinary students at Blackstone Valley Tech. The students baked 300 individually wrapped mini apple pies for the delegates of the WorldSkills General Assembly over twodays before sending them off with the U.S. delegation of SkillsUSA to be enjoyed at the

"It was an honor to present each participant with an individual apple pie made by our students. The pies not only represented America's pastime, but the extraordinary talent and skill of our career and technical education students. We were very proud as participants raved about the pies," said Karen Ward, Executive SkillsUSA Director of Massachusetts.

The 2016 WorldSkills General Assembly marked the first time the General Assembly has been held in North America, and the first time two countries have co-hosted the event. As a co-host the United States had the opportunity to showcase students and national pastimes. The participants of the General Assembly were gifted baseball bats and baseballs in addition to the mini apple pies in order to truly paint a picture of a piece of America's culture.

The pies became a gathering point to welcome the world – 63 countries from Austria to Zambia enjoyed a slice of America thanks to the talents of our students. Thank-you to Blackstone Valley Regional Technical High School, the teachers, students and members of the school's administrative team for bringing our vision to reality and our hospitality to the world. We are very grateful," Ward said.

The pies were not the only representation of BVT at the WorldSkills General Assembly. Senior Stacey Muanya was the official spokesperson for SkillsUSA at the international

At the event, more than 300 participants worked together in strategic planning meetings with a goal of improving the world through skill development and helping students find meaningful career paths and training for jobs that must be



The 2016 WorldSkills General Assembly held in Niagara Falls, Canada featured apple pies baked by the Culinary Arts students at Blackstone Valley Tech. Seen here showcasing the pies are (left to right) Stacey Muanya, a BVT senior from Milford in the Health Services program and the SkillsUSA National High School President; and Tim Lawrence, SkillsUSA National **Executive Director.**

BV Tech art club allowing students to draw a bright future

UPTON — When you walk into the art room after school on a Tuesday or Thursday, you will see anywhere from 12 to 25 students scattered throughout the room with projects and materials set on every available surface. The music playing from a computer in the corner keeps the students inspired as their paint brushes, charcoal pieces, and pencils dance across the papers in front of them.

Many of the students are chasing a dream of going to art school. Their hard work, coupled with art teacher Ms. MacLure's guidance, often pays off when a large envelope with the word "accepted" printed on the front arrives from their dream school.

Ms. MacLure started the art club in the fall of 2014 as a way to help students successfully apply to art school. The club has become a creative place where students are inspired, share ideas, explore art school options, and work in a collaborative environment with other students from every grade and level of artistry. The upperclassmen are often preparing for art school application deadlines, and working on portfolio projects such as observational and experimental drawings, as well as large scale works of art. The underclassmen, unsure of their artistic futures, see the art club as an opportunity to work with new materials and tune into their creative sides.

The art club reinforces the 21st century skills taught at BVT by giving students another medium to apply their skills to. Art programs also create what Project Zero (the research division of Harvard's School of Education) refer to as Studio Habits of Mind, which is a set of skills artists use that help expand critical thinking skills across all disciplines.

The art club gives stu-

dents skills to use in all facets of their lives while showing them different ways their love of art can transcend high school to become a college degree and a lifelong career. The club often hosts artists, who tell their stories and provide tips to students, and admissions counselors from area art schools, who give presentations so students can be well informed of their educational options.

This year, the art club kicked off its visiting artist series when painter Ida Floreak visited the group to give advice to the aspiring artists and offer individual critiques of student portfolios. Floreak is a New Orleans based painter whose work has been on display in the Ogden Museum of Art, as well as other New Orleans galleries. Students lined up for the opportunity to get a fresh set of eyes on their work.

A few weeks later, the first of many art schools visited the pro-



Rhode Island School of Art and Design admissions officer Melanie Patterson presented the art club with an overview of all 16 programs the school offers. As a graduate of RISD's Illustration department, Patterson offered an additional layer of knowledge about the school.

gram when Rhode Island School of Art and Design (RISD) admissions officer Melanie Patterson gave a presentation to students that covered the freshman year experience, major programs offered, and admissions requirements. The students' eyes were glued to the projector as their minds raced with artistic possibilities.

"Art is really my passion, so it's my biggest goal every year to help these kids get into the art schools of their dreams," Ms. MacLure said.

The passion MacLure has is palpable in the art room, and students are feeding off of her excitement and positivity as they enter the stressful college application process.

"Students I've mentored have been accepted to art schools like RISD,

Savannah College of Art and Design, Art Institute of Boston, and Ringling College of Art. If the students are willing to put in the work, and it's a lot of work, then things usually go really well for them,' Ms. MacLure said.

One things for sure, the art program and art club at BVT are allowing students to draw a bright future - literally.

EDUCATION <u>NOTEBOOK</u>

Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School

UPTON — The Blackstone Valley Tech Culinary Arts Alumni will host a dedication ceremony in honor of Mr. Edward Bracebridge, more commonly known as "Mr. B," on Saturday, Oct. 29.

The student-run Three Seasons Restaurant will be dedicated to Bracebridge during the open house event. Bracebridge began working at BVT in 1975 as the first instructor within the system's culinary arts program. At the time, the shop itself was not completed and Bracebridge taught students out of the cafeteria.

During his 29 years at BVT, Bracebridge became known for teaching life lessons just as easily as he taught culinary skills. He was a mentor and confidant to many students in addition to serving as their teacher before retiring in 2004.

The BVT Culinary Alumni's open house style event, complete with hors d'oeuvres, includes a dedication of the Three Seasons Restaurant to the former educator. The event will be Saturday, Oct. 29 from 1-4 p.m.

Any questions can be directed to Kathleen Manoogian at kmanoogian@ valleytech.k12.ma.us or Dawn Dubois (Haigis) at 508-529-7758, ext. 2143.

Whitinsville Social Library

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

- Local Children's Author Donna Mae Paszniak will join us for Family Literacy Night, Thursday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m., to read her latest book, "The Wooly Adventures of Purl," followed by a craft for children ages 3 through 7. Online registration is required for the
- Come and celebrate America Recycles Week, with My Pal and Me Art Club for children in grades K-4, and one adult, on Monday, Nov. 14, at 3:30 p.m. Come and make watercolor owls out of newspapers. Online registration is required.

Dads, Domes, and Donuts is Saturday, Nov. 19 at 10 a.m., for one Library with any questions at 508-234adult and children in grades K -4. Geo domes will be made out of newspapers to take home while enjoying donuts. Online registration is required.

 $\hbox{-} Weekly \, Music \, \& \, Movement \, with \, Miss \,$ Deb for tots is held every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., followed by Story and Craft time with Miss Marcia for ages 2 through preschool every Thursday at 10:30. a.m.

Both programs are drop in.

For more information on programs, please visit the library website www. northbridgemass.org/whitinsville-social-library.

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

The Whitinsville Social Library, 17 Church St, Whitinsville, is off to a fabulous fall with the following events. All events are free and open to the public.

• The Game of Thrones Book Club will be reading & discussing the next two books in the series:

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 7 p.m. Book #3 "A Storm of Swords"

Register online: http://whitinsville. evanced.info/signup · A Presentation on "Facts About

Recycling" in Celebration of America Recycles Day: Tuesday, Nov. 1, 7 p.m. Nov. 15 is America Recycles Day, so come learn how & why recycle with Bonnie Combs, Director of the Blackstone Heritage Corridor Inc. Find

out more about America Recycles Day

http://americarecyclesday.org/. Gilmore Girls Trivia Night: Thursday, Nov. 3, 6:30 p.m. We're excited for the new Gilmore Girls, too! While you wait, come to our Trivia Night to answer questions about the original tv series for a chance to earn a Gilmore Girl Gift Basket! Lorelei-approved snacks included! Register online in teams of 3-5 people. http://whitinsville.

evanced.info/signup. · Cooking Demonstration & Tasting with Liz Barbour's Creative Chef, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m. "New Traditions for Thanksgiving" will show you the art of creating a Thanksgiving menu that is easy, artistic, and delicious. Liz will talk you through the best way to select your turkey then focus on important turkey preparation tips and demonstrate two of her favorite side dish recipes. Register online: http:// whitinsville.evanced.info/signup.

· Knitting & Needlework Group meets on Wednesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. Bring your latest project. All experience levels welcomed!

Please contact the Whitinsville Social cwmars.org or just show up.

Uxbridge Free Public Library: Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving week hours: Wednesday, Nov. 23, close at 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24-25, closed. Open on Saturday, Nov. 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Seed Collecting Library: Seed donations for heirloom and special plants are requested. Save, share and collect.

· Technology Help: Bring your tablet, laptop or smart phone and we will show you how to use library apps to access audio e-books, e-books, music, and databases (these include but are not limited to: Axis 360, EBL, Biblioboard, Learning Express Library, Rocket Languages, Freegal Music and Overdrive).

ADULT & TEEN PROGRAMS

Yoga with Marise, Mondays at 7 p.m. Please sign-up for this free program

sponsored by the Library Trustees. Running Group for Adults: Most Wednesdays meet at 5:15 p.m. Check the website or call to confirm day and time. Leave the library at 5:30 p.m. for a 3- to 4-mile run.

Writing Workshop with Zach: Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 6 p.m. Please sign up Workshop with Zach: for this free program.

Sit and Knit (or crochet): Thursdays, Nov. 3 and 17, at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome, this is a drop-in event.

The Value of the Book with Ray Rickman: Nov. 2, at 6:30 p.m.

Antique Roadshow for books. Bring a book or two from your collection to be appraised by an expert who spent 30 years in the book business. Please sign up for this free program made possible by the Library Trustees.

Page-turners: Tuesday, Nov. 8, from

Free, drop-in program for people who wish to hear about reviews and recommendations for fiction and non-fiction

Caroline E. Zani, local author of "Piper Once & Again," Thursday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m.

Please sign up for this free author talk. Books will be available for purchase after the talk. Author signing books after the presentation.

Nintendo Night for Teens, ages 13 and up, Nov. 14, 6-7:30 p.m. (there will be snacks). E-mail Deb at dhinkle@

Teen Advisory Board (TAB), for stulents in grades 6-12. Nov. 17, from 6-7:30 p.m. Talk about, organize, plan, and run library programs for children and teens. Make selections to add to the teen library collection. Use laptops to learn and explore digital library resources.

The Bookies Book Group: Nov. 17, from 2-3 p.m. We will discuss "The Little Paris Book Shop," by Nina George. New members welcome. Extra copies of the book will be available at the Adult Circulation desk.

Adult and Teen Card Making with Susan: Nov. 17, from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Please sign up for this event.

Science Fiction Book Group, Nov. 19,

from 10-11 a.m.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Babies and Books currently full; next sign up is coming soon, check the web-

Story Time currently full; next sign up is coming soon, check the website.

Bedtime Story Time with Miss Nancy: Nov. 3, from 6:30-7 p.m. This is a free, drop in program, and all are welcome.

Deb Hudgins "Happy Thanksgiving": Nov. 8, at 11 a.m. This is a free dropin program sponsored by Beginning Bridges and the Uxbridge Library Trustees.

Story Walk in the Library backyard: Marshmallows Galore by Donna Mae, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donna Mae will also be here with all of her books and available to sign.

Crafty Wednesday: Each Wednesday, between 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. One craft per child, please. This is a free drop-in program.

Lego Time: Thursdays, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Bring your own base; all other Legos are provided for your building creations.

Join us at the Uxbridge Library with special guest Allison Horrocks from Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. to learn more about the importance of preservation and the buildings in our community! Program will run from. Ages 7-11.

Library Meetings Open to the Public: Library Trustees meeting, Nov. 15,

- Friends of the Library meeting, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m.

COMING IN DECEMBER

Uxbridge First Night: Dec. 3: Storytelling with John Porcino

SPORTS

Tantasqua football outlasts Rams in the rain, 13-7



Nick Ethier pho

Northbridge quarterback Jack Marzec attempts to slip through the grasp of a Tantasqua defender while carrying the ball.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE — The Reservation endured a lengthy rain and lightning storm last Friday evening, Oct. 21, pushing the start time of the Tantasqua Regional and Northbridge High varsity football game back 83 minutes. But the Warriors didn't mind waiting for that 8:23 start time, as they held on to defeat the Rams in a turnover filled affair, 13-7.

"That was probably the ugliest win you'll ever see on a high school football game," Tantasqua head coach Joseph



Jack Marzec of Northbridge rears back and throws the ball down the

Beveridge said, what with a combined eight turnovers between the two sides — including six by Northbridge.

"We had so many turnovers that it's tough to win that way, but our offense has been struggling," said Rams' head coach Ken LaChapelle. "In the last three weeks we've scored zero, 10 and seven. "We're just not clicking in any way."

The Warriors' defensive tandem of Mike Farland and Bobby Mosely — who celebrated a birthday a day prior both caught of a pair of interceptions, and the team gobbled



Defender Zachary Roberts of Northbridge, left, and Isaiah Cid of Tantasqua both go after an airborne ball.



Northbridge's Zachary Roberts, left, attempts to catch an interception after a pass slips past Tantasqua's Stephen Cook.

up two more Northbridge fumbled snaps. Farland (12 carries, 40 yards) also provided the offense, rushing in for 6 and 13-yard touchdowns.

"Mike Farland had a good game. He does the important stuff," said Beveridge. "He's our fastest player on the team, so we asked him to step in at running back. He's kind of a Jack-of-all-trades, he's our Swiss Army knife. He's playing slot receiver when we need him, when someone goes does he plays running back, he plays safety, he plays linebacker, he plays nickel back on defense, so he does everything for us."

Farland's scores came on Tantasqua's first and final offensive possessions, aside from the Warriors' kneel down to end the game after John Dalton recovered the Rams' onside kick attempt. Other than the two touchdowns, though, Northbridge's defense held Tantasqua's offense in check, as quarterback Colin Eliason completed just 10 of 31 passes for 61 yards and a pair of interceptions, which were caught by Tyler Haroutunian and Jake MacNeil.

"The defense was outstanding," LaChapelle said, giving credit to defensive coach Steve Falconer.

The Warriors' lead of 6-0 held through the rainy second quarter and the now dry third period until Farland found the end zone with 1:36 to go in the foggy final frame. Cody Robert booted the extra point to make it 13-0 before Northbridge's offense finally found its rhythm.

Quarterback Jack Marzec, who injured himself on the final play of the first quarter and gave way to Mathew Remillard (1 of 6, 11 yards) for much of the second, led his team on their scoring drive. With 16 seconds to play, Marzec (14 of 33, 141 yards) hit Bryan Johnson on a 25-yard touchdown pass, and Geoffrey Reichert booted the extra point to trim the deficit down to 13-7.

But Dalton recovered the ensuing kick as the Warriors upped their record to 3-4.

"This was a huge win. It was Senior Night so you want to have the seniors having a good night, and more importantly we're fighting for that playoff spot," Beveridge said of potentially participating in the Division 2A playoffs after Week 8.

Tantasqua's final regular season contest takes place Saturday, Oct. 29 at Uxbridge



Northbridge quarterback Mathew Remillard, who took over at times for an injured Jack Marzec, carries the ball on Tantasqua defender Mike Farland.

High at 1 p.m.

Meanwhile, Northbridge lost its third straight and slipped to 3-4 as the offense had trouble moving the ball, whether Marzec or Remillard was calling the signals. Both players threw a pair of interceptions in the game.

"You can't put a good house

together if you keep cutting all the boards short." LaChapelle said. "You just keep plugging away, you keep practicing, and that's all we can do."

The Rams hope to even their record to 4-4 when they travel to Southbridge to face the Pioneers on Friday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m.



Tantasqua's Cody Robert, left, holds onto the ball before being tackled by Northbridge's Geoffrey Reichert (1).



Defender Brian larussi of Northbridge nearly makes an interception as the ball temporarily dangles on his left wrist.

NEWS BRIEF

Civil War re-enactment creates integrated learning opportunities

UPTON — The students enrolled in the Culinary Arts program at BVT never thought they'd be learning about the Civil War as a part of their shop curriculum. Neither did the Health Services students, or the students in English and Art classes.

Nevertheless, the instructors throughout the building used the Civil War Reenactment held at Daniels Farmstead as an opportunity to integrate the Civil War into seemingly unrelated subjects.

The fusion of history into different programs allowed students to understand the complexities and multifaceted nature of the Civil War.

The Culinary Arts program used the reenactment as a springboard to teach students about the availability and quality of food during the Civil War period. The students created a beef stew using ingredients and techniques from the era. The stew used substitutions when necessary, but the final version gave students and guests an idea of what soldiers were eating while serving in the war.

The history lesson continued to transcend the history department when students in the Health Services program discovered the many ways modern medicine differs from Civil War era medicine. Through an in-class project, students traced the path medicine followed through the Civil War to evolve into what they are learning about today by researching the medical care and treatment of wounded and sick soldiers fighting the war.

"The students were astounded at the crude instruments and the simple medications used. The class research showed students how the Civil War aided in the evolvement of medical care," said Health

Services Instructor Judith Lavallee.

The vocational programs were not the only ones integrating social studies into their curriculum by using the event to bring a more detailed understanding of the time period. The English and Art program teamed up to create a contest for students to display their new knowledge of the Civil war after attending the reenactment. Students were encouraged to create a short story, poem, comic strip, or other piece of art based on the Civil War reenactment. Students were able to be take in the sights and sounds of the event, couple them with their knowledge of the time period from their social studies classes, and create some-

The students' knowledge of the Civil War was further developed by the social studies department's interactive presentation where two re-enactors, dressed in Union soldier uniforms, answered student's questions about the Civil War and the process of planning and executing a reenactment of one of the most turbulent times in American history. The re-enactors gave detailed answers to students' questions about everything from women's role in the war to the

ways soldiers set up their base camps. "Our multifaceted Civil War reenactment project, established in partnership with Daniels Farmstead, served as a recipe for active and applied learning," said Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick, superintendent-director of Blackstone Valley Tech. "The venture was a biology lesson blended inside a history lesson, spiced with a culinary arts lesson, incorporated within a creative writing lesson, and embedded within a health services field hospital setting."

The integrated history lessons provided by the Civil War reenactment transcended the social studies department and created a school-wide learning initiative. The reenactment, which was well attended by students, teachers, and the general public alike, allowed history to take center stage and inspired students to see how history is involved in every facet of education.

Area police departments report successful drug take back events

DRUGS

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Darrin's recommendation reflects the message of Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early, Jr., who spoke in September at David Prouty High School about the many ways residents can join the fight against opioids. One of those ways is turning in unused and expired medications. While residents often choose to keep old medications with the idea of using them following future injuries, keeping the drugs increases chances of abuse.

Not only do burglars search for unused medications, but family members or visitors suffering from addiction also seek them out. In recent years, police have observed an increase in kids trading medications from their respective homes. Addictions often begin with easy access to unused drugs at home, officials said.

In Leicester, 117 pounds of drugs were collected during the Oct. 22 event. The police department thanked the Leicester Recycling Center for its assistance, and residents in several other communities took advantage of the opportunity to get rid of old drugs.

"This is a big win for us, and we couldn't do it without support from

the Leicester Recycling Center," said Leicester Police Chief James Hurley, whose department also has a kiosk in the lobby for unused medications. "You never want to leave these medications around and risk them falling into the wrong hands."

Looking ahead, police departments continue collaborating on various strategies which provide knowledge to those struggling with addiction. Police in Spencer and Worcester have partnered to offer training for community advocates, who have been instructed at multiple sessions by police. Upon completion of their training, they will be able to offer guidance and knowledge as mentors.

While these advocates won't be providing any professional recovery assistance, they will direct residents dealing with addiction to the appropriate sources, police said. For families seeking immediate information, the mentors will provide an invaluable resource.

"The path to recovery is very complex, and a lot of people don't know where to turn," Darrin added. "These mentors will provide a roadmap to recovery and let people know about available resources."

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SPORTS

Uxbridge hangs tough but ultimately falls to undefeated Indians

UXBRIDGE — The undefeated Grafton High varsity football team came to town on Saturday, Oct. 22, but it didn't seem to intimidate Uxbridge High, who played an inspired game and stood toe to tie with the Indians for much of the contest.

Grafton (7-0) scored the final two touchdowns, though, to pull away late and win a 34-21 decision.

The Spartans fell behind, 14-0, before rallying 4:30 before halftime. Quarterback Max White-Cohen launched a 17-yard touchdown pass to Josh Callinan, and Ryley Rosborough booted the extra

Now in the third quarter, Uxbridge tied the score at 14-14 when White-Cohen

offensive and defensive lines.

called his own number and scampered into the end zone from 2 yards out. Rosborough then kicked another PAT.

With Grafton back on top, 21-14, the Spartans again tied it up early in the fourth quarter when White-Cohen connected with Corey Moss on an 18-yard scoring play, which was followed by Rosborough's third kick.

But the Indians retook the lead with 5:35 to play on Ifeatu Melifonwu's third rushing score of the afternoon — and they held on from there.

Uxbridge dropped to 4-3 and concludes its eight-game regular season schedule at home versus Tantasqua Regional on Saturday, Oct. 29 at 1 p.m.



Defender Jason Kindl of Uxbridge drags Grafton ball carrier Ethan Cam Butler of Uxbridge gets past a Grafton Farrah to the ground.



defender and nearly makes a sensational catch down the sideline.



Uxbridge quarterback Max White-Cohen launches a pass over the



Nick Ethier photos Uxbridge's Josh Callinan and then teammate Michael Rosa (7) com- Uxbridge's Josh Callinan makes an acrobatic bine to tackle Grafton's Ifeatu Melifonwu.



catch in between a pair of Grafton defenders.

Grafton squeaks out Southern Worcester County League golf championship

LEICESTER, TANTASQUA TAKE SECOND, THIRD PLACE, RESPECTIVELY



BY NICK ETHIER

LEICESTER — The Southern Worcester County League golf championship was competitive as could be on Thursday, Oct. 20 at Leicester Country Club, when the top four individual scores combined from the Grafton High and Leicester High teams couldn't settle a champion. Both teams' cumulative totals were 316, but the Indians won the tiebreaker when their next best score was an 81 compared to the Wolverines' 89.

Tantasqua Regional was right behind in third place with a total of 321, while Millbury High (333) and David Prouty Regional (343) rounded out the top five.

Sixth place belonged to Auburn High (362), while the seventh through 11th place

standings were Northbridge High (363), Bartlett High (365), Oxford High (398), Quaboag Regional (399) and Uxbridge High (420).

In the individual tournament. Leicester senior Reece McLeod ran away with a fivestroke victory, carding a 1-over par 71 at his home course.

"I played pretty well today," said McLeod. "I would say the iron shots were working really well. Off the tee I was good, I just had one mess up on hole seven. I went out of bounds, but I bounced back with a birdie on 8 and then birdied 10 and 11."

McLeod's approach shots on 10 and 11 landed about 3 feet away from the cup for easier-than-normal birdies.

The Wolverines start six seniors, and the squad is looking forward to the Central Mass. Division 3 district match at Blissful Meadows in Uxbridge, after press time.

'We've had a great year. We want to make states as a team really bad," said McLeod, adding that the team has practiced a few rounds at Blissful. "We're looking for the win. The rubber

meets the road now, this is it."

Tantasqua is scheduled to take part in the Division 1 district match at Kettle Brook Golf Club in Paxton, while Grafton, Millbury and Northbridge are in the Division 2 tournament at the Indians' home course of Highfields Golf and Country

Below are the top 10 individual results from the tourna-

1. Reece McLeod, Leicester,

2. Alex Hetherman, Bartlett,

2. Sean McCarthy, Leicester,

2. Devin Weaver, Millbury, 5. Alec Merrifield, Tantasqua,

5. Wyatt Murray, Grafton, 77 7. Ryan Sullivan, Grafton, 78

Terrence Tantasqua, 79

8. Ryan Casault, David

Prouty, 79 Josh Berthiaume. 10.

Tantasqua, 80 10. Rvan Henderson, Auburn,

10. Colin Nosek, David

Prouty, 80 10. Sean Thompson, Grafton, 80





Nick Ethier photos

Leicester Country Club hosted the **Southern Worcester County League** golf championship last Thursday, Oct. 20, where Grafton High edged Leicester High for the team title. The Wolverines' Reece McLeod won medalist honors by carding a 1-over par 71.

Officials examining site for potential dog park

DOG PARK

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"The Uxbridge Dog Park originated about three years ago when Laura Hamel started a Facebook group," said Uxbridge Dog Park Committee Co-Chairman Cindy Scott. "A small group of interested people began meeting on a regular basis. We did a lot of research, visited other dog parks, reached out to other towns who had dog parks for their experience and suggestions, and met with town leaders for advice. But it wasn't until a year ago, when we met Officer Josiah Morrissette [Uxbridge Police Department], that things really started to move forward more quickly with our

Last year, Officer Morrissette was also working on bringing a dog park to Uxbridge. He was planning to submit a grant application to the Stanton Foundation, and with the help of the Uxbridge Dog Park Committee, they worked together to gain Board of Selectmen approval to submit the grant

The mission of the Uxbridge Dog Park is to provide a safe, clean and secure environment where owners may exercise and train their dogs off leash. It provides effective socialization opportunities for people and their dogs, and it also enhances positive interaction between dog owners and the community," Scott added.

The Stanton Foundation grant has provided

significant funding to turn a portion of public land at the Sutton Street Fields, commonly known as 100-acre Lot, into a large dog park for residents of Uxbridge and possibly surrounding towns to use. The grant covers one hundred percent of the funds needed for the design phase of the project, as well as ninety percent of the construction costs. The remaining ten percent (roughly \$17,000) must be contributed by the town through fundraising.

For more information about the project, visit www.facebook.com/Uxbridge-Dog-Park or send an email to dogparkcommittee@uxbridge-ma.gov.

In Auburn, meanwhile, officials are currently seeking to acquire grant funding from the Stanton Foundation for their dog park project. The town held a public hearing at the Sept. 26 Board of Selectmen meeting to examine its first potential

After gathering feedback from residents at the public hearing, most notably the abutters of the proposed location, the town plans to present additional sites at a future selectmen's meeting this

"The town will continue to collect feedback from residents prior to finalizing a site candidate, after which approval from the Board of Selectmen shall be sought in order to pursue the grant," said Town Planner Matthew Benoit.

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SPORTS

Blackstone Valley Tech hangs on to top Assabet in thriller, 26-22



Jon Gouin photos

Blackstone Valley Tech quarterback Hector Petri rushes for a big gain during a 26-22 Homecoming victory over Assabet Valley on Saturday, Oct. 22.

BY JON GOUIN
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

UPTON — "When you've got a close game on the table, you've got to come through with a win, and against a big, tough team like Assabet — them being undefeated and a league rival — it's a good win that will really set the rest of the season for us," Blackstone Valley Tech quarterback Hector Petri said following a 26-22, last minute victory on Homecoming Saturday, Oct. 22.

While Petri and the up-tempo Beaver offense helped set the tone early on, in the end it was BVT's defense that hung on, stopping Assabet Valley on one final drive to come away victorious. Their sixth straight win moves the Beavers to the top of the Colonial Athletic League standings at 6-1, while the Aztecs fall to 6-1 and drop to second place.

Valley Tech opened the game with the

ball and wasted little time getting on the board with their hurry-up offense. A game-opening 11-play, 70-yard drive was capped by senior co-captain Kevin Barthelmes (20 carries, 122 yards, 2 touchdowns; 3 receptions, 52 yards), who carried it in from 7 yards out to make it 7-0 with 7:04 to play in the first quarter.

The Aztecs were not intimidated, though, and came right back to tie it when Gabriel Souza (18 carries, 106 yards, 2 touchdowns) busted off a 65-yard touchdown run on their first play from scrimmage to even it up at 7-7 with 6:45 to go in the period.

Petri (19 carries, 121 yards, 2 touchdowns; 8 of 13, 167 yards) and the Beavers then retook the lead minutes later as the quarterback finished off a six-play, 90-yard drive with a 14-yard score of his own.

Barthelmes added the extra point to make it 14-7, but Assabet quarterback Justin Phillips (4 carries, 26 yards) wrapped up an entertaining opening frame with a 1-yard score and the game went to the second quarter tied, 14-14.

"We had a great start came right

"We had a great start, came right down the field," Valley Tech head coach Jim Archibald noted. "Credit to Assabet, they made some great adjustments and kind of took away our inside running game, setting the edge on us. They put a lot of pressure on us."

The defenses kept any points off the board in the second quarter, and it wasn't until 7:07 remained in the third quarter that Barthelmes gave the home team the lead again with a 3-yard score. The extra point attempt sailed wide, though, leaving the visitors an opening in a 20-14 game.

The Aztecs gladly took advantage of that opportunity on the very next possession when they marched 84 yards on nine plays in just under five minutes to take the lead with a Souza 4-yard run. On the point after try the snap sailed high, off the holder's hands and into Souza's, and the big back rumbled off the right side for two points and a 22-20 lead.

On their ensuing possession, Petri was intercepted by the Aztecs' William Soto, ending a drive with 8:51 to play, but the Beavers' defense then forced a three-and-out to get the ball back with 6:38 remaining. It didn't take long for Petri to make up for the error as he broke an 82-yard run to give his squad the lead back with 5:50 to play, at 26-22.

"I think, by his own admission, Hector didn't have a real good day, I think that's what he would say," Archibald said of his quarterback. "But, he's our money guy and when the chips are on the table he's the guy we want to have the ball. He's that kind of player that can turn a game around in two seconds."

"It was just awesome blocking," Petri said of the play. "The line had a great



Running back and senior co-captain Kevin Barthelmes of Blackstone Valley Tech had a big game in the win over Assabet on Homecoming Saturday.

run-blocking game and I can't stress enough how much we practiced that play all week. It really came through for us."

The Aztecs then had one last shot to get the win and stay unbeaten, and a poor kickoff gave them a very short field, starting at the BVT 40-yard line with 5:41 to play. Assabet strung together a 10-play drive that got them as close as the Beavers' 17, but a pair of holding penalties would be their downfall.

On fourth down with under a minute to play, Phillips was forced to throw the ball and that proved to be bad for the Aztecs. Junior Reece Hendriks came down with an interception to end the drive, and essentially the game with 15.9 seconds to go, sealing the 'W.'

"We had our backs against the wall and Reece is a good centerfielder out there, they threw it up and he came down with it," Archibald concluded on the play.

Valley Tech (6-1) now plays Worcester Tech on Saturday, Oct. 29 in their final regular season contest before the Division 4A playoffs get underway.

Extra motivation helps Bay Path boys' soccer stop Beavers in close one, 1-0



Jon Gouin photos

Connor Kenney of Blackstone Valley Tech races toward a loose ball, just beating a Bay Path defender to the touch.

BY JON GOUIN
PORTS CORRESPONDENT

UPTON—Entering Monday, Oct. 24, both the Bay Path Regional and Blackstone Valley Tech boys' varsity soccer teams had clinched slots in the upcoming postseason tournament, but each had more to prove after the squads battled to a scoreless tie back on Oct. 5.

This time around, while the game was played just as evenly as the first go-around, the Minutemen emerged victorious, 1-0, using a little extra motivation than just a rivalry with their Colonial Athletic League (CAL) foes to push them over the top.

"The team found this hard because this is the first time they've ever played without [head coach] Dave Martinson," said assistant coach Robin Catrona. "They stepped up and they dedicated this game to him, and truly, that's why they won this game — that's just the respect they have for the man."

Martinson was not patrolling the sidelines for Bay Path after having hernia surgery a few days prior, but the Minutemen used the love they hold for their coach to help propel them to a well-played win.

The game was as even as

it gets through the first half, and the score indicated so, as the teams went into the break scoreless. But, early in the second half in the 43rd minute, Bay Path got on the board with a beautiful effort from a pair of great players.

From 45 yards out, sophomore Kevin Gonzalez fired a free kick to the front of the net where senior captain Tyler Suprenant was waiting. After a brief scrum, the senior fired the ball low and left, beating BVT keeper John Davidge to give the visitors the lead.

Despite their best efforts, the Beavers (10-2-3) and their offense never could get one past Bay Path keeper Ryan Lathrop, and the Minutemen (9-5-1) would hand them their first home loss of the campaign. Also of note, the loss stopped Valley Tech from earning a share of the CAL title.

"We'll take the good with the bad today," a disappointed but positive Valley Tech head coach Khalid Al-Haza' said afterward. "Obviously we're disappointed with the loss, but it's a teachable moment."

Both coaches had nothing but positive things to say about their opposition and with two games played as closely as the teams have had, it was well warranted.

"They're a great team, they play so well together," Catrona said of the Beavers. "We have to bring our 'A' game every time we face them and we have the utmost respect for their program."

"They're a tough team, they always are," Al-Haza' said of Bay Path. "They always give us a tough game and it's very tough to score on them. They took advantage of the one [scoring] chance they got. But, I think we'll see these guys again in the Vocational Tournament next week, so this was kind of like round one."

Then the Central Mass. Division 3 district tournament awaits, where the Minutemen and Beavers could tangle once

again.

"The ultimate goal is still districts," Al-Haza' said of his team's future plans. "We're still in a good spot right now as long as we refocus and regroup, and get fired up and ready to go for the playoffs."

"We clinched a spot last week, but it always bodes well to have more wins and get a better seed," Catrona noted of her squad's late season efforts.



Steven Makynen of Blackstone Valley Tech played a solid game for the Beavers in what was just their second loss of the 2016 season.



Blackstone Valley Tech co-captain Matheus Gomes saves the ball on the near sideline versus Bay Path this past Monday afternoon.

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Young Douglas girl takes first step as published author

AUTHOR

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published on Oct. 3. How did this huge accomplishment come to be?

Bridgette: "She's a pretty avid reader. She started reading at 4 1/2 years old and absolutely loves books. Last year she did After Care at Whitinsville, staying a couple hours after school ended. She is so full of stories and has great imagination and her teachers would listen to her tell stories, and take the story down. They started to send them home and we got a big stack of stories over the years."

Emily: "I really like to make up stories. I like to make stories about adventures. I also like to make stories about problems. It gives kids all around the world ideas to cope with problems."

Why do you like to help others?

Emily: "I know if I help people I am rewarded and my heart feels really good."

What made you decide to make these short stories into a published collection?

Bridgette: "She said she wanted to be a famous author when she got older. I said I'd do anything to help her. I got goose bumps. She said it with such confidence and conviction. It's like she proclaimed her future. We weren't even talking about it. It was a typical morning and she said it out of the blue. I called her dad and we gathered up her stories from throughout the years. We decided to choose ten that she felt she wanted to share with the world."

What are the stories about?

Bridgette: "There's stories about animals, like one about a mouse that is too scared to hunt and had a sister help him.

There's a story about recycling, which is about being conscious and taking care of the world. Her favorite story is called 'Victoria Gem,' about an adventurer in Egypt who had to work with her family to get through these obstacles."

Emily: "The 'Victoria Gem' story is my favorite. Victoria is my middle name. It has riddles and I really like riddles. They go on a very cool adventure."

Are there illustrations?

Bridgette: "Two of her teenage cousins did the illustrations. It's just another example of talented kids coming together and sharing talents with other people."

How do you feel about her accomplishment, her having this published collection?

Bridgette: "Very excited and very proud. I think it speaks to what can be accomplished when you have a vision and a goal and have people supporting you. It's not just her parents, but her entire community. The teachers at her school, helping her write when she had these great ideas. They could have told her they don't have time. It's amazing because the US is struggling with literacy, even into high school. When there's a kid who loves to read and people are supporting it — this speaks to what could happen."

Emily: "I feel the teachers really, really wanted to help me with the book."

How has Emily felt about it?

Bridgette: "It's interesting, because she's so quiet and reserved. But with this book, she was so aggressive. She would come over and ask if I'm still typing and if the draft came in the mail. We were laughing. Where did this little girl come from? When it finally got published, she had a big grin on her face. What touched my heart was the gladness in

her eyes. They literally lit up. That for me, I'll always remember that moment."

How has the response to her book been?

Emily: "I feel really excited and happy. Other kids want to write books, too now. I get to read the stories to the whole class. I read a story every day."

Bridgette: "She's been inspiring other kids – reading stories at school, at the church. Kids are saying they want to write a book, too. That's just amazing. She is inspiring other kids to follow their passion, their dream. It shows them that you don't have to be old to accomplish something."

Emily: "I really want kids to understand that they have lots of people who help them, like the stories in my books."

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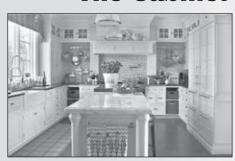
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Senate hopefuls face off in debate style interview

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Michael Moore: "I look forward to efforts that promote smart growth strategies for communities in central Massachusetts Last year, the Senate considered an overhaul of the state's zoning laws, which included many ways to relieve the burdens on local officials and residents. Examples included making it easier for zoning boards to reach a quorum, and offering tools for communities to simplify regulations. While much of the lawmaking is done at the state level, my experience as a member of the Millbury Board of Selectmen still influences how I evaluate legislation I know how certain mandates can make it harder for municipalities to make progress, and I plan on continuing to advocate for local con-

With more and more students graduating with a significant amount of debt, I have also filed legislation directed at making higher education in our state more affordable. In doing so, local graduates will be able to access higher education and invest money back into the area economy instead of being beholden to fulfilling expensive loan payments.'

Mesfin Beshir: "I support promoting job creation by reducing property taxes and regulations on businesses; strengthening our schools by opposing Common Core and assisting students recovering from drug abuse; and protecting public safety by supporting responsible use of the 2nd Amendment, law enforcement against illegal drugs and gangs, and judicial reform.

Invest in today and tomorrow - economic development and job-creation policies must include measures targeting near-term job creation, medium-term development, and longgrowth. This includes infrastructure projects that put our district residents to work immediately, policies that nurture key industries, and investments in education for sustained growth."

The opioid crisis has worsened statewide in recent years. What measures would you implement to help combat the crisis?

Mesfin Beshir: "We have to be able to implement a comprehensive strategy at the state and local level to address the heroin and opioid crisis and help save lives. These steps include cracking down on drug dealers and supporting effective law enforcement efforts, expanding drug courts as an effective alternative to incarceration, and providing state funding for prevention, treatment and recovery programs."

Michael Moore: "Many of us have lost a friend, neighbor or family member to addiction, or know someone impacted by its destructive force. As a legislator, and as a parent, I recognize that we cannot succeed at repelling this epidemic and reducing the risk to our families until we confront the realities of this challenge and ensure that adequate resources are made available. Earlier this year, I was proud to support the passage of comprehensive legislation to enhance substance abuse prevention efforts in the Commonwealth. The new law strengthens intervention, prevention and education efforts, including the creation of a framework to evaluate and treat patients who present in emergency rooms with an apparent

overdose. The new law also includes a provision that I sponsored to prohibit the possession, sale or manufacturing of powdered alcohol, which has become a growing issue across the country. While many steps remain in the ongoing fight against the opioid crisis, legislation that I have supported in the Senate seeks to provide a long-term approach to curbing this epidemic."

What experiences and accomplishments in government or business prepare vou best for the challenges that lie ahead?

Michael Moore: "I have devoted my entire adult life to public service. As a former law enforcement officer, environmental investigator, and town selectman. I have a record of giving back to my community and those I represent. Since being elected to serve in the State Senate, I have worked hard for local residents, including filing legislation to protect nurses and other healthcare workers from assault, securing funding for various area transportation projects, and supporting efforts to address the issues of drugged driving and sexual assaults on college campuses."

Mesfin Beshir: "Eight years ago I created the Ethiopian Dream Center/ CMMAP, Inc., where every day with love and compassion I strive to help our clients find jobs and housing. Our immigration program assists newly arriving immigrants navigate the immigration system, with legal issues and social adjustment issues. Our Community Healthcare Network Program works with victims of domestic violence, individuals with mental health issues, people who are living with HIV/AIDS and offers free medical case management for the residents of Green Island. Our support groups bring people together, and we do it because we believe it is something we can give to help build a stronger community. I have contributed to the program without local. state or federal funding but instead with the help of others who believe in what we do.

I have proven ability to initiate and accomplish tasks and consistently contribute in multitasking and time management. I have excellent experience working with a community management staff, minority groups, and equally and comfortably dealing with individuals and groups."

What areas are you most impressed with in the district? How can we ensure that these sectors continue to thrive?

Mesfin Beshir: "The attitude welcoming and encouragement of the people in the 2nd Worcester District is impressive. They care about jobs and infrastructure like roads. I am ready to roll with the most important issues that matter to the vot-

Michael Moore: "Contributions of area higher education institutions help to strengthen the vibrancy and strength of the region. With more than a dozen colleges and universities in the area, central Massachusetts is widely regarded as a growing higher education hub. While the number of manufacturing jobs in the region has declined during the past several decades, the district has embraced an innovation economy to help provide manufacturing jobs for a new generation of local residents. Startup incubators have started to sprout up in areas of Worcester, and surrounding communities are well underway with exploring new opportunities for commercial development. In order to sustain this growth, it is important for the region to foster a skilled workforce and provide access to education. As the Senate Chair for the Joint Committee on Higher Education, I spend a lot of time thinking about how our education system can be used to address the workforce gaps facing Massachusetts now and in the future. One thing that has become clear is the ongoing need for unified efforts from our education system, businesses and our state government to create a business environment that stimulates success."

In talking with residents, what are some of their greatest concerns? What are the most common issues they would like to see addressed?

Michael Moore: "Understandably, the economy is a primary concern for most residents of the 2nd Worcester District. In an effort to increase economic prosperity, I am committed to relieving unnecessary burdens placed on the individuals and small businesses. As a former selectman. I also understand the economic needs of local communities. I am proud to have supported common sense reforms such as the 'Fair Share Contribution' fix, and legislation to assist with streamlining small business registration. Combined, these efforts help to strengthen the economic outlook for central Massachusetts and the Commonwealth by allowing for continued job growth and a sustained economic recov-

Access to quality education also continues to be a concern for many families in the district. The relationship between early education and higher education is critical to helping students succeed in the 21st Century. As such, I support efforts to expand access to quality early education and increased local aid to strengthen our public schools. I will continue to advocate for increasing the salary rate for early educators to help hire and retain highly qualified teachers. In an effort to make the prospect of college graduation more attainable, I also support policies that enhance services for students and families. This includes reducing the high cost of tuition and fees, and expanding opportunities for transferring course credits."

Mesfin Beshir: "Maintaining the infrastructure like roads and potholes, trash, public safety, lack of jobs and public service in the towns."

What are some of the most significant differences between your vision for the district and your opponent's plan? What makes your plan the right one for central Massachusetts communities?

Mesfin Beshir: "I practice what I like to call 'collaborative politics' bringing people together to make their voices heard and our communities better. My campaign is about bringing together people from all walks of life across the district — people who believe that, working together, we can build a better Massachusetts for everyone. Mesfin Beshir: Independent, integrity; real-world experience; for the common people; individual thinker; positive change."

Michael Moore: "I

think my record of engaging with local officials and residents sets me apart. During my time in the Legislature, I have learned how important it is to be able to advocate for the many needs of a community. Over the past eight years, I have consistently reached out to town managers, police and fire chiefs, school superintendents, business leaders and other members of the community to solicit input. By developing strong working relationships with these individuals, I am better able to advocate for the needs of the district.

I also approach issues objectively. If there is a good idea proposed to solve an issue, then, for me, that's the logical choice - regardless if a Republican or Democrat championed that idea. I am open to working with any member of the Legislature who, like me, is committed to solving issues facing Commonwealth. Throughout my travels across the 2nd Worcester District, I listen to the needs of residents and those are the needs I fight

for on Beacon Hill Even within our district, there are countless different needs. By keeping an open mind and staying connected to the community, I know that my priorities will match those of the people I represent."

Thinking long term, what are some of your goals for the district beyond a year's time?

Michael Moore: "I believe that it is important to develop the economic possibilities for central Massachusetts. The state has fared pretty well since the recession several years ago.

Our unemployment rate is down, and other indicators show that there is great potential for new industries to succeed here.

However, much of the development has been focused in the city of Boston, and the surrounding area. The local economy was once based on the traditional manufacturing industry. Even though those jobs are unlikely to return, there is still a huge need for modern, skilled workers to meet the needs of our growing economy. Lifesciences and advanced manufacturing represent innovative industries, which can benefit central Massachusetts for decades to come. These jobs require skilled and educated workers, and also provide competitive salaries and benefits for local residents. Best of all, we can use our higher education advantages to build this workforce and our communities.

I also have a high degree of confidence that public safety will continue to remain a top priority of the Legislature. While we cannot preempt all possible threats, we certainly make every possible effort. The diligent service of our public safety personnel continue to make the eight communities in the Second Worcester District and beyond a safe place to live and work. I will support all efforts which maintain the trust that residents of Massachusetts have for law enforcement's ability to ensure everyone's safety."

Mesfin Beshir: "To build a working Massachusetts and rebuild the middle class, we need to take control of our own destiny. We cannot rely on a series of blue ribbon commissions and one-off policy initiatives without a unifying strategy to create long-term prosperity. When elected, I will be announcing a set of specific policy proposals focused on the following:

- 1. First steps toward building a working Massachusetts
- 2. Education and workforce development
- 3. Reforming govern-

What legislators or community members have had the greatest impact on your career to date?

Mesfin Beshir: "My foster mother, Edith Morgan, has had a great influence since I came to USA. She never gave up on me and taught me that everyone has something to give for their community and beyond."

Michael Moore: "While many people have had an impact on my career, there is one person who I have continued to look up to throughout my life, and who serves as a source of inspiration that I can only hope to emulate one day. That person is my father. As a small business owner. community advocate, WWII and Korean War veteran, I deeply admire my father's positive contributions to the lives of anyone who knew him. While he may not have gained notoriety outside of the neighborhood or town where I grew up, my father was a hard worker who was resilient in the face of adversity and the type of person who dedicated their life, however subtly, to serving others."

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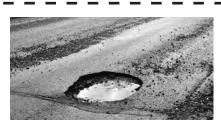
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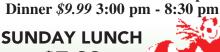
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Moore, Muradian advance Grafton State Police Museum bill

BOSTON — Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) and Rep. David K. Muradian (R-Grafton) announced the passage of legislation relative to the Massachusetts State Police Museum and Learning Center.

The bill, which was filed by both legislators last year, secures ownership of property in the Town of Grafton as the permanent home for the Museum.

Following the 2006 closure of the State Police barracks in Grafton, Museum leaders undertook efforts to rehabilitate and preserve the historic building. The Museum opened its doors to the public earlier last year and seeks to promote the unique history and identity of the Massachusetts State Police— New England's largest law enforcement agency. The visitor experience includes access to the former barracks and exhibits containing nearly 150 years of State Police artifacts.

'This legislation advances the mission of the Museum and will help to ensure that this nonprofit organization continues to serve the public for years to come," said Moore. "The Museum is an important educational and historic resource for our Commonwealth and I am proud to have helped usher the bill through the Legislative process."

"The passage of this legislation presents an amazing opportunity for both the town of Grafton and residents within the Commonwealth," said Muradian. "The State Police Museum will not only continue to promote their unique history, but also provide important education and learning experiences for visitors. I look forward to taking a tour of the barracks and hope to work with this nonprofit organization in the future.

"On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts State Police Museum, the officers and their families, both past and present, of the Massachusetts State Police, this is a goal long sought and achieved through the efforts of our state legislators, Representative Muradian and Senator Moore," said John H. Crawford, who serves as President of the Museum and Learning Center. "We are most grateful for their support of this bill. This is a notable achievement in the 151-year history of the State Police."

After receiving unanimous support in the Senate and House, the legislation has

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Fir Master w/Private Deck! 3 Bdrms! 2
Baths! Finished Lower Level w/LP Frplc!
New Kit Cabinets, Counters & Roof

2014! \$249,500.00

WEBSTER — 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8

MEDSIER — 9 Thylader Avel Rm Colonial wGreenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm wWood Floors! Pull Bath! Den wBuilt-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to Schools & Churches! \$117,900.00

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302C Partridge Hill Rd! Full Recreational 75' Waterfront! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! Great Water Views

Open Flr Plan w/Cathedrals, Skylights,

Frplce! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage!

\$329,900.00

NEW PRICE WERSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd!

Shed! Fenced Yard! \$169,900.00

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THOMPSON – 449 E Thompson Rd! 6 Rm Contemp! Beautiful 1.5 Acres! applianced Kit w/Quartz Counters, Cherry Cabinets, Breakfast Bar! Formal Din Rm! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Frplc! Master w/Walk-in Closets, Private Deck & Full Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! C/Vac! Mitsubishi A/C! Wired for Generator! 2 Car Garage! 2 Sheds! \$299,900.00



WEBSTER - 79-81 N. Main St! 5 WEBSTER — 79-81 N. Main St! 5 Unit — 4 Apartments Plus a Commercial Spacel Fully Rentedl Off Street Parking! Many Updates! Separate Utilities! Vinyl Sided and Replacement Windows! Rear Building Has Multi Stall Garage with One Free Standing Apartment that Has Handicap Accessibility, Nice Floor Plan!



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



DOUGLAS - 15 Mt Daniels Way! 8 Rm Colonial! 2.2 Acres! 2 Story Grand Entry Fover! New Applianced Granite Kit! Formal Din & Liv Rms w/Hrdwds! Frplc Fam Rm! Frplc Master Suite w/ Cathedrals! 2.5 Baths! Expandable 3rd Level! New Roof & Furnace! CVac



















WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND1 2 Checkerberry Is!! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake Facing 38' Din/Liv Rm w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting & Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 21' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skywalk Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit, SS Applianced, Open Din & Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrm, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frplcd Liv Rm, Bdrm & Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Ideal

Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! \$1,449,900.00





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STURBRIDGE — 15 Lauren Lane! 10 Room Colonial set on 1.16 Acres! Updated SS Applianced Kitchen! Dining & Living Room wNew Hardwoods! 4 Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths wNew Tile Floors! Central Air! 2 Car Garage! Nicely Landscaped! \$349,800.00



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



WEBSTER LAKE - 71 Birch Island! 7 Rm Colonial w/Lake Views from Every Rm! Hrdwds in Din/Liv & Master Bdrm! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Walkout Lower Level Fam Rm! 239' Waterfront! New Metal Roof! 2 Car Attached Garage & 3 Car Detached w/2nd Flr! Needs to be Seen to Appreciate Everything it Could Be! **\$674,900.00**



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NEW LISTING



WEBSTER LAKE - 36 Laurelwood Dr! Magnificent Lake Property! .75 Acres! Western Expo — Beautiful Sunsets! Frplc Liv Rm! Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 3 Car Garage! Mahogany Deck! Cahana! Sandy Beach! New Dock! Boat Ramp! \$799,900.00



DUDLEY - 61 New Boston Rd! 1,300+ Split! 1.53 Acres! Applianced Granite Kit w/ Tile Flr! Din Rm w/Hrdwds, Anderson Slider Ranch! 1.52 Acres! Applianced Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Din Area w/Slider to Trex Deck! Brick Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwds to Deck! Frplc Liv Rm w/Bay Window & Pellet & Bow Window! Master w/Hrdwds, Slider to Deck! Master Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Stove! 3 Bdrms! Master w/Bath & Walk-in Closet! 2nd Bath w/Skylight! Shed! Vinyl Siding & Windows! \$229,900.00



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Meadow Waterfront! West Facing!
Beautiful Sunsets! Full Recreational! Cozy
Yr Rd Getaway! Renovated! Applianced
Kit wHrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rnu
Frplc & Hrdwds! I Bdrm! Updated Bath!
Heated Sunroom Overlooking Water!
Recent Electrical, Plumbing, Well &
Septic! \$199,900.00



WEBSTER – 69 Minebrook Rd! 7 Rm Split Entry! Set on 1.04 Acres! Applianced Kit! Frplcd Liv Rm & Din Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove! Deck! 2 Car Garagel Shedl Listed by Anothe

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER LAKE - 103 Treasure Island!

Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/

w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$279,900.00**



Am Custom Cape! Open Flr Plan! Fully
Applianced w/Lunch Counter! Lake Facing
Brick Frplc Liv Rm, Din Rm & Fam Rm! 19 Master! 4 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! 2 Baths Huge Trex Deck! Buderus 5Z Oil Heat! \$449,900.00



WEBSTER LAKE — 113 Birch Island Rd! Overlooking Middle Pond! Eastern Expo - Reautiful Suprises! 5 Rm Year by Century21 Lake Realty! \$285,000.00







\$195,000.

Business Zoned \$110,000.

HOLLAND - Hamilton Reservoir Waterfront! 430 Mashapaug Rd! 8 Rm 2,864' Custom Cape! 200' Waterfront, 3.2 Acres, Estate Like ROLLAND - Hamilton Reservoir WaterTront: 450 Masinapaug (nt) 8 km 2,564 Custom Cape: 200 WaterTront, 24 Acre, Estate Like Grounds Stunted in a Cove Sheltered from Storms, filed out to Main Lake Grand Entry Foyer! Open Floor Plant (Ustom Cherry Kit WQuartz Isl, SS Appliances, Wall Ovens, Pantry Closet & Recessed Lighting! Din Area & Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Wood Stove Frplc & Pella Sliders to 12x38 Deck w@Lectric Avming & 12X18 Screened Porch! 1st Flr Water Facing Master wWalk-in Closet & Bath w/Granite Dible Vanity & Custom Glass Shower wWaterhaven Tower! 1st Flr Office w/French Pocket Doors & Custom Desk Wall Side Entry Mud Rm w/Custom Desk, Cabinets & Counter w/Sink, Guest Closet, Laundy Closet & Half Bath w/Pedestal Sink! Upstairs 3 Water Facing Bdrms, 2 w/Cathedrals! 2nd Full Tile Bath w/Custom Vanity & Linen Closet! Add Storage! Full Walkout Basement - Need More Rms! Zoned Hydro Air! 3

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Webster - Lot 119B Thompson Rd Town Water & Sewer \$43,500. Webster - Lot 119A Thompson Rd Town Water & Sewer \$43,500.

Webster- 122 Gore Rd. Lot Approx. 1-1.2 +/- Acres. Town Water

Dudley - Lot# 149 Southbridge Road - 4.5 +/- acres. 150 ft +/- of

Webster - 114 Lake St. Multi-Family Zoned, 12,000 +/- Sq Ft Lot. Town Water & Sewer, and City Gas! \$56,900.

& Sewer. Level Lot.

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DUDLEY - 17 EAGLE DR

Featured New Listing Open House **WEBSTER - 9 GORE GABLE RD**



THOMPSON CT- 351 QUADDICK RD

Welcome to the country at its best! This gorgeous 3 bedrm

2.5 Bath contemporary home, nestled on a private beautifully manicured yard on 2.64 Acres! Granite countertops and island:

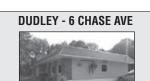
Brazilian cherrywood throughout kitchen, dining, & living room! Cathedral ceiling living rm! Propane fireplace heater Downstairs master bedroom, full bath! First flr half bath w,

1st Time Offered! Beautiful 4 bedroom colonial! Front to back Fireplaced formal living room! Formal Dining Room! Family room with cathedral ceilings! Eat in Kitchen! Screened in summer room! 2 Car Garage. Forced Hot Water \$264,900.



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Beautiful Colonial Located In A Quiet Cul De Sac! Amazino Grand Foyer With Cascading Stairway! 7 Room, 3 Bed 2.5 Bath Home! Gleaming Hardwoods! Fireplaced Living Room! Applianced Kitchen! Master Suite! Jacuzzi Tub And Shower Stall! Private Back Deck! 2 Zone Heating And Coo



key operation! Full liquor license, full commercial kitchen with grill, double ovens, fryolaters, walk in fridge, freezers! Expand with catering or take out! Property sale is both the business and building with all bar/business fixtures. Outside has horseshoe pits for league games and volley ball court. roperty holds 198 person occupancy.

Own your own business! Opportunity to walk into a turn



out and grill on the recent deck and enjoy the fr you put this one on your "to see" list! **New**



Welcome home to this charming 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath cape! One acre! First floor master bdrmw/full bath! Living room w/pellet stove! Lower level has additional heated family room! W/ 2nd full bath! Sit

New Price \$199.900

DUDLEY-23 INTERVALE RD

Plan. Living-Dining Area. Country Kitchen with Eat in Dining Area. Access to Rear Deck for Summer Fun. Walk out Basement for Convenient Access to Backyard. Electric Fence to Keep The Dog **NEW PRICE \$244,000**



Closet. Cathedral Ceiling with Exposed Beams! Plus a Fanta with Sliders to a Generous 16ft x 16ft Private Deck. Fully App Solid 6 Panel Interior Doors, 4 Year Young Asphalt Shingles, Partially Finisher Basement, 15,000+ sq ft Beautifully Landscaped Family Friendly Flat Leve Lot. All Town Services! This One is For You!

WEBSTER LAKE - 113 BIRCH ISLAND RD

washer dryer. 2 Car garage!



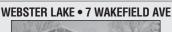
WebsterLakeWaterfront!BreathtakingviewofMiddlePon Catch the Early Morning Sun at breakfast right at water edge or in the huge 4 season porch! Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted FieldstoneFireplace!Hardwoods!OilHeat!2bedrooms!And NEW PRICE \$319,900





Authentic LOG HOME Summer Cottage! 100' Water-front! Western Exposure! 10,000 + sq. ft. Lot offers loads of enjoyment! Other possibilities due to the size and frontage of the lot! EXPANSIVE VIEW OF SOUTH POND! Inground Sprinkler System! Lond this one pages you by! this one pass you by! \$374.000.







WATERFRONT: Summer has ARRIVED and so Should YOU! Roomy Ranch! Lots of House for the Money \$\$ 3 Floors of Living Space pro-vide Lots of Room for Family Get Togethers or Quiet Enjoyment of the Priceless "Waterfront" Living! Large Tiered Deck gives Access to a Level yard and Water Access! Spacious Lower Level with Wide Open Spaces for Game Tables and Movie Shows! Property is Located in a



WEBSTER LAKE: PANORAMIC VIEWS OF WEBSTER LAKE! Great South Fac ing Location, 62' prime lakefront, large deep lot 10,489sf , flagstone & concrete patios, full concrete walkway at water's edge, dock, retaining walls & stonework, rivacy fence, storage shed, recently paved drive, plenty offstreet parking in a way & area at roadside, spacious, Yéar-round, 2 story Cape home, 4 BRs (1 on 1st flr), 2 full BAs, Harvey replacement windows, 6 year+/- young roof.

NEW PRICE \$445,000



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2 UNITS



WOODSTOCK, CT

• 4 Bdrms • 1.5 Ba

 Hardwoods Fireplace

Fantastic Yard

\$214,900

 Garage 4 Fairfield Dr

• Open Flr plan

• 2.5 Ba

7 Rms

\$324,900

• Handicap acces.

14 Lake Pkwy

WEBSTER

· Live rent free

• Single Fam house 3 Room unit • Perfect for Family

13 Railroad Ave

\$229,900

SOUTHBRIDGE

Hardwoods

• Cul-de-sac 2-c-garage

 3 bdrms • Updates: windows/elec

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OXFORD

 Room for everyone Great Room

• Family Rm • Den Dining Rm

• Inground Pool

131 Old Webster Rd \$307,900

WEBSTER

₹2 UNITS

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• 2 Bdrms ea. Unit Updated windows & Furnace, elec, roof

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DUDLEY

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2 Acres \$119,900 **Great Location**

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STYLE TIME **PRICE** REALTOR/SELLER/PHONE **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

WEBSTER

19 Jackson Rd

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

OXFORD

131 Old Webster Rd 1 Carol Dr

Call

10-12 \$178,900

12-2 \$174,900

\$214,900

12-1:30 \$307,500

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SOUTHBRIDGE 31 Brook Rd

WOODSTOCK, CT 4 Fairfield Dr

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OXFORD

Spacious 3 BR 2 Full BA ape ready for a new owner! Finished 28x24 basement w/ a bar is perfect for entertaining! Detached 1 car garage; walk-up loft for extra storage.

\$280,000



BOYLSTON

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

\$549,900



E BROOKFIELD

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Spencer - First time on Market! You will love thi

Over 2900 s.f. of living space, 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, master-

suite, 2 car garage! Beautiful stone fireplace in the open airy living room with vaulted ceilings! A huge basemen

East Brookfield- 1st time on market! 3 bdrm, 1 ba ranch

nestled on almost ½ acre! Beautiful, level corner lot also

includes a separate lot (0.21 acres) on Drake lane that has

deeded beach rights to Lake Lashaway. A huge basement has plenty of room for a workshop and storage. Big shed for all

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can easily be finished if needed. Enjoy quick bites in the sunny eat

in kitchen overlooking

deck, gazebo and private

Paxton line! \$365,000

backyard.1-





wrap around farmers porch with screened area! Private backyard & deck with woodsy privacy! Plus deeded

Spencer- New Listing! Thompson Pond Waterfron Contemporary! 6 rms, 3 bdrms, 2 baths! The breathtaking living room has a wall of glass overlooking the water. Triple slider, wood stove, vaulted ceilings all leading to the private deck! A spacious second floor loft features a beautiful full bath with skylights and vaulted ceilings! Gorgeous Over 2000 s.f. of living





our outside yard equipment. \$197,500







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Place To Call Home...

THOMPSON-This spacious home was once a two family but has been converted to 1 family living. The first floor features an eatimities with a built in breakfast nook, a large living room with stone fireplace, and a potential first floor bedroom with a full bath

Upstairs-the opportunities are endless: there is a 2nd living room with

stone fireplace, and potential for 4 more bedrooms along with a laun



THOMPSON-Seeing is believing when you enter this 2 bedroom, 1 bath cape that sits nicely on .45 of an acre. Large eat in kitchen has plenty of space, hardwood in the living room lead out to the screened in

front porch that's perfect for quiet time. Master bedroom is on the main floor; spare room upstairs has many possibilities. With the newer roof, furnace, and hot water heater, this home is very easy to move right into. Easy access to Rte. 395 for commuters. At only \$119,900, this home won't be

BROOKLYN - To be built, no construction loan need

ed! This Colonial style home sits on over a 2 acre lot

and is ready for your input and designs. Located on a

non-thru road, yet convenient for commuting & shop-

rage all the bells & whistles! Priced at just \$304,900.

ping. Efficient propane heat, CAIR, granite, 2 car ga

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QUINEBAUG-Great opportunity to own this spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home located in the very desirable resident owned 55+ Quinebaug Park. This home has been nicely maintained and freshly painted. Two large sheds for extra storage on a good size



NORTH BRIDGE, MA- Beautifully maintained

1,200+ sqft. townhouse style condo with 4 bed-

rooms, 1 1/2 baths, corian counters, 2 parking

spots and cute deck off kitchen. Condo fee is

\$150 which includes: snow removal, grounds, wa-

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PUTNAM CONDO- All you have to do is move into this nmaculate 2 bedroom, 1 ½ bath unit with large open floor plan, living/dining/kitchen, 25x15 entertainment room on lower level, deck, garage w/opener. Priced to sell at \$169,999



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4 beds 2 /12 baths. Open with Cathedral ceilings in Living room 12-2pm Sun dining room and kitchen. Fireplace. Stainless Steel appliances. Extra special master bedroom suite n/master bath & loft with walk in closet & sitting area. Beautiful ower level finished potential for in-law. 2 garages. Deck. Leve yard. \$299,900. 96 Molasses Hill.



for guests or in-laws or au pair. Separate Excerise room with hot tub which overlooks backyard. Hardwood floors! Basement is fini an English Pub with fireplace. Fabulous private property! \$339,900



level backyard with gardens. \$159,900.

are all separate. Owner occupied one unit and would vacate

or new owner or stay. Close to 6000sf of retail space plus

full basement for storage. Roof, heating & electrical updated

needed. 3 room 1 bed, 4 room

bed, 4 room 2 bed. Vinyl sided,

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OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 HOLLAND 11-12:30 at 27 Dug Hill Rd.

Motivated seller for this 4 BR 2 BA Cape w/ screened porch \$154,000.

Rte 20W-E Brimfield Holland-left onto Dug Hill. Ingrid Karp 508-864-4492

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Woodstock Move in condi-

tion 2145sqft Ranch. Renovated kitchen with granite

counters and plenty of custom cabinets, a breakfast bar and

wood floors. Formal dining

room looks out to the gardens

and gazebo. New sunroom

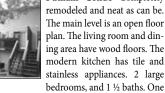


Putnam At the end of a cul-de-sac, this home sits proudly on a nicely manicured lot. Slate entry, bright livingroom with fireplace and formal dining room. Updated kitchen with granite counter. Screened porch and two car garage. 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths. \$230,000



Putnam Condo Completely remodeled and neat as can be. The main level is an open floor plan. The living room and dining area have wood floors. The modern kitchen has tile and stainless appliances. 2 large

car attached garage. And plenty of storage.





Beautiful waterfront on Quaddick Lake on 1.4 acres. This contemporary hosts 4 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths in the main home, and a complete in-law with 2 bedrooms and 2 baths. Water views from almost every room. All systems have been updated. 3 car attached garage. Enjoy every season here! \$799,900

OPEN HOUSE SAT., OCT. 29 • 11-1pm

457 Wauregan Rd



No Tricks here! Single level living with room to expand. Family room with a fireplace, bright kitchen with a skylight. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Oversized, two car detached garage. Come take a look. \$199,000



Grove St action from the wrap around porch. c.1900 Victorian with many original features. Hardwood floors throughout much of the house. Stained glass accent windows. Beautiful trim work and high ceilings. 4 bedrooms and 11/2 baths. \$175,000



and Inground pool. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. 2 car

East Putnam Don't be fooled by a ride by! Inside and

out, this property has a ton to offer. 2728sqft plus the finished basement. A true master suite with full bath,

balcony, and exercise room with hot tub. Formal living

and dining rooms, and a sunroom that leads to the pool

and four season room. Low taxes. 1.85 acres \$335,000 baths. Pretty views of fields to the East. \$285,000

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Woodstock Over 2200 sqft on one level. Hard-

wood floors through much of the house. Updated

in the last 6 years with propane heating system,

roof and exterior paint, paver walkway, most windows, and a new kitchen. 4 bedrooms and 3 full

HERE & THERE



Submit your entry via our Facebook page: crafts. Vendors welcome Doctors Express Worcester \$100 for 1st place! The top 3 photos will be hung in the center. All entries must be submitted by Friday, November 11th

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

9:00 p.m.

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4-piece local rock band playing acoustic versions of their classic rock 308 LAKESIDE

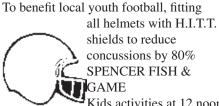
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1st ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY 7:00 p.m. to midnight

1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes for best costume Halloween trivia, Minute to win it contest 190 Main St., Cherry Valley, MA 508-892-3925

1st ANNUAL HALLOWEEN FOR HELMETS EVENT AND DINNER 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Kids activities at 12 noon. Adult party begins at 5 p.m. \$20 adults \$10 kids 12 and under. Raffles, food, music, games,

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prizes, 50/50. Tickets at Laney's, Spencer

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Contact Judy at jas2155@charter.net



ALBANIAN KITCHEN AND BAZAAR 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. St Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church

126 Morris St., Southbridge, MA Bake table, theme baskets, handmade beaded jewelry, used books and this 'n that table. Dine in or take out at our Albanian Cafe

FLOYD PATTERSON 9:00 p.m.

308 LAKESIDE 308 East Main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 SAINT JOHN PAUL II PARISH BAZAAR Trinity Catholic Academy 11 Pine St., Southbridge, MA Children's Games, Crafts, Village Bake Shop, Jar Deal, Theme Baskets, Parish Table, Jewelry, Silent Auction, Community Raffle Table, Entertainment Karol's Kafe opens for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Great variety of items for lunch Free admission. Ample parking Handicapped accessible For more info: 508-765-3701

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

ATTENTION VETERANS: As a Thank You to our U.S. Veterans, AFC Urgent Care at 117A Stafford St., Worcester, MA 01603 is giving a FREE FLU SHOT to

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. They are located right next to the CVS on Stafford St. No appointment is necessary.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

THE CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION (Episcopal) invites Webster, Dudley, Oxford residents

> of all branches of service to a FREE DINNER at POINT BREEZE **RESTAURANT** Speaker: Mr. Dave Lauzon Ret. First Sgt - Army- Iraq War

Please RSVP: 508-943-8714 (Leave message if no answer)

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

TRIVIA NIGHT Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m. HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB 325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA 508-892-9822

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

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY **NIGHT** HEXMARK TAVERN AT SALEM **CROSS INN**

260 West Main St., West Brookfield, MA 508-867-2345

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Local Events, Arts, and

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\$12.00 per round includes clays and ammo. NRA certified range officer on site every shoot

AUBURN SPORTSMAN CLUB 50 Elm St., Auburn, MA 508-832-6492

HUGE MEAT RAFFLE First Friday of the month Early Bird 6:30 p.m. - 7:00

1st table: 7:00 p.m. Auburn Sportsman Club 50 Elm St., Auburn, MA 508-832-6496



BREAST FEEDING SUPPORT GROUP at Strong Body/Strong Mind Yoga Studio 112 Main St., Putnam, CT Third Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m. 860-634-0099

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Khairi Dwayne Rahman and Amy E. Wells-Rahman to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for People's Choice Home Loan Inc., dated September 23, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 37385, Page 316, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to US Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-BC1 dated November 16, 2009 and recorded with said Registry on November 20, 2009 at Book 45123, Page 314 and by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for People's Choice Home Loan, Inc. to US Bank, National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-BC1 dated December 6, 2011 and recorded with said Registry on December 8, 2011 at Book 48235, Page 304 and by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems. Inc., as nominee for People's Choice Home Loan, Incorporated to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-BC1 dated June 21, 2016 and recorded with said Registry on June 23, 2016 at Book 55523, Page 48, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 p.m. on November 9, 2016, on the mortgaged premises located at 5 McGuire Road, Sutton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

The land, with the buildings thereon, in Sutton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, on the northerly side of McGuire Road and on the easterly side of Lackey Dam Road, shown as Lot 5 on a plan entitled: "Plan of Land in Sutton, MA, property of: David P. Bodrosian", scale 1"=50", dated August 6, 1991, drawn by Guerriere & Halnon, Inc., Whitinsville, MA", recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan 659, Plan 83, to which plan reference is hereby made for a more complete and accurate description.

TO WIT:

Meaning and intending to convey the premises conveyed by Deed dated September 8, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Book 34597, Page 49.

For title see deed recorded herewith book 37385, page 315.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds

in Book 37385, Page 315.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having

priority over said mortgage, whether

or not reference to such restrictions,

easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE: deposit of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-BC1

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

201411-0644 - YEL October 14, 2016 October 21, 2106 October 28, 2016

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Michael P. Grinham and Andrea R. Hoffner to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, dated February 13, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 38379, Page 138 subsequently assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-2 by Sand Canton Corporation fka Option One Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 50079, Page 117; 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 12:00 PM on November 18, 2016 at 229 Church Street, Northbridge (Whitinsville), MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Whitinsville, in said Northbridge, together with the buildings thereon situated on the northerly side of Church Street, containing about one acre and fifty rods, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the premises on said road; thence N. 17° W. twentv five (25) rods and seventeen (17) links to a stake and stones at land formerly of Cyrus Taft; thence S. 81 1/3° E. fourteen (14) rods and seven (7) links on said Taft land to stake and stones by a passage way two (2) rods in width; thence S. 4 1/2° W. twenty (20) rods and ten (10) links on said passage way to said road; thence S. 68° W. five (5) rods on said road to the bound first mentioned. For title see deed dated February 13, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds herewith. In Book 38379 Page 136

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:

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

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

Wells Fargo Bank, National
Association as Trustee for Option One
Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2, AssetBacked Certificates, Series 2006-2
Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By Its Attorneys,
ORLANS MORAN PLLC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
14-013361

October 28, 2016 November 4, 2016 November 11, 2016

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Suzanne C. Rosenthal and Edwin Rosenthal a/k/a Edwin J. Rosenthal to Sovereign Bank, dated July 18, 2003 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 30902, Page 95, as affected by a Scrivener's Affidavit recorded with said Registry at Book 49927, Page 38, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on November 18, 2016, on the mortgaged premises located at 141 GRANITE STREET, UXBRIDGE, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The land in Uxbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts being bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the easterly side of Granite Street at land of said Dyer;

THENCE N. 28° 38' W. 159.83 feet by the easterly side of Granite Street to the beginning of a curve to the right with a radius of 20 feet, at the southerly side of a 50 foot right of way;

THENCE by a curve to the right with a radius of 20 feet, 31.59 feet;

THENCE N. 61° 52' 36" E. 96.25 feet by the southerly side of a 50 foot right of way to land now or formerly of Bernard Healey et als, formerly Whitin; THENCE S. 24° 20' 17" E. 193.00 feet by said Healey land to land of Dyer; THENCE S. 69° 00' W. 102.87 feet by said Dyer land, to the place of beginning

Being the same premises conveyed to us by deed from Suzanne C. Rosenthal f/k/a Suzanne C. Magill dated January 17, 2002 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 25790, Page 304.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 25790, Page 309.

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

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

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

SANTANDER BANK, N.A. FOR-MERLY KNOWN AS SOVEREIGN BANK, N.A. FORMERLY KNOWN AS SOVEREIGN BANK Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 201203-0064 - PRP

October 21, 2016 October 28, 2016 November 4, 2016

(SEAL)

TO:

Act.

COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT

16 SM 009408 ORDER OF NOTICE

Lillian C. Conley; Francis T. Conley and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act:, 50 U.S.C. c.50 § 3901 et seq.: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Uxbridge, numbered 770 West Hartford Avenue, given by Lillian C. Conley and Francis T. Conley to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated October 8, 2004, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34880, Page 340, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determi-

Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the <u>active</u> 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 <u>on that basis</u>, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer

nation of Defendant's/Defendants'

above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before November 21, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said

Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on October 4, 2016 Attest:

it:

Deborah J. Patterson

Recorder

(OM 16-008662) October 28, 2016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 48 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday**, November 10, 2016 at 7:15P.M. at the Aldrich School Town Hall Annex, 14 Hill Street, Whitinsville, MA to consider the petition of Christopher S. & Mary E. Thompson regarding 205 Carpenter Road, Whitinsville, MA 01588 for a Variance(08-V-16)for side set back, requirement pursuant to Article VI, Section 173-19 of the Town of Northbridge Zoning By-laws, Table of Area Regulations, in order to construct and addition with handicap accessibility. The property, shown on Assessor's Map 9 as Parcel 92 is located in a residential -1 zoning district and is owned by Christopher S. & Mary E. Thompson.

The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Thomas Hansson, Chairman Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals October 21, 2016 October 28, 2106

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **November 10, 2016** at 7:05P.M. at the Aldrich School Town Hall Annex, 14 Hill Street, Whitinsville, MA to consider the application of James Gosselin, 308 Cooper Road, Northbridge, MA 01534 for a Special Permit (07-SP-16) pursuant to Article V, Section 173-18.1 of the Town of Northbridge Zoning By-laws, Retreat Lots, in order to allow the construction of a single family home.

The property is located on Cooper Road, shown on Assessor's Map 20 as Parcels 123 consisting of 80,000 Square feet., with 45.33 feet of Frontage. The property is located in a Residential-2 zoning district and is owned by Cooper Hill Realty The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Thomas Hansson, Chairman Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals October 21, 2016 October 28, 2106

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO16P2850EA
Estate of:
Matthew R Dykstra
Date Of Death: July 25, 2016
INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ralph M Dykstra of Madison CT

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Ralph M Dykstra of Madison CT has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Petitioner. October 28, 2016

Trips Offered

The "Trips Offered" section is for non-profit organizations and will run as space allows. Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this space must submit a copy of a not-for-profit certificate to Editor Adam Minor. Mail your certificate and information to Trips Offered, c/o Adam Minor, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; fax to 508-764-8015 or e-mail to aminor@stonebridgepress.news.

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

 $2016\,$ TRIP SCHEDULE (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

• Thursday, Nov. 17: Gambling at Mohegan Sun — \$25 gets you a deluxe motor coach from the Southbridge Community center to the Mohegan Sun Casino and a \$25 casino package subject to the casino. The bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. I must have a minimum of 30 and money is due at time of sign up. You will need a current picture ID or player's card to get casino package.

Trips open to public. Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center, 153 Chestnut St., Southbridge, MA 01550, Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m., or call 774-922-4049, or e-mail me at jimtrips@yahoo.com.

UNION SAINT JEAN-BAPTISTE

Celebrate the Christmas Season 2016! Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring "Celebrate the Christmas Season" — three family excursions for the year 2016. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled excursions. All are welcome. Gift certificates in any amount are also available which can be applied to any event at face value. We are a family oriented, non-profit Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. On some occasions, sponsored activities are benefits providing monetary assistance to worthy causes. It is never too late to capture the true spirit of this special time of Christmas. For information/ reservation please call Ted 508-764-7909.

• Nov. 12: "A Day in New York City" to do as you wish — get an early start on your Christmas shopping, visit a museum, do some sigh seeing, see a matinee Broadway show, a special restaurant, or visit some of the world's largest department stores. Cost is \$55 per person (adult, senior, child). Departure time is 6:30 a.m. from Southbridge with return departure from NYC at 6:30 p.m. A coffee stop takes place to and from NYC. Reserve early — always sold out.

• Dec. 3: "Christmas at Olde Mistic Village" the annual Christmas Holiday Festival with 50 one-of-a-kind gift shops, restaurants and free entertainment through the village and at Gazebo Square, special sales and more. Cost is \$45 for adults; \$35 children 4-12 years; free under 3 years. An optional visit on your own is the nearby Mystic Sea Aquarium. Departure 9 a.m., Southbridge with return time 6:30 p.m. Reservation deadline is Nov. 30.

• Dec. 10: "Festival of Christmas

Lights" at Our Lady of LaSalette Shrine, concert with Fr. Pat, the singing priest, Museum of the World Nativities, Gift & Book Shop, Chapel of Light, a Bistro for refreshments and snacks, optional Trolley Ride and a Carousel, complete luncheon at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Cost \$49 per person; \$39 children 3-10 years; free under 3. Reservation deadline is Dec. 7. Departure is from Southbridge with return time about 7:45 p.m.

 2017 Preview: Jan. 8, "Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Gian Carlo Menottii, a Christmas light opera performance with a great cast – in Notre Dame Church, 444 Main St Southbridge – benefit for the church Casavant organ — more to be announced.

STURBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

The Friends of Sturbridge Senior Center offers the following trips for

• Wednesday, Oct. 26: Cabaret Lulu at Old Sturbridge Village with the music of Hogie Carmichael, Louis Prima and Nat King Cole. Lunch is at the Oliver Wight Tavern with a choice of Turkey or Grilled salmon. The price is \$44.50 per person.

All bus trips leave from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Sturbridge. Times to be announced. Flyers are available at the Sturbridge Senior Center. Contact persons are Tina Galati at 508-347-9028 or Marcia Loranger at 508-347-9459.

CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

2016 Trips with Charlton Senior Center — Please call Elaine for more info at 508-248-2231. Sign-up sheets and flyers available at the Senior Center. Mail all payments to Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Charlton, MA 01507. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Please note the updated costs for the trips.

• Christmas Around the World w/Dan Gabel & The Abletones at Chez Josef — Dec. 19, \$72, includes transportation, Big Band show, lunch, taxes and gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

SPENCER — Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, is offering the following trips. For more information, call Bernard Dube at (508) 885-3098.

• Australia & New Zealand: Jan. 28 to Feb. 18, 2017

• America, Our Land: from Albuquerque to Tucson: May 22 to June 4, 2017

• Alaska (land and cruise): June 27 to July 10, 2017

• Greece and the Islands: Sept. 14-26, 2017

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER/ SUNSHINE CLUB

The Uxbridge Senior Center in conjunction with the Sunshine Club will be offering the following bus trips for 2016:
• Sunday, Nov. 6 to Tuesday, Nov. 8:

Villa Roma, all-inclusive – \$369. Think of going on a cruise ship on land and you will get the idea of what this trip is about. I'll kinds of activities all day long! Excellent food and three meals a day! Spots still available for this trip!

• Saturday-Monday, Dec. 10-12: NYC at Christmas with 9/11 Museum, \$339.

• Thursday, March 30, 2017: Newport Playhouse trip. The play is called "The Foursome" – only \$75.

New York City is an especially fun place at Christmas Time. The huge tree in Rockefeller Center will be lit, there will be skating on the rink, the stores are all decked out, and the hustle and bustle makes you get into the spirit of the season. It includes two nights' hotel, two breakfasts, two dinners, sightseeing with a local guide for two days, and entrance to the 9/11 Museum. A local guide will take you all around the city visiting places like Central Park, Times Square, Wall Street, and of course Rockefeller Center. All trips originate from the Whitinsville WalMart. Everyone is welcome to join the group on any of these trips. Call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information on any of these trips.

There will be more information about 2017 trips coming soon.

Flyers are available on the Douglas Senior Center Website – www.douglasma.org and click on "Boards and committees" at the top of page, then "Council On Aging" and on left sidebar, "Sunshine Club/Trips" Also the Diamond Tours Website: www. grouptrips.com/sunshineclub has information on the Niagara Falls trip and the NYC trip w/flyers, videos, insurance info and more.

DUDLEY SENIOR CENTER

Dudley Seniors presents Savannah, Jekyll Island & Beaufort, \$620, seven days and six nights per person (Sunday through Saturday), June 4-10, 2017. Incredible price includes motor coach transportation, six nights lodging including four consecutive nights in the Savannah area, 10 meals; six breakfasts and four dinners, tour of charming Savannah, visit to a historic and famous home, tour of gorgeous Beaufort, S.C. "Queen of the Carolina Sea Islands", Visit to Parris Island, Tour of amazing Jekyll and St Simon's Island- see how America's early millionaires lives and played, Enjoy dinner and entertainment, for more pictures and information visit: www.grouptrips. com/dudleyseniors.

Departure: Town Hall, 71 W. Main St, Dudley, 8 a.m.

Day 1: Depart in a spacious, video and restroom equipped motor coach and set off for beautiful Savannah, Ga. This evening you will stay at an en route hotel.

Day 2: Enjoy a continental breakfast. Today you will continue your journey, then enjoy a leisurely dinner and check in to Savannah area hotel for a fournight stay.

Day 3: After a continental breakfast you will start your journey with a guided tour of genteel, beautiful, and historic Savannah, the "Belle of Georgia." You'll see architectural marvels, beautiful oak-lined streets, and lovely "Town Squares." Enjoy free time on historic River Street, featuring unique 18th century "ballast stone" streets and 19th century cotton warehouses that are now fine eateries, unusual shops and antique galleries. Later, enjoy a tour of one of Savannah's historic and famous homes. Tonight, you'll enjoy dinner and entertainment before returning to your hotel for the evening.

Day 4: Enjoy a continental breakfast before departing for fascinating and history rich Jekyll Island. See how the nation's wealthiest citizens like JP Morgan and William Rockefeller lived and played — including a stop at what was once the "Millionaires Club." Later you'll take a guided tour of St. Simons Island where you can take a stroll among moss-draped oaks or shop at the interesting boutiques and specialty shops in the historic area. After dinner you'll return to your hotel to rest for the next fun filled day.

Day 5: Today, after continental breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of magnificent Beaufort, S.C. "Queen of the Carolina Sea Islands." Beaufort's history dates as far back as the 1500's. Its striking mansions and scenery served as a backdrop for many major motion pictures including, "The Big Chill" and "Forrest Gump". You'll also tour the Parris Island Marine base, where 22,000 men and women complete their training each year. Highlights of your tour include the Iwo Jima Monument, Parade Field, and the Parris Island Museums. Tonight, enjoy a nice dinner before returning to your hotel for the evening.

Day 6: Enjoy a continental breakfast at your hotel before leaving for the Airborne and Special Operations Museum in Fayetteville NC. This evening relax at your en route hotel.

Day 7: Today, after enjoying a continental breakfast, you will depart for home. A perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen, and where your next group trip will take you!

For more information contact Evelyn Grovesteen (508) 764-8254

BRIMFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Oct. 25: The Brimfield Senior Center is sponsoring a Bus trip to the beautiful hills of Vermont for a fun day of shopping, food & history. Lunch will be at the Bryant House then plenty of time for shopping at the Vermont Country Store before heading on to Hildene Estate (The old Pullman Car is a must see!). The cost for this trip is \$60, which covers your lunch including tax & gratuity, entrance to Hildene, snacks, beverages & transportation. Please reserve your seat early with a \$30 non-refundable deposit; balance due prior to Oct. 18. Check-in time is 8 a.m. with bus boarding at 8:20 a.m. Please call the Center at 413-245-7253 for further information or to register. The Brimfield Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St.

LEGALS

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

225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Docket No. WO16P3232GD
NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment of
Guardian of a Minor

In the interests of Joseph Laton of Blackstone, MA Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 10/17/2016 by Melissa A. Gagne of Norton, MA

Anita M Keenan of Norton, MA will be held 11/15/2016 08:30 AM Motion
Located Courtroom 12 - 225 Main

Street, - Probate & Family Court - Worcester, MA 01608
2. Response to Petition: You may

respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate Date: October 17, 2016

October 28, 2016

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TO: Stanley D. Fior

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act., 50 U.S.C. c.50 § 3901 et seq.:

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. claiming to have an interest in a

Mortgage covering real property in Uxbridge, numbered 322 Hazel Street, given by Stanley D. Fior to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated April 25, 2011, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 47346, Page 178, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been,

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Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on October 12, 2016 Attest:

> Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

(OM 16-010594)

October 28, 2016



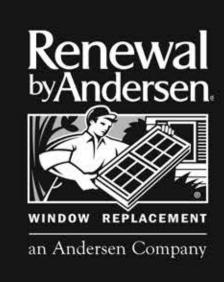
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The Sheriff's Annual Winter Coat Drive kicked off at the base of Wachusett Mountain on Friday, Oct. 14, along with Sheriff Evangelidis were representatives of Wachusett Mountain, coat drive volunteers & community partners.

Sheriff, Ski Mountain team up for annual winter coat drive

PRINCETON — On a beautiful fall day while standing at the base of Wachusett Mountain along side many community partners, Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis announced the kickoff of the 2016 Sheriff's Annual Winter Coat Drive for Worcester County.

The Sheriff's Coat Drive is annual event that provides new or lightly used winter coats to families in need throughout Worcester County and is a collaborative effort between the Sheriff's Office of Community Corrections, Wachusett Mountain Ski Area, Worcester County Reserve Deputy Sheriff's Association, Warmer Winters of Leominster, Rutland Women's Knitting Club, Twin City Cleaners of Dudley &

Independent Cleaners of Fitchburg.

"Last year, the Sheriff's Winter Coat Drive was a great success, providing over 3,000 new and lightly used winter jackets to families in need throughout Worcester County. Today with the kickoff of the 2016 Sheriff's Annual Winter Coat Drive and with the help of our tremendous community partners, we are determined to surpass that goal," Evangelidis continued. "As many families continue to struggle, coat donations are needed more

than ever. It is very important to do all we can to help those who may be less fortunate and providing an adequate winter jacket can be of great help during the cold winter months."

This year's winter coat drive received a huge boost during the kickoff announcement with a donation from Wachusett Mountain Ski Area of over 1,500 winter coats.

With today's donation of over 1,500 winter jackets from Wachusett Mountain Ski Area & the Crowley Family, we are well on our way to having a very successful coat drive that will be able to help so many families. We can not thank them enough for their overwhelming generosity," said Evangelidis.

"It's an honor for us to be part of the Sheriff's Coat Drive each year. The families who come to our ski swap are so happy to see the ski jackets and coats they no longer use go to such a wonderful cause, it's great to help out." said Carolyn Crowley Stimpson, Vice President Wachusett Mountain Ski Area.

This year winter coat donations will be provided to the Gardner Community Action Center, Our Father's House of Fitchburg, Cleghorn & Spanish American Centers of Leominster, St. John's Food Program for the Poor, The Friendly House & Veteran's Inc., of Worcester, Also scheduled to receive coats are Rutland Food Pantry, Saint Anne's Food Pantry of Shrewsbury, Tradewinds, Catholic Charities and the Arc of Hope of Southbridge as well as many other charitable organizations

The Sheriff's Coat Drive will be ongoing now through the end of November, donations of new or lightly used winter jackets may be dropped off at the Fitchburg Office of Community Corrections at 19 Fairmont Place - Fitchburg, the Gardner Museum, Wachusett Mountain Ski Area, Hannaford Supermarkets of Lunenburg & Leominster, Lundgren Honda of Auburn, Planet Fitness of Leominster, Hearing & Balance Center of New England, Holden Senior Center, Oriol Healthcare, The Overlook, Care One, Herlihy Insurance, Unum Insurance, Austin Liquors of Shrewsbury, Chick-Fil-A of Westborough, Worcester County Sheriff's Office Regional Resource Center at 562 Main St - Webster, Twin City Cleaners of Dudley &



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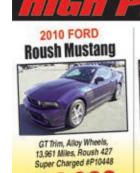
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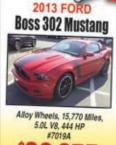
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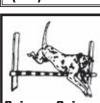


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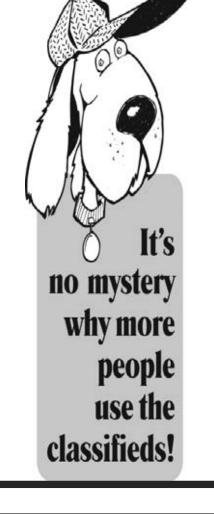
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Amelia Earhart

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~ Nancy Reagan

"If you get, give. If you learn, teach." ~ Maya Angelou



If you obey all the rules, you miss all the fun. ~ Katharine Hepburn



"Love yourself first, and everything else falls into line. You really have to love yourself

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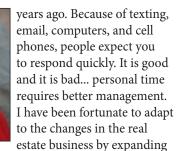
I have been listing and selling real estate for 39years. (1977) Being an independent contractor is basically being in business for yourself through a real estate company. It has involved business management skills and planning to operate your business. Adapting to changing market conditions, technology, and developing strong communication skills have been part of the essentials, to survival as a real estate person. I was fortunate to have seen my mother not only have a career as a social worker, but also a business women. She had owned two businesses before her career with the Red Cross as a field rep.



My mother Connie Nedoroscik and I worked together as a real estate team long before it became commonplace in

the business. Ironically people never realized, I was the one who recruited her into real estate after my father passed away. She had been an active person in the community and knew many people She was a natural for the business.

We combined our hobby of golf, local politics, family and community service with business for 20+ years We managed it comfortably. Today technology has made some aspects of business easier and other more difficult. It is not as easy to get down time as



my services with additional agents working with me. We use the concept of T-E-A-M – Together Everyone Accomplishes More. We have kept our individuality, but help each other to provide services to our clients.

I have been able to sell real estate, golf, and teach for over the 39 years. For 26 years I have taught real estate licensing; and conducted classes and seminars on purchasing foreclosures, homes, and investing. It has given me great satisfaction not to just sell houses but assist people in making good real estate decisions to give. Also to help them with the opportunity of a career change into real estate through licensing.

The most recent book I have read is *The* ONE Thing by Gary Kellrer. It certainly makes you thing about career choices. Real estate is an equal opportunity employer. You can achieve the level of financial success you desire It involves planing, discipline, and constantly enhancing your skills.







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WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Ana Snow, Owner

Business name: Black & White Grille & Pizzeria How long have you been in business? June 2010 General info about your business: Black & White is a family owned casual dining full service restaurant. Open 7 days a week for lunch & dinner

Who inspired you to start your own business? I have a family background in restaurant business. My mother and father came to America from Greece in 1969 and opened a family pizza shop in Barre, MA I grew up watching them work and my sisters and I started working there at a young age. I went to school and college and after working in the corporate world, I realized the need and want for independence and being in control of a business as a whole. Plus, I have a passion for food and cooking.

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I graduated from Wachusett Regional High School in 1998 and Assumption College in 2002. Looking back, I would have tried to be more involved in more after school groups and electives, but it was hard working and going to school to have time for the "extra" stuff.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Absolutley! A balance of business and all its responsibility places a tremendous stress on family life. I have 3 children ages 15, 12, and 5 and a husband who is a full time police officer. Not only is my job stressful but a mother's job is stressful and a policeman's wife, especially these days is a tremendous stress. With my business, often times quality family life gets sacrificed for the good of the business. I find the motivation to maintain a successful, growing business, is often times thwarted or internally questioned as to which is more important. Ultimately, family is most important, and the reason to I work hard and spend much of my time at work is to provide for my family.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

"Dreams only work if you do."

- Unknown

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? The biggest challenge is the continuous struggle to employ enough reliable employees with the work ethic and drive necessary to operate. As the primary business owner, you always think no one can do it as good as you and it's hard to let go of that control but you have to find trusting and like-minded people to support the business and your passion.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? A lot of people do not realize that the Black & White was closed for about 18 months prior to us re-opening it in 2010. So, taking on something that failed by a previous owner and taking the risk to get it back up and running was super stressful. It was quite overwhelming looking at the big picture of the whole operation and all its entities. i.e. cooking, ordering, hiring, firing, menu creation quality control, bill payments and so on, but with positive attitude and determination and the right people, I was able to take an expired business and rejuvenate it to the success that it has become. This is truly a rewarding accomplishment.

Is there life after work, how do you relax? Life after work consists of relaxing family time, watching the Patriots game with friends, cooking at my leisure at home or boarding an airplane and departing the non stop stresses of business ownership by flying to an island for a few days to live on "island time". Sometimes, taking time off may add additional stress, but stepping away is needed, otherwise you get burnt out.

What is the last book you read? Actually, the last book I read was to my 5 year old at bed time! it's called "I am the Dog I am the Cat" HA HA! I can't recall when the last time I sat and relaxed and read a full novel or book in it's entirety for my pleasure. I'll have to make a point to make time for that.

Hilary or Trump? Although both candidates have many flaws, I am going to vote Trump. This country cannot afford any more liars in political positions. It's time to stop worrying about being so "politically correct" and just be correct. It's time to make change in the political environment, I hate to say "let's stir things up" but I think he will be the one to do it, and he will do it for the good of our country



Aussie Doggy Day Spa



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"I love goals. Goals get results.

No goals gets no results or

somebody else's results"

-Katrina Chumsae

WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Katrina Chumsae International Master Groomer

Business name: Aussie Doggy Day Spa

How long have you been in business? Since 2011

General info about your business: I offer full grooming services Monday thru Friday from 7:30 am; evening appointments

available 2 days a week.

Who inspired you to start your own
business? I am self-inspired but I do like
what Lauder, Founder of Estee Lauder said:
"I didn't get where I am by thinking about
it or dreaming about it. I got here by just

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I never look back at the "what if's." I just want to keep learning and developing and doing new exciting things. Just being happy and

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? For small business owners, work-life balance isn't so straight forward. It's hard to break away even for an hour much less take a vacation and want the business to be successful. There is never true equilibrium

between my business and my personal life.

I have business obligations, so it's difficult

tending two gardens.

you are a woman in your field? No, discrimination of gender is 20th century thinking, but I may still hear the occasional offensive jokes of a suggestive or sexual nature; jokes that imply sub-par work due to your gender, but not often. Being a woman can sometimes be an advantage in business. Some people respond better to a woman

Do you feel discriminated against because

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? Investing the time to learn the skills you need before you start your own business is especially wise. Because once you've decided to put so much energy into starting a small business, you're going to want it to develop into a viable, thriving enterprise.

than a man.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Justice for ROXY! Go to westchester.news12.com/news/police-search-for-person-who-abandoned-abused-dog-1.10600860.

Http://abc7ny.com/pets/roxy-the-dog-gets-new-home-lease-on-life-after-being-abandoned/824650.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I simplified everything. When you simplify your life, you will have much more space and experience balance. You can relax in an uncluttered home with time to go fishing!

What is the last book that you read? I love to read random and often useless facts from Yahoo!



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WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Wendy Sergeant, Nurse Practitioner, APRN-BC, PHMNP-BC, CAGS-PSYCH NP, MSN, MA

Business name: Bright Star Health

How long have you been in business? Since 2009

General info about your business: I run and own a medical practice specializing in Primary Care and Psychiatry.

Who inspired you to start your own business? My inspiration of starting my own business came from my office manager Pat Bennett and my patients.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? I do find it difficult to balance other aspects of my life and business; I have a strong partnership with my significant other, whom instills in me relaxation time.

Do you feel discriminated against

because you are a woman in your field? Yes - I am discriminated against

because I am a nurse practitioner and a woman in a male dominated physicians world. I work harder to prove myself. I have succeeded!

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? My biggest challenge being successful is being accepted in the medical community.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? In life, my biggest accomplishment is my children, then my business.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I relax by meditating, reading, writing, and exercising.

What is the last book that you read? The last book I read "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi

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H. Emma Buccheri, Linda Seguin, and Judy Ferguson

WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Judy Ferguson Owner/Professional Photographer

Business name:

Village Photo and Portrait Studio 345 Main Street, Southbridge 508-765-0058

How long have you been in business? August 1984

General info about your business:
Specializing in portraits, photofinishing (digital and negative) and custom framing.

Hours: T, W, Fri. 9am-6pm Thur 8am-7pm • Sat 9am-3pm

Who inspired you to start your own business? My husband had the idea – so I took a course and had a passion for photos and people. Since, I have continued taking courses – everyday is a new learning experience.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? Get a Business Degree. I have a BS in Science.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your

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We also offer lab services for film and digital processing, enlargements, photo restoring and framing.

business? Not really. I have a GREAT TEAM of employees that assist with our business demands.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

Biggest challenge to being successful? Keeping up with the digital technology and keeping our business unique and needed by the community.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Raising a wonderful family with my husband, Ron and managing a successful small business for 32 complete years. I am a Registered Nurse and work part-time for a Home Care company.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? There is life after work. We have a great circle of friends that love to travel on motorcycles and see the world.

What is the last book you read?

Death, Dying and Bereavement: Essential

Concepts by Barbara Rubel (Nursing

Hillary or Trump and why? Not sure yet! I will vote.

Requirement)

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WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Sandy Steinberg

Business name: Noah's Ark Pet Shop

happy.

How long have you been in business?

29 years **General info about your business:** Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri 10-6

Thurs 10-7 Saturday 9:30-5 & Sun 12-5 Summer Hours: Sat 9:30-4 Closed Sunday July through Labor Day We carry premium quality foods and

products to keep your pet healthy and

Who inspired you to start your own business? Coming from a family oriented in business I developed a business plan that includes quality products with customer service being my ultimate goal.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? I wouldn't change anything. Everyday is a new learning experience.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? My business and my family are my priorities.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? I do not feel discriminated being a woman in business today.

Biggest challenge to being successful? The biggest challenges to being successful are the changing trends in merchandising and education in nutrition.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? My greatest accomplishment is operating a successful business. I have developed long term relationships with our customers and the community.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Yes, there is life after work (minimal!!) I love to cook and bake, read and get together with friends.

What is the last book you read? The Woman Who Wasn't There

Hillary or Trump and why?



BUSINESS

Tips for juggling work and family

alancing work and family is a juggling act faced by many working parents. Responsibilities to work and parents. family often overlap, and that can make solving the riddle of balancing work and family that much more difficult.

Single-income households have decreased dramatically over the last several decades, as escalating costs of living have made it difficult for many families to get by on just one income. But working parents can employ several strategies, both at the office and at home, as they attempt to make the job of juggling commitments to work and family a little less difficult.

AROUND THE OFFICE

A major concern many parents have as they attempt to balance work and family is that they are not spending enough time at home with their children or not paying enough attention to their kids or even their spouses when they are home. One way to find more time at home is to inquire about the possibility of working remotely. Advancements in technology that have made it easier to remotely communicate with clients and coworkers has led to an influx of workfrom-home employees. While working from home does not mean workloads will diminish, it does save men and women the time they would spend commuting to and from work, and that translates to more time at home with the family. If working remotely full-time is not a possibility, men and women can ask if it's possible as such a schedule will still provide more time at home.

Another avenue men and women can explore as they attempt to achieve a better balance between work and family concerns how efficiently they do their jobs. Chatting with coworkers about issues that do not pertain to work can be a great way to reduce work-related stress, but professionals who feel as if they never have enough time to get their jobs done in a typical work day should determine if they are working as efficiently as possible. Avoid too much water cooler chitchat and resist the temptation to check personal emails or text messages while at work. Such distractions can eat up a considerable amount of time over the course of a workday, making it harder for men and women to get their jobs done in a typical workday and forcing them to stay late or bring work home.

Men and women working to achieve a greater balance between work and family also can examine how willing they are to take on additional work. While coworkers love a team player willing to pitch in, routinely accepting extra work can drastically cut into the time men and women have to do their own jobs as well as the time they have to spend with their families. Helping coworkers out in a pinch is fine, but men and women should resist any urges to take on more than they can reasonably handle.

AT HOME

Men and women also can take steps at home to create a better balance between work

who want the time they have with their children each night to be more substantive can turn off their devices upon arriving home from work. Devices such as smartphones and tablets keep working professionals attached to their offices, and many men and women are tempted to check work emails or answer phone calls and voicemails even when they have left the office for the day. Parents should resist that temptation so their families know their focus is on them and not back at the office.

Another way to create a greater balance between work and family life is to make more efficient use of time at home. For example, rather than spending an hour each night making dinner, working parents can use a slow cooker so family meals are ready the moment everyone arrives home at night. That frees up time the family can spend together and gives working parents one less thing to do when they arrive home.

Working parents looking get more quality time with their families also can cut back on the time families spend watching television each night. Limit television time to an hour or two each night, using the extra time to connect with one anoth-

Many working parents strive to create a greater balance between work and family. While doing so is not always easy, men and women can

employ strategies at work and at home to make the challenge a little less complicat-



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Take a cue from successful women

Women had another successful year in 2015. According to the Fortune 500 list, 2015 tied the record set for the highest number of female CEOs in America's largest companies by revenue. Twentyfour women, including Mary Barra of General Motors, Meg Whitman of Hewlett-Packard and Ginny Rometty of IBM, made the

Although women make up 45 percent of the labor

force and only 5 percent head Fortune 500 companies, women are making greater strides than ever before. For example, in 1998, just one woman led a Fortune 500 company, according to Pew Research Center.

Certain traits could help propel successful women to the top. Here's a look at some of the ways female professionals can overcome professional hurdles

and make their mark. · Be passionate about what you do. Women who maintain passion about their careers are more likely to overcome any challenges and stand out in the workplace. If your profession is not stoking any passion, explore alternate career opportunities.

· Recognize your strengths. Today's professionals are less likely than their predecessors to stick with one company or line of work for their entire working lives. But just because you change jobs or career paths does not mean your past experience is useless. Successful women know what they do best, whether it's public speaking, writing or making sales pitches. Apply those strengths when looking for a new job or career.

· Know when to ask for help. Even the most accomplished women have limitations. Asking for help when you need it can help you overcome those limitations. To be good at what you do, you first have to learn from others. Sometimes the smartest way to overcome an obstacle is having several hands on deck to provide a boost. Thinking that the work is better left to you alone could be a mistake. Enlist



help when you need it and never hesitate to ask for another perspective.

· Make time for exercise. A sluggish body can make for a sluggish mind. Successful people need to be sharp, and exercise can help them maintain their mental focus. According to John J. Ratey, Ph.D., a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, muscles send hormones rushing to the brain where they mix with a substance called brain-derived neurotrophic factor, or BDNF. BDNF plays a role in brain cell growth and learning. Without it, brains can't absorb new information or grow and learn. Exercise also helps relieve stress, which can make resolutions easier to see and make tasks less

overwhelming. · Go easy on yourself. While many successful people strive for perfection, achieving perfection is unlikely, if not impossible. Successful people often admit to being their own worst critics, but don't beat yourself up if you endure some trial and error. Mistakes can be a great teacher, so use any you make to your advantage.

· Don't be afraid to take risks. Successful women are not afraid to take risks. Many may have decided they don't fit a specific mold and want to affect change. However, calculated risks are different from reckless decisions, and it is important to recognize the difference. A calculated risk may involve starting your own business after learning the ropes in a specific field and testing the waters. Reckless behavior would be opening that business with no relevant experience.

BUSINESS

Healthy habits to combat stress

tress has an immediate and potentially long-term effect on the human body. Though it's a natural response to both good and bad experiences, stress, when chronic, can produce a host of negative consequences that greatly diminish one's quality of life.

Combatting stress can sometimes be difficult, as the causes of stress are never too far away for many adults. In its 2015 "Stress in AmericaTM: Paying With Our Health" survey, the American Psychological Association found that money is the top cause of stress for Americans. The survey was conducted on behalf of the APA by Harris Poll, which asked more than 3,000 participants about their issues with stress. Sixty-four percent said money was a somewhat or very significant source of stress, and that number was even higher for parents (77 percent). Survey respondents also noted that work is a significant source of stress.

Few adults can imagine a life that does not include financial- or work-related stress. But there are ways to combat stress that can benefit people's longterm health and improve their present-day quality of life.

 Develop a support network. Speaking about problems with trusted friends and family members can be an effective way to combat stress. The APA study found that participants who reported having an emotional support network reported lower stress levels than those who had no such networks to rely on. Try to overcome any reticence you might have about speaking about your stress to a close friend or trusted relative on those days when stress seems overwhelming.

· Get more exercise. Routine exercise is another healthy way to combat stress. According to the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, studies have shown that exercise can reduce fatigue, improve alertness and



Daily exercise is an effective way to combat stress.

concentration and enhance overall cognitive function. Those are considerable benefits to people dealing with elevated levels of stress, which can contribute to both physical and mental fatigue and negatively impact one's ability to concentrate. Studies also have shown that regular exercise can decrease tension, which tends to increase as stress levels rise. and elevate and help to stabilize mood, which often decreases as stress levels increase.

· Don't lean on alcohol after stressful

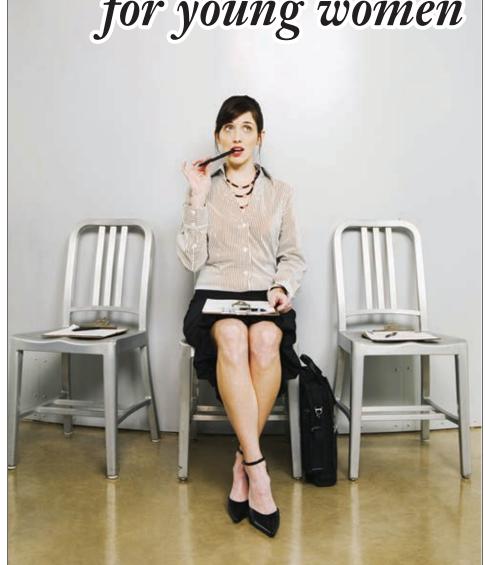
days. Many people respond to stressful
Institute of Stress notes that focused days by consuming alcohol. While alcohol helps some people forget a stressful day, it also produces psychological and physiological side effects that can compound the effects of the very stress drinkers are looking to relieve. People who drink to alleviate stress may only be doing more harm with each drink, so find a way to cope with stress that has a more positive impact on both your body and mind than that produced by alcohol

· Breathe deeply. The American

breathing is a relaxation response that stimulates the nervous system and promotes a sense of calmness. Deep breathing can combat stress, lower blood pressure and draw your attention away from those things that are causing your stress. Visit www.stress.org to learn about deep breathing exercises.

Stress if a fact of life for many people. But while stress may be inevitable, it can be overcome.

Job hunting tips for young women



"Imperfection is beauty, madness is genius and it's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring."

~ Marilyn Monroe

Young women preparing to enter the workforce may discover a job market that's difficult to crack. Getting a foot in the door in your desired field is not always easy, but young women looking to land that first job out of college can consider the following tips to help them take that all-important first step toward a rewarding career.

• Decide on a path. Blindly searching for work or any old job is a recipe for an aimless search that likely won't land you a job you enjoy. Choose what it is that you want to do and who you hope to do it for, and then you can proceed with a more refined search that does not include you spending time pursuing positions you don't want.

· Don't be afraid to seek advice. Once you determine some companies you may want to work for, don't be afraid to seek advice from people who already work for those companies. Even if such businesses don't have any current openings, you might be able to schedule informational meetings. Treat such meetings like you would a job interview, asking questions about the industry and what you can do to get your foot in the door. Once such meetings have concluded, send a hand-written thank-you note to the person who took time out of their day to give you the informational meeting.

· Learn from each job interview. Many people, especially young people just starting out, go through many job interviews before finally landing a job. Each interview is not just an opportunity to land a job or hone your interviewing skills, but also a chance to learn what employers are looking for. Many interviews for entry-level jobs are similar regardless of the industry, so make note of your responses that went over well and those that might need a little more work.

• Be prepared to explain why you should be hired. Job seekers should be able to explain both their

enthusiasm for the job and why they are right for that job. Keep your description of your capabilities concise, but don't be afraid to confidently state why you are the best possible candidate.

 Look for volunteering opportunities. After you have targeted a field you want to work in, you may find that there are few paying opportunities within that field. But you $might\,be\,able\,to\,volunteer$ or even pursue an internship if you only recently graduated from college. Volunteering or accepting an unpaid internship is a great way to start making some contacts and gaining some legitimate experience, and working for free might just indicate to prospective employers that you are serious about pursuing a particular career and not just landing a job.

Young women may be met with a difficult job market upon graduating from college. But there are ways to make job hunts easier and land the job of your dreams.

Did you know?

According to the Small Business Administration, a small business is defined as an enterprise with fewer than 500 employees. By that measure, the SBA notes there are nearly 28 million small businesses in the United States, more than 22 million of which are self-employed men and women with no additional payroll or employees. With so many small businesses to choose from, it's no wonder that more than half the working population works in a small business. The SBA also highlights the important role that small businesses play in generating new jobs, noting that, since 1995, more than 65 percent of the net new jobs have been generated by small businesses. Despite their strength in numbers, small businesses still face an uphill battle to survive for the long haul. SBA statistics indicate that seven out of 10 new employer firms survive at least two years, but those figures drop considerably as time goes on, with only 50 percent surviving at least five years, one-third making it to their tenth anniversary and just 25 percent staying in business for 15 years or

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WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Natalie, M Stanley, DMD

Business name:

Natalie, M Stanley, DMD & Associates,

How long have you been in business? June 2016

General info about your business: Family General Dentistry Monday & Thursday: 9-6 Tuesday: 8-6 Wednesday: 9-4 Friday: 8-5

Who inspired you to start your own business? My uncle is an orthodontist in town and I grew up working in his office. He inspired me to go to dental school and become a dentist. Owning my own practice was something that I wanted for myself once I graduated and began working as an associate.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do **differently?** Nothing. I went to Holy Name High School in Worcester, was very involved in sports, chorus, Christian leadership, National Honor Society. I loved my high school

experience. College – Worcester State University. This was more stressful making sure I did well to get into dental

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? I've always been good with time management. I'm busy - but

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No - my graduating class from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine had slightly more than 50% women. There are more and more woman graduating as dentists every

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? It is a tie between graduating dental school and buying my own practice. As a young girl I never would have dreamed I would be a dentist, let alone owning my own practice at age 29.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I love to exercise. It is my stress reliver. Crossfit and hot yoga keep me



Bark & Bubble **Full Service Pet Grooming**

WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Casandra Leite Owner/Groomer 450 Main St., Sturbridge, MA 508-347-3773

Business name: Bark & Bubble Pet Grooming

How long have you been in business? Before owning Bark & Bubble for 2 1/2 years I was employed here for 5 years.

about Tuesday-Saturday business: 8am-? (We try to accommodate all of our furry friends). We offer: full grooming for dogs and cats, self-serve pet wash (wash your own dog), nail clipping, flea bath/skunk bath, ear cleaning, teeth brushing, specialty shampoo for all skin types, Lion clips (for cats)

Who inspired you to start your own business? Bark and Bubble was already an existing business. I was hired as a bather on an as needed basis 7 years ago. After a short period of time, Melissa who is also a groomer here at Bark & Bubble said: "This girl got what it takes to be a groomer!" She taught me everything I know about grooming. I am very thankful that I was given that opportunity because I would never have made it to where I am now as the owner/groomer. Also with tons of support from family & friends and many returning clients. I would not have been able to make it happen without them.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Some days are easier than others. Being a mom of 3 and trying to be here and there at the same time can be challenging sometimes. With 2 young boys dedicated to baseball year round, a daughter thats a full time nursing student, and running the shop while trying to be flexible for all of our clients. Thankfully I have wonderful parents that help me tremendously with the kids, and two great employees, Melissa and Barbara, that are my backbone to the shop.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? Nope. I do not feel discriminated at all. I am too busy in my daily life to be worried about feeling discriminated. I may not be big and strong physically, but my mind is set and that's all the strength you need.

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? The

"grooming competition." There are many people that are opening grooming shops all over the area. Although Bark & Bubble has been voted "Best Groomer" by the local paper 7 years in a row! We take full pride in every service that we offer. Myself, Melissa and Barbara absolutely love doing what we have chosen to do for a career. Not just anyone can do what we do, and love it. It's a passion. Each dog or cat that comes through our door has a different personality, and we quickly have to figure them out. Grooming for some dogs can be stressful, as with a vet visit or a simple car ride. We have to earn the trust from the furry friend. After a while most of the dogs that come through our door walk in and make themselves right at home. Not all groomers are capable of handling some of the different situations that we may be able to handle, having many years of experience between us all. That being said, we all do learn new things/techniques everyday.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Raising my three unique and talented kids and being a successful woman business owner.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? You have to find time to relax. It may come in small increments planned or unexpectedly. But you need to re-group, spend time with family. If you don't, you will not be able to perform at your maximum ability. If I'm at the ball field with the boys, or hanging out at home talking with my daughter about her Chemistry mid-term and the boys are playing catch in the kitchen, that's relaxing to me. My kids and my shop... that's my life!







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"Don't let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do"

- John Wooden

WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Roseanne Longo, LMT

Business name: Hands-On Healthcare Massage Therapy

How long have you been in business? Established 2001

General info about your business: I offer 30, 60 and 90 minute Massage Therapy sessions, tailored to your health goals. Monday-Friday by appointment. Handicap accessible.

Who inspired you to start your own business? After three years of being a Massage Therapist I was encouraged to open my own business by my clients and family. I credit my mother, especially for my strong work ethic and level of compassion. Hands-On Healthcare was created to operate and reflect my philosophies. Massage therapy is a way to maintain or to better your health, and should be viewed as more than just a luxury or "treat". A "Hands-On" approach implies active involvement of yourself as well as the massage therapist in working towards your wellness goals.

How did school affect your success? Completing college and spending about ten years in the corporate world helped prepare me to manage my own business. It also helped me understand what I needed to feel personally successful. I

have brought my analytical mind into my massage practice, working with clients to figure out what things contribute to their pain, and steps to get them closer to their optimum health.

What is your biggest challenge to being **successful?** The biggest challenge is simply the economics of being self employed, especially in an industry still considered "alternative healthcare." It does have it's advantages, such as providing me a level of schedule flexibility, and the opportunity to help and be with friends or family in the tough/end stages of their lives.

What do you consider big accomplishments? One accomplishment was having the courage and drive to leave the corporate world to pursue a career in Massage Therapy. Another was moving my business into my home last year. I was able to re-design the

house and create a separate, welcoming

business space.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? When not working, I recharge and relax by enjoying the outdoors by foot, bike, skis, kayak, or occasionally from the air. If I am indoors I may be swing dancing or getting a massage from a colleague.

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WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Annie Bergman

Business name: Paradise Found

How long have you been in business? Since 1986

Hours of Operation Service/Products you offer: The shop is open Tuesday through Sunday 10am to 5pm. Located in the Sturbridge Marketplace in Sturbridge, MA, Paradise Found offers a wonderful selection of lovely fashions in petite, missy and plus sizes ranging from casual to dressy. We even carry elegant gowns for weddings, cruises and other special occasions. Also, to celebrate our 30th Anniversary, we are offering great monthly specials related to "30"!

Who inspired you to start your own **business?** I grew up in a business environment. My parents owned and operated the Sturbridge Yankee Workshop, a retail mail-order and stores business specializing in early American furniture and gifts. Coincidentally, the mail-order part of the business was eventually moved into the building which later became the Sturbridge Marketplace where Paradise Found is located. I was also inspired by a

rooftop in Orleans on Cape Cod! A few years before opening Paradise Found, I was driving through Orleans and on a roof was painted "16 to 52". My svelte mother had no idea what that meant but I said, "Let's stop we must investigate!" It was a plus-sized shop called "Twice as Nice" and having been a "chubette" all my life, I knew exactly what those numbers on the roof meant - a store all for me! Such a rarity! So I came back home and started Paradise Found. We carried exclusively plus sizes until about ten years ago. Due to so many kind words about our fashions from women of all sizes, and tough economic times, I decided it was time to add missy and petite sizes. We now carry sizes 6 to

Biggest challenge to being successful? Unfortunately, the convenience of shopping online has made it very difficult for many small retail businesses to survive. My only hope is that the uniqueness and great service provided by so many small businesses will help potential customers

see the terrific advantage to buying locally. Is there life after work? How do you relax? My greatest source of joy and biggest stress reliever comes from my long involvement with a wonderful community choir, The Quinebaug Valley Singers.





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"Color is my day-long obsession, joy, and torment"

~Claude Monet

WOMAN IN BUSINESS: Melissa Ruttle

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Business name: Color Consulting & Decorating

How long have you been in business? Since 2001

General info about your business: I offer help with choosing the perfect color palette for the interior or exterior of your home, design window treatments, help with furniture selection and placement, reupholstery projects, wallpaper, tile and counter top advice, and accessory shopping.

Who Inspired You to Start Your Own Business: My dear friend, Tara Ruiz, my husband, Brian, and my dad, Ben. With my extensive training as a colorist and designer for the home textile industry, they believed I needed to get out there and help home owners with their paint and fabric challenges. Boy, were they right! It has been such a wonderful and fulfilling career. I love what I do and I love the people I meet!

If You Could Go Back To High School or College, What Would You Do Differently? Honestly, I would not change much. I would have taken a lot more business courses in college. I was an art major. I should have minored in business.

Do You Find It Difficult To Balance Other Aspects Of Your Life With Your Business? Sometimes it is difficult to balance my family life and my career. I have two teenage boys, a rental property, and like most moms, a lot of responsibility, but it is all worth it!

Is There Life After Work, How Do You Relax? Yes, there is life after work, but I must confess that my work sometimes is my happy place and it fulfills my creative spirit. I enjoy being with my family, my dog, my nieces, and yoga. I love to kayak, dance, and be with friends.

What Is The Last Book You Read? The last book I read was called, When Crickets Cry. I have many sitting on my Kindle.



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WOMAN IN BUSINESS: Kristen Walther

NMLS# 19396

Business name: Kristen Walther

Producing Branch Owner/Manager

How long have you been in business? Norcom Branch Owner/Manager since 2011 and in this profession since 2003

General info about your business: Residential Mortgage Specialist Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sturbridge.NorcomMortgage.com

Who inspired you to start your own business? James Morin, VP Retail Sales at Norcom Headquarters, Avon, CT

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? Nothing. I am right where I want to be, here with my Norcom family.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? No. Never! Bring it on!

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

Biggest challenge to being successful? I try to overcome any challenges that are put before me and strive to conquer them.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Being a mother to my handsome son Cameron, my three beautiful step-daughters and being a Mimi to my precious grandson Jayden. Achieving high ranks as top producer year in and year out to grow my business.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Ride my horses, powerlift/gym

What is the last book you read? Mr. Schmooze

Hillary or Trump and why? Trump - we need a change.



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"Run when you can, walk when you have to, crawl if you must, just never give up."

- Dean Kamazes

WOMAN IN BUSINESS:Dr Jennifer A. Fagerquist, DVM

Business name:

Spencer Veterinary Hospital

How long have you been in business? I purchased the practice in November 2006

General info about your business: We are a full-service small animal (cats and dogs) hospital, including well care, sick care, surgery, acupuncture, and more. New patients are always welcome.

Who inspired you to start your own business? Truly, my parents inspired/ helped me to start my first business (making and selling candy) when I was very young so that I could afford to get and have a horse.

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I would take more time to enjoy and learn about other activities unrelated to my field. That is to say, that I would take more time to smell the roses. Otherwise, I wouldn't change a thing; I am who I am today because of my past.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Yes. I am learning every day to focus on the moment at hand. I have found meditation to be helpful.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? Finding balance and feeling comfortable with not being perfect. Acknowledging that I cannot be all things to all people. Prioritizing.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? My family! I have a wonderful husband and six beautiful children with close extended family as well. Additionally, keeping old and making new traditions and finding the lesson in each experience.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Farm work. We are currently working on growing and raising our own food. I get a real sense of satisfaction from getting my hands dirty and knowing where my food is coming from.

What is the last book that you read? *The Slight Edge* by Jeff Olson

