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Governor Baker launches VaxMillions Giveaway program



BY KEVIN FLANDERS **NEWS STAFF WRITER**

REGION - Just in case getting protected against COVID-19 wasn't incentive enough, the Baker-Polito Administration recently added over five million more reasons for residents to schedule their

In a partnership with the Massachusetts State Lottery, Governor Baker and his team announced last month the launch VaxMillions the Giveaway program. All Massachusetts adults who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are eligible to enter for a chance to win one of five separate

\$1 million cash prizes.

Additionally, fully vaccinated residents between 12-17 years of age may enter for the chance to win one of five \$300,000 scholarship grants.

AlthoughMassachusetts ranks third in the nation in vaccine rate, (59.76-percent of the population), state officials are determined to raise that number even higher.

"The VaxMillions Giveaway is one of the many ways our administration is encouraging people to get the vaccine, and we are grateful for the partnership of Treasurer Goldberg and the Mass. State Lottery in developing the program," said Governor Charlie Baker.

Eligible residents will be able to enter the drawing on July 1. Drawings will be held once a week for five weeks, beginning the week of Monday, July 26, and continuing through the week ending Friday, August 27.

"Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect yourself and your loved ones from COVID," said Governor Karyn Polito. "We are hopeful that this new initiative will encourage even more residents to get the COVID vaccine

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Local police department to hold youth summer academy

Another police department has announced that it will hold a youth academy this summer to give local students a glimpse of what real police cadets experience in order to become officers.

The Mendon Police Department's Youth Summer Academy will take place from Wednesday, August 11, through Sunday, August 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30

During the program, students aged 12 to 18 will be introduced to age-appropriate academy-like environment" where they see a glimpse of what real police cadets experience in order become sworn officers, the department released in a statement. Officers of the Mendon Police Department will come together to teach courses and educate the students on the type of self-discipline the police officers must maintain in their roles every day.

"The academy features classroom instruction, hands-on scenario-based training, and physical activities," the department released. "Classroom instruction will touch on a variety of subjects such as Criminal Law, Motor Vehicle Law, Domestic Violence, Community and Ethical Policing, as well as Constitutional Law. Students will then use the information they learned from the classroom instruction and perform scenario-based training such as Motor Vehicle Stops, Defensive Tactics, and Firearms."

Once graduated from Summer Youth Academy, students will have the opportunity become a part of the "Police Explorers," according to the department, where they will be able to participate in monthly Police Explorer

Local communities seeking

meetings as well as local community events such as the Mendon Town Fair, Public Safety Day, Senior Center Breakfast, Veterans Appreciation Dinner, and various traffic control details in the

"The Explorer Post is a year-round program that focuses on team building and prepares students to successfully handle the complexities of today's society and to enhance self-confidence, motivation, and self-worth," the department shared in a separate statement.

Applications be completed online through the Mendon Police Department's website, mendonpolice.com. The application deadline is Friday, July 23, at 5:00 p.m. Questions regarding the academy can be forwarded to Sergeant Donald Blanchette at DBlacnchette@mendonma.gov.

Local communities to receive road, bridge funding

Legislation that will provide several local communities road and bridge funding has received initial approval by the House of Representatives.

For towns in the 8th Worcester District, including Bellingham, Blackstone, Millville, and Uxbridge, this legislation will provide nearly \$1.4 million in road and bridge funding.

'I was glad to see this bill swiftly pass through the House," said State Representative Michael J. Soter (R-Bellingham), who supported the legislation. "H. 3903 contains many great measures that will help to improve the infrastructure of the Commonwealth."

The legislation will pro-

vide the 8th Worcester District with \$1,388,085 in road and bridge funding for Fiscal Year 2022 under the state's Chapter 90 program, according to reports. The amount that each town received was level funded with the amounts allocated in FY2021. The FY2022 breakdown for each town includes: Bellingham, \$538,440; Blackstone, \$232,495; Millville, \$109,030; and Uxbridge, \$508,120.

House Bill 3903, "An Act financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges," authorizes a total of \$200 million in Chapter 90 spending, along with \$75 million in additional transportation infrastructure funding for projects across the

initial approval by the appointed by the Board of House of Representatives on a unanimous roll call vote of 160-0 on June 22.

Legislature in 1973, the five-year term to expire Chapter 90 program uses on June 30, 2026, and a distribution formula four vacancies for assobased on a community's ciate members with fourpopulation, employment, year terms, two of which and total road miles to would expire on June 30, allocate funding to cities and towns on an annu-would expire on June 30. al basis, according to a 2023. press statement. It is a able program" that decides individual cases provides state funding brought by persons assistance to municipalities for capital improve- according to a town statements such as highway ment, all as provided for construction, preservation, and improvement the town. The Board of projects, including road Appeals for zoning is an

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to fill board vacancies interested individuals state. The bill was given a five-member board

Selectmen.

The board currently has one vacancy for a Established by the regular member with a 2022, and two of which

The Zoning Board "100 percent reimburs- of Appeals "hears and seeking land use relief," in the zoning bylaws of advisory and regulatory body of the town.

Interested residents Northbridge is seeking are encouraged to speak with Jim Sheehan, to serve on the town's Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, learn more about the role of the board. He can be reached at 508-234-6577 or via email at jsheehan@ northbridgemass.org.

Those interested in volunteering to fill a vacancy may submit a Talent Bank Form to the office of the Town Manager (Northbridge Memorial Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville). The form may be downloaded from the town's website, northbridgemass.org.

In Grafton, the town's Planning Board is accepting applications from residents who are interested in joining the board as an Associate Member. according to information recently released by the town. Those interested in applying may send a letter of interest to taoffice@

grafton-ma.gov, or apply through the online portal at grafton-ma.gov. Letters of interest can also be at the Grafton Municipal Center, 30 Providence Road, Grafton, MA 01519. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, July 9, at 2:00 p.m., according to a town statement.

In Mendon, the Taft Library Board of Trustees has a vacancy due to a recent resignation. This seat will be appointed by the Select Board and will have an expiration date of May 17, 2022. The Trustees meet once a month, the town released. Interested parties should submit a letter of interest to ldupuis@mendonma. gov, and this letter should include a brief introduction and reasons why the applicant feels they would make a good candidate for this position.

New summer series launches July 8 with free concert by the Brubeck Brothers Quartet Venues in July include the Riley-Pappas Pavilion in Auburn, Indian Ranch in

WEBSTER, & THE HANOVER THEATRE IN WORCESTER.

Music Worcester begins its first summer series of concerts, Summer @ MW, on Thursday, July 8 with a free presentation of the Brubeck Brothers Quartet, the sons of legendary Dave Brubeck, in Auburn, MA. Two other concerts later in the month bring the Hot Sardines to Indian Ranch in Webster, MA on July 22, and the Gospel choir Trey McLaughlin & The Sounds of Zamar to The Hanover Theatre in Worcester on July 25. This inaugural Summer @ MW season will continue through early September, with additional concerts being announced very soon. "As Music Worcester started planning to emerge from this recent pandemic, virtual season of programming, it became apparent that we could move somewhat quickly and bring back our live music presentations to

Greater Worcester far earlier than our usual October season opener," noted Adrien Finlay, Executive Director. "We are extraordinarily excited to add summer programming to our annual activities from this point forward, which will allow us to explore new venues and welcome even more varied artists and ensembles to the region." The concerts at Indian Ranch and The Hanover Theatre will feature seating sections where distanced "pods" of seats will be available for patrons who prefer or need such an option, with general admission seating available elsewhere at both venues. listings for Calendar Quartet Brothers Brubeck Thursday, July 8 Riley-Pappas Pavilion, Auburn, MA Free, open to the public

Hot





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BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 4TH QUARTER

Grade 9

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Grade 11

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Paige Blythe
Rebecca Cotton
Zaley DelRio
Paige Evora
Arianna Gardner
Emily Hetherman
Cassidy Jones
Lilianna Sigalovsky

Artur Sochacki

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Grade 12

High Honor Joshua Acosta Romero Noah Azzaoui Alexander Delgado Casanova Kathryn James Tristessa Mayotte

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Dean College Announces Spring 2021 Semester Dean's List

FRANKLIN, MA (06/25/2021)- Dean College is pleased to announce the local students that have earned a place on the Dean's List for the Spring 2021 semester. These students have demonstrated a serious commitment to their studies while at Dean College.

Ryann Leaming of Uxbridge (01569) William Wray of Whitinsville (01588)

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Founded in 1865, Dean College is a private, residential college located in Franklin Massachusetts, 45 minutes from Boston, Massachusetts, and Providence, Rhode Island. Dean College offers baccalaureate degrees, associate degree programs, as well as a robust schedule of part-time continuing and professional education credit and certificate programs throughout the calendar year.



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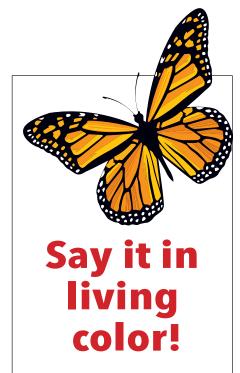
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BVT Students Secure 18 Medals at SkillsUSA National Competition 8 Gold, 2 Silver, and 8 Bronze Medalists

UPTON - The Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District is proud to announce that twenty-four of their student-competitors placed in the top 9 of sixty-seven contests during the Annual 2021 SkillsUSA Massachusetts National Leadership and Skills Conference Championship. The students successfully represented their school and Massachusetts in the national career competitions, testing their competency against the best vocational-technical competitors by applying skills learned at BVT to secure 18 medals - 8 Gold, 2 Silver, and 8 Bronze. This year, the final stage of the SkillsUSA series was held virtually throughout June. The championships showcase the nation's best career and technical education students through competitive events and technical exams designed and judged by industry leaders and officials to celebrate career technical education. BVT has a lot to cheer about following their outstanding performance representing the Commonwealth at the National Leadership and Skills Conference Championship. The complete list of medalists is available at www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/skillsusa. The following BVT students, organized by hometown, earned gold, silver, and bronze medals at the SkillsUSA National Conference Championship:

BOSTON - State Senator

(R-Bellingham)

Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) and

State Representative Michael

announced today that two

businesses in their districts

were chosen as recipients

of the Executive Office

of Labor and Workforce

Development's Workforce

Training Fund Program (WTFP). Wrentham Tool

Group, Inc. of Bellingham

was awarded \$87,375 to train

51 employees and anticipate

adding 9 additional jobs

to the workforce by 2023.

Precision Engineering, Inc.

of Uxbridge was awarded

\$66,400 to train 30 employ-

ees and anticipate adding 3

additional jobs to the work-

force by 2023. The businesses

received a combined total of

WELLESLEY HILLS, Mass. - The fol-

lowing local students have been named

to MassBay Community College Dean's

List, achieving outstanding academic honor for the spring 2021 semester.

Bennett of

Alexander Reitz of Holden (01520)

Keri-Ann Dayhoff of Oxford (01540)

Minhchau Phan of Worcester (01608) studying general studies

Nicole Hoxworth of Worcester (01608) studying interior design Cassandra Pires of Worcester

Brittany Curry of Worcester

(01610) studying general studies *NjidekaOmasanUnokesanofWorcester

(01610) studying general studies * Robert Yawlui of Worcester

(01610) studying general studies

Hajarah Shakir of Worcester (01602)

Taylor Merk of Worcester (01602)

To be eligible for the MassBay Dean's

List, students must complete at least

six credits of college-level courses, be

in good standing with the College, and

earn a grade point average of 3.500 or

higher. The spring 2021 semester Dean's

radiologic technology

Gemima Augustin of Millbury

(01520) studying general business

(01527) studying surgical technology

computer

studying

Robert Russell of

(01501) studying cyber

Sean Wheeler

Cailan

studying

(01609)

studying

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(01501) studying general

Blackstone Simpson, Mandolin Gold: Career Industrial Pathways -Engineering Technology and Bronze: Andrew Konicki, Entrepreneurship; and Kyle Penta,

Entrepreneurship Douglas

State Officer Elect: Hunter Claflin Gold: Logan Hampson, Residential Commercial and Appliance Technology Grafton

Gold: Maggie Industrial Career Pathways -Engineering Technology Silver: Catherine Rozanas, Technical Drafting

Hopedale Gold: Gabriel Chaves-Silva, Heating, Ventilation, and Refrigeration Conditioning Bronze: Ashley King, Entrepreneurship

Bronze: Christopher Mason, Robotics Urban Search and Rescue

Millbury

\$153,775 in funds from this

highly competitive grant pro-

employers via contributions

made to unemployment

insurance, the Workforce

Training Fund helps compa-

nies improve productivity

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awards training grants of up

to \$250,000 to Massachusetts

businesses and consortia of

businesses to fund training

for current and newly hired

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Grants are awarded on a

employees.

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Holden

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Funded by Massachusetts

Bronze: Julia Drapeau, Health Occupations Professional Portfolio Millville

Gold: Myra Dehestani, Career Pathways - Industrial and Engineering Technology

Fattman and Soter announce \$153,775

in grants to local businesses

year. In FY2020, more than adapt to an ever-changing

Local Residents Earn Dean's List Honors from

MassBay Community College

Ashland, Framingham, Wellesley Hills,

and online. MassBay students receive an

unmatched educational value by earning stackable credits that transfer to

bachelor's degree programs, and work-

force-ready skills necessary to advance

careers in high-demand fields such as

health and life sciences, automotive tech-

nology, engineering, business, cyberse-

curity, and the humanities. MassBay's

Associate Degree in Nursing (RN) and

700 Massachusetts employ-

ers were approved for more

than \$20 million in WTFP

grant-funded training for

more than 16,000 workers.

The program is a power-

ful tool to create new jobs,

increase skills and oppor-

tunities for our workers,

and maintain the economic

strength and viability of the

Commonwealth's business-

program grants employers

and their workers access to

world-class trainings that

make them competitive on

the national and global level,"

said Senator Fattman. "In

the high-paced world that we

live in, it is crucial to provide

training to help businesses

"The funding from this

Gold: Cullen Jacene, Robotics and **Automation Technology**

Sutton Bronze: Benjamin Judson, Automotive Refinishing Technology

Upton Bronze: Chloe Terrell, Entrepreneurship

Uxbridge Khushi Patel, Gold: Nurse Assisting; and Adam Pratt, Robotics and Automation Technology Silver: Madison Gannon, Related Technical Math Casey Goyette, Robotics Bronze: Search Urban and Rescue

About Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT):

Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School serves the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. Located in the heart of the Blackstone Valley, BVT creates a positive learning community that prepares students for personal and professional success in an internationally competitive society through a fusion of rigorous vocational, technical. and academic skills.

> economy. I want to commend the businesses in my district

that were named recipients.

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Worcester District compa-

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this one are key to developing

a strong workforce and pro-

moting the creation of jobs

in Massachusetts. We must

continue to seek out these

opportunities as we emerge

from the pandemic,"

Representative Soter.

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Program in Massachusetts in 2020-2021

by national nursing advocacy organi-

zations RegisteredNursing.org, and

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in 1961, MassBay has been accredited by

several governing bodies and remains

firmly committed to its mission of meet-

ing the needs of the diverse local commu-

nities it serves. We value the intrinsic

worth of all individuals, collectively in

"The workforce training

employees.'

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Claudia Marzec Francis University

LORETTO, PA (06/22/2021)-- Claudia Marzec, of Whitinsville, MA graduated with a/an Doctorate from Saint Francis University during the May 8-9, 2021 com-

Saint Francis University (www.

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Claudia was among more than 700 students who received degrees.

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ITHACA, NY (06/24/2021)-- Ithaca College congratulates students named to the Dean's List for the spring 2021 semes-

Ciara Naughton of Whitinsville (01588) Krista Sullivan of Uxbridge (01569)

About Ithaca College

Founded in 1892, Ithaca College is a residential college dedicated to building knowledge and confidence through a continuous cycle of theory, practice and performance. Home to some 5,000 students, the college offers more than 100 degree programs in its schools of Business, Communications, Humanities and Sciences, Health Sciences and Human Performance, and Music.

Students, faculty and staff at Ithaca College create an active, inclusive community anchored in a keen desire to make a difference in the local community and the broader world. The college is consistently ranked as one of the nation's top producers of Fulbright scholars, one of the most LGBTQ+ friendly schools in the country, and one of the top

10 colleges in the Northeast.

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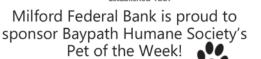
Meet Haley! This sweet girl is ready to meet her new family. Haley is new to Baypath, so we are still getting to know her. She is extremely playful with toys and loves to walk. While Haley can have dog friends, she is looking to be the only dog in her home. We are not sure how she would be with cats. Haley is happiest when she is with her people. We think she would do best in a home with adults or kids over 13. If you think Haley could be for you, please email adopt@baypathhumane.org today!

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Worcester County Overdose Response Program Sees Successes in First Year



WORCESTER - More than half of those offered services following an overdose accepted treatment as part of a program launched last year by District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr. and all 60 police departments in Worcester County.

Critical Incident System Management (CIMS) launched in March 2020 and was used by police departments in

all of Worcester County's cities and towns over the last vear to collect overdose data and respond to non-fatal overdose victims to offer services. The response visits were performed with a plainclothes police officer and a recovery coach usually within 48 hours of an overdose incident.

Data from the last year shows that on 52 percent of the follow-up visits, individuals accepted services. In another 9 percent of instances the individuals were already seeking services.

"These are encouraging numbers," said Mr. Early in a press conference today. "It was a challenging year to launch this program with the roadblocks presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. These numbers are a promising start. Any

time we can help even one person get access to treatment is a life that is being saved."

District The Attorney's office purchased the CIMS software for \$40,000 using drug forfeiture funds in 2019 from developers Kelley Research Associates. The implementation of CIMS was a successful partnership between the District Attorney's Office, local police departments and municipalities.

"By getting the names of the folks who've had the non-fatal overdoses and by giving the opportunity for the follow up... what you've done is open the door. You've made the connection. You've provided an opportunity for that person when they're ready to take advantage of the treatment options that are available to them," said Worcester City Manager Edward Augustus.

CIMS allows police departments to information, as well, so that when a person overdoses outside of their hometown they are still receiving a follow up

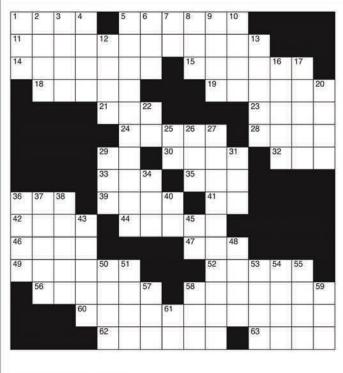
"Addiction has no jurisdictional boundaries," said Fitchburg Police Chief Ernest Martineau. former President of the Central Mass. Chiefs of Police Association. "When there's no boundary for that, there can be no boundary for helping people. And that's what this does. It connects 60 cities and towns police departments in responding and helping.'

'The beauty of CIMS coming on board is now we have a centralized database that's tracking and we get an alert when we have to go offer up services. And the other thing that we were missing was when people were outside of Webster having an overdose, we never knew. Now with CIMS, we can follow up with them. It's a really integral part of getting these people the help

they need," said Webster Police Chief Michael Shaw. Webster's responses to those in need are assisted by a partnership with Opening the Word Recovery Center, run by Rev. Janice Ford, which opened in June 2020 and served more than 2,000 people.

In fall of 2020, the District Attorney's office was awarded a \$1.2 million grant from the federal Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund recovery coaches that will respond with police to follow up and offer services after an overdose.

Mr. Early was also joined at the press conference Worcester Police Chief Steven Sargent, rent President of the Central Mass. Chiefs of Police Association and Southbridge Chief Shane Woodson, Dudley Police Chief Steven Wojnar, and Worcester Fire Department Deputy Chief John Powers.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Absence of difficulty
- 5. Preserve a dead body 11. Gratitude
- 14. The act of coming together
- More cushy
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Fish-eating bird 21. Indicates near
- 23. NY Mets legend Tommie
- 24. Icelandic poems
- 28. Pop
- 29. Hammer is one 30. Senses of self-esteem
- 32. Trigraph
- 33. Not around
- 35. Electronic data processing 36. Driver's licenses and passports
- 39. Snakelike fishes 41. Military flyers
- 42. Raincoats
- 44. Type of community
- 46. Feature of worm's anatomy
- 47. In the center 49. Laid back
- 52. Jewelled headdress
- 56. In slow tempo
- 58. Falls
- 60. Saying things again 62. Periods in history
- 63. Hyphen

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body part
- 2. Mimics
- 3. Expel or eject 4. Sea eagle
- 5. Subdivision of cenospecies 6. Dialect of Chinese
- 7. Mr. T's character on "The A-Team"
- 8. Consumed
- 9. Chinese dynasty
- 10. NFL great Randy
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Palm trees
- 16. Fungal disease
- 17. Willis and Jerry are two 20. Affirmative!
- 22. Potato state
- 25. "The First State"
- 26. A way to develop 27. Associations

- 29. Woman (French
- 31. Sunscreen rating 34. Brew
- 36. Mosque prayer leader
- 37. Indigo bush
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Jr.'s father
- 43. Scad genus 45. Morning
- 48. Length of a straight line (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. Small thin bunch
- 53. Worn by exposure to the weather 54. Mars crater
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Of the ears
- 58. "To the degree" 59. Residue
- 61. It keeps you cool

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Households In Need Encouraged To Apply To Good Neighbor Energy Fund In Anticipation Of End To Moratorium On Shut-Offs

CANTON, MA, June 24, 2021 - Due to the end to the moratorium on home energy shut-offs for customers of investor-owned utilities not on protected status next Thursday, July 1st, 2021, the Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund's sponsoring energy companies are encouraging those in need to apply for assistance as soon as possible by visiting their local Salvation Army Corps Community Center. If unsure of where the nearest Community Center is located, please visit www.magoodneighbor. The Massachusetts

Good Neighbor Energy Fund is often the last resort for families who are in temporary financial difficulty and do not qualify for federal and state fuel assistance programs such as LIHEAP. The Salvation Army Massachusetts Division pays the energy provider directly for households whose income falls between 60 and 80 percent of the state's median income levels. For example, a household size of 4 would need to have a total gross yearly income of between \$75,202 and \$100,268 to qualify. This campaign year's Fund disbursement is \$300 per eligible household per heating season.

"Once the investor-owned utilities' moratorium on energy shut-offs ends there is often a spike in the urgency of need for assistance," energy said Marie McCabe, Chairperson of the 2021 Good Neighbor Energy Fund campaign and Customer Service Representative at North Attleborough Electric Department. "With this in mind, households who are having trouble making ends meet due to the pandemic or another crisis shouldn't delay in looking to the Fund as a potential source for help." McCabe added that the easiest way to determine if a household qualifies is to visit the Fund's website at www.magoodneighbor.

The Fund's distribution award letter will also serve as qualification for the Mass Save Enhanced Insulation Incentive for customers of a Massachusetts investor-owned utility. Specifically, the offer provides qualified customers with no-cost insulation, as well as other no-cost energy savings measures.

The Fund's 35th annual "Give The Gift of Warmth" campaign is a cooperative effort between the Fund's 19 sponsoring energy companies, the general public and the corporate

community to raise \$500,000 and help an anticipated 1,500 households. The campaign relies on the generosity of individuals, families, local corporations and foundations for support and has raised more than \$22.5 million and assisted over 91,250 households since its inception in 1985.

Massachusetts residents and businesses that wish to donate to the Fund are encouraged to use the green Good Neighbor Energy Fund donation envelope found as an insert in monthly energy bills. Some energy companies offer an 'add a dollar' program which allows customers to contribute on their monthly bill payment by one dollar or more. Anyone can also donate with a credit card online at www. magoodneighbor.org. Donors can also simply mail a check payable to "Good Neighbor Energy Fund", c/o The Salvation Army, 25 Shawmut Road, Canton, Massachusetts 02021-1408. Participating energy companies support their respective customers' generosity through various giving programs. For more informa-

tion about how to apply for the Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund, visit your local Salvation Army Corps Community Center or live in area codes 508, 617, 781 or 978 or 800-262-1320 if you live in area code 413. Web: www. magoodneighbor.org.

St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church announces Raffle Winners

St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church announces the winners of their raffle held on Sunday, June 27, 2021.

First Prize: \$1,500 Cash, James Walckner Port St. Lucie, FL

Second Prize: \$700 Cash, Alex George; Avon, CT Third Prize: \$300 Cash, Jorgjeta Bukli; Holden,

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Krista Sullivan Named to Dean's List at Ithaca College

ITHACA, NY (06/24/2021)-- Ithaca College student Krista Sullivan of Uxbridge (01569) was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2021 semester.

About Ithaca College Founded in 1892, Ithaca College is a residential college dedicated to building knowledge and confidence through a continuous cycle of theory, practice and performance. Home to some 5,000 students, the college offers more than 100 degree programs in its schools of Business, Communications, Humanities and Sciences, Health Sciences and Human Performance, and Music.

Students, faculty and staff at Ithaca College create an active, inclusive community anchored in a keen desire to make a difference in the local community and the broader world. The college is consistently ranked as one of the nation's top producers of Fulbright scholars, one of the most LGBTQ+ friendly schools in the country, and one of the top 10 colleges in the Northeast.

Fattman and Murray announce \$45,000 grant for Milford area summer camp

BOSTON – State Senator Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) and State Representative Brian Murray (D-Milford) announced today that the Scouts of America Mayflower Council's Camp Squanto would be the recipient of a \$45,000 grant through the Executive Office of Education (EOE). This funding was made possible through \$3 million set aside in Chapter 124 of the Acts of 2020. The program awards operational grants to summer camps to assist the camps with costs and expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

EOE recently awarded grants in this competitive round of funding for both day camps and overnight camps. Day camps were eligible to receive up to \$30,000 per grant, and overnight camps were eligible to receive up to \$45,000 per grant. Consideration and prioritization was given to camps located in communities

that were especially hard-hit by COVID-19 as defined by the Department of Public Health (DPH), camps that demonstrated that they will utilize funding for expenses related to COVID-19, as required in the legislative language, and camps that outlined plans for programming related to academic learning and/or social-emotional supports.

It was announced that one of the recipients was Camp Squanto, located in Milford, MA. This camp is an overnight camp, and it received the maximum grant amount of \$45,000. The camp is run by the Mayflower Council, Inc. as part of the Scouts of America. The camp demonstrated to EOE that they met all of the criteria listed above.

'Summer camps across the Commonwealth were hit especially hard by the pandemic, because they missed out on a full season of operation," said Senator Fattman. "This grant will allow the camp to recover some of what they lost, so that they can return to providing excellent programs for the community. I want to commend this camp for the hard work they put in to be a recipient of this competitive program. I will continue to support similar programs so that we can get the Commonwealth back on its feet."

"It is refreshing to see the state recognize the importance of overnight camping for our young people, particularly now following an unprecedented public health pandemic", said Representative Murray. "And the Mayflower Council ought to be commended as well for having in place quality and thoughtful programming related to academic learning and/or social-emotional supports to be able to qualify for this funding.'

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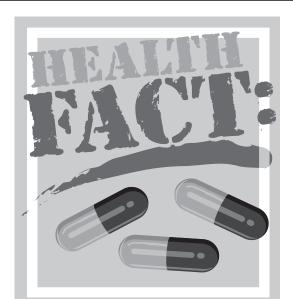


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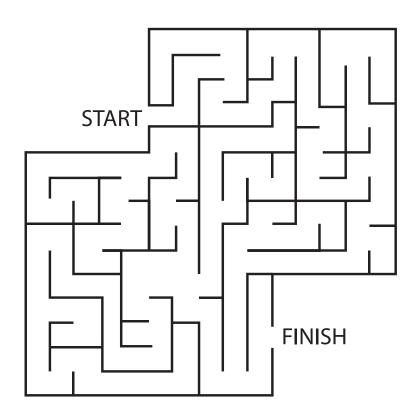


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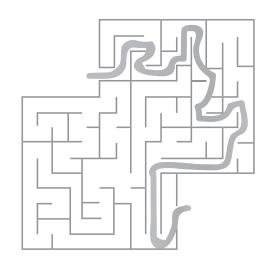
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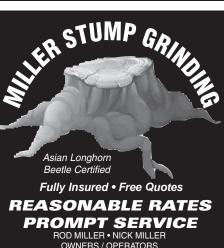
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EDITORIAL

"What would Barry say?"

When sitting down to write this Editorial, this Editor had heavy on her mind her old mentor from the radio days, Barry Lunderville who has since passed on, or as he called it "taking a dirt nap". Barry owned radio stations in NH and worked for CBS out of Boston. He was especially great to talk to when discussing small town politics and joked, "Well between us girls," During one particular time of discord, he passed this poem along and it is one that is read often, especially when thinking, "What would Barry say?"

If BY RUDYARD KIPLING

If you can keep your head when all about you

Are losing theirs and blaming it on

If you can trust yourself when all men

doubt you, But make allowance for their doubting too;

If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,

Or being lied about, don't deal in lies, Or being hated, don't give way to

And yet don't look too good, nor talk

too wise:

If you can dream-and not make dreams your master;

If you can think-and not make thoughts your aim;

If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster

And treat those two impostors just the same;

If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken

Twisted by knaves to make a trap for

Or watch the things you gave your life

to, broken, And stoop and build 'em up with

worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings

And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-

And lose, and start again at your

beginnings And never breathe a word about your

If you can force your heart and nerve

and sinew

To serve your turn long after they are

And so hold on when there is nothing

Except the Will which says to them:

'Hold on!' If you can talk with crowds and keep

your virtue. Or walk with Kings-nor lose the

common touch, If neither foes nor loving friends can

hurt you, If all men count with you, but none

too much: If you can fill the unforgiving minute

With sixty seconds' worth of distance

Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,

And-which is more-you'll be a Man, my son!

LETTERS

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Remember, libelous remarks and/or personal attacks are a no-no and could lead to your letter not being published.

So, what are you waiting for? Start writ-

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What I believe. Feel free to disagree

Dear Editor:

What I believe. Feel free to disagree.

Gettysburg. We know this to be a solemn word that requires a reverent hush. From July 1 to July 3, 1863, 160,000 soldiers fought there: 51,000 casualties, 7,000 deaths. In 1996, Park Rangers still found the remains of soldiers for burial.

Now, there are those who say the Civil War was not about slavery. It was about the textile and industrial North versus the agricultural South. They are wrong. Some now say that Lincoln was a racist. They simply reject every historical fact.

It was about slavery. For the prior 100 years - from 1750 to 1850 - the Abolition movement had been raging across the North, created and sustained by white Americans. Before South Carolina seceded, the Southern states had publicly threatened secession if the Republicans (the Anti-slavery party) and Lincoln won. Lincoln won with a strictly Northern vote. Southern Senators began leaving Washington until vacant seats threatened quorums.

By the time, South Carolina fired on Fort Sumter, the die was cast. Based on extensive studies of soldier diaries and letters, historians have concluded that the majority of Union soldiers fought to keep the Union together, to fight the South's rebellion, and to not allow the Southern states to destroy the government bequeathed to them by the Founders which they considered sacred. Soldiers, many of whom were not against slavery when they joined, increasingly embraced emancipation. First-hand experience with slavery cured whatever ambivalence existed. See the 1997 book, For Cause and Comrade, Why Men Fought in the Civil War by James McPherson.

To declare that the U.S. is a racist nation is to desecrate the graves of Civil War soldiers who fought and died. Nearly 700,000 soldiers died. People visiting Gettysburg describe experiences of "awareness" not common in town cemeteries. One contemporary soldier said that the battlefield "vibrates". In 2017, a young girl touring the battlefield with her father suddenly asked: "did you feel that?" She said it was like a fog or a shadow and made her feel sad.

Little Round Top, one of the Gettysburg battles, is the stuff of legend. The 20th Maine faced the 15th Alabama infantry. Colonel Joshua Chamberlain (a 34 year

Bowdoin College in Maine) set his colors into the rock ledge. Despite great strategy and fierce fighting, Lt. Col. William Oates of the 15th Alabama could not dislodge the Mainers. Five times, Oates drove his men, leading them with a sword in one hand and his pistol in another. The battle front surged back and forth. His brother, John Oates, fell mortally wounded.

Oates began to withdraw, but Chamberlain ordered a bayonet charge. [What 34 year old professor turned soldier could do this today?] "The 20th Maine came rolling like a rockslide down the hill, striking the disorganized Alabamians...the collision was tremendous." The men fought like demons for possession of the hill.

Chamberlain, following one of his visits to Little Round Top after the war, wrote: "In great deeds something abides. On great fields something stays. Forms change and pass; bodies disappear; but spirits linger, to consecrate ground for the vision-place of souls. And reverent men and women from afar, and generations that know us not and that we know not of, heart-drawn to see where and by whom great things were suffered and done for them, shall come to this deathless field, to ponder and dream, and lo! the shadow of a mighty presence shall wrap them in its bosom, and the power of the vision pass into their souls." [underline added].

Has every student in our school system read the Emancipation Proclamation? "On January first, in the year of our Lord, 1863, all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free..."

Can any Uxbridge student tell you when the Civil War occurred? Who the primary Generals were? (Hint: Grant and Lee). How many died and why? Do students in the Uxbridge School system even study the Civil War anymore? They could spend all of sophomore year on it and learn more about America and who we are than four years of Social Studies classes. They could spend all of Junior Year on the American Abolition movement (100 years). It's time for Woke-Up Americans to reclaim our schools' history classes. What say you?

Nevertheless, she persisted,

BEV GUDANOWSKI

Which antiques and collectibles are hot now?

ANTIQUES,

COLLECTIBLES

& ESTATES

It's been over five years since I shared my top-10 list of hot selling antiques and collectibles. Many of the items from that column are still doing well over five years later. Some have even gained in value while others have dropped. There are also many other items that have become valuable in the years since.

Here's my list from 2015:

1. 1960's and earlier toys, comic books and other collectibles

2. Early Chinese and other Asian

antiques Mid-20th century Scandinavian and other modern

design art and furnishings

4. Arts and crafts and art deco design furnishings

5. 1960's and earlier baseball and other sports memorabilia

6. Advertising signs, posters, and displays

7. Gold coins and jewelry - silver coins, flatware, and hollow

8. Important historical memo-

9. Antique and classic automobiles and motorcycles

10. Paintings by listed artists

In recent columns, I've shared WAYNE TUISKULA how hot baseball and other sports cards currently are. They would

certainly move up from the No. 5 spot if I wrote the list today. Gold coins and jewelry would also move up the list. Gold prices averaged \$1,158.86 per ounce in 2015 Gold is close to \$1,800 per ounce as I write this column. Silver also took a big jump from when it averaged \$15.66 in 2015. It's at \$26.10 as I write.

1950s classic cars are items that have dipped in value since my original top-10 list. Hagerty.com's index of collectible American cars of the 1950s shows that classic 1950s cars were averaging around \$105,000 in 2015. The average is now well under \$100,000. This isn't a huge drop in price but is noteworthy.

A search of recent online auction results shows items selling for huge sums that I never could have imagined would be



so popular when I wrote my list back in 2015. For example, a box of O-Pee-Chee Canadian Star Wars bubble gum cards with 36 wax packs recently sold for over

\$8,400. A Super Mario 64 factory sealed 1996 first print Red Label video game went for \$16,000 in May. That same month, a 1985 pair of Air Jordan 1 size 13 sneakers in used condition sold for \$24,000. In April, a 1985 Topps Garbage Pail Kids First Series # 1a Nasty Nick graded PSA # 9 brought \$50,000. A Magic the Gathering Beckett graded and authenticated 8.5+ grade Alpha Mox Ruby card went for nearly \$100,000. In a March online auction, a sealed Fossil 1st edition mint English Pokemon cards Wizards of the Coast booster box sold for \$1.3 million. Looking back even further to when I started selling antiques over 30 years ago,

I could have never imagined that I might see 18th century high boy chests selling for under \$1,000 while a 20-yearold game card brought \$100,000. I will be updating the top-10 list in a future column.

Our next online auction of model railroad trains, die-cast cars, and model kits will begin soon. We will be offering more 1950s sports cards in another online auction later this summer. Other events are also being planned. Visit our website for details on upcoming events: https://centralmassauctions.com

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Ensure You're Properly Insured



FINANCIAL Focus DARREN

PARENT

There's certainly been plenty of volatility and uncertainty the past few months, but one aspect of your financial picture has probably remained stable: your need for insurance. And since National Insurance Awareness Day is observed on June 28, now is a good time to review your overall insurance coverage to determine if you and your loved ones are well-protected.

You might be surprised at the lack of protection among your fellow citizens. Less than 60 percent of Americans have life insurance, and just about half of those with insurance are underinsured, according to LIMRA, a research organization.

Of course, you might think the reason so many people don't have insurance is because they don't need it. But just about every age group can benefit from life insur-

If you have a house and a family ... Your insurance needs are obvious: If something happened to you, could your mortgage payments still be met? How about your car payments? Doctor's bills? College for your children? Even if you have a spouse or partner who earns a decent income, your family could still have big trouble paying its bills if you weren't around.

If you're young and single with no family responsibilities ... If you're in this group, why would you need life insurance? For one thing, perhaps you owe money together with someone else – you might, for example, be a joint debtor on a mortgage. If you passed away, your co-debtor would be responsible for the entire debt. And just because you don't have family responsibilities now, it doesn't mean you never will. If you have a family history of serious health issues, which may eventually affect you, you could have trouble getting life insurance later, or at least getting it without paying a lot. Now, when you're young and healthy, the coverage is available and may be more affordable.

Your children are grown and you're retired ... If you retire with debt or have a spouse dependent on you, keeping your life insurance is a good idea, especially if you haven't paid off your mortgage. Plus, life insurance can be used in various ways in your estate plans. Even if you recognize the need

for life insurance, though, you may be uncertain about how much you require. Your employer may offer insurance, but it might not be sufficient for your needs. And, perhaps just as important, if you leave your job, voluntarily or not, you'll likely lose this coverage. If you purchase a private policy, what's the right amount? You might have heard you need a death benefit that's worth seven or eight times your annual salary, but that's just a rough estimate. To determine the appropriate level of coverage, you'll need to consider a variety of factors: your age, income, marital status, number of children, and so on.

Still, even after you've got the right amount in place, it doesn't mean it's set in stone. You should review your coverage regularly, and especially when you change iobs, get married or remarried, have children or experience any other major life event.

Life insurance should be a key part of your overall financial strategy, along with your retirement accounts and other investments. Make sure you're properly covered - for today and tomorrow.

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Dying in public

I'm asked lately why I'm still writing. My answer is, "it's what I do. I'm a writer." For me, not writing is like not breathing. Something occurs to me, and my mind and heart conspire to create the words that come out on paper. It's just what I do and it's who I am.

Then I'm asked the question, "How can you write and speak so openly about your death?" That's a different question with a different answer. I write openly about my upcoming death in hopes of helping others deal with the inevitable. We are all going to die, and I don't believe death is something to be feared, but even welcomed.

Then there are those who are left behind and there will be grief, but I also hope to help my loved ones joyfully celebrate with me as I pass.

Then of course there are 'Death and Taxes.' I've been too sick to properly deal with my taxes, and I'm currently on an extension. I think it's weird that in my last days, I'm more concerned about the IRS than dying. I understand they can't chase me into heaven, but they can pursue my family. A simple flat tax could solve it all but that won't happen in my lifetime. And besides, it would end an entire unnecessary industry, so this week is "tax week."

What's so interesting about dying? First and foremost, it's what we don't know that stirs the mind ...



SPEAKING GARY W. MOORE

POSITIVELY

We are glued to stories about near death experiences (NDE's are highly debated, by the way), only because we all want to know what it will be like when we ourselves die. As consumers, we are obsessed with reviews before eating at a restaurant or purchasing a product. There is no "Yelp" for death. We read reviews because we want to know if the purchase is worth it, and we want to know what it would be like to have said product. But when it comes to

death, we don't really get to read reviews. We also don't get a choice. We will all die, and no one really knows exactly what to expect. I won't know how it will be experienced, but I do trust in the heavenly promise. I do trust God is and will be present every breathing moment.

I find it fascinating, the small daily changes in my body. I'm not really experiencing much pain. My lungs become a little more congested daily. I see my family slowly coming to terms with the impending reality, which is what I hope for. I'm told my kidney and liver function is weakening. Death may not come easy but easier is always bet-

I still have not given up. I serve the Great Physician ... my God of Miracles and Wonders. I do not understand His plan, but I'm confident that whatever it is, it serves the greater good. As much as I'd prefer to live, I submit my life to His will.

My greatest prayer is not for me, but for my family. I know there will be grief even though I pray for joy. Where there will be sadness, I pray for celebration of a happy life. The best I can hope for is an understanding that those I love are still loved and know and pray that I carry my concern as an eternal devotion to them with me to the grave.

And finally, I pray the words to this old country and western song over all

love me in return ...

"Will the circle be unbroken, by and by lord by and bye? There's a better home there waiting in the sky lord in the sky.'

Yes, I believe with all my heart that I will soon return to my eternal home, prepared for me by my Lord and Savior where I'll spend eternity with my loved ones surrounded by peace and

May God bless you all.

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Tips for Skill at the Grill

Backyard grilling has become much more than a casual and tasty cooking technique. Today, serving up creatively prepared foods grilled to perfection has been elevated to a fine culinary art. The good news is you don't have to be a

cooking school graduate to earn your BBQ apron. Whether you're striving for the title of neighborhood grill master or simply want to receive rave reviews for supper, the following strategies are sure to earn you top chef status behind the grill this season.

Tenderizing Techniques: Great grilling starts with meat preparation. Taking the time to tenderizing tough cuts of meat can make the difference between grilling success or failure. While the goal is to break down the muscle fibers in the meat, there are a few standard methods that have been proven successful. The manual method employs the use of a kitchen mallet, which is used to "beat" down the fibers in raw meat. Also, there are several meat tenderizers available on the market that can be sprinkled onto the meat before cooking. Perhaps the most popular tenderizing option is the use of marinades, as these liquids not only make the meat tender but impart an important boost of flavor too. Add the fact overnight marinating can reduce cooking time by up to 35%, and it's no surprise the marinating method is a top choice.

BBQ experts recommend tender cuts of beef marinate for just a couple of hours, while tougher cuts may require overnight soaking. Keep in mind marinating should be used with zippered plastic bags or glass or plastic bowls as the acids in some marinades can react with metal. After marinating, be sure to pat the meat dry with paper towels to ensure it cooks evenly on the grill.

Certified Angus Beef Signature Steak Marinade

This recipe from the country's premiere beef brand is a tasty tribute to

grilled steak suppers.

Ingredients: 1/2 cup Lea & Perrins Worcestershire Sauce; 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar; 1 1/2 tablespoons Dijon mustard; 1/2 teaspoon pepper.

Instructions: Combine all ingredients. In large, shallow non-aluminum baking dish or plastic bag, pour marinade over steaks; turn to coat. Marinate in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Remove steaks; discard marinade. Grill or broil steak to preferred doneness.

No Marinade Fail This unconventional recipe from the retro era promises taste and tenderness.

Ingredients: one third cup steak sauce; one half cup packed brown sugar; one twelve ounce can 7Up or Sprite; one half cup melted butter; four tablespoons red wine vinegar; one quarter teaspoon each onion powder, garlic powder, salt and pepper. Instructions: Combine all in a bowl or zip lock bag. Allow meat to marinate in mixture for at least an hour, or as long as overnight.

Hot off the Grill: Gauging Doneness

Gauging meats grilled to perfection can be a tricky challenge. Beyond checking the temperature of the meat, backyard chefs have learned to rely on a few "rules of thumb" to test for doneness.

This "old school" chef trick is still a reliable way to gauge your meat without cutting into it:

To test doneness by "feel" this method compares your hand and fingers to the firmness of the cut of meat. Pressing on the middle of the steak, a rare steak should feel the same as the heel of your hand (the fleshy area between your thumb and wrist) when hand is relaxed; a medium rare steak should feel like the

TAKE THE HINT **KAREN** TRAINOR heel of your hand when you press your thumb and forefinger together (which is firmer); a medium rare steak will feel as firm as the heel of your hand when you touch your middle finger to your thumb (firmer yet); and medium well should feel as firm as the heel when you press

your ring finger and thumb.

*Another common "rule of thumb" for doneness is the inch method is to cook by thickness of the meat. For a one inch thick steak, cook seven minutes for rare; nine minutes for medium; and 11 minutes for well done.

* When using an internal thermometer: a rare steak should be cooked to 125-130 degrees; 130 to 140 degrees for medium-rare; 140 to 150 degrees for medium, 150-160 degrees for medium-well or 160 to 170 degrees for well done.

BBQ Basics

·As a general guide, when you grill with charcoal, it takes about 30 minutes for coals to reach a medium temperature and become ash covered.

·For gas grills, allow about 15 minutes for the grill rack to preheat properly.

*To increase the heat on a charcoal grill, simply push the coals together, add more coals as needed lower the grilling surface, or fan the fire and tap the ashes from the coals.

·Steaks best for grilling without the need to tenderize, are such cuts such as Ribeye, Filet Mignon, T-Bone and Porterhouse...

•For best results cook pork on direct heat to seal the juices. Then finish it with indirect heat to ensure the center is completely cooked. Just be sure to preheat the grill so it will seal in the juices quickly.

·Cooking for a crowd? To ensure even grilling, meats should be placed about three quarters of an inch apart on the grill rack.

•Does your fish dry out and break up when you cook it on the grill? Brush it with lemon juice while cooking to keep it moist.

*Fish should be from one to one and a half inches thick to prevent drying out.

·Always apply sweet basting sauces made with sugar, honey or syrup during the last few minutes of grilling only to prevent burning.

 When cooking steaks on the grill don't season the meat until each side has browned to keep the cut tender.

·When using a dry rub during barbecuing, always allow the meat to cook for approximately one third to one half of the total time before applying any basting sauce. This allows the meat to become warm and start absorbing the dry rub seasonings.

·If you are marinating meat, you'll need one to two cups of marinade for every one and a half to two pounds of food. You want enough marinade to completely surround the food.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House – Contest has resumed!

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

credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge

Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, C/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90: Southbridge, MA 01550, Or email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Plant Roses in Honor of National Rose Month



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The Carefree series of shrub roses, like this Carefree Spirit rose, are repeat bloomers, hardy, and disease resistant.

(June) by adding a rose or two to your garden or containers this month. Now it is easier than ever to enjoy their beauty and fragrance thanks to lower maintenance and disease resistant varieties.

Many gardeners have switched to hardier, more pest resistant shrub roses for just this reason. The

Earth-Kind roses are among the easiest and most environmentally friendly roses for all to grow.

The goal of the Earth-Kind program was to help gardeners enjoy roses while limiting the use of fertilizers, pesticides and water. The Texas Agrilife Extension Service started the program by conducting field trials of 100 rose cultivars for at least four years. They evaluated the roses for outstanding performance, superior pest resistance and tolerance of a wide variety of soils from acid to alkaline and sand to clay. To earn the Earth-Kind designation, roses also needed heat and drought tolerance once established.

The effort has expanded and now the National Earth-Kind research study includes test sites throughout the United States and several countries

A few popular roses you may recognize carry this designation. The Fairy is a dwarf polyantha shrub rose covered with bouquets of small pink roses throughout the summer and is hardy in zones 4 to 9. Carefree Beauty, hardy in zones 4 to 9, has fragrant double pink roses all season long on 5 feet tall and wide plants. It's no surprise the popular Knock Out™ rose with its raspberry red flowers and glossy green leaves, hardy in zones 5 to 9, received the Earth-Kind designation in 2004.

Evaluations continue and the list of Earth-Kind roses grows. You are sure to find one suitable to your garden design and growing conditions.

Repeat blooming, hardy and disease resistant shrub roses are another group to consider. This group of species, hybrids and varieties tend to be hardier, tolerant of a wider range of soil conditions with greater disease resistance.

Celebrate National Rose Month Bonica and the Carefree series are two that have been gracing gardens GARDEN for years. Newer introductions are MOMENTS continually being

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options. Once planted, enjoy vour roses outdoors in the gar-

introduced, expand-

ing your planting

den and indoors in a vase. Proper harvesting and deadheading will keep your repeat blooming roses beautiful throughout the season.

Cut roses for arrangements in the morning just as the top of the bud is starting to open. Make the cut above an outward facing, five-leaflet leaf. Cut flowers back to a three-leaflet leaf on young plants that may not tolerate or be large enough for more severe pruning. Remove the lower leaves, recut the stem on an angle and place it in a vase of fresh water.

Keep your plants looking their best and encourage new blossoms by removing faded flowers. Deadhead single-flower roses back to the first five-leaflet leaf to encourage stouter and stronger stems. Remove only individual flowers as they fade from roses that bloom in a cluster. Once all the flowers in the cluster are done blooming you can remove the flower stem back to the first five-leaflet leaf. Always leave at least two, five-leaflet leaves attached to the plant.

Start looking for a few sunny spots in your landscape to fill with easy care roses. They are sure to boost your landscape's beauty and your enjoyment for vears to come.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Her web site is www. MelindaMyers.com.

OBITUARIES

Janet A. Ofcarcik, 77



DOUGLAS – Janet A. (Lee) Ofcarcik, 77, passed away peacefully at her daughter's home on Thurs., June 24, 2021 with her family at her side after a short illness. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 57

years, Richard "Dick" Ofcarcik in 2020. She is survived by her 4 children, Sharon Ofcarcik of Douglas, Karen Heredia and her husband Gustavo of Miami, FL, Susan Richard and her husband Brian of Uxbridge, and Richard Ofcarcik and his wife Kathryn of Chester, NH; 6 grandchildren, Mathew Ofcarcik and his significant other Ashley Mongeon, Devan Rock and her significant other Evan Langley, Jeffrey Richard and his wife Sarah, Katelyn Audet and her husband Joshua, Hunter Ofcarcik and Brennan Ofcarcik: 8 great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Logan, Zelda, Charlotte, Owen, Georgia, Jameson, and Eleanor; a sister, Judith Green of Douglas; brother-in-law, Francis "Jack" Ofcarcik and his wife Marcia, sister-in-law, Judith Ofcarcik, and many nieces and nephews. Born in Northbridge on October 27, 1943 she was the daughter of Wallace and Eva (Laflamme) Lee and grew up in Whitinsville before moving to Douglas. She attended Northbridge Schools and furthered her education earning a degree in Computer Science from Quinsigamond Community College. She worked as an accounts payable clerk for various businesses in the area. She enjoyed spending time at the Sutton Senior Center playing cards with friends, being in her yard gardening, and traveling with her friend Jeannine. Her family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of Overlook VNA & Hospice for their outstanding care and support. Janet's services will be privately held at the convenience of her family. In lieu of flowers, donations in Janet's memorv may be made to: Overlook VNA & Hospice, 88 Masonic Home Rd., Suite #2, Charlton, MA 01507 or to the Sutton Senior Center, 19 Hough Rd, Sutton, MA 01590. To leave a condolence message for her family please visit:

Christine Ella Cervizzi



Ormond Beach, Florida- Christine Ella Cervizzi was born on March 31, 1926 and went to be with the Lord on June 19, 2021.

Daughter of Frank LaTorraca and Anna Rose Lalli,

Stepdaughter to Pardo Lalli, Christine was born in Brockton, Massachusetts and was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, Victor A. Cervizzi, Sr. She received her bachelor's degree in education from Boston University where she met the love of her life. She did graduate study at Assumption College and Worcester State College for her master's degree. Christine was a former Foreign Language Instructor and Department Head at Northbridge High School in Whitinsville, MA.

Christine was a mentor to all of her students and fellow staff members and sponsored spring break trips to Europe for her foreign language classes. In 1970 she and her husband, also a for-



mer teacher, were honored with the Northbridge High School Ram yearbook dedication.

Upon retirement she and her husband followed their dream and relocated to Ormond Beach, Florida. Christine was very active in the Disabled American Veterans Post #84 and served as the Commander of the Ladies Auxiliary for many years. She was named Outstanding District Commander of the Year, 1988 to 1989, and Woman of the Year, 1999 to 2000. She belonged to the Massachusetts Retired Teachers Association, the AARP, and the VFW Auxiliary and Emblem Club. She was also a member of the Prince of Peace Catholic church in Ormond Beach.

Christine is survived by her sons Victor A. Cervizzi, Jr. (Judith) of Melbourne, Florida and Steven B. Cervizzi (Lillian) of Storrs, Connecticut. Survivors also include grandsons Steven Cervizzi, Jr. and Michael Cervizzi of Connecticut, Anthony Cervizzi (Katrin) of Burgrenheim, Germany, and granddaughters Lisa Schultz (Erik) of Tampa, Florida, Kristin Cervizzi and Brianna Cervizzi of Connecticut. She is also survived by great grandchildren Tyler (Stephanie), Alek, Julian, Adrian and Ava, and great great grandchildren Cora and Kirk.

A graveside service was held on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at Volusia Memorial Park Cemetery in Ormond Beach, FL at 11:00 AM. Donations may be made to VITAS Healthcare/Hospice at https://vitascommunityconnection.org/

Charles S. Holding, 74



Charles S. Holding, age 74, passed away on Monday, June 21, 2021 at home surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was the beloved husband of Clara (Guertin) Holding.

Born in Whitinsville, MA, he was a son of the late Gordon and Ruth (Scott) Holding.

Chuck was a long-time communicant and choir member of the United Presbyterian Church and later the Slatersville Congregational Church. He was a man who loved his God, his family, and his music.

He is survived by his loving children, Kelly and David White, Amy Holding and Keith LaFrenier, Donna and Bryan Humphries; grandchildren, Emily White and Jeremy Nerl, Abigail White, Ella LaFrenier, Tessa LaFrenier, step-mother, Jean Holding; sisters, Faye Manyak, Janice and Kevin Cuthbertson, and Patricia and Terry Charek; and loving black lab, Sadie. Chuck was predeceased by his brother, Benjamin Holding.

A funeral service tooke place on Saturday, June 26, 2021, at 2pm in the Fagan-Quinn Funeral Home, 825 Boston Neck Rd., North Kingstown.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Rock Steady Boxing South County YMCA, 165 Broad Rock Road, Peace Dale, RI 02883.

Kindly visit www. FaganQuinnFuneralHome.com for information and online condolences.

Jeannette M. Berthelette, 88



UXBRIDGEJeannette M.
Berthelette, 88, a longtime resident of Uxbridge, MA, the eldest daughter of Yvonne Isabelle and F. Albert Pouliot, and wife of the predeceased Alphonse

"Chief" Berthelette, passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 20, 2021.

Her final days were spent at her home and filled with an outpouring of

Her final days were spent at her home and filled with an outpouring of love from family and friends.

Jeannette attended Good Shepherd School and graduated from Northbridge High School with the class of 1951. She spent as much time as she could with friends at parties, dances, and trips to the drive-in. She worked many years at Whitin Machine Works as a courier, a job she would recall with pride and dozens of stories. She worked 30+ years for Cove Insurance in Uxbridge as an Auto Insurance Customer Service Rep. where she was beloved by her cowork-

A woman of great faith, she was a parishioner of Good Shepherd, St. Augustine's, and St. Mary's churches. When she was young, she was also a member of the Children of Mary and a CCD teacher whose lessons were remembered fondly by her students.

She was at her happiest surrounded by family. Her home was host for every Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, New Year's, Memorial Day, and every Sunday for lunch in between. She lived a mother and grandmother's dream – watching her family grow up together in front of her eyes.

She is survived, missed, and loved by that family. Her numerous nieces and nephews; her younger sister Lucia; her seven children: Liz Wondolowski and her husband Bob, Frank Berthelette and his wife Trish, Peter Berthelette, Jim Berthelette and his wife Denise, Lohn

Berthelette and his wife Carol, Jeanne Lovett, and Anne Noel and her husband Mike; and her adored grandchildren: Michael, Christopher and his wife Carissa, Nicholas, Alyssa, Patrick, Pauly, Rob, Morgan, and Paul.

The family would like to extend their deepest thanks to the staffs of Milford Hospital; UMass Medical Center; Salmon VNA & Hospice; and the EMTs and paramedics of the Uxbridge Fire Department for their compassionate care.

Her funeral was held on Thurs. June 24th with a mass at 11 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, 77 Mendon St. Uxbridge. Her burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery. Calling hours were held at Tancrell-Jackman Funeral Home, 35 Snowling Rd, Uxbridge prior to mass from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jeannette's memory may be made to: St. Mary's Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, 77 Mendon St., Uxbridge MA 01569 or a charity of your choice. To leave a condolence message for her family please visit: www.Jackmanfuneralhomes.com

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



** Friday's Child ** **



Henry Age 13

Hi! My name is Henry and I love sports!

Henry is an outgoing teen of African American descent who enjoys being active, whether he is playing outside or engaging in sports-related activities. He has a natural athletic ability. Some of Henry's other interests include listening to music, dancing, and playing video games. His teachers report he is doing well in school. He has a great sense of humor and loves to joke around.

Legally freed for adoption, Henry would thrive in a permanent family as the youngest or only child. It would be ideal for his future family to initially

serve as a visiting resource, and build a relationship with Henry over time. One he is placed in his permanent home, Henry will need to maintain contact with his birth mother and his siblings.

Who Can Adopt?

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

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

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have a permanent place to call home.

Ribbon Cutting Celebrated at Summit Agency

A ribbon cutting celebration to announce the opening of Summit Health & Wellness Center and Summit Campus for children and young adults with Autism and related diagnoses took place on Thursday, June 17th.

Thursday night's ribbon cutting was a celebration of the addition of the Summit Campus and Health & Wellness Center which was a natural progression of the Summit Agency's mission. Their goal is to support this vulnerable and underserved population in the Worcester community, and the surrounding areas.

This comes at a good time as the prevalence of ASD (Autism Spectrum Diagnosis) and related diagnoses are on the rise. According to the CDC 1 in 54 children are diagnosed with ASD. In the US alone there are roughly 550,000 children with ASD who will be transitioning into adulthood over the next decade, and it is expected that approximately 45 percent of these emerging adults will enroll in a university, college, or technical/ vocational school in the coming years. Springer's Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders. (January 2018)

The Summit Health & Wellness Center and Summit Campus ribbon cutting took place on Thursday June 17th, 2021 from 5pm - 7pm outdoors at the corner of Fruit Street and William Street in Worcester. The Summit Health and Wellness Center will be opening July 1st, appointments can be made now by visiting the website: www.summitagencyma. com or by calling 774-701-

Guests at the ribbon cutting included: Senator Michael Moore, Worcester Councilor-at-Large, Kathleen Toomey, Worcester District 2 Councilor, Candy Mero-Carlson, and Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce President, Tim Murray. Summit Agency was recognized by the State of Massachusetts with an Official Citation.

"Think back to 20-30 years ago and the services that were available for young adults who had intellectual or developmental disabilities, we were just learning, we were just providing services in K-12, we were beginning inclusive enrollment legislation to provide more services for this demographic in colleges and universities; so I think it is great that we've been able, through your advocacy, and grassroots efforts and getting the attention of legislators and other policy officials to tell us what your children need to be successful and have a good quality of life. " stated Senator

Michael Moore.

There were over 70 guests, and the celebration included a tour of the facilities, refreshments and hor d'oeuvres, along with raffles for a Worcester Railers Gift Basket and gift cards to Wings Over Worcester, Smoke Stack Urban BBQ, 'Olo Pizza and Meze Estiatorio.

The Summit Health & Wellness Center will offer the following clinical modalities that include: psychiatric services, services, behavioral counseling services, and general health & wellness practices with Dr. Oliver Joseph, as the Agency's Chief Medical Officer. Many are excited to begin making appointments. It will serve both the Summit Campus residential students and the Worcester ASD community.

Summit Campus, which is accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year, is a residential program providing a dormitory experience for college students with autism. Summit Campus was created to provide critical support to students attending any of the consortium colleges and universities in Worcester.x

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VAX

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and help return our Commonwealth to a new normal."

Added State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, "The Massachusetts State Massachusetts Lottery is proud to join Governor Charlie Baker and the Department of Public Health to ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of every person across the Commonwealth. The Lottery has decades of experience and knowhow to hold drawings with integrity, and our team is excited to fulfill an essential role in this initiative."

The Commonwealth launching the VaxMillions Giveaway as one of many strategies to increase awareness of the availability and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccines. Beginning July 1, Massachusetts residents will be able to enter the VaxMillions Giveaway online. If you do not have access to the internet or require assistance, there will be a call center available. Signup information and call center contact info and hours will be made available prior to

July 1.

the trust that Governor Baker, his administration, and Treasurer Goldberg have in the Mass. Lottery to assist in the implementation of this important public health initiative," said Sweeney, Michael Executive Director of the Massachusetts State "The Mass. Lottery. Lottery has worked diligently to build a reputation as one of the most successful lotteries in the country, and it is an honor to be entrusted with this responsibility."

"We greatly appreciate

Massachusetts residents 18 years of age and older who have received two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, will have a chance to win.

Massachusetts residents between 12-17 years of age who have received two doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine will have a chance to win one of five \$300,000 scholarship grants via a 529 College Savings Plan managed by the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority (MEFA). Funds in a 529 Plan can be applied to cover tuition,

room and board, and related expenses at any college, university, or technical or trade school, or another post-secondary educational institution eligible to participate in a student aid program administered by the U.S. Department of Education. Winners with a qualifying disability may elect instead to receive an equivalent financial contribution to a special needs trust or federally qualified ABLE account to cover qualified expens-

Only lawful, permanent residents of Massachusetts who are fully vaccinated can apply. Residents must have received their vaccine doses within Massachusetts. Residents must be fully vaccinated prior to submitting their entries.

There are over 900 vaccination locations across the Commonwealth, with appointments and walkins widely available. Residents seeking a vaccine can visit www.mass.gov/COVIDVaccine.

For more information on the Mass. VaxMillions Giveaway, visit mass. gov/VaxMillions.

FUNDING

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resurfacing and related work such as sidewalks, traffic control measures, and roadside drainage.

Rep. Soter added that House Bill 3903 also increases funding for three additional transportation infrastructure accounts within the Massachusetts Department of

Transportation that were funded in a comprehensive transportation bond bill signed into law on January 15. This includes: a \$25 million increase for the municipal small bridge program, which helps fund construction, repairs, and improvements for non-federally aided bridges, bringing the total appropriation to \$95 million; a \$25 million increase in grants to municipalities for

the prioritization and enhancement of mass transit by bus, doubling the program's appropriation to \$50 million, and; a \$25 million increase in grants to municipalities for local projects that increase access to mass transit and commuter rail stations, bring the total appropriation to \$50 million.

House Bill 3903 now moves to the Senate for consideration.

CONCERT

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Thursday, July 22 at 6pm Indian Ranch, Webster, MA\$35+, tickets required, distanced limited seating available McLaughlin & Trev The Sounds of Zamar Sunday, July 25 at 6pm The Hanover Theatre, Worcester, MA\$25 students; \$35+ adults, tickets required, limited distanced seating available

About Music Worcester: Music Worcester, Inc., originally known as the Worcester County Music Association, for years ran the Worcester Music Festival. Current programs reflect the merger in the mid-1990s of the Festival with International Artists Series and the MA Jazz Festival. Great performances by world-renowned orchestras and guest soloists, chamber music, ballet, world music and dance, jazz and choral masterworks are hallmarks of Music annual Worcester's Multiple operations. educational programs

currently serve youth and families of greater Worcester: masterclasses by visiting artists, Tickets to Opportunity, in-schools residencies, and the Young Artist Competitions. The 2020-2021 virtual season has featured violinist Joshua Bell, pianists Asiya Korepanova and Simone Dinnerstein, the vocal ensemble Chanticleer, folk musician Rhiannon Giddens, and Chorus. Worcester W MUSICWORCESTER. ORG

LEGALS

Town of Douglas Water and Sewer Department

Water and Sewer Department officials are looking for citizen input regarding proposed increases for water and sewer fees to become effective August 3rd, 2021. Residents will have an opportunity to comment on the fees at the scheduled public hearing, at 7 p.m., Monday, July 19, 2021, in the Resource Room of the Town Hall, 29 Depot Street, Douglas,

June 25, 2021 July 2, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the

Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Andrew Eagleson to First Franklin a division of Nat. City Bank of IN, dated June 15, 2005 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36567, Page 201 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Waterfall Victoria Grantor Trust II, Series G, a Delaware Statutory Trust is the present holder by Assignment from First Franklin, a division of National City Bank of Indiana to First Franklin Financial Corporation dated July 28, 2005 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 37635, Page 82, and Assignment from First Franklin Financial Corporation to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank dated July 1, 2011 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 47722, Page 18, and Assignment from PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank to FV-I, Inc. in trust for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Holdings LLC dated June 28, 2011 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 47722, Page 23, and Assignment from FV-I, Inc. in trust for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Holdings LLC to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity but solely in its capacity as Ocwen Trustee for WV 2017-1 Grantor Trust, A Delaware Statutory Trust dated July 31, 2017 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 57723, Page 375, and Assignment from WV 2017-1 Grantor Trust, A Delaware Statutory Trust to Cascade Funding, LP, Series 1 dated September 29, 2017 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 58259, Page 365, and Assignment from Cascade Funding, LP, Series 1 to Cascade Funding Mortgage Trust 2017-1, A Delaware Statutory Trust dated September 29, 2017 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 58259, Page 368, and Assignment from Cascade Funding Mortgage Trust 2017-1, A Delaware Statutory Trust to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as Trustee for Cascade Funding Mortgage Trust 2017-1, A Delaware Statutory Trust dated May 7, 2020 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 62874, Page 378, and Assignment from Cascade Funding Mortgage Trust 2017-1, A Delaware Statutory Trust to Waterfall Victoria Grantor Trust II, Series G, a **Delaware Statutory Trust dated August** 7, 2020 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 63186, Page 21, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 898 Sutton Street, Northbridge, MA 01534 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on July 27, 2021, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land, in Northbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on the northerly side of Sutton Street, and being shown as Lot 1 on a "Plan to show division of property in Northbridge, Massachusetts owned by Herman & Fannie Wynja" by Kenneth Shaw Surveyor, recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 222, Plan 81, and to which plan reference is hereby made for a more complete and accurate description. Meaning and intending to convey the premises conveyed by Deed dated July 25, 1994 and recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deed in Book 16464, Page 253 and by Deed dated March 19, 1979 recorded in Book 6692, Page 33 and Book 36567, Page 200.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36567, Page 200.

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

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

Waterfall Victoria Grantor Trust II, Series G, a Delaware Statutory Trust Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500

Eagleson, Andrew, 19-036152 June 25, 2021 July 2, 2021 June 9, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family
Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO21 P0386EA
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE
BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Estate of:

Barbara Mary Barry
Also known as:
Barbara Mary Scanlon Barry, Barbara
Mary Scanlon-Barry

To all interested persons: A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by:

Date of Death: 12/11/2020

Ashley E. Barry of Norwood, MA and Emilie A. Koscenski of Milford, MA requesting that court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/13/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 16, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate

July 2, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate
and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO21C0265CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO
CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:

Kaiden Laterio Ernst
A Petition to Change Name of Minor
has been filed by Kaiden Laterio
Ernst of Blackstone MA
requesting that the court enter

a Decree changing their name to:

Kaiden Michael Kircorian

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/13/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy,

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 15, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

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July 2, 2021

The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Worcester Probate and Family
Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Docket No. WO21P0585GD
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO
G.L.c. 190B, §5-304
In the matter of: Cameron A Pilon
Of:: Northbridge, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Kelly J Smith of Northbridge, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Cameron A Pilon is in need of a Guardian requesting that Kelly J Smith of Northbridge, MA, (or some other suitable person) be appointed as

Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, a nd that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this **proceeding**. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 07/13/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the abovenamed person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 16, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate July 2, 2021"

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. 21P2063
Estate of:
Rita M Robarge
Date Of Death: May 27, 2021
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner David P Robarge of Uxbridge MA

a Will has been admitted to informal

probate.

David P Robarge of Uxbridge MA
has been informally appointed as the

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.

July 2, 2021







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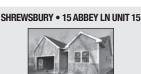




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YMCA of Central Massachusetts Water Safety Tips

to rise in the northeast, the number of drownings will likely rise with it.

Over one weekend in June there were five tragic drownings involving both minors and adults, bringing the total to ten drownings in Massachusetts since May. The majority of these deaths are preventable through age appropriate swim lessons, or at the very least, knowledge about how to be safe around water.

Each year there are nearly 3,600 fatal drownings — about 10 deaths per day — in swimming incidents. Even more alarming, drowning is the leading cause of death for children aged 1-4, and about one in five people who die from drowning are children aged 14 and vounger.

The best way to prevent drowning is to learn basic swimming — knowing how to float and move

As temperatures begin through the water — at an early age.

As "America's Swim Teacher," the YMCA of Central Massachusetts teaches 7,500 people, both children and adults, to swim each year. However, since pools were closed for a portion of the pandemic, many children and adults did not have the opportunity to learn to swim. With that in mind, the YMCA of Central Massachusetts is now offering swim lessons year round.

"We have seen an increase in drownings all over the state, as well as in our area, and now that our Y is fully open, we are in a unique position to offer critically important swim lessons and safety around water courses," said David Connell, President and CEO.

Here are just a few simple water safety tips from the YMCA that can help save a life:

Never swim alone.

Teach your children that they should only swim in locations where lifeguard is on duty.

Supervise your children whenever they're in water. Whether it's bath time or taking a dip in a pool or lake, make sure your children are within an arm's reach of you at all times.

Don't engage in breath holding activities. Children shouldn't hold their breath for a prolonged amount of time while swimming, as this can cause drowning and has several other severe physical side-effects.

Wear a life jacket. Inexperienced or non-swimmers should wear a Coast Guardapproved life jacket.

Don't jump in the water to save a friend who is struggling in deep water. If a child finds their friend in deep water unexpectedly, their natural reaction may be to iump in the water to try



to save them. Even if a child is a great swimmer, a panicked person will overpower them, pulling them underwater with them. The Y teaches the "reach, throw, don't go" concept of using a long object to reach for them and pull them to safety. By using this technique

children can help their friend without compromising their own safety.

While swimming lessons alone will not prevent all tragic drownings, it is important for more people to have the knowledge and skills necessary to move through the water safely and with confidence.

The YMCA of Central Massachusetts is committed to helping you and your family be safe around water. Please contact us at 508-755-6101 or www.ymcaofcm.org for more information on water safety and swim-

"Look Both Ways" PSA to Promote Road Safety

PSA CHALLENGES MASSACHUSETTS DRIVERS TO BE AGGRESSIVELY NICE

BOSTON WEBSTER - Fundación MAPFRE and the Massachusetts Department today Transportation announced a new public service campaign to engage people in changing their behavior on the roads. The campaign is part of an effort to reduce road-related injuries and fatalities, particularly as pandemic restrictions are lifted and people get back on the roads for summer

The PSA, launched partnership with Massachusetts Department Transportation, the Executive Office Health and Human Services and Fundación MAPFRE, challenges the

"Massachusetts driver" by encouraging people to be "aggressively nice" on the road. https://youtu. be/xIvlTmiycz8

"We are pleased to support our Goal Zero vision to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries, with our new Look Both Ways program this year," said Jaime Tamayo, Chief Representative of Fundación MAPFRE in the United States and Chief Executive Officer of MAPFRE USA. "As more people hit the roads this summer, it is important to encourage drivers, passengers and pedestrians to think twice about their behavior and look out for each other. Fundación MAPFRE is proud to work with MassDOT to

stereotype of a typical help share this important campaign and message."

"MassDOT's first priority is ensuring that members of the public safely reach their travel destinations," said MassDOT Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. "We are happy to partner with MAPFRE Foundation on the Look Both Ways PSA to improve safety and reduce injuries and fatalities on our roadways."

MassDOT encourages anyone looking for information about crash data to check out the MassDOT IMPACT dashboard at https://apps.impact. dot.state.ma.us/cdp/

In addition to the PSA, Fundación MAPFRE is planning a Look Both Ways Road Tour, bringing an interactive road safety program to high schools, colleges and public events across Massachusetts and Connecticut. The program features React Challenge, a digital gaming experience that tests users' reaction time when faced with obstacles on the road. The tour also includes a custom art installation by Jason Tetlak. The PSA and interactive campaign aim to change people's behavior on the road by changing their perspective, using a unique combination of education and empathy.

Details about Look Both Ways, including the PSA, React Challenge and road safety resources, can be found at lookboth-

wayssafety.org. Look Both Ways sup-

ports Vision Zero, a global initiative to eliminate traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries, a cause Fundación MAPFRE has long-championed internationally.

According to a study conducted by the Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, with support from Fundación MAPFRE, the most common cause of unintentional injury death among children 1-14 years of age (49 percent) was transportation-related, including children as passengers in cars, on motorcycles and bicycles, and as pedestriAbout Fundación

Fundación MAPFRE is a nonprofit organization created by MAPFRE in 1975 to promote the well-being of society and citizens across the company's footprint. Active in 30 countries, Fundación MAPFRE focuses on five areas: Road Safety and Accident Prevention, including fires, mishaps at home and drownings; Insurance and Social Protection; Culture; Social Action; and Health Promotion. Please visit https://www.fundacionmapfre.org/en/ for more information about Fundación MAPFRE.

QCC is a Vaccine Champion College

WORCESTER, MA— June 23, 2021— Quinsigamond Community College has joined President Biden's COVID-19 College Vaccination Challenge. Colleges across the country are being asked to commit to taking actions that will engage their college communities and encourage everyone to get vaccinated. Statistics show that a significant portion of the older population have been vaccinated; however, the

younger generation is lagging behind. Colleges and universities offer a significant opportunity to reach that younger generation.

"We are committed to keeping our college community, our city, and the Commonwealth safe. The best way to do this is by getting vaccinated," said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D. "This is a challenge I hope all colleges and universities will stand behind so that we can put an end to this global health crisis.'

QCC has taken a visible role in COVID-19 outreach. community The College developed a comprehensive, COVID-19 vaccination webpage offering vaccination information through public service videos in multiple languages, along with fact sheets in multiple languages, a link to vaccination locations and a link to the Massachusetts COVID-19

information website. QCC has already hosted two Moderna Vaccine

West Boylston, Street, Worcester) for the QCC community, as well as faculty, staff and students from Assumption University, Anna Maria and Becker College College. Approximately 90 people were vaccinated at each clinic.

"Spreading the word about the importance of getting vaccinated has been a priority at QCC. Offering information that is easily accessible, in multiple languages, enables us to reach more in our communi-

" President Pedraja said. "By hosting vaccine clinics, we are providing easier access for our students, their families, as well as QCC employees, which enables more in our community to be vaccinated."

Biden's President's goal is to have 160 million Americans being fully vaccinated by July 4.

For more information about QCC, con-Josh Martin, tact Director of Institutional Communications

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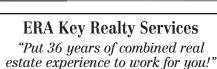
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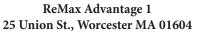
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University of New Hampshire's Dean's List for the Spring 2021 Semester

DURHAM, NH (06/24/2021)-- The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring 2021 semester. Christina Calkins of Douglas, MA for

earning Highest Honors Skylar Manyak of Douglas, MA for

earning High Honors Jocelyn Kenyon of Northbridge, MA

for earning Highest Honors Julia Russell of Northbridge, MA for

earning Honors Brian Iarussi of Northbridge, MA for

earning Honors Kristina Kirk of Uxbridge, MA for

earning High Honors

Francesca DeLuca of Uxbridge, MA for earning High Honors

Hope Anderson of Uxbridge, MA for earning Honors

Ashley Banas of Whitinsville, MA for earning Highest Honors

Hailey Banas of Whitinsville, MA for earning Highest Honors

Zachary Merian of Whitinsville, MA for earning High Honors

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

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To learn more about the opportunities at the University of New Hampshire

Uxbridge, MA Resident, Hannah Smith Named to Worcester Polytechnic Institute's Spring 2021 Dean's List

(06/25/2021)-- Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) has announced that Hannah Smith, a member of the class of 23 majoring in Biology and Biotechnology, was named to the university's Dean's List for academic excellence for the spring 2021 semester.

A total of 2,148 understudents graduate achieved the criteria required for WPI's spring 2021 Dean's List. The criteria for the WPI Dean's List differs from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean's List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and proj-

"WPI's academic programs are rigorous and require a level of independence beyond what is required in traditional courses. WPI students work on open-ended problems for communities around the world. The problems are important and the impact is real" said dean of undergraduate studies Arthur C. Heinricher. "Some of this nation's best and brightest students come to WPI to study engineering and science and business and the humanities. Those named to the Dean's List have excelled in all of their work, and we are exceptionally proud of these outstanding students."

Worcester About Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation

in Engineering Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 17 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing; cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more. www.wpi.edu

Worcester Contact: Polytechnic Institute, media@wpi.edu

UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR Honor Roll June 2022

High Honors: Anastasia Achiaa, Nicholas Allegrezza, Haley Archambault, Samantha Arroyas, Aiden Ayers, Hailey Bergman, Bella Borjeson-Troupe, Kayla Brooks, Colin Caso, Connor Chartier, Joey Costa, Sydney Costa, Elise Croteau, Maline Demers, Kelsey Desroches, Ella DiMarco, Ashley Dube, Jonathan Fabian, Acadia Farrell, Nicholas Fernandes, Drew Gauthier, Devon Gokey, Shaylin Gonya, Ramsha Gul, Jocelyn Hinchcliffe, Sallie Hogan, Anna Horne, Samantha Kauzens, Wiley Kimball, Allen Lamphere, Liberty Lewis, Margaux Lewis, Madison Manning, Ella Moscatelli, Autumn Nichols, Jeremy Okenquist, Rory Paul, Valasi Petri, Colleen Prior, Daniel Redgate, Stephen Sanches, Taylor Sanford, Thomas Schreiber, Matthew Shelley, Jack Streichert, Clarice Stumpf,

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Honorable Mention: Thomas Andolina, Daniel Buabeng, Jeffrey Costa, Darienne Doherty, Lindsey Gay, Adam Goncalves, Aidan Grinnell, John Hamel, Sarah Johnston, Emily Landini, Jackeline Lopez, Mikenna Manz, Karlha Mendoza-Ruck, Jack Morvan, Hunter Taft, Colin Wilson

Worcester Polytechnic Institute Announces Spring 2021 Dean's List

WORCESTER, MA (06/24/2021)-- The criteria for the WPI Dean's List differs from most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean's List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects. The following undergradutes were named to the Spring 2021 Dean's List:

Rachel Arnold of Northbridge, MA class of 21 majoring in Biomedical Engineering Samantha Morton of Uxbridge, MA class of 21 majoring in Mechanical

Engineering
Donovan Tames of Northbridge, MA class of 21 majoring in Electrical &

Computer Engineering Marissa Allegrezza of Uxbridge, MA

class of 22 majoring in Chemistry Casey Gosselin of Northbridge, MA class of 22 majoring in Robotics

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class of 22 majoring in Mathematical Emily Philbrook of Uxbridge, MA class

of 22 majoring in Biomedical Engineering Allison Colon of Northbridge, MA class of 23 majoring in Mechanical Engineering Lauren Flanagan of Douglas, MA class of 23 majoring in Data Science

majoring in Biomedical Engineering Theron Howe of Douglas, MA class of 23

Emily Frick of Uxbridge, MA class of 23

majoring in Civil Engineering Amelia Sadlon of Whitinsville, MA class of 23 majoring in Biology and

Biotechnology Hannah Smith of Uxbridge, MA class of 23 majoring in Biology and Biotechnology

Desmond Woodson of Douglas, MA class of 23 majoring in Civil Engineering Jonathan Adams of Douglas, MA class

of 24 majoring in Mechanical Engineering Christina Aube of Douglas, MA class of 24 majoring in Robotics Engineering

Codey Battista of Northbridge, MA class of 24 majoring in Biomedical Engineering Kelly Heffernan of Whitinsville, MA class of 24 majoring in Biology and Biotechnology

Megan Jacene of Northbridge, MA class of 24 majoring in Mechanical Engineering Molly Vincent of Douglas, MA class of 24 majoring in Mechanical Engineering

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Ken Bates named to Association of Developmental Disabilities Providers (ADDP) Board

Worcester, MA –Ken Bates, President & CEO of Open Sky Community Services, has been named to the Association of Developmental Disabilities Providers (ADDP) Board of Directors.

ADDP is a state-wide association that focuses on issues relating to developmental/intellectual disabilities, Autism and brain injury services. They provide financial and political advocacy for their over 130 member organizations and also offer professional development opportunities.

According to the ADDP website, their mission "is to promote and ensure strength of community-based providers so provider members can be successful in

improving quality, access and value of services in the community."

Bates has served as President & CEO of Open Sky since its formation in 2018 and oversaw the affiliation of The Bridge of Central Massachusetts and Alternatives Unlimited. Prior to his position at Open Sky, he served as President & CEO at The Bridge of Central Massachusetts and as

Executive Director of New Business and Financial Growth for the Commonwealth



Ken Bates

Medicine at UMass Medical School. He has also served as Vice-President of Behavioral Health at Advocates, Inc. and as Director of Outpatient Services at Spectrum Health Systems.

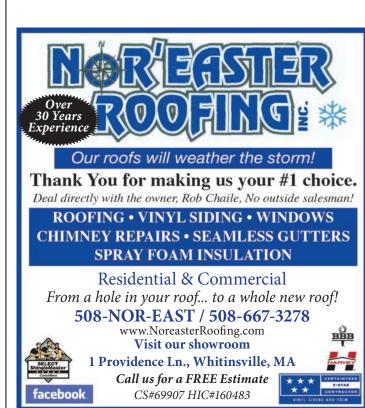
He received his undergraduate degree in Urban Studies from Worcester State University and his Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from Assumption University. In 2021 he was awarded an honorary Ph.D. from Assumption University.

Bates currently serves as Vice Chairperson on the Board of the Association of Behavioral Healthcare of Massachusetts and as a Corporator for Greater Worcester Community Foundation.

About Open Sky Community Services

Open Sky Community Services is dba for Alternatives Unlimited, Inc and The Bridge of Central MA. Open Sky offers a wide range of services for adults, adolescents, and children with mental health challenges, developmental and intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, brain injury, homelessness and other challenges throughout Central Massachusetts. Open Sky Community Services has over 1,300 dedicated employees and an annual budget of \$89M with more than 100 programs throughout the region. For more information, please visit www.openskycs.org







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