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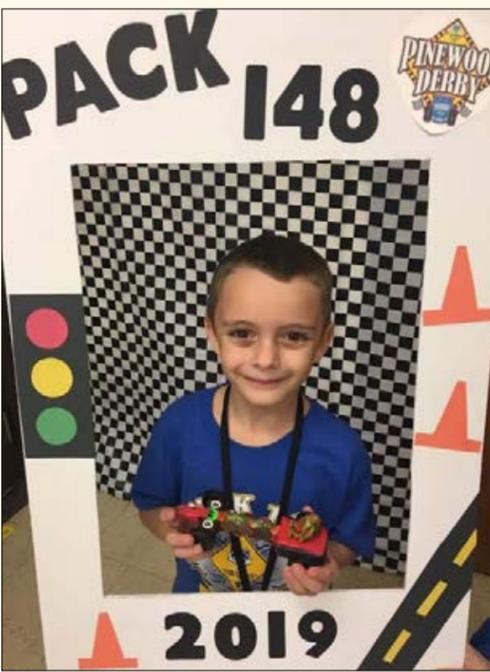
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Local Scouts invite community to join in upcoming Pinewood Derby

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER



EAST BROOKFIELD – Members of a local Cub Scout pack recently had so much fun at their pinewood derby that they are excited to get the entire region involved.

East Brookfield-based Cub Scout Pack 148 invites residents from throughout the area to attend a community pinewood derby on March 9 at East Brookfield Elementary School. Each car will be weighed between 10 a.m. and noon, and the races will begin at 1 p.m.

All ages are welcome to take part in the event, including adults, and the deadline to register is Feb. 23.

“This is an event that we think will be really enjoyable, especially for any former Scouts who may be nostalgic for the derby,” said Kelly Vosnakis, who is chairing the community derby.

The cost for each derby kit is \$12. The kits include all of the necessary materials and instructions for building the cars.

For members of Cub Scout Pack 148, who just held their own pinewood derby last week at East Brookfield Baptist Church, it’s exciting to offer the opportunity for residents from throughout the region to get involved. Pack members recently held events to promote the community derby, with Lamoureux Ford stepping up as a sponsor.

A pair of registration sessions were held at Lamoureux Ford over the last two weeks. Pack 148 members thank everyone who has shown interest in supporting the event.

“We heard about a few other packs doing this kind of event, and we thought it would be a great thing for us to try,” said Pack 148 Cubmaster Nick Clark.

For Scouting leaders and parents, pinewood derbies are one of the most memorable experiences that bring kids together.

“We love to see the excitement on the kids’ faces when they’re learning



Courtesy Photo

Cub Scout Pack 148 members enjoyed their recent pinewood derby. The pack will host a derby for the entire community next month.

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Leicester School Committee votes to close Memorial School

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – After extensive deliberations, the School Committee decided last week to close the Memorial School and reconfigure the district’s grades.

At its Feb. 12 meeting, the School Committee unanimously voted to close the school at the end of the school year. At an upcoming meeting, committee members will take a vote to return the building to the town.

As part of the reconfiguration plan, the district will move students in grades three and four to the Primary School, beginning in September. School Committee members will consider changing the name of the building, as it will now serve two additional grades. Moreover, preschool students will move to the high school.

“There are some construction projects that have to be done to prepare the space. We have an engineer looking at the space, and once we have his report we will begin to make changes,” Leicester Schools Superintendent Marilyn Tenca said of the preschool transition to LHS.

Finally, fifth grade students will move to the middle school as part of the reconfiguration. The building will see a few modifications to accommodate an additional grade, officials said.

School Committee members cited several benefits to closing the Memorial School, which is currently the lone school located off the town’s main educational campus. Not only is there a significant financial savings from operating one less building, but officials are

also eager to expand STEM education to the lower grades. Currently available to students in grades six through 12, STEM programming will now be offered to fifth graders and possibly fourth graders.

Another benefit to the decision is the ability to have all students on one campus, officials said. This will help improve efficiency and planning for bus routes and district-wide events like Evening with the Arts. Specialized programs will also be more easily facilitated.

“We will be able to retain more teachers, and we can offer better support to our students through social, emotional and special education,” Tenca said.

School Committee members had several concerns about the reconfiguration, but a presentation from Tenca helped solidify a plan for all buildings.

“My biggest concern was moving the pre-K to the first floor of the high school. Dr. Tenca did a great job of getting us the information about other local districts that have done that with great success,” said School Committee member Scott Francis. “With some minimal construction at the high school to modify the bathrooms for our new shorter students, it should be a smooth transition.”

The Primary School, middle school, and high school have a combined capacity of approximately 1,800 students. The district currently has a total enrollment of 1,458 students, so there are no concerns of over-

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Domestic incident prompts multi-agency regional manhunt

SPENCER – A man was arrested last week in Sutton after a manhunt that included multiple agencies.

Rasheem Rosa, 19, of Worcester, was arrested on Feb. 11, one day after police conducted an extensive search for him following a domestic incident.

At 1:50 p.m. on Feb. 10, Spencer Police received multiple 911 calls from an undisclosed address describing a large fight involving bats, golf clubs, knives, and a sword. Spencer officers requested assistance from Leicester Police and State Police. When officers arrived on

scene, they determined that no one had been injured, and the use of the reported weapons had only been threatened.

Police ascertained that the dispute was over the custody of a 17-year-old girl. Officers also learned that Rosa, who was allegedly armed with a three-

foot sword, had fled into the woods behind a row of nearby apartment buildings. The investigation also revealed that Rosa had an outstanding default warrant for his arrest.

The Central Mass. Law Enforcement Council

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Courtesy Photo

Rasheem Rosa, 19, of Worcester, was arrested on Feb. 11 after a lengthy police search.

East Brookfield students work to spread kindness



Courtesy Photo

East Brookfield Elementary School students present a check to Second Chance Animal Shelter representatives following a recent school project.

EAST BROOKFIELD – Students and staff at East Brookfield Elementary School have taken part in several projects this year to promote kindness and inclusiveness. Most recently, their generosity benefited our furry friends at a local shelter.

Throughout the year, the school’s fifth and sixth grade Student Council members have teamed up with the EBES Kindness Committee to prepare multiple initiatives. In a recent project promoting the importance of friendships to a person’s wellbeing, students sold “friendship grams” this winter. Following the completion of the proj-

ect, kids delivered more than 800 friendship grams to fellow students and staff members on Valentine’s Day.

Not only did the friendship gram project put smiles on the faces of students, but it also assisted the community. Proceeds from the project, totaling \$636.45, were donated to Second Chance Animal Shelter. On Feb. 15, students presented a check to SCAS representatives Lindsay Doray and Cria Picco.

With locations in East Brookfield and North Brookfield, among others, SCAS assists thousands of animals each year through adoption, veterinary services, and other programs.

West Brookfield youth shoot for success in Knights Free Throw Championship

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD – After showcasing their skills in January, youngsters from throughout the area returned to West Brookfield Elementary School last week to continue shooting for success.

Dozens of local kids attended the first round of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship held on Jan. 27 at WBES. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 11080, based at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, the event

included boys and girls ages nine to 14.

The following students won their respective age categories at the initial Jan. 27 event: Elizabeth Bennington, of West Warren (9-year-old Girls Division); Ben Landine, of Brookfield (9-year-old Boys Division); Brendan Welch, of Barre (10-year-old Boys Division); Ava Ostrout, of West Brookfield (11-year-old Girls Division); Jack Fitzpatrick, of Spencer (11-year-old Boys Division); Nik Snyder, of North Brookfield (12-year-old Boys

Division); Alfred Laskowski, of Fiskdale (13-year-old Boys Division); and Nick Cutlip, of North Brookfield (14-year-old Boys Division).

The winners moved on to the district competition of the tournament, which was also held at WBES on Feb. 10. At that event, they had the opportunity to compete against the winners emerging from other area council competitions sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Results from the Feb. 10 competition were not available by

press time.

Looking ahead, the winners of the district competition at each age group will advance to the regional tournament held at Nichols College on March 23. If their skills shine at that event, they will take part in the state championship to be hosted by Boston College in April.

A few years back, a local boy advanced all the way to the state competition after emerging from the West Brookfield bracket. For event organizer Wally Connor, it's always fun to see kids enjoy free throw

shooting and improve their skills while meeting new friends.

The event also continues to expand nationwide. Last year, more than 150,000 kids participated in more than 3,600 local Knights of Columbus free throw competitions. All contestants at the local levels are given a certificate of participation each year.

Town officials thank all Knights of Columbus volunteers who dedicated their time to ensuring that kids enjoyed both events at WBES.

Quaboag Historical Society hosting antique appraisal event

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

EAST BROOKFIELD – Have you always wondered how much those antiques in your attic are worth? Or maybe you recently bought an item at a tag sale and would like to have it evaluated. If so, you'll want to take advantage of an upcoming appraisal event next month.

Sponsored by the Quaboag Historical Society (QHS), the antiques and collectibles appraisal event will take place on Sunday, March 3, at East Brookfield Elementary School (410 East Main Street). Set for noon to 3 p.m., the pro-

gram will provide residents with a chance to have their old treasures and new acquisitions appraised.

The free event will be run by Wayne Tuiskula, a longtime local auctioneer, appraiser and columnist. Appraisals will be performed on a first-come basis, with each guest limited to three items to ensure that many residents have a chance to participate.

An antiques dealer since the 1980s, Tuiskula sells items each year at the Brimfield Flea Market and other local shows, in addition to handling several

estate sales and auctions. Moreover, he writes about antiques for several publications and teaches evaluation techniques in classes for the Worcester Public Schools and the Bay Path Adult Education programs.

Tuiskula has even appeared as a collectibles appraiser on the popular PBS program, "Antiques Roadshow." He is looking forward to reviewing local residents' items, describing their histories, and estimating how much they are worth.

QHS members, meanwhile, are excit-

ed for an event that promotes history in a fascinating way. They are always on the hunt for creative ideas to help bring attention to the area's past.

"We think this program is special – and a good one for a winter gathering," said QHS president Amy Dugas. "Lots of folks have things – perhaps family treasures – that they'd like to know more about, including their value."

Many residents have collections dating back decades, while others recently inherited items and would like to learn about their worth. Occasionally a resident will unknowingly purchase a valuable item at a tag sale or a craft fair, then learn its worth and sell it for thousands.

But even if you don't bring an item to the appraisal event, the program is a great way for collectors and antiques lovers to meet.

"If you don't want to bring anything for appraisal, it's fun to see what other people bring and what they're worth," Dugas added.

Light refreshments will be provided at the event.

To learn more about the QHS and its upcoming programs, visit www.QuaboagHistoricalSociety.net.

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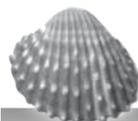
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Spencer officials hold public hearing on community development grants

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Selectmen held a public hearing last week focused on the town's proposed application for community development block grants.

At the Feb. 11 hearing, residents learned about the town's proposed fiscal year 2019 application to the state seeking up to \$800,000 in CDBG funds. The town has teamed up with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) to hone the application, which will request funds for several construction projects on Cherry Street, Lloyd Dyer Drive, and Wall Street.

"This would include sewer, drainage, and water on Wall Street, along with repaving the road and replacing any sidewalk," said PVPC senior planner Ted Harvey, who has worked close-

ly with town officials throughout the application process. "Spencer has successfully received CDBG funds for similar projects on Chestnut and Mechanic Streets."

The proposed projects are critical to the town's continued improvement of roads and infrastructure, officials said. Following the extensive downtown revitalization effort and upgrades to Route 31, the interior roads south of Route 9 have become the next priority.

The proposed work on Cherry Street, Lloyd Dyer Drive, and Wall Street represents the culmination of a planning study that took place in 2014. Funded by the state's CDBG program, the study highlighted several ways to improve Spencer's "Southside Neighborhood."

The town currently has funds remaining from last year's CDBG dis-

bursement to complete the engineering design phase for the upcoming projects. After collating professional analyses and input from residents received at recent public hearings, the town is in the process of finalizing its CDBG application.

"CDBG funds continue to be a valuable resource to the town and will have a very positive impact on the Cherry-Wall-Lloyd Dyer roadway improvement project," said Town Administrator Thomas Gregory.

The town's CDBG application is due to the state in March, and officials will be notified if Spencer has been selected for funding by July. If adequate state grant funding is received, the projects would likely begin in the spring of 2020.

Several other area communities are also competing for CDBG funds. Towns



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have the ability to partner in the application process to improve their chances of being chosen.

CDBG funds are allocated to individual states by the federal government.

Senior Center launches new Memory Café program

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Recognizing the lack of services available throughout the area for residents requiring memory care, the Senior Center staff is excited to launch a new program this month.

The Senior Center's Sunflower Memory Café was scheduled to offer its first session on Feb. 21. Held on the third Thursday of each month from 1-3 p.m., the program is open to all individuals suffering from memory loss. You do not need to be diagnosed with a condition or provide medi-

cal documentation to attend. The program is meant to provide a relaxed environment for seniors to discuss issues and enjoy activities.

The program is helpful for anyone suffering from dementia, memory loss, brain disorders, and other forms of cognitive impairment.

"A memory café gives those suffering a memory issue a chance to meet others with the same issues without judgment, and they can help each other cope with the changes in their lives," said Senior Center Director Pamela Woodbury.

Under Gov. Charlie Baker,

the state has made a major push toward expanding programming for those suffering from dementia. After launching an initiative to help communities become dementia friendly, the Baker Administration is hoping to see memory cafés opened throughout the state.

In Spencer, Woodbury and her staff are excited to open the program to residents and guests from other communities. As the baby boomer population continues to age, memory care programs are expected to significantly expand over the next decade.

Worldwide, the number of

people suffering from dementia is projected to increase from 50 million in 2018 to 152 million in 2050. In the U.S., a new person is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease almost every minute.

"One in eight people 65 and over have memory issues," Woodbury added. "Due to the increase in numbers with the Baby Boomers aging, these numbers will increase."

Several memory café sessions in Spencer will be sponsored by former resident Gwen Pratt. Group activities and refreshments will be provided during each session.

The Senior Center staff

reminds guests that you do not need to be a resident of Spencer to attend. Additional information on the push to increase dementia friendly communities is available at the state's Web site, www.mass.gov.

The Senior Center is located at 68 Maple St., in the former school building. For more information about upcoming programs, or to register for events, call 508-885-7546. The center is open on Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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February 25

Community Connections hosts a parent/caregiver & child playgroup from 10-11:30 a.m. for infants through age 5 every Monday! These free programs are provided by a grant through the Department of Early Education and Care.

February 26

Toddler story time meets from 10 - 10:45 a.m. for ages 18-35 months and their caregivers.

Pre-K story time meets from 11 a.m. - noon for children three years (by Sept. 1) to school age.

February 27

Pause: Mindfulness Mediation is

held on the Library's Main Floor on Wednesdays from 8:30 am—9:30 a.m. Drop-in and learn about mindfulness. Wendy O'Leary will lead us in a mindfulness practice, and discussion using these tools to enhance our relationship with ourselves and others.

Imagination Station: Hibernation Imagination Station! Play an animal guessing game, and end by helping to build an animal burrow. Imagination Station meets Wednesdays from 4-4:45 p.m. in the Community Room. Children in grades K-5 and their parents/guardians welcome!

February 28

Community Connections hosts Cozy Corner, a Literacy program for infants-age five from 10 - 11 a.m. These free programs are provided by a grant through the Department of Early Education and Care.

Paws and Pages is held on the last Thursday of the month from 4 - 5 p.m. Come relax and read to a therapy dog! Research has shown that reading aloud to a therapy dog helps improve reading skills and confidence.

Mark Your Calendar

March 7

Massasoit Memories, sponsored by the Spencer Historical Society, will be held at the Richard Sugden Library. Local historian Mary Baker-Wood will present a slideshow history of the Massasoit Hotel, a much loved Spencer landmark, which was destroyed by fire on January 12, 1982. The hotel was located on the corner of Pleasant and Main Streets, on the site of the former Jenks Tavern. For more than a hundred years, it was a popular inn and gathering place. Attendees are encouraged to bring memories or souvenirs to share with the group. An exhibit of Massasoit Hotel photographs and memorabilia will accompany the program.

Adults and teens (grades 9+) are invited to attend from 6 - 7:30 p.m. on the Library's Main Floor. Snow date: March 14.

March 11
Book Discussion & Practice Group: Awakening Joy! We will read and discuss the book Awakening Joy by James Baraz and Shoshana Alexander, as well as practice using

the strategies to awaken joy in our lives. This program will be led by Wendy O'Leary. Please plan to attend all 5 sessions as we work together to bring more joy into our lives. The sessions will be held on the following Mondays from 1 - 3 p.m. March 11 (discuss introduction and chapters 1 and 2), April 1, May 6, June 3, and June 24. Books are available at the Main Desk. Pick up a copy today. Sign up required. Register by visiting or calling the Richard Sugden Library, Spencer, at 508-885-7513, or online at www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org/adults.



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Rep. Berthiaume announces local office hours

REGION — State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume will hold office hours at the following locations for February 2019.

Tuesday, Feb. 26 – In the Town of West Brookfield at the Senior Center 11 – 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 26 - In the Town of Brookfield at the town Hall noon – 12:45 p.m.

Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with him to express any concerns, ideas, or issues that they may need assistance with. Please feel free to contact Donna if you would like a private meeting. 774-402-4742

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WORCESTER — The internationally acclaimed United States Army Field Band of Washington, D.C. will continue its long tradition of presenting free public performances when it appears at Mechanics Hall on Monday, April 1 at 7 p.m.

The Concert Band & Soldiers' Chorus are the oldest and largest of The U.S. Army Field Band's performing components. These two ensembles combine to present joint concerts on their national tours. They have performed in all 50 states and 30 foreign countries for audiences totaling hundreds of millions.

The 60-member Concert Band and 29-member Soldiers' Chorus perform regularly in some of the most famous concert halls in the world, and just as often in the humblest auditoriums in the smallest of communities. The joining of these two ensembles allows them to offer unparalleled versatility of programming, ranging from orchestral masterworks and operatic arias to Sousa marches, jazz classics, and Broadway musicals. The band and chorus

also perform independently, and have recently shared the stage with such ensembles as the Boston Pops, the Cincinnati Pops, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and the National Symphony Orchestra.

In addition to their national tours, formal concerts, chamber recitals, and educational outreach, members of the Concert Band and Soldiers' Chorus frequently represent the Army at formal and ceremonial functions, including the Presidential Inaugural Parade, presidential funerals, the Army All-American Bowl, and diplomatic efforts overseas. More than six decades as the military's most traveled musicians have earned them the title, "The Musical Ambassadors of the Army."

Courtesy Photo

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Country Bank donates \$1 million to area organizations in 2018

WARE — Country Bank proudly reported that donations for 2018 exceeded one million dollars. Through the

bank's established Charitable Giving program, support is provided to local non-profits throughout the region; in 2018

more than 400 organizations received generous donations from the program. Some of the organizations that received contributions include: The Special Olympics, Hearts for Heat, Provision Ministry, The Worcester Boys and Girls Club and Abby's House. The Mustard Seed and St. John's Food Program for the Poor each received \$5,000, and The Worcester County Food Bank received \$10,000 to help them with the shared mission in giving back.

"Our desire to support and enrich our communities is not only part of our mission, it's truly who we are," stated Paul Scully, President and CEO of Country Bank. "On National Day of Giving, we invited our business partners to the DCU Center to help us build 50 beds for 50 children for the non-profit organization, A Bed for Every Child. The pride and commitment from the building team was incredible to witness.

The team knew what a significant impact their efforts were to the lives of 50 children in Worcester."

Country Bank also has an Employee Charitable Giving Program that raised more than \$30,000 in 2018, through events such as jean days, bake sales and raffles.

"The staff at Country Bank understands the importance of supporting its local communities. When we add an event to our volunteer calendar, it is filled instantly. This speaks volumes to our culture and our belief in helping others. In 2018, our team volunteered more than 1,100 hours of personal time at various events within the local communities. We made backpacks for the homeless, served meals to the children at the Boys and Girls Clubs, planted and harvested crops for food pantries and helped build a house for Habitat for Humanity," stated Jodie Gerulaitis, Vice President of

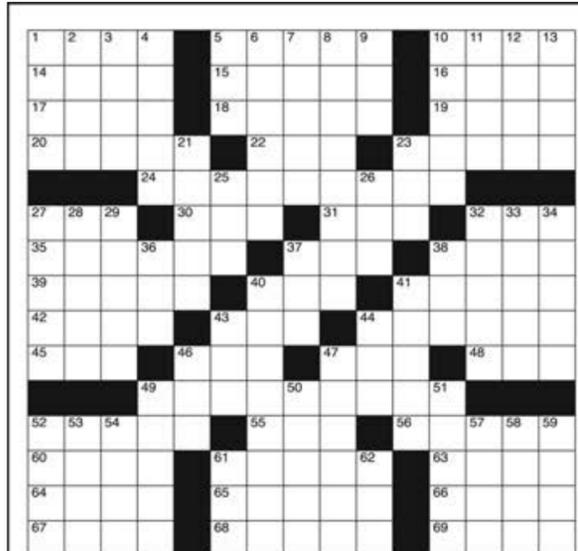
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Country Bank's slogan, "We think giving back is one of the most cutting edge things a bank will ever do," is demonstrated by all they do for the people in their communities.

To learn more about Country Bank's Charitable Giving Program, visit <https://www.countrybank.com/about-us/>.

About Country Bank

Country Bank is a full-service mutual community bank serving central and western Massachusetts with 14 offices in Ware, Palmer, West Brookfield, Brimfield, Belchertown, Wilbraham, Ludlow, Leicester, Paxton, Charlton and Worcester. Country Bank is a member of FDIC, DIF and the SUM network. Country Bank can be reached at 800-322-8233 or online at countrybank.com.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Civil rights organization
- 5. Cause to lose courage
- 10. Outside entertaining area
- 14. Botswana currency
- 15. Comedic Actor Tim
- 16. Barbary sheep
- 17. German river
- 18. Take
- 19. Catches
- 20. Eating houses
- 22. Consumed
- 23. Lawyers try them
- 24. Hugh Jackman character
- 27. Basics
- 30. No (Scottish)
- 31. Duct
- 32. Athlete who plays for pay
- 35. Unit of distance
- 37. Female bird
- 38. Predatory reptile
- 39. Regions
- 40. Dishonorable man
- 41. Dry white Italian wine
- 42. A way to understand
- 43. Actors' organization
- 44. Beach hut
- 45. Disappointment
- 46. Police officer
- 47. Digital audiotape
- 48. Western Thai people
- 49. Of a polymer
- 52. Secret political clique
- 55. Sound unit
- 56. Cavalry sword
- 60. Whale ship captain
- 61. Eastern Austria spa town
- 63. Holds food
- 64. Filippo __, Saint
- 65. Holds bottles of milk
- 66. Intestinal pouches
- 67. Arab ruler
- 68. Chicago political family
- 69. "Transparent" actress Kathryn

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Detailed drawing
- 2. Class of comb jellies
- 3. Musical symbol
- 4. Hall of Fame ballplayer Rod
- 5. Pouch
- 6. Split
- 7. Having wings
- 8. Set aside
- 9. Midway between northeast and east
- 10. Daughter of Acrisius
- 11. Periods of time
- 12. Rapper Ice __
- 13. Any of several candies
- 21. Units of loudness
- 23. Central nervous system
- 25. Resinous secretion of insects
- 26. 007's creator
- 27. Separate from
- 28. Exposes to view
- 29. Harsh squeaking sound
- 32. Fishing vessel (Naut.)
- 33. Western Ukrainian city
- 34. The sea
- 36. Unhappy
- 37. Old miserable woman
- 38. Corn comes on it
- 40. Guinea pig-like mammal
- 41. Self-immolation by fire rituals
- 43. Fifth note of a major scale
- 44. Automobile
- 46. Military title (abbr.)
- 47. Expunge
- 49. Chadic language Bura-__
- 50. Something you win
- 51. Grab
- 52. Town in Galilee
- 53. Polite interruption sound
- 54. Italian Seaport
- 57. La __ Tar Pits
- 58. "To __, his own"
- 59. Tom Clancy hero Jack
- 61. These three follow A
- 62. One of Napoleon's generals

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Leicester police offer firearms safety class

LEICESTER — The police department will offer a home firearms safety class next week.

The event will take place on Thursday, Feb. 28, from 6-10 p.m. at the police station training room.

Registration and prepayment are required to attend the event. Forms are available at the police station and online (www.LeicesterPd.org).

The event will be a non-firing safety class that will satisfy the license to carry and FID requirements. The cost is \$45 per person, and seating is limited.

Sen. Fattman appointed to Senate Ways and Means Committee

BOSTON — State Sen. Ryan C. Fattman (R-Sutton) was recently appointed to serve on the State Senate Committee on Ways and Means. The committee works to formulate the senate's version of the state's budget, and considers all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth.

"I am proud to be appointed to this committee, and excited for the opportunity to help shape the dialogue on what our state should be spending money on" said Sen. Fattman.

The nascent work of committee will soon reach a feverous pace as the senate closes in on releasing their version of the state's budget by mid spring. The heavily influential committee will help dictate what the final product of the state's budget will look like by the end of the fiscal year in July.

"My priorities continue to be increasing local aid for our towns, and making sure the appropriate level of funding is allocated for our schools, our roads, and for those in need," said Fattman.

To learn more about the Senate Ways and Means Committee, please contact Senator Ryan Fattman's office at 617-722-1420 or ryan.fattman@masenate.gov.

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Worcester business community welcomes Spinelli Accountants & Advisors

WORCESTER — Thank you to all that joined the staff of Spinelli Accountants & Advisors to celebrate the opening of our firm.

“A little over a year ago, I decided to start this CPA firm in Worcester. Going the extra mile and doing what is right for our clients is our strength,” said the firm’s founder, Karen J. Spinelli, CPA. “We are always there to help our clients understand their taxes as well as to help run their businesses and answer their questions so that they can really understand what is going on and feel comfortable with their taxes.”

Spinelli Accounts & Advisors are here to serve as trusted advisors capable of transforming their extensive experience and expertise of audit, tax and industry trends into a strategic pathway to position our clients for maximum profitability and financial success. They are dedicated to providing quality services and expert



financial advice through our passion for accounting and commitment to excellence. They believe in and value giving back to our communities in which they work and live.

“Thank you for the support to my husband Tom, and sons Travis and Jesse. To my Firm Administrator: Suzanne Longone, My Staff: Megan Riendeau, Michele Allen, Michael Restuccia, Eva Akese, to my Start-up Coach, Paul Brown and so many others...Thank you to everyone for helping me out in all of the little ways, it means so much to me and I hope that I can return the favor in the future,” Spinelli said.

Courtesy Photo

Pictured, left to right: Michele Allan, Michael Restuccia, Eva Akese, Worcester Chambers’ Tim Murray, Karen J. Spinelli, Paul Brown, Megan Riendeau, and Suzanne Longone.

Greater Worcester Community Foundation accepting applications for Fallon/OrNda Community Health Fund

WORCESTER — Greater Worcester Community Foundation is now accepting applications for the Fallon/OrNda Community Health Fund, which seeks to advance projects that increase access to healthcare or health promotion services that address the social determinants of health. The Foundation awards approximately \$200,000 annually in support of projects that:

- Create outreach services to vulnerable populations.
- Remove barriers that prevent people from accessing and receiving services.
- Insure quality access to needed services, and result in sustainable coordinated care.
- Promote public education around disease prevention and health promotion.

Grants may be for operational expenditures such as personnel costs, program expenses, small equipment purchases or physical improvements. Grant requests between \$5,000 and \$25,000 will be considered, and collaborative efforts will be given a higher priority. It is not the intent of the Fund to become a long-term underwriter of operational costs for any one program.

Applications must be received online by March 29. For more information, please contact Jonathan Cohen at jcohen@greaterworcester.org or 508-755-0980 with questions or concerns.

About the Greater Worcester Community Foundation
Greater Worcester Community Foundation unites people from diverse sectors to create positive change within our region. Created and built by local individuals, this permanent endowment is used to create personal and lasting legacies that improve lives and conditions within the community. Established in 1975, the Foundation has awarded more than \$110 million to cultural educational, human service and civic organizations. Today, the Foundation stewards a charitable endowment exceeding \$150 million in over 600 named funds, all created by local citizens. In 2015, the Foundation adopted the Early Childhood Initiative which creates conditions that prepares local young children for success in school and life. For more information, visit www.greaterworcester.org.

ested in meeting with Representative LeBoeuf can schedule an in-district appointment by calling 617-722-2425 or emailing David.LeBoeuf@mahouse.gov

The 17th Worcester District includes Worcester’s Ward 7, precincts 2, 3, and 4 of Ward 8, and the Town of Leicester.

LeBoeuf announces February district office hours

WORCESTER — State Representative David LeBoeuf today announced February office hours to be held in various parts of the 17th Worcester District.

Tuesday Feb. 19, 10-11:30 a.m.
Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 6-8 p.m.
Town Hall, Meeting Room 2, 3 Washburn Square, Leicester

Additionally, Rep. LeBoeuf will be holding special office hours at the Webster Square Towers (1050 & 1060 Main St., Worcester) before and after the monthly crime-watch meeting on Thursday, February 21st.

Any constituents unable to attend this month’s office hours that are inter-

Re-visit the case of Bathsheba Spooner with upcoming program

SPENCER — Things didn’t end well for Bathsheba Spooner — the first woman in the nation to be executed for her crimes — and residents are looking forward to traveling back in time and learning how her sinister story began.

On Tuesday, March 12, a presentation on Bathsheba Spooner’s life will take place at Senior Living at Prouty (195 Main St. in town). Set for 1:15-2:30 p.m., the presentation is titled, “Bathsheba Spooner: America’s First Murder for Hire.” The program will be delivered by Sari Bitticks, the president of the Auburn Historical Society and chairperson of the Auburn Historical Commission.

The program is available in Spencer because of a local cultural grant. Guests from throughout the area are welcome to attend and learn about Spooner, who entered an arranged marriage to

a wealthy farmer in the late eighteenth century. After having an affair with a young soldier, Spooner asked her par amour and two other men to murder her husband.

In 1778, the dark plot came to fruition, as Spooner’s husband was beaten to death in March. Spooner and her accomplices were quickly arrested and tried for the murder. Following her conviction, she was hanged in July of 1778, but there is far more to the fascinating story that will leave guests stunned and enlightened.

To reserve your seats for the event, call 617-431-4937. Please leave your name, contact information, and the number of seats requested.

In the case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled to March 19 at 1:15 p.m.

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Spencer police, DA's office join forces to educate local students on the dangers of drug use



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Spencer Police officers and representatives of the Worcester County District Attorney's Office spoke to Knox Trail Middle School seventh graders last week about the dangers of addiction.

SPENCER – Hoping to stop addiction before it starts, police teamed up with the District Attorney's office last week to hold a unique program.

On Feb. 12, Spencer police officers and representatives from Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early's office visited Knox Trail Middle School. Presenters spoke with seventh graders about the dangers of addiction and how to recognize whether a family member or friend has a problem.

As part of the constant battle against the opioid crisis, law enforcement officials in several area towns continue to target middle school grades for outreach efforts. By providing education early, they hope to arm students with information before they enter high school.

Local grad earns role in WSU production of "Peter and the Starcatcher"

WORCESTER — James Joyce, a 2016 graduate of David Prouty High School in Spencer and resident of East Brookfield, takes on the role of Peter in Worcester State University's production of "Peter and the Starcatcher." The show will take place Feb. 28 – March 3 in Fuller Theater on the Worcester State University campus.

A prequel to Peter Pan, Peter and the Starcatcher dishes up the backstory for Peter Pan, Captain Hook, Tinker Bell and more in a humorous kid-friendly way – all accentuated with a Tony-nominated musical score.

Humor writer Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson wrote Peter and the Starcatcher, and Rick Elice adapted the story for the stage.

Performances take place Feb. 28, March 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. and March 3 at 2 p.m. in Worcester State's Fuller Theater at 486 Chandler Street, Worcester, Mass. Tickets may be purchased at VPABoxOffice@worchester.edu, (508) 929-8843, or at the door. Tickets are \$18 general public, \$14 senior citizens and \$8 students.

The Worcester State University Visual and Performing Arts Department offers an interdisciplinary, student-centered, artistic education that prepares stu-

dents for professional lives in the arts. Its educational spaces encompass the Fuller Theater, Mary Dolphin Cosgrove Gallery, practice rooms for music, and art studios at the University's Sagamore Studios. VPA students gain in-depth knowledge of their preferred art form – art, music, or theatre – plus an understanding of what the arts have in common, and how they are performed and exhibited in the real world. The VPA Department also offers art, theatre and music events open to the public. Learn more at www.worcester.edu/VPA or connect with VPA on social media: Facebook/VPAatWorcesterState, Twitter and Instagram @WSUVPA. Follow our blog, The Artful Lancer, at WSUVPA.wordpress.com or find our videos on YouTube.com.

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Local students named to Dean's List at RIT

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — The following local residents made the Dean's List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2018 Fall Semester:

Michael Reniere of Spencer, who is in the computing and information technologies program.

Seth Champoux of Brookfield, who is in the mechanical engineering program.

Degree-seeking undergraduate students are eligible for Dean's List if their term GPA is greater than or equal to 3.400; they do not have any grades of "Incomplete", "D" or "F"; and they have registered for, and completed, at least 12 credit hours.

Rochester Institute of Technology is home to leading creators, entrepreneurs, innovators and researchers.

Founded in 1829, RIT enrolls about 19,000 students in more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, making it among the largest private universities in the U.S.

The university is internationally recognized and ranked for academic leadership in business, computing, engineering, imaging science, liberal arts, sustainability, and fine and applied arts. RIT also offers unparalleled support services for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. The cooperative education program is one of the oldest and largest in the nation. Global partnerships include campuses in China, Croatia, Dubai and Kosovo.

For news, photos and videos, go to www.rit.edu/news.

Itzel Feeney graduates from Lasell College

NEWTON, Mass. — Itzel Feeney of West Brookfield graduated from Lasell College in December. Feeney earned a Bachelor of Science in Event Management.

The College's 165th Commencement ceremony will take place on May 11, 2019 on campus. Students who completed their studies in December are honored at the ceremony in front of friends, family, faculty, and staff.

For more information, contact: Samantha Mocle, assistant director of communications at smocle@lasell.edu or at 617-243-2386.

N. Brookfield School Committee hosting regional forum on state education funding

NORTH BROOKFIELD — On March 5, the North Brookfield School Committee will be hosting an informational forum on state funding to public education and the current movement to overhaul the state funding formula in order to increase state funding to Massachusetts schools. Sen. Gobi and Rep. Berthiaume plan to be in attendance, along with school committee members from the region.

Residents and town board officials from North Brookfield and surrounding towns are encouraged to attend and be a part of the conversation. Please mark your calendars and join us on Tuesday, March 5 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the North Brookfield Elementary School auditorium.



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BRYANT UNIVERSITY STUDENTS NAMED TO DEANS' LIST

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — Bryant University is committed to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence and is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the fall 2018 Deans' List. Congratulations!

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Sarah Palmer of Spencer
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Deadline approaching for Public Service Award nominations

SPENCER – Officials remind residents that the nomination deadline is fast approaching for the town’s Meritorious Public Service Award.

Established in 2002 by the Board of Selectmen, the award was created to honor members of the community who have demonstrated an exemplary commitment to public service. Each year selectmen review a pool of nominees and select one person to receive the award.

If you would like to nominate someone for the award, please visit www.spencerma.gov and click on the appropriate link to obtain a form. Once you complete the form, you can email it to bsavoie@spencerma.gov or mail it to the Office of the Town Administrator, 157 Main St., Spencer, MA, 01562.

You can also drop off the form in person at Town Hall. The deadline for nomination submissions is Feb. 26.

Lenten lunches begin next Friday

SPENCER — Lenten Lunches are back this Lenten season at Spencer Church. Lenten Lunches, sponsored by the Women’s Fellowship, will be served starting at 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. for the next six Fridays – March 8, 15, 22, and 29 and April 5 and 12.

The lunches will feature soups, lobster rolls, assorted sandwiches, desserts and beverages. You may call the office for more information Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon at 508-885-2149.

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DERBY

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and having fun,” Vosnakis added.

The pack previously held carwash fundraisers and other events in recent years, and members were looking for a fun way to bring the community together. Funds raised from the upcoming derby will help defray the costs of trips, campouts, and other Scouting events.

“Pinewood derbies have been happening for many years, and we are excited about this new event,” said Pack 148 Committee chairperson Jean Josti, who watched her sons and grandchildren go through Scouting.

She currently has one grandson in Pack 148.

On race day, you do not have to remain in the building after your car is weighed. A pit area will be available for last-minute adjustments, and cars may not leave the race area until all races are complete.

Hot dogs, chips, coffee, lemonade, and other drinks will be available for purchase on race day, starting at 11 a.m. An awards ceremony will immediately follow the completion of the races.

To learn more about the event, or if you would like to register, call 508-885-2346. A snow date for the event is March 16.

SCHOOL

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crowding, officials said. The main focus is on modifying each school to accom-

modate new grades.

After the February vacation, the district will form an Education Committee and a Facilities Committee to serve as advisory bodies throughout the reconfiguration process.

MANHUNT

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(CEMLEC) was activated for a canine and drone search of the area. Officers from the State Police, Environmental Police, Oxford, Shrewsbury, Westborough and Sturbridge Police canine units joined in the search.

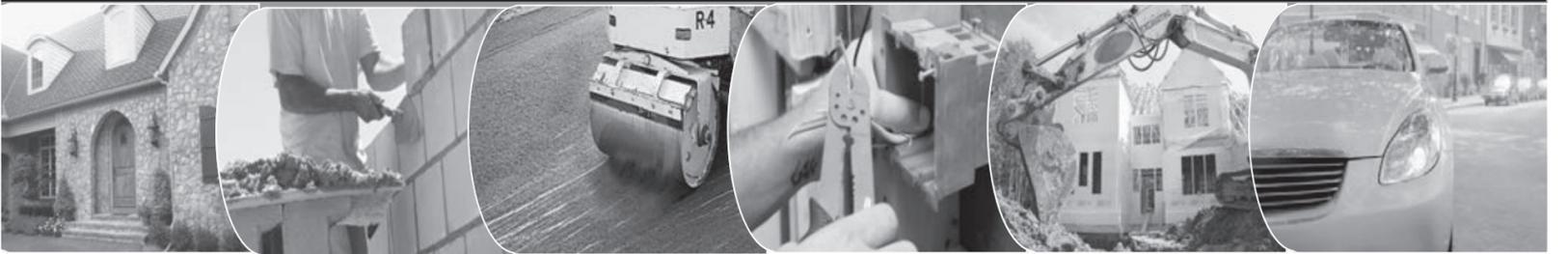
“After an extensive search of the area where several hikers were located walking the Audubon property and removed from the area for their safety, it appeared Mr. Rosa had gone to the Greenville Street area, where he was picked up by an automobile,” a Spencer Police statement read.

The search was called off at approximately 4:30 p.m. The 17-year-old juvenile was placed with her guardian, and Spencer Police applied for an additional warrant for Rosa’s arrest through Western Worcester District Court.

Rosa was located in Sutton the next day and arrested on charges pertaining to the outstanding warrant. Rosa was found with the same girl who had been returned to her guardian by officers the previous day. She apparently ran away with Rosa, police said.

The investigation is ongoing, and additional charges might be filed, police said.

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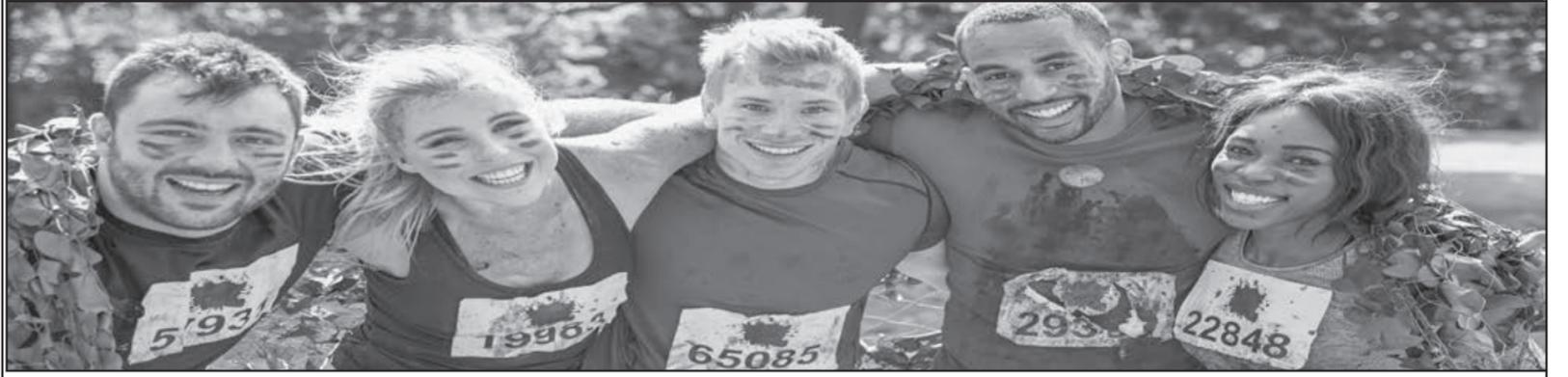


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EDITORIAL

Under the weather

“How about this weather?”

If ever there was an easy, non-challenging conversation opener, this is it. You can be in line at the grocery store, serving jury duty or pushing papers around at work – it doesn't matter where you are - this line never fails.

Everyone seems willing to talk about the weather. It's a built-in, slam-dunk, easy topic that allows complete strangers to either commiserate or celebrate, depending on the daily meteorological situation.

So, what is it with the weather? Why do we love to discuss, comment and re-hash it?

Weather is complicated, frustrating and ultimately uncertain. Weather breaks our hearts and lifts our moods and forces daily choices for everyone. Weather drives our decisions, affects our attitudes and makes fellow survivors out of strangers.

Weather is our most true common denominator. No matter what our life circumstances - student, professional, retiree - when you live in the same geographic area, you and your fellow community members have the weather in common.

Weather doesn't care about politics or sports teams or vacations or the date on the calendar. It is an equal opportunity annoyer and a great equalizer - everyone has to drive in snow, or dash to the car in the rain, or stand in long lines at the fair in the hot sun. Almost everyone has had a picnic cancelled, a vacation spoiled or a ball game rained out.

But weather is also the unexpectedly warm, sunny, sweet-smelling spring morning that causes smiles and banter with co-workers. It's the light snow flurries that add sparkle to early December and prompts holiday greetings between shoppers. It's the crisp, snappy feel of fall football games and the slow, sultry, humidity of summer evenings spent on backyard patios. It's the backdrop of every day of our lives.

So, what is it with the weather? Maybe we love the topic because it's universal. Maybe we love the excitement of something that will change - either for the good or the bad. Maybe it's that it is temporary and fleeting and something to either be withstood or enjoyed, knowing that it will not last. Maybe it's simply because weather is always with us...whether we like it or not.

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VIEWPOINT

OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

National emergency

To the Editor:
King Donald I did it. He declared a national emergency to end-run congress. This is no longer a despot-wannabe President; this is an authoritarian, end justifies the means despot.

Article 1, section 9, clause 7 of the Constitution of the United States of America clearly states that “No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time.” This is well understood to be the “power of the purse” and requires Congress to allocate all monies to be spent.

The National Emergencies Act, passed in 1977, was intended to give the President powers to react to situations that didn't have time for Congressional debate, such as a nuclear, biological, or chemical attack. Or perhaps a major weather disaster, a tsunami, or something similar.

For those that say this is just one of many other national emergencies signed by other presidents, this one is different. Trump's declaration was unprecedented in that none of the 58 previous emergency declarations involved circumventing Congress to spend money it had expressly refused to authorize. When asked if it he was violating the Constitution and if he was unable to make a deal with Congress, he bragged that he got \$1.4 billion from Nancy Pelosi's starting position. He admitted he could have built his wall over a longer period of time with congressional appropriations and he didn't need to do this, but he'd “rather do it much faster.” Trump claims he “already did a lot of wall” for the election (he hasn't, no new fencing has been built in his presidency).

Our country is not being invaded. A few thousand women and children pedestrians, representing a miniscule percentage of our population are walking thousands of miles towards a country that hates them only to surrender themselves at the port of entry - because being jailed here is better than what they are leaving.

The precedent is unbelievable. The next president, should it be a Democrat, could declare guns a national emergency. Global warming could be the next national emergency.

Bold truth is a foreign language to the left

To the Editor:
“In times of universal deceit, telling the truth becomes a revolutionary act.” — George Orwell
“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me (Jesus). Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven...” — Matthew 5:11-12 NIV.

It comes then as no surprise that especially Omar Har-Yarok is disturbed with the truths I advanced in my previous and lengthy rebuttal to his insidious form of leftwing smears. He attempted to hang Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party around the necks of true Christians and Trump supporters he despises here in America, and that's hitting rock bottom. I've challenged him here and online during the Democrat's hateful Kavanaugh confirmation circus, so “Over-the-top-Omar” is a secular unbeliever who ridicules the Bible. Hey man, it's your life here, and eternity to follow. I'm not trying to jam my faith down your throat. Relationship with Christ for both personal salvation and learning to live with and love one another the way Jesus taught us is what it's all about, and we all need help from above there. It's not about religion or “religiosity”; it's about relationship with one another because of how Christ loved us, even unto the cross. That is what the Greeks call “agape” love, the greatest of all loves. Christ died and rose for every Jew and Gentile, Jesus, the sinless lamb. He paid a debt he did not owe. You mock him and the Bible. Free country and you are on your own, but don't expect Christians to “keep it to themselves”, because that is not the Great Commission given...

Well, there she goes again! Esther Cohen's repeated attack on my municipal public service (Hey lady, where's that tolerance and respect for diversity you Lefties always preach about, ad nauseum?), and her self-congratulatory arrogance—in responding to my last letter here—is what took the booby prize. “...well written column on Climate Change...” You wrote that erroneous piece of, well, misin-

formation, so there's nothing like patting yourself on the back, right Esther? Wow, just wow! Thanks also for telling us (again) that you're Jewish. I'd have never guessed that from your name (sic). Following the 2016 election cycle, a famous Conservative noted that the most liberal White voting bloc here are American Jews. It's well over 75 percent thereof who vote Democrat/liberal, yet like many people who call themselves Christian, American Jews similarly come in different political, ethnic, religious and philosophical flavors. I suspect many of them will be fleeing the Democrat Party over the next few years considering the election of anti-Semitic members like Congresswomen Ilhan Omar (D-MN) and Rashida Tlaib (D-MI), not to mention socialist lunatics like U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY). Just wait until many American Jewish business owners wake up to her new tax rates for “the rich.” Lol. To our Jewish friends, come on in to the Republican Party/Conservative wing, the water's fine! Esther, I must respectfully decline your request to stop using the accurate phrase “Judeo-Christian” as it applies to values and ethos I cherish here in America. Our Founders possessed it, our laws and customs largely embraced it and I wholeheartedly endorse it. They're inseparable to me and millions of other faithful Jews and Christians across this great land who proudly and gratefully recognize one another and the two great Testaments of the Bible that make both the literal and inspired Word of God relevant today and forever, even as it was in days of old. Moses and the Ten Commandments are depicted carved in stone right into the U.S. Supreme Court building itself. Donald J. Trump is President and getting the job done well. He is there because both major U.S. political parties and their “anointed” candidates largely failed in the past. Don't worry, be grateful to Almighty God. America and Israel are blessed. Happy President's Day!

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Your financial advisor can do some “life coaching”

Life coaches - not surprisingly - strive to improve the quality of life of their clients.



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And financial professionals essentially embrace the same mission. So, if you decide to hire a financial advisor, you should expect to receive some “coaching” as you work toward all your important objectives, such as sending your kids to college, enjoying a comfortable retirement and leaving a legacy that can benefit the next generation.

What tips from life coaches might you also get from your financial advisor? Here are a few:

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Create a plan. A life coach can help you create a plan for your future, taking into account your career aspirations, relationships, hobbies, charitable activities and so on. And a financial advisor will also take a “holistic” approach by looking at many elements - including your age, income, family responsibilities and desired retirement lifestyle - to create a long-term investment strategy. Of course, you may need to adjust this strategy in response to changes in your life, but it can still serve as an overall map on your journey toward your financial objectives.

Identify and prioritize goals. A life coach will help you identify and prioritize your life goals, whether they are personal or professional. And your financial advisor can help you do the same with your financial goals. For example, your goal of retiring comfortably at age 65 may take precedence over your wish to purchase a vacation home. As such, you will need to focus your efforts first on the retirement goal, and then, if it appears likely that you will meet that goal, you can devote the resources necessary for your vacation home by the mountains or the sea. You may even be willing to accept a lesser goal, such as renting, rather than owning, your vacation residence.

Move beyond your comfort zone. A trained and experienced life coach can help you recognize your perceived limitations - and move beyond them. For instance, if your new job requires that you make many presentations, but you are nervous about public speaking, your life coach may offer techniques to help you get past this fear - to move you out of your “comfort zone,” so to speak. This same scenario could play out in your interactions with your financial advisor. If you happen to be a cautious and risk-averse person by nature, you might be inclined to bring those same traits into the investment arena. But a competent financial advisor - one who truly has your best interests in mind - will likely warn you that you will have trouble achieving your financial objectives if you try to avoid all risk by sticking exclusively with so-called “safe” investments, which do not offer much growth potential. Instead, your advisor will help you incorporate your risk tolerance, along with your time horizon and your short- and long-term goals, to help shape an investment mix appropriate for you. Such a mix may well include those “safe” investments, but it would also contain a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented ones.

Whether it's self-improvement or your financial future, you can benefit from good coaching - so take full advantage of it.

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Readers Submit Favorite Tips

Winter is in full force, and while it's cold outside, readers are just warming up when it comes to sharing their favorite tips and tricks. From grilling outdoors to growing windowsill herbs, the following ideas are sure to make everyday life a little easier!

And remember readers, share your favorite solutions to be in the running for dinner for two at the Publick House!

Diaper Duty: This tip takes repurposing to another level!

Happy New Year! I am in Florida this time of year and where I am they are a little strict about plants. So I decided to prepare a nice pot of parsley for a nice, sunny kitchen window.

Put potting soil in the bottom of a pot, and then soak a baby diaper in H2O and place plastic side down. Add more soil and plant as usual. Works great!

Claire Horvath
Sturbridge
**

Cooking in the cold is a hot trend – and this reader discovered a way to keep the chill out of your grilled grub:

Here's a tip for winter grilling: Take a pizza stone and place it on one side of your outdoor grill. Heat up the other side of the grill and the pizza stone will heat up via indirect heat. When some of the food you are cooking is done you can put it on an oven safe plate that's sitting on the stone and is being warmed by the heat, keeping your food warm in the cold weather until all of your food is cooked and ready to serve.

Be careful, the plate can get very warm depending on how long it sits in the grill.

Al Jones
Brookfield
**

This clever solution puts a new "spin" on clearing the air!

I'm new to the area having recently

moved up from Florida for one reason – grandchildren! I enjoyed your recent column on aromatherapy and recently discovered a tip that solves an everyday problem and saves money.

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This culinary rescue eliminates the hassle of soggy spuds!

Overcooked potatoes can become soggy when the milk is added. Sprinkle the potatoes with dry powdered milk for the fluffiest mashed potatoes ever.

Ann Atkins
Dudley

Photo Finish: A reader shares how a simple trick done now can prevent a huge hassle later.

I take a photo of my checked luggage and have it in my phone and in the pocket of my carry on. This came in so handy at the airlines once, and the agent was so impressed that I had a photo!

Viola Bramel
Northbridge
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Prize Winner
Congratulations to Al Jones of Brookfield, MA, whose name was drawn for dinner for two at the Publick House. He submitted the grilling recycling tip above.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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

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

papers? Send questions and/or hints to: *Take the Hint!*, c/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or E-mail KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A teen opportunity wage is not an opportunity we should take

To the Editor:

With the minimum wage increasing, an idea has been floating around of a separate, lower minimum wage for teenagers. This idea has been brought to life in the form of two bills which have been filed in the state legislature, with one being sponsored by Worcester County's own Senator Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton), and co-sponsored by several reps who represent southern Worcester County, Rep. Mike Soter (R-Bellingham), Rep. Joe McKenna (R-Webster), and Rep. Peter Durant (R-Spencer)

While I understand the good intentions from which an idea such as this might spring, this is an idea which troubles me greatly. While the popular conception of teenagers in the workforce might be that they are working to make extra spending money, this is increasingly not the case. According to a 2017 report by the Mass Budget and Policy Center, average teen wages have contributed 7 percent of the total income of the average family in MA. For families considered low-income, or in the lowest 20th percentile, that number increases substantially, with teens contributing to 17.7 percent of the total family income. Teenagers are increasingly relied upon to provide income for their families, and reducing the wage that teenagers get will make things much more difficult for families around the state.

Another consequence to these

bills, it will force older employees, who rely on these jobs to make ends meet to compete with teenagers who would be able to be hired at a cheaper rate. According to the Economic Policy Institute, 11.5 percent of the MA workforce directly benefited from the recent minimum wage increase. Not to mention, minimum wage workers have gotten older. In the US, 88 percent are over 20 years old and the average age of someone working minimum wage is 35. If the goal is to increase the amount of teenagers in the workforce, it may do that, but to the detriment of many of the workers already there.

This economy is nearing full employment. Because of this, there won't be a need for a special wage to coax businesses to create jobs for teens. I understand the concern of small businesses towards the recent "grand bargain" which raised the state minimum wage. However, there are many different solutions that can be discussed to blunt the impact upon the hiring ability of small business owners, such as small business tax credits. Let's not create a second class of worker when we don't need to, and let us not make it harder for the hundreds of thousands of employees already working a minimum wage to stay competitive in the job market.

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young fishermen & women that attended the event. This week's picture shows three young anglers watching Ed Gervais, Fish chairman, measuring a trout for one of the anglers. They were the children of John Walker. The four youngsters were Aiden Walker, Charlotte & Holden. That had a great day fishing and playing on the ice, as did numerous other young anglers hoping to catch one of the recently stocked trout.

The latest deer harvest in Mass. was recently made available to the public, and what a year it was. The deer were in great shape and many sported some great antlers. The figures were as follows: The youth deer hunt netted 138, Paraplegic hunt 3, Archery season totaled 5,190, Shotgun season 6,495, Primitive arms totaled 2,687. More than 700 deer were harvested during the two week extension of the archery season in zones 10 - 14. A total of 885 deer were harvested in zone 8 and 1,458 deer were harvested in zone 9 this year. Primitive Arms saw a whopping total of deer harvested, which has a lot to do with the great accuracy of the rifled black powder guns, that are now used by deer hunters.

Turkey hunting regulations are being reviewed by Mass. Fish & Wildlife with possible changes in daily bag limits and an increase in season limits. It should be noted that if the changes are made, the regulations will not become effective until 2020.

Changes to the striped bass fishing relative to catch & release are being recommended by the Mass. Division of Marine fishery's board hoping to minimize the striped bass mortality.

Circle hooks have been used by many striped bass anglers including this writer for many



The Springfield Sportsmen's Show will open its doors at the Big-E this Friday, Feb. 22, at noon. This annual event draws a few thousand sportsmen to the show, to see firsthand some of the new hunting, fishing and boating equipment available to the outdoorsmen & women for 2019. It also provides a great opportunity to schedule your next hunting and fishing trips, with some of the great guides that set up annually at the show. Meeting old and new friends at the show & having a great meal at one of the top restaurants in the area, can make for a great day of food & entertainment. The office of Veterans Affairs will also have a booth set up at the show to meet and talk with veterans about any

of their benefits, or other questions that they may have about services that are available to them. Be sure to stop by at the Veterans Affairs booth. Special thanks to all of our veterans for their service. This week's second photo shows Earnie Lavallee of Uxbridge, standing by a huge display at last year's show.

This past weekend was a great day to be outdoors enjoying the nice weather and doing some fishing. On Saturday, the Whitinsville Fish & Game Club & the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club held there annual fishing derbies. They were both well attended with Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club seeing a record amount of anglers ice fishing, but what was most exciting was the amount of

years. They work very well but you need to change your fishing tactics. When fishing using circle hooks with live bait or chunk baits, allowing the fish to make a short run and then starting to reel the fish in with out setting the hook, takes some practice. Circle hooks do work well and most often hook the fish in the mouth rather than in the throat, which often causes damage to the fish resulting in a dead fish after release.

Studies have shown that 9 percent of catch & release striped bass will die from damage to their gills and throat. Consideration is also being given to anglers using gaff's to bring the fish into the boat, or on shore. Banning the use of gaff's on striped bass could become reality. More

than one million striped bass die annually after being released. These type of regulations need to be implemented for both recreational and commercial anglers. The method of yo-yo fishing which has the angler using wire and lead weights and a hook attached to the fresh bait like porgies needs to be stopped. These regulations are long overdue. Commercial fishing for herring and porgies also needs tighter restrictions on the catch. Removing to many of these bait fish can also have major negative effects on our striped bass populations. Stay tuned for more on the new regulations being considered by DMF.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Dahlias bring diverse shapes, sizes, colors to the garden



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landscape, especially in the second half of the summer when many other flowers are starting to wane.

Dinnerplate dahlias are bodacious beauties that command your attention. They include any variety of dahlia with flowers that are at least eight inches in diameter. These extra-large blossoms are produced on bushy plants that grow three to six feet tall. Favorites include Café au Lait, Vancouver and Thomas Edison. Use stakes to help support the flowers and keep the plants standing upright.

Decorative dahlias offer the widest array of colors and styles. Their petals are flat to slightly rolled and flower sizes vary from four to eight inches. Growing an assortment of several different varieties, like the Spice Mix Decorative Dahlia Collection (longfield-gardens.com), lets you enjoy a color-coordinated blend of hues that combine well in both the garden and in a vase.

For dahlias with a completely different look, grow cactus and semi-cactus types. Their rolled or partially rolled petals give the flowers a spiky texture. Varieties such as Yellow Star and burgundy-maroon Nuit d'Ete will add style and sophistication to your garden.

Make sure your flower garden also includes a few ball and pompon dahlias. These perfectly round swirls of tightly rolled petals come in vivid colors, and their long vase

Dahlias have been a fixture in summer flower gardens for generations. But it may be time to update your idea of dahlias! With hundreds of varieties to choose from in a fabulous array of colors, shapes and flower sizes, it is no surprise the National Garden Bureau has declared 2019 the Year of the Dahlia. Join the celebration and brighten your garden with dahlias this year.

Not only are dahlias beautiful, but they're also easy to grow. Just plant the tuberous roots in a sunny, well-drained location, once the soil has warmed to about 60 degrees - or around the same time as you would plant tomatoes. It takes a week or two for the first shoots to emerge, but the plants grow quickly and will be blooming by mid-summer.

Grow dahlias in containers to brighten your balcony, deck or front steps. They combine nicely with other plants in containers as well as in the garden. Mix them with bold, leafy elephant ears, Lacinato kale and Swiss chard; finely textured ornamental grasses and gaura; upright salvias and gladiolus; and trailing plants like calibrachoa, verbena and ivy. Dahlias will add pizzazz to your gardens and



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New for 2019 from Longfield Gardens: Flirty Fleurs Sorbetto Collection, featuring dahlias HS Date, Rip City, Penhill Watermelon and Nuit d'Ete.

life make them a favorite with floral designers. Use coppery-orange Mirella or vivid Boom Boom Red to weave shots of color throughout an arrangement.

For contrast, incorporate some single, peony-flowered, anemone and collarette types. Dahlias such as HS Date, Bishop of Dover and Fascination have fewer petals and slightly smaller blooms, which makes them good companions for annuals as well as

perennials. Plus, their daisy-like centers are magnets for bees and butterflies.

Bring your dahlias up close with dwarf varieties, commonly known as border dahlias. These plants grow just 12 to 24 inches tall, yet most have big, four-to-five-inch blooms. Popular varieties include Gallery Pablo, Melody Swing and Gallery Art Nouveau. They are ideal for small spaces, lining a walkway and are a perfect addition

to containers.

With so many colors and flowers styles to choose from, growing dahlias can become a life-long adventure. Make room in your garden for some of these easy-to-grow, easy-to-love, summer-flowering bulbs. You'll discover why so many gardeners have fallen under their spell!

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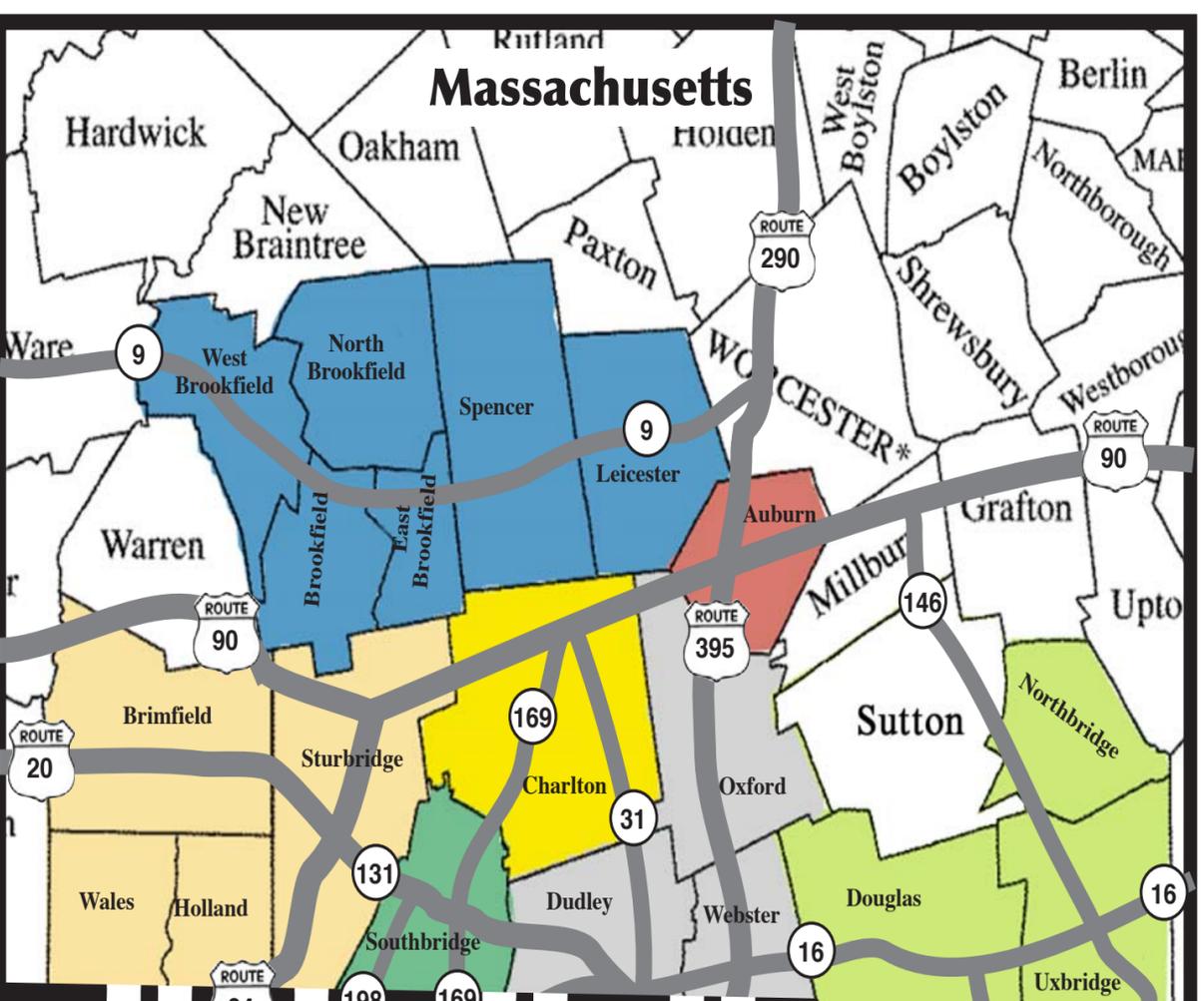
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SPORTS

Panthers punch postseason ticket by beating North Brookfield in regular season finale



David Prouty's Raquel Ortiz steps into a midrange jump shot and releases it in front of North Brookfield's Lyndsey Schimmelpenninck.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

NORTH BROOKFIELD — One way to look at how long it's been since the David Prouty Regional girls' varsity basketball team qualified for the postseason (the year was 2002) is to consider the fact that just two of the girls on the current roster — seniors Brooke Pepin and Kailyn McCue — were even alive the last time the Panthers had a playoff game, and both were less than a year old.

David Prouty ended its streak of futility on Monday, Feb. 18, when it defeated North Brookfield High, 50-19, to finish the regular season 10-10 and qualify for the upcoming Central Mass. Division 3 Tournament.

"It's insane," Pepin said about the fact that the Panthers will still be going to practice and preparing for another game now that their regular season has officially ended. "After four years of working this hard every year and not hav-

ing much to show for all that hard work, it's just crazy to actually be able to be going to where we wanted to be the whole time."

Pepin kept her emotions in check after the game until the time she — as the last David Prouty player to enter the locker room — screamed, "it's playoff season and we're going to Districts," to the delight of all of her teammates, all of whom screamed wildly at her proclamation.

Another way to look at what David Prouty has accomplished this season is the fact that in Pepin's previous three seasons as a member of the Panthers' varsity team the Panthers won a combined seven games — or three fewer in 60 games than they won this year in 20.

Johanna Annunziata, David Prouty's first-year head coach, wrote the word "Districts" on the whiteboard in the Panthers' locker room on the first day of practice.



North Brookfield's Kelly Daige tries to disrupt an inbound pass taken by Brooke Pepin of David Prouty.



Gabby Soter of David Prouty dumps a pass down low to teammate Kailyn McCue.



Maddison DiDonato of North Brookfield drives into the lane versus David Prouty.

"We do a lot of mental practices throughout the year and that was our goal, to go .500 and qualify for the tournament," Annunziata said. "They accomplished it, but we did make it interesting, waiting until the final game of the season to get that 10th win. But, the important thing is that they accomplished their goal; they finished what they started."

The tournament-clinching win was pretty much over before it got started, David Prouty scoring the first 13 points of the game and leading, 16-2, at the end of the first quarter. The Panthers expanded their lead to 26-6 at halftime and were ahead 37-14 as play entered the fourth quarter.

Freshman Gabby Soter led David Prouty in scoring with 12 points, while Pepin and juniors Jenna Petruzzi and Aisha Perez all added eight each.

Pepin believes the discipline Annunziata has demanded from the team — beginning Day 1 — is a big reason the team won 10 games and qualified for the postseason.

"We're a disciplined team now because of coach A.; she demands it," Pepin said. "She holds us accountable for even the littlest things, like being early for practice, or only allowing our opponent a certain amount of points. And, if we're late or the team scores more than the total we set for the game, we run. She is a disciplined coach and that has made us a disciplined team."

"She makes us work harder on things we wouldn't work harder on on our own, like defense," Pepin continued. "Teams obviously like working on offense a lot more than working on defense. But, because of coach A., we worked more on defense all year and that helped us win a lot of the games we won."

Annunziata said the team has completely transformed itself since the beginning of the season.

"They work much more as a team than the

first day I met them. They still don't talk as much as I would like them to, but they do the little things now," Annunziata said. "If one of our players falls to the floor during a game the other four rush over and help her up. If foul shots don't go their way they are right there tapping each other on the back. They genuinely act as a team now and since the beginning of the season they have been determined to get better. That's the kind of culture that I wanted to bring to David Prouty."

North Brookfield (8-12) is also headed to the postseason as a result of winning the Worcester County Athletic Conference. The Indians will compete this postseason in the Western Mass. Division 4 Tournament.

North Brookfield, which finished 8-0 in league play, was led in scoring against David Prouty by Maddison DiDonato, who scored five points, Sydney Messenger, who scored four points, and Serenity Ayala, who added three.



Serenity Ayala of North Brookfield is able to release her layup without being distracted by David Prouty defender Aisha Perez.

Lyndsey Bennett, the Indians' head coach, thought her team played better this time against David Prouty compared to earlier in the season, especially defensively. The offense however, is still a work in progress.

"We definitely played much better defense this time around than the last time we faced them," Bennett said. "Our offense, unfortunately, didn't show up. Our lack of offense has been an issue all year; we just can't finish."

"We can't finish off the easy layups. We're making good moves, we're just not putting the ball in the hoop. It's in our heads at this point. We're overthinking our shots; we take nice shots, good shots, they're just not going in," explained Bennett, who said the team's focus has shifted to the postseason. "The team is very excited to be going to Districts but we've got a lot of work to do before we get there."



Brooke Pepin of David Prouty waits for the perfect time to hoist up a shot while sandwiched between North Brookfield defenders Sam Rischitelli, left, and Serenity Ayala.



David Prouty defender Jenna Petruzzi reaches in for a steal while North Brookfield's Sydney Messenger keeps her at bay.

SPORTS

Recent 1,000-point scorer Dorman helps engineer crazy comeback win for Quaboag over Indians



Quaboag's Kiarra Dorman, a recent 1,000-point scorer, retrieves a pass thrown her way.



Quaboag's defensive tandem of Hailey Samek, left, and Kiarra Dorman make life difficult for Bartlett's ball handler.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — As far as encore and comeback performances go, few have ever or will ever match the show put on by Kiarra Dorman and the Quaboag Regional girls' varsity basketball team on Friday, Feb. 15 against Bartlett High.

Dorman, a junior playing in her second game since scoring the 1,000th point of her

career, poured in a game-high 28 points, 25 coming in the second half, to lead the Cougars to an improbable comeback win over the Indians, 51-37.

Quaboag, which did not score in the second quarter, trailed by 16 points, 26-10, with less than six minutes to play in the third quarter. Interestingly enough, it wasn't a 3-pointer hit by Dorman — even though she made six in the game — that

started the comeback. That distinction went to eighth-grader Hannah Manzano, who scored her only points of the game on a left-side 3 with 5:36 to go in the third to cut the Indians' lead down to 13, 26-13.

Following a Bartlett basket on its next possession Quaboag scored 12 straight points in a span of 2:03 to pull to within three, 28-25, with 2:55 left in the period. Dorman scored seven of the points in the run while junior Addy Ford (six points in the game) added three and eighth-grader Victoria Morgan (six points) two.

Five straight points by Bartlett's Brittany Ward pushed the Indians' lead back to eight, 33-25, with 1:47 left in the third. Dorman, however, answered with six points of her own — she hit a pair of 3-pointers on back-to-back possessions — and Quaboag was within two points of the lead, 33-31, as play moved to the fourth quarter.

After Bartlett's Allison Grzembski (a team-high 20 points) pushed her team ahead, 35-31, on the first possession of the fourth period, Dorman made it three straight possessions, three 3-pointers, draining a shot from the top of the arc to bring the Cougars to within a point, 35-34, with 7:32 to play.

Quaboag (7-10 overall, 4-6 in the SWCL) took the lead for good when Dorman passed the ball inside to sophomore

Madeline Nemeroff, who wheeled to her right and laid the ball in off the backboard to give the Cougars a 36-35 lead with 6:01 remaining in the game. It was Nemeroff's only basket of the game.

From the time Bartlett led, 33-25, until the game was over, Quaboag outscored the Indians, 26-4.

Dorman said Andy Haley, Quaboag's assistant coach, gave them the belief at halftime that they could come back and win the game.

"He told us we just had to keep our heads up. Obviously our heads were down because it was halftime and we were down 22-8. He told us to keep passing and to do what we do best," Dorman said. "We also switched up our plays a little bit. In the first half they seemed to know what we were going to run and when we were going to run it. We tried to add some stuff that involved more players and it worked."

Dorman said overconfidence may have played a role in the Cougars' flat demeanor and lethargic performance in the first 16 minutes.

"Bartlett has always been a team that we usually, kind of, handle," Dorman said candidly. "They've definitely gotten better and we knew that coming in, but I think we still had it in our heads that we would win. Once we realized where we were, down 26-10 in the third quarter, we just came together and we just clicked. When we play as a team we can pretty much beat anyone. If we have that mindset, and we normally do, we're a really good team."

After the game William Beauregard, Quaboag's head coach, looked more like a guy who had just been in a 10-round boxing match than someone who had just finished coaching a basketball game.

"That was a tale of two halves right there; it was two different games,"

Beauregard said. "I think they were upset with how they played. That first half we weren't aggressive offensively. We just passed the ball around in the first half, a lot of times to the other team. When we did pass the ball to our own team we were just passing it around and settling for a shot. There was no driving, there was no offensive rebounding. We weren't aggressive at all."

Dorman said engineering the comeback win over Bartlett wasn't nearly as unnerving as scoring her 1,000th point.

"It was really nerve-wracking in the beginning," Dorman said about scoring her 1,000th against Tantasqua Regional on Monday, Feb. 11. "In the first quarter I didn't score, so I was nervous because I didn't think I would get it. My team kept feeding me the ball because they knew that I really wanted to get it and that I was only three points away."

"So, in the first quarter I didn't score and in the second quarter I got two early and then with about two minutes to go in the half I scored my 1,000th," she said. "I was relieved; at that point I just wanted to get it out of the way. I definitely know it's a pretty big accomplishment and my teammates made sure to make it special, too."

Following the game Beauregard confirmed that Quaboag has qualified for the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament via the Sullivan Rule. Quaboag played just two games this year against common Division 4 opponents, going 2-0 in a pair of games against North Brookfield High.



Addy Ford of Quaboag keeps close to a dribbling Camden Heenan of Bartlett.

SPORTS BRIEF

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ATHLETE of the WEEK

Kiarra Dorman

The Quaboag Regional junior scored the 1,000th point of her high school basketball-playing career in a loss to Tantasqua Regional on Monday, Feb. 11. Then, on Friday, Feb. 15, Dorman scored 25 of her 28 points in the second half to help lead the Cougars to a 51-37 comeback victory versus Bartlett High.

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SPORTS

Bay Path defeats Eagles to finish game, regular season strong



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Nekelle Waskiewicz applies defensive pressure on Worcester Tech's ball handler.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — When the Bay Path Regional girls' varsity basketball team left Upton 52-36 losers to Blackstone Valley Tech on Wednesday, Feb. 6, head coach John Selen called the setback "disappointing" and that we "just didn't have our heads in the game today." That loss dropped the Minutemen to 13-4.

Fast forward to Thursday, Feb. 14 and Bay Path completed a three-game stretch where they looked like the Minutemen of old. Bay Path beat Abby Kelly Foster twice — "we played fantastic," Selen said of those two games — before hosting Worcester Tech on Valentine's Day for Senior Night. There, the Minutemen also took care of business, 55-42, to

finish their regular season with an impressive record of 16-4.

Bay Path can look back at the Valley Tech loss and realize that the seniors — there are eight in total — took matters into their own hands.

"They weren't too thrilled themselves, either," Selen said of losing to the Beavers in the fashion that they did. "They thought it was a poor performance; they thought they could have done a lot better. It was a silent bus ride all the way back.

"It's a senior group; they know what they're supposed to do. They understood their commitment wasn't what it should have been going into that game. We righted the ship," added Selen.

In the game with Worcester Tech — where

the Eagles could barely suit up a starting rotation, as only five players dressed — the Minutemen stumbled slightly out of the gates. Bay Path trailed for most of the first quarter but led, 11-10, after those initial eight minutes. They then took a 30-23 halftime lead.

"I warned the girls, it's like you get caught up in the Senior Night thing. It's the emotion of the night and the weight of it all," Selen said. "At halftime I said, 'things aren't going well, but if we up the tempo they're going to get tired,' so that was the whole idea to push the ball and attack the basket, and it worked in our favor."

The Eagles showed their wear in the third quarter, as they were getting beat down the

court. Worcester Tech also began making passes to no one in particular and lost the battle on the scoreboard, 16-6.

As a result the Minutemen led, 46-29, heading into the final quarter before winning by 13 points.

Four of Bay Path's seniors, as well as sophomore Madison Paulhus, compose the starting five. All five showed flashes of brilliance, with Kiara Coates leading the way with a double-double total of 16 points and 11 rebounds. Alexxus Afriyie notched 14 points, Paulhus scored 10 points, Nekelle Waskiewicz added 7 points and Emily Wong Kam pulled down 10 rebounds.

"They function well together as a group and they communicate well. It's a real good group of kids," Selen said of the starters and the team as a whole.

Coates added that Senior Night "went really good. I really like how everyone played out there. We tried to tire [Worcester Tech] out."

In addition to Coates, Afriyie, Waskiewicz and Wong Kam, Bay Path's other seniors include Emily Margoupis, Evelyn Sheehan, Kayla Davis and Patricia King.

The Minutemen will now wait for the post-season brackets to be revealed (on Friday, Feb. 22) before they embark on a run through the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament, where the seniors hope to win their first District game.

"We earned it," Coates said of the 16-4 record and a trip to the playoffs for her fourth straight year and fifth overall for the program. "I want to go all the way to WPI."

Worcester Polytechnic Institute typically hosts the tournament's semifinal and final rounds.



Kiara Coates of Bay Path hoists up a shot in front of a pair of Worcester Tech defenders.



Bay Path's Madison Paulhus is solely focused on the basket before attempting a 3-point shot.

Scrappy Warriors force overtime, but fall short against undefeated Oakmont

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — With 1:08 showing on the fourth quarter clock, the Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity basketball team was trailing by five points, 47-42, against an undefeated group in Oakmont Regional. That's when the Warriors pushed the ball down the court and senior Lindsey Zak gained possession around the top of the arc and hit a clutch 3-pointer to pull her team within two.

Moments later the Spartans failed to convert their opportunity, which gave possession back to Tantasqua with under 35 seconds left in regulation. The Warriors were able to put up an uncontested shot that rimmed out. Fortunately, freshman Sophie Law was under the basket to haul in an offensive rebound. She gathered and put up a shot to tie the game at 47-47 with 18 seconds left in the game. Law scored her team-high 10th point to force overtime.

"She is getting better and better every game," explained Tantasqua head coach Tom Goyette. "I would give her most improved player by far. She is getting more confident and putting it out there each and every game, which has been a big help for us down the stretch."

Unfortunately, Tantasqua (12-6) was unable to finish the comeback in overtime and was defeated by Oakmont (18-0), 53-48, on Senior Night, where Zak and Jordyn Trombly were honored.

"This group is a really resilient group," stated Goyette. "We talk about how every game we want to be better than the last one and this one was a heck of a game. It was our best game all season for sure. The resiliency and the never-give-up fight that they had to get that game to overtime against an Oakmont team that is undefeated, a real top-notch team. I am very proud of the girls; there is no question about it."

Oakmont came out very aggressive to begin the game and set a tone for the duration. They played a full-court press

and held Tantasqua to five first quarter points. The Spartans led, 9-5, going into the second quarter. The Warriors had to match that intensity to get into an offensive flow.

"That was our key, to pick up our intensity. They're fast and they look to ball hawk and get steals. When we got a little more organized, getting people in the right spots and more aggressive with the ball we were able to break it and they took it off," said Goyette.

To begin the second quarter, Tantasqua began to get in a rhythm in all aspects of the game. Sparked by back-to-back buckets by Trombly, the Warriors went on a 9-0 run to take a 15-13 lead a few minutes into the frame.

This sparked some fight in Tantasqua as they took a 23-20 lead going into the half.

"We were being aggressive and had a nose for the rim tonight," said Goyette. "We had a good inside-outside game going, too, so we could attack the hoop and we hit some outside shots as well."

Tantasqua finished with eight players scoring in the scrappy loss as Law and sophomore Ainsley Way (9 points) led the way. The Warriors will close their regular season in the Westborough Invitational Tournament (to conclude after press time) and then take part in the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament.



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua's Jordyn Trombly releases a first quarter free throw versus Oakmont.



Lindsey Zak of Tantasqua reaches out to keep control of the ball as Oakmont's Leah Pelkey defends.

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Special lobster feast! 8:30 a.m. Southbridge, 9 a.m. Webster. Terrific "Funny Money" show & cabaret. Lobster feast & Newport's best show!

Sept. 15-17: Atlantic City Resorts Casino \$259

Atlantic City's original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play/\$60 food credit/Casino Revue Show. Atlantic City! The 'Shore' Thing!

Oct. 6: NH Turkey Train \$92

Scenic rail tour round Lake Winnepesaukee and lunch! 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster.

Spectacular New England footage! New Hampshire awaits!

For reservations contact Jan Caouette at (508) 887-2215. Make checks payable to Bernadette Circle #709 and mail to Bernadette Circle #709, PO Box 201, Webster MA 01570. The Daughters of Isabella is a nonprofit and charitable Catholic women's organization

DUDLEY SENIORS

For information and reservations contact Evelyn Grovesteen at (508) 764-8254

Also next year, Sept.13-21, we will be going to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. Included is transportation, lodging, 14 meals, guided tours of Acadia National park, Halifax, Peggy's Cove, Lunenburg, Prince Edward Island including Anne of Green Gables' home, admission to King's Landing Historical Settlement, admission to Hopewell Rocks, and a visit to St. John. Tips for driver and step-on guides are included. Games, drinks and snacks will be provided on travel days. Cost is \$1065 pp/ double occupancy. Call Evelyn Grovesteen for info at (508) 764-8254

EAST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

For information and reservations, please contact Judy Shute (508) 867-9224

LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

Contact Leicester Senior Center, Joan Wall, (508) 892-3967 for information and reservations.

Friday, January 18: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

Friday, February 15: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

Friday, March 15: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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

IRELAND: September 9-22, 2019
USA: SPLENDORS OF THE NORTHWEST: May 20 to June 4, 2019
JAPAN: March 26 to April 9, 2020
JAPAN & CHINA: March 26 to April 22, 2020
SPAIN & PORTUGAL: September 9-24, 2020

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER

1 River St., Millbury, (508) 865-9154

NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

Phone: 508-234-2002
www.northbridgemass.org/council-on-aging

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center Monday, Wednesday, or Friday 9-10 a.m. or call (774) 922-4049 or e-mail jimtrips@yahoo.com.

Trips are open to the public! Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association, payment due at sign up:

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS 2019 TRIP SCHEDULE OPEN TO PUBLIC PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN UP

March 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$25 – 8:30 - AM bus.

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble or PLAY BINGO as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 3:30 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

April 30 - May 2, 2019 – Tuesday – Thursday - Atlantic City

You will get 2 nights on the boardwalk. You also get a \$25 in slot play and \$60 food credit and see 2 stage shows. Trolley's available.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

May 19, 2019 – Sunday – Newport rail tour.

Tour ocean drive: board the excursion scenic dining car for a 90 minute tour along Narragansett bay. Enjoy a full course lunch on the train when you book give choice of meal - chicken Marcella - or Atlantic Cod.
For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

June 9, 2019 – Sunday – Gloucester Beaufort princess cruise.

Board the ship for a New England clam bake including clams, lobster chowder BBQ chicken and more fish with chocolate mousse. Cruise the harbor for 2 1/2 hours with music on board. Visit the Salem visitor center and shops.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

July 23, 2019 – Tuesday - Mohegan Sun \$25 - 10 AM Bus

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Mohegan Sun at 4 PM. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

August 28, 2019 – Wednesday – Diamonds and Pearls the ultimate tribute show.

For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Lake Pearl in Wrentham MA. where you will hear the music of Neil Diamond, Carol King, Janice Joplin and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod

September 17, 2019 Tuesday - Atlantic City Boys For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Danvers Yacht Club in Danvers MA. where you will hear the music of the Beach Boys, The Drifters, the Bee Gees and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod.

October 8th - 15th , 2019 – ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA Happily Full - I am taking names for standby on this trip and for 2020 trip

November 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$25 - 10 - AM bus.

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 PM. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

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Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon senior center Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM or call 774 922 4049, or e-mail me jimtrips@yahoo.com

FRIENDS OF STURBRIDGE SENIORS

Are you ready for a St. Patrick's Celebration? In the Spirit of Riverdance and Celtic Women, get ready for one of the Most Entertaining Shows. Featuring the sweetest voices of Five Celtic Angels from Ireland along with the Celtic Knight Male Dancers. Then round out the Cast with the Trinity Band Ensemble and you will enjoy a Spectacular Show to remember.

Join us as we travel on Tuesday March 12th by Deluxe Motorcoach Bus to the beautiful Venus DeMilo in Swansea, Mass., about one and a quarter hours from Sturbridge. Included along with the Bus and the Show is a Plated Luncheon choice of Corned Beef and Cabbage or Baked Haddock, Venus Di Milo's famous Minestrone Soup, Vegetables, Breads, Dessert, Coffee/Tea.

Be chauffeured, be entertained, be served and sit back and enjoy the day. Or if you prefer to drive on your own to the Venus Di Milo, this option is also available. These Shows are open to the Public ages 21 and over. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com

Presenting Dancing Dream, the Ultimate ABBA Tribute Band, Hear them perform the songs that you will be singing for days afterwards such as Dancing Queen, Take a Chance on Me, Gimme Gimme Gimme, Fernando, Waterloo, Super Trouper, Knowing Me Knowing You, Name of the Game and of course Mamma Mia. The Dancing Dream Band will transport you back to a simpler time period of 1974 to 1982 as ABBA became one of the most successful groups in the history of popular music. Their six number 1 hits were Fun, Inspiring and Uplifting. Be amazed with the Bands beautiful harmony, elaborate costumes, and brilliant choreography.

Come along with us on Wednesday April 24th as we travel by Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation to the Luxurious Danversport Yacht Club which is about one and a half hours drive from Sturbridge. Included with the Bus and the Show, is a delicious Plated Luncheon of Stuffed Breast of Chicken, or Baked Schrod, Salad, Potato, Vegetables, Breads, Dessert and Coffee/Tea.

Tickets are also available for those people who prefer to drive on their own. These Shows are open to the Public ages 21 and over. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

ST. ANDREW BOBOLA PARISH

TRIP TO USA NATIONAL PARKS St Andrew Bobola Parish, is organizing a special TRIP TO THE NATIONAL PARKS 11 DAYS, May 12-23 2019. Total cost \$2,000

PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL AND JORDAN St. Andrew Bobola Parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan March 17-28, 2019. All inclusive cost with breakfast, dinners is \$3,190.

Please contact: 508-943-5633. Registration forms are available on the

website: www.standrewbobola.com

UNION SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CHAPTER 12

Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring a variety of excursions for all to enjoy in 2019. We are a non-profit family oriented Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

2019

2019 is the Society's 27th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experience excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

All trips leave from the Whitinsville Walmart and the Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St, Westboro. Make sure to include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency # when sending payment. "Like" us on Facebook The Silver Club and The Uxbridge Senior Center. Please call Sue at (508) 476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2019 Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Uxbridge Senior Center and its Silver Club travelling group is offering the following trips for 2019:

March 21, 2019 "THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA" at PPAC: Lunch at Mossimo's on Federal Hill. Please choose: eggplant Parmesan, salmon, or chicken piccata~ \$99.

April 9 JFK Library and museum w/wine tasting & Venezia Restaurant for lunch. \$81. Lunch choices: Baked Haddock, chicken parmesan, steak tips, chicken piccata, or pasta primavera

Kentucky w/ARK, horses and more \$869. 7 day trip! March 31-April 6. Includes 12 meals, 2 shows; Loretta Lynn's homestead; Hatfield & McCoy tour; Toyota Tour; tour of Wheeling, WV; cut-through project in Pikeville; horse farm tour; "Grand Canyon of the South" and other fun highlights!

Hotel Frontenac ("bucket list" hotel!), Quebec: 5 days w/White Mt. Hotel, N. Conway, NH, April 27-May 1: \$999. 8 meals, show, and touring in Quebec. Come and stay at the famous hotel that's in all the photos of Quebec! True luxury!

April 9 is a trip to the JFK LIBRARY AND MUSEUM w/wine tasting and lunch at Venezia's. \$81. (\$2. discount if you're a veteran.) Lunch choices: Baked Haddock, chicken parm, steak tips, chicken piccata, pasta primavera. Make sure to include meal choices when you sign up. Besides lots of information about the life and legacy of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, there is also an extensive collection of first lady Jacqueline Kennedy's clothes, including the dress she wore when she gave a televised tour of the newly restored White House. You also don't want to miss the Freedom 7 space capsule, which took Alan Shepard into space in 1961. The Venezia is always a nice place for lunch with wonderful food! Leaves Whitinsville WalMart at 7:15 a.m., home around 4:30.

MONDAY, MAY 6 -- Trip to the Cape w/Daniel Webster Inn, the Sandwich Glass Museum, and the very interesting Cape Cod Canal visitor center -- \$71. There will be a buffet lunch at the lovely historic Daniel Webster Inn with its great food and wonderful atmosphere! Leaves Whitinsville at 7:45 a.m., home around 6:30 p.m.

Tues, May 28 -- the Lobster Bake Cruise returns! This has turned into a yearly tradition because everyone loves it so much! Don't wait to sign up or you'll miss out! Cruise around Gloucester harbor with music and dancing and white linen tablecloths while you dine. Lobster and baked chicken both. \$85. Leaves Whitinsville at 8:30 a.m., home around 7 p.m.

DEC-5-6 THE TRAPP FAMILY LODGE CHRISTMAS: \$379. dinner & breakfast at the Lodge; Quechee and Montpelier, meet w/a family member to hear the history, etc.

DEC 13-14: CHRISTMAS BY THE SEA: \$329. 1 breakfast, 1 elegant holiday buffet lunch, 1 dinner. "Magic of Christmas" Portland Symphony Orchestra plus Ogunquit's "Christmas by the Sea" celebration

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Menus for March 2019



Leicester High School
Wendy Harmon, Manager

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Available Daily

- Monday**— Spicy or Reg. Chicken Patty on WG Roll or Pizza
- Tuesday**— Hamburger, Spicy or Reg. Chicken Patty
- Wednesday**— Assorted Pizza Choices or Spicy or Regular Chicken Patty
- Thursday**— Hamburger on WG Roll or Spicy or Regular Chicken Patty
- Friday**— Regular or Spicy Chicken Patty on WG Roll

Assorted Deli Sandwiches & Salads Available Everyday!
 Daily Fruits & Vegetables offered to complete your meal

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Monday, March 4
 Hamburgers or Cheeseburgers, Lettuce & Tomato Baked Beans & French Fries, Peach & Pear Cups

Tuesday, March 5
****Breakfast for Lunch****
 Pancakes, Mixed Berry Syrup, Scrambled Eggs, Homefries, Crunchy Carrots, Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, March 6
 Barbeque Roasted Chicken, Creamy Mac & Cheese Cole Slaw, Steamed Broccoli Roll & Butter, Apples Crisp & Mixed Fruit Cups

Thursday, March 7
 Crunchy Beef Tacos Lettuce, Tomato, Shredded Cheese Buttery Corn, Pineapple Cup & Pear Cup

Friday, March 8
 School Made Pizza - Cheese or Pepperoni Caesar Side Salad, Roasted Carrots Assorted Fruit Cups

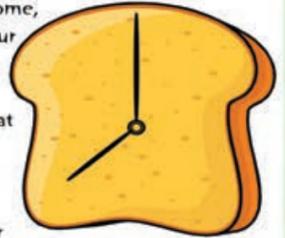
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eatfit wanna stay fit? gotta eat right!



item: bananas
verdict: peel away

tip: Bananas are a perfect portable breakfast or snack! Athletes love them before a workout for their easily digestible carb fuel and after a workout with a protein food like peanut butter for recovery. Bananas even replace potassium lost during prolonged exercise!



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 Grilled Cheese & Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup Romaine Side Salad, Crunchy Carrots Applesauce & Pear Cups

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 Mashed Potato Bowl, Chicken chunks, mashed potato, corn & gravy in a Bowl, Roll & butter, Peach Cup & Mandarin Orange Cups

Wednesday, March 13
 American Chop Suey Caesar Salad, Green Beans Garlic Bread, Mixed Fruit & Pineapple Cups

Thursday, March 14
 Chicken & Cheese Quesadillas Potato Wedges, Salsa & Sour Cream Corn & Bean Salsa, Assorted Fruit Choices

Friday, March 15
 No School Professional Development Day

Featured Specials of the Day

Monday, March 18
 Ham & Cheese Croissant School Made Vegetable Soup Crunchy Carrots, Apples & Peach Cups

Tuesday, March 19
 Shepard's Pie Roasted Carrots, Roll & Butter WG Cookie, Pear Cups & Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, March 20
 Chicken Stir Fry with Broccoli Carrots & Pea Pods in a Teriyaki Sauce Rice Pilaf, Buttery Peas & Mixed Fruit Cup

Thursday, March 21
 BBQ Rib Sandwich on a WG Roll French Fries & Ketchup, Baked Beans Cole Slaw, Peach Cup & Cinnamon Applesauce

Friday, March 22
 Stuffed Crust Pizza Romaine Tossed Salad & Dressings, Roasted Broccoli & Fruit Choices

Please see the other page for items available daily

Featured Specials of the Day

Monday, March 25
 Kayem Hot Dog in WG Roll Smiley Fries, Baked Beans, WG Cookie Fresh Apples & Oranges

Tuesday, March 26
 Sweet Orange Chicken Breaded Chicken tossed in a Sweet Orange Sauce Rice Pilaf, Buttery Peas, Roasted Carrots & Mixed Fruit Cups

Wednesday, March 27
 Chicken Fajita's - Sautéed Peppers & Onions, Salsa Seasoned Potato Wedges Roasted Broccoli, Peach & Pear Cups

Thursday, March 28
 Chicken Dinner— Roasted Chicken with Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Butternut Squash Roll & Butter, & Apples Crisp & Pineapple Cups

Friday, March 29
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To make a lunch, choose at least one

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and 3-5 items total

Grains Milk Protein Fruit/Juice Vegetables

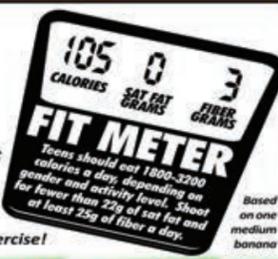
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LEICESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Menus for March 2019



Leicester Middle School
Valerie Thompson, Manager

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Available Daily

Monday— Chicken Patty on WG Roll
Tuesday— Spicy Chicken Patty on WG Roll
Wednesday— Assorted Pizza Choices
Thursday— Hamburger on WG Roll
Friday— Chicken Patty on WG Roll
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Hamburgers, Lettuce & Tomato
Baked Beans & French Fries & Pear Cups

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Breakfast for Lunch
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs,
Homefries, Crunchy Carrots, Mandarin Oranges

Wednesday, March 6
Barbeque Roasted Chicken, Creamy Mac & Cheese
Cole Slaw, Steamed Broccoli
Roll & Butter, & Apples Crisp

Thursday, March 7
Crunchy Beef Tacos
Lettuce, Tomato, Shredded Cheese
Buttery Corn & Pear Cup

Friday, March 8
School Made Pizza - Cheese or Pepperoni
Caesar Side Salad, Roasted Carrots
Assorted Fruit Cups

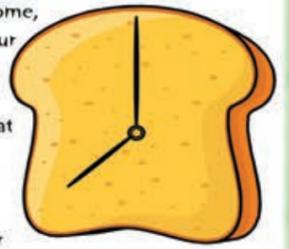
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What's on your plate?

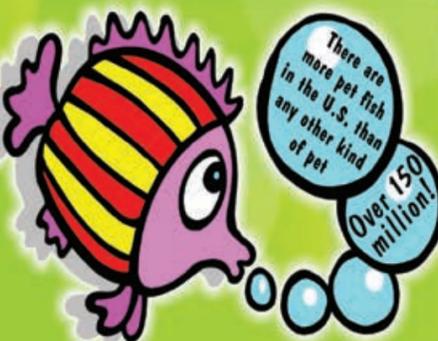


Q: What can you do with a LEEK?!

- A. Stick your finger in it until help comes!
- B. Call a plumber to fix it!
- C. ABANDON SHIP!
- D. None of the above

A: The answer is D — none of the above. The other choices are all LEAKS, not LEEKS! Leeks are mild-flavored veggies related to onions that are often used to flavor soups, but can also be enjoyed sliced and sauteed!

Learn more at www.CHOOSEMYPLATE.gov or http://kidshealth.org/kid/stay_healthy/food/pyramid.html



There are more pet fish in the U.S. than any other kind of pet.
Over 150 million!

| Monday, March 11 | Tuesday, March 12 | Wednesday, March 13 | Thursday, March 14 | Friday, March 15 |
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| Crispy Chicken Sandwich Breaded Chicken Breast on a WG Roll Lettuce & Tomato Corn Baked Beans Mixed Fruit Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup | Ham & Cheese Croissant Ham, American Cheese on a Toasted Croissant Potato Puffs Steamed Carrots Applesauce Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup | Pasta w/ Meat Sauce Barilla Pasta served with Or without Meat sauce Green Beans WG Roll & Butter Applesauce Cup Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup | Deli Day Turkey & Cheese, Ham & Cheese or Italian Grinder Lettuce & Tomatoes French Fries Pear Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup | No School Teacher Professional Development Day |
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Leicester Primary & Memorial School Lunch Menu
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|---|---|---|--|---|
| Chicken Nuggets French Fries Mashed Butternut Squash Baked Beans Mixed Fruit Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Peanut Butter & Jelly | Breakfast for Lunch WG French Toast Stick Syrup Cup Home fries & Ketchup Crunchy Carrots Peach Cup Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Peanut Butter & Jelly | Meatball Grinder Italian Meatballs in Tomato Sauce on a WG Roll Romaine Tossed Salad w/ Assorted Dressings Peach Cup Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Peanut Butter & Jelly | Macaroni & Cheese Elbow Pasta mixed with Land O Lakes Cheese Sauce Tossed Salad w/ Dressing Steamed Broccoli Pear Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Peanut Butter & Jelly | Personal Pizza 5" Round Cheese Pizza Sweet Potato Fries Corn Assorted Fruit Choices Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Peanut Butter & Jelly |

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Spring Forward

Sunday, March 10

POLICE REPORTS

Spencer

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

12:11-12:52 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:26 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Brookfield PD bolo; 1:43-1:45 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:42 a.m.: medical/general (Dale Street); 3:04 a.m.: building checked, secure; 5:41 a.m.: mv lockout (Ash Street), assisted; 7:07 a.m.: animal complaint (Ash Street), coyotes in yard; 7:31 a.m.: mutual aid (Pleasant Street), James P. Skol, 53, 152 Pleasant Street, warrant arrest; 8:41 a.m.: medical/general (Meadowbrook Road); 10:07 a.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 10:52 a.m.: residential alarm (Borkum Road), services rendered; 11:15 a.m.: mv stop (Greenville Street); 11:43 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), spoken to; 12:16 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 1:39 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 1:40 p.m.: officer wanted (Meadowbrook Road), welfare check; 1:46 p.m.: parking violation (Grove Street), ticket issued; 3:05 p.m.: mv stop (Bixby Road); 4:46 p.m.: medical/general (Lamb Grove); 5:18 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), wallet lost; 5:42 p.m.: 911 call (Briarwood Lane), misdial; 5:54 p.m.: 911 call (Mechanic Street), accidental; 7:20 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:40 p.m.: safe keeping property (West Main Street), item found; 11:33-11:51 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

12:03-12:08 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:48 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; 1:02 a.m.: parking violation (Mechanic Street), ticket issued; 1:09 a.m.: parking violation (Pond Street), ticket issued; 1:22 a.m.: parking violation (Grove Street), ticket issued; 2:43 a.m.: DPW call (West Main Street), icy road conditions; 6:33 a.m.: DPW call (Greenville Street), tree limb in road; 7:33 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 9:08 a.m.: medical/general (Old Farm Road); 10:18 a.m.: larceny (Main Street), missing package; 11:16 a.m.: animal complaint (Duggan Street), spoken to; 11:53 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:56 a.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), neighbor dispute; 12:55 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 1:00 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 1:02 p.m.: 209A violation (Main Street), ex attempted contact; 3:33 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:45 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 3:53 p.m.: fraud (North Spencer Road), spoken to; 4:15 p.m.: fire alarm (Thompson Pond Road), services rendered; 4:16 p.m.: domestic abuse (Main Street), spousal violence; 4:58 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), neighbor dispute; 5:55 p.m.: medical/mental health (McCormick Road); 6:02 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), wallet found.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

12:02-12:42 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:51 a.m.: disturbance (Elm Street), neighbor dispute; 12:54 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:00 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 1:12-3:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:08 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Holden PD bolo; 7:26 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), hang up; 7:36 a.m.: building checked, secure; 8:52 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 9:38 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), welfare check; 10:12 a.m.: mutual aid (Main Street), assist Leicester PD; 10:51 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 10:53 a.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services rendered; 11:24 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 11:42 a.m.: medical/general (Roberta Bay); 1:04 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 1:46 p.m.: animal complaint (Bond Street), loose cattle; 1:54 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 2:45 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 2:56 p.m.: medical/general (Garrette Lane); 3:19 p.m.: medical/general (Pleasant Street); 5:28 p.m.: disturbance (Elm Street), neighbor dispute; 5:30 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 5:39 p.m.: domestic abuse (West Main Street), poss. 209A violation; 6:47 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 7:07 p.m.: DPW call (High Street), sewage problem; 7:36 p.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), erratic operation; 10:58 p.m.: officer wanted (Brooks Pond Road), tree across road; 11:37 p.m.: building checked, secure; 11:42 p.m.: commercial alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 11:42 p.m.: building checked, secure.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

12:07 a.m.: officer wanted (East Charlton Road), services rendered;

12:12-12:33 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:38 a.m.: suspicious mv (North Spencer Road), spoken to; 12:45-12:58 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:16 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 1:32-1:36 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:46 a.m.: commercial alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 3:29 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 8:09 a.m.: parking complaint (Maple Terrace), services rendered; 8:49 a.m.: medical/general (Thompson Pond Road); 9:05 a.m.: DPW call (Wire Village Road), icy conditions; 9:55 a.m.: mv lockout (West Main Street), assisted; 9:55 a.m.: animal complaint (Bond Street), loose dog; 10:30 a.m.: medical/general (Chestnut Street), lift assist; 11:08 a.m.: suspicious mv (Meadow Road), spoken to; 12:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Pleasant Street), tree in road; 1:19 p.m.: residential fire (Main Street), services rendered; 1:36 p.m.: 911 call (Howe Village), non-emergency; 1:44 p.m.: accident (Main Street), spoken to; 2:08 p.m.: medical/general (Adams Street); 2:34 p.m.: RV complaint (Greenville Street), speeding dirt bike; 4:05 p.m.: mv stop (North Brookfield Road); 4:23 p.m.: residential alarm (Howe Village), no response; 4:58 p.m.: lost/found (South Spencer Road), iPhone found; 5:07 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 5:24 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street); 8:31 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:53 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), services rendered; 11:35 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

12:03 a.m.: suspicious mv (Maple Street), spoken to; 12:13 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), services rendered; 12:16-12:40 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:48 a.m.: medical/general (Adams Street); 1:17-2:03 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:14 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 2:14-2:25 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:54 a.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), request escort for property retrieval; 8:33 a.m.: 911 call (Charron Street), child w/phone; 11:38 a.m.: officer wanted (Elm Street), spoken to; 11:46 a.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), unwanted party; 12:55 p.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), spoken to; 1:50 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), fight; 2:30 p.m.: parking complaint (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 3:00 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street), lift assist; 4:56 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 6:09 p.m.: medical/general (Cherry Street); 6:32 p.m.: suspicious activity (Bay Path Road), spoken to; 10:45 p.m.: suspicious activity (North Spencer Road), spoken to; 11:28 p.m.: building checked, secure; 11:39 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 11:56 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), noise complaint; 11:58 p.m.: mv repossession (Mechanic Street), assisted.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

12:02-3:47 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:36 a.m.: 9:11 call (Hastings Road), hang up; 8:44 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 9:43 a.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 9:50 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:29 a.m.: fraud (McDonald Street), fraud on c/c account; 11:50 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:33 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 2:07 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), debit card found; 2:08 p.m.: parking violation (McDonald Street), ticket issued; 2:16 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 2:57 p.m.: mv lockout (West Main Street), assisted; 4:55 p.m.: parking violation (Prospect Street), ticket issued; 7:51-8:27 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:56 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 9:03 p.m.: medical/general (Sunset Lane); 9:36 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), noise complaint.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

12:17-3:07 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:49 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:17 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), services rendered; 8:18 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), loose dog; 9:23 a.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 10:03 a.m.: harassment prevention order service (West Main Street); 10:09 a.m.: medical/general (Condon Drive); 10:10 a.m.: juvenile matter (Paxton Road), poss. custody issue; 10:26 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 10:32 a.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 10:41 a.m.: officer wanted (South Spencer Road), spoken to; 10:41 a.m.: suspicious activity (Lake Street), spoken to; 11:44 a.m.: residential fire (Main Street), services rendered; 1:05 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 1:14 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), road conditions; 1:18 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:26 p.m.: disabled mv (Clark Road), assisted; 1:29 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 1:38 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village);

1:54 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 1:58 p.m.: medical/general (Hasting Road); 3:07 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:33 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 3:35 p.m.: disabled mv (Clark Road), assisted; 4:26 p.m.: juvenile matter (Highland Street), spoken to; 4:31 p.m.: medical/general (Smithville Road), lift assist; 4:38 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 4:53 p.m.: fire/woods/grass (Bellevue Drive), spoken to; 5:24 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 5:34 p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick Road), loose horses; 5:41 p.m.: harassing phone calls (Main Street), spoken to; 5:54 p.m.: accident (North Spencer Road), spoken to; 6:33 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:17 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:31-11:42 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

Leicester

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

1:45 a.m.: debris in road (Parker Street), removed; 6:17 a.m.: debris in road (Pleasant Street), no action required; 8:10 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 8:53 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 9:46 a.m.: disabled mv (Stafford Street), assisted; 11:36 a.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 11:42 a.m.: ambulance (Carleton Road), transported; 12:53 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:06 p.m.: investigation (Baldwin Street), services rendered; 1:54 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 1:57 p.m.: disturbance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), gone on arrival; 2:20 p.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 2:38 p.m.: larceny (South Main Street), report taken; 3:20 p.m.: assist other PD (Stafford Street), no police response noted; 4:08 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Winslow Avenue), unable to serve; 4:15 p.m.: assist other PD (Main Street), services rendered; 5:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 5:37 p.m.: summons service (Pine Street), served; 5:49 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 7:20 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Winslow Avenue), unable to serve; 8:51 p.m.: mv stop (Auburn Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, citation issued; 9:02 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

2:59 a.m.: threats (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 3:34 a.m.: ambulance (Monterey Drive), no action required; 6:06 a.m.: animal complaint (Auburn Street), no action required; 11:06 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), spoken to; 11:46 a.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), services rendered; 1:46 p.m.: ambulance (Cricklewood Drive), report taken; 1:50 p.m.: animal complaint (Bond Street), unable to locate; 4:29 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), summons served; 5:02 p.m.: fraud (South Main Street), assisted; 5:44 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 5:46 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 6:14 p.m.: officer wanted (Winslow Avenue), report taken; 8:04 p.m.: suspicious activity (Laurelwood Avenue), unable to locate; 8:24 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 8:51 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:15 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 11:58 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

12:22 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), mv towed; 12:51 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 1:17 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 8:12 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 10:26 a.m.: ambulance (Virginia Drive), transported; 11:21 a.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation, larceny under \$1200 by false pretense; name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation, larceny under \$1200 by false pretense, summons served/2; 11:24 a.m.: family problem (Main Street), transported to hospital; 1:45 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, op w/suspended registration, unregistered mv, mv towed; 2:47 p.m.: debris in road (Pleasant Street), removed; 2:52 p.m.: larceny (Rawson Street), investigated; 6:45 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 8:03 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), Elizabeth Guzman, 57, 196 Chapel Street, Leicester, shoplifting by asportation, failure to appear after recognizance, arrest; 10:33 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 11:52 p.m.: mv stop

(Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, unregistered mv, complaint application issued.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

2:08 a.m.: ambulance (Howard Terrace), transported; 2:59 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:38 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 10:01 a.m.: suspicious mv (Paxton Street), no action required; 10:05 a.m.: mv stop (Chapel Street), written warning; 10:15 a.m.; mv stop (Main Street), mv towed; 10:29 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 10:32 a.m.: ambulance (Washburn Square), transported; 10:58 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), no action required; 11:11 ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 12:23 p.m.: harassment (Sargent Street), spoken to; 1:28 p.m.: disturbance (Stafford Street), peace restored; 1:54 p.m.: mutual aid (Main Street, Spencer), unable to locate; 2:14 p.m.: assist other PD (North Oxford Street, Auburn), no action required; 4:38 p.m.: suspicious activity (Fairview Drive), services rendered; 5:12 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 5:17 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:18 p.m.: disturbance (Crestwood Road), peace restored; 5:40 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), Jessica M. Bartkus, 37, 1 Wittemore Cove, Spencer, shoplifting by asportation, arrest; 8:12 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:32 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:40 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:52 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:56 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:09 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:26 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

1:39 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 2:58 a.m.: assist other PD (Main Street), services rendered; 9:24 a.m.: ambulance (Waite Street), transported; 10:22 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 12:14 p.m.: suspicious activity (Chapel Street), spoken to; 3:57 p.m.: assist other PD (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 4:19 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 4:25 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered; 5:02 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:11 p.m.: officer wanted (Bottomly Avenue), investigated; 6:17 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 6:36 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), unable to locate; 6:45 p.m.: assist other agency (Paxton Street), services rendered; 8:32 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

12:33 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 11:31 a.m.: ambulance (Mannville Street), transported; 11:50 a.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 12:08 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 12:19 p.m.: welfare check (Pine Street), services rendered; 4:41 p.m.: mutual aid (Smithville Road, Spencer), transported to hospital; 6:12 p.m.: disabled mv (South Main Street), assisted; 6:26 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 6:35 p.m.: larceny (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, larceny under \$1200, report taken; 7:17 p.m.: accident (River Street), citation issued; 8:59 p.m.: assist citizen (Auburn Street); 10:21 p.m.: ambulance (Marshall Street), transported; 11:26 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

2:58 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 7:56 a.m.: accident (Paxton Street), report taken; 8:07 a.m.: accident (Paxton Street), report taken; 8:53 a.m.: accident (Stafford Street), report taken; 8:59 a.m.: accident (Henshaw Street), assisted; 11:15 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 12:11 p.m.: investigation (Main Street, Spencer), services rendered; 12:19 p.m.: ambulance (Laflash Lane), transported; 12:23 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 12:27 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:17 p.m.: investigation (Main Street, Spencer), services rendered; 2:13 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 3:10 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation, summons served; 4:57 p.m.: animal complaint (Carleton Road), investigated; 7:28 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Winslow Avenue), unable to serve; 8:43 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 9:33 p.m.: disabled mv (Stafford Street), no police response noted; 11:42 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), services rendered.

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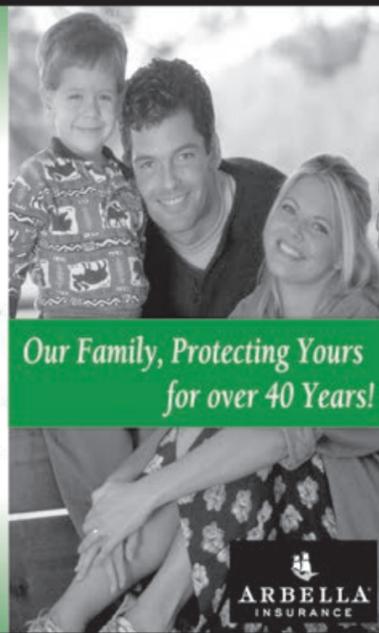
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Companies and individuals across the globe volunteer their time and donate their money to nonprofit groups and worthy causes. Hundreds of billions of dollars are raised, and many hours are clocked furthering the efforts of charitable groups. Although nonprofits in various categories receive support,

one sector has experienced the largest percentage gain: environmental and animal welfare organizations.

According to a report released in 2017 from Giving USA, interest in charities involved with animal welfare support and environmental issues rose 5.8 percent when

adjusted for inflation.

Even though the first piece of legislation concerning widespread environmental concerns in the United States was the Federal Water Pollution Control Act in 1948, environmental causes are still gaining steam. The discovery of a growing hole in the ozone layer prompted change in the mid-1980s, as did the devastating Exxon Valdez tanker spill. However, environmental issues have gained considerably more attention over the last two decades than they used to. As a result, curbside recycling, solar energy, electric cars, low-energy light bulbs, and reusable tote bags are now some of the eco-friendly mainstays of everyday life.

Environmentalists have founded numerous charities with a goal of protecting the planet and its natural resources. Donating directly or volunteering with environment- or animal-based charities is one way to elicit environmental change. Yet, there are other philanthropic efforts people can take of their own volition.

- Target trash. Men and women can organize like-minded individuals who can make a difference by ridding parks, beaches and public recreation



areas of as much litter as possible. Litter can impact ecosystems, adversely affect animal welfare and threaten humans. All it takes to make a difference are some volunteers to sweep areas of trash and discard it responsibly.

- Support animal welfare groups. Thousands of relinquished or lost pets reside in area shelters awaiting homes. Adopt family pets from shelters to help reduce overpopulation. Spreading the word about animal adoption is another noble effort.
- Educate others. Share knowledge about alternative

products and techniques for lawn and garden care, pool maintenance, home upkeep, and more that are less harmful to the environment than standard techniques. Share your thoughts with friends and neighbors directly or broadcast them on social media.

- Advocate for change. Speak at town hall meetings and with legislators about what can be done to promote environmental protection in your community. Raise funds where possible to implement small actions that can lead to change.

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OBITUARIES

Robert O. Peterson, 87



LEICESTER - Robert O. Peterson, 87, of Leicester and Overlook Masonic Home in Charlton, died Tuesday, Feb. 12th. after an illness.

His wife of 60 years, Patricia A. (Durant) Peterson died in 2018.

He leaves his sons; Steven R. Peterson and his wife Julie of Charleston, SC., and Scot D. Peterson and his wife Christine of Spencer, his sister Vivian Mattson and her husband Richard of Mendon, 5 grandchildren; Chelsea, Nicolas, Janel, Hailey and Hanna Peterson, nieces and nephews.

Bob was a longtime commercial printer for Commonwealth Press and later Paul Revere Insurance Co. in Worcester before retiring in the 1990's.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Einar and Karin (Hellberg) Peterson and later served his country with the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He

was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, and the Leicester-Spencer Fraternal Order of Eagles.

The family would like to acknowledge the caring staff at the Post Acute Unit at Overlook Masonic Home for their exceptional and compassionate care of their father.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, Feb. 16 at 10:30 a.m. in the MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main St., Leicester. A calling hour preceded the services from 9:30 to 10:30. Burial with Military Honors will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN., 38105.

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Harold W. "Bucky" Buxton, Jr., 75



DOUGLAS - Harold W. "Bucky" Buxton, Jr., 75, of NW Main St. died Tues. Feb. 12, 2019 after an illness.

He is survived by 7 sisters, Mary Emerick of Uxbridge, Barbara Rizzi and her husband George of Cincinnati, OH, Nancy Greenlaw of Stockton Springs, ME, Deborah VandenAkker and her husband Stuart of Whitinsville, Sarah Blizzard and her husband Gordon of Leominster, Martha Thornton and her husband Albert of Douglas, and Kathleen Rheume and her husband Allen of Whitinsville; 3 brothers, Richard Buxton and his wife Sandra of E. Brookfield, Walter Buxton of Coldbrook, NY, and John "Jackie" Buxton of Oxford; many nephews, nieces, and good friends, especially Diana Dube and Rick Morel. Born in Northbridge, MA on Oct. 2, 1943 he was the son of Harold W. and Doris (Manning) Buxton and lived in Douglas most of his life.

Hal worked for the Town of Douglas Highway Dept. for many years. He also operated his own Trucking Business and Wood Cutting Business. Harold

proudly served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, and was stationed in Korea. Educated in the Douglas Public School System Bucky was a fixture in town. He could be seen in the local restaurants and milling about town with his many friends. He will be remembered as a gentle, happy man, always willing to lend a hand to those in need. His family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at UMass University, Neuro ICU for their loving care and support shown during Bucky's illness.

His memorial funeral service will be held on Sat. March 30 at 11am in Jackman Funeral Home, 7 Mechanic St., Douglas. Cremation burial will follow in Douglas Center Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be held prior to his service from 9-11am. Memorial donations in Bucky's memory may be made to: the Douglas Ambulance Fund, PO Box 222, Douglas, MA 01516. To leave a condolence message for the family please visit www.JackmanFuneralHomes.com



Daniel E. Higgins, 64



NORTH BROOKFIELD - The Man, the Myth, the Legend - Daniel E. Higgins, 64, died on Saturday, February 16th. He lived a full, blessed life, letting go after a long, slow decline and hard

fought battle until the end. Danny was one of six children born to John H. Henry and Frances J. (McNally) Higgins. Born in Middleboro, he grew up in Southbridge and graduated from Marianhill High School. He attended Worcester State College and served in the United States Army as Military Police. After his time in the service, Dan returned to Southbridge. He worked first as a security guard at the American Optical Company and later went on to work for the United States Post Office for more than thirty years.

Dan leaves behind his "Pomme" Pamela J. (Poulin) Higgins with whom he shared 45 years of "marital bliss." He was also the proudest father and Papa, leaving behind a crazy clan of four children and twelve grandchildren: Jodi Rich and her children Paige, Christian, Chase and Declan, as well as his sons in law, Chris Hubacz and Chris Rich; Jill and Jeff Sheldon and their children Libby, Tessa, Beckett, Brooks and Camille; Meghan and Dave Fulchino and their children Vivienne and Caroline; and Shane Higgins and his fiancée, Ashley Leveillee, and their daughter, Quinn. He is also survived by three adoring, red-headed sisters, Peggy Belanger, Robin Giguere and Kellie Petrelli; many nieces and nephews and a plethora of close, lifelong friends. He was predeceased by his brother, John Higgins, and his sister, Cathy Laing. Dan the Man lived for music and live concerts. You were not part of his inner circle unless you had attended at least 5 shows with him, were regularly lent CDs to listen to and could patiently converse about bands, lyrics and songwriters. He enjoyed playing and watching sports, including playing softball until he blew out his knees and was much too old to play. He was a loud, loyal spectator who loved watching his children and grandchildren play all sports, though he certainly preferred baseball games over cheer-

ing competitions. He was endlessly proud of his children's accomplishments, regardless of whether they were real or embellished by him.

A clerk at the Spencer Post Office for most of his employment with the USPS, Higgle D was the self-proclaimed mayor of Spencer. Dan enjoyed talking to anyone and everyone, which usual created a long line at the counter which no one seemed to mind. He had an unforgettable, infectious laugh and an even more unique handshake. During his retirement, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. While no longer traveling in frequently broken-down VW buses, he loved trips with friends to Gloucester and family vacations in North Truro, on Bailey Island, Maine or in Little Compton, RI. He spent his last years at Southbridge Rehab and Healthcare, where he received love and exceptional care from all the patient, devoted staff on the 4th floor, as well as his dedicated wife.

Dan was truly one of a kind. He was an amazing father, grandfather, husband and friend. He made every person he met feel special and never met a person he didn't like. Although he will be missed beyond measure, he leaves a legacy of love and laughter with his family and the huge net of friendships he cast in his life. His Catholic faith provided him with comfort and strength until the end and we know he will Rest In Peace.

His funeral will be held on Thursday, Feb. 21st, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass at 10:00am in St. Mary's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge.

Calling hours in the funeral home were held on Wednesday, Feb. 20th, from 4:00 to 7:00pm.

Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge will be private.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, 84 Chapin Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 or Motivating Youth Recovery, CHL, 72 Jacques Avenue, Worcester, MA 01610 www.morrillfuneralhome.com



George "Chuck" Connor 68

George "Chuck" Connor, 68 of Lakeland passed away Wednesday, February 13, 2019 in River Brook Home Care Center, in Homerville, GA. He was born February 5, 1951 in Southbridge, MA to Robert G. Connor, Sr. and Dorothy Leno. He lived in Spencer, MA until Retirement, then relocated to Lakeland to be closer to family. Chuck worked for almost 40 years at American Optical in Southbridge, MA after spending 3 years in the United States Army. He was an avid hunter being a member of the Camp Four Hunting Club, Indian Bay Hunting Club, Georgia Hunting and Fishing Federation, and was a Honorary Member of the Georgia Sheriffs Association. Along with his Father, Mr. Connor is preceded in death by a Brother, Robert G. Connor, Jr., and a niece, Charlotte V. Connor.

Survivors include; Wife, Norma M. Connor of Lakeland, GA, Son, Ryan T.

Connor of Lakeland, GA, Mother, Dorothy Bernatchez of Lakeland, GA, Sister, Dorothy Sandberg of Lakeland, GA, Brother, Paul Griffis of Lakeland, GA, Sister-in-Law, Ginger Griffis of Lakeland, GA, Nieces, Keri & Laura Griffis of Lakeland, GA, Nephew, Robert G. Connor, III, Numerous Nieces, Nephews, and extended family members spread from New England to Texas.

As per his wishes, he will be cremated and no formal services will be held. Sympathy may be expressed online at www.musicfuneralservices.com. The caring and compassionate staff of Music Funeral Services of Lakeland is serving the Connor family.



Helen D. Eastwood, 90



AUBURN - Helen D. Eastwood, 90, of 667 Washington St., died Tuesday, February 12 at Rose Monahan Hospice in Worcester.

She was the wife of John H. "Buddy" Eastwood who died

in 2014.

She leaves her four daughters; Linda L. Tomaszewicz and her husband Paul of Acworth, GA, Karon A. Martunas and her husband Michael of Cherry Valley, Deborah A. Johnston and her husband James of Spencer, Sharon M. Fanion and her husband Arthur also of Spencer, 10 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and one on their way in March.

She was pre-deceased by a son John S. Eastwood in 1998.

Born in Haverhill, she was the daughter of Scott & Pearl (Durgin) Black.

She attended Punchard High School in Andover where she was on the cheerleading squad.

Helen and Buddy loved to spend the winter in Dunedin, FL., but most of all she loved her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren who affectionately called her GG.

She was a former member of St. Joseph's church in Auburn. Helen enjoyed music and dancing.

A Funeral Mass was held Saturday, February 16 at 10 A.M. in St. Joseph's Church, 189 Oxford St., Auburn. Burial followed in Hillside Cemetery, Auburn. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Rose Monahan Hospice, 10 Judith Rd., Worcester, MA 01602.

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Joan A. Madrazo, 86



SPENCER - Joan A. (Lacroix) Madrazo, 86, of Howe Village, died Monday, Feb. 11th. at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester.

She leaves her daughter Debra A. Waugh of Spencer with whom she lived,

her two sons Gary Madrazo of Spencer and Kevin Madrazo of N. Brookfield, 9 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and a great great grandson, many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her children; Robert, Darlene and Doreen Madrazo. She is the last of 14 brothers and sisters.

Joan was a longtime restaurateur working in the field and owning Schooner Restaurant in No. Brookfield before retiring in 1998.

Born in Spencer, she was the daughter of William and Lydia (Lamothe) Lacroix and later graduated from

David Prouty High School.

A memorial Mass was held on Saturday, Feb. 16 at Noon in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Friends and family are asked to go directly to the church. Burial will be in the Spring in Walnut Grove Cemetery, No. Brookfield. There are no calling hours. Please omit flowers. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Diabetes Assoc., 330 Congress St., Suite 501, Boston, MA. 02210-1216. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Iona D. (Rivers) Lamothe, 87



SPENCER - Iona D. (Rivers) Lamothe, 87, of Lincoln Hill Manor died Wednesday February 13, 2019 at Southbridge Rehab and Health Care in Southbridge.

She was the wife of Emile F. Lamothe who died in 2008. She leaves 6 children Ramona Evans of Spencer, Rosemary Bruso, Brenda Deome, Christine Buzzell of North Brookfield, Francis Lamothe of East Brookfield, Henry Lamothe of Newport News VA; 11 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; a brother Robert Rivers of Spencer; 5 sisters Beverly Gagliardi of Southbridge

Rehab, Ida Lizak of Warren, Cece Dufault of Daytona FL., Harriet Moore and MaryJane Alexander of Auburn; many nieces and nephews.

She was born in Lawrence, MA the daughter of Wilfred and Harriet (Viets) Rivers. Iona worked at Dienes Corporation in Spencer for many years before retirement.

Graveside services will be private in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in memory of Iona Lamothe to: Venture 11 Snell St. Sturbridge MA. Pillsbury Funeral Home 44 Gilbert St. North Brookfield is directing arrangements Iona D. (Rivers) Lamothe, 87.

Robert B. Calchera, 86

WEST BROOKFIELD - Robert B. Calchera age 86 died Thursday, February 14, 2019 at the Clinton Hospital, Clinton, MA. He leaves his brothers, John Calchera of Stafford Springs, CT and Jerome (Biff) Cachera of Chaplain, CT, a niece and a nephew. He also leaves his companion Okewa Joubert of West Brookfield. He was born in Stafford Springs, CT son of the late Benjamin Calchera and Mary (Possardt) Calchera and lived in West Brookfield most of his life. He is a US Army Veteran. Robert worked for the

Federal Government, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. There are no calling hours, all services will be private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle





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OBITUARIES

Rollande V. "Lulu" Sweet

SPENCER- Rollande V. "Lulu" Sweet, the daughter of Phillippe and Corinne Lavoie, passed away peacefully on Wednesday February 13, 2019 at Webster Manor Healthcare in Webster MA with her family by her side.

She was predeceased by her husband John H. Sweet Sr. and her daughter Ann Marie Leduc. She leaves three daughters, Sylvia Grendol and her husband Clark of Sturbridge MA, Diane Poulin and her husband Ronald of Charlton MA, Cynthia Taylor of Charlton; 5 sons, John H. Sweet Jr. of Fiskdale MA, Randall S. Sweet of Ft. Lauderdale FL, David Sweet of Spencer MA,

Andrew Sweet of Spencer MA and Robert Sweet and his wife Laurie of Millbury MA. She leaves many grandchildren, great-grandchildren as well as great-great-grandchildren. She worked all her life and retired at age 72 and her greatest joys were her family, gardening and the outdoors.

Friends and family were invited to attend a calling hour on Thursday, February 21, 2019 from 10-11am in Pillsbury Funeral Home 163 Main St. in Spencer. The funeral followed at 11am in the funeral home. Burial will be in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton.

Irene M. Breault, 94



SPENCER- Irene M. (Parenteau) Breault, 94, formerly of 18 Crown St., Spencer died Sunday, Feb. 17th at Overlook Masonic Health Care, after a long illness.

Her husband of 70 years, Regis E. Breault died in 2017. She leaves her daughters; Lois A. Breault-Melican and her husband Denis of Spencer and Denise E. Wood and her husband Michael of Cherry Valley, her son in law Kevin Flavin and his fiance Heather Rocheford of Spencer, 4 grandchildren; Shawn and Scott Flavin, Elizabeth Beford and her husband Jeremy and Michael Wood and his wife Beth, 7 great grandchildren; Johnathon, Alivia, Brianna, Aiden, Jameson, Finian and Rian, and several nieces

and nephews. She is predeceased by her daughter Noreen E. Flavin in 2014, a brother Stanley Parenteau and a sister Claire McKeon.

Born in Worcester, she was the daughter of Fred and Honorine M. (Boucher) Parenteau.

A funeral Mass will be held on Friday, February 22 at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer, friends and family are asked to go directly to the church. Burial will follow in Mary, Queen of the Rosary Cemetery, Spencer. There are no calling hours. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terrace, Spencer is directing arrangements for the family. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Spencer Rescue Squad, Inc., P. O. Box 147, Spencer, MA 01562.

www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Nelson "Joe" "Frenchy" J. Laperriere III, 56

BROOKFIELD- Nelson "Joe" "Frenchy" J. Laperriere III, 56, passed away suddenly on January 24, 2019 at home.

Joe is survived by those he loved deeply, 3 children Matthew of Worcester, Heather and Nicholas of Brookfield; 2 sisters Sharon Beaudin & her husband Lenny of Auburn and Sheryl Means & her husband Bob of East Brookfield. He was the son of Lorraine Labarge and the late Nelson J. Laperriere Sr. & his wife Carole (Thivierge) Laperriere of Gardner.

Joe was a proud Navy Veteran and was retired from the United States Post Office.

"I would like to be remembered as a man who had a wonderful time living life, a man who had good friends, fine family- and I don't think I could ask for anything more than that, actually"- F. Sinatra

Funeral services are private for the family. Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Rd. In Brookfield is assisting the family. For an online tribute and guestbook please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com



Suzanne M. Cook, 70



SPENCER / REDINGTON SHORES, FL.- Suzanne M. (Lacaire) Cook, 70, of Skyview Drive, Spencer and Florida, died peacefully at home in Spencer on Saturday, February 16th.

She was the wife of Gary A. Cook who died April 14, 2018.

She leaves two sons; Jonathan A. Cook and his wife Jeniffer, Justin M. Cook and his wife April, a brother, Donald B. Lacaire and his wife Susan, 5 grandchildren, Bradley and Samara Cook, Madison, Ayden and Parker McKeon all of Spencer, several nieces and nephews.

She was pre-deceased by a son Jeremy Cook in 1995.

Born in Springfield, she was the daughter of Roger A. & Doris F. (Lemoine) Lacaire.

Sue was a graduate of David Prouty

High School. She worked at Spencer Flower Shop designing flowers for many years. She enjoyed gardening and was a member of the former Spencer Garden Club. She was an avid golfer. Sue loved spending time with her family and extended family and friends in Florida.

The family would like to thank the staff at Overlook Hospice and several very special caregivers; Tammy and Alan, Kelli, Nicole and Wendy, for their compassionate care of Sue in her final days.

A Funeral Service was held Wednesday, February 20 at 10 A.M. in the J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer, a calling hour preceded the Service from 9-10 A.M. Burial followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish Memorial Fund, 60 Maple St., Spencer, MA. 01562. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Jane M. McRae, 74



SPENCER- Jane M. (Hawkesworth) McRae, 74, of Lambs Grove died Sunday, February 17 in the Rose Monahan Hospice House.

She leaves her companion Philip Laukaitis with whom she lived, a daughter, Marie McRae of Boston, a brother, Philip Hawkesworth and his wife Elaine of CT, a "granddaughter" Lizzie Tassinari, daughter of Lisa Beauregard of Canton and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers; Howard and Peter Hawkesworth and a sister Nancy Kellogg.

Jane was born in Worcester, daugh-

ter of Ambrose and Reba (Berry) Hawkesworth. She was a dental technician at Beauregard Dental Laboratory in Worcester for many years before retiring. She enjoyed gardening, the beach, fishing, reading but most of all spending time with her family and close friends.

Jane's funeral will be held Friday, Feb. 22 at Noon in J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Burial will be at a later date at the convenience of the family. Calling hours will precede the funeral from 10:00-Noon in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to: Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore, P.O. Box 550, Wellfleet, MA 02667. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

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



CALENDAR

Saturday, March 9

COMMUNITY PINWOOD DERBY: A fundraiser for Cub Scout Pack 148, held at East Brookfield Elementary School, 410 East Main St., beginning at 10 a.m. For more information or to register, call (508) 885-2346.

Tuesday, March 12

BATHSHEBA SPOONER — AMERICA'S FIRST MURDER FOR HIRE: 1:15-2:30 p.m., Senior Living At Prouty, 195 Main St., Spencer. This program will be presented by Sari Bitticks, President of the Auburn Historical Society and Chair of the Auburn Historical Commission, and is wonderfully sponsored by a local cultural grant through the town of Spencer. Please call (617) 431-4937 to reserve seats and get parking details. Leave your name and number of seats requested.

Thursday, March 14

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON: 12:45 p.m., Brookfield Elementary School. Our fourth grade students look forward to entertaining you with a little Luck O' the Irish. Back doors open at 12:35 p.m.; cafeteria seating begins at 12:45. Please call (508) 867-8774 to RSVP by Thursday, March 8.

ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP HOURS FOR Jan. 9 through Feb. 9, 2019

Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. to noon at the First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer. Come in and see our daily specials. (508) 885-2149.

ECONOMY SHOP HOURS FOR August 22 through June 28, 2019

Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. to noon at the First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer. Come in and see our daily specials. (508) 885-2149.

DEJA NEW: Art, Antiques & Collectibles Marketplace which is open

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

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

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

VFW MEETING: The Rochdale VFW Post 7556 will hold their monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the post at 713 Pleasant Street, Rochdale on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: On the third Wednesday of each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508) 434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

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

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

SUPPER TIME: A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the band or musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www.emmanuelorthodox.org).

STRE-E-E-TCH: Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

SIT AND KNIT: knitting group every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Merriam Gilbert Library, West Brookfield. Bring your sewing, embroidery, knitting or crochet and enjoy some socializing while you work on your project.

N-37: Bingo at the Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. Along with our regular games we feature two winners take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payouts of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available at Judy's Kitchen. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.



Ad Libs by June

The WRITE STUFF is running in this week's issue. It's nice to be getting submissions from new writers each month. I'd like to invite adults and students to participate. It's always good for students to practice the art of writing in formats other than text messages. The next Write Stuff is running March 29 with a deadline of Fri. March 22. Plenty of time to get your creative writing hat on!

The winner of the ABC'S OF THE SEASONS CROSSWORD PUZZLE is Tina Reed of Fiskdale. Out of all the contests I've done over the years, we had the best response to this one by far. Thank you to all who submitted entries and for your great comments. Watch for ABC's of the Seasons Spring edition coming on April 26. If you're a business and would like a letter, contact me to see what's available.

Welcome to MATT'S BREAKFAST NOOK to our Dining Page! They are located at 8 East Main Street in West Brookfield, and offer breakfast and lunch, with breakfast served all day. They offer the usual breakfast and lunch fare with homemade hash, specialty omelets including create your own, pancakes, steak tips, soups, sandwiches, burgers, dogs and more. Hours are Tues-Fri from 7-2, weekends 7-1.

HIGGINS ENERGY ALTERNATIVES is having a huge inventory clearance beginning March 1 thru March 31. Best prices of the year on 100's of new and reconditioned stoves! Check out the ad in this week's issue for all their products and services offered or call 978-355-6343 for more info. They have a big beautiful working showroom of their products. They are located at 140 Worcester Road (Rte 122) in Barre. Tell them you saw their ad in the Spencer New Leader!

Brontosaurus Ribs? They're BIG and they're back at EB FLATTS. Beef ribs seasoned with a hand rub, smoked in their smoker, and slathered with BBQ sauce, served with fries and cole slaw. Check them out at EB Flatts, Rt. 9 in East Brookfield, Thurs, Fri, and Sat after 4 pm!

Only 26 days till Spring. It's time to plan your spring advertising! The early bird gets the business!

Have a great week!

June Simakauskas
508-909-4062
jsima@stonebridgepress.news



LEGALS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The North Brookfield School Committee will hold a Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Budget Proposal
Scheduled Hearing Date:
 Monday, February 25, 2018 at 7:00PM
 School Committee Meeting Room 23A
 North Brookfield Elementary
 10 New School Drive
 North Brookfield, MA 01535
 February 8, 2019
 February 15, 2019
 February 22, 2019

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Dorothy T. Turner to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, dated November 7, 2013 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51763, Page 335, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for One Reverse Mortgage LLC to American Advisors Group, recorded on July 6, 2018, in Book No. 59060, at Page 341 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on March 18, 2019, on the mortgaged premises located at 109 Evergreen Street, East Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,
 TO WIT:

Tax Id Number(s): 084/004.2-0131-0011.0

Land Situated in the County of Worcester in the State of MA
THE LAND IN EAST BROOKFIELD, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON, SITUATED ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF CEMETERY ROAD, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
 BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF CEMETERY ROAD ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE (195) FEET NORTHWESTERLY OF THE NORTHERLY LINE OF MAIN STREET AS MEASURED ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF CEMETERY ROAD SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF THE LAND TO BE DESCRIBED THENCE NORTH 11 DEGREES 26' WEST BY SAID CEMETERY ROAD ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET; THENCE NORTH 79 DEGREES 52' EAST ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET; THENCE SOUTH 11 DEGREES 26' EAST ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET; THENCE SOUTH 79 DEGREES 52' WEST

ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. THE LAST THREE COURSES BEING BY LAND FORMERLY OF ARTHUR LAMBERT AND EVELYN LAMBERT. BEING LOT #2 ON PLAN OF PROPERTY LOTS OF A. F. LAMBERT OF EAST BROOKFIELD, MASS., APRIL 1950, THEODORE DRAZEK SURVEYOR.
 Note: The Company is prohibited from insuring the area or quantity of the land. The Company does not represent that any acreage or footage calculations are correct. References to quantity are for identification purposes only. Being the same property conveyed to Dorothy T. Turner, by deed dated August 7, 1975 of record in Deed Book 5773, Page 56, in the County Clerk's office.
 Commonly known as: 109 Evergreen Street, East Brookfield, MA 01515-3201
 For mortgagor's(s)' title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5773, Page 56.
 These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.
TERMS OF SALE:
 A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.
 Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.
AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP
 Present holder of said mortgage
 By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
 150 California St.
 Newton, MA 02458
 (617)558-0500
 13291
 February 8, 2019
 February 15, 2019
 February 22, 2019

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

The Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6pm, Tuesday, March 5, 2019 in the Brookfield Town Hall Banquet Hall.
 The purpose of this hearing is a request by Edward Juda for an Administrative Appeal at 76 Town Farm Road, according to an issue of violation of Section 4 District and Use Regulations, Section C Environmental Controls and Districts, B Prohibited use – all districts.5 from the Zoning Enforcement Officer.
 Stephen J. Comtois II
 ZBA Chairman

February 15, 2019
 February 22, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The North Brookfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 7:45PM at the Senior Center, 29 Forest St., North Brookfield, MA. Public opinion will be received regarding amending the Zoning Bylaw Section VI. by creating a new subsection I. Recreational Use Marijuana and Hemp Cultivation. Any person interested in or wishing to be heard should appear at the above stated time and place. A copy of the proposed bylaw amendment is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, 215 North Main St., North Brookfield, MA

February 22, 2019
 March 1, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The North Brookfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 20, 2019 at 7:15PM at the Senior Center, 29 Forest St., North Brookfield, MA. This hearing will be on the application of Jordan Energy & Food Enterprises, LLC on behalf of Rodney Carlson for land situated on 55 West Brookfield Road regarding a special permit and site plan review for the proposed 2MW solar facility per zoning bylaw Section VI.F. Commercial Solar Energy Bylaw and Section VI.G. Site Plan Review. Any person interested in or wishing to be heard should appear at the above stated time and place. A description of the proposed solar project is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, 215 North Main St., North Brookfield, MA

February 22, 2019
 March 1, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO19P0349EA
Estate of:
Florence P. McCrillis
Also Known As:

Florence P. McCrillis Date Of Death: January 8, 2018 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Paul S. McCrillis of East Brookfield, MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Paul S. McCrillis of East Brookfield, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
 February 22, 2019

LEGAL NOTICE Fiscal Year 2020 SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING Leicester Public Schools Notice of Public Hearing

Date of Public Hearing: Monday, March 4, 2019
Snow Date of Public Hearing: Tuesday, March 12, 2019
 In accordance with Chapter 71 Section 38N of the General Laws, the Leicester School Committee will hold a public hearing on its proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Budget on **Monday, March 4, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Leicester High School Media Center, 174 Paxton Street, Leicester, MA. The **snow date** for the public hearing will be **March 12, 2019, 6:30 p.m.** in the Leicester Town Hall Select Board Meeting Room, 3 Washburn Sq., Leicester, MA. Immediately following the hearing, there will be an open session meeting. You may find the Superintendent's budget presentation on the district website: www.lpsma.net. As residents of the Town of Leicester, we are sending you an invitation to the Public Hearing, a meeting that is open to all. The draft budget can be found on the district website. Thank you for your continued support of the Leicester Public Schools and we look forward to sharing our proposed budget with you.
 February 22, 2019

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

2 p.m.
POULTRY SEMINAR
 Learn the backyard basics!
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



FRIDAY, MARCH 15

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S
 Come visit the dogs and cats available
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



SATURDAY, MARCH 30

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
KLEM'S FISHING EXPO
 Repls, experts and the latest gear for 2019!
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



SATURDAY, APRIL 13

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
EASTER BUNNY PICTURES
 Children and pets welcome!
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



FRIDAY, APRIL 19

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S
 Come visit the dogs and cats available
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY MAY 3, 4, 5

KLEM'S SPRINGFEST + TENT SALE
 Kids' bounce house and huge savings!
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com

FRIDAY, MAY 10

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S
 Come visit the dogs and cats available
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY MAY 9, 10, 11, 12

RECORDS & BURPEE CHILDREN'S ZOO AT KLEM'S
 Educational family fun!
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www.klemsonline.com

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S
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FRIDAY, JULY 19

2 P.M. - 4 P.M.
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FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY JULY 19, 20, 21

DockDogs at Klem's
 Canine Aquatics Competition!
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com

ONGOING



JUNE 5th THROUGH AUGUST 28th
 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT CRUISING FOR CHARITY CAR SHOW AT KLEM'S
 All makes and models.
 Proceeds benefit the Masonic Children's Charity
KLEM'S
 117 West Main St., Spencer, MA
 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)
www.klemsonline.com



MARIACHI BAND
 First Thursday of the month
 5-8 p.m.
MEXICALI MEXICAN GRILL
 Webster location
 41 Worcester Rd., Webster, MA
 508-461-5070



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

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

FRIDAY ACOUSTICS IN THE BAR
AND SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT
EVERY OTHER SATURDAY
 308 LAKESIDE
 308 East Main St.
 East Brookfield, MA
 774-449-8333

THE CENTRAL MA CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED meets the first Monday of every month from September through May. We discuss a variety of conservation programs to improve the local cold water fisheries, local fishing opportunities. our annual High School Fly Fishing Championship (open to all MA high school students) And our annual fund raising banquet.
Auburn Sportsman's Club
 50 Elm St., Auburn, MA



Do Something FUN This Weekend!

The Write Stuff

All Ages Welcome! Open topics.

Please share your creative writing and thoughts with us!

Arachne's Story

BY COOPER WHITE,
LEICESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Quite some time ago when the Earth was just housing people the Gods were born, you know the rest. But every once in awhile you learn something new to add to your vast mind. Sometimes that thing is knowledge sometimes its wisdom or advice but in this case it is a story. This is the story of Arachne's new life or as some may call it her next chapter.

After Arachne lost to Athene and was turned into a spider to weave forever, she had a lot, I mean a lot to figure out. The first was how to even make a home or place to live, she had seen animals hide in caves or under logs so she tried that. The first place she tried was under a log and she is lucky to still be alive today, because the second she set foot under the log a new creature the hedgehog thought she was a tasty snack. She quickly shot a strand of her stringy substance towards the top of the log by using her legs to push her stomach so that the stand would almost be puked out. Instantly after this the strand stuck to the log and she was wheeled up the side narrowly escaping the hungry hedgehog.

After she had gotten to safety she realized she could build a floating palace like the gods by extending the sticky strands from tree to tree. Once she was done with this she realized it was ugly and would be right in the way, so that if anything walked through it would destroy her work. So she climbed up a tree and built another web. This one extending from limb to limb. Once she was finished she stepped back to admire her hard work, it was magnificent. The white lines against the olive trees deep brown. Oh how she admired the swirls and twists and hexagons, it was as if she had made a tapestry and it was going to be held up for all to see right smack in the middle of Greece's center. Then a thought hit her she was on an olive tree, the tree of Athene. How she hated that woman, but she had been saved by her and hey she could be even more famous now.

Four months later... After a long stretch of four months Arachne had been living off small mites and berries that were highly poisonous to humans. But all these different foods just weren't enough to hold her over and she grew hungrier by the day. Then one fateful evening the most incredible miracle happened, Arachne caught another animal in her home and this is how it happened. She was out on her top branch of her olive tree spinning a lovely gown for herself when a yellow bee came zipping along. The bee had seen a small spot of sugar on Arachne's home and decided to take it. As the bee flew down though it got stuck on the center her home and was unable to move or was immobilized. It wiggled and writhed trying to break free but was unable to do so. Arachne then saw opportunity with this simple bee, she realized how to get food without looking for it. She quickly ran down to the bee and put the new gown on it. The bee was now even more trapped because the gown had no arms yet and so the bee could not move. Then Arachne bit the bee trying to eat it. Although when she did this the fangs instead of tearing injected yep you guessed it poison. After the poison hit the bee the bee stopped moving and lay still and silent. Now Arachne knew how to get food.

Days and weeks passed and Arachne got bored and lonesome. She had no friends and no human would want anything to do with an eight eyed hair monstrosity that was not meant to exist. So when she was sad Arachne would weave an nit all sorts of things. She one day weaved the letters L,T,E,E,A. She made these letters to spell out her father's name Latee. But just before she put them on her home she dropped them and they spelled out TELAE wich is latin for web. Arachne immediately realized that this was fate and that her home from now on would not just be called a home but be called a web.

As she grew she learned more and more about herself such as the fact that most birds wanted to eat her and all humans wanted to burn her back to the underworld. There were stories told about her and how she was Hades's own personal demon guard and, that it would swallow you whole. The towns people said it was a mistake from the gods and it was more dangerous than Zeus himself. While Zeus took this very hard, and for the people of the town saying this he poisoned everything. But what Zeus did not know was that Arachne would be affected too. When he poisoned all Arachne became more poisonous. With one simple nip anything from a termite to a human would simply crumple. So with this she instantly became almost as powerful as a god or goddess.

Arachne began to boast how great she was and how she was better than all the gods (as if She had not learned from before). Well Hera who has always been irritable found this quite bothersome and started out to force Arachne to put her

money where her mouth is. When Hera finally reached Arachne on her olive tree she realized with great sadness that Arachne was hideous. She looked worse than Hephaestus and Hera wanted to throw the thing off a cliff. While when Arachne ever saw the face Hera made when she saw her she could barely keep from laughing. Out of all the terrible and awful things Hera had seen in her lifetime Arachne thought, I must take the cake. After about a minute of this going on Arachne finally said something in ancient greek, Hera responded and this went on for about 25 minutes. They were bickering about who was more powerful Hera or Arachne. In the end they decided that there was only one option and that was to battle it out for the title of strongest. The rules of this fight were simple that being there was only one rule you have to push the other off the tree. Before this started though Hera turned herself into another creature and they began the battle.

The battle started off with Hera strongly winning and Arachne crumpling under the weight and skill of her opponent. But within seconds the entire game changed. Arachne surged with inconceivable power. She bit and scratched and shot webs so high they reached olympus. Hera was furious and feared defeat. So in a sheer moment of insecurity Hera made 10000 creatures They scuttled and ran circling Arachne so that Arachne was unable to see where Hera was. Although Arachne had one last trick up her sleeve. This trick was that Arachne knew that her web was sticky but Hera did not. So Arachne walked to her web and carefully spun a sticky center that even she could hardly escape. She proceeded to walk round and round as she knew Hera would surely strike soon. Then like Arachne knew would happen, Hera leaped forth with the strength of a lion. Arachne as planned doged and sent Hera and her hairy body onto the stick center of Arachne's web. Arachne knew she had not won yet even though she had her opponent trapped (remember you have to knock the other off the tree in order to win). So Arachne proceeded to cut a circle around the string with her fangs and drop Hera to the bottom of Arachne's olympus just as Hera had dropped Hephaestus for being so ugly.

As the years went on the gods kept an eye on Arachne or spied on her, and our modern spider was deprived from the gods spying on her or spiedher. Oh and I bet you are wondering what happened with the other 10000 spiders, while lets just say any spider is a descendant of one of those. This was Arachne's story.

The Yellow Jacket

BY EVA PERRON, EAST BROOKFIELD, MA

It was on a morning in March 2000, my husband and I were on a bus trip to Atlantic City. My husband had bought a yellow jacket, and we were all set for three days of fun and a good time.

The next morning in the warm casino, he took off his jacket, put it in between machines, and forgot it as he moved from one slot machine to the next. When he remembered it, the jacket was gone. A trip to the lost and found department was fruitless...no one had brought it in.

We met one of the couples from our bus and I mentioned how Normand's jacket was gone. Our friend Peachee felt bad, and said, "keep your eyes open."

She and her husband went into the food court, and in a booth close by was an identical jacket. The man was out of the booth getting his food, and Peachee, in spite of warnings from her husband, went over, picked up the jacket, and placed it on a seat next to hers.

Her husband, upset and furious beyond words, was embarrassed. They brought the lunch back to their table and started to eat, when a man came to their table very distraught and said, "lady, did you take that jacket off my seat?"

"Yes I did, she replied."

He asked her "why?"

Her response, "it belongs to my friend."

He shouted, "I bought and paid for that jacket, and it's mine!" He yanked it, went back to his booth, and started eating. Peachee's husband was outraged. Peachees felt certain that she did the right thing.

Meanwhile, a second trip to the lost and found department, and we were relieved; he got his jacket and put it on.

We decided to go to the food court and met Peachee and her husband who were leaving. She almost fainted when she saw us.

"I must go and apologize to that man," stated Peachee.

"I want to apologize," she stated.

"Lady, I may have some flaws, but I certainly don't go around stealing jackets, I'm a Catholic priest."

Peachees asked for his forgiveness.

In the following years, we met Peachees and her husband often—and the first subject of any conversation began with, you guessed it, the Yellow Jacket.

Family

BY OLIVIA GIANGRANDE, NORTH BROOKFIELD
JR SR HIGH SCHOOL

Family what does that mean?
Is it the people we share blood with?
The people that made us?
The answer is none of the above?

Family is the people we love
The people we care about
And most importantly the people we chose

Family!

Now the people we love may not be in our blood
But that doesn't make them any by less family

I remember all the parties
For birthdays
Christanings
And First communions

I have special love for those people in my life
That are family by choice
Not by blood

Family!

When it comes to love
Every second
Of every minute
Of every hour
Of every day
Counts

Family!

Family is the glue
That hold us together
That keeps us from crumpling
Into a ball
On the floor
Alone.

That is family!

Kindness

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY,
NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA

Is there a day when you feel down and out?

Then do something nice for someone without any doubt
Give a stranger your seat on the bus
Saying I'll stand, thank you, without making a fuss

Even if you are running late – no there's not much time

Let a person in a wheelchair get to the head of the line

If you see a loved one at a wake beginning to cry

Hand them a Kleenex to dry their eyes

Send a family member a card or simple note

Reassure a politician for them you are going to vote

Give your sister the last piece of chocolate cake

You'll know for sure it was not a mistake

Help an elderly man up the stairs at mass

show them dignity – respect – thoughtfulness and class

Make breakfast for a neighbor walking up before dawn

Telling them later in the day you'll mow their lawn

A long forgotten classmate – make the first call

Catching a baby as they begin to fall

Oh I'll give you a hand to shovel that snow

They'll appreciate it more than you'll ever know

Bring an employee a large coffee in a decorated mug

If someone's having a bad day give them a hug

When all things seem hopeless – on a star make a wish

To your only grandchild a good nite kiss

A homeless person – give them a dollar or two

Any extra cash buy them a pair of shoes

A heartbroken little boy – give them that home run ball at a game

Know your life will not be the same

Someone walking behind you – for them hold the door

Be courteous to others – don't just ignore

Buy your whole family an ice cream cone

Reassuring your mom she will never be alone

Saying good morning as you walk down the street

Person after person everyone you should greet

Going for a bike ride – just you and me

At a school auditorium – decorate the Christmas tree

A hospital visit – for the patients say a prayer

Let them know that you truly care

Share your umbrella if it begins to rain

Be happy for others with wealth and

fame

Holding the hand of a very small child

Wherever you are give someone a smile

If you do an act of kindness every single day

It will affect your heart in a very special way.

This Broken World

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY,
NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA

Growing up today is so much harder than years ago

Parents hide their feelings – fear so their children won't know

They are kidnapped on the streets or even in their homes

You must always hold their hands so not to even for a minute they will roam

Sending them off to school you think they will be safe

But more students by their teachers are now crying rape

A Catholic school will be perfect because of the nuns and priests

But you see your child break down as the details of horror are released

Your loved one is going to look at toys at a popular mall

Only gone for five minutes and her name you must call

Bullying a student because you don't like t heir looks

Isn't high school supposed to be about learning and reading books

Three-four-five names but there are no gangs

A friend is shot dead as you hear a loud bang

Beaten up your girlfriend is not love but abuse

For this kind of behavior there is no excuse

When you go to a party – be sociable – have one drink

Don't gulp down 10 where you can't walk or think

Speeding is not an option when you learn to drive

Go by the rules of the road and you will survive

Where in the world did you get those pills?

Just one by mistake and you know they will kill

Energy drinks that keep you aware day and night

One day you see your teenager sad and depressed

The next day she kills herself and is laid to rest

What the heck are you doing with those bath beads

Is this a new high - something like speed?

Hazing – harassment in college – you want to fit in

But no matter how hard you try – you simply can't win

Going to summer camp for relaxation and fun

Pointing to your guidance counsellor – yes he is the one

Think about the extra cash you can make just walking the streets

Not considering diseases or the convicts you'd meet

When someone says "I love you" is it for real?

Or is it a line and your innocence they steal?

Always use a condom so you don't contract AIDS

Banging at the door and shouts this is a raid

To break into your car or house this person is brazen

But more and more today there are home invasions

Needing money for a date so you rob a bank

A smirk on your face saying what a great prank

In a crowded theater someone has a gun

You start to feel faint but know you must run

For insurance purposes you set a barn on fire

When did this individual become such a liar

These are such sad circumstances we live in today

How in the heck did it get this way

We must keep our faith and somehow find hope

For me – you and others we must every-day cope

One wish I have for every child – boy and girl

Dear God, please protect them – from this broken world.

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The Tranquil Flow

BY LORENZO FRANCIS,
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if you could
just take a moment,
listen to a calmly flowing
river,
there comes a thought,
what is that thought?
think of pure happiness.
and with that,
the nearby river
flows through
your mind,
washing away the
negativity.
breathe, tranquil?
tranquil.

Arachne's Next Chapter...

BY: NICOLE NGUYEN,
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There was a girl. She was a marvelous weaver but was very prideful toward her skill. She said she was an even greater weaver than Athena herself and this angered the mighty goddess. The goddess and the girl had a weaving competition and the great Athena had won and the girl lost. The girl, who was very desperate of winning, lost so she hung herself. Athena had known of this and then turned the girl into a wretched spider to live till the end of her days.

Arachne was furious! She could not believe that she had lost to that infuriating goddess. Arachne was a great weaver and she knew it. Arachne was walking in the dark woods while stumbling over roots and pebbles. Her eight legs were bothering and were in a tangle of themselves. Not only had Arachne knew that she had eight legs but she discovered her great eyesight. Before, when she had passed by a deer she could see every auburn hair on it's rear leg. While walking aimlessly some more she had found white strings trailing behind her. Arachne picked up the strings and sat down under a prodigious oak tree root. She had an idea.

Arachne sat their very still and raised four of her legs. She had started weaving with these long wool like strings. She wove skillfully and swiftly as she had did in her old cottage that she used to weave in. All Arachne could think about was weaving and weaving and weaving. This is what all she could do in this cruel world now. But before long Arachne had made a long blanket full of patterns of the sky such as the soft white clouds and the lightning and rain. The blanket was sturdy and soft, it was even big enough to cover an adult man. It was such a pity that no one was here to see her magnificent creations.

Then a storm rolled in. It rained softly with a pat pat pat but before long raindrops were streaming down like hail. Arachne was afraid of dangerous weather conditions like storms would come. She heard thunder booming and crackling in the sky. She can see lightning strike frail trees in the distance. Was the powerful Zeus angered? Arachne didn't know. But she had a thought. If Zeus was angered then she might as well give him something as an offering to ease his anger. While she was thinking lightning struck a patch of green and healthy grass near Arachne. The grass withered to ash in the flaming fire that had shortly begun afterwards. Arachne folded the blanket into a small square and quickly scuttled toward the fire. She threw the blanket into the fire and watched it burn to nothing. This was how you would offer gifts to the gods.

Up above on Mount Olympus was Zeus sitting on his golden throne studded with precious jewels. He had a stern look on his face. Zeus and Hera made a promise to fix their ways so both of them don't get mad at each other. And yet Hera still dates another man! Zeus beyond irritated. But right then and there before him was a white blanket with the most beautiful intricate patterns and pictures. Zeus's face had turned from anger to awe. Was this his daughter Athena's making? It couldn't be, Athena would have brought her crafts to him herself. Then a memory came into Zeus's head. He had remembered Hermes telling him about Athena competing in a weaving contest against a girl named Arachne. Arachne was said to be a talented weaver but lost and was turned into a creature called the spider who can make webs with white string. Zeus knew the blanket was his and was made by the girl! He wanted to bring a reward to the girl for making such an astonishing soft blanket but he was worried this would anger his daughter Athena. So Zeus decided to bring something to Arachne that is not too lavishing but might have some use to her. He spun his hands around in a circular motion and whispered words to himself. And there the gift was made for Arachne.

The tempest ended with a final CRACKLE of thunder. But then a major headache had started in Arachne's head. Her head kept telling her water water water! But what did that mean? Arachne screamed in pain. It hurt! It was like a searing flame was in her head. Arachne then went to the nearest puddle she could find. A puddle to a human would be just a petty small pool of water. But to Arachne this was much bigger to her view. The puddle looked deep and Arachne didn't want to go in at all! But her head was in such immense pain! No longer could Arachne take it so she jumped into the puddle and closed all her eyes tightly. Was this how she would die? Could it be that Athena was not yet satisfied of punishing her that she had to give Arachne a major headache and then drowning her?! Arachne couldn't take this brutal world. But she

realized that she was still breathing. She looked down beneath her and there was water. Her legs were wobbly but she was standing on water. This was unbelievable! Arachne thought it was Zeus who gave her the headache to show her a new gift. Arachne praised the mighty Zeus for his wonderful gift. Maybe this world was not at all bad.

Days later Arachne was streaming on water with a carefree smile. It was a wonderful feeling. Arachne could gather water droplets onto her little crafts to make them have a bright gleaming shine. Arachne now didn't care that she had such a hideous body but she was still furious with Athena. But at least Arachne can make beautiful crafts while gliding freely on water. It made her happy to live in this life now. The End.

Spencer Writers' Group Submission for Valentine's Day

Love at First Meet
BY SUSAN SHEPHERD, AUBURN

"Once upon a time," is how the stories always start. Wishing and praying their hearts will never depart.

He came to me one day, right out of the blue. My breathing stopped, it was then that I knew.

I hope he is single, 'cause my heart skipped a beat. I thought they were crazy, 'Love at first meet.'

Now I'm one of them, getting others to believe. Including my love, his name is not Steve.

"We're really good friends," he says, making me sad. He's on the west coast; I'm not and that's bad.

Any night we can look up and see the same star. The love of my life is still very far.

Someday, I hope, there will be a good ending, hand-in-hand after our very own wedding.

Will You?

BY SUSAN SHEPHERD, AUBURN

Love is everywhere, just waiting to be found, it makes your heart turn upside down.

Time & devotion are the best gifts of all. Their cost is priceless – not found in a mall.

Declaring your devotion is quite a big risk. Deep down inside, you want to be kissed.

To the outsider, it doesn't make any sense. It's time to get off of that white picket fence.

Hearts & flowers, some red and some pink, a great big smile and maybe a wink.

The day has come – let them know how you feel, no longer a dream – it's time to get real.

Hoping the feeling comes back your way, then it'll be time to plan that big day.

Bending down on one of your knees, "Together forever, say yes, will you please?"

Pulling my Heart Strings

BY JOAN MARIE O'CONNOR, WORCESTER

See my Bri..... My Oh my,
Miss her much,
Hard to stay in touch
Well either she is here, or there,
And texts became, Obsolete,
But, I sure do love her,
She is veryyy sweet

Heavenly Delight

BU JOAN MARIE O'CONNOR, WORCESTER

Sent the purest of pure
Heavenly Delight to fellow believers
And all creatures here below
Only our heavenly Father
Can do this with a blanket of SNOW

Cupid's Twelfth Birthday

BY SUZANNE VASHUGIN

On the day that Cupid turned twelve years old, God gave him twelve arrows made out of pure gold.

These arrows were his most powerful because he received them from above. The potion they possessed gave the recipient everlasting, not romantic love.

All the other angels were so happy that they merrily danced around. Then they presented Cupid with a sparkling crystal crown.

He placed it on his head and leaped from clous to cloud. After he did this for an hour, he said, "I ned to be serious now."

Cupid knew it was a difficult decision, on who to give his arrows, so he sat and pondered it as he leaned on his elbows. Cupid thought, "Maybe I should give them to world leaders, or someone famous, or maybe to sports stars, or champions in the Olympics?"

"I think I've got it!" he shouted to the angels who hadn't flown away. "I'll wait until 12:01 in the morning on Valentine's Day, to watch the seven continents on Earth, and see which twelve mothers first give birth.

I'll shoot my painless arrows at each of their newborns, yet they won't feel a thing, not even the prick of a thorn. Two days passed, and it was 12 o'clock midnight.

Cupid was so excited about his significant plight. He stared at the world with great anticipation.

Which baby would be born first and from what nation?

At last, he heard wails from Tanzania, Peru and Cananda. Then, he heard cries

from Malaysia, Timbuktu and Australia, next, Cupid heard screeches from Siberia, Hawaii and Ireland. Last he heard shrieks fro China, Chile and Iceland.

As cupid carefully listened to all the newborn commotion, he flew with lightning speed to each location.

With a smile from ear to ear, Cupid bestowed his priceless gift, "Have a loving life!" he said, as to the clouds did he lift.

Cupid replied, "I thought many hours about what I would do. Maybe I would give them to someone important, but I didn't have a clue.

I decided the best option was to pick someone new, So on the day of love, Valentin's Day, off I flew!

I found the first born babes in each corner of the world. Next, I launched my arrows and watched them swirl, toward each wee one that would possess everlasting love, more than any present human had ever heard of."

Your Smile

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY, NORTH BROOKFIELD

On December 9th 2018 in Worcester another tragedy occurred

Our hearts again broken – our eyes are blurred

Firefighter Christopher Roy trapped in a burning home

His brothers trying desperately to rescue him – he was never alone

Two men were injured – one did not survive

Why again in December? Why again in Worcester did one of our die?

Hearts are broken – the nation stands still

This again was part of God's will

The word spread quickly – another loss of life took place

Flashbacks of 1999 and 2011-time can never erase

Is this for real or is it just another bad dream

Hoping and praying – it's not what it seems

Flags again at half staff

Minutes-hours lasting forever as if they'd never pass

Soon we learned that Ronald and Michele lost their loving son

And his beautiful 9-year-old always number one

His brother Jason and wife have now lost a brother

He was the best of the best – there was no other

Recently Christopher and his daughter moved into a home in Shrewsbury, Mass

Where the love of his life would be attending class

Working at a restaurant where all saying he was an awesome guy

So very difficult not to break down and cry

Selfless – compassionate – a hard worker always on time

Management commenting he was one of a kind

A construction job with Consigli before a firefighter at Webster Square

How much he loved this job everyone quite aware

Having a passion for hunting – he loved to fish

Cooking at the fire station his favorite dish

Him and his Ava so very close

Traveling to Myrtle Beach and Florida he enjoyed the most

But on a cold blustery day in December his dreams suddenly came to an end

Roy was not only a son-father-brother-uncle but everyone's best friend

Again weeks before Christmas we lost another firefighter hero

This time on Lovell Street our third ground zero

So when you hear a siren simply say a prayer

Thank these individuals so they know that you care

And so to you Christopher Roy our 8th hero – we shall say God speed

See in you awhile

But we shall always love you

And remember how you could move a mountain – "simply with your smile"

In Loving Memory of Firefighter Christopher Roy

12/9/18

The Shining Lite In All Of Our Hearts

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY,
NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA

I like hundreds of others have known David Massad for many years

Now on a cold winters day – we fight back the tears

On December 28, 2018 Duddie received his final call

Mr. Massad – A humble man – born with a heart of gold

Of his compassion and kindness even strangers were sold

Raised in Worcester on the Grafton Hill side of town

If you were lost – with him you were found

At age 18 he self made his own career Contributions to the Friendly House, St. John's, United Way all were unaware

Giving to the Trauma Unit – At Lake Ave Umass

A quiet – meek individual with an abundance of class

Born to Philip and Helen of Lebanone decent

Traveling daily to Duddie Ford, Diamond Chevrolet, Commerce Bank he often went

Pam, Christine, David – his children – the loves of his life

Now he's in heaven with Gregory, Delores, Donald, Bette – his devoted wife

His grandchildren and family – to him they were everything

Just being in their presence the happiness it would bring

And as we gather together to say our last goodbye

Duddie would want you to move on – and for him do not cry

Remember Mr. Massad as someone on whom you could always depend

Cherish those memories as being everyone's friend

Whether to help your children at school or a political campaign

He gave to us all – never wanting gratitude or fame

Raising money for an illness – a cause or even a cure

His smiling face we shall see no more

If a family member of yours passed – flowers and a card he'd send to pay his respect

Never anyone did he ever neglect

Right aside of you or miles away in the heaven's so far

He will forever remain that one brilliant star

Farewell our Dear "Duddie" - it's time for us to part

And until we meet again you shall eternally be loved – missed

Remembered as "THE SHINING LITE IN ALL OUR HEARTS"

Welcome Home

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY,
NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA

I stopped going to church – Mass about five years ago

The reason why – well that I still know

You see that's when my best friend got sick

Wondering why was it her God decided to pick

Please Lord make this living person be okay

Every time I thought of her – in silence I would pray

But heaven for her had other plans

Angels above were in great demand

Even toward the end there was a smile on her face

Memories frozen in time can never be erased

Then a relative said, I have to go in

For all who were taken from us I have to be strong

But I felt God didn't answer my prayers

My feelings my hurt he was unaware

When he took my best friend, only he knew the reason

Death has no time – no date – no month or season

More and more I listened to what she was trying to say

In time eventually I would be okay

I would then set a date and go back to church – mass

Knowing it wouldn't be easy – a difficult task

Realizing I did miss all my friends, parishioners I once knew

How as individuals we all had our favorite pew

People stop going to church – believing for one reason or another

I can't go this week because I have to watch my brother

It's too cold outside I don't want to shovel the snow

But next week at 8:00 I promise to go

It's 90 degrees, I'm sitting in my pool

Even with fans in church it's still not that cool

Maybe I can just watch mass on TV

Knowing it's not the same but is to me

It's my only day off I just want to sleep

Saying those same words week after week

Why should I leave this cookout I'm having so much fun

If I leave now I'll be the only one

Whatever your reason take one day at a time

For in a matter of weeks you will be just fine

When you walk into St. Joseph's Church slowly on the 22nd of May

A debt to yourself you feel you must pay

You can feel the peace – love – for you're not walking alone

As all parishioners – smile – give you a hug – each saying, "Welcome Home"

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WEBSTER - 3 Blueberry Lane! Blueberry Hill - Stunning 9 Rm Colonial! Level Acre Lot! Sought after Neighborhood! Move-in Ready! Expansive Fam Rm w/Stone Fireplace & Cathedral Ceiling! Slider to the Deck! Custom Kit w/Granite Counters and Island Opening to the Dining Rm! Great Living Rm for Entertaining! Large, Bright 4th Bdrm/Office w/Double Closets, Cathedral Ceiling & Private Slider to the Deck! Half Bath w/Laundry! Master Bdrm w/Hrs & Hers Closets, Master Bath w/Dble Sinks! Generously Sized 2 Additional Bdrms w/Large Closets! Halfway 2nd Full Bath! Partially Finished Lower Level - Great TV or Game Rm! Large Storage Area! Private Backyard w/Shed & Basketball Court! 2 Car Garage w/Plenty of Storage! Charm & Character that can't be Beat! Minutes from 395, an Ideal Location! 3 Z C/Air, Newer Windows & Furnace! This Could Be Yours! **\$359,900.00**

DUDLEY - 73 Tracy Rd! Majestically Perched on a Knoll, 1.47 Acres Beautifully Landscaped, Spacious 2252' 8 Rm Colonial! Stainless Appliances! Eat-in Country Kit w/Center Isl, Pantry Closet, Recessed Lighting, Tile Flr & French Dr to Deck! Formal Din Rm w/Hrdwd Flr & Classic 3 Windowed Bumped-out Wall! Entry Foyer! Formal Living Rm w/Hrdwd Flr! The Fireplaced Family Rm w/Wide Plank Hrdwd Flr will Keep the Family Close! Side Entry Hall! Dble Closet, Half Bath w/Laundry Closet! Upstairs 4 Comfortable Bdrms, 2 w/Hrdwds, 2 w/Wall to Wall w/Plenty of Closet Space! 18 Master Bdrm w/Hrdwds, Ceiling Fan, Walk-in Closet, Master Bath w/Granite Vanity & Tile Flr! Off the Hrdwd Hall the 2nd Full Bath w/Dble Sinks, Granite Vanity, Tile Flr & Linen Closet! Breezeway Attached 2 Car Garage! Quick Closing Possible, Start Packing! **\$349,900.00**

THOMPSON - 854 Thompson Rd! Appealing 9 Room Split! Beautiful 63 Acre Lot! Applianced Granite Kitchen! Dining & Fireplaced Living Rm w/Hrdwds! 17x18 Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/Tile Floor! 3 or 4 Bedrooms, 3 w/Hrdwds! Fireplaced Family Rm! Updated Full Bath! 1.5 Baths Total! 2 Car Garage! Recent Furnace! 18x24 Deck! Shed! Convenient to 395 in both Directions, Close to Raceway Golf Course & Thompson Speedway! **\$244,900.00**

WEBSTER - 35 Spring St! 5 Rm Ranch on Quiet Side Street! Walk into the 3 Season Rm w/Tile Flr, Ceiling Fan & Slider to Deck! Cabinet Packed Eat-in Kit! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms! Finished Lower Level w/Tile Flr, 10' Bar w/Drop Lights! Vinyl Siding! Replacement Windows! **\$249,900.00**

WEBSTER - 23 Lincoln St! 3 Family w/ Great Curb Appeal! Owner Occupied or Investor! 5/4 Rooms! 2/2 Bedrooms! Hardwood Floors in Most Rooms! First Floor Apart Freshly Painted! Replacement Windows! Off Street Parking! 2 Car Garage! Easy Highway Access! Conveniently Located! **\$229,900.00**

WEBSTER - 7 Oak St! 2 Family! 5/5 Rms! 2/2 Bdrms! Both Flrs w/Eat-in Kitchens! Liv Rms w/Wall to Wall! Bdrms w/Wall to Wall! 3 Season Porches! Gas Heat w/Recent Buderus on 1st! Electric Heat on 2nd! Recent Roof, Siding & Windows! Off Street Parking! Owner Occupied or Investment! **\$169,900.00**

PUTNAM - 48 Smith St! 2 Family! 3/8 Rooms! 1/4 Bedrooms! 1/1 Baths! Major Rehab 2005 - Roof, Gutter & Downspouts, Vinyl Siding, Windows, Entry Doors! 2018 Electric Heat Conversion! Gas Hot Water! Off Street Parking! Garage! Town Services! **\$129,900.00**

DUDLEY - 13 Oakwood Ave! Mason Road Area! 7 Rm Cape! HARDWOOD FLOORS! Throughout! Home Offers Quiet Kitchen, Open Concept Dining & Living Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Full Tile Bath! 2 1st Floor Bdrms! 2nd Flr Bdrm! Walk-in Cedar Closet! Breezeway to Garage! **\$205,000.00**

AUBURN - 9 Lorna Dr! 2680' Split Entry! Applianced Oak Eat-in Isl Kit w/Corian Counters! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Sun Rm Cathedrals to Trex Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Walk-in Closet! Full Tile Bath! 14'x40' Fam/Game Rm! 2nd Bathrm w/Laundry! Workshop! Utility Rm! 2 Z Oil Heat! C/Air! 2 Car Garage! Porch! Don't Miss Out! **\$209,900.00**

WEBSTER - 21 Spring St! 6 Rm Ranch! Eat-in Applianced Kit w/Mahogany Cabinets & Tile Flr! Liv Rm w/Carpet over Hrdwd! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Master w/Walk-in Closet! Full Tile Bath! 14'x40' Fam/Game Rm! 2nd Bathrm w/Laundry! Workshop! Utility Rm! 2 Z Oil Heat! C/Air! 2 Car Garage! Porch! Don't Miss Out! **\$209,900.00**

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

OXFORD - 28 Brown Rd! Country Setting Yet Close to Everything! 6 Rm Split set on 1.32 Acres w/Beautiful Pastoral Views! Recent Applianced Quartz Kit! Frpld Liv Rm! 3 Bdrms! Recent Wood Laminate Flooring Throughout! 2 Full Baths! New Furnace! Recent 3 Car Garage! **\$319,900.00**

SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! 9 Room 2,156' Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Drive! New Granite Kitchen! Dining, Living & Fireplaced Family Rooms w/Hardwood Floors! Year Round Sunroom w/2 Skylights! 3 Bedrooms! 2 1/2 Master Bathrooms! 12x24 Season Porch w/3 Skylights! Expandable Attic! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage! Central Air! Generator! Super Easy Access to Rte 146! **\$464,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! Stunning 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, It Has It All! Expansive 2 Story Foyer! Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Oversized Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances and Walk-in Butler's Pantry! Din Rm w/Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm Overlooking the Lake, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Fireplace! 1/2 Bath + Laundry Nearby! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Glorious Stairway leads up to 3 Spacious Bdrms each with their Own Private Baths! Luxurious Master w/Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet + Private Balcony! Expansive Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level boasts Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm + Lake Facing Bdrm w/Frplc & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Individual Splits to Control Rm Temps! Oversized 2 Car Garage! This Home is Loaded w/Quality & Detail! Quick Closing No Problem! Don't Delay! **\$1,999,000.00**

DOUGLAS - 36 Cedar St! Bodnick Pond (110Acres) aka Cedar Lake & Laurel Lake! 2.74 Acres! 633' Waterfront! 477' Frontage! Beautiful Private Setting! 2736sq, 2,688' Custom Cedar Ranch w/Hrdwds! Spectacular, Open, Frpld, Cedar Cathedral Ceiling, Sky Lighted Great Rm Highlights Home! Custom Island Kit! Lake Facing Master! 2.5 Baths! All Closets are Cedar! 96' Screened Porch! Plus 50x72' 2 Story Heated Boat House/Garage w/3 Rm Caretaker/In-Law Apartment w/2 Bdrms! 5 Full + 2 Half Baths Total! Year Round Country Waterfront Retreat! **\$599,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd! Waterfront! Lot! Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Conservation Approved! Build 2016! 10,669' Lot! 40' Deck! Granite Kit! Lake Facing Liv Rm, Bdrms & Fam Rm! Master Bath! "Buderus" Oil Heat! Generator! Boat Dock & Ramp! 99 Year Lease, \$4,300/yr! **\$329,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 17 Wakefield Ave! South Pond! Western Exposure! Protected from the Storms - Quiet Cove! 24 Acre Lot! 104' Waterfront! Water Views! 2,412' 8 Rm Contemp! Just Renovated! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Cathedral! Skylights! 2 Fireplaces! C/Air! Composite Decks! Patio! 2 Car Carport! **\$535,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrm, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdwds! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frpld Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$729,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 412 Beacon Park! WATERVIEW! 1280' 5 Rm Townhouse! End Corner Unit! Lake Views! Applianced Kit! Frpld Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Din Rm w/Hrdwds! Master w/Hrdwds, Custom Bath & Closet w/Skylight! 2nd Bdrm w/Hrdwds! 2.5 Remodeled Baths! C/Air! Garage! Great Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$294,000.00**

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

WEBSTER LAKE - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,000' Level! Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemp Colonial! Built 2015! Like New! Open Flr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Island, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Frplc, Surrounded by Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling! Dining Area w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile Shower! Laundry Rm! "Wood Look" Tile Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hrdwds, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bdrm Access! Lake Facing Bdrm w/Hrdwds, Dble Closet & Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hrdwds & Dble Closet! Full Hall Bath w/Dble Granite Vanity & Tile Flr! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2x6/2 Story Detached Garage! Deck! Get Packing! **\$789,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 194 Killdeer Island! North Pond Views! Sandy Shore! 6 Rm Cape! Open Liv & Din Rm w/Newly Restored Fireplace! New Lake Facing Windows! 2 1st Flr Bdrms, 1 Lake Facing 3 Bdrms! 2 Updated Bathrooms! Huge Composite Deck w/Frplc! Balco! Walk-out Lower Level to Courtyard! Garage Under! **\$559,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 704 Treasure Island! 1.874' Townhouse! 6 Rms, 2 Bdrms, Master Bath, 2.5 Baths Total! Recent Cherry & Granite Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm w/Sliders to Deck! Frpld Fam Rm! Patio! Newer C/Air, Heat & Hot Water! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$344,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 5,698' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/Tile Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Grooming Hrdwds! Granite Kit w/Isl, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdwds & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lighting, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Decks! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 37 Bates Grove Rd! South Pond! As a Second Home, Getaway or Expand it into Your Dream Home - Have Possible Plans! 4 Rooms! Open Floor Plan! Applianced Kit! 2 Bedrooms! Bathroom! Covered Deck! Ideal Gradual Sloping Lot w/Panoramic Lake Views! **\$399,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 104 Treasure Island! 1.974' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$324,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 995 Treasure Isl! WATERFRONT! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1.874' Hrdwds! SS Applianced Quartz Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/55 Appliances! 2.5 Baths! Frpld Fam Rm! Newer C/Air & Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$449,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 202 Killdeer Island Rd! Panoramic View of North Pond! Natural Sandy Shoreline! Complete Rebuild Since 2002! Custom Center Island Applianced Granite Kitchen w/Walk-in Pantry, Recessed Lighting, Hardwoods & 1/2 Bath! Open Floor Plan! Dining Rm w/Window Seat, 2 Closets & Hardwoods! 19'x19 Lake Facing Living Rm w/Hardwoods & 2 Sliders to Deck w/Recent Awning! Upstairs to 4 Bedrooms or 3 Plus Office! Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Walk-in Closet & Master Bath w/Tile Floor, Huge Corner Shower w/Seat, Double Linen Closet! Full Hall Bath! Halfway Laundry Closet! Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level Family Room, 2 Sliders to Patio! Full Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! 4 Zone Heat & 2 Zone C/Air only 2 Years Old! Start Packing! **\$629,900.00**

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THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE
NEW PRICE! Roomy 1300 sq.ft., Hip roof Ranch Attached 2 car garage! PLUS 32x32 Detached Garage! Eat in Kitchen, Fireplaced living room with bow window! 3 bedrooms, enclosed heated sun room, central air, Koi Pond, on .87 +/- acre! **\$259,000**

WEBSTER - 7 HICKORY LN
Warm and Inviting, This Lovely Ranch Sits on a Beautifully Landscaped Yard Nestled in a Very Quiet, Wanting Neighborhood. This 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath Home Has So Much to Offer! Fully Applianced Eat in Kitchen, Newly Carpeted Living Room and Three Cozy and Comfortable Bedrooms All On One Floor. Walk Down To The Lower Level To The Open And Spacious Family Room With Pellet Stove! **\$259,000**

WEBSTER - 22 SLATER STREET
NEW LISTING! ESTATE SALE! Don't miss this opportunity! 6 room Colonial! 3 bedroom, 1 & 1/2 baths! Fireplaced family room! Hardwood floors! Natural Woodwork! New Furnace! Flat spacious corner lot. 1 car garage **\$224,900**

HOLLAND - 299 STAFFORD RD
SORRY, SOLD!
2-14 Acres with a young 2200+ sf Colonial Farmers porch! Open concept floor plan with Ceramic & Hardwoods! 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 8 rooms total! 2 car garage. Central Vac, Central air! Oil heat - HWBB. assisted sale **\$289,000**

CHARLTON - 54 BLOOD RD, LOT 3
SORRY, SOLD!
New Construction! 2000+ SF Craftsman style Ranch. Custom Built - Open Floor Plan! 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, Fireplace, Tray ceiling, Granite, hardwoods, 2 car garage. So much more!! assisted sale **\$430,000**

WEBSTER - 90 UPLAND AVE
SORRY, SOLD!
Excellent home for 1st time home buyers! Cape that has 3 large bedrooms, 2 on the main level and one on the 2nd floor. 1 bath on the main level, 1/2 bath in the basement. Heated by oil - forced hot water baseboard! 1 car garage under **\$134,900.**

WEBSTER/DOUGLAS/THOMPSON BUILDABLE LOTS
Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abuts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**
Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer **\$250,000**
Thompson - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! **\$99,900**
Killingly - 37 Katherine Ave River Frontage 2/3rds acre. Town Water & Sewer **\$55,000**

WEBSTER - 89-91 SLATER ST
ON DEPOSIT
Large 2 Family - 3,255 Sq Ft. Desirable Side by Side Units, "Duplex", Letters of Compliance for Lead Paint! 1st Unit has 5 Bedrooms! 1-1/2 Baths! 2nd Unit, 3 Beds, 1 Full Bath, vacant soon. Each Unit recent Plumbing, & Electrical! New Appliances, Vinyl Replacement Windows! Roof 10 yrs young! Covered Porches. Walkout Basement. Close to town park and beach. 3 bed apartment now vacant! **\$219,900**

WEBSTER LAND - COOPER RD
LAND FOR SALE
Attention Developers! 3 abutting house lots, potential to divide into 5-6 Buildable lots! Lake Residential area, not on the lake. Priced to Sell! **\$129,900.**

On The shores of Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg

WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD
Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5,697 +/- SF Lot, 50' Rd & Water Frontage & a Great First Contemporary Ranch offers 956 +/- SF of living area w/2 BRs & 2 full baths. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/Removable potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Floor Plan w/sliders to full front deck! Spectacular Western views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available. **\$345,000**

WEBSTER LAKE - 54 KILLDEER RD
KILLDEER ISLAND! A RARE OPPORTUNITY ON WEBSTER LAKE! ABSOLUTELY THE WATERFRONT PROPERTY YOU'VE BEEN WAITING/LOOKING FOR! 2.45 +/- Acres! 345 +/- road front, 336/364 +/- depth, 275 +/- Lakefront! Mature landscape provides unprecedented privacy, & a friendly level lot at water's edge - like very few waterfront properties! The possibilities for this property are only limited by your imagination. The 3700 SF +/- Mid-Century Modern Home is unique w/massive modern windows that invite your eyes to venture outside to spectacular 180 panoramic views across the lake to stunning Western sunsets and beautiful natural shoreline beyond! Relax & entertain in the tiled, stone fireplaced family rm, wet bar/sliders to an outdoor patio! The house features a 36 +/- open concept combination living/dining area with a stone fireplace, an open stairway, & interior 2nd flr balcony w/access to 5 spacious BRs that overlook the lake. A 30x32 +/- det'd garage w/summer kitchen, 1/2 bath & huge fireplaced patio! Family owned gem for 60+ years! **\$1,495,000**

WEBSTER LAKE - BEACON PARK #802
SORRY, SOLD!
WEBSTER LAKE at BEACON PARK! TOWNHOUSE overlooking the COURTYARD, 1230 SF +/-, Open Concept Living/Dining/Fireplace & PRIVATE DECK. Freshly painted rooms, updated appliances. Upper level is 2 SPACIOUS BRs including a MASTER SUITE w/ SKY-LIGHTED, PRIVATE BATH, 2nd BR w/wg walk-in closet, 2nd full bath! ENJOY LAKE LIVING on the most desired lake in Central MA at an AFFORDABLE PRICE! **\$264,900.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 84 LAKESIDE AVE
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16 Pattison Rd ~ \$799,900

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12-16 West Main St ~ \$439,900

West Boylston: Colonial Antique w/major up dates including: heating, windows and 1.5 baths.

44 Central St ~ \$364,000

Shrewsbury: Cape Master bedroom suite, 1st floor family room, 2.5 baths, fireplace, 4 bedrooms.

14 Lebeaux Dr ~ \$399,000

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| SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 | | | | |
| WEBSTER | | | | |
| 73 Klebart Ave | S | 10-12 | \$304,900 | JoAnn Szymczak Remax Advantage 1 / 774-230-5044 |
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| <p>PUTNAM - Great owner occupied or investment property on a convenient one way street with off street parking and a great spacious yard. This 2-family has been nicely updated over time with newer heating system, siding, some replacement windows, & upgraded electrical. First floor (owners unit) is a large 3 bedroom 1 bathroom with eating space kitchen, den, large living room, & a dining space/room. Owners unit has walk-out basement access with laundry facilities along with a large rear deck overlooking the backyard and detached 1 car garage/workshop. The second floor apartment (approx. 1,000 sq. ft.) features 3 good sized bedrooms and 1 bathroom along with a large living room and good working space kitchen. \$130,000</p> | <p>THOMPSON - This 4 bedroom 1 bath sitting on 1.44 acres is located in the Quinebaug section of Thompson. The home also offers a large kitchen & living room with a generous sized heated enclosed porch. There is a 3 bay detached garage as well as a large metal building that sits on a concrete slab for a potential 4th garage for the auto enthusiast. As a bonus there is a house generator & fruit trees. The home needs some TLC and updates to bring it to its full potential. SOLD IN AS IS-NO REPAIRS BY SELLER. \$147,900</p> | <p>PUTNAM - Welcome home to this great 2 bedroom 1 bathroom second floor rental opportunity. Located in a mixed-use building with one low impact commercial tenant on the first floor and just 1 other residential rental upstairs, this unit is just what you are looking for. The eating space kitchen has newer appliances (included) along with washer & dryer and is open to the large living room. Both bedrooms are good sized and feature generous closets. The full bathroom is neat and clean and there are hardwood floors throughout the entire unit. There is a great covered side porch entrance and enough parking on and off street. No pets, no smoking. Ready for occupancy February 1st. \$875/mo</p> |
| <p>POMFRET - Hidden from the road and nestled on over 7 acres, sits this custom built contemporary-style home. The fully equipped, generous-sized kitchen opens into a free-flowing dining/living area highlighting a cozy fireplace and a stunning cathedral ceiling providing a feeling of spaciousness and light. A relaxed and casual family room, a privately set office, a much-desired first-floor master suite with walk-in closet and en-suite bathroom, and a laundry room are also located on this level. The second floor houses 2 additional bedrooms, the guest bath, a sewing/crafts room, and as a bonus, additional office space. A 2-car garage and mudroom round out this clearly "one of a kind" offering. \$359,900</p> | <p>KILLINGLY - This cape style home features 2 bedrooms & 1 bathroom and is a Bungalow style home on corner lot with tons of character. The walk-up attic is a great bonus with two partially finished rooms that could easily be converted into living space if more space is needed. The home has a newer/updated kitchen with nice stainless steel appliances, hardwood floors, and a nice open floor plan from the kitchen thru the dining area to the spacious living room. There is a great little mudroom off the side entry door and the enclosed front porch makes great extra living space. One car detached garage. \$159,900</p> | <p>BROOKLYN - The home has been completely updated and provides a very comfortable floor plan which includes a large kitchen with a center island and open eating area. The living room conveniently opens to the kitchen and large front deck for entertaining, relaxing, and endless views of the waterfront. There are 3 good sized bedrooms including TWO with attached full bathrooms. There is a third full bathroom centrally located for guests and a laundry room adjacent to the kitchen for easy access. One of the bedrooms also has a separate, private end deck for morning coffee. The property has abundant frontage on Tatic Pond and is ideal for boating, kayaking, fishing and wildlife viewing. \$189,900</p> |

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| <p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 2/23 10:00-11:30</p> <p>27 White Brook Dr Brooklyn \$575,000 Stunning home located at the end of a premier cul-de-sac in Brooklyn, CT. Expansive living space contains 5 BR, 3.5 BA. All hardwoods, in-ground pool, huge yard. John Downs 860-377-0754</p> | <p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 2/23 SUN 2/24 11:00-1:00</p> <p>74 Pomfret Rd., Eastford \$269,900 New construction with 3 BR/2 BA. Enjoy an open floor plan, and wood floors throughout on 6.94 acres. Catherine Howard 860-234-2901</p> | <p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 1:00-3:00</p> <p>26 Isabellas Place Killingly \$199,900 Pristine 2005 updated Townhouse. Granite & hardwoods, 2 full BA, finished basement. Close to 395. Mary Collins 860-336-6677</p> | <p>Brooklyn \$495,000 NEW PRICE</p> <p>Custom home on private 10 acres. Built in 1989 with 3739 SF 4 BR and 4 Full Baths. Details include open floor plan and a 16' ceiling family room. The Gosselin Team: Stephanie 860-428-5960</p> | <p>Plainfield \$129,000 NEW PRICE</p> <p>Two family, investment opportunity. Or live on one side and let the tenant pay the mortgage. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> | <p>Canterbury \$199,000 NEW PRICE</p> <p>To be completed, this 1470 SF Cape is on 2.04 private acres. 1st floor is ready for finish details, 2nd awaits sheetrock. Currently heated, with AC, well & septic. The Gosselin Team: Stephanie 860-428-5960</p> |
| <p>Pomfret \$295,000</p> <p>Quality oversized Cape in desirable Pomfret neighborhood. Open floor plan w/ 4 BR, 3 BA and a cozy living room fireplace. Mary Collins 860-336-6677</p> | <p>Hampton \$550,000</p> <p>Reproduction Cape on 15 hilltop acres w/long-distance views, barn & a pond! 3,356 SF w/3 BR 2BA & loads of custom details throughout! The Gosselin Team: Stephanie 860-428-5960</p> | <p>Woodstock \$198,000</p> <p>Water rights along with a view 4 bedrooms, living room with fireplace updated kitchen, plenty of storage. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> | <p>Woodstock \$1,390,000</p> <p>Wonderful antique Colonial with 182 acres, pastoral views w/ 4+ miles of wooded trails. Unique open concept, 3 story barn. The White/Cook Team: Amy 860-377-2830</p> | <p>Woodstock \$179,900</p> <p>This wonderfully private yet close to MA & close to Woodstock Hill Colonial has 3 BR & 1.5 baths. Nice private 3 a/c lot! The White/Cook Team: Diane 860-377-4016</p> | <p>Woodstock \$795,000</p> <p>Sweeping lawns to 145' of lake frontage w/waterfront patio, sleeping cabana, pergola & dock are sure to take your summer entertaining up a notch! The Gosselin Team: Stephanie 860-428-5960</p> |
| <p>Woodstock \$265,000</p> <p>Woodstock charm, wood floors. Built-ins, freshly painted, fireplaces. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> | <p>Woodstock \$420,000</p> <p>Stunning home on 18.24 acres of beautiful land. First floor master, hardwood floors throughout. Location is private, quiet & peaceful. John Downs 860-377-0754</p> | <p>Plainfield \$145,000</p> <p>Wood floors, front porch charm. 2 bedrooms, dining room/living room. Garage below, close to shopping and I-395. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> | <p>Putnam \$4,000/mo. Commercial Lease</p> <p>Location! Location! 2,696 SF commercial space for lease with ample parking. Convenient to I-395. A must see! Gelhaus Realty Group: Vivian Kozey 860-455-5363</p> | <p>Sterling \$288,750</p> <p>Spectacular NE CT parcel of land near RI. 57 acres, 15 acres in open lush fields. Stunning country carpenter's barn! John Downs 860-377-0754</p> | <p>LAND FOR SALE</p> <p>Pomfret \$60,000 13.29 acres on Tyott Rd! 2 lots for the price of one! Hunters paradise! Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> <p>Putnam \$400,000 This lot includes a rustic cabin that is occupied by the owner. The property abuts commercially zoned property & is near route 44 & 395. The White/Cook Team: Charlotte 860-931-6006</p> |

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SNOW PLOW, Myers, 61/2' all controls and lights, great condition. Can be seen at Old Cider Mill, Rt. 9, West Brookfield or call 774-232-9382

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265 FUEL/WOOD

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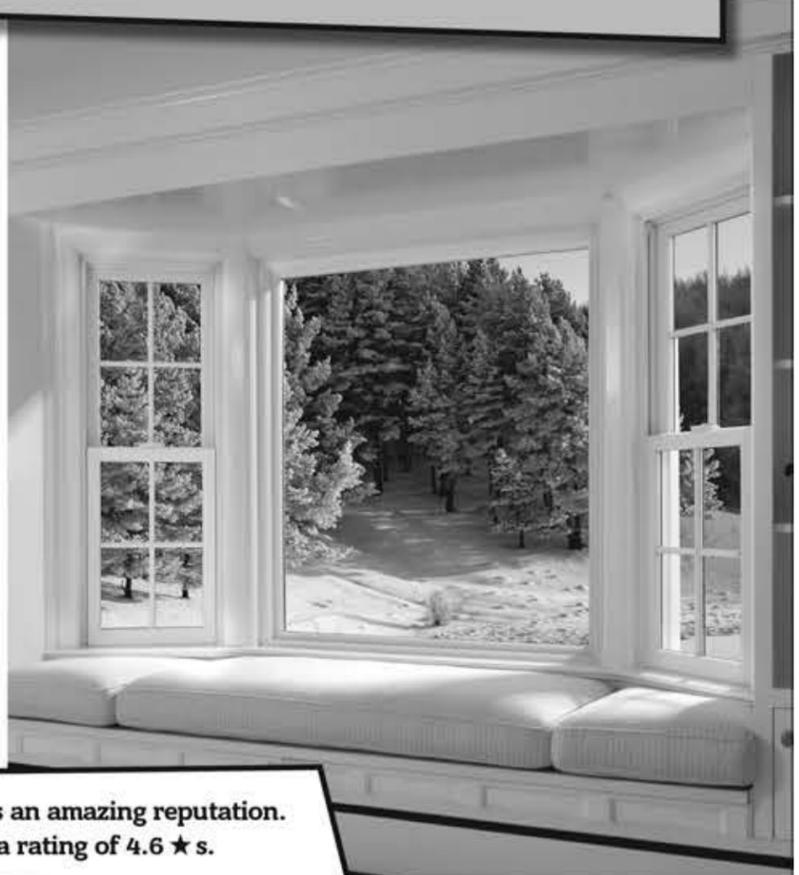
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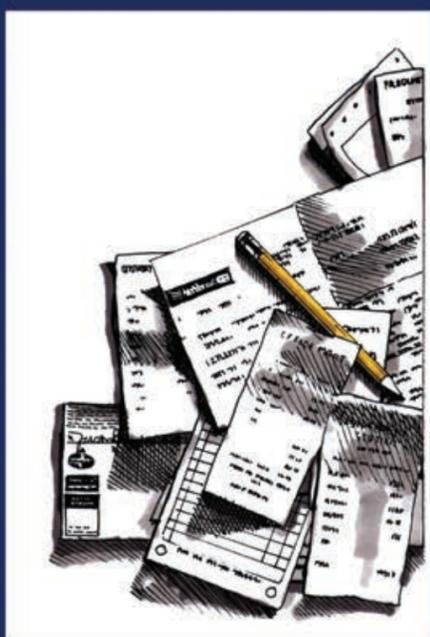
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