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## It's a dream' as David Prouty girls produce magical moments



**BY NICK ETHIER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

WEST BOYLSTON — First, it was about changing the culture and building a program. Next, it was about trying to make some noise in tournament play. And now, everything has become a reality.

Those were the steps needed to be taken by David Prouty Regional's girls' soccer team, as the days of struggling mightily are over. The Panthers saw everything come to fruition on Thursday, Oct. 28 when they played West Boylston High in the semifinal round of the Central Mass.

*Photos Nick Ethier*

**David Prouty's Eva LaPorte clears the ball out of her team's defensive zone.**

Athletic Directors Association (CMADA) Division 4 Tournament.

David Prouty won an epic thriller over the Lions, 4-3 in penalty kicks.

"It's unbelievable," explained head coach Derek Blodgett. "Even in PK's I'm fighting my tears just to talk to the girls. Being here this long, it's huge."

Blodgett, now in his sixth year with the program and third as head coach, has seen it all.

"My first year, we struggled heavily," he said. "We didn't have the same team cohesion that we have now."

Jess Fulmer and Gabby Soter, the Panthers' two senior co-captains, have also seen every up and down over the

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## School Committee changes course on mascot

NORTH BROOKFIELD — With four new members added this year, the new-look School Committee recently reversed the previous board's controversial decision to retire the junior-senior high school's "Indians" mascot.

Back in late 2020, the previous committee voted unanimously to retire the school's "Indians" nickname. After several months of public backlash over the decision, the committee voted in June of 2021 to adopt "Bobcats" as the school's new mascot.

But at a meeting prior to this school year, the newly reconfigured committee voted 4-1 to rescind the previous decision to retire the mascot.

In a recently released statement, the current incarnation of the committee cited several concerns surrounding its predecessor's nixing of the mascot.

"The reasons that were discussed during that deliberation were around the fact that the North Brookfield School District is currently in the process of considering regionalization, and if it does become part of an existing regionalized district, the North Brookfield Schools' mascot would no longer exist," read the School Committee statement. "Members of this committee expressed concern about the process that was followed, and the timing of that process with regard to deciding to retire the mascot."

In defending their reversal, current com-

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## Local communities see isolated damage from October nor'easter

REGION — When it was announced that a late October nor'easter was headed for New England, residents couldn't help but think back a decade to the infamous Halloween snowstorm.

But this time, rain and wind were the primary effects of the Oct. 26 storm, and central Massachusetts narrowly dodged the most significant impacts of the system. Statewide, nearly 500,000 outages were caused by the storm, the majority of which took place in southeastern Massachusetts and coastal communities.

Almost a week later, hundreds of households were still in the dark.

Locally, damage wasn't nearly as widespread, although some communities saw isolated wind incidents. Leicester was among the most severely impacted towns along the Route 9 corridor. Residents and police found themselves at the center of the dam-



*Photo Courtesy*

age on some residential streets, but no major injuries were reported.

"We had trees down all night — the worst was Willow Hill Road," said Leicester Police Chief Ken Antanavica. "We had an officer hit by a branch pretty hard, but

**Downed during last week's storm in Leicester, this tree took out three utility poles on Willow Hill Road.**

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**Camp Marshall hosts Halloween happenings**

*Photo Courtesy*

Rain didn't dampen the Halloween festivities at Camp Marshall last weekend. Guests had plenty of fun during the indoor version of trunk-or-treat.

**BY KEVIN FLANDERS**  
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Mother Nature delivered a few more tricks than treats this past Halloween weekend, but guests still enjoyed themselves at Camp Marshall.

The camp's second annual two-day Halloween weekend program took place on Oct. 29-30. The program featured haunted walks through the campground, as well as a trunk-or-treat event for youngsters and their families.

Camp leaders were also excited to welcome the Headless Horseman to this year's event. This special guest appearance was made possible by

Sutton's Angela Kazanovicz and her horse, Aurora.

Although Saturday featured plenty of rain, guests weren't discouraged. Well-prepared for unfavorable weather, the camp staff moved the trunk-or-treat program indoors.

"Our trunk-or-treat was busier than last year's event, despite the bad weather. We were able to accommodate vehicles parking in our indoor riding arena so costumes, kids, and cars could stay dry," said Camp Marshall Executive Director Sheryl Moore. "We were thankful the Fire Department sent along some

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# School mask requirement extended through Jan. 15

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

REGION – Local students should prepare to wear their masks in school for at least a few more months.

Late last month, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) announced that the state's mask requirement in all K-12 public schools will be extended through at least Jan. 15, 2022.

After consulting with medical experts and state health officials, DESE Commissioner Jeffrey Riley notified school districts of the decision. Reactions across the state and along the Route 9 corridor have been mixed, with some parents and students praising the decision. Others are demanding that students be able to shed the masks at school.

State officials said their decisions are aimed at keeping kids in class and schools open.

"The DESE, in collaboration with medical experts and state health officials, will continue to evaluate and consider other criteria that could be used in the future to lift the mask requirement based on public health data," read a statement released by Commissioner Riley.

State leaders also cited the imminent vaccine availability for younger students as a reason to extend the mask mandate at schools.

"Massachusetts is a national leader in vaccination rates for adults and eligible children, and in anticipation of the vaccine becoming available in the coming weeks for children ages 5 to 11 years old,

this extension of the mask requirement will allow time for the elementary school population to receive the COVID-19 vaccine," said Massachusetts Education Secretary James Peyser. "This will be another big step forward in our efforts to keep school safe for our kids."

State leaders said they understand frustrations among students, parents, and teachers with masks in the classroom. They thank school communities for their cooperation in creating safe learning spaces for all. "Masks remain a simple and effective measure to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and keep students in school safely," added Commissioner Riley. "With the Test and Stay program, high vaccination rates, low transmission rates in schools, and all the hard work in keeping our students safe, our kids are able to stay in school where they belong and can flourish."

Officials in individual school districts are able to lift the mask requirement if they demonstrate that at least 80 percent of all students and staff in a particular school building are vaccinated. Requisite documentation of these numbers must be submitted to the DESE.

"Lifting the mask mandate through the vaccination threshold is a local decision made by school and district leaders if they choose to take advantage of it," read a statement released by DESE leaders.

For all other districts, all staff members and students ages 5 and older are required to wear masks indoors in schools, except when eating, drinking, or during mask breaks. Additionally, all

visitors are expected to wear a mask in school buildings, regardless of vaccination status.

It is strongly recommended that students younger than 5 also wear a mask in school, state officials said.

Students and staff members who cannot wear a mask due to medical reasons are exempted from the mask requirement. The exemption also applies to students who cannot wear a mask due to behavioral reasons.

Masks are not required outdoors.

"Since the start of the year, approximately 920,000 public school students have been learning in schools with minimal disruptions," Commissioner Riley said. "In addition to masking, this progress has been possible thanks to school communities working together to participate in the state's COVID-19 testing program, combined with high vaccination rates among eligible populations."

Massachusetts has also become a national model for surveillance and rapid testing in schools. More than 2,200 public and private schools have opted into either one or multiple forms of COVID-19 testing provided free by the state.

Recently, the DESE and the Executive Office of Health and Human Services launched a groundbreaking Test and Stay program for students identified as close contacts in school, allowing students to be tested daily and remain in class if they test negative. This program has already saved students across the Commonwealth more than 48,000 combined days of in-person learning this school year, officials said.



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he shook it right off. The traffic lights in the center were out for about an hour, which caused a few backups."

Other local communities, including the Brookfields, also saw isolated damages. Roads throughout the area were temporarily closed to allow crews to clean up storm damage.



## Knights of Columbus hosting spaghetti dinner

WEST BROOKFIELD — Knights of Columbus Council 11080 is having a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 13 in Dugan Hall, Sacred Heart Church, 10 Milk St., West Brookfield.

Proceeds from this event will benefit charities that the Council supports. Dinner includes pasta fagioli, garden salad, meatballs & sausage, spaghetti & sauce, bread, dessert, water, soda, and coffee. Cost is only a \$12.00 donation and \$8 for children under 12 years

old. Take-out is available at 5:30 p.m., and sit-down dinner is served at 6 p.m. Admission tickets are also good for entry for a special door prize! Raffle tickets for a 50/50 Raffle and more will be available! Advance ticket purchase is encouraged and appreciated! Tickets are available from any Knight or by calling 413-813-8100, or by emailing [wally-connor122@gmail.com](mailto:wally-connor122@gmail.com). Tickets will only be available at the door while they last!

some towns – the event helped salvage the Halloween of 2020 for many local families.

Looking ahead to future years, residents are hopeful that the Camp Marshall Halloween weekend program becomes a longtime tradition.

"We were beyond happy to put this event on for the community again this year. Not only does it put a smile on the faces of the children and parents, but also on the employees and Board of Directors here at Camp Marshall," Moore said. "We love when we get the opportunity to give back to the community and introduce someone who may have never been to Camp Marshall before to this wonderful place."

For more information about upcoming programs and activities at the camp, visit [www.CampMarshall.net](http://www.CampMarshall.net).

The camp is located at 92 McCormick Road in Spencer. You can also check out upcoming events by visiting the camp's Facebook page.

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firefighters to hang out with the trick-or-treaters as well. It was nice to see so many families also spending quality time in Andrew's Hall, playing games and enjoying our D.J. and concessions."

Several guests showed off their costumes at the event. And even though the camp's Saturday night outdoor activities were affected by the rain, guests still had a "spook"-tacular time.

"Saturday night, Mother Nature played a trick on us with the weather, but we still had a few daring families willing to go on a wagon ride with us," Moore added.

Last year, the frightful Halloween weekend programs at Camp Marshall were a major success as well, even with COVID-19 restrictions. At a time when most public group activities were canceled – including trick-or-treating in

## Town Clerk accepting voter registrations Saturday

SPENCER — Saturday, Nov. 6, the Town Clerk's office will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. to accept voter registrations in advance of the Special Town Meeting. After 2 p.m., go to the police station to register until 8 p.m.

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# Local holiday craft fairs make a comeback

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

REGION – After holiday craft fairs and festivals were canceled throughout the area last year, residents are looking forward to shopping local again in 2021. With COVID-19 restrictions in place last year, there were hardly any local fairs held during the holiday season. Not only did shoppers miss out on their annual tradition of supporting local businesses, but creators and vendors also suffered devastating losses. Some crafters missed out on thousands of dollars each weekend, and event organizers went a year without critical fund-raising supplied by the fairs. But in 2021, crafters are back and hoping for a strong holiday push in November and December. There are no shortage of events happening in our area; whether you live in the Route 9 corridor or closer to Route 20, the region has a strong lineup of holiday fairs. From jewelry, handmade soaps, and photography, to wood creations, holiday decorations, and edible treats, you can find a gift for everyone at local fairs. And with uncertainty continuing to surround shipping estimates for online purchases, area creators and festival coordinators are urging residents to focus local. On Saturday, Nov. 13, Tantasqua Regional High School in Sturbridge will host its annual holiday craft fair. The event will take place at the school from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The North Brookfield Elementary

School craft fair is back on Friday, Dec. 3. Hours for this unique evening event are 6-9 p.m. The following day, Dec. 4, it's East Brookfield Elementary School's turn to put on its annual holiday festival. The school will host the event from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Kids and families should be on the lookout for Santa Claus, as this event typically features an appearance from St. Nick. Also taking place on Saturday, Dec. 4, a little farther east on Route 9, Leicester High School will return its always popular holiday craft fair. The event will take place at the school from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. All proceeds from registration fees will go directly to the LHS Music Department, which is in the process of rebuilding programming. Funds will benefit a variety of projects and purchases, including new instruments, opportunities for competitions, and student field trips. "Rebuilding a small school program comes at a challenge, but we are growing every day and would love all the help we can get," read a statement released by event organizers. To round out the local holiday crafting season, Auburn High School will host its annual craft fair on Saturday, Dec. 11. The fair will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please be advised that the majority of indoor festivals have a mask mandate in place for guests and crafters alike. In the event of snow, check individual event pages to learn of possible postponements.

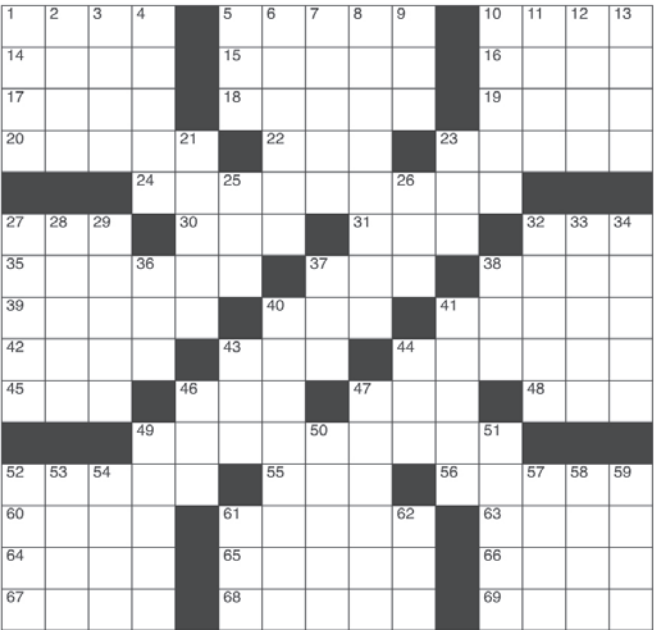
# Busy month ahead at Haston Free Public Library

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – Guests are invited to take advantage of a busy November schedule at Haston Free Public Library. Be sure to bring your friends to the library on Monday, Nov. 8, at 3 p.m. The library will kick off International Games Week with a fun-filled day of tabletop games. "Several companies, including Rio Grande, Looney Labs, and Noble Knight, have generously donated games that appeal to elementary age children and young adults. We will have these various games set up for in-library use, as well as some classics," read a statement issued by the library. The games will be available for play during International Games Week (Nov. 7-13). Games will subsequently be catalogued so patrons may check them out. The November selection for the Haston Library Book Group is "A Sand County Almanac

and Sketches Here and There," written by Aldo Leopold. The book is widely credited with launching a revolution in land management. Written as a series of sketches based principally on the flora and fauna in a rural part of Wisconsin, the book gathers pieces written by Leopold over a 40-year period. Having sold well over two million copies, the book remains a foundational text in environmental science. The library's book group will discuss it on Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. (the event will take place in the library and via Zoom). Copies of the book are available in the library. To learn more about the book group, or to access the Zoom link, call 508-867-0208. Back by popular demand, the next Haston Art Club workshop will take place on Monday, Nov. 8, at 5:30 p.m. The program will once again feature needle felting taught by Brianna Lamb; the project will involve making a two-dimensional Christmas ornament.

To register for this workshop, please call the library at 508-867-0208, as space is limited. There is a \$5 fee for materials. The Haston Art Club also met on Oct. 18 to draw pumpkins with local art teacher, Laura Dusty. "Laura showed us how to start with the pumpkin's shape, then add details and color. She taught us how to use lines and shading to make our pumpkins look three-dimensional, and to layer different colors of pencil to create a richer, more natural shade," the library statement read. Officials thank Dusty for her assistance at the program. Finally, guests are reminded that library officials want to hear your suggestions. If there are books or videos which you think the library should purchase, please call with your suggestions. To learn more about upcoming programs and activities at the library, call 508-867-0208.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Nuclear undersea weapon

5. President of Syria al-\_\_

10. Partner to flows

14. "Snow" in Welsh

15. Famed Mexican painter

16. Song

17. ticks outward from the crown

18. Doddering

19. Resist authority (slang)

20. Antsy

22. Wrath

23. Spills the beans

24. Past

27. The woman

30. One has 24 hours

31. Talk

32. It can sting

35. Astronomy unit

37. Halfway

38. Chinese dynasty

39. Australian river

40. Software to transfer audio (abbr.)
41. Fabric

42. Crucifix

43. Defunct European economic group

44. "Hotel California" rockers

45. Michael Knight's car

46. Actress Ryan

47. A digital tape recording of sound

48. Insecticide

49. Scientific instrument

52. Golden-\_\_ corn

55. Israeli city \_\_ Aviv

56. Sword

60. Ottoman military title

61. Aromatic plants

63. Cold wind

64. Large, semiaquatic reptile (slang)

65. Political unit

66. Indiscreetly reveal secrets

67. Comfort food dish

68. Actress Zellweger

69. Romanian city

CLUES DOWN

1. One point east of southeast

3. Warship prison

4. Tropical American tree

5. Alias

6. Normal or sound powers of mind

7. English county

8. Not compatible with

9. Female deer

10. Not late

11. La \_\_ Tar Pits, Hollywood

12. "Jupiter's Legacy" actress Leslie

13. Impudence

21. Advises

23. Founder of Babism

25. A baglike structure in a plant or animal

26. Male parent

27. A type of plug

28. Capital of Vietnam

29. Fungal disease

32. Shelter
33. Finished

34. Excrete

36. Unhappy

37. Partner to cheese

38. Coffee receptacle

40. Spend time dully

41. Makes full

43. Snakelike fish

44. Take in solid food

46. \_\_ student, learns healing

47. A way to take away

49. Impart a lesson to

50. "Transformers" actress Fox

51. Spiritual leader

52. Every one of two or more things

53. Indian city

54. 17th stars

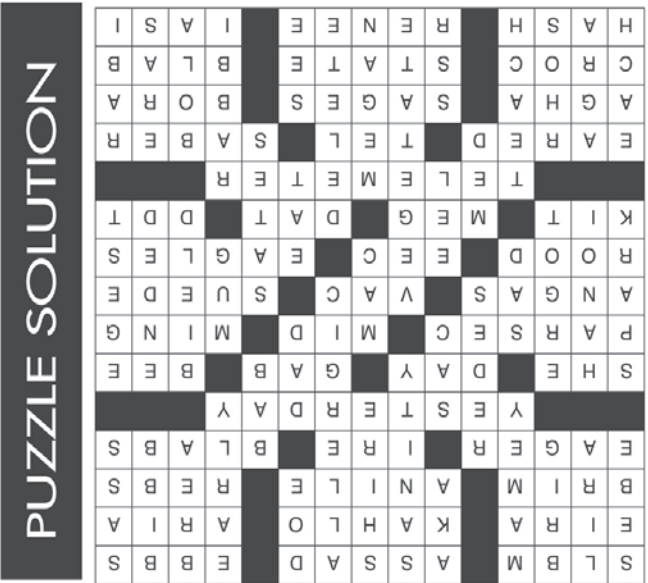
57. Weapon

58. Amounts of time

59. Isodor \_\_, American Nobel physicist

61. Soviet Socialist Republic

62. Witness



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mittee members also shared concerns over funding that would be needed to purchase new athletic uniforms and also replace the logo on school grounds and facilities. The current School Committee only features one remaining member from the previous board last spring. Two new members were elected in May, whereupon two other members with time remaining on their terms resigned from the committee. At a joint meeting between the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, officials appointed two replacement members to round out the committee. Several residents and school alumni members are praising the committee's recent reversal. In a non-binding question posed at the May 3 Annual Town Election, voters were asked whether they support keeping the "American Indian Chief" as the official mascot for the town and the public school system. Residents voted 401-168 in favor

of retaining the mascot. In the months leading up to the 2020 decision to retire the mascot, the previous committee provided several opportunities for public input on the issue. During a virtual public meeting in November 2020, a panel of Native American leaders explained why they feel offended by the use of certain nicknames and logos. "Some people think we should be honored, or they are honoring us. We are not honored – you are not honoring us. That is no way to honor a person, to use them as a mascot," Faries Gray, a sagamore (chief) representing the Ponkapoag Tribe, told committee members during the Nov. 2020 meeting. "We use animals and fictional characters as mascots, not human beings. We are not a trophy – we are a living, breathing people with feelings. There is no other race that has to deal with this – it's insane that we even have to have this conversation." During the winter of 2021, the school district put together a rebranding committee to identify a new nickname. The committee was comprised of school staff members; parents and guardians; students; and community leaders. After all of the information was gathered, rebranding committee members worked with HEARD Strategy, a locally based marketing company that offered to perform consulting services at no cost to the district. Months later, HEARD

Strategy designed, modified, and finalized the new "Bobcats" logo. Officials were thrilled with the results, including then-Superintendent Richard Lind. Flash forward only five months, and both Lind and the "Bobcats" are out of the equation at North Brookfield Public Schools. Lind has been replaced by newly hired Superintendent Mary Jane Rickson. Looking ahead, the mascot debate may not be over just yet, officials said. "This committee has said that at the end of the regionalization study, if the town votes not to regionalize, that it would revisit the mascot issue in a very inclusive manner that takes into consideration all viewpoints," the School Committee statement read. Because the School Committee's decision to reverse the mascot retirement was made prior to Superintendent Rickson's arrival last month, she referred the New Leader's inquiries on the issue to the committee. For the immediate future, committee members agree that the decision on a potential regionalization should be reached before the mascot debate continues. "As a community, we need to decide on regionalization or not," said School Committee Chairman Ronald Ryel. "If the community is not going to regionalize, then it would be up to the School Committee that is seated at that time to decide what the process would look like."

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# Oxford finally breaks through with important victory over Wolverines

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OXFORD — It was a brisk Friday night on Oct. 29 at Oxford High when the Leicester High varsity football team traveled to take on the Pirates in a game that had playoff implications. Leicester has dominated the matchup for a while, but Oxford stood their ground and flipped the script in this game.

As the final ticks came off the clock, one could feel the excitement from the Oxford sideline. When time hit zero the Pirates’ team ran onto the field after their 36-7 win over the Wolverines knowing that they just clinched a playoff spot for the first time in a while and for the first time in Jeff Clarkson’s seven-year stint as head coach.

Following the post-game conversation, led by junior lineman Zak Parmenter, the Pirates chased Clarkson around with a water jug looking to give their head coach a post-game shower. After a few moments of avoiding several attempts, Clarkson embraced the water shower and gathered his team with a big smile, breaking them down once more before heading to the locker room.

“Unbelievable,” expressed Clarkson. “Everything went right this week; we did everything we were supposed to do. We were able to sit some kids last week that were injured and everyone put the time in this week. Especially the coaches, I can’t say enough about my offensive and defensive coordinators; they work their butts off for this. They work every week, but this is just amazing what we were able to put together this week. I have the utmost respect for the Leicester team; I am friends with all of them. Like I said to the kids, we’re due. This is my seventh year coaching and every game has been fantastic against them, they beat us good a couple of times, but it was time.”

Oxford got off to a quick start once they saw how Leicester was covering their receivers and decided to air the ball out. Junior quarterback Lucas Lambert connected with sophomore wide receiver Connor Fantasia twice on the first drive, one being a 30-yard strike for a touchdown with 9:54 left in the first quarter for the first points of the contest. Oxford led 8-0 early after converting a two-point conversion. Fantasia caught two passes for 62 yards on the first drive. The sophomore ended with 5 catches for 112 yards and two scores and also added an interception.

“We just saw how they were covering our receivers and Connor Fantasia this kid is a sophomore and what can I say about him,” stated Clarkson. “Never mind on offense, he had an interception on defense. He got the Michael Ellsesser Pirate Practice Player of the Week. We do it every week in memory of Michael



Leicester’s Jessie Kinsumba runs away from an Oxford defender while carrying the ball.

Nick Ethier

Ellsesser. The kids that get it could get it every week and the kids embrace it. He was the man this week and he has been getting better and better every week.”

The Pirates led 14-0 early into the second quarter after scoring on their first two drives of the game. Jaden Morales sprinted for a 25-yard score on the second drive. But, following Oxford’s second scoring drive, Leicester was able to cut into the lead and make a mark in the game. Senior Griffin Metcalf corralled the kickoff at the Wolverines’ 29-yard line and scored for a 71-yard kickoff return.

The return gave Leicester a little life, but they were still unable to use that momentum completely. Despite the offensive struggles, the Wolverine defense kept the score close going into halftime, 14-7. AJ Direnzo and Hunter Senior were able to come up with red-zone interceptions to negate promising Oxford drives.

“We needed something,” expressed head coach Tim Griffiths. “We never got any momentum. If we could’ve scored before half it would’ve been a tie game. We played a horrible first half and we were only down seven. They were hungry and we were not. That is all there was to it.”

In the second half, Oxford took control and exploded for three second-half scores. They had their passing game going and Lambert was able to find running lanes to keep the chains moving. Lambert threw three touchdown passes and also accounted for 100 yards on the ground and a score. The junior made the highlight plays, but it was the offensive line that deserved a bulk of the credit. They controlled the trenches the whole game.

“When we dropped back to pass, the offensive line was just about flawless,” stated Clarkson. “He had no pressure all night long. I am so proud of the boys. These kids go on both sides and play every down in the game, Antoine Lacourt Ramos, Zak Parmenter, Quinn Clarkson, Travis Benoit, and Sam Boucher. Other than Antoine all those kids have been playing on the offensive line together since second grade. The offensive line is all juniors and one senior. I am proud of them. What a night.”

The only senior in the trenches, Lacourt Ramos was great on the offensive line, setting the edge for his quarterback on many big runs, but he also made a huge impact defensively. He accounted for two sacks and sniffed out Leicester’s tunnel screen many times.

“I have been reading that screen all week, watching film every day,” Lacourt Ramos expressed in great excitement. “I read it all game.”

Lacourt Ramos lastly expressed what it feels like to get into the playoffs his senior year.

“It feels good and motivating,” said Lacourt Ramos. “We have to work hard every day. That is what we have to do. We have been working all week and it feels good to get this win and get to the playoffs. It has been a while, 13 years since we have beat them. It feels good.”

Oxford, now 6-2, earned the No. 11 seed in the Division 8 State Tournament. They will tangle with No. 6 Quaboag Regional (8-0) in Warren on Friday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m.

Leicester is 4-4 and snuck into the Division 7 State Tournament. The Wolverines will play at No. 3 Hamilton-Wenham (6-2) on Saturday, Nov. 6 at 2 p.m.

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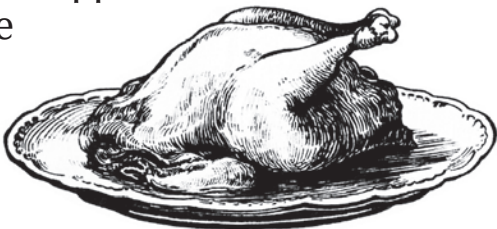
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Remembering  
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We remember the ‘good ol’ days’ when the thought of a video phone conversation would be epic. We thought the best we might get is something along the lines of Max Hedroom, who was introduced in 1984. What we ended up with is substantially better. What a great way to keep in touch with family members and friends across a far distance.

That being said, the rate at which technology is advancing is moving a bit too fast. It seems as though once an item has been unveiled, it becomes obsolete in a nano-second, paving the way for something better, faster and with more bells and whistles.

As time moves forward, how can we maintain a solid grip on our past? A recent trip to a local Historical Society had us speaking with those in charge, in regard to how ‘most people just don’t care about history anymore’.

The destruction of old buildings is becoming more and more common, and we wonder how that will affect future generations. It is one thing to look at old photographs of old schools, buildings, churches and other landmarks, however the history becomes more alive when you have something you can stand next too, observe with your own eyes in person, touch it, walk around and get a feel for how things once were. There really is a magic to it.

History is fascinating. The way things once were, the way human beings have evolved over the years and how things have changed are some of the best stories one can hear. History keeps us grounded and in tune with who we are, especially family history dating back as far as you can go. You could find out that your great grandfather was an Editor of a newspaper in Philadelphia and have an ‘a-ha’ moment, that perhaps that is why you’re sitting in front of a newfangled typewriter, writing, which is the case for this Editor. DNA is a pretty neat thing.

History is what has shaped us into who we are as a society. Preserving history is crucial in that it, if it can be done, represents different aspects of our culture, politics and economy. Being able to walk through Paul Revere’s house in Boston, gives us a direct connection to that specific time and place, often representing major milestones. The ability for those sites to connect the dots to where you’re standing over the years is something that should never be taken for granted.

If old buildings and structures continually are demolished, what will be left of our past? While we do understand that sometimes this is a necessity due to safety or financial reasons, we also have the motto, “If they can put a man on the moon, they can save a building.”

Preserving history is a way to appreciate our local and national heritage. Some buildings may be the only iconic ones left in a small New England town. Those are the places that give these small towns and big cities character. Often, even just one old building is enough to define a town. While new structures can draw in investments into a town, it is the history of a place that lures people to it.

Every major city, and every town worth its salt has a historic village. We feel it is our duty, as we move throughout our lives, to do what we can to protect the past.

In the words of Marcus Garvey, “A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots.”



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OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Commander in Crisis

To the Editor:  
To all of you who voted for the current President of the United States:  
Your sanctimonious, suffocating, sadism for grandiose giveaways, voracious victimhood, repugnant racism, odious union allegiance, and the corrupt climate crusade is idiopathic!  
Perhaps you need a vax!

The Commander in crisis, chaos and confusion is an absolute zero!  
And the VEEP...incompetent, inept, and elusive!  
Let’s go, Brandon! It’s going to be a long four years!  
More Jack, please!

JEN GAUCHER  
SPENCER

Welcome serfs

To the Editor:  
In reviewing [last] week’s publication, the total absence of any words from my fellow liberals is notable. Brothers McRae and Robillard both stood up with their righty versions of views on facts and disputable facts.  
One example of a disputable fact would be that elementary and secondary schools are planning to teach Critical Race Theory. I believe that if such a course exists, it would be college level. If what you really mean is that the unvarnished truth may become part of what is taught, as opposed to the Disney version most of us grew up with, I say it is about time. We have been sold such a long list of fantasies, about the morality and views and actions of founders, the moral rectitude of nation building in Asia and the Middle East, and the evils that socialism would bring, that our society is accustomed to being brainwashed. If you are not appalled when you hear Rudy G., testify in Congress that he is sure the election was stolen, because he read it on Facebook, or have actually reviewed the results of the Arizona clown show, and still think there was anything valid or other than pure show about turning what was to be a three week audit, into a five month , publicly funded rip-off, then you are part of the problem. It must be quite profitable, as many red states are thinking to tap the public coffers to fund the same show, and people are still sending Trump money to stop the steal.

Here are the facts — the world is now a complete oligarchy. Whether it is special interests funding re-election campaigns, or outright buying the loyalty of elected officials, or elections with pre-ordained results, whether in communist or third world dictatorships, we signed on to this when Citizens United became law, and using money and advertising barrages by special monied interests, became de-rigor.

Brother McRae has made the observation that China is buying us up. Do you really think that the country that just bought Smithfield Meats wants to have a shooting war with us? If you are actually paying any attention (and sadly, most Americans aren’t),

Death of free speech

To the Editor:  
The founders of our free republic knew one great lesson from history. For a people to be truly free, they needed to be able to express themselves without fear of arrest by those in power. That’s why they didn’t put any definitions in the Constitution of what constitutes free speech. They didn’t need too. Free means free. To try to define it means it is not free anymore, and can be defined by any group. As Americans, we all knew that for us to enjoy this freedom, we had to be just as strong mentally as physically. That’s why, as children, your parents taught rhymes like “ Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me.” It taught you to be strong mentally. Another one you were taught was “I’m rubber, your glue. Whatever you say bounces off of me and sticks to you.” You were taught these to be tough and to be able to hold your own in a discussion.

That has changed with the progressive Democrats and the liberal biased media. They want you to feel weak both mentally and physically. It makes it easier to control you. They, with the help of activist courts, have determined some speech is now not free. How have they done this? They have found that if you can make something harmful to your health, they can try to control it. The Democratic Leftists have determined that speech can be just as harmful as a physical weapon. They can drag out hordes of liberal trained psychologists to attest to this. They have used this twisted thinking to teach the young and weak minded to forego our most important freedom in exchange for protection by their party. They tell them that the “right” of free speech may cause emotional stress and lasting damage to the mind of others, so it must be changed. They

you might well find that many of the components we would need to conduct a war, come from China. They have pretty much cornered the market on computer chips. You cannot even complete the assembly of an American car, without the vast number of components sourced from China.

Now that you have decided to be supportive, and buy only things made in the USA, you are already too late. When you chose price and quantity above this policy, manufacturers were forced offshore to compete, and China eschews patents or any intellectual property. How does anyone compete with sweatshops that OSHA would shutdown? Also, if you believe in the old saw, that it takes money to make money, we borrow ours from them because they have it, largely from us.

Renmimbi is the actual name of the Chinese Yuan, which is currently 16 cents to the US dollar. There was once a fear that it would displace the dollar because of its stability, but since it is pegged to the dollar and China has so many US investments, not only is that unlikely, but foolish. We actually should be signing onto the entire \$3.5 trillion Build Back plan. The people succeeding in reducing or stalling it, are trying to con you into believing spending a third of our revenue on the military, but investing 3 percent of GDP in the people they are defending, is too expensive, especially since it is the oligarchs who would pay, many of whom continue to get rich from the military industrial complex.

Moscow Mitch is sitting back hoping we will eliminate the filibuster (a trick he used to stuff the court), anticipating big GOP wins in the midterms, because of the Dems failure to deliver, knowing the electorate will buy the barrage of disinformation, and ignore total GOP obstruction. He will claim Manchin and Sinema are DEMs- really? He will claim we can’t afford things while having put two trillion on your credit card and giving 83 percent to millionaires. I have said it many times before — nothing is too good for the American people, so keep buying in, and that is just what you will get.

KEN KIMBALL  
BROOKFIELD

have determined that the Constitution, being written by racist old white men, is no longer relevant in today’s world. With the help of high tech media such as Twitter, MSNBC and others, they have taken it upon themselves to redefine and regulate the speech of others. Their definitions are based on what they decide the impact of such words will have on the well-being of others. These factors are racism, sexism, agism, or any other ism that they decide is politically correct. Take, for instance, if a border guard says “I had to restrain the Haitian illegal immigrant from crossing the border.” The leftist politicians and media will say that the word “restrain” has emotional and negative connotations associated with slavery. Therefore, the border agent is racist and has emotionally hurt the immigrant. Joe Biden will instruct his Justice Department to swiftly deal with this border agent. He will be charged with hate crimes based on speech. The full power of the governments judicial system will be brought down on him. How does a person defend himself when subjected to this?

Another example is the protestors from Jan. 6. Many were let in by Capital police. Usually this is protected as free speech. It turns out that many protestors yelled derogatory statements at the capitol police. This caused irreparable emotional distress in these police. Therefore, the protest has been deemed by Pelosi and the left not as free political speech but now categorized as “hate speech.” It is no longer a political protest, but an insurrection by a hate group. Again, the full power of the government’s judicial system is brought down on them. They are locked up with no due process or access to representation. How does a person protest such a government

Build your  
‘cash’ account  
before retiring

If you’re going to retire in the next few years, you’ll want to start thinking about making some changes to your investment portfolio. And one area you may want to look at is whatever type of cash account you might have – because, when you’re retired, the amount of cash you have readily available may be even more important than when you were working.



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You can save for a short-term goal. You may have several short-term goals, such as a long vacation or a kitchen remodeling project. If you are trying to reach this type of goal within a year or two, you may want to start moving funds into your cash management account. For goals with longer time frames, you may want to consider using other types of investments appropriate for the specific goal and your risk tolerance.

You can protect some money from market volatility. When you’re a long way from retirement, you may not be particularly bothered when the financial markets drop, leading to a decline in the value of your investment portfolio. However, once you’re retired, those downturns might not be quite so tolerable. As a retiree, you may want to maintain one year of expenses (adjusted for outside income sources such as Social Security) in a cash management account for spending purposes. Knowing you have this cash set aside may help you feel more comfortable when markets are volatile. Nevertheless, holding too much cash has risks of its own. Retirement can last for more than 30 years, so you’ll want to be invested in enough equities and fixed-income vehicles to provide your portfolio with the balance and growth potential necessary to help you avoid outliving your money.

As you can see, building your cash management account can be helpful in several ways. So, in the years preceding your retirement, look for opportunities to add to this account. For example, you could use some of the money from a tax refund or a bonus at work. And, if you haven’t already done so, you might direct your bank to move a certain amount each month from your checking or savings account into your cash management. When you’re retired, do what you can to replenish your cash account as much as possible.

Your cash management account is important at every point in your life, but it may take on even greater meaning when you’re retired – so do whatever you can to keep it in good shape.

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when there is no free press or legal help? The answer is you can’t because you are an essentially a political prisoner like those imprisoned in Russia or China.

You see, when one party can control free speech and has the power of censorship in the media, we no longer have a Constitutional Democracy, but a Socialist Theocracy. Your rights are no longer defined by the Constitution, but by those in control. When those in power can charge and jail you for speech, now defined as a hate crime, it is just a matter of time before we are all silenced to their atrocities. No one dares speak up or they get taken away. The Socialist Left likes to say that because of the 7000,000 covid deaths all this is necessary and needed to bring about a real change in our society. That’s time to



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Liberalism is truly a mental disorder

To the Editor:

Back in the wasted and blasted lost years of a previous existence—my “salad days,” as Cleopatra called those of her misspent youth with Antony—the fever swamp, crazed, right wing world view which has possessed me ever since was formed and shaped by the books I read (especially “The Gulag Archipelago” by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn) and the radio talk show hosts (primarily Professor Limbaugh of the EIB Institute of Advanced Conservative Studies) I found on the dial wherever—except for liberal college towns—I went in this country.

One of that class of radio provocateurs of conservative angst was Dr. (he had an earned Ph.D. from Berkeley in some branch of science) Michael Savage, originally from New York City, but who later relocated to a studio somewhere in the San Francisco Bay area, of all places, to host a conservative-themed show. I didn’t care much for Savage even though much of what he said was fine with me.

It was what he had to say after cutting off crank moonbat callers once they had begun to get personal and ugly with him that I most remember about his broadcast style. In a gritty Brooklyn-tinged accent he would growl, “ Ah, get lost, you loser! Scram! I’m tellin’ youse, liberalism is a mental disorder!”

I used to think it was just part of his Brooklyn street shtick—his real name is Michael Alan Weiner—but now I know the doctor was just offering his diagnosis and meant what he said. I have come to see that he was exactly correct: liberals are clearly not right in the head, even though many of them pride themselves on the string of academic letters which attach to the end of their names. In being unable to understand human nature, in failing to acknowledge and appreciate the great and glorious gift they have enjoyed all of their ungrateful lives by having spent their days in American-style liberty, and by never even one single time—most of them—being able to concede that maybe, just maybe, they were wrong on anything, they have shown themselves to be daft, hare-brained, and fatally out of touch with reality.

As I’ve pointed out repeatedly on these pages, the laundry list of demonstrably failed policies, programs, and practices of liberals—which have brought our great Republic to the very edge of the precipice of destruction—is, at the local, state, and federal levels—inexhaustible.

For example, who but a liberal, no, a Democrat, could think it was a good idea to say to inner-city minority girls that as long as there was no husband or male provider in the house, she could stay home, do nothing, and see her handout from the government be increased with each additional baby she and some phantom father could produce?

Who, but the usual suspects, could believe for even a moment the solution to violent—indeed, unbelievably murderous—crime in Democrat-run cities could be addressed by de-funding and removing the police from the neighborhoods, the only hope for safety the good and decent citizens have, or had? Oh, there’s a berserk, drugged-out giant of a man screaming and swinging a machete down at the corner, can you get us a social worker (hopefully with a Master’s degree) out here to calm things down? Idiocy! Lunacy! All courtesy of over-educated liberal fools who live far enough away to assume they’ll never have to deal with the consequences of their own society-killing directives.

In their efforts to eradicate once and for all the traditional American work ethic—and thereby create yet more legions of pathetic Americans who, having fallen for the lie, must go to the government hat-in-hand for their very physical survival—liberals have, like the sirens of Greek mythology—lured millions of Americans onto the chimerical rocks of “free stuff for no work,” another sure-fire way to wreck an econ-

Culture wars

To the Editor:

I thought once Donald Trump was out of office and muzzled by social media, things would calm down, the crazies would either calm down or hold it in, and there wouldn’t be much to write about. Things have calmed down a little, but only in the sense that there isn’t a new batch of craziness coming out of the Oval Office every week. We keep re-hashing the same stuff over and over.

Mr. Robillard, however, never fails to disappoint. His recent opinion piece that schools shouldn’t teach History, Sociology, or “race” is quite interesting. I’m sure by extension he doesn’t believe schools should teach any of the humanities – ancient and modern languages, classics, literature, philosophy, history, archeology, anthropology, geography, law, religion, or art. All the humanities are tightly intertwined with each other – how do you teach a literature class without picking the book? That book will have historical references, sociological undertones, philosophical messaging, etc. I wonder if Mr. Robillard ever read “To Kill a Mockingbird” because I read that in English class in public school decades ago.

OK, so English and literature is out... Is it the parents’ responsibility to teach a kid how to read? At what grade level should we throw kids’ reading comprehension to the wolves since it’s impossible to teach without selecting the books?

Critical Race Theory is not taught in public schools, despite what Fox News might have told Mr. Robillard. There is institutional racism in our society, and it is tightly coupled with an honest understanding of our history. For parents that want their children to only know a whitewashed version of our history it makes total sense why they’d want to remove history from schools entirely... It’s hard to advocate for not teaching actual things that actually happened. Slavery for example has a long history throughout humanity’s recorded history, but of course in the United States it was about race and it was both defended and fought using Christian liturgical justification. Shouldn’t we teach the children how European empires, for all their faults, abolished slavery generations before the U.S. abolished our race based slavery? Shouldn’t we teach the role slavery played in the South joining the American Revolution after England abolished slavery? Shouldn’t we teach how some Confederates fled to Brazil with their slaves so they could have slavery for another generation?

Mr. Robillard states that he thinks schools should only teach “STEM” – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. I wonder how he feels about Biology classes teaching evolution. I wonder how he feels about Physics classes teaching about atomic particle decay, the microwave background radiation, the evidence for the big bang and the universe being 14 billion years old. I wonder how he feels about math classes teaching things like probability and statistics, calculus, and concepts like exponential growth – especially as it relates to virus transmission. I wonder how he feels about teaching economics – a field of study which straddles between social science and hard math.

I’m guessing Mr. Robillard’s children are being exposed to “inconvenient truths” that he wishes they weren’t. I assume he wants them not to be aware of all sorts of history so that his worldview and content might stick. I encourage him to provide as much information as he can to bring them into his viewpoint although I wish him luck in getting them to unlearn what he wishes they never knew about.

Mr. McRae has complained about the price of gas profusely. It is true that

gas is higher in 2021 than in 2020. Of course, the reason was last year we were in a global pandemic, with lockdowns around the world, a recession not seen in 100 years, and nowhere to drive. Supply and demand caused gas prices to plummet, and the price of oil actually went negative in places since it cost money to store. So yeah, under Trump the world fell apart and despite having nowhere to drive, gas was \$1.80. Today, the world economy is far healthier, people have places to go, and it has recovered to \$3.40 last check. Why? Demand is back. Of course, it’s worth mentioning that gas was far higher under George W. Bush (R), when it hit \$4.12, which, adjusted for inflation, would be \$5.25. Nice cherry picking, though!

It’s convenient that we speak of Trump’s record (pre-virus) as though his last year deserves a pass with regards to full employment. He inherited an economy running on autopilot until the virus hit, which he mismanaged bigly. Normally people complain and blame presidents about unemployment – people willing to work that can’t find jobs. Today we have the opposite problem, a labor shortage where there are more jobs than there are unemployed people... But yeah, let’s blame the current president for that one, too... Let’s blame those lazy people.

Another way to look at it is that we are actually at full employment, in fact beyond full employment to the point of a labor shortage. We have more open jobs than people looking for work. We haven’t seen this situation in my lifetime, it is quite odd. It makes me wonder how this happened... Then I realized Trump had no meaningful effect on illegal immigrants but he had an enormous effect on legal immigrants. He chopped Visa quotas left and right, cut high skilled visas by 50 percent with no economic justification, he blocked most refugees from coming here, he deported refugees that had been here for years... While he ejected legal immigrants and prohibited new legal immigrants, over the course of four years, it seems to me that we are at a deficit of millions of people that per the plan, would have been here... As part of our labor force... Doing jobs. It’s almost like we needed them...

Under Trump, sanity did not prevail. Under Trump, all the progressive undercurrents of this country were in full force, the only difference in the culture war is we had an angry old man at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. yelling at the TV and live tweeting. We have 140,000 rapes per year in the U.S., but I suppose it is really important to highlight the one or two, cherry pick if you will, the rape that supporters the conservatives in the culture wars while not caring about any further context.

Despite what Mr. McRae states, the border was not “finally, against all odds, secured.” Trump had nearly no impact on illegal crossings, they rose throughout his presidency (pre-virus), and 2019 was actually a spike in illegal border crossings. The only thing that pushed down illegal border crossings in 2020 was the pandemic, that calamity Trump famously mismanaged and has caused 742,000 confirmed deaths in Americans so far. So yeah, border crossings are up in 2021, because worst of this plague is behind us. It’s dishonest to use 2020 as a baseline for any comparison – use 2019.

Where I do agree with both Mr. McRae and Mr. Robillard is that America is going to hell in a handbasket. Democracy as a system is failing. A government by, for, and of the people can’t function when idiocy runs as deep as it does, when someone like Donald Trump can actually win (although he didn’t in 2020).

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remind them that their two great leaders had a much bigger toll when implementing their great new societies. It is estimated that Stalin killed 20 million in his new society. Mao’s number was 80 million. Wonder what ours will be when they take full control. In the last election there were 50 million Trump supporters. Their big problem is “What will we do with them?” If world history is an indication, then it is pretty clear what their solution is.

MARK ROBILLARD  
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## PROUTY

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David Prouty's Jess Fulmer looks up before making a play on the incoming ball.



Gabby Soter of David Prouty finds a way to kick the ball past West Boylston's Maddie Pitro.



Keeper Jocelyn LaMonda of David Prouty makes a save during penalty kicks in the Panthers' victory over West Boylston.

past four years.

"I love these girls so much. Being with them, soccer is fun again," said Fulmer. "I want to be playing all the time."

"When we first got in here, it was hard to play. Our record definitely showed it and we were just struggling," added Soter. "It wasn't fun to play soccer."

Last year, during the two's junior seasons — the COVID-19 year — where Prouty only played seven regular season games with no playoffs, Fulmer said "we clicked."

Soter noted: "The team culture also changed a lot. We could just tell that we were building up to this season."

And this season saw plenty of success. The Panthers went 8-5-1 in regular season play and then earned the No. 3 seed in the CMADA Tournament, their first time making the Central Mass. playoffs in 10 years. They easily beat No. 6 Narragansett Regional, 7-0, in the first round before tangling with the second-ranked Lions.

David Prouty scored first, in the 16th minute, when Fulmer launched a shot from 39 yards out. The ball fell perfectly under the crossbar and over the outstretched reach of the keeper's fingertips.

"I've done it in a few of the other games, and it's worked once before. I was just hoping," said Fulmer.

The Panthers took a 2-0 lead into the halftime break when they scored again, this time in the 29th minute. There, Olivia Pepin found Eliana Barnett, and she did the rest for the goal.

Then, in the second half, West Boylston (13-1-2) saw Serephine Jodoin score and teammate Maddie Pitro add two more goals, as the Lions suddenly led 3-2 with 2:30 to play.

But Prouty answered immediately, scoring 10 seconds later. Emilee Larson sent a long ball down the field, which Barnett tracked down. She then scored, forcing a pair of five-minute overtime periods.

After no more goals were scored in the sudden-victory sessions, the game went to penalty kicks to determine who would play in the CMADA final, although in the record books both teams earned a tie.

Barnett, Fulmer, Faith LaMonda and Soter all scored in PKs, and West

Boylston only scored twice — with Jocelyn LaMonda (12 saves) making a stop and another shot hitting the crossbar — as the Panthers survived and advanced.

"It's a dream. They deserve it, especially the two senior captains that have been through that struggle. They stuck through it," Blodgett said of that very moment of jubilation and its significance within the program.

"It finally paid off, 100 percent," added Soter.

In the CMADA Division 4 championship game, played at Assabet Valley on Saturday, Oct. 30, the top seeded Whitinsville Christian School won a 2-0 decision, with LaMonda making 21 saves in defeat. But the Panthers will take their 9-6-2 record into the Division 5 State Tournament, with the bracket being released after press time on Tuesday, Nov. 2.



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**Notice of Public Hearing  
Planning Board**

The Spencer Planning Board will be holding a Public Hearing on Tuesday November 16, 2021 in McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, , 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, and the hearing will be conducted in person and remotely on the following items starting at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:  
Major Site Plan Review/ Special Permit/ Stormwater permit– Applicant: David Franca, Franca Services; Owner: Gregory Lano; Location: 0 Donnelly Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R35-25. The applicant is looking for a Major Site Plan Review under Section 7.4, a special permit under Section 4.2 (A3 Multi Family in SR District) and 4.2.3, and a Stormwater permit under section 4.11 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to construct a multi-family housing development. The property is located within the suburban residential zoning district. October 29, 2021  
November 5, 2021

**Notice of Public Hearing  
Town of Spencer  
Tax Classification**

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on November 22, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the McCourt Social Hall at the Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer to discuss the percentage of the tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property for Fiscal Year 2022, pursuant to Chapter 369 of the Acts of the Massachusetts General Laws relating to classification and taxation of property according to use. Interested taxpayers may present their views verbally or in writing to the Board of Selectmen at Memorial Town Hall prior to or during said hearing. November 5, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
Docket No. WO17P2437GD  
NOTICE AND ORDER  
PETITION FOR RESIGNATION OR  
PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF  
GUARDIANSHIP OF A MINOR  
PERSON PURSUANT TO  
In the interest of:  
**Aleena Lynde  
Of: Spencer, MA  
MINOR**  
NOTICE TO ALL  
INTERESTED PARTIES**

**1. Hearing Date/Time:** a hearing on a Petition to Resign as Guardian of a Minor or Petition for Removal of Guardian of a Minor filed by **Jesseca Lynde** on **August 31, 2021** will be held on **11/18/2021 09:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing** Located **\*Probate Court, 225 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608\***  
**2. Response to Petition:** You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to: File the original with the court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.  
**3. Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.  
**4. Presence of the Minor at Hearing:** A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.  
Date: October 20, 2021  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
November 5, 2021

**Town of Spencer  
Conservation Commission  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law: Jennifer & Leonardo Viana have filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to extend the rear deck located at 15 Delude Avenue, Spencer, MA. Dominic & Maryann Brescia have filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to install a new deck at 31 Point Eastalee Drive, Spencer, MA. Jay Lussier has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace the deck at 49 Wilson Avenue, Spencer, MA. David A. Guertin has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to remove trees at 6 Lamoureux Lane, Spencer, MA. Kristin Hintlian has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to widen the driveway and add a retaining wall at 12 Bond Street, Spencer, MA. Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing

regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 6:00 p.m.  
Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman  
November 5, 2021

**The Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts  
Town of Leicester  
Melanie Jackson, Collector of Taxes  
Office of the Collector of Taxes  
Notice of Tax Taking**

**To the owners of the hereinafter described land and to all others concerned**  
You are hereby notified that on Tuesday the 23rd day of November, 2021, at 10:00A.M. at the Tax Collector's Office, 3 Washburn Square , pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of Leicester the following parcels of land for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

Assessed To 82 HUNTOON LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 3 Acres located and known as 82 HUNTOON MEMORIAL HW shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 44-A2.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59059 on page 63 inthe Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$5,674.13

Assessed To AFFORDABLE CAR-PENTRY INC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.282 Acres located and known as 201 CLARK ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 37-C6 and being part of the premises recorded in book 56882 on page 63 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$2,803.59

Assessed to ALCOCK TANNER J And ALDRICH HOLLY A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.514 Acres located and known as 42 REDFIELD RD shown on the Town ofLeicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23B-C2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 64042 on page 298 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$670.35

Assessed To APPIAH MONICA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.838 Acres located and known as 409 PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 39-B1.9 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60484 on page 370 in theWorcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,236.79

Assessed To BAILLARGEON DON-ALD JR  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.172 Acres located and known as 1 PINE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20D-A16 and beingpart of the premises recorded in book 58313 on page 2 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$17.18

Assessed To BEANDO BRYAN A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.363 Acres located and known as 19 SALMINEN AV shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 42A-A13 and being part of the premises recorded in book 32407 on page 122 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$226.75

Assessed to BELANGER JOSEPH R And BELANGER VICTORIA L  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.92 Acres located and known as 634 STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 35-B8.2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 17504 on page 173 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$3,422.41

Assessed To BROWN DUSTIN A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.128 Acres located and known as WILDWOOD LN shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 28B-B7 and being part of the premises recorded in book 55901 on page 383 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$110.45

Assessed to CANANE SR JEFFREY S

And KAMDHENU LLC  
JEFFERY S  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.288 Acres located and known as MAIN ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23D-B2.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12994 on page 208 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$323.88

Assessed to CARRELLI KEVIN And LISON AMANDA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.331 Acres located and known as 32 LAKE SARGENT DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 19A-D18 and being part of the premises recorded in book 61421 on page 276 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$25.27

Assessed to CENTRAL LAND DEVELOPMENT And SCHOLD DEVELOPMENT LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 2.076 Acres located and known as 10 OAK BLUFF LN shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 48-A1.8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60618 on page 127 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$333.81

Assessed to CENTRAL LAND DEVELOPMENT And SCHOLD DEVELOPMENT  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.917 Acres located and known as 4 OAK BLUFF LN shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 48-A1.5 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60618 on page 127 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$332.66

Assessed To CUTRONI SHAWN K  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.574 Acres located and known as MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-C11 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59475 on page 156 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$777.68

Assessed To CUTRONI SHAWN K  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1 Acres located and known as MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-C11.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59475 on page 156 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$143.74

Assessed to DAIGE PETER And ROL-LINS DAIGE SUSAN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1 Acres located and known as 1 WASHBURN ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 12-A1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 7626 on page 245 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$948.54

Assessed To DANIELS RONALD S  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.226 Acres located and known as 25 FAIRVIEW DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 41A-A13 and being part of the premises recorded in book 55764 on page 24 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$78.29

Assessed to DILEO VINCENT S And DILEO LISA J ;C/O LYNCH, JAMES  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.89 Acres located and known as 10 MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 4-B5 and being part of the premises recorded in book 23302 on page 237 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,309.91

Assessed to DOREMUS JESSICA And KATINAS TRAVIS  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.922 Acres located and known as 80 WILLOW HILL RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 24A-A49 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60049 on page 210 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$2,645.38

Assessed to DOYLE TIMOTHY R And DOYLE NANCY A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.507 Acres located and known as 821 PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46A-A8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 31146 on page 83 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$3,992.95

Assessed to DOYLE TIMOTHY R And DOYLE NANCY A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.505 Acres located and known as PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46A-A9 and being part of the premises recorded in book 26631 on page 134 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$59.10

Assessed To EDSON JASON P  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.344 Acres located and known as 5 CRESTWOOD RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 30B-E11 and being part of the premises recorded in book 62824 on page 36 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$2,316.26

Assessed To ELDRIDGE JOHN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 2 Acres located and known as 600 PINE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 41-A1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 63500 on page 338 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$887.29

Assessed To ESKAY BUILDERS LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.762 Acres located and known as 669 PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43A-C5 and being part of the premises recorded in book 63051 on page 253 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Orsdu \$312.76  
2021 Tax \$2,296.46

Assessed To EVANGELISTA SIRLEI R  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.75 Acres located and known as 340 MAIN ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23A-A42 and being part of the premises recorded in book 54179 on page 116 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$695.06

Assessed To FIRMIN ANTHONY  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.172 Acres located and known as 30 SECOND ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 22B-B6 and being part of the premises recorded in book 55630 on page 229 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Cvsdu \$1,824.20  
2021 Tax \$2,177.86

Assessed to FLEMING REVOCABLE TRUST And FLEMING MICHEAL  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.69 Acres located and known as 52 PAXTON ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20A-B10 and being part of the premises recorded in book 53724 on page 234 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$5,218.34

Assessed To FRAIN JOHNATHAN H  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.198 Acres located and known as 24 DEER POND DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20B-B4 and being part of the premises recorded in book 55293 on page 163 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$152.68

Assessed to GARCHALI JOSEPH And ESSIF FATIMA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.156 Acres located and known as 2-4 DALE CT shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46B-J1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 63741 on page 277 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$361.48

Assessed To GIRON JUAN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.476 Acres located and known as 15 CARLETON RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46D-C8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 62307 on page 335 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$3,829.40

Assessed to GRANT CORY D And GRANT EILEEN T  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.322 Acres located and known as 7 PRYOR RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 1-B1.4 and being part of the premises recorded in book 11196 on page 113 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$752.28

Assessed To GRENIER JESSE M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 3.23 Acres lo-



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cated and known as 111 WOODLAND RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 22A-C11 and being part of the premises recorded in book 57572 on page 156 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$86.62

Assessed To GUNTOR NICHOLAS J  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 2.509 Acres located and known as 27 PINE RIDGE DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 27B-A11.3 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59038 on page 292 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$21.70

Assessed To HARTWELL JENNIFER  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.23 Acres located and known as 7 WOODLAND DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 18B-B1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 44907 on page 354 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$651.51

Assessed To HOBSON MELISSA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.461 Acres located and known as 139 CLARK ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43-B2.16 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59445 on page 82 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,256.84

Assessed to HODGSON JOHN E And DYKAS LEON H 3RD  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 10 Acres located and known as PINE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 40-B5 and being part of the premises recorded in book 53748 on page 216 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$393.38

Assessed To JEZNACH C SHERRI  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 2 Acres located and known as 710 WHITTEMORE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 8-A13.7 and being part of the premises recorded in book 43706 on page 308 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$84.04

Assessed to LEVEILLEE WILLIAM J And LEVEILLEE ELIZABETH M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.209 Acres located and known as 474 MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-B3 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5052 on page 56 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$626.72

Assessed To LUSSIER TYLER  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.25 Acres located and known as 2 PATRICKS DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20A-A2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 58040 on page 89 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$505.04

Assessed To MADISON MICHAEL L  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.969 Acres located and known as 8 AUTUMN LN shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 31-B11.6 and being part of the premises recorded in book 17437 on page 154 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,152.91

Assessed to MAKI DOUGLAS And MAKI JESSICA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 4.76 Acres located and known as 256 RAWSON ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 27B-A22.11 and being part of the premises recorded in book 57603 on page 256 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$7,448.50

Assessed to MALONE PATRICK And BAYSTATE REALTY TRUST  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.587 Acres located and known as 303 STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 34B-G2.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 37859 on page 395 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$199.70

Assessed to MANCHESTER KARA And MANCHESTER ROBERT GERTRUDE  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.4 Acres located and known as 19 MAYFLOWER RD shown on the Town of Leicester Asses-

sors Records as Parcel Identifier 30B-E15 and being part of the premises recorded in book 47927 on page 176 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$26.56

Assessed To MASTRO VITO M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.459 Acres located and known as UTICA ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 25A-C2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5047 on page 562 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$27.35

Assessed To MCINTIRE BENJAMIN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.448 Acres located and known as WHITTEMORE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-A1.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 56344 on page 216 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$44.21

Assessed to MELANSON HALEY And BREAU DEREK R  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.454 Acres located and known as STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 34-B3 and being part of the premises recorded in book 61318 on page 87 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$29.24

Assessed to MILHEM EDWARD V JR And PERRY KAREN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.25 Acres located and known as 1130 STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 47B-B18 and being part of the premises recorded in book 56720 on page 48 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$309.97

Assessed To MILLER LISA M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 3.19 Acres located and known as 481 WHITTEMORE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 11-A3.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 41940 on page 160 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,325.41

Assessed To MOHAMMED AZAM  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1 Acres located and known as 4 POND CT shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23D-B1.5 and being part of the premises recorded in book 62806 on page 184 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$2,980.71

Assessed To MORALES IBSAN H  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.259 Acres located and known as 7-11 DENNY PL shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46B-G2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 63410 on page 102 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,301.11

Assessed To NIEBER IRENE Y  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.15 Acres located and known as CEMETERY RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 34B-F8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 10606 on page 327 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$78.68

Supposed Present Owner C/O MARY BURLINGAME; C/O WOMBOLT, CODY DANIEL  
Assessed to NORDIGIAN OVASANNA And CONNOR MARY K  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.505 Acres located and known as PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 46A-A10 and being part of the premises recorded in book 16939 on page 196 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$195.71

Assessed to NUTTALL WILLIAM E And NUTTALL DIANE R  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.171 Acres located and known as 10 OLNEY ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23D-B18 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5149 on page 65 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Cvsdsb \$397.05  
2021 Cvsdsb Cl \$238.23  
2021 Tax \$1,698.09

Assessed to ODOGNOGUE BREN-DAN E And ODOGNOGUE THERESA M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.206 Acres lo-

cated and known as 8 MAIN ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23C-G4 and being part of the premises recorded in book 12130 on page 122 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,603.66

Assessed To PETRO STEPHEN E  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1 Acres located and known as MARLBORO DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 41A-C19.2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 10648 on page 317 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$468.01

Assessed to PILEGGI UMBERTO And PLIEGGI RICHARD  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.734 Acres located and known as 47 HOWARD TR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 33A-F32 and being part of the premises recorded in book 64039 on page 193 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$473.54

Assessed to PROCHNOW EUGENE And PROCHNOW DONNA M  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.711 Acres located and known as FERNCROFT RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 41A-C1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 10283 on page 131 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$729.27

Assessed To RIOUX JUDITH C  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.935 Acres located and known as HEMLOCK ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-A7 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5951 on page 47 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$359.19

Assessed To RIOUX JUDITH C  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.311 Acres located and known as MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-A8.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 5951 on page 47 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$62.94

Assessed To RIOUX JUDITH CAROLE  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.1 Acres located and known as 489 MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 2-A8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 16329 on page 77 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,284.03

Assessed To ROMAN REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.282 Acres located and known as 81 SOUTH MAIN ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20C-A22.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60114 on page 109 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$4,372.57

Assessed to SANSOUCY JOHN E And SACCO DAVID  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 13.6 Acres located and known as MARSHALL ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 4-B6 and being part of the premises recorded in book 64121 on page 206 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$377.38

Assessed To SCHOLD DEVELOPEMENT LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 63.04 Acres located and known as 89 PARKER ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 42-B1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60004 on page 48 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$859.98

Assessed To SCHOLD DEVELOPEMENT LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 9.668 Acres located and known as PARKER ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 42-A1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 60004 on page 48 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Stiles \$189.86  
2021 Tax \$894.73

Assessed to SERRANO AGUSTUS And C/O PATRICIA CARROLL ;C/O MARTIN, THOMAS J.  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.5 Acres located and known as SOMERSET ST

shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 25A-A13 and being part of the premises recorded in book 4892 on page 377 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$59.01

Assessed to SERRANO AGUSTUS And C/O PATRICIA CARROLL  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.23 Acres located and known as NEWFIELD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 25A-E14 and being part of the premises recorded in book 4892 on page 377 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$9.08

Assessed To SHUDA MICHELE  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.43 Acres located and known as 152 PETER SALEM RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 31A-A2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 51936 on page 193 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$752.03

Assessed To SKOROMNIK ELANA A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.221 Acres located and known as 27 RAWSON DR shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 28A-D7 and being part of the premises recorded in book 59106 on page 168 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$2,650.79

Assessed To STAFFORD STREET PROPERTIES LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 37.22 Acres located and known as STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 35-D1.2 and being part of the premises recorded in book 58651 on page 294 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$577.16

Assessed to STAFFORD STREET PROPERTIES LLC And STAFFORD GJ LLC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 2.554 Acres located and known as STAFFORD ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 35-C12.1 and being part of the premises recorded in book 56941 on page 278 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$52.19

Assessed to THIBAUD PATRICK H And THIBAUD ROBIN A  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.219 Acres located and known as 44 GROVE ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 20D-G15 and being part of the premises recorded in book 64383 on page 93 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,035.43

Assessed to TOUCHE REALTY TRUST And MODERN STRUCTURES INC  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.18 Acres located and known as SOUTH ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 23A-A15 and being part of the premises recorded in book 64023 on page 152 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$328.48

Assessed to VALENTI TIMOTHY E And VALENTI BRENDA  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 1.77 Acres located and known as 51 PARKER ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 48-B1.3 and being part of the premises recorded in book 53934 on page 241 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$18.00

Assessed To WESSNER HOLDINGS CORP  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 0.964 Acres located and known as 710 PLEASANT ST shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 43-A8 and being part of the premises recorded in book 63429 on page 179 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$1,938.13

Assessed to WINSLOW RYAN And WINSLOW MEGAN  
A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, approximately 19.85 Acres located and known as BRICKYARD RD shown on the Town of Leicester Assessors Records as Parcel Identifier 38-A7.12 and being part of the premises recorded in book 62703 on page 383 in the Worcester Registry of Deeds.  
2021 Tax \$113.62  
November 5, 2021

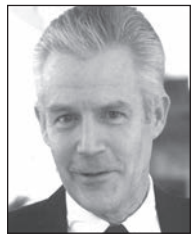
## TAX CLASSIFICATION HEARING TOWN OF BROOKFIELD



# OBITUARIES

## John S. Gittins, 81

John S. Gittins of Brookline, Bedford and North Brookfield, died on October 22, 2021, at the age of 81, from complications of pneumonia.



He is survived by Julie, his loving wife of 55 years, his wonderful son, Chris and daughter-in-law Stacy, beloved grandchildren, Isabel and Henry, steadfast sister-in-law, Jayne Howard and her family, and many, many cousins in the US and Canada. He is predeceased by his parents, Jack and Margaret Gittins, also of Bedford, MA.

John loved fly fishing, coffee and good conversation. He loved making and looking at art. He loved the challenges and engagement with others in computer systems analysis and in teaching psychology. He loved the physicality and camaraderie of playing football and being a paratrooper (82nd Airborne). He loved talking with friends, and, especially, he loved spending time with his family. He

found them wonderful to be around and valued their accomplishments. He loved talking with them and listening to them. He loved hearing and telling stories about them. They will miss his warmth, his humor, and his ability to put his finger on the meaning of things so clearly.

John's most valued career was that of art. He loved the challenges and the results of creating paintings, photographs and prints. He valued the many friends and supporters he found in the art world and the travel and engagement in shows in the USA and abroad. His paintings are in numerous museum collections, including the National Museum in Prague, the Fort Lauderdale Museum, and the Flint Institute of Art.

Calling hours were held at the Bedford Funeral Home, 167 Great Rd., Bedford, on Thursday, October 28, from 4:00-7:00 PM. Burial will be private.

Donations may be made to the Greater Springfield (MA) Habitat for Humanity, 268 Cold Spring Ave, West Springfield, MA 01809 or to any charity working to stop climate change.

## Norma C. Wiggin, 89

BROOKFIELD – Norma C. (Keith) Wiggin, 89, passed away peacefully at her daughter's home in Hull on Thursday, October 28, 2021. Norma was born in Worcester, the daughter of Willard and Edith (Howe) Keith of West Boylston.



Norma graduated from Major Edwards High School in West Boylston and Green Mountain College in Poultney, VT. She married her beloved husband of 25 years, the late Nathan Wiggin of Rockland, ME, in 1955. The couple lived in West Boylston, Southbridge, and lastly on Stiles Reservoir in Spencer and had owned and operated the Donut Chateau in West Boylston and Southbridge. Nathan passed away in 1980 and Norma continued working at the business for several years. Norma also worked as a Home Care Attendant for Nurse's House Call in the Worcester area and was named Employee of the Year. She later reconnected with her high school classmate, Bob Parkin, and they lived together in Brookfield until his passing in 2011.

Norma is survived by her daughters,

Deborah Wiggin and her husband, Paul Beresis, of Hull and Diane Wiggin of Naples, FL; four grandchildren, Sarah Wiggin of Tampa, FL, Adam Eldean and his partner, Yaritza Velez, of Baltimore, MD, Aaron DeFeo and his girlfriend, Ashley Durham, of Pompano Beach, FL, and Nora Eldean of Sandy, UT; her honorary granddaughter, Layla Eldean; her great grandchildren, Gavin and Garrett DeFeo; her nephew and nieces, Randy Keith and his wife, Patty, Linda Blake and her husband, Ned, and Lisa Hartman and her husband, Rick; her sister-in-law, Evelyn Keith; and the daughter of her longtime companion, Bob Parkin, Karan Parkin and her wife, Marianne Winters. Norma was predeceased by her brother, Robert Keith, of West Boylston's Pinecroft Dairy.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a calling hour from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. followed by a funeral service at 12 p.m. on Friday, November 5, 2021 at Miles Funeral Home, 1158 Main St., Holden. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wachusett Greenways, P.O. Box 121, Holden, MA 01520. To find a live streaming link for the service and to share a memory or offer a condolence visit [www.milesfuneralhome.com](http://www.milesfuneralhome.com)

## Thomas G DeCell 53

BROOKFIELD-Thomas G DeCell 53, loving husband, devoted father and grandfather, humorous brother and uncle and an even better friend, passed away on October 27, 2021 surrounded by his loving family.

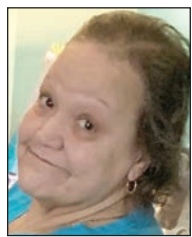
Tom was born in Worcester on May 26, 1968 a son of the late Elroy DeCell and survived by his mother Linna DeCell-Cleggett. He is survived by his wife Monica DeCell; two daughters Brittany DeCell, Kirsten Kuzma and his granddaughter, Stella Casillas. Tom was predeceased by his sister, Kim DeCell and survived by his brothers and sisters, Butch DeCell, Linda DeCell, Paul Mangan, Tammy DeCell-Johnson, Craig DeCell, Loni Collette, Jennifer DeCell-Parker, Matthew DeCell and

Ryan DeCell. Tom has several loved nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tom was employed by FlexCon in Spencer for 20 years. He loved playing and watching sports, ice fishing, snowmobiling, spending time with his fur babies and joking around with loved ones. Tom will be missed by all, and remembered for being a kind family man.

A private graveside services will be held for the family and close friends in Brookfield Cemetery. A celebration of life, where all are welcome, will be held on November 27, 2021 at 4pm in the Brookfield Rod & Gun Club 56 Webber Rd Brookfield MA 01506. Arrangements are under the care of Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Rd. Brookfield.

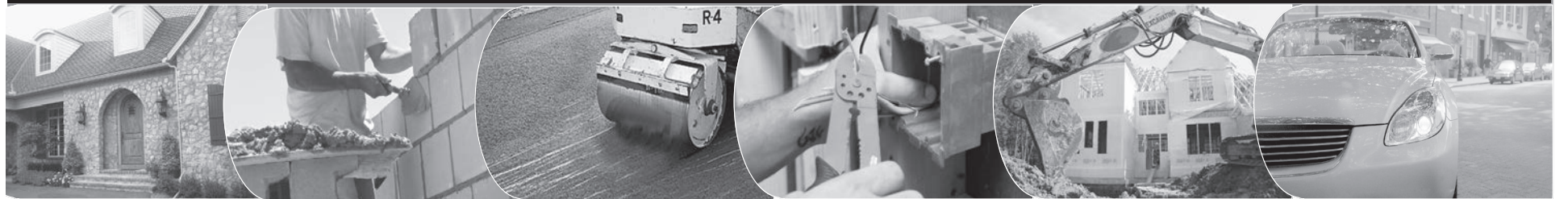
## Belinda Booth, 65



SPENCER: Belinda Booth, 65, passed away on October 23, 2021. Belinda leaves behind her wife of 21 years Brenda Dupsha; their son Christopher Dupsha and his wife Susan; and her beloved dog Foster. Belinda was born in Worcester daughter to the late Harry Booth Sr. and Dorothy (Jackson) Booth. She is pre-de-

ceased by her 2 brothers John Bird Sr., and Stephen Bird. Belinda attended Fanning Trade School and graduated in 1976. She was a homemaker who loved to bake and spend time with her family. She loved to work on the cross-stitch and play her Gameboy. Belanger-Bullard Funeral Home, 51 Marcy St. Southbridge, is directing arrangements. An online guestbook is available at [www.BelangerFuneralHome.com](http://www.BelangerFuneralHome.com)

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# POLICE REPORTS

## Spencer Police

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20  
12:22-2:33 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:52 a.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 6:35 a.m.: medical/general (Taylor Drive); 7:22 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 8:43 a.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), questions for ACO; 9:32 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: hitchhiker; 9:37 a.m.: animal complaint (Bixby Road), loose dog; 10:03 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 10:34 a.m.: animal complaint (Borkum Road), mt. lion in area; 11:31 a.m.: medical/general (Wall Street); 12:42 p.m.: fire (Main Street), referred; 12:57 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), poss. sick bird; 1:04 p.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 1:34 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 2:03 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 3:39 p.m.: animal complaint (Greenville Street), dead porcupine; 3:57 p.m.: medical/general (Briarcliff Lane), lift assist; 4:37 p.m.: residential alarm (Roys Drive), services rendered; 4:57 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Sturbridge PD bolo; 5:37 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 5:39 p.m.: fire alarm (West Main Street), referred; 6:06 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village), lift assist; 7:122 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: family issue; 8:17 p.m.: medical/general (McDonald Street); 8:53 p.m.: officer wanted (Old Farm Road), restraining order inquiry; 10:22 p.m.: medical/general (McDonald Street); 10:23 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 10:43 p.m.: building checked, secure; (Total daily mv stops – 0).

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21  
12:14-2:02 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:18 a.m.: medical/general (Borkum Road); 8:55 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; 9:32 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 9:37 a.m.: medical/general (Irving Street); 9:39 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 1:23 p.m.: mv repossessed (Woodside Road), info taken; 1:25 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 1:48 p.m.: sex offender registration (West Main Street), assisted; 2:25 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 3:01 p.m.: mutual aid (Donnelly Cross Road), req. assist DCF; 3:16 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), misdial; 3:17 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 4:25 p.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 5:16 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), misdial; 5:27 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), caller

## Police seek information on recent theft



Photo Courtesy

Police are seeking tips from the public on this dark-colored sedan that may have been involved in a recent crime.

SPENCER – Police are asking the public for tips following a theft last month.  
On Oct. 25, the Spencer Police Department received a report of a theft from an unlocked vehicle at Guarantee Fitness. The suspects were described as Black males operating a

dark-colored sedan.  
An investigation revealed that two similar thefts took place in Paxton and Leicester.  
If you have information on the incident or the suspects' vehicle, contact SPD Detective Christopher Inzerillo at 508-885-6333.

sprayed w/water; 5:38 p.m.: animal complaint (Pleasant Street), barking dog; 5:41 p.m.: vandalism (Bixby Road), mv damaged by juveniles; 5:42 p.m.: suspicious mv (Hastings Road), spoken to; 5:46 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), rep. assault in Worcester; 5:52 p.m.: disturbance (Old Farm Road), req. restraining order; 6:39 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), hang-up X 2; 6:31 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 6:34 p.m.: medical/general (Grove Street); 8:05 p.m.: disturbance (West Main Street), daughter OOC; 8:25 p.m.: animal complaint (Kingsbury Road), cow in road; 8:39 p.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), noise complaint; 8:49 p.m.: medical/general (Wall Street); 9:06 p.m.: fire alarm (Maple Street), referred; 11:16 p.m.: officer wanted (Rene Drive), req. officer pick up food; (Total daily mv stops – 1).

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22  
12:05 a.m.: animal complaint (West

Main Street), re: dog in distress; 1:42-2:07 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:46 a.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 4:58 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 7:56 a.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), false alarm; 8:07 a.m.: suspicious persons (Donnelly Cross Road), investigated; 8:14 a.m.: fraud (Main Street), phone scams; 8:37 a.m.: medical/general (Lake Street); 8:46 a.m.: officer wanted (Summit Street), re: furniture removal; 9:02 a.m.: intelligence/criminal (West Main Street), info given/Douglas PD; 9:11 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: previous accident; 9:21 a.m.: mv theft/plate only (R. Jones Road), info taken; 11:59 a.m.: residential fire (Ash Street), referred; 12:05 p.m.: disabled mv (Greenville Street), assisted; 1:29 p.m.: animal complaint (Highland Street), loose dog; 1:30 p.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), c/o neighbor cut camera wires; 1:43 p.m.: medical/general (Bacon Hill Road); 2:44 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 3:18 p.m.: suspicious mv (Hastings Road), investigated; 3:56 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 4:28 p.m.: accident (Ash Street), dirt bike struck car; 6:18 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 6:36 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Franklin Street), open line; 7:37 p.m.: fire alarm (Chickering Road), false alarm; 8:46 p.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 9:03 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operator; 9:46 a.m.: residential alarm (Sunberg

Road), services rendered; 9:47 p.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 10:18 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); (Total daily mv stops – 1).  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23  
12:30 a.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street), noise complaint; 2:48 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Tom Casey Road), accidental; 4:02 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 7:10 a.m.: accident (North Spencer Road), mv vs deer; 7:48 a.m.: lost/found (Chestnut Street), wallet found; 9:41 a.m.: officer wanted (Church Street), spoken to; 10:06 a.m.: 911 call (Main Street), accidental; 10:48 a.m.: DPW call (Grove Street), water main break; 10:58 a.m.: animal complaint (Donnelly Cross Road), dog in distress; 12:25 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:12 p.m.: school alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 1:18 p.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), hit/run; 3:24 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), cell phone found; 4:07 p.m.: RV complaint (Pleasant Street), dirt bikes in road; 5:41 p.m.: officer wanted (Greenville Street), re: poss. stalking; 8:29 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:40 p.m.: disturbance (Smithville Road), noise complaint; 9:42 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Sturbridge PD bolo; 9:44 p.m.: animal complaint (Holmes Street), missing dog; 9:58 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), noise complaint; 10:27 p.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street), poss. domestic assault; 10:32 p.m.: disturbance (Smithville Road), noise complaint; 11:42 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; (Total daily mv stops – 2).

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24  
12:56-1:51 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:36 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Lake Street), accidental; 7:52 a.m.: animal complaint (High Street), loose/missing dog; 8:39 a.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), services rendered; 9:57 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), investigated; 12:39 p.m.: officer wanted (North Spencer Road), VIN number inquiry; 2:57 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 3:25 p.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), re: issue w/granddaughter; 3:45 p.m.: disturbance (Browning Pond Road), family dispute; 4:04 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), services rendered; 5:06 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Mechanic Street), no contact; 5:21 p.m.: suspicious persons (Lincoln Street), investigated; 6:14 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), custody issue; 6:29 p.m.: animal complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), re: neighbor's dog; 7:02 p.m.: medical/general (Thompson Pond Road), lift assist; 7:21 p.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 7:34 p.m.: fraud (Cornfield Road), computer hacked; 7:39 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operator; 9:59 p.m.: animal complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), poss. dog in distress; 10:14 p.m.: juvenile matter (Charlton Road), services rendered; 11:30 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; (Total daily mv stops – 2).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25  
12:02-1:16 a.m.: buildings checked, Turn To **POLICE LOG** page **A19**

## LEGALS

In accordance with Chapter 369 of the Acts of 1982, the Brookfield Board of Selectmen will hold a Classification Hearing on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 6:30 PM, at the Brookfield Town Hall, 6 Central Street, Brookfield Mass in the first floor Banquet Hall to determine the residential factor for the Town of Brookfield to be used in setting the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2022.  
Beth L. Coughlin, Chair  
Linda M. Lincoln, Vice-Chair  
Adam J. Jolicoeur, Clerk  
November 5, 2021

**Town of West Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals**  
A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the West Brookfield Town Hall, to act on an application for a Variance, for James and Michelle Wojcik for the property located at 40 Wigwam Road, West Brookfield. The applicant wishes to keep their shed in the front yard at this conforming property in Rural Residential District. This requires a variance as per section(s)  
-4.3 Modifications to the Dimensional Requirements: \$4.33 Location of Accessory Building, (et al)  
October 29, 2021  
November 5, 2021

**A.C. 92A Commonwealth of Massachusetts 21E0059PP Worcester, ss. Probate Court**

To Michael R. Santos of Spencer in the County of Worcester and to all persons interested. A petition has been presented to said Court by Kelley McFee, of Spencer in the County of Worcester representing that she holds as tenants in common an undivided part or share of certain land lying in Spencer in said County Worcester and briefly described as follows:  
of 136 North Spencer Road, in the County of Worcester that she holds as tenants in common an undivided part or share of the following described land situated in Spencer, in the County of Worcester, which she wishes to hold in severalty:  
a certain tract of land with buildings hereon, situated in Spencer on easterly side of the Spencer-Paxton Road, Route 31, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a WCHB on the easterly side of said Route 31;  
THENCE northeasterly by a curve to the right, fifty-two and sixty-four hundredths (52.64) feet to a stake, the radius of said curve being seven hundred and seventy-five (775) feet;  
THENCE S. 83° 44' 47" E., three hundred and sixty-eight and twelve hundredths (368.12) feet to a stake by the west bank of the Seven Mile River;  
THENCE S. 11° 42' 42" E., fifty-five and twenty-two hundredths (55.22) feet by said river to a stone knocker at the end of the stone wall;  
THENCE S. 86° 58' 50" W., two hundred and sixteen and fifty-two hundredths (216.52) feet by said wall to a corner of walls;  
THENCE S. 85° 17' 20" W., one hundred and sixty-four and fifty-four (164.54) feet to a stake in the easterly line of said highway, Route 31;  
THENCE N. 00° 35' 53" E., sixty-seven and twelve hundredths (67.12) feet to the point of beginning.  
Containing about 32,160 square feet of land.  
and your petitioner further represents that the names and residences of all the tenants in common and their respective shares and proportions and the nature setting forth that she desires that – all – the aforesaid described part – of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$220,000.00 dollars, and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyances of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private-sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.  
If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Worcester before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirtieth day of November 2021, the return day of this citation.  
Witness, LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of October 2021.  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
October 29, 2021  
November 5, 2021  
November 12, 2021

## Friday's Child



Maxxon Age 13

Hi! My name is Maxxon and I love music!

Maxxon is a sweet, inquisitive, and kind boy of Caucasian and Hispanic descent. He is generally easy-going and calm. His favorite activities include riding his bike and watching television. Maxxon is fascinated with broadcasting and radio. He also enjoys interacting with adults and loves music, especially classic rock. Maxxon has a good sense of humor and will often surprise everyone with a funny joke out of nowhere.

Maxxon is currently attending a therapeutic school with extra supports. He is doing well overall

in school and gets along with his peers. He can do his own daily care and hygiene, and with a little adult support is comfortable accessing his community.

Legally freed for adoption, Maxxon is eagerly awaiting his forever home. His social worker believes that he will thrive in a nurturing family of any constellation, with or without other children in the home. Maxxon has an Open Adoption Agreement and an adoptive family must be willing to help him visit with his birth father three times a year. Maxxon also has two half-sisters in Massachusetts who he would like to remain connected to. Maxxon can be placed outside of Massachusetts but must be within driving distance of the central part of the state.

### Who Can Adopt?

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

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

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





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**Webster Lake - 1301 Treasure Island CONDO**

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### DUDLEY - 10 MILL ROAD



Beautiful family home! 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, newer widows & heating system. Mini split system. Hardwoods. Lg eat-in kitchen /Corian counters & Island! Warming fireplace with handsome mantel. Generous dining room, spacious enough for your family gatherings. lower level fireplace family room. Harmon pellet insert! 2 car garage. Reduced **\$340,000.**

### WEBSTER - 23 EMERALD AVE.



Extraordinary Find! Beautiful 2 Family! Owner occupied with pride and it shows. Grand Front Entry! 3,012 SF +/- living area. 12 rooms, 6 bedrooms, 2 updated Baths. 2nd Flr - Granite Countertops! High ceilings & Hardwood Floors, Modern Kitchens. Manicured 13,525 SF Lot with a Hip roof 3 car garage! **\$439,900**

### WEBSTER - 135 LAKE STREET



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### WOODSTOCK CT - 110 JOY RD



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### Featured Island Listing! Webster Lake - 22 Long Island



Once in a lifetime opportunity to own a Webster Lake Waterfront Cottage on Long Island! Properly named the "Grand View". Sandy beach, boat house! Antique Cottage w/5 Rms, 3 BRS, a stone fireplaced w/pellet stove, eat-in kitchen w/modern appliances, full bath! washer/dryer. Screened porches. Included, 25% ownership share in a main land waterfront lot at 38 Point Pleasant Rd, in sheltered Mumford Cove! land provides boat slip & winter storage. A FAR AWAY PLACE NEAR BY! **\$389,900.**

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### LAND WEBSTER/OXFORD/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS

Oxford - 2 Meriam Rd 80 +/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton! Great Location for Horses! **ON DEPOSIT \$329,000.**

Oxford - 4 Leicester St - Approx. 8.47 ACRES! River Frontage Possible to be Subdivided! **\$89,900.**

WEBSTER - DOUGLAS RD 26 ACRES on SUGARLOAF HILL. 1000+/- ft of frontage! **SORRY, SOLD! \$200,000**

Webster - Cooper Road 2 Buildable Lots! Water & Sewer Access. Zoned Lake Res! **ON DEPOSIT! Each \$24,500.**

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### Webster Lake - 300 Killdeer Island

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS! A WEBSTER LAKE waterfront property on Killdeer Circle, you won't want to miss! Offers a prime waterfront location! 64' of water frontage and a gently sloping landscape to waters edge. Crystal clear, sandy bottomed shoreline. Everyday is a new day at the Lake! Nicely arranged floor plan. 5 rooms 2 bedrooms, 2 baths! Walk out lowerlevel to nice size patio! Garage. **\$650,000.**

### WEBSTER - 401 TREASURE ISLAND CONDO



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secure; 7:55 a.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), referred; 8:58 a.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), re: photo on Snapchat; 9:03 a.m.: medical/general (McDonald Street); 9:48 a.m.: suspicious persons (Church Street), investigated; 10:18 a.m.: juvenile matter (Briarcliff Lane), family issue; 10:25 a.m.: larceny (North Spencer Road), theft/personal items; 12:55 p.m.: animal complaint (Hastings Road), missing cat; 1:01 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), tenant issues; 1:04 p.m.: DPW call (West Main Street), N-Grid storm notice; 1:48 p.m.: larceny (Lincoln Street), pkg. taken from porch; 2:02 p.m.: officer wanted (Pope Street), re: letter rec'd; 2:15 p.m.: restraining order service (Wilson Street); 2:28 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 2:48 p.m.: animal complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), bobcat killing chickens; 2:49 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 3:39 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), apt. lockout; 4:00 p.m.: animal complaint (High Street), services rendered; 5:35 p.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services rendered; 5:37 p.m.: accident (Greenville Street), hit/run; 6:47 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), req. welfare check; 7:29 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 7:47 p.m.: animal complaint (Mechanic Street), dog attacked by neighbor's dog; 8:28 p.m.: elderly matter (Wall Street), poss. theft; 10:40 p.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; (Total daily mv stops – 2).

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26**  
12:38-1:24 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:15 a.m.: elderly matter (Main Street), services rendered; 8:12 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 9:07 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; 9:29 a.m.: animal complaint (Ash Street), missing cat; 10:26 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 11:20 a.m.: medical/general (South Spencer Road); 11:24 a.m.: larceny (Main Street), cell phone stolen; 12:38 p.m.: intelligence/criminal (West Main Street), info give/Worcester PD; 1:15 p.m.: officer wanted (Meadow Road), re: assistance w/employee; 1:19 p.m.: 911 call (Ash Street), open line; 2:14 p.m.: sex offender registration/annual (West Main Street), assisted; 2:40 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), apt. lockout; 3:05 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), req. welfare check; 3:54 p.m.: multiple LTC issued/3 (West Main Street), assisted; 4:52 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 5:47 p.m.: disturbance (Pioneer Valley Drive), domestic dispute; 5:51 p.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 7:04 p.m.: suspicious persons (Bell Street), investigat-

ed; 9:08 p.m.: accident (Ash Street), hit/run; 10:58 p.m.: medical/general (East Charlton Road); 11:17 p.m.: DPW call (East Charlton Road), tree down; (Total daily mv stops – 0).

Leicester Police

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21**  
2:19 a.m.: animal complaint (Mayflower Road), services rendered; 9:17 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 9:24 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:34 a.m.: welfare check (Anna Circle), assisted; 9:45 a.m.: ambulance (Howe Village, Spencer), transported; 11:21 a.m.: welfare check (Warren Avenue), resolved; 11:25 a.m.: welfare check (Main Street), unfounded; 1:41 p.m.: mv stop (Henshaw Street), verbal warning; 3:07 p.m.: larceny (Mulberry Street), report taken; 4:38 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:41 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 4:48 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Stafford Street), resolved; 5:25 p.m.: EMS response (Stafford Street, Charlton), transported; 8:24 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mannville Street), spoken to; 8:39 p.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), spoken to; 8:48 p.m.: suspicious mv (Huntoon Memorial Highway), spoken to; 10:17 p.m.: malicious mischief (Stafford Street), resolved.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22**  
12:07 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, mv towed; 12:55 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:31 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:50 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Louis Ferdin Rosario, 43, 7 DeLoss Street, #1R, Framingham, op w/license revoked as habitual traffic offender, marked lanes violation, arrest; 5:07 a.m.: ambulance (Maple Street, Spencer), no service; 8:22 a.m.: malicious mischief (Main Street), report taken; 2:47 p.m.: EMS response (Main Street, Spencer), transported; 3:31 p.m.: welfare check (Bunker Hill Road), assisted; 4:13 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 6:40 p.m.: accident/hit & run (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, negligent operation, leaving the scene of a personal injury accident, criminal application issued; 6:50 p.m.: EMS response (Stafford Street), transported; 7:38 p.m.: suspicious person (Patrick's Drive), gone on arrival 8:22 p.m.: welfare check (Pleasant Street), transported to hospital; 9:06 p.m.: EMS response (Olney Street), transported; 9:42 p.m.: malicious mischief (South Main Street), no action required; 9:59 p.m.: EMS response (Mechanic Street, Spencer),

transported; 10:35 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), report taken; 11:20 p.m.: threats (Main Street), unbale to locate.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
12:07 a.m.: EMS response (Main Street), transported; 12:21 a.m.: welfare check (South Main Street), resolved; 12:31 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 12:53 a.m.: accident (Stafford Street), report taken; 1:12 a.m.: investigation (Foster Court), services rendered; 1:29 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 3:33 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 5:32 a.m.: welfare check (Main Street), taken to family member/guardian; 8:51 a.m.: EMS response (Hemlock Street), transported; 11:01 a.m.: fraud (Edward Street), report taken; 12:21 p.m.: wires down (Paxton Street), unfounded; 12:50 p.m.: EMS response (Main Street), transported; 1:20 p.m.: assist other agency (Main Street), unable to locate; 1:25 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), no action required; 2:08 p.m.: assist citizen (Waite Street), referred; 3:03 p.m.: accident/hit & run (Soojians Drive), spoken to; 4:11 p.m.: EMS response (Stafford Street), transported; 4:33 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 6:11 p.m.: EMS response (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 9:32 p.m.: welfare check (Sargent Street), spoken to; 9:51 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 10:01 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
1:06 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:18 a.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), services rendered; 3:01 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 3:24 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 3:28 a.m.: EMS response (King Street, Worcester), transported; 3:56 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 10:31 a.m.: fraud (Ingram Road), spoken to; 1:07 p.m.: EMS response (Virginia Drive), transported; 3:29 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 3:30 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), resolved; 4:28 p.m.: stolen mv (Soojians Drive), resolved; 6:08 p.m.: larceny (Soojians Drive), report taken; 6:45 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:00 p.m.: EMS response (Stafford Street), transported; 9:51 p.m.: suspicious person (Chapel Street), unfounded.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 25**  
12:57 a.m.: open door/window (Winslow Avenue), resolved; 1:45 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:48 a.m.: suspicious mv (Crystal Street), resolved; 7:00 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 9:01 a.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 10:06 a.m.: arrest warrant service (Olney Street), services rendered; 11:40 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 12:11 p.m.: dis-

turbance (South Main Street), spoken to; 3:28 p.m.: animal complaint (Leela Lane), services rendered; 4:44 p.m.: mv b&e (Main Street), transported; 5:03 p.m.: EMS response (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26**  
1:17 a.m.: suspicious mv (Winslow Avenue), spoken to; 3:43 a.m.: municipal security alarm (Paxton Street), false alarm; 5:18 a.m.: municipal security alarm (Paxton Street), false alarm; 8:42 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 9:33 a.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 11:07 a.m.: parking complaint (Breezy Green Road), no action required; 12:45 p.m.: threats (Soojians Drive), spoken to; 4:33 p.m.: disturbance (Paxton Street), resolved; 6:32 p.m.: debris in road (Pine Street), removed; 8:46 p.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 9:41 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mulberry Street), spoken to; 10:10 p.m.: debris in road (Paxton Street), resolved.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
12:39 a.m.: mv stop (Mulberry Street), resolved; 2:28 a.m.: municipal security alarm (Paxton Street), false alarm; 3:07 a.m.: municipal security alarm (Paxton Street), false alarm; 3:11 a.m.: debris in road (Main Street), resolved; 3:53 a.m.: municipal security alarm (Paxton Street), false alarm; 4:53 a.m.: debris in road (Stafford Street), resolved; 5:02 a.m.: suspicious mv (Huntoon Memorial Highway), resolved; 8:16 a.m.: assist other agency (Willow Hill Road), services rendered; 9:26 a.m.: EMS response (Charlton Street), transported; 10:15 a.m.: debris in road (Burncoat Lane), services rendered; 11:53 a.m.: EMS response (Mayflower Road), transported; 2:07 p.m.: debris in road (Main Street), no action required; 2:09 p.m.: investigation (Townhouse Court, Spencer), services rendered; 2:50 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 3:54 p.m.: erratic operator (Main Street), peace restored; 4:34 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, op w/suspended registration, unregistered mv, citation issued; 4:45 p.m.: investigation (Virginia Drive), services rendered; 5:59 p.m.: erratic operator (Mill Street), services rendered; 6:21 p.m.: erratic operator (King Street), spoken to; 6:55 p.m.: commercial alarm (South Main Street), false alarm; 7:02 p.m.: EMS response (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 7:04 p.m.: suspicious activity (Waite Street), gone on arrival; 8:38 p.m.: suspicious mv (Waite Street), spoken to; 9:45 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), no service; 11:51 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning.

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# A new, and old, way to enjoy shrimp

Exploring new types of cuisine is one of the joys of cooking. Whether you're a fan of spicy Indian food or partial to French fare, chances are the journey to finding your favorite flavors will be both enjoyable and insightful, teaching you a little something about history along the way.

Take this recipe for "Shrimp Potato Patties" from "Eula Mae's Cajun Kitchen" by Eula Mae Doré and Marcelle R. Bienvenu. This dish, which works as both a main course and a side dish, can be traced to Acadians who ventured to Louisiana in the late 18th century. While that was a long time ago, the recipe is just as delicious today as it was then.

**Shrimp Potato Patties**  
**Makes about 2 dozen**

6 medium-size red potatoes, peeled and quartered  
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter  
1 cup finely chopped yellow onions  
1/4 cup chopped celery  
1/2 cup seeded and chopped red bell peppers  
1/2 cup seeded and chopped green bell peppers  
1/2 cup seeded and chopped yellow bell peppers  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon cayenne  
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
1/4 teaspoon Tabasco brand

2 pepper sauce  
2 pounds medium-size shrimp, peeled, deveined and coarsely ground in a food processor  
2 large eggs, well beaten  
1/4 cup chopped freshly parsley leaves  
1/2 cup peanut oil  
1/2 cup all-purpose flour

1. In a large saucepan, boil the potatoes in lightly salted water to cover until fork tender. Remove from the heat and drain. Transfer them to a large mixing bowl and mash with a fork. Let cool.

2. Melt the butter over medium heat in a medium-size skillet. Add the onions, celery, bell peppers, salt, cayenne, black pepper, and Tabasco, and

cook, stirring, until soft, about 5 minutes. Add the shrimp and cook, stirring until they turn pink, about 3 minutes. Remove from the heat and let cool for about 5 minutes.

3. Combine the shrimp mixture with the potato mixture. Add the eggs and parsley and mix well. Let cool for 10 minutes.

4. Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat.

5. Form the shrimp mixture into patties, using 1/4 to 1/2 cup of the mixture, depending on what size you desire, and pat lightly with the flour. Cook two to three at a time in the hot oil until golden brown, about 3 minutes on each side. Drain on paper towels. Serve hot.

## Turn to slow cookers for easy meals

Busy families who do not have the time to spend an hour or more in the kitchen preparing weeknight dinners can turn to slow cookers to do the work for them. Slow cookers cook foods on a low temperature over several hours. Slow cookers do not require constant attention, making them ideal for people who want to prep meals before leaving the house and then return to a hot meal in the evening.

Many foods, from breakfasts to appetizers to desserts, can be prepared with slow cookers. But slow cookers are perhaps best suited for hearty meals, such as this recipe for "Creamy Ham 'n' Broccoli" from "Casseroles, Slow Cooker & Soups" (RDA Enthusiast Brands) by Taste of Home editors.



**Creamy Ham 'n' Broccoli**  
**Serves 6-8**

3 cups cubed, fully cooked ham  
1 10-ounce package frozen chopped broccoli, thawed  
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup, undiluted  
1 jar processed cheese sauce  
1 can sliced water chestnuts, drained  
1 1/4 cups uncooked instant rice

1 cup milk  
1 celery rib, chopped  
1 medium onion, chopped  
1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon pepper  
1/2 teaspoon paprika

In a 3-quart slow cooker, combine the first 10 ingredients. Cover and cook on high for 2 to 3 hours, or until the rice is tender. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Sprinkle with paprika.

## Crafty experiences for holiday gifts

One of the challenges each holiday season is coming up with novel gifts for loved ones. For those who seemingly have it all and might not need another Santa sweater or fruit basket, an experience gift might be the perfect fit.

Giving experiences can be fulfilling for gifters and show recipients that the gift was given ample thought.

There are no shortages of experiences to offer. However, people who enjoy arts and crafts may enjoy being on the receiving end of a crafty experience this year.



- Glass-blowing: Glass-blowing is an art form that turns molten glass into colorful and eye-catching pieces. Blown glass can be transformed into everything from wine goblets to ornaments. Instructors can teach gift recipients how to form glass into desired finished products and decorate them with swirls, patterns and colors. Check with local glass-blowing artisans (many are located in tourist centers and seaside towns) to find out if they offer experience gifts.
- Paint and sip: Paint and sip businesses are thriving, as scores of novice artists produce impressive artwork while sipping a glass of vino. A friend or a family member who aspires to be the next Bob Ross will likely enjoy a paint and sip gift.
- Farmhouse style

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