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## Loveland paving goes to Town Meeting

BY GUS STEEVES  
CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER – Selectmen gave those seeking to pave Loveland Road their chance to make their case to the Oct. 18 Town Meeting last week, voting 3-0 (with Andrew Jolda recusing) that paving it qualified as a “public necessity” and a “major temporary repair.”

That language is from the town’s fairly new private road repair bylaw, approved last winter but as yet untested. If a private road meets those and certain other criteria and at least half of the owners by linear feet petition to do such work, Town Meeting can approve it. The road’s landowners then pay for it either by a betterment over time or by a direct sharing of the cost upfront. In this case, original estimates put the cost at \$33-35,000, but selectmen voted to give some leeway for inflation by setting a “not to exceed” total of \$40,000.

While most of Loveland’s residents signed the petition last year, the owners of one home, #33, have been vocally opposed from the beginning. Dr Cathleen Godzik and Gail Arsenault have objected on various grounds, with their primary argument at last week’s selectmen’s hearing being that the southern part of Loveland isn’t really a “private road” but a series of 10-foot rights of way that allow residents farther down the road to get to their homes. Speaking on Zoom, Dr Godzik claimed that means their section should be removed from the Town Meeting article.

Selectmen disagreed, with Chair Randy Becker saying nothing in the bylaw allows such a carve-out; to challenge it, the opponents would have to go to court. He noted owners of about 560 feet of the road’s total length of 739 feet signed the relevant petition, without #21 and #33. Resident Robert Kirsch, the key petitioner, said he tried to contact the five owners of #21, but was unable to get signatures from all of them.

Godzik said nobody tried speaking with her or Arsenault when the petition was circulating. Godzik lives in California; Arsenault in Thompson.

Although nobody elaborated, there’s clearly some bad blood between Godzik/Arsenault and some of their neighbors. Elizabeth Mikitarian of 35 Loveland said she’d submitted a “timeline of events” sum-

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## Scoring barrage helps Spartans upend improved Oxford



Nick Ethier

Uxbridge’s Xavier Hicks watches after popping the ball up and over Oxford’s Myles Craft.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS EDITOR

OXFORD — Admittedly, the Uxbridge High boys’ varsity soccer team has had trouble scoring goals, especially in games that they don’t win or tie. Before playing Oxford High on Wednesday, Sept. 29, the Spartans had been out-

scored 9-1 in their five losses. In their victory and two ties, they had outscored the opposition 12-6.

“I think we just struggled putting the ball in the net,” Uxbridge head coach Bruce Chartier said of the eight games prior to the contest with the Pirates. “We’ve been

all around the net. We have had some games where we outshot our opponents and lost the game, and even outshooting them [by a two-to-one ratio] and losing or tying.”

The Spartans were able to score early and often versus Oxford, though, netting two goals in the first half and four more in the second to account for a 6-1 victory.

Now with a mark of 2-5-2 — but playing better than their record indicates — Chartier is excited for the remainder of the season.

“I am not concerned about any other team that we play this year,” he said. “We have competed against every team that we have played against”

Uxbridge has now actually outscored its opponents by a 19-16 clip, and many of the Spartans’ goals against the Pirates were off free- and corner-kicks, of which they produced eight.

“We have had lots of corner kicks where we

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### SPECTACULAR STUDENTS

Dudley Middle School is proud to present its September Students of the Month. 5th Grade - Maya Gorski, Margaret Straw, Connor Stackpole, & Hayleigh Paquette; 6th Grade - Ariana Jurski, Colin Brazeau, Graham Zimmer, & Logan Baxter; 7th Grade - Nicholas Salerno, Dominic Cincotta(not present), & Kaylin Marsh; 8th Grade - Alyssa Forbes, Ryan Crosby, & Hayley Zurowski.

## Dudley EDC approves LRRP plan for state review

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – The Dudley Economic Development Committee has given approval for the state to examine the finalized Local Rapid Recovery Program (LRRP) created with the help of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning

Commission.

The committee previously received an outline of priorities presented in the plan in June, but on Sept. 21, they were provided with a finalized report that would be submitted to the state in October. The plan highlights seven projects, including five prioritized initiatives, geared towards making

Dudley more marketable and help identify actions to help communities recover from losses from the pandemic.

Kerrie Salwa, the CMRPC Plan Facilitator who has worked with Dudley in coordinating their LRRP plan, indicated that West Main Street and surrounding areas would remain the

study area and that the plan is now partway through phase 3 where all the pieces are brought together, and the final report goes to the state. Salwa presented familiar information to the EDC recapping the priorities set out in the plan which include bringing new life to vacant lots and store-

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## Well goes offline for PFAS

the remaining six wells, all of which are treated by the fairly new Memorial Beach treatment facility, remain uncontaminated and are still providing water to residents.

According to new water/sewer superintendent Thomas Cutler, there are “thousands” of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), all of them manmade, but the state is only tracking six. In recent years, Massachusetts set its detection standard for

public water supplies at 20 parts per trillion (PPT), while the federal EPA standard is 70 PPT. Previously the state standard was in the much higher parts-per-billion range.

Starting in 2020, Cutler said, the state began offering funds for testing at the more stringent level. The Bigelow well was below that 20 PPT standard this spring, but above 10 PPT, prompting monthly testing. The level crept over 20 PPT during the sum-

mer, so Cutler “opted to take [Bigelow] well out of service.” Similar testing at Memorial Beach plant found levels around 10 PPT, he said.

Bigelow produces 1400-1500 gallons per minute, representing about 10 percent of the town’s water capacity, he said. While having that offline won’t be a problem in fall and winter, Cutler said Webster will need to look at its water supply by late

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# Webster residents attend dedication of Sheriff's Office Memorial Apple Orchard

SHREWSBURY — The Worcester County Sheriff's Office recently celebrated a very special double dedication. Not only were several trees planted in memory of loved ones, but they are rededicated to provide food for those in need.

"Wednesday, September 29th, is one of the most special days in my 11 years as Sheriff," stated Sheriff Lewis Evangelidis. "It was a dedication of an apple orchard to loved ones and also, the trees will then bear fruit dedicated to those in need."

The WCSO Memorial Apple Orchard is the first of its kind in the Commonwealth. First envisioned in 2019, the orchard transcended into reality when the first tree was planted in October of 2020. Many of the trees in the orchard were donated as a symbol of new life on behalf of loved ones by family and friends of Worcester County Reserve Deputy Sheriff Association.

"We plant these trees, Lord, in the memory of those whom we have loved and lost. Though they are gone from this life, through these trees which bear fruit, they will continue to live on, doing good in your holy name." A quote from the blessing by Pastor Janice Ford.

The Worcester County Sheriff's Office has been growing its organic farm for more than 10 years and, during that time, has donated more than 200,000 pounds of fresh organic produce. Now

expanded to 14 acres, the garden is the largest of its kind in New England and produces up to 40,000 pounds of food annually. The farm grows organic vegetables ranging from squash, zucchini, green beans, tomatoes to pumpkins

for fall distribution to those in need through food pantries, senior centers and other community based groups.

Continuing with Sheriff Evangelidis' mission of giving back to the communi-

ties in Worcester County, the fruit produced in the memorial apple orchard will be a perfect addition to the organic farm.

The memorial tribute was attended by several donors including Webster residents, Joseph Waskiewicz representing the Mitsakos family in memory of Helen and other members of their family who have passed, and also in memory of Joseph & Helen Waskiewicz. Brian Hickey represented the Hickey family in memory of Wendy Hickey. Pastor Janice Ford, also of Webster, donated a tree in memory of those lost to addiction.

Yellow ribbons were tied by each donor to further honor their loved one.



Sheriff Lewis Evangelidis with Webster Fire Chief Brian Hickey.

Courtesy

"Let us now bless these trees for what they will be and do in the world, and let us pray also for the spirits of those for whom we mourn," said Pastor Janice Ford

The event was sponsored by the Worcester County Reserve Deputy Association and organized by the Worcester County Sheriff's Office Community Outreach team. Apple themed desserts & drinks were prepared by the recruits of the WCSO BRTA #56 and civilian staff. The grounds of the orchard are maintained by the WCSO Maintenance Department and certain members of inmate population.



## October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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## Are there different types of breast cancer?



Millions of women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. According to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, more than 2.3 million women across the globe were diagnosed with breast cancer in 2020. The BCRF also notes that breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among women in 140 of 184 countries worldwide.

Breast cancer statistics can give the impression that each of the millions of women diagnosed with the disease is fighting the same battle, but breast cancer is something of an umbrella term. In fact, there are various types of breast cancer, including ductal carcinoma in situ, invasive ductal carcinoma, inflammatory breast cancer, and metastatic breast cancer. Learning about each type of breast cancer can help women and their families gain a greater understanding of this disease.

Ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS) is a non-invasive cancer that is diagnosed when abnormal cells have been found in the lining of the breast milk duct. The National Breast Cancer Foundation notes that DCIS is a highly treatable cancer. That's because it hasn't spread beyond the milk duct into any surrounding breast tissue. The American Cancer Society notes that roughly 20 percent of new breast cancer cases are instances of DCIS.

Invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC) is the most common type of breast cancer. The NBCF reports that between 70 and 80 percent of all breast cancer diagnoses are instances of IDC. An IDC diagnosis means that cancer began growing in the milk ducts but has since spread into other parts of the breast tissue. This is why IDC is characterized as "invasive." Though IDC can affect people, including men, of any age, the ACS notes that the majority of IDC cases are in women age 55 and older.

Inflammatory breast cancer (IBC) is a more aggressive and fast growing breast cancer. The NBCF describes IBC as an "aggressive and fast growing breast cancer." Breastcancer.org notes that IBC is rare, as data from the ACS indicates that only about 1 percent of all breast cancers in the United States are inflammatory breast cancers. Many breast cancers begin with the formation of a lump, but Breastcancer.org reports that IBC usually begins with reddening and swelling of the breast, and symptoms can worsen considerably within days or even hours. That underscores the importance of seeking prompt treatment should any symptoms present themselves.

Metastatic breast cancer

Metastatic breast cancer may be referred to as stage IV breast cancer. When a woman is diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer, that means the cancer has spread, or metastasized, into other parts of the body. The NBCF indicates that metastatic breast cancer usually spreads to the lungs, liver, bones, or brain. Symptoms of metastatic breast cancer vary depending on where the

cancer has spread. For example, if the cancer has spread to the lungs, women may experience a chronic cough or be unable to get a full breath.

These are not the only types of breast cancer. A more extensive breakdown of the various types of breast cancer can be found at <https://www.breastcancer.org/symptoms/types>.

## Symptoms of male breast cancer

Breast cancer is one of the most common forms of cancer diagnosed among the female population. Though breast cancer may seem like a disease that's exclusive to women, breast cancer can affect men as well.

While they have a smaller concentration than women, men have breast tissue, which means it's possible for them to develop breast cancer. Male breast cancer is most common in older men, but it is important that men recognize that the disease can strike them at any age.



**Signs and symptoms**  
Men with breast cancer experience symptoms that are similar to those experienced by women. Possible signs to be aware of include:

- skin dimpling or puckering
- a lump or swelling, which is typically (but not always) painless
- nipple retraction
- redness or scaling of the nipple or breast skin
- discharge from the nipple, which may be clear or blood-tinged

The American Cancer Society advises that sometimes breast cancer can spread to the lymph nodes under the arm or around the collar bone and cause a lump or swelling in these locations. The protrusion may be noticeable even before the original tumor in the breast is large enough to be felt.

Men should realize that enlargements or issues affecting both breasts (not on just one side) typically is not cancer. Enlargement or changes to both breasts in men can be caused by weight gain, medications or heavy alcohol consumption.

**Types of male breast cancer**  
Various types of breast cancer can affect men, according to the Mayo Clinic:

- Ductal carcinoma: Cancer that begins in the milk ducts. Nearly all male breast cancer is ductal carcinoma.
- Lobular carcinoma: Cancer that begins in the milk-producing glands. This type is rare in men because they have few lobules in their breast tissue.

Especially rare types of breast cancer that can occur in men include Paget's disease of the nipple and inflammatory breast cancer.

**Diagnosis**  
BreastCancer.org says that a small study of breast cancer in men found that the average time between first symptoms and diagnosis was about 19 months. This can be startling because early diagnosis can be vital to survival. Through the realization that breast cancer can happen to men and more education and awareness, men can feel more comfortable about discussing changes to breast tissue with their doctors.

Male breast cancer is a very real occurrence, albeit a rare one. It is important that men take any abnormalities in their chests seriously.

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St. Joseph School students, parents, and faculty are happy to receive evergreen saplings following the Mass for Creation at St. John's Church in Worcester. The saplings were blessed by Bishop Robert McManus. Pictured (L to R) Fourth Grade Instructor Sr. Jeanne Marie Akalski, Janet Warnajtys and (daughter) Ivonka, Braylyn, Brooklyn, and (mother) Melissa McCarthy, Lukas Barbosa and (mother) Jennifer, Johnny, Jacob Marcuccio and (dad) Antonio.



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# St. Joseph students & staff take part in Mass for Creation

WEBSTER — On Friday, Oct. 1, several St. Joseph School students, parents, faculty, and administrators participated in the Mass for Creation at St. John's Church in Worcester.

The Mass was organized by the Diocesan Environment Stewardship Team and Bishop Robert McManus. The Mass was the result of Pope Francis calling on Catholics to act for their "common home." For September, he also encouraged everyone to question how they live and turn "towards lifestyles that are simpler and more respectful of the environment."

The Mass for Creation was a multi-language event. Readings were in Spanish and English, and the Prayers of the Faithful were recited in Swahili, Vietnamese, Tagalog, French, Twi, English, and Polish. The Polish Prayer of the Faithful was read by St. Joseph School Fourth Grade student Ivonka Warnajtys. In addition, St. Joseph School Fourth Grade students Brooklyn McCarthy, Lukas Barbosa, Jacob Marcuccio, and Fifth Grade student Braylyn McCarthy participated in the offertory. Gifts included evergreen saplings and prayer cards created by students from throughout the diocese. The prayer cards had drawings and/or words inspired by the prayer, "We ask God to protect the Earth, our common home." The Main Celebrant was Bishop Robert McManus. At the end of the Mass, attendees pledged to protect and heal God's creation by promising to renew their covenant with God, stand together against all threats to life, and be mindful of the beauty of nature.

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This report contains important information about your drinking water. Please translate it or speak with someone who understands it or ask the contact listed below for a translation.

### Webster Water Department located in Webster, Massachusetts has levels of PFAS6 above the Drinking Water Standard

**What happened?**

Our water system received notification of PFAS6 results showing that our **system violated the 20 ng/L PFAS6 Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) drinking water standard during the July – September 2021 compliance period with a quarterly average of 22 ng/L at the Bigelow Road Well. This well was removed from service on September 15, 2021.**

Samples collected on July 30, 2021, and August 25, 2021, reported PFAS6 levels of 20.4 ng/L and 24.2 ng/L, respectively. Exceedance of the MCL has been determined from the July and August 2021 results. Compliance with the PFAS6 MCL is calculated as a quarterly average based upon the total number of samples collected during the compliance period. The location where elevated levels of PFAS6 were reported is from one of two treatment plants that supplies drinking water to our system. PFAS6 levels were reported below the MCL at our other location (Memorial Beach Water Treatment Plant).

**What does this mean?**

**This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.** Although this is not an emergency, as a consumer of the water, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did and are doing to correct this situation.

On October 2, 2020, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) issued a new drinking water regulation setting a maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 20 nanograms per liter (ng/L) for the sum of six per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (called PFAS6). PFAS6 includes perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS), perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA) and perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA).

PFAS are man-made chemicals that have been used in the manufacturing of certain fire-fighting foams, moisture and stain resistant products, and other industrial processes. An MCL is the maximum permissible level of a contaminant in water which is delivered to any user of a public water system. Some people who drink water containing PFAS6 in excess of the MCL may experience certain adverse effects. These could include effects on the liver, blood, immune system, thyroid, and fetal development. These PFAS6 may also elevate the risk of certain cancers. For more

information on PFAS, see the links below.

**What should I do?**

**For consumers in a sensitive subgroup** (pregnant or nursing women, infants, and people diagnosed by their health care provider to have a compromised immune system)

- **Consumers in a sensitive subgroup are advised not to consume, drink, or cook with water when the level of PFAS6 is above 20 ng/L.**
- **Consumers in a sensitive subgroup** are advised to use bottled water for drinking and cooking of foods that absorb water (like pasta).
- **For infant formula,** use bottled water or use formula that does not require adding water.
- **Bottled water should only be used if it has been tested.** The Massachusetts Department of Public Health requires companies licensed to sell or distribute bottled water or carbonated non-alcoholic beverages to test for PFAS. See <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/water-quality-standards-for-bottled-water-in-massachusetts#list-of-bottlers>
- **For all other consumers not in a sensitive subgroup**
- **If you are not in a sensitive subgroup,** you may continue to consume the water because 20 ng/L value is applicable to a lifetime consuming the water and shorter duration exposures present less risk.
- **If you have specific health concerns regarding your past exposure,** you should see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) link below and consult a health professional, such as your doctor.

**Steps you can take to reduce your intake** - Consider taking the following steps while actions are being implemented to address this issue:

- **For older children and adults (not in a sensitive subgroup),** the 20 ng/L value is applicable to a lifetime of consuming the water. For these groups, shorter duration exposures present less risk. However, if you are concerned about your exposure while steps are being taken to assess and lower the PFAS6 concentration in the drinking water, use of bottled water<sup>1</sup> will reduce your exposure.
- **In most situations, the water can be safely used for washing foods, brushing teeth, bathing, and showering.**

**Please note: Boiling the water will not destroy PFAS6** and will somewhat in-

crease its level due to evaporation of some of the water.

**What is being done?**

Our water system has taken the following pro-active measures:

- Bigelow Road Well has been removed from service.
- Our other sources were sampled, and those sources did not contain PFAS6 above the MCL.
- We will continue to sample our water sources for PFAS.
- We are investigating short and long-term treatment options.
- Prior to Bigelow Road Well being returned to use, public notice will be provided, which will include additional sample results for PFAS6, and an explanation of treatment or other actions taken to support the return of Bigelow Rd Well to service.
- When additional information becomes available, this public notice will be updated.

**Where can I get more information?**

For more information, please contact Webster Water Department at 508-949-3861, or visit <https://www.webster-ma.gov/Water-Department>

Additional information can be found in the **attached factsheet** and weblinks listed below.

- MassDEP Fact Sheet – Questions and Answers for Consumers <https://www.mass.gov/media/1854351>
- CDC ATSDR Information on PFAS for consumers and health professionals <https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas/index.html>
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health information about PFAS in Drinking Water - <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/per-and-polyfluoroalkyl-substances-pfas-in-drinking-water>
- Town of Webster <https://www.webster-ma.gov/Water-Department>

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# SPORTS

## Minutemen shake off slow start, rally to defeat Keefe Tech



Nick Ethier

Bay Path keeper Dominic Moniz follows through on a big boot during a goal kick.



Jack Young of Bay Path sends a through-ball down the field.



Bay Path's John Guerin uses his head to collect a pass from a throw-in.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS EDITOR

CHARLTON — After allowing a goal just 10 seconds into a match — something the Bay Path Regional boys’ varsity soccer team did versus Keefe Tech at George L. Fowler Memorial Field on Thursday, Sept. 30 — any team potentially could continue to play poorly and eventually lose. Luckily for the Minutemen, that didn’t

happen. Bay Path shook off its slow start and netted the equalizer a few minutes later. Then, the Minutemen scored early in the second half to ultimately edge the Broncos, 2-1.

“The biggest thing was they didn’t get deflated off that quick goal and we came back,” said Bay Path head coach David Martinson.

Before the Minutemen

mounted their comeback, any fans showing up even a minute late to watch the game would have missed Keefe Tech’s goal. A Bay Path player sent a slow pass backward to Evan Frost, but the Broncos’ Brayan DeLima intercepted it and was off to the races. His shot off the breakaway then beat keeper Dominic Moniz. “It was a quirky mental error,” Martinson said of the play.

From there, Keefe Tech continued to apply pressure. In fact, before the Minutemen scored the tying goal, the Broncos held the edge on corner kicks (5-0) and shots on frame (3-1), but Moniz (eight total saves) stood tall.

“They absolutely dominated ini-

tially,” Martinson said of Keefe’s surge. “I was ready to call a timeout and then we started to pick it up a little bit. I said, ‘OK, I’m not going to do it,’ and they ended up finishing.”

In the game’s ninth minute, Nathan Dreitlein sent the ball down the field and a hustling John Guerin raced up to it, controlled it and then shot it past keeper Julio Pereira Hernandez.

“He used his speed, controlled with his body and then sent it in,” Martinson said of Guerin’s scoring play.

Now with the game tied 1-1 at the half, Martinson sent a message to his squad.

“At halftime we went in with the idea of possessing the ball, keep it on the ground, quick passing and move through them...keep them on

the defensive,” he explained.

Bay Path did exactly that just a minute into the second half, when Connor McCarthy one-touched a pass from Guerin into the net for the eventual game-winner.

“We had a nice build-up, moved the ball well, pushed it through and it was probably about three or four passes connecting, and then we finished,” said Martinson.

The Minutemen played a strong second half, limiting DeLima — a strong player with supreme footwork and speed — his chances of scoring another one.

“We were moving the ball a little better, passing better and we weren’t so panicked. We tried to shut down their better player. We had a couple

[players] marking,” said Martinson.

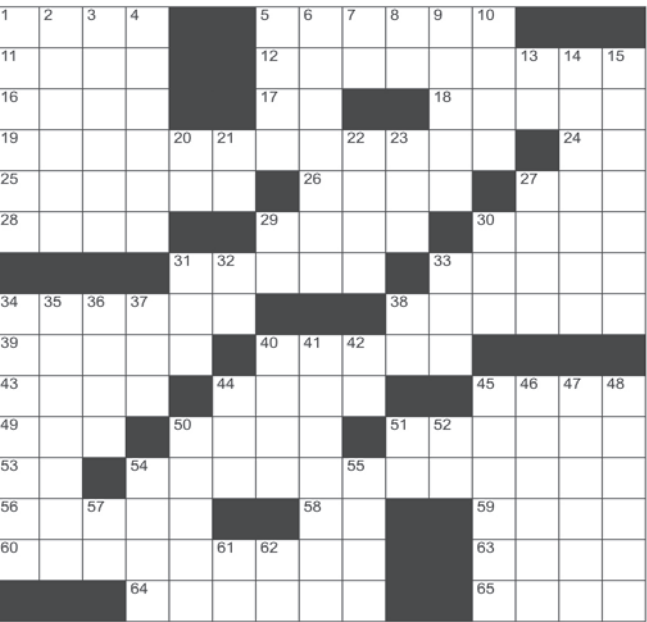
Bay Path almost added to its lead, but near misses by Colin Gagne (penalty kick that hit the post) and Bryce Hutchinson (shot that got past Pereira Hernandez but a defender kicked it aside before crossing the goal line) kept the outcome undecided until the final whistle.

“It’s a league team, so that’s big for us,” Martinson said of defeating Keefe, who dropped to 5-2 while the Minutemen improved to 4-2-2. “We only have one league loss. I definitely feel like we’re better than what our record is. I feel like some of the mistakes we had early on starting the season we’ve figured out and taken care of business.”

## Bay Path golf team continues to win, this time over Worcester Tech

Sept. 27

Bay Path 169, Worcester Tech 235 — Playing at Heritage Country Club in Charlton, the Minutemen’s golf team emerged victorious versus the Eagles. Playing well and earning co-medalist honors for Bay Path were Brandon Mertocci and Evan O’Malley with matching 6-over par 41s.



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Leg shank

5. A way to recognize

11. “VeggieTales” character

12. Getting out of by cunning

16. Mythological mountain

17. Atomic #18

18. Viscous liquid

19. 2010 Denzel film

24. 12th star in a constellation

25. Made better

26. Pouches

27. Nervous twitch

28. This (Spanish)

29. Tennis legend Bjorn

30. Hand (Spanish)

31. Afrikaans

33. Int’l interpreters organization (abbr.)

34. Treated with kid gloves
38. Leaseholder

39. Frogs, toads, tree toads

40. Popular dance

43. Sailing maneuver: tack & \_

44. Indicates speed of rotation (abbr.)

45. Mark

49. Health insurance

50. Custom clothing brand

51. One who makes suits

53. Execute or perform

54. Degree of pleasantness when tasting

56. Equal to roughly 5.6 bushels

58. Blood group

59. Imaginary line

60. Hopeless

63. Darken

64. Spoke

65. Work units

### CLUES DOWN

1. A way to fit out

2. Football carries

3. Force out

4. Maintaining equilibrium

5. Sealed with a kiss

6. Type of container

7. Hollywood

8. We

9. Small freshwater ducks

10. Norse personification of old age

13. Says who you are

14. Candidate

15. Sugar found in honey and sweet fruits

20. Defunct language (abbr.)

21. Take too much

22. Iranian province

23. Records electric currents

27. \_ and feathers

29. Beloved Mr. T character

30. More (Spanish)

31. Beverage
32. Promotional material

33. Green vegetable

34. National capital

35. To any further extent

36. Swollen, inflamed lymph node

37. Anger

38. Pound

40. Popular Yugo

41. Salt of acetic acid

42. Millihenry

44. Israeli city \_\_ Aviv

45. Make wider

46. Drink containing medicine

47. Acknowledging

48. Private, romantic rendezvous

50. Calvary sword

51. Disease of the lungs

52. 2001 Spielberg film

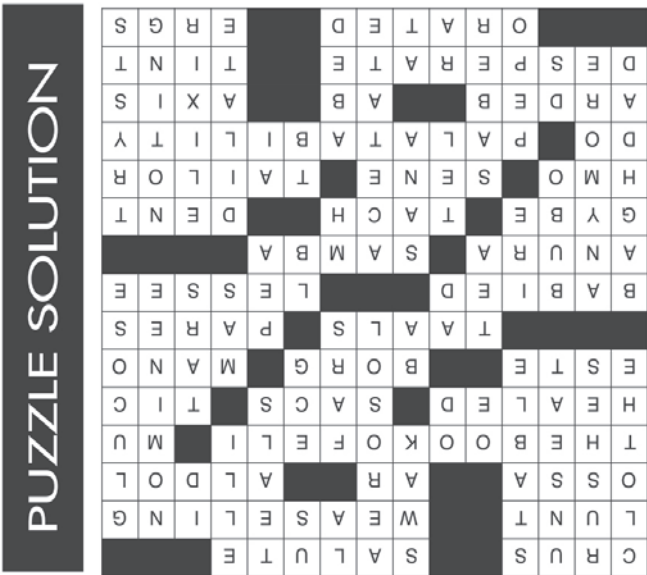
54. Fleshy, watery fruit

55. In one’s chambers

57. Set of information (abbr.)

61. Dorm employee

62. Indicates position



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WEBSTER

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BAY PATH HOSTS INAUGURAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Courtesy



The first annual Bay Path Homecoming Cornhole tournament was held at Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School Oct. 2. Fourteen teams entered the double elimination tournament. The event was held outside on a beautiful Saturday afternoon. Thomson speedway cornhole and Let it rip cornhole donated the throwing bags. We couldn't have done it without their help and support. Cornhole has become a very popular sport. You can watch professionals play on ESPN. We hope this is the start of cornhole becoming a scholastic sport and we can compete with other schools. Bay Path will be offering a cornhole club (for Bay Path students) beginning in the spring of 2022. What is great about cornhole is that anyone can play. 1st Place: The Charlton boys, Devin Phillips & Nathan Dreitlein; 2nd Place: Team Chase, Eyan Chase & Blayke Morse; 3rd Place: Team Batman and Robin, Jordan Kippax & Cody Sexton.

Reward your pet with a blessing

OXFORD — How many of us relied on our pets to get us through the last year and a half of the pandemic? They became our exercise partners, leading us along paths of exploration outdoors. They cuddled next to us as we binge-watched Netflix shows—no matter how awful our choice or how many episodes they had to sit through. They chirped cheerful songs from their cages. They munched lettuce and ran on treadmills to entertain us. They got us through the worst. So now is the time to give something back to them and also help the local cat and dog shelters. In lieu of a treat, why don't you get your pet blessed?

On Saturday, Oct. 9, at 2 p.m. in the outdoor chapel at Zion Lutheran Church, Pastor Michael

Bastian will bless your animals. Pastor Bastian who ministers to Zion Lutheran Church and the Episcopal Church of the Reconciliation, will honor St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and ecology whose feast day is Oct. 4. St. Francis (1182-1226) served the poor and sick and exhibited love for all of God's creatures. One of the most famous stories about him tells of an occasion when he preached to birds, exhorting them to praise God and love Him always. The birds would not leave without a blessing. Blessings of animals became popular in the 20th century and are now done in many Christian churches, including the Washington National Cathedral—and now right here in Oxford.

Please bring a donation

of dog and/or cat food to the blessing service which will be given to a local dog and cat shelter. We all think our pets are perfect, but please make sure all dogs are on a leash and cats are in a carrier. Each family will receive a certificate of Blessing for their pet. Zion Lutheran Church is located on Route 12 (70 Main St.) in Oxford. Additional information can be obtained by calling 508-987-1248.

The famous prayer of St. Francis says: "Where there is despair, [let us sow] hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy..." Our pets have supported us by giving us hope, light, and joy. Let's show them our love by taking them for a blessing and celebrating all God's creatures.



TOWN OF DUDLEY  
Recycling Center Attendant



The Town of Dudley is looking for an individual to work at the town's recycling center 16 hours/week. Wednesdays 11am to 7pm and Saturday 8am to 3pm. Must be courteous and reliable and be able to lift up to 50 lbs.

Apply at the Board of Selectmen office,  
71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA  
Monday thru Thursday, 8:30am to 4:00pm  
or email resume to [selectaa@dudleyma.gov](mailto:selectaa@dudleyma.gov).



Dudley Water Department  
HYDRANT FLUSHING

The Dudley Water Department will be continuing to flush hydrants in town throughout the month of October. Flushing of hydrants will be conducted during normal business hours in most areas. During flushing operations, you may notice dirty or colored water, please do not be alarmed this is normal and does not pose a health risk.

If you have any questions or concerns,  
please call The Dudley Water Department at:  
508-949-8007.  
THANK YOU

WEBSTER POLICE LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Sept. 26 to Oct. 2.

A 19-year-old female from Webster whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Sept. 26 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member and Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon. A 51-year-old female from Putnam, Conn. was arrested during the same incident for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member, Strangulation or Suffocation, and Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon. Another 52-year-old female was also arrested during this incident for Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon.

A juvenile, age 13, was arrested on Sept. 27 for multiple counts of Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon resulting in Serious Bodily Injury, Attempted Murder, and Assault & Battery causing Serious Injury.

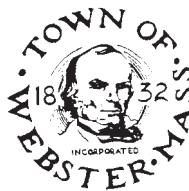
Thomas Anthony Magnant, age 61, of Webster was arrested on Sept. 27 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (third offense), Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and Failure to Yield at an Intersection.

Zachary Michael Remillard, age 25, of Webster was arrested on Sept. 27 in connection with a warrant.

Joseph Charles Niemiec, age 56, of Dudley was arrested on Sept. 29 in connection with multiple warrants.

A 21-year-old female from Oxford whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Sept. 30 for Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon and Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Joseph David Burns, age 53, of Webster was arrested on Oct. 2 for Assault & Battery.



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HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

Starting on September 21 2021, the Webster Water Department will begin flushing hydrants throughout the Town and continue until completed. Flushing of hydrants will be conducted during normal business hours in most areas. We expect the program to be completed within 6 to 8 weeks.

During flushing operations, you may notice dirty or discolored water. Please do not be alarmed, this is normal and does not pose a health risk. Please check your water before using to avoid this situation.

Please refer to the Town website for information on the current zone being flushed at: <http://www.webster-ma.gov> under Water Department.

For further information please feel free to contact the Webster Water Department at 508-949-3861.

Thank You.



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Adult Programming

Indoor Movie Night – Third Thursday of the month, next on October 21st at 6:00PM

Join us monthly on the third Thursday of each month as we show a new release film. We'll make theatre-style popcorn for you to enjoy! The film selection changes each month, call the Library for this month's title: 508-949-3880.

Book Discussion Group – October 11th 6:30PM

The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group meets at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome! Next month's book discussion will be on Monday, October 11th at 6:30PM the meeting will take place via Zoom, and will be about the book A Call to Action by Jimmy Carter. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmars.org for inquiries.

Fall Concert Series: The Promise is Hope – October 9th 2:00PM

“Folk that makes you

feel stuff” is exactly what Ash & Eric L'Esperance (spouses & band mates) set out to create through their collaborative project, The Promise is Hope. Their music marries two distinctly talented songwriters whose sound draws from the deep and vast well of the roots music tradition. Ashley's airy and intoxicating tone (think Alison Krauss) blends beautifully with Eric's sweet, deep voice (think Cat Stevens). The two artists complement each other in every respect, as with one voice they take their listeners on an exploration of the deep mysteries within nature and human relationships. With tightly woven harmonies, two acoustic guitars, and intimate songwriting, the pair presents a beautifully moving, inspired & connected live set. PopMatters says, “It is folk music, but folk that doesn't find any quick or easy comparisons. Instead, it might be said that the L'Esperances have found their unique path within the storied tradition.”

Concert is scheduled to be held outside, but will happen in the Library Community Room in

case of rain. Please bring a chair or blanket if the concert is being held outside!

Spirits of New England with Dustin Pari – October 18th 6:30-8:00PM

Dustin Pari, a paranormal investigator and speaker with 25 years experience researching the unknown, will be presenting a talk about the legends, lore, and paranormal happenings he has seen and investigated across New England. Dustin is known for his wacky and slightly off-beat sense of humor, which helps to balance the light and dark material that can make up the paranormal world. This lecture brings a great bit of local history colored with some chilling tales of the supernatural! No registration required.

Children's and Young Adult Programming

Monster Marionettes with Brad Shur – Saturday, October 30th 10:30-11:30AM

Come and create your very own puppet creature! Participants will learn how to use paper and strings to create their very own puppet

and bring it to life. To celebrate Halloween, we'll be exploring our favorite monsters and not too spooky characters as inspiration for these robust performing objects.

Masks are required for everyone in the Children's Room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

Fall into Reading at the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library – October 11th through December 20th

From October 11 to December 20, sign up at: gladyskellylibrary.beanstack.org, or download the Beanstack app on iOS or Android. Join this fun reading program for kids 0-12. Earn digital badges as you log reading, earn digital badges for attending library events, earn book prizes by reading! Read 10 hours to complete the program. This new online reading platform has an app that is easy to download and use. Along with the web, you can also ask for a paper version. Questions? Contact Andrew at atai@cwmars.org.

Drop in Paint Hour – Mondays from 3:30-

4:30PM

It's Time to break out the paintbrushes! With a variety of paints and paper available, bring your artist of any age to join in the fun.

Masks are required for everyone in the Children's Room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

LEGO Club – Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30PM

LEGO Club is back, and we're so excited to have you build with us again. Stop by the storytime room every Tuesday at 3:30 to freeplay with our BUCKETLOADS of LEGOs or try out our weekly challenge!

Masks are required for everyone in the Children's Room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

Songs and Stories Storytime – Wednesdays at 10AM

Join Miss Emily Wednesday mornings at 10am (starting Sept. 1st!) to read books, sing songs, and do rhyme games. Meet other children and caregivers at this community event. After stories, catch up with other community members over a simple craft. This

Storytime is best for children 0-5, but all ages are welcome!

Masks are required for everyone in the children's room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

STEAM Kids – Thursdays from 3:30-4:30PM

Join Miss Emily in a weekly STEAM event. That is... Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics! Each week there will be a new project to tackle from slime making and catapult challenges, to board game development and bath bombs. Every week contains some take home element!

These events are best for children 7-12, but siblings are always welcome. Some events may have a limited number of places, in this case children between 7-12 will have preference. Caregivers must remain for the duration of the event.

Masks are required for everyone in the children's room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

## Spooktacular returns for 2021

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Dudley's annual Halloween Spooktacular returns this month, bringing both new and familiar holiday activities to the Dudley Municipal Complex.

The third iteration of the modern town tradition, Spooktacular will see the return of many event staples as well as some new additions to the event as everything moves outdoors for 2021. The official announcement of Spooktacular's return was made during the Board of Selectmen meeting on Sept. 13, but it was Board of Health Chair Jennifer Cournoyer who provided more insight into what can be expected at the event when she revealed the news to her board on Sept. 21.

"It will start with the parade from the library up the back road to the town hall. We're going to have an outside fire pit with smores, some games, a little haunted walk, the SAFE House will be here and decorated for Halloween and we will be doing hot dogs with chips," Cournoyer said.

In addition, some new features will be making their way to the event including another newer town tradition that started during COVID in 2020.

"Last year, they did the scarecrow contest and people from the library drove around and judged it. This year they want to have the scarecrows made and brought to the front lawn of the town hall and the day of the Spooktacular everyone who comes can judge," said Cournoyer.

As for the decision to move the entire event outdoors, Cournoyer didn't indicate if COVID concerns were the reason but rather noted that there's so much happening that keeping everything outdoors felt natural.

"We decided not to have an indoor craft or anything like that this year because we have the SAFE House and the scarecrows and the games and the parade. There's plenty to enjoy," said Cournoyer.

Spooktacular returns on Oct. 28, kicking off with the costume parade from the library to the municipal complex around 4 p.m. and activities held until 7 p.m., with traffic being diverted one-way through the complex's parking lot during the event for safety reasons.

## DUDLEY POLICE LOG

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Sept. 24 to Oct. 1.

Guilherme Roger Lopes Felix, age 19, of Shrewsbury was arrested on Sept. 27 for Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License and Speeding at a Rate of Speed Exceeding the Posted Limit.

Angel Paul Mercado Fernandez, age 23, of Dudley was arrested on Sept. 29 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and No Inspection and/or Inspection Sticker.

A 21-year-old female whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Sept. 30 for Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon and Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.



Courtney Fitzmaurice

## Bailey Brescia, of Oxford, named to Assumption women's golf team

WORCESTER — The Assumption University Department of Athletics has announced that Bailey Brescia, of Oxford, has earned a spot on the 2021-22 Women's Golf team. Brescia, Class of 2023, is competing during the Greyhounds' fall season.

The Assumption University Women's Golf team had a successful 2020-21 season, placing 3rd at the Northeast-10 Championships this spring. The team is led by Samantha Leary '22, Carly Romano '22, and Skylar Wolfe '22, who was named to the NE10 All Conference Second Team last season.

"At Assumption, out student-athletes learn how to effectively balance their academic and athletic commitments as we form the whole person," said Head Coach John O'Hara. "Whether it be athletic conditioning or leadership training, student-athletes are provided a comprehensive experience that prepares them for a life of meaning. Following a period of intense training, we expect our preparation will lead us to the NE10 Championship and qualifying for the NCAA Regionals this fall."

Assumption University, founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption, is New England's premier university for high-quality education, integrating career preparation and education of the whole person, drawing upon the best in the rich and centuries-long tradition of Catholic higher education. Assumption, located in Worcester, Massachusetts, seeks to provide students with a transformative education that forms graduates who possess critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service. The University offers 34 majors and 49 minors in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing and professional studies; as well as master's and continuing education degrees and professional certificate programs. For more information about Assumption University, please visit [www.assumption.edu](http://www.assumption.edu).

## bankHometown adds Fitzmaurice as officer

OXFORD — bankHometown recently hired Courtney Fitzmaurice of Charlton as commercial credit analyst officer.

She rejoins the bank, having previously served as a credit analyst for several years until 2017. Fitzmaurice has nearly 20 years of banking experience, most recently as assistant vice president, credit analyst at TD Bank. She also previously held the roles of credit analyst and assistant vice president, commercial portfolio manager with North Brookfield Savings Bank.

Fitzmaurice earned a Bachelor's degree in psychology and a certificate in accounting, both from Worcester State University. She also attended the Massachusetts Bankers Association's School of Commercial Lending and

Fundamentals of Credit Analysis program.

About bankHometown

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## Shepherd Hill announces Commended Students in National Merit Scholarship Program

DUDLEY — William F. Chaplin, Jr., Principal of Shepherd Hill Regional High School, has announced that Bronson X. Dubey, Abigail L. Lepper, Gabriel L. Roach and Trevor W. Wallace have been named Commended Students in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, was presented to these scholastically talented seniors.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although these students will not continue in the 2022 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, these Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 students who entered the 2021 competition by taking the 2020 Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"Those being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."

## Masons to host open house

WEBSTER — Webster Lodge A.F. & A.M., 27 Brandes St., Webster, welcomes the public to our Masonic Open House Saturday, Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Members of Webster Lodge belong to a society dedicated to the principle of "making good men better." They provide opportunities for fellowship, charity, education, and leadership while creating friendship and understanding between men without regard to their nationality, religion, race, background, or opinion.

Freemasons trace their history back to the stonemason guilds that built Europe's cathedrals and castles. Organized in Massachusetts more than 280 years ago, they have been an integral part of our nation's history. Men like Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Thurgood Marshall, and John Glenn are among the many famous men who joined the organization before achieving the greatness they are recognized for. Countless other men have made their communities a better place through selfless giving of their time and money. North American Freemasons donate more than \$3 million every day to charity; more than 70 percent benefitting the general public.

Webster Lodge is 163 years young in 2021 and is the oldest active fraternal organization in the Webster/Dudley area.

[www.MassFreemasonry.org](http://www.MassFreemasonry.org)



# Dudley Apple Festival returns



Jason Bleau

It wouldn't be an apple fest without, well, apples, right?



The inside of the barn at the Black Tavern was filled with venders selling all kinds of hand made goods as part of the annual craft fair.



The annual "Tradesman on the Common" showcase funded by the Dudley Cultural Council provided a look at the crafting styles of olden days.

DUDLEY – After a one-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Dudley Grange Apple Festival returned in full force in 2021 with festivities on Oct. 2 bringing countless visitors to the center of town. Apple-themed treats and plenty of old and new favorite features including music, live animals and more all made for an enjoyable day of community togetherness. The event was once again paired with the Black Tavern's yearly craft fair right across the street and on the town common which featured numerous artisans showing off their goods for purchase, allowed for tours of the historical tavern and even showcased craftsmen who built handmade good live in the same manner as old settlers.



The Old Fiddlers Club, a staple of Dudley events, performs for the crowd during their annual stop at the Dudley Apple Festival.



AT LEFT: The Dudley Grange sold candy apples to benefit the organizations scholarship fund.



A new feature for the 2021 Apple Festival was live animals including feeding dispensers to allow visitors to get fully interactive.



Nichole's Crafty Creations was one of several vendors outside the Black Tavern for the annual craft fair.



The First Congregational Church of Dudley raffled off this handmade quilt.



Volunteers at the Dudley Grange prepare the treat of the day, delicious apple crisp.



The Black Tavern was, of course, present at their own craft fair selling merchandise to support the historical building on Center Street.



Dudley Conservation representatives were on hand to talk with locals about the hidden beauty of Dudley.



## Webster Masons meet Oct. 18

WEBSTER — Webster Lodge A.F. & A. M. Installation of Officers and next regular meeting is Monday, Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Masonic Building, 27 Brandes St., Webster.

All members of Webster Lodge are urged to attend. Any man interested in Freemasonry is welcomed. Freemasonry is part of a rich tradition of men striving to improve both their own lives, and the lives of others. We believe that the search for knowledge is the most noble pursuit there is. Webster Lodge, 163 years strong in 2021, is the oldest active fraternal organization in the Webster/Dudley area.

For more information, please visit: <http://massfreemasonry.org>.

## Dudley PTO to host Fall Festival

DUDLEY — The Dudley PTO will host a Fall Festival featuring a Trunk-or-Treat event, food trucks, vendor fair and so much more Sunday, Oct. 24 from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at 10 School St.

The event will also feature live music by Old Exit 11, and tickets may be purchased for the bounce house, pumpkin decorating, Take-A-Cake, carnival games, a dunk tank, and more!

For event updates, go to <https://fb.me/e/YvjvQxmN>. All are welcome!

Rain date: Sunday, Oct. 31.



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EDITORIAL

Our love/hate relationship with leaf peepers

Fall is the second busiest tourist season in New England, after winter. Our region, as we all know, tends to see an influx of visitors from both in and out of state this time of year on their way to the Berkshires to engage in the autumnal ritual known as leaf peeping.

Most residents welcome these tourists graciously; however, when fall foliage hits, our true feelings emerge. There is a love/hate relationship with leaf peepers. We love them because they boost our economy, yet a part of us dislikes the disruption they bring with them, however minor it may be.

We prefer to have the city life far away from us; leaf peepers tend to bring that flare when they arrive. Some locals despise it; others are unphased. We appreciate that tourists appreciate where we live, however, we'll say it again — our true feelings show themselves right at the peak of foliage. After a brief break between October and November, before the snow falls, we all seem to be welcoming once more.

Fall has a certain feeling to it. The cool, crisp, dry air complete with the smell of apple crisp, leaves, wood fire, pumpkin spice and the sound of dry leaves racing along the sidewalks, make this the coziest season of them all. We pull on our sweaters and grab old books we haven't had a chance to finish yet and relish in the comforts of it all.

It is still warm enough to take long walks outside without getting too cold. There is nothing better than kicking the leaves on a wooded trail with a hot mug of Earl Grey tea in your hand. Fall evenings are even better. After a hard day at work, there is nothing more satisfying than cooking a nice fall meal, perhaps pumpkin squash ravioli or a nice roast vegetable soup. On occasion we like to replace the evening news with the sounds of vinyl, preferably, Cat Stevens, Paul Simon, Hank Williams, Johnny Cash and Frank Sinatra.

It is no wonder our corner of New England is a fall destination for many seeking to experience all that the season offers that feeds the soul. The highlight of course is the way the forest sets itself on fire with bright yellow, orange and red leaves.

Interesting to note: the term 'leaf-peeker' was first used last century before it was changed to 'leaf-peeper.' The term was spotted in Vermont newspapers as far back as the 1960's. 'Leaf-Peeper' was used during foliage time, in many headlines. Articles in the mid to late 1960's discussed alternate highway routes to make the trek north easier for tourists and would help to avoid traffic jams.

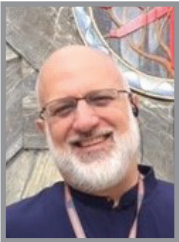
At first, the term 'leaf-peeker' or 'peeper' was used in a derogatory way, however now it is used to lure tourists who want to partake in leaf-peeper tours, or receive a leaf-peeper discount.

In New Hampshire, more than ten million visitors will enter the state during foliage season and will spend approximately \$1.5 billion.

We hope that you all take the time to slow down and enjoy Autumn before talk of Jack Frost nipping at your nose surfaces.

VIEWPOINT

The witness of Christian monasticism



BEYOND THE PEWS

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This week seven young men from my church and I visited St Nektarios Greek Orthodox Monastery in Roscoe, N.Y. I'm sure most people have never visited a monastery and have no clue of what Orthodox Christian monks and nuns do. Why do these men and women renounce the world and go off to live in a secluded monastery?

Well, we asked the monks there this very question and they told us that the goal of life is to seek union with God and they strive to do this continuously with all their heart, soul, mind and strength, while they are also praying for the world without ceasing.

Imagine, every day from 1-4 a.m. these 24 monks commune with God and pray in their cell for the entire world. Then they come together and worship God as a community in the Divine Liturgy from 4-6 a.m. Every day, 365 days a year without ever taking a vacation or break, they spend their entire nights communing with God while praying for the world! And when we asked them why in the middle of the night, they responded that many of the worst sins of the world happen in the middle of the night so they are there praying for God to have mercy on the world.

These monks sleep maybe six hours a day, two hours after the Divine Liturgy in the morning and maybe four hours (but often less) in the evening before they wake up at 1am to begin their routine once again. Throughout the day they do whatever work they are assigned in the monastery, but they are constantly praying the Jesus Prayer (Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on me a sinner). Remember, their goal in life is to be united with God at all times.

When I asked one of the newer members of our church what his impression was in visiting a monastery for the first time in his life, he responded, "It's like we've left our country and gone to another world." Yes, the monks do reflect a different reality; they live in this world but are no longer a part of this world. Their lives and witness remind us that there is something beyond this brief, temporary world. They don't waste their

time on what's happening in the world of sports; they don't worry about the celebrities and world of entertainment; they don't fret about the business world and the stock market; they realize these things are all fleeting and superficial. They strive for what is eternal, for divine love.

They realize that the current events of the day are passing, no matter how serious they may seem for the moment — whether a pandemic or a war or some natural disaster or any other crisis. They remind us all that God is ultimately in control. Evil will not prevail, but God will have the final word.

When one goes to a monastery, we see how the monastics offer a testimony challenging the world's perspective with another eternal reality, one we often forget in the midst of all that distracts us and occupies our lives. No matter how spiritual and how serious we think we may be, monastics challenge us to really look at our lives and see if we are "seeking first the kingdom of God and his righteousness"

These monks live extremely disciplined lives offering a witness that challenges us to look at ourselves and see how disciplined we are in our pursuit of God and His kingdom. These monks pray the Jesus Prayer continuously throughout the day and night, trying to keep Christ in their mind during everything they do. We saw monks on tractors; farming; gardening; taking care of beehives; in the kitchen feeding dozens and dozens of people daily, yet in all they did they would stay sober and vigilant in prayer. They made us realize that we also, no matter how busy and distracted our lives can become, could try to pray constantly and stay connected to God.

These monks have left the world, but they didn't forget the world. They are praying for the entire world constantly.

They also reveal how Holy Wisdom comes not simply from the intellect and mind but from a heart enlightened by the Holy Spirit and a disciplined spirit that opens itself up to God's illumination. Some of the monks are well educated (the abbot was formerly a pharmacist before he became a monk) but they would tell stories of simple, uneducated monks who became enlightened spiritual masters.

As I was reflecting on this visit to St. Nektarios Monastery, I thought also one of the greatest Orthodox monks of the 20th century, Saint Silouan the Athonite. He is a fairly recent saint having died in 1938. He was an illiterate villager from Russia with a tumultuous past who fell into immorality and almost killed someone in a fight. Yet when he was 27, he realized the vanity of this world — "I'm thinking that here we sit in a tavern, eating, drinking, listening to music and enjoying ourselves, while at this very hour in the monasteries on Mount Athos monks are praying all night. And I'm wondering which of us will put up the best defense before God's Judgment Seat — them or us?"

He decided at that moment to leave for a monastery. Although barely literate he received the grace of unceasing prayer and had visions of Christ. After long years of spiritual trial, he acquired extreme humility and "the peace of God that passes all understanding." He constantly prayed and wept for the whole world as for himself, and he put the highest value on love for enemies. Here are a few of his words of wisdom:


"If you see a man who has sinned and you do not have compassion on him, the grace of God will leave you. Whoever curses bad people and does not pray for them will never know the grace of God."

"Christ prayed for those that crucified Him: 'Father, count not this sin against them; they know we not what they do.' The first martyr Stephen prayed for those who stoned him so that the Lord would not judge this sin against them. And so, if we wish to retain grace, we must pray for our enemies. If you do not find pity and compassion on a sinner who will suffer in hell, then you do not carry the grace of the Holy Spirit, but rather an evil spirit; and while you yet live, you must free yourself from his clutches through repentance."

"The person who knows the delight of God's love knows that 'the kingdom of God is within us'. Blessed is the soul that loves her brother or sister, for our brother or sister is our life."

Saint Silouan, along with contemporary monks like those at St. Nektarios, can inspire us to take an honest look at our own attempts to follow Christ and to commit to becoming more disciplined and serious and sober in our pursuit for the kingdom of God above all else.

When to turn on those headlights



CHIEF'S CORNER

STEVE WOJNAR

The close of summer and start of fall brings the season of increased darkness. It is also a reminder that winter is not far away, unfortunately. We are approaching earlier sunsets, and the sun is very low in the sky during the morning and afternoon drive times.

Inclement weather events contribute to the problem. One way to add a measure of safety while driving is by using headlights. I was recently asked to remind drivers of when the use of headlights is required.

The rules governing headlight use are contained in several sections of the law. Headlights (as well as taillights) are to be used on a motor vehicle "during the period from one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, and during any other period when visibility is reduced by atmospheric conditions so as to render dangerous further operation without lights being displayed." Massachusetts General Law Chapter 85 Section 15 requires both headlights and taillights to be used when, "visibility is reduced such that persons or vehicles on the roadway are not clearly discernible at a distance of 500 feet or when the vehicle's windshield wipers are needed." Although it is important to remember to activate lights when the wipers are needed, the law covers other times of reduced visibility. A violation can result in a civil fine of \$5. Although the fine appears small, it is a surchargeable violation for insurance purposes. This results in future financial penalties for you.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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enjoyable day of golf. We are sure that when they left on Saturday, they did so as goodwill ambassadors for the next TCA Tournament and the mission it supports. It's great when you can hold an event that attracts local community members, alumni, families and friends from near and far in support of the 150 year legacy of great academic education and comradery. Again, we want to thank all that had anything to do with the day to insure the success of the tournament. TCA is blessed to have fine people who come forward to give of their time and financial support for the mission of Trinity Catholic Academy.

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# Fall is here, and it feels great

Fall is here, and it feels great. This past weekend, the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club held their first pheasant hunt for members. The foliage was a bit hard to shoot through, but some members did manage to harvest a couple of birds although many did not. A fairly good turnout of bird hunters enjoyed a home cooked breakfast at the club, prior to heading out to do some bird hunting. The dogs also had a great time! After a couple of weeks, the foliage should be absent from the trees, making it easier to harvest a bird.

Pheasant season opens next week, Oct. 16, state wide. No word was available on the state's changes regarding the season limit on pheasant. More than likely, it will stay the same as last year even if the changes were made, changing the regulations for 2022.

Waterfowl season in the Central District will open on Oct. 11, next Monday, at one half hour before sunrise. Hunters are reminded that only steel shot can be used for waterfowl in Massachusetts! With many corn fields



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now cut, geese should provide some great shooting. Be sure to ask for permission prior to hunting private property.

At the time of this writing, there were no stocking of trout in the Central District, but that should change this week. The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club also held off stocking trout at the club pond until this week, because of warm water conditions.

Saltwater fishing for this writer and my fishing partner, Matt Fontaine, got blown off the ocean last Saturday, but not before we caught our limit of Tautog. We were headed out to deeper water in search of some seabass when the tide changed, and the seas became too rough to continue fishing. Within minutes, small craft warnings were posted and we headed inside the East Wall. We decided to do a bit of fishing inside the safety of the wall. I was lowering my bait to the bottom when this writer felt a small tug on my line. After reeling it in, I realized I had caught a

puffer fish. As I observed the fish hanging from my line, it started to grow to the size that is shown in this week's picture. Pretty darn neat! It was quickly released.

Dropping back down to the bottom I soon realized another small bite. After reeling it in, I did not know what the darn fish was. After Matt and I studied the fish, I took a few pictures and released it. Checking out the fish on my computer, I came to the conclusion that it was a ballyhoo, which is a baitfish found in the warm waters off of the Florida coast? I could be wrong, but with the warming of the ocean due to climate change, it could be?

This past week, Jerry Gareri and his son John went on a moose hunt in the Maine woods and harvested a huge bull moose weighing in at close to 900 pounds, sporting a huge rack. No shortage of meat this winter for the family. Hunting with his son John made the hunt even sweeter.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



Courtesy  
This week's picture shows a puffer fish, this writer caught last week in Rhode Island.

## Fall Lawn and Garden Chores

As the harvest season wanes and the leaves begin to fall, it becomes apparent the backyard garden, so alive and abundant in recent weeks, is soon to retire for a long winter's nap. While bountiful garden rewards may be behind us, garden chores are not. There is still much to keep a New England gardener busy during the autumn season. From planting to pruning, efforts now will be celebrated next year. It is the anticipation of these future crops that sustains weary gardeners through the roster of fall chores.

grass during late fall, but become wet and mat down to smother the grass over winter.

- Raked leaves make an excellent mulch on the bare, winter garden. They can prevent weeds next year, and as they decompose add organic matter to the soil.
- Continue to mow your lawn until growth ceases. Make the last mowing a notch or two lower, in order to remove much top growth. This will avoid the need to rake off dead growth in the spring, and will help prevent snowmold disease.



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ner, installing insulation and a heavy, solid door. Keep in mind the temperature inside the root cellar will be coolest near the floor, so place roots there atop an old door or boards.

Or create a root box by filling a large, sturdy cardboard box with a few inches of sawdust or sand. Place a layer of roots such as carrots, leaving two inches along the sides. Cover lightly with sawdust and alternate layers, adding a final three inches of sawdust on top. Store in a cool basement or in the cellar bulkhead area. Roots can touch each other in storage, just don't pack them in tightly, as some moist air must be able to circulate.

Lawn Care: England lawns can be a challenge this time of year, but there are some shortcuts to do now to help ensure a lush lawn come spring. As leaves begin to fall, remove them long before snow arrives. They not only shade the grass during late fall, but become wet and mat down to smother the grass over winter. Raked leaves make an excellent mulch on the bare, winter garden. They can prevent weeds next year, and as they decompose add organic matter to the soil.

Or add them to the compost pile. Some run over the leaves with a rotary mower, shredding them into fine pieces. Unless too thick, or adding to an

existing thatch problem, this may work for your lawn.

Continue to mow your lawn until growth ceases, often sometime in October. Make the last mowing a notch or two lower, in order to remove much top growth. This will avoid the need to rake off dead growth in the spring, and will help prevent snowmold disease.

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

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

Do you have a helpful

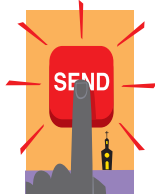
hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints

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

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Fall Garden Chore Roster  
OCTOBER: OctoberStats: Average temperature (Worcester, MA): 50.3; Possibility of Sunshine: 58%; Precipitation: 4.2".

October is the month to:

- Plant spring flowering bulbs such as tulips, crocuses and daffodils.
- Prune roses to prepare for winter. Cut non-blooming roses back half way.
- Rake leaves from lawn; add to compost pile.
- Make sure evergreens have a good deep watering before the ground freezes. They should receive at least an inch of water a week, preferably more.
- If you test your soil and add any needed amendments now, the soil will be ready for planting in spring.
- Cut back and mulch fall chrysanthemums after blooming.
- Christmas cactus should rest in a cool, dim room with little water. Bring it back out November 15 for holiday bloom.
- Protect pumpkins from frost
- As leaves begin to fall, remove them long before snow arrives. They not only shade the

Other Fall Garden Chores

Stowing the Stash: Proper storage of your bountiful harvest will ensure your family the fruits of your labor throughout the New England winter. Generations ago, a root cellar was a basement staple. Today, the temperature can be achieved via a little creativity. Whether you are growing your own root vegetables or are buying in bulk from a local farm or farmers market, proper storage is imperative to its flavor and quality.

Here's the rundown on proper temps to keep your harvest safe and flavorful: Potatoes, beets, carrots, parsnips, turnips, cabbage and celery should be kept in a humid atmosphere at about 35-40 degrees. Squash and pumpkins should be stored in a dry area at 40-60 degrees. Onions and dry beans should be kept at 33 degrees in a dry area.

Generations ago, a root cellar was a basement staple; today some improvising is in order: Those with unheated basements report success creating a substitute root cellar by partitioning off one cor-



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## Friday's Child



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Yomiah  
Age 11

Hi! My name is Yomiah and I love to jump on the trampoline!

Yomiah is an active and energetic child who demonstrates strong intuition when interacting with others. Yomiah generally appears happy and loves spending time outside on the swings, going for walks, and bouncing on his trampoline. Yomiah likes to explore his surroundings. He loves sensory items and responds well to the caregivers he has involved in his life. One of Yomiah's favorite foods to eat is bananas. He loves to listen to Christmas music, country music, and songs by Mariah Carey and Taylor Swift! He is currently learning American Sign Language in school and is learning to read Braille.

Legally freed for adoption, Yomiah could be placed in a two-parent family of any constellation that could meet his needs. Caregivers who are patient, nurturing, affectionate, and strong advocates would be the best match for him.

### 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.





# OBITUARIES

## M. Heloise “Eloise/Ellie” Kujawski, 90



Webster – M. Heloise “Eloise/Ellie” (Velardides) Kujawski, 90, entered eternal rest on Friday October 1, 2021.

Marie Heloise Eugenie Velarides was born January 7th, 1931 to Anastas and Theresa (Genreaux) Velarides in the middle of the Great Depression in a home in Dudley, MA. The house she was born in is now part of Nichols College Campus.

Ellie and her brother George worked in their father’s two businesses, Vel’s Jewelers and a Hair Salon on the Main Street in Webster. Ellie’s mother and aunt were educators, from their nurturing she aspired to college rather than work in the family businesses. After graduation from Bartlett Class of 1948, Ellie joined what one of her best friends called the “Sisters of Worcester City Hospital” where she trained to be a nurse, ultimately becoming a Registered Nurse. The “sisters” were Eloise, Genevieve, Madeline, Shirley, and Audrey. Madeline was the maid of honor at Ellie’s wedding.

Eloise was an adventurer in her youth, she vacationed often with the “sisters”; they rode horses and went sight-seeing via small aircraft. In 1956, Eloise married her beloved Charlie, sometimes called Oscar, sometimes called his real name Casimir, sometimes called Ripper. Eloise nurtured three boys from birth to productive citizenry. It takes a special person to raise three boys; she did this lovingly and alone because Charlie and his brother Casey, who were inseparable, had a market and catering business to run, fires to put out with the volunteer fire department, a bus to drive for Kunkel’s School Buses, and U.S. Army drills to go to on the weekends.

Eloise could not have picked a finer profession to suit her big brain and caring personality, she loved being a nurse. Ellie worked in the surgical ward at Hubbard Regional Hospital when it was Hubbard and not part of Harrington. Over the course of her thirty-four year career, it is estimated

that Ellie supervised or participated in excess of seventy-thousand surgeries. That is an impactful and meaningful life. That is an amazing legacy to be remembered for.

Later in life, Ellie was fortunate to be able to rekindle her adventurous spirit by taking many family vacations with her son Peter and his family; she climbed up the long steps of the real Disney Castle-Neushwanstein in Germany, celebrated the summer solstice in Vienna, Austria, visited the Eiffel Tower in Paris, and took the bullet train to London. She was nicknamed the “Graminator” by her grandchildren Ashley and Chris while in Playa del Carmen, Mexico.

Eloise was indeed a member of the greatest generation living through and handling challenging times like the Great Depression, World War II, the Korean War, and others with humility, grace, and productivity. She should be remembered, first and foremost, as a loving wife and mom; as a good friend to her “sisters” at City Hospital and Hubbard Regional Hospital, and great nurse who healed tens of thousands.

Ellie will be deeply mourned by her sons Peter Kujawski of Bedford, NH and George Kujawski of Webster, MA; her beloved grandchildren Ashley and Chris, nieces, nephews, relatives, and precious friends. She was predeceased by her husband Casimir Kujawski, their son James Kujawski, and her brother George.

Calling Hours will be held on Sunday October 10th, 2021 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday October 11th, 2021 at 12:00 Noon in St. Joseph’s Basilica, 53 Whitcomb Street Webster, MA. Committal will follow in St. Joseph’s Garden of Peace.

In lieu of flowers please consider a memorial contribution to the Alzheimer’s Association <https://www.alz.org/> in honor of Eloise.

A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may offer condolences, share fond memories, or light a candle in remembrance of Heloise.

## Raymond Neslusan, 84



OXFORD – Raymond Neslusan, 84, passed away on Thursday, September 30, 2021, after a period of declining health.

Ray was born in Whitinsville to Edward Sr. and Anna (Mikolajczyk) Neslusan, and was raised in East Douglas. He called Oxford his home for the past 44 years.

Ray graduated from Douglas High School in 1955 and spent over 40 years working as a computer programmer. Later he worked in the electrical department at Home Depot in Oxford before retirement.

Ray had many hobbies, but he most enjoyed gardening and watching the Red Sox and Patriots. He delighted in planning holiday get-togethers for his family, always being sure to carry on the tradition of baking his mother’s nut bread and potato bread recipes for the event. He was a past Scoutmaster and Committee Chair of Boy Scout Troop 273 in Dudley and coached his son’s Little League teams. Ray found peace and comfort in the Catholic Church and regularly attended Mass until his declining health prevented him from doing so.

Ray’s greatest joy in life came from his family. He cherished time spent with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. His unconditional love and support will stay with them always.

Ray leaves behind three children, Linda Charlton and her husband Edward of Thompson, CT, Paul Neslusan of Oxford with whom he lived, and Peter Neslusan and his wife Serena of Oxford; his grandchildren, Amy Charlton, Sheryl Horniak, Edward Charlton, Matthew Charlton, and Christian Collette; seven great-grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Janet Ouillette of Douglas; and several beloved nieces and nephews. Ray was predeceased by three brothers, Edward Jr., Francis, and John; and his sister, Kathleen Burroughs.

A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 9, 2021, at St. Roch’s Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial will follow at North Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours are Saturday from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, prior to the Mass. Flowers may be sent or memorial contributions may be made to Boy Scout Troop 273, c/o Scoutmaster Diane Anderson, 14 Raymond St., Dudley, MA 01571.

## Rebecca L. Blanchard, 68



OXFORD – Rebecca L. (Plante) Blanchard, 68, of Dudley Road, died Friday, September 24, 2021, at UMass Memorial Medical Center – University Campus in Worcester. She is survived by two daughters, Chelsea L. Blanchard of Worcester, and Elyse A. Gallo of Oxford; two sisters, Charlotte Chabot and her husband Richard of North Brookfield, and Marsha Davis and her husband Robert of Oxford; two granddaughters who she loved dearly, Hannah and Layla; her great-granddaughter, Freya; and eleven beloved nephews and nieces, April, Angelique,

Shane, Travis, Taylor, Tara, Shannon, Kerri, David, Joi, and Joseph. She was born in Webster, daughter of the late Charles E. and Phyllis E. (Robertson) Plante, and lived most of her life in Oxford.

Ms. Blanchard was the front-end manager at Park and Shop for many years. She enjoyed reading, music and was an avid tennis player. She loved life and her family meant everything to her. Her greatest joy in life was spending time with family and friends.

Services will be held at a later date. In lieu flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

# More hot selling antiques



For today’s column, I’ll be discussing two types of antiques and collectibles that have been selling well recently.

I discussed celluloid plastic in a previous column, and today I’ll focus on Bakelite plastic. Bakelite is harder and typically more colorful than celluloid. Bakelite was the first natural resin and

was invented by Leo Hendrik Baekeland. According to Britannica, Bakelite is “a hard, infusible and chemically resistant plastic.” Bright, colorful jewelry in various shapes were produced using Bakelite. Pins and bracelets are just two examples. Handles on kitchen serving pieces and teapots, coffee pots and cocktail shakers brightened up these metal objects. Other items made from Bakelite include game pieces, buttons, billiard balls, pencil sharpeners and even radios and telephones. You can often find Bakelite pins for under \$25, but some pins and other pieces of jewelry can be quite valuable. A Bakelite cream, red and blue bracelet fetched \$3,000 in 2009. An authentic opal and diamond Bakelite ring went for \$3,050 earlier this year. Isamu Noguchi was even commissioned to create a Bakelite baby monitor in 1937. A Bakelite “Radio Nurse” sold at auction for \$5,000 in 2013. A rare Fada Blue Bullet Bakelite Radio Model 1000 brought \$9,000 in 2014. A “Drink Coca Cola” Bakelite counter-top display dispensed “free matches” and had a striker so that smokers could light their



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cigarettes. It sold for \$20,250 last month.

Valuable items manufactured by a Worcester company called O.C. White are very collectible and often overlooked. Industrial lighting has become very popular with decorators and those looking to give their homes a retro look. Vintage metal gooseneck desk lamps, swing arms or knuckle joints can be worth hundreds to collectors. Some of the most desirable industrial lights were made by O.C. White of Worcester, MA. O.C. White produced dental chairs, a universally adjustable tool for lathes and a posing chair for photos before patenting a “support for electric lamps.” O.C. White wall lamps with swing arms and green shades have recently sold in the \$200 range at auction. A dual lamp unit sold for \$850 and an O.C. White Industrial Long Arm Ceiling Light Fixture brought \$1,000. O.C. White is still in business in Thorndike, Mass. Their website says they are considering recreating some of their industrial lights from over 100 years ago and are

looking for distributors. I hope this article helps to shed some light on these trending lamps.

Our online estate auction with 1950s and 1960s Corvettes, boat motors, tools and other estate items is underway. Bidding ends on Oct. 20. Our next multi-estate online auction will begin next month and end on Nov. 9. We will be offering Rolex watches, gold jewelry, sterling silver, paintings, vintage comic books, sports cards and a wide range of objects from multiple estates. I’ll be discussing antiques and collectibles at FinnFunn Weekend in Troy, New Hampshire on Saturday, Oct. 30. My “Evaluating your antiques” class will take place on Nov. 10 at Bay Path Evening School in Charlton, Mass. On Saturday, Nov. 13, I’ll be appraising items virtually for the Townsend, Mass. Historical Society. Please visit our website for more details on upcoming events: <https://centralmassauctions.com>

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# Greater than your circumstances

The author and neuroscientist Joe Dispenza has had a massive influence on my life. In his books, he writes about becoming greater than your circumstances. His work has had a profound impact on my thought processes and how I live my life.

It’s easy to look at your current situation, compare it to where you’d like to be, recognize that it’s very far from your dreams, and then logically conclude that your dreams will never happen. When these thoughts occur, you’ve decided to believe your circumstances are too powerful to overcome.

If your dream is to start a business, write a book, become an actor, professional athlete, go to college, or even make right an injustice in the world. Still, you’re stuck work-

ing a 9-5, can barely pay your bills, and surrounded by negativity, it’s logical to assume that your dream is impossible.

You may not have the financing, the time, the energy, the support, the education, or the connections. You might have children, parents, and friends that need your help; you may have very little time for yourself.

Even so, human beings can overcome their circumstances. We’ve seen this time and time again from people who maintain a clear vision of a future life they’d like to have and resolutely move towards that vision.

If you can see a vision of the future that you’d like to experience and move towards that vision with unwavering faith; You can make it so.

Even when your circumstances are overwhelming, even when the government is unjust and oppressive, you are able to rise above your circumstances and accomplish the impossible.

Dr. Martin Luther King is one man who saw a vision of the future so clearly and believed in that vision long enough that he was able to make possible what seemed impossible.

Dr. King’s external reality was that he grew up when blacks were openly considered inferior by the local, state, and federal governments. His internal reality, his vision for the future, was quite the opposite.

He grew up in the Jim Crow era. When government laws, mainly in the south, openly mandated tyranny and hatred against black people.

Dr. King once said, “Never forget that everything Hitler did in Germany was legal.”

Segregation, lynchings, church burnings, police brutality, attack dogs, powerful fire hoses spraying protesters to the ground, and citizens attending protests, holding signs that read, “we don’t want negroes in our schools!” were the circumstances Dr. King was expected to rise above if he was to accomplish his dream.

Dr. King came into the public eye when Rosa Parks famously refused to sit at the back of the bus. He came to her aid and helped organize

the Montgomery Bus Boycott, which lasted 385 days. During the boycott, Dr. King’s house was fire-bombed! This only served to strengthen his resolve.

King said, “It all boils down to the fact that we must never allow ourselves to become satisfied with unattained goals.”

Despite constant threats against his life, and many telling him his dream was impossible, he knew and acted otherwise. The power of his vision eventually convinced millions to join him in the Civil Rights Movement.

He went on to win a Nobel Peace Prize, help to end the era of Jim Crow and see the beginning of desegregation. Tragically, he was assassinated in 1968 at the young age of 39.

Becoming greater than your circumstances will always come with opposition, obstacles, much hard work, and in some cases, death.

He once said, “Courage is an inner resolution to go forward despite obstacles; Cowardice is submissive surrender to circumstances.”

Dr. King’s life is a testament that we can rise above our present circumstances and achieve the impossible.

If Dr. Martin Luther King was able to rise above ignorant beliefs about skin color, tyrannical government laws, endure the constant threat of death, and still accomplish his dream, what excuse do we have not to accomplish ours?





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UMass Memorial Med. Ctr. Inc  
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US Post Office  
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Vandi  
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Walmart Stores Inc.  
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Zbigniew Biedrzycki  
October 8, 2021

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by SMS Enterprise LLC, to Patch of Land Lending, LLC, dated April 27, 2018, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58757 at Page 127, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Patch of Land Lending, LLC, to Normandy Capital Trust, dated May 9, 2018, recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58830, Page 361; and by a confirmatory assignment from Patch of Land Lending, LLC, to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as Trustee for Normandy Capital Trust, dated June 9, 2021, recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 65635, Page 22, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 P.M. on the 25th day of October 2021 at 364 Main Street, Oxford, MA 01540, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,  
To wit:  
SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER AND COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE LAND IN OXFORD, BEING A CERTAIN TRACT OF PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON, SITUATED IN OXFORD, AND BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
SITUATED NORTH OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AND ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF THE COUNTY ROAD LEADING FROM SAID OXFORD TO WORCESTER, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON SAID COUNTY ROAD IN THE CHANNEL OF THE BROOK BY LAND FORMERLY OF JP DANA;  
THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY BY SAID BROOK ABOUT 15 RODS TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID NOW OR FORMERLY OF THE NORWICH AND WORCESTER RAILROAD COMPANY; THENCE SOUTHERLY BY LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF SAID RR COMPANY 143 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;  
THENCE WESTERLY ON A LINE PASSING THROUGH THE CENTER OF THE WELL ON SAID PREMISES TO A POINT ON SAID COUNTY ROAD, ABOUT 168 FEET SOUTHERLY OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE BY SAID ROAD ABOUT 168 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
THENCE BY SAID ROAD ABOUT 168 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING BEING THE SAME PARCEL CONVEYED TO SMS ENTERPRISE, LLC.,

A MASSACHUSETTS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FROM FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, BY VIRTUE OF A DEED DATED 12/20/2017, RECORDED 1/18/2018, IN DEED BOOK 28310, PAGE 260, COUNTY OF WORCESTER, COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
Assessor's Parcel No: 29C-D08  
Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.  
Terms of sale: A deposit of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Demerle Hoeger LLP, 10 City Square, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02129 within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control.  
Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.  
Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as Trustee for Normandy Capital Trust,  
Present holder of said mortgage, By its Attorneys, Demerle Hoeger LLP  
10 City Square, 4th Floor  
Boston, MA 02129  
(617) 337-4444  
  
September 1, 2021  
September 8, 2021  
September 15, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
Docket No. WO21P3220PM  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L.c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405  
In the matter of:  
Tristan Javier Cruz  
Of: Webster, MA  
RESPONDENT**

(Person to be Protected/Minor)  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Lliana Guivas of Webster, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Tristan Javier Cruz** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Lliana Guivas of Webster, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.  
**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **10/26/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the abovenamed person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.  
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 28, 2021  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
  
October 8, 2021



# 10 high impact tulips to delight your neighbors

Big, bold and beautiful, these dazzling tulips are sure to brighten your gardens and neighborhood. Include a few or all ten to create a colorful display throughout the spring that is sure to delight you and everyone who passes by.



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spring bloomer with extra-large flowers. The blend of yellow, gold, orange and red on each flower make it a stand-out in any landscape. Plant the bulbs en masse to create a stunning display or pair them with daffodils to

extend the show. Change things up in mid to late spring with the hot pink flowers of Cosmopolitan. The goblet shaped fuchsia flowers are held high on 18-to-20-inch stems. Be sure to plant extras for spring flower arrangements.

Team up Cosmopolitan with the violet-blue flowers of Purple Flag. Or shake things up by pairing this lovely purple tulip with flowers that bloom in its complementary colors yellow and orange.

As temperatures climb, the late blooming tulip Sky High Scarlet really shines. Its huge tomato red blossoms hold up well despite the heat that often shortens late spring tulip displays.

You and your neighbors will enjoy watching the transformation of World Expression tulips. The flowers start out soft primrose yellow with scarlet red flames. As the blossoms mature, the petals whiten, and the flames deepen to a cardinal red.

Add a little Midnight Magic to your late spring garden. This double late tulip

has multiple layers of petals in a blend of burgundy and garnet. Pair it with white for a formal look or energize the display by combining it with orange and yellow blooms. Be sure to cut a few of these large, rose-like flowers and enjoy their fragrance.

End the tulip season with a blaze of color. Sun Lover features vibrant orange petals with stripes of deep orange and red. The flowers open wider and wider each day and are a dramatic addition to any bouquet.

Order tulip bulbs in late summer for the best selection. Shipping starts in early fall and once the bulbs arrive, they should be stored in a cool, dark place until you plant.

Tulips grow best when the bulbs are planted in late fall, after the first hard frost and before the ground freezes. Those in mild climates (zones 8-10) will need to pre-chill their tulip bulbs in the refrigerator for 10 to 14 weeks before planting in the garden.

Once your tulip bulbs are in the ground, you can relax and wait for the beautiful spring tulip display. Your neighbors are sure to thank you for this colorful addition to the block.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the Melinda's Garden*



Courtesy

**World Expression tulip's flowers transform from a soft primrose yellow with scarlet red flames to a whiter version of the blossom with flames of cardinal red.**

*Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Longfield Gardens for her expertise to write this article. Her Web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com).*

## LEGALS

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family  
Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
(508) 831-2200  
Docket No. WO21P23182EA  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Estate of:  
Maribelle Hare  
Also known as:  
Maribelle A Hare, Maribelle H Hare  
Date of Death: 07/21/2021**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Virginia L Malo of East Douglas MA** and **Marjorie A Hare of Tolland CT** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Virginia L Malo of East Douglas MA** and **Marjorie A Hare of Tolland CT** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/26/2021**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**  
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.  
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 24, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman,  
Register of Probate  
October 8, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
(508) 831-2200  
Docket No. WO21C0447CA  
CITATION ON PETITION TO  
CHANGE NAME  
In the matter of:  
Joanna Strycharz  
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Joanna Strycharz of Webster MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:  
**Joanna M Strycharz**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by****

**filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/19/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.**  
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 22, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
October 8, 2021

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
Pursuant to Mass General Laws Chapter 105A, the contents of the following space: D63 (Magdalena Pater) located at 144 Schofield Avenue, Dudley, MA will be sold to satisfy, the owners lien of Storage Plus. Sale date is Wednesday October 20, 2021@2:00 PM. Inspection between 1:30PM and 2:00PM on October 20, 2021. Sealed bids must be hand delivered by 2:00PM on October 20, 2021. All goods must be purchased by cash as is, including a \$50.00 refundable cash deposit, and must be removed within 48 hours of sale. Owner has the right to bid to protect his lien and to withdraw any unit upon settlement by the obligated party up for sale. For further information or to make an appointment, call (508)949-8818.  
October 7, 2021  
October 14, 2021

**LEGAL NOTICE  
MORTGAGEE'S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Scott Roseen and Karen Roseen to Household Finance Corporation II, dated April 1, 2003 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 29550, Page 155 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc. is the present holder by Assignment from Household Finance Corporation II to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as trustee for LSF8 Master participation Trust dated September 11, 2014 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 52797, Page 325, and Assignment from U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as trustee for LSF8 Master participation Trust to DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc. dated April 3, 2017 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 61008, Page 371, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 11 Dalessandro Avenue a/k/a 11 D'Alessandro Avenue, Dudley, MA 01571 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00 PM on November 3, 2021, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon of every nature and description and all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated on the westerly side of D'Alessandro Avenue, in Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and being Lot #15 on Plan of Lots surveyed for Stanley Deren et al, Dudley, Mass., dated August 28, 1952, drawn by Henry A. Racicot, Engr., and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 184, Plan 13, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner thereof, at a stake on the westerly line of said D'Alessandro Avenue, said stake being at the northeasterly corner of Lot #16 as shown on the aforesaid Plan; Thence North 82 Deg. 18' West by

the northerly line of said Lot #16 for a distance of ninety-eight and seventy-three hundredths (98.73) feet to a stake at land of John Ruda, Jr., Thence North 6 Deg. 18' East by land of said Ruda a distance of eighty-three and sixty-five hundredths (83.65) feet to a stake at the southwesterly corner of Lot #14 on said plan. Thence South 81 Deg. 19' East by the southerly line of said Lot #14 a distance of one hundred and fifty hundredths (100.50) feet to a stake on the westerly line of said D'Alessandro Avenue; Thence South 7 Deg. 39' West by the westerly line of said D'Alessandro Avenue, a distance of eighty-two (82) feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the following restrictions:  
1. No building or part of a building shall be erected or maintained thereon with thirty (30) feet of the street line.  
2. No house shall be built thereon at a less cost than six thousand and 00/100 (6,000.00) dollars.  
3. The premises and any building thereon shall be used for trade or manufacture but for residential purposes only;  
4. No stable shall be erected thereon and no horses, cattle, swine, or poultry shall be kept on the premises. Subject also to the rights of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Worcester County Electric Company to erect and maintain poles and wires, as recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 3359, Page 56 and in Book 3489, Page 407. Being the same property conveyed from Henry R. Gelineau, not stated to Scott Roseen and Karen Roseen, husband and wife/T/B/E by Deed recorded 5/29/1998, in Book 20005, at Page 130, in the Register's Office of Worcester County, Massachusetts.

or mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 20005, Page 130. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale.  
DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc.  
Korde & Associates, P.C.  
900 Chelmsford Street  
Suite 3102  
Lowell, MA 01851  
(978) 256-1500  
Roseen, Scott, 19-036572  
October 8, 2021  
October 15, 2021  
October 22, 2021

**A.C. 92A  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
21E0041PP  
Worcester, ss.  
Probate Court**

To Ediz Pelevan both of Dudley in the County of Worcester and to all persons interested. A petition has been presented to said Court by Jennifer Breault of Dudley in the County of Worcester representing that she holds as tenant in common undivided part or share of certain land lying in Dudley in said County Worcester and briefly described as follows:  
Exhibit A

The land and dwelling located in the Town of Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts known as Ash Lane, Dudley, Massachusetts being more particularly described as Lot 29 on a plan of land entitled, "Subdivision of Land Owned by Raymond Marchi Phase II and III Developer Corp." Dated November 9, 1992 and recored with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 717 plan 71. setting forth that they desire that all the aforesaid described part of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$210,00.000 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 conveyance of all, or any part of said land which th 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 twenty-sixth day of October 2021, the return date of this citation. Witness, LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of October 2021.  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
October 8, 2021

**A.C. 92A  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
21E0041PP  
Worcester, ss.  
Probate Court**

To Ediz Pelevan both of Dudley in the County of Worcester and to all persons interested. A petition has been presented to said Court by Jennifer Breault setting forth that her desires that aforesaid described part of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$395,00.000 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 conveyance of all, or any part of said land which th 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 twenty-sixth day of October 2021, the return date of this citation. Witness, LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of October 2021.  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
October 8, 2021



# REAL ESTATE

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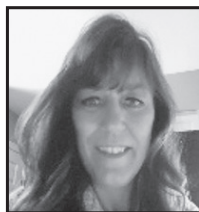
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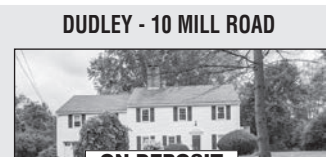
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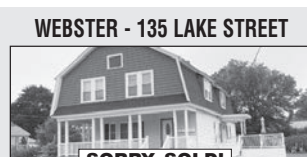
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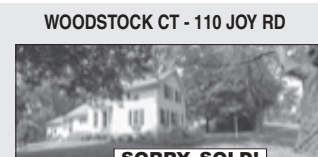
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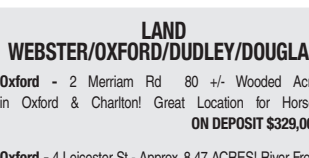
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**SORRY, SOLD!**

Deck & Slider to the Patio! Natural gas heat! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Natural Sandy Beach! **\$439,000.**



**PAVING**  
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marizing 800-plus public documents showing their “disrespect for the town of Webster.” But she did not specify what those incidents were, nor did the selectmen, who acknowledged

receipt. Sidestepping that, Mikitarian said she feels “this is about safety” because she’s heard “several indications from police and fire about difficulties of access to properties on Loveland Road.”

Interim Town Administrator Greg Balukonis said he spoke

to the fire chief, who “indicated his full support of the project.”

Becker said he contacted the town attorney to make sure this article “wouldn’t be ruled out of order” before holding this hearing.

“You can’t always make every single resident happy,” he noted.

Earl Gabor said he feels the years of semi-annual pothole-filling and grading in themselves have shown paving is a public necessity. Tom Klebart agreed, saying he’s particularly concerned about the ability of emergency vehicles to safely get down there during muddy or icy periods.

Jolda recused himself on the grounds that he has relatives “on both sides.”

Other items on the Oct. 18 warrant include several changes to zoning bylaws, funding an update of the town’s historical survey, and creation of a tax increment financing district that

straddles the Webster-Dudley line around the Stevens Mill. As usual, it will be held in Bartlett High School’s Auditorium starting at 7 p.m.

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**LRRP**  
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fronts, traffic calming and mitigation, small business recruitment and retention, gateway improvement, creating a long-term strategy for the EDC and two more expansive initiatives: connecting to the surrounding river trails and forming a marketing and branding plan for Dudley.

Among the initiatives seen as the top priorities, Salwa said she believes that creating an EDC strategy could be the most beneficial.

“Dudley has the perfect combination of players right now. You have an active town administrator, you have an EDC, you have a town planner, you have the

Webster-Dudley Business Alliance, you have the Webster-Dudley-Oxford Chamber of Commerce, you have Nichols College, you really have all of the players. A lot of the strategic planning has already been done. The corridor study has been done. You have the local Rapid Recovery Plan. You have Community Development Block Grant Access. You have an Agricultural Commission. You have everything going for you right now,” Salwa told the EDC. “I do think creating a strategy for (the EDC) as an entity is something I think could be the most beneficial – You’ve really accomplished a lot in a short amount of time.”

Gateway improvements was a favorite among EDC members as

they felt improving the entrance from Webster into Dudley would help with the overall appeal of the town.

Salwa agreed, saying in her presentation “We talked about pulling off of the momentum that Webster has right now in their downtown transitioning from Main Street into West Main Street with some sort of signage or landscaping improvements. Just a way to kind of signify that you’re crossing into Dudley.”

The EDC unanimously agreed to send the seven projects to the state in the report and await input from Boston as to what projects can and can’t be prioritized based on funding at this time. Regardless of the eventual results Salwa praised the town and the EDC for



Courtesy

**CMRPC Representative Kerrie Salwa (left) speaks with the Dudley EDC about the town’s LRRP plan, which will be submitted to the state for further review.**

being ahead of the game. “I really think it’s important to stress that you really do have put

things in motion that a lot of communities haven’t and aren’t even close to and I can’t wait to see

what happens next,” Salwa said.

**SOCCER**  
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**Oxford keeper Sam Paradise watches intently as the ball approaches the net, before making a save.**

today we were able to do that,” said Chartier. “The good teams are able to cash in on those opportunities, and I think we’re starting to turn the corner.”

Chartier likes how his team is composed of 11 equals out on the field.

“You might sometimes have one or two outstanding players, [but] we are a very balanced team. If we stick to working as a team, we are very good,” he said.

The Spartans’ balance showed versus Oxford, as seven players registered at least one point. Max Martone scored twice, both on 25-yard free kicks, while Lukas Ritacco, Lex Lovell, Sam Walton and Jason Fontes also lit the lamp. Lovell, Walton, Jude Goncalves and Xavier Hicks were credited with assists. And keeper Thatcher Kling finished with five saves.

Meanwhile, although the loss was a tough one for Oxford and head coach Paul Frykberg to

swallow, all is not lost with the Pirates. They are still floating around the .500 mark at 3-3-2, the best they have played record-wise in quite some time.

“When you have a team of eighth and ninth graders for a couple of years, you’ve got to take your bumps. Eventually these guys grow up and play together and work together. It’s really just growth as a unit and as a team,” Frykberg said of the light at the end of the Pirates’ tunnel.

Frykberg noted that Uxbridge’s first goal, which came in the game’s second minute, “was absolutely a lack of focus on our part.”

But most of the Spartans’ other goals were scored into the upper portion of the net against diminutive keeper Sam Paradise.

“His height works against him for sure, but he’s definitely one of the most hard-working kids on the team,” Frykberg said of Paradise, an eighth grader who fin-



**Edwin Flores of Oxford makes a play on the ball before Uxbridge’s Jason Fontes can do so.**

ished with 12 saves — many brilliant — including one on a penalty kick. “What really helps him is he understands angles so well. He’s able to take away 70 percent of the net just by positioning.”

Paradise may tip the ruler at about 5-feet, but his brother Alex, a freshman, grew eight inches over the summer, according to Frykberg.

Oxford’s score was

technically an own-goal, as it last touched a Spartans’ defender. But the Pirates’ Myles Craft was credited with the score, as he made the play and “forced the goal,” according to Frykberg.

That goal came early in the second half and made the score 2-1, but Uxbridge then found its newfound scoring touch to put the game out of reach.



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**PFAS**  
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spring 2022. If Bigelow’s PFAS levels have not fallen by then, the town may need to implement summer water-use restrictions. Such restrictions would likely last for a few years, because that’s how long it would take to build a PFAS treatment facility.

Cutler said he’s working with Tighe & Bond to identify Webster’s alternatives and “next

steps if we were to do treatment,” but he noted “the lead time ... is not readily available.” The engineering firm will do what’s termed a “bench scale” test on various options, including granulated carbon filters and ion exchange, to see what works best, but Cutler noted the presence of iron or manganese could affect those tests.

Additionally, he said, Webster could build a water main from Bigelow to the Memorial

Beach treatment plant, but that’s likely to cost around \$3 million.

PFAS “are out there everywhere” and “I don’t see [DEP] letting up on this,” Cutler added.

According to the EPA’s website, PFAS chemicals have existed since the 1940s. They “are very persistent in the environment and in the human body – meaning they don’t break down and they can accumulate over time. There is evidence that exposure to

PFAS can lead to adverse human health effects.” Among other things, they’ve been used or found in food packaging, soil, water, non-stick and water/stain-repellent products, paint, fire-fighting foams and electronics manufacturing. While some are no longer manufactured in the US, they are still available globally and find their way here in imported products.

“The most-studied PFAS chemicals are PFOA [perfluoroocta-

noic acid] and PFOS [perfluorooctane sulfonate],” EPA’s site reports. “Studies indicate that PFOA and PFOS can cause reproductive and developmental, liver and kidney, and immunological effects in laboratory animals. Both chemicals have caused tumors in animals. The most consistent findings are increased cholesterol levels among exposed populations, with more limited findings related to: low infant birth

weights, effects on the immune system, cancer (for PFOA), and thyroid hormone disruption (for PFOS).”

EPA notes most cases of water contamination are due to a nearby site that was contaminated by manufacturing processes or firefighting foam containing PFAS.

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