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Jared Aucoin was recently celebrated for earning his Eagle Scout

Local teen overcomes adversity to become Eagle Scout

BY KEVIN FLANDERS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER Jared Aucoin faced hardship throughout his journey to becoming an Eagle Scout, but he repeatedly turned adversity into inspiration and reached the highest

level of Scouting.

A lifelong Spencer resident, Aucoin, 19, began his Eagle project in the summer of 2019, and completed it by Veterans Day of that year. Now an Assistant

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Local veteran honored with Quilt of Valor

BY KEVIN FLANDERS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE - A Vietnam War veteran was honored by his family during a Quilt of Valor presentation earlier this

Former U.S. Marine Joseph Kularski, Jr., a lifelong resident of East Brookfield, received his Quilt of Valor during an Oct. 2 surprise ceremony at The Barn in Sturbridge. Kularski assumed he would be attending the 90th birthday celebration for a family member, but instead he found himself surrounded by relatives eager to honor his service.

"It was an excellent day. Not one of my relatives let on that this was going to happen," Kularski told us. "I had teary eyes all day, especially when they put the quilt around me."

Quilts of Foundation honors veterans across the country with quilts meant to provide comfort and gratitude for their service. For Vietnam War veterans like Kularski, the honor is especially meaningful after the hatred and abuse servicemen endured on returning from war.

Serving in the Marines from 1966-69, Kularski saw active duty in Vietnam in 1967. He stands among four generations of his family to serve in the military.

Kularski was nominated for a Quilt of Valor by his Aunt Peggy and Uncle Louis Fedler. An Air Force veteran, Louis



Vietnam War veteran Joseph Kularski, Jr., a lifelong resident of East Brookfield, recently received a Quilt of Valor.

Fedler served at roughly the same time as Kularski. It was a thrill for the family to come together to honor him, especially after being apart during the height of the pandemic.

"My brother said it was the best day of his life. He couldn't believe everyone had done this for him," said Carol Mulrain, Kularski's younger sister. "It was a very moving day. It was nice to get everyone together for a wonderful event.'

Also attending the event was Scott Conner, the veterans' agent for Spencer and East Brookfield.

'It was an honor to be there with Joe and his family," Conner said. "It's inspiring to be part of these events and support our veterans. Hats off to all veterans for their service that allows us to have our freedoms.'

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Photos Jason McKay

Mike Mero handing off the ball to Griffin Metcalf while the Tantasqua defensive line

Wolverines coast past Warriors on Senior Night

BY DEAN ST. LAURENT SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — Due to Auburn having COVID issues on their team and Southbridge not having enough players to field a team, Leicester and Tantasqua came together and decided to battle it out in week five.

On Friday night, Oct. 8, Tantasqua traveled to Leicester, and in Wolverines head coach Tim Griffiths first game back home coaching since his team's Gillette Super Bowl run two years ago his team was able to come out on top. Leicester (2-3) defeated Tantasqua (0-5) 35-8.

Leicester recognized 17 seniors before the game, and many of them made their presence known throughout the contest.

"I guess we had it early," expressed Leicester head coach Tim Griffiths. 'Since we didn't have a homecoming we just thought that the Seniors should be acknowledged tonight since they didn't have their homecoming against Southbridge. There are all these festivities tomorrow, and we are not part of them. It was a nice day. We needed it. It is my first home game because I had COVID week 1, and all our other games have been away. It is week five, and it is the first time coaching since two years ago during the Gillette run. So

I had some fun.' In the first quarter, it looked like the game was going to be a defensive battle. Tantasqua drove down the field after fielding the opening kickoff but didn't convert on fourth down at Leicester's 11-yard line. Five plays later, when the Wolverines had possession, Mike Mero threw a pass downfield and was picked off by Tantasqua's Caleb Thompson.

However, Leicester was able to force a three-and-out following the interception and gain some momentum. The Wolverines scored on their next two drives and sustained stops on defense to go up 14-0 mid-way through the second quarter. Then things got interesting.

Sparked by a 16-yard catch by Tantasqua's Aiden Filler on third

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Colleagues remember Kevin Hayes

BY KEVIN FLANDERS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER - The community is mourning the loss of former selectman Kevin Hayes, who died earlier this month from COVID-19 complications.

Hayes, 66, lost his battle with the virus on Oct. 2 at Harrington Memorial

Born in Worcester before moving to Spencer, Hayes starred on the David Prouty High School football and basketball teams before graduating in 1973. From a young age, he served as a role model for his friends and teammates.

"Even back in the third grade, he was a leader," said Kevin Huard, a longtime friend who met Hayes back in their elementary school days at West Main Street School.

Hayes went on to study at Worcester State College, then served as a real estate appraiser for Liberty Property Manager for over 40 years.

Hayes was also heavily involved in municipal service, elected as a Spencer selectman and then a member of the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School Committee. He chaired the School Committee in his final years on

"He was passionate about everything in his life - whether it be family, friends,

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Leicester police taking part in Pink Patch Program

LEICESTER is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the Leicester Police Department is once again participating in the Pink Patch Program.

During the town-wide yard sale on Oct. 2, T-shirts and Pink Patch items were available for sale at the police station. If you weren't able to attend that day, you can submit your order by sending an email to ParkinsonA@ LeicesterPD.org.

All proceeds will be donated to a local charity.

Photo Courtesy

The Leicester Police Department is once again participating in the Pink Patch Program.



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Kularski also received a special proclamation from the Quilts of Valor Foundation in honor of his service.

Kularski's younger sister, Doris Johnson, was thanked for her efforts in organizing the Oct. 2 ceremony.

Quilts of Valor can be awarded to any service member or veteran who has been touched by war. The organization was established in 2003 by Catherine Roberts, whose son Nat was deployed in Iraq. Since then, thousands of quilts have been created by dedicated volunteers and presented to veterans in ceremonies of thanks.

To learn more about the organization, or to make a contribution supporting its efforts, visit www.qovf.org.



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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Rreast Cancer awareness

How physical activity can help in the fight against breast cancer

Breast cancer is a complex disease that affects millions of women across the globe each year. Though the American Cancer Society reports that only about 4 percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States are under age 40, women of all ages can take steps protect themselves against this deadly disease.

women in myriad ways, and that includes lowering their risk for breast cancer. The ACS notes that researchers are increasingly linking exercise to a reduced risk for breast cancer. Though the reasons behind that

link remain unclear, some theorize that the positive effects of exercise on body weight, inflammation, hormones, energy balance could be why regular physical activity helps women reduce their risk that could be another for breast cancer.

breast cancer

The National Cancer Institute reports that benefits being obese after menopause can significantly increase a woman's risk for breast cancer. In addition, the ACS attributes the rise in hormone receptor-positive breast cancers to an increased prevalence of excessive body weight.

> Routine exercise is a highly effective way to lose weight and keep

weight off, which in turn could lower women's risk for breast cancer.

Being sedentary and breast cancer

Exercise is a not a sedentary activity, and reason why women who are physically active Body weight and have a lower risk for breast cancer. The ACS notes that more than one study has linked sitting time to a higher risk of various diseases, including breast cancer. Researchers with the ACS analyzed data from 77,462 women, who they followed for an average of 15.8 years. None of the participants had cancer when the study started, but researchers found that women who sat for six or more hours per day during their free time had a 10 percent greater risk for invasive breast cancer than



women who sat for less than three hours per day during free time.

Does physical activity really reduce breast cancer risk?

The human body is complex, and a host of factors, including those like age that women have no control over, can affect cancer risk. However, engaging in routine physical activity seems to be an effective way for women to reduce their risk for breast cancer. In fact, the Breast Cancer Research Foundation estimates that one-third of all breast cancer cases could be prevented with positive lifestyle choices

that help women maintain a healthy weight, including exercise.

Routine physical activity can be a significant weapon in women's arsenal as they continue their efforts to prevent and overcome breast cancer.

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The brilliant fall color in our landscapes is a magical transformation that happens each year. And the science behind it is just as intriguing.

Each fall as the days shorten our deciduous trees and shrubs begin this transformation. The plants produce less of the chlorophyll that gives leaves their normal green color. The existing chlorophyll starts breaking down, revealing the underlying pigments of yellow, red or orange.

The carotenoid and xanthophyll pigments assist the chlorophyll in capturing light and producing sugar during the growing season. The beta-car-otene contributes to the orange and orange-yellow fall color. Lutein is the most prominent xanthophyll pigment producing bright yellow fall color. There are over 80 different pigments in these two categories contributing to the variations in fall color.

The tanins in leaves contribute to the golden and brown fall colors. These are thought to discourage animals and insect pests from feeding on the leaves and help defend the plants against disease organisms.

At the same time, these plants begin to create an abscission layer between the leaf and stem. This barrier prevents the sugars produced in the leaves from moving down into the roots for storage.

Purple and red fall color, from the anthocyanin foliar pigments, is produced when sugars build up and are trapped in the leaves. This results in brilliant red and purplish-red fall color. Some of these pigments are present during the growing season and can be seen in new growth and mature leaves of some plants. These add color to the garden, help protect the plant cells from high light damage, and may discourage animals and insects from dining on the plants.

Warm, sunny days followed by cool



Photo Melinda Mvers

Each fall as the days shorten, deciduous shrubs and trees like this Arctic Jade Korean Maple begin their transformation as the plants produce less chlorophyll.

nights without a hard frost mean more sugar and better red, orange, and purple fall color. Sufficient soil moisture helps keep the leaf color bright for a longer period of time. Leaf color fades, turns brown and leaves drop from the tree more quickly during dry fall weather.

Fall foliage is not restricted to deciduous trees and shrubs. The leaves of many of our favorite perennials also turn brilliant colors in the fall.

Solomon's seal and hosta leaves turn a beautiful yellow, echoing the fall flowers of witchhazel and yellow leaves of ginkgo and quaking aspen. The delicate heart-shaped leaves of barrenwort, botanically known as Epimedium, turn red in fall. Some of the leaves drop in fall like most trees and shrubs. Others will persist through winter and drop as new leaves and flowers appear in spring.

Perennial geranium and Bergenia leaves turn reddish-purple in fall. Both will persist, adding color to the winter and early spring

Brighten up the fall landscape with

the fine texture and amber-gold fall foliage of Angelina sedum and willow

The fluffy white seed heads of our native little bluestem complement the coppery-red fall color that persists throughout the winter.

Genetics determine the color each plant tends to produce in fall, while weather and the plant's health influence if and how intensely the color will be expressed. Consider fall color when adding plants to the landscape. Then provide proper care to keep them healthy and looking their best throughout the year.

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

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- Submitted by Nadine Barley

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Bay Path Practical Nursing team raises \$1,160 in Walk to End Alzheimer's

Lindsay Guertin, BSN, RN and Jason Guertin, BHS, ASN, RN and their children, JJ and Elyse, all of Spencer, led the Bay Path Practical Nursing Team in the Oct. 3 Walk to End Alzheimer's at the Hanover Insurance Office Park, 100 North Parkway in Worcester.

of Spencer, led the Bay Path Practical Nursing Team in the Oct. 3 Walk to End Alzheimer's at the Hanover Insurance Office Park, 100 North Parkway in Worcester. The ten-plus strong Bay Path Practical Nursing Team raised \$1.160 for Alzheimer's care, support, and research. Professor Lindsay Guertin is passionate about Dementia

and Alzheimer's care. She reiterates, "it's important to learn as much as we can, especially our practical nursing students. The more awareness we can bring leads to some-

day have a cure.' The Bay Path Practical Nursing Team members attended the Promise Garden Ceremony at 10 a.m. Professor

Photo Courtesy Lindsay Guertin as the Team Captain enthusiastically lead the walk in her Team Captain gear. Practical Nursing students in attendance were Sarah Garcia of Charlton, Marites Sklarz of Southbridge, Gearlyn Wetherbee of Charlton and Martha Yeboah of Worcester.

"Participating is fun and a memorable service-learning activity for everyone," said Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Academy Director.

She participated with her husband Joseph, adding "it's a chance to make an impact in the mission to end Alzheimer's.

In addition, Bolandrina stated, "I am so grateful for Professor Lindsay Guertin's leadership and her entire family's participation. We look forward to the day when the goal is reached of finding a cure for Alzheimer's."

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Local trick-or-treating hours announced

REGION - Area communities are announcing hours and safety advisories for Halloween activities.

In Spencer, trick-or-treating will take place for two hours on Oct. 31 (5-7 p.m.). A protective mask suggestion is in place

for trick-or-treaters. "The Chief of Police strongly suggests that all those participating be safe and wear a mask in addition to your costume. COVID is still with us, and we need to remain on guard," read a statement released by the Spencer Police Department.

Spencer officials also announced that the typical Halloween party at Town Hall will not take place this year.

In Leicester, the Select Board recently



voted to allow trick-or-treating on Oct. 31 from 5-7 p.m. There are no mask advisories or restrictions in place.

East Brookfield trick-or-treating hours are 5-6:30 p.m.

ATTENTION WEST BROOKFIELD RESIDENTS Hydrant Flushing

The West Brookfield Water Department will be flushing hydrants Oct. 25, 2021 thru Nov. 5, 2021 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Flushing will cause some disturbance in the water mains. The water may appear cloudy but will eventually dissipate. Please plan water use accordingly.



Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy welcomes new faculty members

CHARLTON — The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is pleased to welcome three newly appointed faculty members as adjunct faculty: Tara Johnson, MSN, RN; Angela McGrath, BSN, RN; Rianna Romano, BSN, RN.

Tara Johnson, MSN, RN of Springfield, has been named adjunct faculty, a role she assumed in July 2021. Johnson is an experienced Director of Nursing Services. This year she completed her Master of Science in Nursing Education at Framingham State University. Her academic progression in nursing started at Greenfield Community College for Practical Nursing in 2005, Associates Degree in Nursing (2015), and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Our Lady of Elms College in 2018. Aside from her certificates in Dementia training, Intravenous Therapy, and BLS healthcare provider CPR and AED (American Heart Association) she is also an Infection Control Preventionist.

Angela McGrath, BSN, RN of Palmer, has been named adjunct faculty, a role she assumed on Sept. 15. McGrath is an experienced home care nurse. She completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) in 2018 and was awarded an outstanding achievement award for Summa



Tara Johnson



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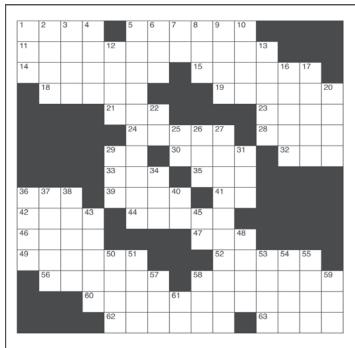
Cum Laude in 2019. She earned her Associate in Nursing degree at Holyoke Community College in 2016 where she was also inducted to the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. She completed her certificate in practical nursing at Greater Lowell Technical School in 1999 and was a certified nursing assistant in 1998 at the Middlesex Community College. Her experience includes subacute care, long-term care, case management, hospice care, and care plan development.

Rianna Romano, BSN, RN, CEN of Charlton, has been named adjunct faculty, a role she assumed on Sept. 15. Romano completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at MCPHS University in 2017 and her Bachelor of Science in Exercise and Sports Science at Fitchburg State University in 2014. Prior to becoming a nurse, Romano was

an emergency medical technician and a critical care technician (Emergency Department) at Health Alliance Hospital in Leominster. She is a Certified Emergency Room Nurse, HCP/BLS certified, advanced cardiac life support, and pediatric advanced life support certified. She is connected with the emergency departments at UMass Memorial, Harrington Memorial Hospital, and HealthAlliance Hospital.

Leicester Women's Club meets Oct. 20

LEICESTER — The Leicester Women's Club will meet Wednesday, Oct. 20 at Pine Ridge Country Club at 6 p.m. The meal will be an Italian Buffet. Lois Doray and Joseph Lennerton will give a presentation about the Swan Tavern. Cost of the meal is \$20. Reservations should be made by Friday, Oct. 15 to Maureen Whitney at 508-864-6871



CLUES ACROSS

- Flat-topped hill 5. Move upward
- 11. Admiration
- 14. It's useful for serving food
- 15. Kidnap 18. One of the Greek Muses
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- 21. Sunscreen rating 23. Former Michigan coach Brady
- 24. German town devastated
- in WW2 28. Gasteyer and Ortiz are two
- 29. Leave 30. Forearm bone
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- 35. Defunct economic organization 63. Footwear
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 - 3. Practice fight
 - 4. Genus of clams 5. Fear of heights
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 - 8. When you expect to get there
 - 9. Pointed ends 10. Extinct flightless bird
 - 12. Feeds
 - 13. Nape of neck
 - 16. Descendant 17. Small boats found in Turkey
 - 20. To avoid the risk of 22. Athlete with no contract (abbr.)
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 - Greek alphabet 26. Brew
 - 27. Feeling of anxiety 29. Young girls group
- 34. White clerical vestment 36. Popular musical awards show
 - 37. Bumpkins

31. Perform on stage

36. Science-based students

organization (abbr.)

41. Indicates position

42. Beverage containers

46. Science accreditation

52. Hebrew prophet

56. They help you drink

organization (abbr.)

49. Group of elected officials

39. Feels ill

44. Assists

47. Purpose

58. Lawmaker

60. Charitable

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- 38. One who acts on another's behalf
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Leicester CEA sets rates for next price period

LEICESTER - Set to enter additional renewable enerits second price period next month, the Leicester Community Electricity Aggregation program (CEA) will secure more than three years of stable rates.

The second price period will last until December 2024. The Leicester CEA program's standard rate for November 2021 through December 2024 is a fixed rate of \$0.10455/kWh. National Grid recent-

ly released its rates for November 2021 through April 2022. The basic service residential rate for this period is \$0.14821/kWh, officials Launched in August 2021,

the Leicester Community Electricity Aggregation program features the following rates for the upcoming period:

Leicester Standard Rate: \$0.10455/kWh

Leicester 50 Rate: \$0.12410/ kWh (50 percent in addition to MA renewable energy standards)

Leicester \$0.14366 /kWh Rate: (100 percent in addition to MA renewable energy standards)

The optional products (Leicester 50 Rate and Leicester 100 Rate) contain

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gy certificates beyond those required by state law.

Future savings cannot be guaranteed as compared to National Grid basic service rates (beyond April 2022), as these rates change every six months for residential and commercial accounts, and every three months for industrial accounts. For current National Grid rates for commercial and industrial customers, please visit the program website: www. leicestercea.com.

To learn if you are participating in the CEA program, check the "Supply Services" section of your electricity bill. If you are a participant, this section will read "LEICESTER CEA – Dynegy."

Dynegy is the current supplier for the program, but it does not replace National Grid, the electric utility in Leicester, which will continue to deliver your electricity. National Grid will also repair any outages and send the bill to program participants.

You can still sign up for the Leicester Community Electricity Aggregation Program. For more information, visit www.leicestercea.

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Rockets net two quick goals, hold on late to upend David Prouty

BY NICK ETHIER

AUBURN — A wet Memorial Field played host to the Auburn High and David Prouty Regional girls' varsity soccer teams amid a steady rain on Monday evening, Oct. 4. And despite the tough weather, both teams performed well and displayed their skills for the crowd that braved the ele-

The Rockets scored two firsthalf goals in a matter of about five minutes and, despite a strike later in the half from the Panthers, held on the rest of the way for a 2-1 victory.

"We needed it. It was an important game," Auburn head coach Emily Para said, as her team improved to an even 5-5. "Prouty was good. They were fast the entire game and they put pressure on. Toward the end I think they dominated play, so we were kind of lucky to hold the win."

Despite the loss, Prouty head coach Derek Blodgett was proud of his team's performance as their program is moving in the right direction and molding itself into a win-

"It's never easy coming back from 2-0, but it's the resilience of this team that's been great," he said, as the Panthers slipped to 5-4. "There's been a couple games where we've gone down a goal right off the bat, and they just fight tooth and nail."

After 20-plus minutes of back-and-forth soccer, the Rockets got on the board when Katherine DeFosse slipped an in-close pass to Emma Johnson inside the box. Her shot then slid under the reach of David Prouty keeper Jocelyn LaMonda in the 22nd minute.

Then, in the 27th minute, Auburn was awarded a free kick from about 30 yards out. Lydia Kirkorian took the kick, and it sailed into the perfect landing spot just above the outstretched reach of LaMonda and under the crossbar to make it a 2-0 game.

'Always a tough one for goalies, but she's been practicing those and she's got a [strong] leg," Para said of Kirkorian's well-placed shot.

Para called the five-minute scoring sequence "unusual and



Photos Nick Ethier

as the ball slides between them.

awesome" since her club has struggled finding goals as of

'Story of our season is creating chances and then in that final third not connecting or not getting the decent shots off that we want to. We're missing some breakaways, we're missing some far post crosses," she said of what hopes to be a turnaround in the scoring department.

LaMonda (five saves) had a clean sheet the rest of the way for the Panthers.

"She's been playing great," Blodgett said of his keeper. "Before today her save percentage was 77.9 percent.'

Prouty then cut its deficit in half in the 31st minute when Eliana Barnett took a couple of touches to her right to create space on Auburn's defense. Then, in stride, she booted a shot back toward the left portion of the goal that got past keeper Katie Valentine (two

"She is one of the most talented players we've had here for a while," Blodgett said of Barnett's skillset. "She's got great footwork and whenever there's a pressure situation, she's the one I put the pressure

Fast-forward to the game's final minute and Barnett was indeed called upon during a pressure-packed situation. Teammate Gabby Soter was taken down just outside the box and the Panthers were awarded a free kick from the left side about 20 yards away from the goal. Barnett shot a booming kick into the upper-90 that went just a bit too high and wide of the net and keeper Parker Veideman, who played the second half for Auburn and made two saves.

Nonetheless, Blodgett is impressed with how his team has made strides over the past few seasons.

"We've had a great group of kids — some of them town kids, some of them club soccer kids - and the other attribute is my assistant coach, Todd LaPorte. When I brought him in, we said there's a lot that needs to be changed in the discipline





Emilee Larson of David Prouty gets her head on the ball versus Auburn.

part. We want to be a great team and great teams put in effort every step of the way," Blodgett said about how the culture has changed before

backing it up with evidence in the form of their opponent. "The last couple of times we've played Auburn it's been a fouror five-goal difference.'



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EDITORIAL

We appreciate our local police

Support for police should not be political. Yet here we are. Over the past few days, we have thought a lot about our local police departments, and they truly deserve a shout out of appreciation. Reporters, editors and all of us in the media work very closely with our local officers. We could not do our jobs without their help.

What we have come to know is that police officers are democrats, republicans, independents or simply don't affiliate with any political party whatsoever. The current climate would lead you to believe that if you support police, you're affiliated with one party. This could not be further from the truth.

We see the police logs every week, we know how much stress our officers face on a daily basis, and to make things a bit more challenging, many of our local departments are short staffed.

Our police officers do so much more than we think. The day-to-day tasks do not come without some sort of stress, whether they are dealing with someone with a mental health issue, confiscating drugs, chasing someone who doesn't want to be caught and putting their lives at risk every single day. They are shouted at, assaulted, and disrespected daily. Sure, this comes with the job, however it doesn't mean that it should, or that it doesn't get taxing. Oftentimes it's the same culprits day in and day out they deal with, and we're not sure how they remain calm and professional while doing so, but for that we say thank you.

After an arrest, or any sort of incident, it doesn't end there. There are calls from family members, or those who were arrested, court dates, collecting written testimony and being a part of some tough family situations as well. Responding to motor vehicle accidents that end in tragedy, or all of the other situations that we only see in movies, because we don't see what's happening every day in the lives of our police, doesn't mean that it's not happening.

Of course, there are officers in other states and cities that abuse their power, however that is not the case in our smaller communities. Police reform is needed in those places and has been for decades, however we consider ourselves lucky to live in a place where our officers are all top notch. Many officers would agree that police reform is needed.

Being a police officer is a career that has long been praised as a high honor, only to be filled with selfless brave women and men who simply want to keep our communities a better, safer place to live in. Follow our lead and show your local police they are appreciated. We see you, and we thank you.

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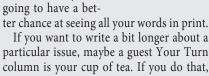
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The good, the bad, and the ugly

The good...I feel a sense of pride when I see the tribute to the 13 fallen heroes of Afghanistan that has been erected on Route 9 in Spencer. It reminds me how blessed we are to live in this beautiful country. How many times do we all take for granted the patriots that are willing to sacrifice so much for our freedom? Reflect on this as you drive by.

The bad...A feeling of sadness comes to mind when I see the division and disputes in our country. Families and friends are being torn apart over opinions about politics, the economy, the border and Covid. Sadly, many of these disputes lack any credible research on the topic. If it comes from the news media, you would be wise not to use it for your debate. There are real problems. Get the real facts.

The ugly...Prior to writing this opinion, I read the rules for submission to this paper. The rules state "No libelous remarks and/or personal attacks." Every week, I read the "VIEWPOINT." Some opinions are long, boring and make little sense. That is the author's prerogative. However, it appears that some of these authors are digressing from the rules and taking a personal tone to their fellow authors. It is demeaning and disrespectful. I believe it would be more palatable to restrict their opinion to the topic they are writing about. Their rants are totally unproductive.

I certainly don't speak for the readership, and some may not agree, but in America, we are all still entitled to our opinion.

SYLVIA LITTLE

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Abortion is not the only answer

To the Editor:

John McRae was right in his Oct. 8 letter, "It's MISTER McRae to You, Pal!" when he asked how Democrats can support their party when the Democratic party totally supports and advocates the barbaric practice of abortion. How can religious folks, especially, stand behind a party that even advocates the practice of partial-birth abortion and abortion right up until the moment of birth? How can this be?

I do think that most people would be horrified and nauseated if they could see what happens during an actual abortion: the methodical dismemberment of a living being, and the counting up of "parts" to make sure everything has been removed from the womb. If anyone treated an animal with such cruelty, they would rightly be arrested and fined or imprisoned. But a living fetus? For a lot of people, that's okay. We don't see it, so we can pretend it's other than the evil that it is.

We are told that abortion is just the removal of "products of conception." That sounds better than the cruel removal of a living embryo or fetus that has its own heartbeat at about five to six weeks in the womb (according to Medical News Today) and can nain even at twelve wee womb (from the Charlotte Lozier Institute). This is nothing short of barbaric.

I can appreciate that for many women who have an unwanted pregnancy, they can feel abandoned, lost, trapped, alone and desperate, and they don't think they have a choice other than to abort. They may even think that they are doing what is best for their baby. But like all the devil's lies, although abortion may seem like a benefit, it brings about so much misery. There is the aftermath to deal with.

For women who are in this position of an unwanted pregnancy, please know that there is help available! Caring people will be there for you. There are two agencies in Worcester that help women in your position: Problem Pregnancy and Visitation House. They are committed to helping women in their struggle to have their beautiful babies. And if any pro-life people are reading this, I encourage you to offer these agencies your support. Please consider sending a donation or volunteering to help in their ministry. They do so much good.

And for women who have had abortions and deeply regret it, there is help available for you, too. Project Rachel (on the internet) can help. There is always help and healing. I wish you peace.

Nancy J. Nowak

SPENCER

Heads up, parents: The FBI is watching

To the Editor:

As must by now be apparent to any even slightly well-informed observer of the current scene, the FBI, America's Praetorian Guard protector of the ruling class, has clicked their heels, saluted smartly, and, under the direction of the oleaginous and corrupt Christopher Wray, moved to start their infiltration and undermining of that most menacing gang of "domestic terrorists" (the Attorney General's words, not mine), parents and taxpayers who have been attending school board or committee meetings across the country to raise Cain over what they have correctly described as a curriculum shot through with anti-Americanism, Communist-inspired racism, and weird, entirely inappropriate sexual indoctrination aimed at their

The F.B.I., always happy to oblige a leftist oligarch out of Chicago like Attorney General Merrick Garland--another commie product of the Harvard Law School and one of the "better" people--the Feds will, yet again, stick their big, smelly, proboscis into areas of American life where they have no business whatsoever. This Garland, whose son-in-law runs a multi-million dollar business producing, guess what, Critical Race Theory and other anti-American and anti-white curricular materials (no conflict of interest there, oh, no sir!) is, like his boss, Biden the Blockhead, losing his patience with the little people. How dare they (is that you, Greta?) show up at meetings of their elected officials in facilities they paid for to register their strong disapproval of having their kids being turned into little brain dead socialist automatons with a totally skewed and abnormal view of human sexuality (by the age of six or seven!) Oh, you say, "...yes, I know, these parents pay for everything: buildings, utilities, salaries, pensions, materials, food, transportation...all of it. But, come on, man, does that really matter in the real scheme of things? They need to trust the experts. After all, they've done such a great job in the

business of educating kids, haven't

they?" Uh...no.\

So, be aware, if you are one of the, it seems to me, unfortunately dwindling number of parents in this area who actually care about what kind of bilge is being force-fed your children by "educators" who, in normal times, would be ashamed of themselves for having abandoned any pretense of actually teaching children how to prepare for life beyond the classroom, and, instead, allowed themselves to be used as "agents of change" working to overturn everything good and noble about America and producing useless little drones of the New world Order hive----the F.B.I. may be wanting to talk with you.

What?! The F.B.I. that stood by all last year and watched violent criminal thugs from BLM and Antifa whose firebombs caused a billion dollars' worth of destruction of private and government property, who stood by while innocent civilians and police were beaten and murdered and entire cities terrorized by these goons---and our premiere law enforcement agency did nothing? That F.B.I.?

The F.B.I. that framed Richard Jewell for the Atlanta Olympics bombing? The F.B.I that murdered Vicky Weaver, her son, and the family dog on that ridge in Idaho and got away with it? That F.B.I.? The gang that waged a fiery and unholy war on women and children in Waco, Texas in a murderous assault that was entirely unnecessary except to "teach non-conformists a lesson?" That F.B.I.?

The F.B.I. that enabled the greatest hoax in American history—the Russian collusion fabrication--to go forward, and lied through their teeth to the F.I.S.A Court in the process? Those guys? This is what they now do to earn their pay, play schoolboy

The F.B.I. that bungled the Boston Marathon bombing atrocity, and could've prevented it if they had been somewhat attentive to the tips they had received? The F.B.I. that has had advance knowledge of possible--or likely-mass shootings, and sat on their

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Financial moves for women business owners

If you're a woman who owns a business, you may have some challenges not shared by your male peers - but you also have several opportunities to help improve your financial future.

You may already be taking some or all the right steps, but here are some ideas to be sure you're considering and revisiting as your business grows:

Refresh your network. Are you involved

in networking with

other women business

owners? Many of them

may have insights into

the issues women face

in the business world,

as well as suggestions

about lending programs

and business-friendly

banks. You may also

enjoy passing along

your lessons learned to



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Review your business structure. If you go into business as a sole proprietor, you'll have to report your business income on your personal income tax return. If you incorporate or form a limited liability company (LLC), you can protect your personal assets - such as your house and your investments - from creditors because these assets will be separated from your business assets and debts. You might also consider other, more complex entities, known as C and S corporations. There's no single "correct" business structure and the most appropriate one for you may change over time, so, in choosing one that's right for your needs, you'll want to consult with your tax and legal advi-

others.

Invest for growth. Ideally, hard work produces results, and one of the main results you want from your investments is growth - that is, you want your investments to appreciate in value so they can eventually help you meet your goals. But if you are overconcentrated in vehicles such as certificates of deposit (CDs) and government securities, you may end up lowering your growth potential. That's not to say that CDs and Treasury bills are in some sense "lazy." They can provide you with income and help you reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio. But to achieve most of your goals, you'll need a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments working for you, with the exact percentage based on your needs and life stages.

Do an insurance checkup. To protect yourself and your business, you may want to review your insurance to make sure you have the right kinds and amount of coverage. General liability insurance can be appropriate for sole proprietors, if you've established an LLC or you've incorporated your business. If you provide some type of professional service (i.e., legal, accounting, engineering and so on), you might need professional liability insurance. And no matter what business you own, you might want to add disability insurance to replace some of the income you'd lose if you were injured or became ill.

Consider all your retirement options. If you've got your own business, you're solely responsible for funding your retirement. Fortunately, as a business owner, you've got several attractive options, including an 'owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA and a SIMPLE IRA. In deciding which plan is right for you, you'll need to consider several factors, including the number of employees, if any, and the nature of your business. However, all these plans are relatively easy to set up and administer and offer potential tax benefits. And even though you've got plenty to do already, you should make the time to establish or review your own retirement plan – because eventually you'll need all the resources you can accumulate to enjoy life as a former business owner.

You can also find valuable information on programs for women business owners by visiting the Small Business Administration's Web site at www.sba. gov and searching for "women-owned businesses."

Running your own business can be challenging - but by making some positive financial moves and getting the support you need, you can also find business ownership to be highly rewarding, personally and profession-

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Slavery & the big picture

Has it really come to this? We're debating the legacy of Robert E. Lee and the patriotism of the Confederates from the Civil War in a newspaper in Massachusetts? The folks that claim to be the true patriots, the most loyal to the United States, are extolling the virtues of a man who led an army fighting against the United States with the ultimate goal of establishing a new nation that enshrined slavery? Is it just me or is it obvious who the "good guys" and the "bad guys" were in the Civil War?

I had ignored it, but I feel a need to respond to both Robillard and Old Man McRae.

It's important to remember the causes of the Revolutionary War, which Robert E. Lee's ancestors fought in. The primary issue the colonists had with the British crown was after the expensive seven years' war which was fought to defend the American colonies from the French and indigenous tribes, they objected to pay for their defense. Britain imposed taxes on the colonists, much lower than even modern Republican states, to pay for their defense. The gentry of the United States, the oligarchs if you will, did not have the influence that similar nobility in England would have had and thus came the "No taxation without representation!" cry. Of course, at the time, only 3 percent of the population in England could vote for Parliament so it was really our land barons being angry they couldn't be the lords of the colonies.

The main benefit of the revolution to colonists is that it gave more political power to America's Christian white male land-owning minority. For the vast majority of the country - women, slaves, indigenous people, whites who didn't own land - the difference between disenfranchisement in an independent America and disenfranchisement in a British-controlled colonial America was negligible.

Meanwhile though, in 1772, 4 years before the Declaration of Independence, slavery was banned in England. In 1775, after the war had begun in Massachusetts, the Earl of Dunmore, then governor of Virginia, offered the slaves of rebels freedom if they fought for the British cause. It was this proclamation that united white Virginians against the rebel effort started in Massachusetts overpaying taxes to fund the army defending us. Thomas Jefferson even included Dunmore's emancipation offer as a grievance in a draft of the Declaration of Independence. While the north was fighting a war over reasonable taxes, the south saw slavery's days as numbered and that's what got them on the "freedom train." Amazing that Virginia fought two bloody wars to keep slaves...

To Robillard's point, though – the British were egregious in 1776, and the duly elected President, Senate, and Congress were equally egregious in 1860. We should all respect the courage and conviction of Robert E. Lee, carrying on his family's legacy of protecting the institution of slavery against all enemies, monarchial and democratic. It's almost like suicide bombers and the 9/11 attackers – you gotta respect their courage and conviction. It can't be easy to spend years training in camps in the caves of Afghanistan only to walk into your own death and assume 72 virgins are waiting for you. But like Robert E. Lee, their courage and conviction does not make up for the fact they are horrible people, inflicting pain and suffering on so many, for an illegitimate cause.

Old Man McRae... It's interesting how he writes a 1,756-word treatise written at a college reading level that veers into a weird anti-intellectual attack on Ralph Hicks' earned doctorate, which Dr. Hicks did not reference in his letter of Oct. 1. While muddling through complex sentences, keeping our attention through irrelevant anecdotes, and our handy dandy thesaurus we learned that Old Man McRae's crowning achievement was being born a male, achieving adulthood, and forcing teenagers to call him "MISTER." McRae then goes on to mock Dr. Hicks' doctorate, the earned degree he did not lean on for credibility. McRae clearly harbors animosity for Hicks and finds his additional years of study, research, dissertation, and defense somehow offensive. For an educator it is utterly perplexing why McRae would have so much animosity towards those more educated than himself.

Why is it that McRae wants to remind us repeatedly that Ralph Hicks earned a doctorate? The only reason I can think of is that in McRae's circle, that discredits him.

An honest and fair understanding of Robert E. Lee is that he had a life full of achievements before the Civil War... Then he committed treason against the United States worthy of being hanged and led the war effort against the United States for a cause rooted in maintaining and enshrining slavery. Lee had choices, he could have remained in the Union Army and fought for the United States or he could have resigned and bowed out. He chose to take up arms against the United States to create a nation where whites owning black slaves was enshrined as a foundational right. Robert E. Lee is remembered for being the General in Chief of the Armies of the Confederate

States, this overshadows every good quality he had.

An honest and fair understanding of General Lee, of course, would include his post-war activities. His home was confiscated by the United States to create Arlington National Cemetery and his mansion remains on the property. Lee was the president of a university and used his name recognition for fund raising and how despite promoting reconciliation he vociferously opposed allowing "freedmen" to vote. The world is never black and white, but Robert E. Lee's sin of leading the Confederate Army overshadows everything else and there is no excuse for him to be honored in any way, never-mind public statues.

Robert E. Lee was an enemy of the United States that fought to destroy this country so his home state could enshrine white people owning slaves like oxen. His treason was reason enough not to honor and then memorialize him in public spaces, even in 1865. The very cause he was fighting for (ultimately slavery) was enough that he never should have been memorialized given the 13th Amendment passed in 1866. Lee himself even opposed the construction of public memorials to the Confederate rebellion on the grounds that they would prevent healing of wounds inflicted during the war. After WW2 the allies demanded Nazi Germany de-Nazify, now Nazi propaganda and memorials are illegal. We never de-Confederized [sic] the South, and the vast majority of Confederate monuments were built during the Jim Crow era and height of the KKK in the 20th century. They were a glorification in the "lost cause," glorifying the losers, and glorifying slavery as a system.

> OMAR HAR-YAROK East Brookfield

It's Pumpkin Time!

Although we think of pumpkins as a vegetable, it is officially classifies as a fruit. Pumpkins are not only delicious, they are a rich source of both fiber and vitamin A and naturally low in calories. Best of all pumpkins are very versatile, which have made

them the spotlight of many autumn feasts via pumpkin soups, casseroles and hearty pies.

Read on for some pumpkin tips, tricks and ideas:

Choosing a proper pumpkin for your table is important. Pumpkins should be mature and firm, with taut skin and a nice orange hue. Select pumpkins that feel solid and are heavy for their size. If still growing on the vine, look for stems that are solidly attached to the pumpkin. A general rule to test for maturity is to scratch the skin slightly with a fingernail. A mature pumpkin

Keep in mind when choosing pumpkins that the variety you select should fit your need. For example, if you desire a pumpkin for pie, a medium sugar pumpkin, which is typically small and sweet with a dark orange color, is the best choice. For carving, look for well

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rounded pumpkins that have good color with stem intact. Pumpkins earmarked as Jack-O-Lanterns are usually larger and contain too many strings and seeds to be practical for pie making.

Preserving Preparing Pumpkins: Pumpkins can be successfully stored for up to six months, as long as conditions are favorable. Storage temperature should not exceed 50 degrees and

should be stored in a dry, frost free environment.

Whole pumpkins keep better if picked leaving two inches of the stem on the fruit. Dry them in the sun for a few days before storing. For safety's sake, wipe numpking down with a common infectant such as Lysol before storing. Whole pumpkins should not be allowed to touch each other in storage. And be sure to keep an eye out for rot spots that may form. Any pumpkins that are found to be decaying should be promptly removed from the storage area.

If you want to store pumpkins beyond several months, you will need to preserve them. Several methods of preserving pumpkins are used. Freezing

cooked, pureed pumpkin is a favored

way to preserve the taste and texture of pumpkin. Sugar or pie pumpkins are ideal candidates for freezing as the pulp is thicker and firmer. To easily prepare a pumpkin for pureeing, simply place the whole fruit in the microwave for about a minute or so to soften the skin. This will make the pumpkin much easier to peel. Cut the pumpkin in large slices, peel the skin and remove the strings and seeds. Then cut the slices into smaller pieces. Boil the pumpkin pieces until tender, then mash or process the pumpkin pulp until it forms a smooth, thick puree. Those who are considering home canning pumpkin should be advised pumpkin puree cannot be canned due to its thickness, and although some people successfully can chunked slices of the pulp, it is safer to avoid the risk altogether.

Pumpkin can also be dried, which was a favored method of the colonists. Drying pumpkin must be done carefully in order to kill all the germs that would make it spoil. Here's how to do it the old fashioned way: Split the pumpkin in half and remove the seeds. Remove the skin and cut the fruit into thin slices. Steam for about six minutes. Spread on a tray and dry in the sun (it will take at least two days, and it will take about two days. If flies are a problem, cover with netting. Pumpkin needs to be dried in hot sun so that it dries quickly before it spoils.

Or, you can dry pumpkin quicker and easier in the oven or microwave; here's how to do it in the microwave, which is the fastest method:

Arrange thin slices on a microwave safe tray or glass pie plate. You must leave space between the slices so air can circulate around them. Cook on high for 15 to 20 minutes

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will resist scratching.

hands? The F.B.I. that has knowingly let innocent men rot in prison?

The militarized cops who send 25 vehicles, helicopters, scuba divers, a platoon of wannabe special ops guys with machine guns to arrest the harmless 70-year-old Roger Stone and his disabled wife in a pre-dawn raid at their home--and tip off CNN to be there to make sure the whole sordid, bullying affair is seen by the entire country? Those brave lads? That F.B.I.?

The F.B.I. who set up the fake kidnapping of the Michigan governor, and who created the fake insurrection at the Capitol on Jan. 6?

The F.B.I. which steadily evolves to appear indistinguishable from the KGB, the old N.K.V.D., or the STASI of East Germany? That F.B.I.? These, we now know, are the attack dogs of the radical left who intend to put a damper on the rights of decent, patriotic Americans to utilize their God-given rights to petition their government. This is the low estate to which a once-proud organization has sunk.

These are the people who have nothing better to do than harass normal, hard working, responsible American parents and grandparents who only want to see their kids freed from the clutches of these demonic so-called "educators" who will have otherwise happy and typical American kids turned into guilt-ridden, self-loathing, ignorant, insecure, miserable little losers who detest their parents, their country, its history and culture, and God himself!

Now is the time to come to life, to resist, to say not only no, but "Hell, no! We're not going down that road!" If you won't stand up now for your kids and their future, you never will. And if the F.B.I. comes knocking, unless they have a warrant or a subpoena, tell them to get lost and go do something useful like tracking down some real criminals and getting them off the streets. But, that would require guts and commitment from them, and it's so much easier to just be out intimidating and harassing regular citizens who don't have unlimited resources--like the feds do--to contend with thugs with badges who have no Constitutional or legitimate reason to be sticking their noses into purely local affairs anyway.

The only thing you have to fear--I've been told--is fear itself. Stand fast! No surrender!

> JOHN MCRAE EAST BROOKFIELD

* * Triday's Child



Dasanee Age 14

Hi! My name is Dasanee and I am a talented singer and dancer!

Dasanee is an active teen of African American descent. She is reserved, quiet, and shy at first, but once she gets to know you, she becomes very outgoing and talkative. Dasanee is naturally athletic and she enjoys staying very active. Some of her favorite activities include playing soccer and basketball, swimming, and jumping on her trampoline. She is also musically inclined and is starting to recognize this newfound talent. She recently started taking trumpet lessons and knows

how to play the piano and sing.

Legally freed for adoption, Dasanee would do well in a two-parent family that can provide her with the affection, stability, and structure she needs to thrive. She would very much love for there to be other children in the home, and possibly some pets. Interested families must be willing to help Dasanee maintain her relationship and visits with her brother and aunt.

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.

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"You can't win an argument"

A famous quote of unknown origin says, "A man convinced against his will, is of the same opinion still."

A year ago, I talked to my good friend in Los Angeles, and he told me about two of his friends who stopped

phone calls and text messages. He was upset; He knew them for over twenty years; they stopped talking to him because of too many heated political

arguments. He ended the conversation by **POSITIVELY** telling me he was **SPEAKING** with their done friendship forever.

Recently, I've been flipping through the book "How to Win Friends and Influence People" by

talking to him; they blocked his Dale Carnegie.

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I read the book in college, and for a time, I practiced the principles therein. I remember them working fabulously for me. Over time, I forgot some of the valuable lessons, and eventually, they fell out of practice.

I don't know about you, but since 2015, I've heard of many political arguments ruining long-established friendships. I'm embarrassed to admit that I, too, have become entangled in many of these types of discussions; I've learned some hard lessons

Dale Carnegie says in his book, "You can't win an argument; you can't because if you lose it, you lose it; and if you win it, you lose it."

How is that possible? How can you win an argument and still lose?

Of course, you can win an argument. You can shoot holes in your friend's viewpoint and burn all their logic to the ground. You can show them facts and figures and walk away feeling like you just won a significant debate, thinking proudly to yourself, "I showed them a thing or two!" What you don't realize is that you

Benjamin Franklin said, "if

you argue, rankle, and contradict, you may achieve a victory sometimes, but it will be an empty victory because you will never get your opponent's goodwill."

What's more important? Keeping your friendship intact or boosting your ego?

As the old saying goes, "you don't know what you've got till it's gone." Some of us have to learn the hard way; I know I have.

I've lost friends due to argu

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pumpkin; if it is not crispy; cook again for five minutes, and continue until the dried slices are crunchy. Allow to cool before storing,

Did vou know that dried pumpkin can also be made into a flour, which can be used just as you would all purpose flour in cooking and baking? To do, simply pulverize the dry pumpkin in a food processor.

Pumpkin Seeds: Many Halloween traditions include gathering the seeds from a carved Jack-O-Lantern to toast in a warm oven. The snack is both healthy and delicious, and the addition of spices gives the humble treat a flavorful punch. Plus, roasting up a batch of pumpkin seeds is not only an annual treat, it's a great way to use up every bit of the vegetable:

To properly toast pumpkin seeds,

remove all pulp and clean strings from the seeds. Place seeds in a bowl and stir in melted butter or olive oil and salt to coat the seeds. Spread seeds on a cookie sheet and bake in a 275 degree oven for about an hour or until the seeds are golden brown and crisp. Avoid overcooking as seeds can become hard and tough. Prefer crisper seeds? Prior to toasting boil the seeds in salted water for about ten minutes, drain and prepare for roasting. Pumpkin seeds:

Pumpkin Sprouts: Pumpkin seeds can even be sprouted to use on sandwiches and in salads. Pumpkin seeds are a healthy snack as they are over 30 percent protein and are high in and oil-soluble vitamins A, D, and E. In addition, pumpkin seeds are rich in iron zinc and magnesium.

To sprout pumpkin seeds, place the seeds in a glass jar (Mason jars are ideal) and cover with water just to cover. Secure a piece of cheesecloth over the top with a rubber band. Soak seeds overnight. The next day, drain the water out and place the jar in dark area that is room temperature. Rinse the seeds in the jar at least four times a day. After a few days, you should see the seeds sprouting. Rinse them again and place the jar in the sun for a day or so until tiny leaves form. They are now ready to use as a tasty garnish or salad addition.

Pumpkin Hummus: Pureed sugar pumpkin adds just the right flavor to this hummus. To do:

Mix together in a food processor until smooth: two cups pureed sugar pumpkin; one 15 oz. can of garbanzo (chi chi) beans; one tablespoon tahini, two teaspoons vegetable oil: one teaspoon cumin; one teaspoon salt; one eighth teaspoon cayenne pepper; one crushed garlic clove, and three tablespoons of water. Adjust thickness by adding a little water if it is too thick. Makes two cups. Serve with pita bread or crackers.

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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The season of hunting and fishing

reported by archers

price to pay to harvest

The month of October brings all forms of hunting and fishing activities for sportsmen. Waterfowl opened this past Monday, Oct. 11, and Pheasant hunting opens this Saturday. If that is not enough for you, deer hunting opens on the 18th of this month, and Massachusetts has start-

ed to stock trout in the usual places. Saltwater fishing is also exploding with action both in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. There are a lot of hard decisions to make, but whatever you chose, the time spent in the outdoors with family and friends is priceless. The fall colors on trees also adds to the experiences in

This past Thursday, this writer decided to take advantage of the great weather, fishing for tautog in Rhode Island. After catching a limit of tautog, we decided to head out to deeper water in search of some seabass. A lot of seabass were caught but many were just under size. After a couple hours of fishing in deeper water, we spotted a couple of stripers floating on the surface of the water. Soon, many more stripers in the 20-to-26-inch class were floating by the boat. I knew immediately that a dragger was responsible for the dead stripers. I have seen it before. They catch to many fish and they sort out the fish that they can keep and discard the rest. What a waste. Recreational anglers face stricter fishing regulations annually, and this type of waste continues. It just makes you sick!

More sightings of bear are being

that have cameras out THE GREAT to catch a few photos of deer in the areas that Outdoors they hunt. If you are hunting deer during the shotgun deer season, it **RALPH** would be wise to pur-TRUE chase a bear permit for only \$5. It is a small

a black bear. It did not take long for the surplus deer permits for zone 9 to be sold out recently. Like maybe six minutes! The sales opened at 9 a.m. and more than 1,300 were gone by 9:06 a.m.! Archery deer season opens on Oct. 18 in zones 1-9. The heavy foliage continues to hamper bird hunting, at a couple of hunting preserves, but will not be gone for this Saturdays opening day in Massachusetts!

This is the time of year that bee stings increase, because they seem to become more aggressive as the cooler weather arrives. Yellowjacket bees often make nests in the ground, making many people unaware that they are there. Wasps are also capable of nasty bites, and can leave the person or persons unaware of the danger they pose to humans. For some humans an EpiPen is a lifesaving tool injecting medication for a bee sting, and is carried by many people to counter act the serious effects of bee stings or spider bites

Salmon fishing in upstate New York's famous Salmon River is starting to improve, with numerous anglers returning with some great stories on their fishing experience. It is only going



This week's picture shows a young German shorthair pointer ready for the opening of the upland bird hunting season.

to get better.

Mass. Fish & Wildlife has released their new license fee increases for the next five years. For a complete rundown on all the new increases, go to their Web site. They did not change much from their earlier proposals. The fees will gradually increase over five years. No action on the sportsman's proposal to allow any one that wants to hunt with a crossbow to do so. Many bowhunters have gone to the neighboring state of Rhode Island to hunt deer, where crossbows are legal!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club is planning a ham & bean supper on Nov. 13, starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 each. You can buy the tickets at the club or purchase them online. Only 85 tickets will be sold. Don't miss out on this great evening with friends and a ham & bean supper. More clubs are also planning suppers in the valley. Stay tuned!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

HAYES

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sports, or politics," said Huard, who also had the opportunity to coach baseball with Hayes.

No matter what challenges Hayes was dealing with away from work and community service over the years, he is remembered for always going the extra mile to help his family and residents in need of his assistance.

known Kevin "Having for almost 30 years, I have watched Kevin and his entire family deal with a tremendous amount of pain and tragedy. Not once did he waver, always remaining the pillar of strength for his loved ones," said State Representative Donald Berthiaume. "He will be sorely missed by those who knew him. Rest in peace, my friend."

During his lengthy career in municipal service, Hayes had the opportunity to work with multiple officials and volunteers. He met many of them as part of his service on the Select Board and School Committee, but several others he knew long before getting elected.

"I've been friends with him for over 50 years," said Selectman Ralph Hicks, who served as Hayes's CCD teacher at Mary, Queen of the Rosary

Parish. Many years later, the two served together on the Select Board.

Hayes also coached basketball at Anna Maria College. He was always eager to give back, help athletes improve their games, and assist friends and family. Huard described one instance in which Hayes gave up an opportunity to meet baseball legend Mickey Mantle, allowing a friend to attend the event in his place.

"He was all about family and friends," said Huard, who was honored to be named the godfather of two of Hayes's children.

Hayes loved many genres of music and artists, especially Johnny Cash, Harry Chapin, and Cat Stevens.

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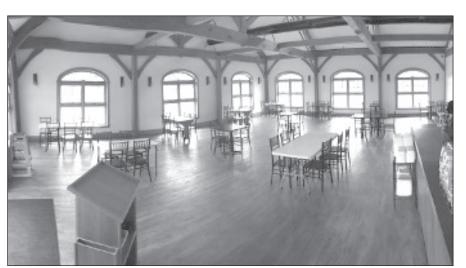


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FOOTBALL

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and 10, the Warriors began to drive the football. Quarterback Caleb Thompson gained 29 total vards on two straight plays using his legs and got his team in the red zone later in the second quarter. A couple of plays later, Nate Winco took a sweep down to the 5-yard line on a big run following a play that the offense lost 11 yards. Momentum was on the Warrior's side after a three-yard run by Thompson that brought up a 2nd and goal from the Wolverines two-yard line.

Despite the momentum shift, the Leicester defense didn't break. On two straight plays from the two-yard line, Wolverine senior linebacker Griffin Metcalf broke through the A gap and laid a stick on Winco. It resulted in a tackle-for-loss of both plays. It forced a fourth and goal with a couple of ticks left on the clock before half from the Wolverine 5-yard line. Unfortunately, a Thompson pass to the end zone landed incomplete. Leicester escaped and went into the locker room with a 14-0 lead.

"That was huge, to stop them, kill their momentum and then score on the first play of the second half," stated Griffiths about his team's defensive stand before halftime. "It was game over then '

In the second half, Leicester began to roll. It was evident how important the defensive stop was before the half. Mike Mero took the first play of the second half for 54 yards to pay dirt on a QB keeper to give his team a commanding 21-0 lead. Mero (twice) was one of three seniors to score on Senior Night. Seth Larson and Griffin Metcalf scored as well.

Tantasqua found the end zone once in the contest but moved the ball between the twenties pretty well all night. The

Warriors accounted for four trips inside the red zone but were only able to score once on a 13-yard run by Thompson in the fourth quarter. Thompson carried the ball eight times for 75 yards and the

"They battled, and then we would get inside," stated Tantasqua head coach Jon Hargis about his team's red-zone struggles. "It has been like that the past five weeks; we get inside the ten and just can't get touchdowns. We had no turnovers tonight which we have battled about three or four a game, we can't do that, but you have to score inside the red zone and we struggling with that. We have a young offensive line and are beat up at the running back spot so when they start lining up nine guys in the box and bringing the house it is difficult to move the ball inside the five."

The Warriors have sustained injuries and have dealt with COVID issues throughout the year and it has forced young players to step up. On Friday night we saw a freshman for the Warriors who showed sparks of the positive coming for the program despite the 0-5 start to the season.

Gabriel Howard stepped into the lead-back role early on and ran hard. Running back Abner Colon-Martinez sustained an injury on the first drive of the game. Howard carried the ball 17 times for 47 yards and also caught a two-point conversion.

"He (Howard) works hard, "praised Hargis. "He is a good kid. He runs hard, pays attention in practice, and just gives full effort. Right now we are banged up between a couple of players hurt from the spring and just banged up here. Between our fullback and running back going out earlier, we had to shuffle a few people around and we are down to him. He stepped up tonight and ran the ball very well."



Mike Mero tramples through the defense as he makes a break for the endzone.



Connor Linehan and Griffin Metcalf of Leicester go in for a tackle.



MIke Mero scanning the field for an open teammate.



Caled Thompson throwing the ball to an open teammate while being taken down by Tyler Breault of the Leicester Wolverines.

Town of Spencer Conservation Commission PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:

Nghiep Ha has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to extend the deck located at 8 Marble Road Spencer, MA.

Kevin Thibault has file an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to resurface and build stairs at 25 Delude Avenue, Spencer, MA.

Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 7:00 p.m.

Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman October 15, 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. WO21C0462CA CITATION ON PETITION TO **CHANGE NAME** In the matter of:

Claudette Villegas-Torres A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Claudette Villegas-Torres of Spencer MA requesting that the court enter a

Decree changing their name to: Claudette Flynn Villegas

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 10/26/2021. 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: October 01, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman

Register of Probate October 15, 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. WO21P3193EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Zachary Adam Schnitzer Also Known As:

Zachary Schnitzer Date of Death: 07/31/2021 To all interested persons:

Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed

Steven Schnitzer of Rego Park NY and Dennis R Klein of Jericho NY requesting that the Court enter a for-

mal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Steven Schnitzer of Rego Park NY and Dennis R Klein of Jericho NY be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of

said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised admin-

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.

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Justice of this Court. Date: September 24, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate

October 15, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Docket No. WO21P3219EA Estate of:

Alice M Gilman Date Of Death: August 10, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** G.L. C. 190B, § 3-306

To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Sylvia Cummings of Warren MA

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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

October 15, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court ate and Family C **Worcester Probate** and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO21C0452CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

Zacharia Lutz Caple A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Zacharia Lutz Caple of North Brookfield MA

In the matter of:

requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Zachariah David Lutz**

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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 04, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

October 15, 2021

Zoning Board of Appeals Town of North Brookfield

September 15, 2021 The North Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing & meeting on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 6:30pm in the North Brookfield Police Department Training Room, 55 School St on the application of Brenda Caraballo of 331 North Main St for a Special Permit to Zoning Bylaw, IV, 2, i: to convert a former pre-school to an apartment. A copy of the application is available at the Town Clerk's Office at 215 North Main St.

Respectfully, Kimberly Bent, Clerk October 8, 2021 October 15, 2021

POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Police

WEDNESDAy, SEPTEMBER 29 a.m.: medical/general (McDonald Street); 6:40 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 8:12 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 11:18 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), unwanted party; 11:48 a.m.: officer wanted (Mill Street), open door; 12:01 p.m.: medical/general (Treadwell Drive); 12:29 p.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 1:57 p.m.: medical/ general (Bixby Road); 2:19 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), spoken to; 2:47 p.m.: LTC issued (West

Main Street), assisted; 2:51 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 3:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Charlton Road), poss. violation no trespass order; 3:11 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), missing dog; 4:03 p.m.: juvenile matter (Donnelly Cross Road), 17 yo not coming home; 4:08 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 4:23 p.m.: fraud (G.H. Wilson Road), re: scam call; 5:14 p.m.: animal complaint (Pond Street), abandoned cat; 5:32 p.m.: medical/ general (Main Street); 5:58 p.m.: commercial alarm (Maple Street), services rendered; 6:05 p.m.: parking violation (Mechanic Street), ticket issued; 7:11 p.m.: DPW call (West Main Street), trash strewn in road; 7:33 p.m.: suspicious persons (Elm Street), investigated; 7:50 p.m.: suspicious mv (Howe Road), investigated; 9:59-10:33 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:14 p.m.: suspicious my (Briarcliff Road), inves-

tigated; (Total daily mv stops – 5).

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 5:15 a.m.: 911 call (Robin Road), accidental; 6:36 a.m.: officer wanted (Charlton Road), c/o obscene sign; 7:26 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), animal crate in lot; 7:39 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), mv on sidewalk; 9:08 a.m.: assault/sexual assault (Ash Street), investigated; 9:17 a.m.: DPW call (Elm Street), Nat'l Grid operations; 9:43 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), dog bite; 10:11 a.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 10:40 a.m.: animal complaint (Charlton Road), dead raccoon in road; 11:27 a.m.: larceny (McCormick Road), cannibal plants cut down; 11:43 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), wallet left behind; 12:23 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: migrants getting off bus; 12:29 p.m.: medical/general (Elm Street); 12:54 p.m.: restraining order service (West Main Street); 1:30 p.m.: medical/general (South Spencer Road); 2:27 p.m.: larceny (Deer Run Road), catalytic converter stolen; 2:30 p.m.: fire alarm (South Spencer Road), referred; 2:51 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Bixby Road), no contact; 3:47 p.m.: harassment prevention order service (Ash Street); 3:49 p.m.: fire/ woods/grass (Temple Street), investigated; 4:08 p.m.: animal complaint (Treadwell Drive), missing dog: 5:05 p.m.: parking violation (McDonald Street), ticket issued: 5:51 p.m.: my complaint (Maple Street), speeding; 6:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Terkanian Drive), re: phone solicitation; 7:46-8:04 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:58 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), poss. domestic dispute; 9:09-10:21 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:59 p.m.: medical/general (Lake Avenue); (Total

daily mv stops – 1). FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

12:34 a.m.: parking violation (Mechanic Street), ticket issued; 12:38-12:57 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:59 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village), lift assist; 1:01-1:26 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:26 a.m.: parking violation (High Street), ticket issued;

5:34 a.m.: medical/general (Temple Street); 5:34 a.m.: residential alarm (Paxton Road), services rendered; 6:04 a.m.: mutual aid (North Spencer Road), Paxton PD bolo; 6:28 a.m.: suspicious persons (Thompson Pond Road), investigated; 8:29 a.m.: officer wanted (Cherry Street), req. welfare check; 8:39 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operator; 8:59 a.m.: medical/ general (Pleasant Street); 11:06 a.m.: medical/general (Condon Drive): 11:43 a.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), three fem. teens left school; 11:49 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 12:29 p.m.: animal complaint (Pleasant Street), barking dog; 2:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), unwanted parties; 2:08 p.m.: fraud (West Main Street), theft from bank account; 2:18 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 2:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Summit Street), theft from apt.; 3:27 p.m.: medical/general (R. Jones Road); 3:28 p.m.: medical/general (Marble Road); 3:42 p.m.: medical/general (East Charlton Road); 3:56 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 5:13 p.m.: medical/general (Pleasant View Road); 6:44 p.m.: FID card issued (West Main Street), assisted; 6:44 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), debris in road; 9:07 p.m.: fire alarm (High Street), referred; 9:42 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Jolicoeur Avenue), misdial; 9:46 p.m.: building checked, secure; (Total daily mv stops

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2 12:48-1:55 a.m.: buildings checked secure; 2:10 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), req. for ride; 6:35 a.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Ware PD bolo; 9:26 a.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), issue w/landlord; 9:35 a.m.: school alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 10:29 a.m.: medical/general (Bixby Road), mutual aid; 10:38 a.m.: animal complaint (Donnelly Cross Road), missing cat; 11:15 a.m.: lost/found (Main Street), wallet found; 11:40 a.m.: officer wanted (Wm. Casey Road), info taken; 12:00 p.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Road), bob cat in area; 12:26 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:04 p.m.: disturbance (Brown Street), fight; 1:55 p.m.: commercial alarm (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 3:33 p.m.: suspicious persons (School Street), investigated; 5:16 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), investigated; 5:31 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Holden PD bolo/welfare check; 5:56 p.m.: RV complaint (West Main Street), dirt bikes; 5:59 p.m.: animal complaint (South Spencer Road), ponies loose; 7:21 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 7:22 p.m.: parking violation (Clark Street), warning issued; 7:24 p.m.: building checked, secure; 7:32 p.m.: parking complaint (Lincoln Street), mvs on wrong side of road; 8:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), family issues; 8:10-9:05 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:19 p.m.: suspicious mv (North Spencer Road), investigated; 9:49 p.m.: animal complaint (Northwest Road), poss in distress; 9:43-10:11 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:08 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Sunberg Road), no contact; (Total daily mv stops -2).

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3 12:36-7:27 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:27 a.m.: animal complaint (High Street), re: neighbor's dog; 10:45 a.m.: fire alarm (Oakland Drive), referred; 11:06 a.m.: lost/found (Main Street), cellphone lost; 12:22 p.m.: lost/ found (High Street), personal papers found; 12:27 p.m.: lost/found (Wm. Casey Road), dogs w/tags loose; 1:06 p.m.: 911 call (South Spencer Road), misdial; 2:49 p.m.: medical/general (Pearl Street); 4:10 p.m.: 911 call (Maple Street), misdial; 4:41 p.m.: medical/

general (East Charlton Road); 4:42 p.m.: 911 call (High Street), misdial; 5:03 p.m.: medical/sudden death (G.H. Wilson Road), 5:26 p.m.: disturbance (Bixby Road), m/f fighting; 5:44 p.m.: residential fire (Pleasant Street), referred; 5:57 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), unwanted party; 7:09 p.m.: mv complaint (South Spencer Road), aggressive operator; 7:23 p.m.: medical/general (Cherry Street); 8:35 p.m.: elderly matter (Chickering Road), unwanted party; (Total daily mv stops - 4).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4 2:41 a.m.: officer wanted (Church Street), info taken; 8:11 a.m.: 911 call (Monticello Drive), accidental; 8:44 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 8:47 a.m.: animal complaint (Ash Street), aggressive dogs; 9:23 a.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), no action required; 9:26 a.m.: elderly matter (Bixby Road), residential lockout; 10:09 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Town House Court), accidental; 11:47 a.m.: medical/ general (Bixby Road); 11:48 a.m.: missing person/juvenile (Condon Drive), son missing; 12:04 p.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 12:27 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), re: disturbance in cafeteria; 12:47 p.m.: vandalism (Bixby Road), damage to car; 1:06 p.m.: parking complaint (Mechanic Street), mv blocking d/way; 1:10 p.m.: lost/found (Lambs Grove), lost wallet; 1:44 p.m.: 911 call (High Street), open line; 2:26 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), referred; 2:59 p.m.: lost/found (Main Street), purse taken from cart; 3:15 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dog; 3:21 p.m.: accident (Charlton Road), report taken; 3:21 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Bellevue Drive), open line; 4:29 p.m.: harassment prevention order service (Highland Street); 4:57 p.m.: multiple LTC issued/3 (West Main Street), assisted; 8:07 p.m.: juvenile matter (Ash Street), issue w/ child; 10:01 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Mechanic Street), misdial; 11:04 p.m.: medical/general (Church Street); 11:34 p.m.: disturbance (Bixby Road), noise complaint; (Total daily mv stops – 0).

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5 1:51-1:52 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:30 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), injured owl; 9:08 a.m.: officer wanted (School Street), person lying in road; 9:17 a.m.: mv complaint (Route 49), erratic operator; 12:23 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:39 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), landlord w/holding money; 12:56 p.m.: medical/general (Greenville Street); 1:00 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Leicester PD bolo/welfare check; 3:13 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 4:41 p.m.: trespassing (Main Street), Robert A. Waite, 69, 204 Main Street, Leicester, trespassing, arrest; 6:20 p.m.: parking violation (Main Street). ticket issued; 7:14 p.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village), referred; 8:40 p.m.: harassing phone calls (Temple Street), re: threatening text; 8:42 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Warren PD secure; 10:17 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 11:47 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), K9 to assist

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Leicester Police

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Leicester PD; (Total daily my stops - 2).

4:44 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 7:44 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), written warning; 7:52 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 8:12 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 8:15 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 10:17 a.m.: assist citizen (Rawson Street); 11:01 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 12:06 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), citation issued; 12:44 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), unable to locate; 1:56 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), report taken; 11:14 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

1:02 a.m.: suspicious my (Main Street), citation issued; 2:08 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 2:59 a.m.: mv stop (Burncoat Street), Ryan Michael Gaudet, 22, 7 Burncoat Street, Leicester, OUI liquor, op w/suspended license, op w/revoked registration, uninsured mv, negligent operation, arrest; 7:52 a.m.: investigation (South Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, firearm violation w/3 prior violent/drug crimes, larceny of firearm, possession of firearm w/o LTC, possession of ammunition w/o FID, report taken; 11:13 a.m.: erratic operator (Main Street), unable to locate; 1:50 p.m.: erratic operator (Main Street), unable to locate; 2:02 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 6:08 p.m.: restraining order service (South Main Street), served; 7:07 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Peter Salem Road), no action required; 8:40 p.m.: accident (Stafford Street), report taken; 9:19 p.m.: erratic operator (Soojians Drive), no action required.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

10:18 a.m.: suspicious person (Main Street), gone on arrival; 4:26 p.m.: runaway (McCarthy Avenue), report taken; 6:02 p.m.: lost/found (South Main Street), assisted; 7:40 p.m.: erratic operator (Paxton Street), unable to locate; 10:43 p.m.: disturbance (White Birch Street), spoken to; 11:23 p.m.: suspicious person (Paxton Street), spo-

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:30 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:00 p.m.: fraud (Mulberry Street), report taken; 5:18 p.m.: assist citizen (Stafford Street); 5:45 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

12:27 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 10:18 a.m.: assist citizen (Virginia Drive); 11:00 a.m.: assist other agency (Paxton Street), report taken; 1:52 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 2:38 p.m.: erratic operator (Sargent Street), peace restored; 4:34 p.m.: welfare check (Lake Avenue), transported to hospi-

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

11:51 a.m.: assist citizen (Laflash Lane); 12:16 p.m.: welfare check (Henshaw Street), report taken; 1:53 p.m.: a&b w/dangerous weapon (River Street), report taken; 5:14 p.m.: neighbor dispute (MainStreet), services rendered; 11:27 p.m.: ambulance (Mechanic Street), transported.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

12:46 a.m.: erratic operator (Main una ambulance (Church Street), transported; 8:43 a.m.: harassment (Winslow Avenue), spoken to; 10:36 a.m.: assist citizen (Burncoat Lane), advised civil action; 11:08 a.m.: animal complaint (Stafford Street), unfounded; 11:13 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street): 1:20 p.m.: fraud (Whittemore Street), spoken to; 1:40 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), citation issued; 2:01 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:09 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 4:30 p.m.: assist other PD (Main Street), services rendered; 5:17 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), report taken; 6:40 p.m.: welfare check (Leela Lane), transported.

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Scout Leader with Troop 201, he was finally publicly celebrated for his accomplishment last month after the pandemic postponed the initial event.

Aucoin's Eagle project took place at St. Joseph's Church in Charlton. The project involved constructing a stone wall at the end of the driveway that mirrors an existing stone wall on the opposite side.

'St. Joe's is my parish that me and my family belong to, so I wanted to do something for them," said Aucoin, who graduated from Bay Path in 2020 with a vocational certification in drafting. "Deacon Bill Shea was heavily involved in my entire project, as he provided numerous suggestions of possible outdoor and indoor projects over the summer of 2019 that I could take on."

Aucoin used a drafting pro-

MEMORIAL MASS In Loving Remembrance of Jeannette Durant *June 19, 1930 - May 3, 2021*

The family of Jeannette Durant would like to invite you to join them in a celebration of life memorial Mass at Mary Queen of the Rosary Church, 46 Maple Street, in Spencer on Saturday, October 16 at 11 am.

> "More precious was the light in your eyes than all the roses in the world."

gram from his school to sketch out a wall to show the pastor. He then created a project proposal in August 2019, which was approved by troop and scouting executives.

"I was excited to be able to have an opportunity to conduct a construction project from start to finish, from design to execution," Aucoin said.

Once he was given the green light to proceed in October 2019, Aucoin began fundraising for project materials. He knew he would have to work fast to secure funding and materials, as the project could only be completed in temperatures above 40 degrees before winter struck.

"Being a masonry project, it had a pretty expensive price tag. I was able to fundraise \$2,700 in a matter of four weeks thanks to many generous donations from local businesses in Charlton and Spencer," Aucoin told the New Leader. "I was then able to make all the purchases for tools, materials, and supplies.'

From there, he coordinated additional logistical details, including the delivery of the stone and larger equipment; the lunch arrangement for volunteers; and the assignment of activities for each helper.

The project took three days to complete during the Veterans Day weekend in 2019.

"The wall needed a sturdy base, so we removed about a foot of the topsoil and filled in a six-inch base of crushed stone to be compacted, which took about a day," Aucoin said. "Then the rest of the time was laying out the blocks row after row until we reached the desired height."

Aucoin thanks everyone who came together to support his project, either through donations, volunteering, or emotional support amid tragedy. Aucoin's mother, who was terminally ill with Stage 4 lung cancer, passed away four days after his eighteenth birthday.

"I know she desperately wanted to see me succeed, and that gave me all the more motivation to attain Eagle," Aucoin said. "I received a new appreciation of life that year - not just that life is short, but I learned that you will never know what challenge you will face tomorrow. Having a goal will give you the determination to overcome anything life has in store for you. To me, the rank of Eagle is a symbol of every challenge I've ever overcome.

Added Aucoin, "Throughout the entire project, I received a tremendous amount of support. My family was always at my side willing to lend a helping hand wherever I needed, and kept me motivated whenever I had doubts. My troop leaders had much wisdom and advice to provide from experience. Other parents from the troop offered to donate tools and services that they could. Of course, the most important was the willingness of all my fellow scouts and friends that did all the grunt work for the project and actually built the wall.'

Aucoin received both monetary and material donations from the local community, including a generous donation from Camosse Masonry Supply in Charlton.

Scouting leaders were finally able to hold a ceremony honoring Aucoin's accomplishments on Sept. 11. Leaders are proud of everything he has overcome to reach the highest rank in Scouting. Long before he even began his Eagle project, he had to overcome a personal fear of swimming to earn a mandatory rank.

"I had many personal challenges along the way that made this all the more special," Aucoin said. "It allowed me to overcome a personal fear of mine. I had to pass a swim test to advance to an earlier rank, but I had a near-drowning incident in 2014 that made me deathly afraid to go into the water again. It took a few years, but I finally overcame it and was able to learn to swim in 2018.3

Looking ahead, Aucoin hopes to work in architecture or construction.

Healthy soup offers many different benefits



Food is a critical component of healthy living, helping people to reduce their risk for illnesses and even helping them to overcome colds and other

ailments. The properties of soup, for example, can chase away chills and offer other benefits. Soup is hydrating, and the ingredients included in the rec-

ipe may be able to do everything from tame coughs to reduce mucus to boost the immune system.

This recipe for "Navy Bean and Collard Greens Soup" courtesy of John La Puma, M.D., ChefMD, includes collard greens. When one chops or chews collard greens, he or she gets the powerful. helpful chemicals isothiocvanates and indole-3-carbinol. They can help the liver produce enzymes that detoxify cancer-causing toxins in the body. In addition, the soup includes tofu, which will adopt the flavor of other ingredients and add a form of lean protein along with the beans.

Navy Bean and Collard Greens Soup Serves 4

cups vegetable broth, such as Pacific Organic brand

cups coarsely chopped stemmed collard greens, preferably organic (1 bunch 10 to 12 ounces)

11/2 cup packaged julienned (match-

stick) carrots

11/2 teaspoons chili garlic puree or chili paste with garlic

(12 ounce) package extra firm 1

tofu, cubed in bite size pieces (16 ounce) can unsalted navy beans, drained

cup grated Romano cheese

Combine broth, collard greens, carrots, and chili garlic puree in a large saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 10 to 12 minutes or until greens are nearly tender. Stir in tofu and beans; cover and simmer 5 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Ladle into shallow bowls; top with cheese.

Tips: Great northern or cannellini beans may replace the navy beans and Swiss chard may replace the collard greens if desired. Also, look for chili garlic puree or chili paste with garlic in the ethnic section of the supermarket. Because the beans are unsalted, there is no need to rinse them before adding to the soup.

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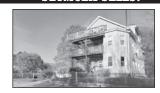
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Emilee Larson of David Prouty gets her head on the ball versus Auburn

LEICSTER - Playing high school field hockey games on Columbus Day is a longtime tradition in Central Massachusetts. The games often pit league and regional rivals against one another, and they are frequently played early in the day to maximize attendance opportunities.

Among the compelling matchups on Columbus Day this year (Monday, Oct. 11) were Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) rivals Leicester High and Quaboag Regional squaring off against one another on the athletic field behind Leicester High.

The game was as good as advertised. the Wolverines and Cougars playing to

'It's always a good contest between these two schools," Leicester coach Tom Bowes said. "We always have good games, competitive games, with Quaboag."

After a scoreless first quarter Quaboag went ahead, 1-0, with 12:59 left in the first half, scoring off a penalty

On the penalty corner the ball was inserted into the circle by Lily Potvin, a sophomore co-captain for Quaboag. Potvin sent the ball in to teammate Ayla Iwaniec - another sophomore co-captain for the Cougars - who took a shot in traffic in front of the net. The ball eventually trickled over to the left side of the goal where Quaboag freshman Katelynn Swistak one-timed the ball into the net past Wolverines' senior goalie Erin Arsenault.

Six minutes after Swistak scored, Leicester tied the game, 1-1, freshman Kadienne Patterson scoring off an assist from junior Brier Pedersen. Pederson took the initial shot on goal, the ball bouncing off Quaboag goalie Ari Masterjohn and landing at the feet of Patterson. Patterson quickly popped the ball into the net to tie the game with 6:48 remaining in the second quarter.

"I've got a bunch of girls who are just really hard workers," Bowes said. "We're always around the net trying to put the ball in. We're constantly looking for what I like to call garbage goals. We try to create a lot of action in front of the net so we can look for rebounds and second-chance opportunities.'

affair, with both teams having chances to break the tie.

Quaboag threatened late in the game pressuring Arsenault three times in the final two minutes on plays coming off penalty corners.

"I thought in all four quarters we dominated the play, we just didn't finish off the chances we had," Quaboag coach John O'Neill said. "At the end of the game we definitely had several good scoring opportunities, we just couldn't put anything together that would have allowed us to score that third goal of the game.'

With the tie against Leicester, Quaboag's record stands at 3-8-1. O'Neill was quick to point out that judging how good or not good a team is should not be based solely on a team's won-loss

"People look at our record and they assume, because we're 3-8-1 we're having a down season. We're not down, we're young. We're really young. We start a seventh grader and a bunch of sophomores," explained O'Neill, whose roster is comprised of one senior, five juniors, eight sophomores, two fresh-

The second half was a back-and-forth men, one eighth-grader, and one seventh-grader. "If you look at the power rankings there are 14 (different) schools on our schedule that will probably make the state tournament.'

Included in that list along with Leicester is Doherty, Uxbridge, Note Dame Academy, Grafton, Tantasqua, Auburn, Quabbin, Northbridge, Monty Tech, Minnechaug Regional, Agawam, West Springfield, and South Hadley, the top-ranked team in Division 4.

Among the Cougars eight losses are two defeats by one goal and two defeats by two goals to teams that will likely be playing in the postseason.

Bowes said he has been pleased with the play of his team, which is 9-3-1 with one game remaining

"We're doing well; the girls play hard," Bowes said. "I've got a lot of senior leadership. I've got 10 seniors, including my captains, who are Nicole Berard, Rachel Lopriore, and Abigail Morrison. Having that senior leadership certainly helps, and I've got a nice mix of young girls, too, on the team. We're looking good now, and the future looks good as well.'

District Court may relocate some services to Spencer

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

SPENCER - With the East Brookfield District Court due for renovations, Spencer officials are in discussions with the court to potentially relocate certain services to the Senior Center.

Officials said the court inquired a few months ago about the potential of temporarily relocating court services and offices to the second floor of the Senior Center. The proposal also calls for the court to use one room on the first floor of the 68 Maple St. building, formerly the Maple Street School.

Spencer selectmen and the Council on Aging are amenable to the proposal, officials said.

"We have expressed our willingness to work with them to make this happen as expeditiously as possible," said Town Administrator William Ross.

If an agreement is finalized, the town would enter into a lease with the court for its use of the building. Financial figures are

still in discussion, officials said.

If the relocation is approved, the court would move its arraignments and preliminary procedures to Spencer. The building may also temporarily house the court's probation department and other offices. No trials or jury activities would take place in Spencer.

The court would also pay a portion of the heat and electricity bills at the Spencer location, in addition to funding minor projects like air conditioning. Preliminary upgrades to the building's telephone lines have already taken place, and court officials have toured the site.

The renovations to the East Brookfield court are expected to take approximately 18-24 months. Court officials were initially expected to begin their transition to another site by November, but no formal plans have been announced.

Spencer officials said the court's potential relocation to the Senior Center building

would not only benefit local residents, but also court employees and police officers. The relocation would come at no cost to the

"If we do this, it is a public service effort for all citizens of this area," said Selectman Ralph Hicks. "People wouldn't have to drive all the way into Worcester and deal with the traffic and parking. Also, employees from this area wouldn't have to worry about driving to Worcester, and this would save time and money for police departments.'

The town has received permission from Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish to allow court employees to park in the church's upper lot, adjacent to the Senior Center. This would free up parking spaces elsewhere around the Senior Center.

If a lease agreement is finalized, additional updates on parking arrangements will be announced, officials said.

Antanavica completes virtual Jimmy Fund Walk



Leicester Police Chief Ken Antanavica recently took part in an event to help raise money to fight cancer.

LEICESTER – Officials congratulate Leicester Police Chief Ken Antanavica, who completed his virtual Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk earlier this month.

Presented by Hyundai, the Oct. 3 event helped raise critical funds to combat cancer. Chief Antanavica had

set a personal goal of raising \$2,000 for the event, and he ended up raising \$2,530.

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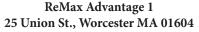
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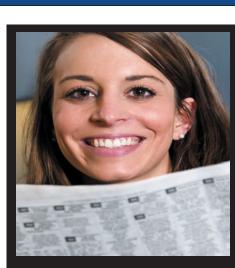


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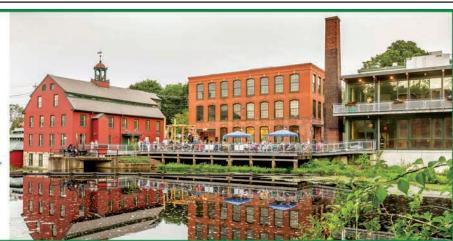
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