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# WCS students take part in DECA competition

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TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

**WHITINSVILLE** — Seven students from the Whitinsville Christian School have recently participated in a district-level DECA competition that tested their knowledge, public speaking, and business skills.

Five students placed in the top six within their category, qualifying for the state level of the competition in Boston, the school released.

“It has been a great experience for me to witness the growth and development of each of the students who competed,” said Business Teacher Charlie Kim. “Most of them are also students enrolled in my business classes, and that makes it even more special.”

According to Kim, DECA is a nationwide organization that provides opportunities for students who are interested in the field of business to “test their knowledge and public speaking skills amongst their peers.”



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Pictured left to right: Nicole Moraes Ramos, Stevie Paquette, Vincent Gilbert, Ben Linton, Peter McHugh, Ethan MacGillivray, Victoria Njoroge, and Charlie Kim.

Since the students were not able to compete last year, this was their first DECA experience with Kim as their new adviser.

“The experience was so amazing,” said Gilbert. “I was thankful to have the opportunity with great fellow competitors.”

“Whether they qualified for the next level of competition or not, I know for certain that the hours they spent working on their presentation skills, along with their business knowledge, will help them in any field they choose to study in the future,” added Kim. “I could not be prouder of all seven students.”

## Northbridge Deputy Fire Chief celebrates retirement

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District Attorney Joseph D. Early and Deputy Fire Chief Steve Dupre.

**NORTHBRIDGE** — Lifelong Northbridge resident Steve Dupre has celebrated his retirement from the Northbridge Fire Department after 45 years of dedicated service to the community.

“I was born in this town,” Dupre said. “I have a very big passion for the Northbridge Fire Department and the town. It’s very rewarding.”

Dupre started his call firefighting career in 1976 and worked his way up through the ranks to the position of Deputy Fire Chief—a position he held for the past 20 years, according to Northbridge Fire Chief David White.

“Steve was a great firefighter and has done an

excellent job throughout his career, always willing to assist in any way he could,” White said. “He was a firefighter’s officer as he would always advocate for them and freely give them advice about firefighting.”

Dupre officially retired last March after reaching the mandatory age of 65 years, however, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, his retirement celebration was delayed. Last weekend, members of the fire community, neighbors, family, and friends, came out to celebrate Dupre’s career and retirement.

“I was in awe of the amount of people that showed up,” Dupre said.

“Although COVID wouldn’t allow your retirement party to happen last year, boy did you

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## Local animal rescues stay strong through pandemic challenges

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**REGION** — Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, local animal rescues have seen challenges ranging from surrendered pets to cancelled fundraising events to staffing and supply shortages.

“Safe to say the pandemic has been a challenge for everyone,” said Julie Uthoff, Founder and President of the Uxbridge-based Pawfect Life Rescue.

Uthoff said the Pawfect Life Rescue was bombarded with applications when people first began sheltering in place.

“Now that folks have returned to the workplace, we have far fewer families looking to adopt and are receiving more requests to surrender dogs,” she said.

Adopters have faced challenges finding veterinarians and, when they do, getting timely appointments, Uthoff said. And getting appointments with specialists for pets that require more care can be a “nightmare.”

For the MSPCA, due to an “unprecedented volume of patients and a nationwide veterinary staffing shortage,” on some nights, the Angell Emergency & Critical Care service in Boston has been diverting new emergency cases to other emergency or urgent care facilities throughout the night with the exception of patients experiencing an imminent, life-threatening medical emergency.

“It’s been an extremely challenging year for us, and for the animals,” the MSPCA shared. “The pandemic continues to affect everything we do to save animals.”

And rescues have also seen in-person fundraising event efforts thwarted by the pandemic.

“As a rescue, we haven’t held as many public events due to the pandemic,” she said. “This has definitely impacted us financially. However, we still participate in major fundraisers like ‘Giving Tuesday’ and recently participated in the ‘Betty White Challenge’ for Betty’s 100th birthday and were able to raise some much-needed funds that way.”

Due to the cancellation of their annual “Pasta for Paws” event, which was originally scheduled for last weekend, the Douglas-based Dog Orphans Humane Society announced that it will be holding another online auction instead.

“In light of the current rise of positive COVID-19 cases, we have unfortunately decided to cancel the Pasta for Paws fundraiser,” the rescue announced. “In the spirit of at-home shopping, we will be holding our second Online Auction.”

The auction starts on Friday, Feb. 11, and runs through Sunday, Feb. 20, featuring “tail-wagging worthy” items. For more information, visit dogorphans.com.

Donations and support is “greatly appreciated,” the rescue added.

“We understand these are unprecedented times; but there are always animals in critical need,” the rescue released in a statement on its website. “Providing the necessary care for these dogs requires funding to house, feed, and provide them with safe, loving care. In addition, the cost of spay/neuter, vaccinations, microchips, and veterinary care are expenses we continue to incur despite the current pandemic.”

## Northbridge Middle School students turn old Home Ec room into recording studio

**NORTHBRIDGE** — If you stop by midweek to Northbridge Middle School, you will see a dedicated group of students working hard on their next news segment in action! These students, under the name “RAMS TV JR” have filmed news segments with the guidance and support of their Technology teacher Mrs. Gogolinski. They have transformed the Makerspace into a green screen recording studio. Highlights from the room feature a solid green painted wall, tall reporter stools and



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# Worcester Polytechnic Institute students complete intensive research projects

WORCESTER — At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to address an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of students complete a project at one of the university's 50-plus off-campus project centers, which are located

around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives and make a difference before they graduate.

The following students completed their intensive research projects this past fall:

Desmond Woodson of Douglas, majoring in Civil Engineering, member of the class of 2023, completed the project titled LLNF Master Plan Perspectives.

Emily Frick of Uxbridge, majoring in Biomedical Engineering, member of the class of 2023, completed the project titled Watershed Academies.

Bridget Redgate of Uxbridge, majoring in Computer Science, member of the class of 2023, completed the project titled Exploring the Causes of Depopulation in Venice.

Lauren Flanagan of Douglas, majoring in Data Science, member of the class of 2024, completed the project titled Creating a Citizens' Academy Model for the Town of Nantucket.

Amelia Sadlon of Whitinsville, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology, member of the class of 2023, completed the project titled Glacier National Park's Zero-Emission Vehicle Transition.

Theron Howe of Douglas, majoring in Civil Engineering, member of the class of 2023, completed the project titled Improving Accessibility to the City of Reykjavik.

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 17 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing; cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more. [www.wpi.edu](http://www.wpi.edu)

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## SENIORS REJOICE AT REOPENING

Plummer Place, Home of the Northbridge Senior Center, was bustling with activities during its first week of reopening since it had been closed back in December due to a significant surge of active COVID-19 numbers. "We're all so thrilled to be open again and have all of our seniors return to the building," said director Kelly Bol. "We certainly missed them!" she said. Throughout the first week of reopening, the center was buzzing with activities as seniors enjoyed reconvening in groups to enjoy ukulele classes, a book club discussion, mahjong, billiards, bingo, cribbage, shuffleboard, painting, many in-person exercise classes, chair yoga, pokerno games, a joy of movement class, and other regularly scheduled meetings. Seniors were delighted to be back, and it was a great feeling for all to be reunited with one another! For more information on Plummer Place, please call (508) 234-2002.

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## Krista Sullivan named to Dean's List at Ithaca College

ITHACA, N.Y. — Ithaca College student Krista Sullivan of Uxbridge was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester.

About Ithaca College  
Founded in 1892, Ithaca College is a residential college dedicated to building knowledge and confidence through a continuous cycle of theory, practice and performance. Home to some 6,500 students, the college offers more than 90 degree programs in its schools of Business, Communications, Humanities and Sciences, Health Sciences and Human Performance, and Music.

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

## Local students named to Dean's List at Fitchburg State

FITCHBURG — Fitchburg State University President Richard S. Lapidus has announced the students who qualified for inclusion on the Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester.

A student is placed on the Dean's List for the semester if an average grade of 3.20 or better is attained, and the student is attending the university full time.

Fitchburg State University enrolls approximately 6,000 day and evening students in more than 50 programs of study. The university was established in 1894.

Auburn  
Breanna R. Benoit, Sheeza Y. Chaudry, Emma M. Ganley, Cameron J. McGrath, Riley J. Millay  
Blackstone  
Claire A. Collins,

Benjamin W. Putnam  
Charlton  
Isabella A. Sousa, Jennifer L. Vezina  
Cherry Valley  
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Douglas  
Anna A. Dame, Ashley E. Deluca, Sarah A. Haire, Aubrey M. Harris, Kosmo J. Symock  
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Grafton  
Jonathan M. Randall  
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Leicester  
Madison C. Hippert, Robert G. Kemp  
Milford  
Matthew K. Baier, Roy M. Benson, Mckenzie E. Calvao, Sydney D. Crocker, Kaitlyn M. Mobilia, Nicholas J. Taylor, Tj A. Yadisernia  
North Oxford  
Jared S. Orrell

Northbridge  
Chrissa A. Gannon, Martha Garley, Gabrielle K. Perron, Elijah V. Perron  
Oxford  
Zaria R. Dillon, Brittany R. Jefferson, Kaylyn N. Violette  
Southbridge  
Ryan P. Pratt  
Spencer  
Lauryn M. Hines  
Sturbridge  
Victoria R. Messina  
Sutton  
Abigayle K. Menzdorf  
Upton  
Cameron M. Bern, Noah A. Charron, Ashley E. Porter  
W. Brookfield  
Chase W. Carlson, Cameron G. Larcheveque  
Wales  
Wylder D. Tallman  
Webster  
Sophia M. Gardner, Maikael Y. Gwargious, Samuel A. Kontoes, Abigail J. Mulry

## Students named to President's List at Fitchburg State

FITCHBURG — Fitchburg State University President Richard S. Lapidus has announced the names of students included on the President's List for the Fall 2021 semester.

The President's List honors students for consistently high academic achievement. A student is named to the list after

achieving a 3.75 average in each of three successive semesters.

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Auburn  
Nicholas D. Bisceglia

Dudley  
Jillian E. Laabs  
Leicester  
Jack W. Larson  
Oxford  
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Southbridge  
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# Area legislators announce funding for electric vehicle charging posts

UXBRIDGE — In an effort to create additional infrastructure across the Commonwealth, the Baker-Polito Administration today announced that \$100,000 in funding has been awarded to Equilon Entreprises LLC in Uxbridge under the Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP) to install Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) electric vehicle charging ports at the Shell Gas station. The MassEVIP DCFC program, administered by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), provides grants covering 100 percent of the eligible cost to acquire and install publicly accessible DCFC electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at government-owned properties and 80 percent at all other locations, up to \$50,000 per charging port.

Electric vehicles in our communities to have access to fast charging ports," said State Rep. Mike Soter. "I look forward to working with the Governor's office and the Massachusetts Department of Education Protection to ensure further funding is brought to Uxbridge and the 8th Worcester District."

"Electric cars are here, and are coming in much bigger numbers," added Rep. McKenna. "The Baker Administration is making major investments across the Commonwealth so towns will have infrastructure in place to support this wave of new vehicle technology. I'm glad Uxbridge will benefit from this funding to continue offering great services for its residents."

"This investment by the Baker-Polito administration is crucial to enhancing the accessibility of fast, reliable charging ports for electric vehicles,"

said State Sen. Ryan Fattman. "These charging stations in Uxbridge will help make electric vehicles a more realistic alternative to our current cars for many families as these stations are constructed in easily accessible spots. Congratulations are in order for Uxbridge for their hard work to receive this competitive grant."

MassDEP's mission is to protect and enhance the Commonwealth's natural resources — air, water and land — to provide for the health, safety and welfare of all people, and a clean and safe environment for future generations. In carrying out this mission, MassDEP commits to address and advance environmental justice and equity for all people of the Commonwealth, provide meaningful, inclusive opportunities for people to participate in agency decisions that affect their lives and ensure a diverse workforce that reflects the communities served by the agency.

"I am thrilled to see this innovative and environmentally-friendly step being taken to allow for owners of elec-

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\$440,000, 17 Cottage Colony, Collins, Richard, and Collins, Carlie, to Decker, Michael P, and Hatstat, Kelly R.

\$146,000, 107 Franklin St, Hardy, Scott L, and Hardy, Donna C, to Hardy, Scott L.

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\$457,500, 38 Tea Party Dr #38, Independence Uxbridge, to Sankarasubramanian, S, and Senthilkumar, J.

\$328,000, 39 Cross St, Lawrence, Donna M, to Sears, Cameron G, and Sears, Amanda L.

\$185,000, 40 Waterman Way, Patel, Amanda, to Wise, Brian M, and Wise, Kimberly A.

# Women's Success Network holding collection drive for new mothers

WHITINSVILLE — The Blackstone Valley Women's Success Network's (WSN) Community Support Group, a professional group of the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, is putting together a collection drive in February to gather baby supplies for new mothers in need in the Blackstone Valley.

have an Amazon wish list available to order directly. This includes some additional items such as car seats, baby carriers, baby gates and safety items, tummy time mats, and jackets. You may access the wish list at: <https://a.co/8N4glCv>.

Once the items are collected, they will be put in bags that will be delivered to local food pantries and other non-profit organizations for distribution to the new mothers who need them the most in the Blackstone Valley. We will also include information about local resources available for new mothers.

The goal of this drive is to help new mothers obtain what they need, learn about resources available to them, and feel supported in their important role as a mom. Please join us in our efforts to make a difference in the lives of these new mothers in the Blackstone Valley

From Feb. 7 to 28, collection boxes will be in all UniBank branches, all Millbury Federal Credit Union branches, Whitin Community Center, Goretti's Supermarket and the Shaws in Whitinsville. In these locations, we are collecting diapers, wipes, books, toys, bath time items, baby and toddler clothes, baby medical/health supplies, breast pads, lanolin cream, formula, baby food, bottles. Other supplies are appreciated as well!

area.

For this project, the WSN is partnering with young girls from the Worcester County Girls on the Run program, the local 4H Club, and local Girl Scout Troops.

The BVCC Women's Success Network would like to thank their partners and sponsors for this event: 4H Club, Girl Scouts, Girls on The Run, UniBank, Goretti's Supermarket, Shaws, Millbury Federal Credit Union and the Whitin Community Center.

The mission of BVCC Women's Success Network is to unite women to achieve their vision of success by creating a community of support and inspiration in their personal and professional lives.

In addition to the collection bins, we

# Blackstone Valley Chamber to host "Love Your Legislator" Breakfast

MENDON — The Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce (BVCC) is back with their annual "Love Your Legislator" Breakfast on Friday, Feb. 11 from 7:30 to 9 a.m., just in time for Valentine's Day. They will be hosting this event at Galliford's Restaurant (5 Southwick St., Mendon). Registration and networking begins at 7:30 a.m.

The BVCC's Legislative Breakfast was created to encourage face-to-face networking and open a dialogue between the legislators of the Blackstone Valley and business owners. A panel comprised of all 8 of our Valley legislators will be available to answer questions and provide updates on regional funding, upcoming bills, new restrictions and much more. Get answers to all of your questions from the people who know best! You can ask in person or forward your question to [jhebert@blackstonevalley.org](mailto:jhebert@blackstonevalley.org) to be submitted at the breakfast.

Tickets are \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. The public is invited. To register and for more information, please visit [www.blackstonevalley.org](http://www.blackstonevalley.org) or email Liz O'Neil at [lonel@blackstonevalley.org](mailto:lonel@blackstonevalley.org).

The BVCC would also like to thank the Blackstone Valley Education Engineering, our generous sponsors, for helping make this possible.

The Mission of the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce is to preserve and enhance the economic vitality of the Blackstone Valley by addressing her needs and concerns of businesses and providing leadership, support and resources in connection with issues which impact commerce and the quality of life in the Valley.

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## Friday's Child



Photo by Maura Wayman.

**Kenya**  
Age 16

**I want to work in the fashion industry!**

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Kenya is a sixteen-year-old girl who describes herself as fun, outgoing and caring. Kenya loves style and fashion, and she would like to work in the fashion industry. Some of Kenya's other favorite activities include arts and crafts projects, singing, dancing and playing sports. In school, Kenya gets along with others and makes friends easily. She is an intelligent young lady who performs at grade level.

Kenya is legally free for adoption and has requested to be placed in a family where one or both parents are African American. Kenya's social worker is willing to explore single or two parent families, with or without other children in the home. Because Kenya will need a gradual transition into her future home, her social worker is only considering Massachusetts and local families at this time.

**Can I Adopt?**

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. As an adoptive parent, you won't have to pay any fees, adoption from foster care is completely free in Massachusetts.

The process to adopt a child from foster care includes training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you. These steps will help match you with a child or sibling group that your family will fit well with.

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

## PET of the WEEK




**Meet Scout!** 1-year-old, Shepherd, German / Mixed Breed (Large)  
Have you been scouting for a new best friend to take on an adventure? Here he is! This young man had his own adventure from Florida to Massachusetts and is now looking for his new family. He is a bright and happy boy who loves to please and explore. Here is some more information on our Scout!

- Scout would love to be in the car and join you for coffee runs!
- Scout loves toys so much, that he carries one with him on all of his walks! He especially loves tennis balls!
- He is still young and very smart so would love to have someone who will help train him and teach him lots of cool tricks!
- So far, he knows how to sit and give paw!
- Scout is looking to be the only animal in his home so he can soak up all the attention!
- On his wish list is an adult only, dog experienced household!

If you think this handsome boy could be for you, please email [adopt@baypathhumane.org](mailto:adopt@baypathhumane.org) today!

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# QCC announces Dean's and Merit Lists

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College has released its Fall 2021 Semester Dean and Merit Lists. A total of 537 students were named to the College's Dean's List and 881 students were named to the Merit List.

Students who meet the criteria below and have earned 12 or more credits in a given semester are named to the Dean's List:

All grades must be "C" or higher. (No grades of "I" or "X" are permitted).

Semester Quality Point Average (QPA) must be 3.50 or higher, and cumulative QPA must be 2.00 or higher.

All courses must be college level

Auburn: Tyler Camuso, Casey Clouthier, Gracie Curtis, Ezekial Diaz, Kiara Diaz, Colin Fitzgerald, Aidan Foley, Kevin Foley-Foster, Dawson Gemme, Jason Henry, Andy Ho, Muhammad Ibrahim, Priscilla Kot, Katelyn Pike, Dylan Tang, Meloney Thapa, David Zona

Blackstone: Jonathan Budnick, Colin Johnson, Joshua Johnson, Erin McDonald, Justyne Tellstone, Eva Turcotte

Brimfield: Abigail Burgener, Madison Miller

Brookfield: Peyton Fellmeth, Shawn Greenwood, Tay-Lynne Pope, Vanessa VanGerven

Charlton: Lauryn Dawson, Johnson Ebe, Vitor Kuhn Scariot, Jessica Lapierre, Rene Latino, Chase McKenney, Nicole Mulvey, Halle Sanchez, Dylan Smaltz

Cherry Valley: Stephanie Grayum, Joslyn Rutter

Douglas: Alorian Orcutt

Dudley: Anthony Awad, Erin Bouffard, Nicholas Champagne, Parker Filo-Loos, Isabella Freitas, Deirdre Grubb, Joseph Guaragno, Grace Jocson, Montana Josey, Nicole Karp, Julia Leary, Baker Meece, David Pino, Anthony Rivera, Jade Shultz, Mehrael Towadros, Auguste Valley

East Douglas: Adam Gaulin, Joshua Gopin, Reilly Moran, Earl Parfitt, Michael Purvis, Peyton Simoneau Fiskdale: Anna Simons

Grafton: Isabella Adams, Tyler Charpentier, Ryan Davidson, Christina Duggan, Olivia Lee, James McGilloway, Brianna Mishado, M'Leia Sweeney, Audrey Ziegler

Holden: Chester Awuni, Haleigh Bruso, Michael Evanowski, Saxon McDonaugh, Kaitlyn McMahon, Colleen Murray, Lynn Nguyen, Trinh Nguyen

Holland: Hunter Boudreau, Emma Bullock, Monica Confer

Leicester: Jon Auger, Owen Boisvert, Aimee

Brigham, Ryan Butler, Michael Cogswell, Camden Crocker, Amanda Neil, Meghan Niddrie

Milford: Shawn Amiel Arquillano, Madison Carneiro, Danielle Cerqueira, Thiffany De Castro, Ryan Shaw, Thalita da Silva Santos

Millbury: Melanie Bazillion, Brenna Berube, Elizabeth Chagnon, Brandon Charbonneau, Kennedy Day, Kelsey Graves, Ivie Lapointe, Brianna Poske, Rosalie Powers, Sydney Westerlind

North Brookfield: Kristina Blankenship, Deborah Hill, Tyler Hosley, Katelynne Redmiles, Robert Waldron

North Grafton: Jessica Bancewicz, Sarah Bianco, Jenna Boisvert, Ashley Caddell, Nicholas Calo, Molly Shea

North Oxford: Salvatore DeMalia, Gracyn Mauch Northbridge: Tyler Hewitt, Nicholas Ragozzino

Oxford: Kwabena Asiamah, Micaela Christenson, Holly Gignilliat, Kelsie Guarente, William Harvey, Amanda Listewnik, Kaitlin Littleton, Nicholas McElroy, Denise Otano, Dillon Palmer, Jared Torosian Paxton: Peter Roberts, Robert Siemen, Matthew Tanona

South Grafton: Nicholas Lima, Amanda Palmieri, Nicholas Waller

Southbridge: Evan Duffey, Caiden Ellis, Lauren Gates, Kellsie Gauvin, Rosalie Groleau, Nicholas Rodriguez, Xavier Rosario, Christina Ruberti, Venus Streeter, Juan Velasco, Cody Wood

Spencer: Stacey Arsenault, Mariannah Chase, Carli Kerns, Ashley Leighton, Raven Martin, Kristen Robillard, Kyle Sadusky, Dustin VanDyke, Yujia Wei

Sturbridge: Norma Cignarella, Ryan Manners, Allison Parker, Andrew Parker, Christopher Tejada Sutton: Sarah Beachman, Aliyssa Courville, Katherine Fields, Disha Khanna, Rachel Peters, Nathan Posterro, Alexandra Richard

Uxbridge: Hailey Bergman, Antonio Demalia, Abigail Hanscom, Scott Lawrence, Jeremy Lutton, Patrick Malone, Mayra Marquez, Olivia Powell, Ryan Tonry

Wales: Lauren Holcomb

Webster: Benjamin Ayres, Melissa DeLuca-Midgette, Alexander Delgado Casanova, Ashley Denham, Sean Flynn, Amber Hallaman, Anna Israelian, Trevor Jutras, Hanna Kunkel, Chime Lama, Elena Ralph, Alicja Rogalski

West Brookfield: Jon Rimmer

West Upton: Collin Gorman, Olyvia Kane, Omer Rona

Whitinsville: Julianna Borruso, Isabel Carroll, Ethan Eisenhardt, Jennifer Flanagan, Cora Gauthier, Travis Gould, Khadija Ouagri, Joshua Pinoos

## QCC Merit List, Fall 2021

Students who meet the criteria below and have earned six or more credits in a given semester, but fewer than 12 credits, are named to the Merit List:

All grades must be "C" or higher. (No grades of "I" or "X" are permitted).

Semester Quality Point Average (QPA) must be 3.50 or higher, and cumulative QPA must be 2.00 or higher.

All courses must be college level

Auburn: Zahraa Alshammari, Gabriella Amoros, Dawn Bombard, Conor Carlson, Madison Cove, Dominic D'Amore, Uyen Hong Ha Dao, Lyndsey Delorto, Leesa Kamaru, Hailey Martell, Chanel Napoli, Kyle Nash, Ifeanyi Nwachukwu, Brian Smith

Blackstone: Alexa Boyt, Jill Johnson

Brimfield: Lyndsey Gamache, Lauren Jones, Jonathan Rubio

Brookfield: Jared Maldonado, Lorianne Palmer, William Palmer, Grace Wilbur, Tye Zola

Charlton: Cameron Allard, Kimberly Beals, Leslie Chaves, Christopher Chute, Nicholas Cochran, Adrienne Courchaine, Ada Duruh-Nubuor, Riley French, Abigail Joesten, Cheyenne Kelly, Haley LaFortune, Jessica Marshall, Pedro Milian-Giles, Pedro Prieto, Katelyn Smith, Bryan Stearns, Ashley Steelman, Cady Stevens

Cherry Valley: Sarah Ismail, Krissy Lindner, Inutu Mwinga

Dudley: Mia Bohanan, Elizabeth Catino, Jessica Clark, Shawn Coltran, Conor Fitzgerald, Heather Lamprey, Hannah Lombardo, Abigail Northrop, Maxwell Ober, Paige Oliver, Christina Richert, Molly Riley

East Brookfield: Nicole Boucher-Eccleston

East Douglas: Katelyn Ballou, Courtney

Barch, Caroline Beaird, Bishoy Soliman Hanna

Fiskdale: Hannah Abubakar, Tristan Shaw, Meaghan Stearns, Warren Zelenak

Grafton: Joseph Brenner, Alison Burough, Andrea Carezzo, Jack Cosseboom, Zoe Davis, Debokkawe Pannasiri, Tyler Peters, Elisabeth Spencer, Bradley Sylvestre, Tracy Torteson, Jayce Walker, Lauren Wareham

Holland: Justine Block, Azure Butler, Katharine Patota, Julie Schutz, Robert Smith

Leicester: Tiffany Beer, Amy Carr, Geneva Hart, Patricia Herholz, Kristina Jarowski, Kristen Johnson, Constantino Rodriguez, Maria Rosado, Meaghan St. George, Jonah Wicklund

Milford: Edgar Falfan Barreto, Mariana Ferraz, Lia Mucera, Victoria Oliveira Ramos, Rebecca Silva

Millbury: Sandra Bravo, Jacob Brodeur, Samantha Brooks, Indigo Cadorette, Stefanie Cerrone, Gina Chionchio, Kyliegh Corey, Tara Cudmore, Kristen Curran, Christian Donaldson, Wesley Hutchinson, Amanda Macedo, Lauren Manzello, Hannah Sarro, Myles Schaffer, Yidan Song

Millville: Dawn Lavallee

North Brookfield: Jessica Lisi

North Grafton: Fadi Alkoht, Sheraz Awan, Bridget Burke, Tracy Francis, Amanda Johnson, Rabia Mateen, Kali Sage

North Oxford: Antony Bradford, Nikita Igoshin, Julianna Marcoux, Hailey Mills

Northbridge: Aaron Bishop, Kyran Bishop, Krystal Bonafilia, Sarah Bowen-Catlin, Randall Cranshaw, Hillary Mellor, Erin Ostroskey, Jessica Perkins, Gregory Riley, Crystal Tardie, Amaya Williams, Anthony Zanca

Oxford: Izabella Bezak, Noah Buckley, Nina Cardoni, Emily Caron, Mark Cruz, Tommy Estevez, Wilfrid Foto Tasse, Ariana Gelardi, Katie George, Elijah Gray, Nathan Hagopian, Colton Heerd, Kimberly Lindsey, Daniel Silver, Alexis Walsh

Paxton: Connor Bisnette, Jonathan Bushnell, Hamsa Damouk, Rochelle Hodges, Alexander Horton, Colleen Shaw, David Witt

Rochdale: Victoria Esposito, Armando Estevez

South Grafton: Esha Batchu, Kathryn Branda, Vaishnavi Chebrolu, Veda Dave, Anthony Fisher, Nicholas Fobert, Thomas Fobert, Hanna Perron, Jesalee Roberts

Southbridge: Mikayla Battaglia, Alec Belle, Wendy Berroa, Valerie Bomba, Michaela Carl, Rayann Carl, Jacquelinet Conde Arias, Irianex Cruz, Sol Cruz, Adrianna Gidopoulos, Maria Hernandez-Santos, Hanin Noori, Analis Pagan, Caleb Powell, Mariana Powell, Eve Robida, Alexander Rousseau, Austin Skarnes, Sheila Toro, Payton Vega, Karen Young

Spencer: Tammy Auger, Kevin Barnicle, Desiree Bleau, Rebecca Brazeau, Carley Burns, Samantha Cantwell, Draven Casey, Nicole Dayutis, Andrew De Klerk, Anthony Gianfriddo, Judith Hickman, Mary Kagotho-Saydee, Shadia Kousi, Eric Lammi, Kevin O'Rourke, Madison Paquette, Brian Payson, Kara Pranaitis, Danielle Provencher, Mark Robillard, Leif Torres

Sturbridge: Miranda Adamson, Megan Curboy, Spencer Fancy, Jomarie Garcia, Jason Hastings, Bonnie Hensley, Agnieszka Laster, Isabel Mediavilla, Heather Monroe, Katerina Pacheco Wolf

Sutton: Kayla Kachadoorian, Matthew Kearney, Kailey O'Neil

Upton: James Scanlon

Uxbridge: Jessica Beaudoin, Julia Comeau, Kelley Crosby, Rachel Demrest, Benjamin Landry, Lubna Paul-Celestin, Michaela Randall, Nicole Remillard, Katie Vautrain

Wales: Morgan Bacon, Bethany Wright

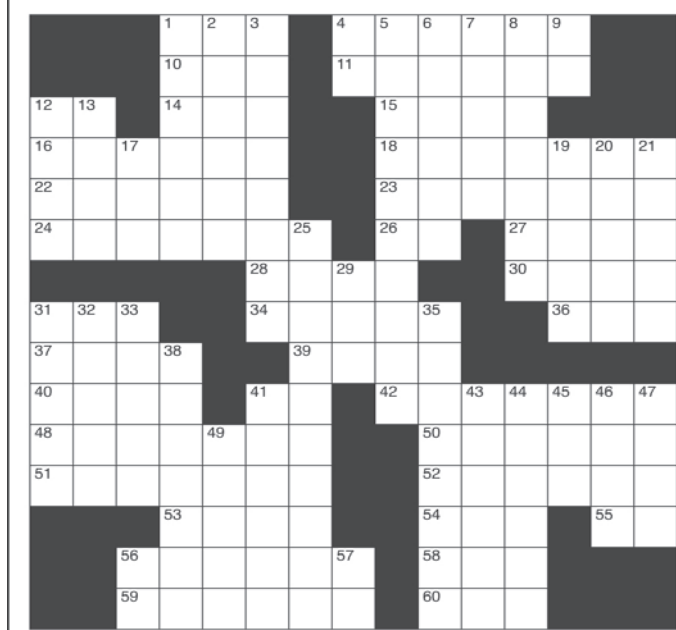
Warren: Amanda Dupre, Daniel Peristere, Alexis Ring

Webster: Eliezer Asamoah, Ernestina Atsugah-Habadah, Victoria Binney, Casmere Cournoyer, Alexandra Cowher, Audrey Ducharme, Timothy Dziedzic, Madeleine Grillo, Ramy Hakim, Kerri Heenan, Shania Knight, Tenzin Lama, Anne Marie Markiewicz, Nickolas Maxwell, Kristina Mlavsky, Hiranya Robles, Kimberly Rockwood, Amy Rosario, Nayane Saffae, Holly Scott, Brittany Singelais, Justin Smith, Peter Tadros, Apryl Vancellette, Rachael Watterson

West Brookfield: Bradyn Cloward, Dallas McDonnell, Melissa Waddell

West Upton: Craig Ashton, Timothy Fobes

Whitinsville: Ashley Bartlett, Jessica Caggiula, Nicholas DePasquale, Taylor Fisher, Saima Khan, Emily LaFleur, Nikolas McLean, Nicole Peters, Logan Picard, Allison Salamack, Ian Schopf, Morgan Simard, Alexandra Zicoella



## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. One point east of due south
- 4. City in Maine
- 10. Inquire too closely
- 11. Make dirty
- 12. Small Greek island
- 14. Bitterly regret
- 15. Millisecond
- 16. \_\_\_ the ante
- 18. Without value
- 22. Eurasian ryegrass
- 23. Authentic
- 24. Having a mournful quality
- 26. Not out
- 27. Salvador \_\_\_, Spanish artist
- 28. Cargo (abbr.)
- 30. This (Spanish)
- 31. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 34. Slang for trucks with trailers
- 36. Helps you hear
- 37. Steer a boat
- 39. British School
- 40. Genus of olive
- 41. Computer term (abbr.)
- 42. Horse gear
- 48. Give off
- 50. A type of salt
- 51. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule
- 52. One who watches birds
- 53. Sailboat
- 54. A major division of geological time
- 55. Sodium
- 56. American state
- 58. Soak in water
- 59. Thin decorative covering of fine wood
- 60. Affirmative

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. One of the four seasons
- 2. Its sultan is famous
- 3. A lens for correcting defective vision in one eye
- 4. College degree
- 5. Soldiers need it
- 6. Japanese car manufacturer
- 7. A way to address
- 8. Obstruct
- 9. Atomic number 45
- 12. Ill-mannered
- 13. Opaque gem
- 17. Indicates before
- 19. Remove
- 20. Populous Argentine city
- 21. More cunning
- 25. Rich dessert
- 29. Payment (abbr.)
- 31. Footwear
- 32. Famed Alabama city
- 33. Sheep's cry
- 35. Arrogance
- 38. Clerical vestment
- 41. Serving no practical purpose
- 43. An evening party
- 44. Print errors
- 45. Not good
- 46. Egyptian Sun god
- 47. Industrial German city
- 49. Scottish island
- 56. Early multimedia
- 57. Atomic number 18



# University of New Hampshire announces Dean's List

DURHAM, New Hampshire — The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the fall 2021 semester.

Skylar Manyak of Douglas  
Mya Ackerman of East Douglas

Emma Ganley of Northbridge  
Emma Lachapelle of Northbridge  
Seth Kloczkowski of Uxbridge  
Francesca DeLuca of Uxbridge  
Hope Anderson of Uxbridge  
Avery Senosk of Whitinsville

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

The University of New Hampshire inspires innovation and transforms lives in our state, nation and world. More than 16,000 students from all 50 states and 71 countries engage with an award-winning faculty in top-ranked programs in business, engineering, law, health and human services, liberal arts and the sciences across more than 200 programs of study. A Carnegie Classification R1 institution, UNH partners with NASA, NOAA, NSF and NIH, and received \$260 million in competitive external funding in FY21 to further explore and define the frontiers of land, sea and space.



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## MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY WREATH MAKING CLASS**  
Join us on Thursday, March 3rd!  
1 - 3 P.M.  
\$3 per person  
Snacks will be served!!  
RSVP by Monday, February 28TH 508-865-9154

Worcester County Sheriff's House Numbering Program  
Designed to assist emergency personnel in locating homes!

Will create a custom wooden house number sign Free of Charge!  
If interested come by the Senior Center or call us at 508-865-9154

Meet with a representative from Senator Moore's office!  
Wednesday, March 9th  
One Wednesday every month between 11 - 12 P.M.

All are welcome to meet and discuss issues of importance or looking for assistance  
Any questions please call 508-865-9154

**NEW SNOW POLICY**  
The Senior Center will be closed when the Millbury Public schools are cancelled due to inclement weather  
Closings will be posted on our Facebook page!

**COVID-19 BOOSTER APPOINTMENT ASSISTANCE**

We will assist Millbury Senior residents

If you do not have access to a computer and need help scheduling an appointment for the Booster  
Please call the center at 508-865-9154

**SENIOR WORK - OFF PROGRAM**  
For Eligible seniors, 60 or older that are residents of Millbury

Receive up to \$1,500 per year that can be used to pay real estate property tax

In return for voluntary service at a town department

For more information or to pick up an application please call the center at 508-865-9154

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**SENIOR CENTER EXERCISE**

**CLASSES!**  
**LIGHT EXERCISE CLASSES**  
Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. (Free!)

**SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES!**  
**WII BOWLING**  
Mondays at 12:30 P.M.

**MAHJONG**  
Mondays at 12:45 P.M.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**  
Every Tuesday from 9 A.M. - 10 A.M.

**CRIBBAGE**  
Tuesdays at 1 P.M.

**SOCIAL BINGO**  
Wednesdays at 1 P.M.

Bring your pennies!  
**PITCH**  
Thursdays at 1 P.M.

**DULL MENS CLUB**  
Thursdays at 10 - 11 A.M.

No reservations required for any of our activities or exercise classes!

Lunches are served Monday through Friday 12 P.M. at the Senior Center

The menu is available on the town website, [www.townofmillbury.org](http://www.townofmillbury.org)

Or our Millbury Senior Center Facebook page.

A 48 hour reservation is required.

Millbury Senior Center Transportation

Transportation is provided for Millbury Senior Residents

Monday through Friday from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

We travel one town out in each direction including Sutton, Grafton, Auburn and Worcester

A 48 hour notice is required for scheduling rides (business days)

Rides are free until January 1st

For more information or to schedule transportation call the center at 508-865-9154

**"MEMORY CAFÉ"**  
Please join us on Tuesday, February 22nd 2-3:30 P.M.

A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss/ challenges

and their care partners. It is a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time.

refreshments will be served!

We are also looking for volunteers to assist this program!

Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer

any questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

Millbury Friendly Visitor Program  
Our Friendly Visitor Program is now

being provided by telephone

Volunteers call clients to check in with them, chat and hear a friendly voice

For more information on coordinating a Friendly visitor

Call the center at 508-865-9154

**SNAP APPLICATIONS** (Food

Stamps)

Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Call for an appointment & required documentation

508-865-9154

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## NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

Phone: 508-234-2002  
[www.northbridgemass.org/council-on-aging](http://www.northbridgemass.org/council-on-aging)

Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.,  
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Plummer Place re-opened to the public on Monday, January 31st. All regularly scheduled activities resumed including all exercise classes. If you have been exposed to Covid or have any symptoms of Covid, please refrain from coming to the Center until you are cleared. Masks are strongly recommended while visiting the Center.

Plummer Place will be hosting a Travel Show on Thursday, February 24th from 10-11:00am. A presentation by Best of Times Travel will introduce you to some exciting day trips we have planned for this summer. Some of the day trips that will be discussed are a Lake Winnepesaukee cruise, a Maine lobster bake, concerts and more! Coffee, tea and desserts will be offered during the presentation, please call the center and speak to Amy at extension 1305 to reserve your spot.

FINE's 120 Club raffle is in full swing. Buy your \$20 ticket at Plummer Place during our regular business hours.

New Exercise Class: Joy of Movement, Thursdays at 10:00am. It's time to shake off the winter doldrums and start moving and grooving with some stretching and warmups. Then learn some ballroom steps, some belly dance moves and some beautiful expressive hula hands and learn the meaning of them. Who knows what else our instructor will throw in! Sure to bring much joy! Please call to sign up.

Open Recreation for Corn Hole Players, Mondays from 1-3:00. There

has been a lot of interest in returning to this fun activity, for now will just be friendly games, no formal tournament. Call Michelle or Amy for more information and to sign up.

Women's Discussion Group and Coffee Hour, every other Wednesday afternoon from 1-2:00 beginning March 9th. Come hang out with friends and meet new ones in this informal discussion group, topics unknown! Call Amy to sign up or for more information.

Medicare Fraud Lunch and Learn has been rescheduled for Monday, March 7th at 11:30. Participate in a discussion on how to prevent, detect, and report healthcare errors, fraud and abuse. This is a free information workshop with a light lunch provided. Space is limited, you must call to sign up.

Fuel Assistance help is available at Plummer Place. Call Jeanne at the Center for an appointment.

Mahjong meets every Monday at 1:00 and every Thursday at 12:30. They are always looking for new players, call for more information.

Volunteer Drivers Needed! We are in dire need of out of town medical drivers. If you could spare a few hours a week to take a senior to an out of town medical appointment, please call the Center. Drivers can decide which days and times they are available and what towns they are willing to drive to. Drivers are reimbursed for their mileage.

Check out our shows on Northbridge Cable TV, channel 194, Monday through Friday from 9-11:00am. We show exercise classes for our senior population as well as entertainment.

## NORTHBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

**NORTHBRIDGE** — Northbridge Middle School has released its honor roll for the second quarter of the 2021-2022 school year.

Grade 6

High Honors: Ereeny Absamis, Taylor Alden, Bella Baltramaitis, Chloe Barnatt, Heba Bensellam, Kayla Bolduc, Juliana Cael, Jessica Calles, Aria Domenech, Melody Drapeau, Emily Flauto, Violette Fontaine, Jacob Gerardi, Landon Gerardi, Cailey Graceffa, Arabella Kosciak, Ryan Leeds, Molly Leonard, Lila MacDonald, Alexis Maeder, Madelynn Nowak, Shane Paulhus, Olivia Pollock, Isabella Reeves Hall, Avery Riche, Marissa Roadman, Zainab Sami, Avery Schneider, Gabriel Schneider, Shea Schuster, Audrey Siemaszko, Madison Smith, Ava Strazzulla, Jade Thomas, Keelyn Touhey, Amanda Waterston

Honor Roll: Anthony Andrews, Gohar Arakelyan, Ella Arias, Lotus Aubin, Alexander Austin, Quin Austin, Camryn Barksdale, Arielle Blanchard, Olivia Caira, Ester Carlos, Anita Comforti, Brady Connolly, Taryn Conway, Coen Dabelstein, Shane DeOrsey, Tyler Desousa, Brady Drenzo, Kallie Dunn, Evan Flanagan, Calleigh Furtado, Alexis Gelinis, Ashlyn Gonyea, Anika Gromelski, Cassandra Higgins, Sophia Iacovelli, Aiden James Jenkins, Lyla Kaske, Joshua Kuras, Kathleen L'Hommedieu, Rory Lamonda, Anna Lavallee, Emma Leveille, Ashley Ann Lucena, Maya MacLeod, Karibella Matuszak, Maia Mitchell, Sadie Nephew, Ryan Parker, Jayten Poulin, Abrielle Richards, Samuel Samuel, Olivia Sansone, Isabelle Stanley, Trevor Talieri, Brooklyn Thibeault, James Tritone, Jr., Liam Voellings, Lanna Welch

Grade 7

High Honors: Britha Abunga, Emily Billmyer, Emily Blanding, Bianca Boie, Lincoln Boucher, Kayla Briggs, Brooke Cammarano, Andy Cook, Alexandra Corey, Samuel Corman, Victoria Cormier, Katelyn DeLuca, Vahan DerKosroffian, John Donahue, Killian Farrer, Timothy Ferri, Leah Gallerani, Lilianna Gasco, Tanner Haden, Kellen Keane, Emily Kelly, Chloe Koopman, Nathan Kuras, Bryce Lundquist, Ava Mandelenakis, Olivia Medina, Ashley Papa, Nicolette Paradis, Lindsey Pare, Michael Potter, Mia Prosser, Lily Proto, Elsa Richards, Zahra Rith, Bryce Rogozenski, Olivia Stanick, Parker Stanick, Cassandra Sullivan, Elizabeth Tubbs, Michael Tubbs, Kaylee Vakoc, Ellery Wooster

Honor Roll: Samuel Arrigan, Aiden Arsenault, Taylor Austin, Ryleigh

Beaupre, Jaiden Becerril, Jacqueline Cammarano, Lilianna Carpenter, Ronin Colvin, Kathleen Crosby, Mo Rodney Daigle, Victoria Dailey, Kailyn Darnell, Lillian Dreschene, Lillian Donahue, Quinn Driscoll, Sofia Ducharme, Julia Fisher, Keilani Flink, Meghan Frieswick, James Gardini, Liam Gasbarro, Quinn Gomez, Samuel Gorman, Luke Guerra, Annika Hall, Dawson Kramer, Jillian Krula, Kaeson Larson, Abigail Leveille, Allyson Loring, Mason Mawn, Marley Mayotte, Ryder Meagher, Hannah Minutolo, Anthony Mooradian, Hayden Murphy, Kaylee Murtagh, Ryan Nkangu, Jadiel Ortiz, Aidan Payne, Noah Pinto, Sophia Polo, Jordan Priore, Avalee Richard, Zoey Rith, Georgia Robinson, Bryce Ryan, Isabella Saad, Jaelyn Saad, Lillian Sabourin, Jayden Seward, Brooke Shumate, Natalie Silva, Annabel Smutok, Tyler Tran, Aidan Valenti, Kayla Whitney, Keenan Wright, Alexander Zanchi

Grade 8

High Honors: Isabelle Balon, Tarek Bensellam, Jason Bolduc, Jr., Danielle Chrabaszcz, Addyson Crothers, Antonio D'Alfonso, Elizabeth Dos Santos, Reed Dziekiewicz, Natalie Fasold, Kylie Grazulis, Autumn Gromelski, Olivia Harris, Sonja Hastings, Stacia Hildtich, Aedan Holcomb, Jack Kraske, Nadia Kotwica, Isabella Kreuzinger, Mackenzie Lavallee, Isle Malik, Ellory Manning, Sienna Mastroianni, Aidan Naughton, Hayden Naylor, Vidhi Patel, Owen Pollock, Brendan Riche, Benjamin Rivelli, Trevor Roadman, Allegra Sadiq, Elly Schofer, Emily Scholl, Sofia Smith, Kayleigh Szerlag, Kallie Tevepaugh, Adalynn Wooster, Maxwell Zanchi

Honor Roll: Noah Balon, Maija Beaupre, Caleb Bleu, Aaliyah Bolduc, Davin Bolduc, Jason Calles, Luke Canavan Davis, Camron Corey, Kelsey Costello, Hailie Cullen, Kevin DiMuzio, Isabella Dorado, Jeffrey Doyle, Jr., Lorelai Drapeau, Della Erickson, Nathan Falconer, Jacoby Gallerani, Tyler Gambelli, Landon Gibson, Grace Haden, Addienays Heyliger, Alexander Higgins, Sariena Ison, Alex Lavallee, Callum Lax, Nora Laydon, Kathleen Leonard, Marcus MacLeod, Jacksen Manosh, John Mazzarelli, Maxwell Mazzarelli, Kenna McMahon, Aiden Mulcahy, Nathaniel Nulty, Emma Oosterman, Aiden Orlandino, Soham Patel, Shyanne Perry, Emersers Polymeros, Ryan Reyes, Lara Rivers, Audriana Roby, Ryan Ruzzo, Cali Saviano, Leticia Silva, Gabriella Smart, Sean Sprout, Tyler Strazzulla, Logan Tetreault, Nicholas Thomas, Jacob Tomaino, Braedan Tracy, Colby Vazquez, Shana Willette, Jacob Woeller



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**DUPRE**

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make up for it...with so many people in attendance to wish you well,” said State Rep. David Muradian, who attended the event. “Enjoy that retirement Steve, you deserve it.”

Sen. Ryan Fattman added that Dupre and his wife, Nancy, are “some of the kindest people you will ever meet.”

Dupre said that he and Nancy, who retired two years ago after 35 years of teaching, are expecting their first grandchild in July. He emphasized the importance of family—his son, Andrew, daughter, Paige, and Dupre’s siblings—describing them as “very supportive” throughout his entire career.

White further described Dupre as an individual who was “constantly educating himself” as well as the firefighters who worked under him. Dupre received his Master’s degree six years ago from Clark University in Worcester.

“He has seen and been part of many changes that have occurred in the fire service throughout his career,” White said.

Dupre offered some wisdom to his fellow firefighters: “You have to train and keep your skills sharp,” he said, adding that the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy classes are free.

“I miss it terribly,” Dupre added. “I will continue to do some work in the community and with the fire department.”

In a volunteer capacity, Dupre said he will continue to help with accountability at fires, keeping track of where everyone is on the fire scene.

“We are grateful for your bravery and courage while serving our county,” said Worcester County District Attorney Joseph D. Early. “We hope you have a happy and healthy retirement.”

**STUDIO**

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iPads. Students are ready with bullet points in hand as they try their best to share current events at the building. Leading this group of students this year is eighth grade student Caleb Smith.

When asked about the recording studio, Caleb describes the breakdown and organization of the operation:

“Our crew is made up of many people, Aidan Naughton is one of the script-writers of our group and makes sure we have dialogue ready for filming every Wednesday with me. Nick Thomas is our filmer; he is in charge of the green-screen and the overall filming production. Landon Gibson will also assist Nick when he is not on camera. Landon is one of our reporters and filmmakers. Logan Tetreault who is one of our editors is responsible for ensuring most of our broadcasts get out in a timely fashion. We’ve also had contributions from grade 7 students Ella Arias, Nicolette Paradise and Grade 8 student Vidhi Patel. Their creativity added an introduction reel to our latest news report.

“We have had some challenges along the way but we are learning to get through them day by day. Finding the time to film and produce is tough with our busy schedules. We’ve been grateful that Mrs. Gogolinski has opened the studio to us after school so we can film,” said Caleb.

The broadcasting members have created a channel on YouTube titled RamsTVJr and are welcoming new followers. Followers can expect to watch new videos covering school news, parent meetings, concerts, student of the month ceremonies, and more.

One of their most recent and popular uploads was titled Snow Day, where Mr. John Diorio, NMS principal, and Mrs. Susan Palmer-House, NMS vice principal, made a guest appearance in a funny, short six minute video filmed by members of the Broadcasting Club. All these productions are a real team effort between students and faculty.

The greenscreen space is just one section of the Whittin Works MakerSpace. It is also home to the school’s 3D MakerBot printer. Over the years that space has grown into quite a hub. STEM Teacher Betsy Wermuth and Mrs. Gogolinski have written and received grants to add to the space. Those donations have really helped this space stay current. Just recently, the Technology Integration Specialist, Anthony Amatrano added to the space through a grant he acquired from Masscue that added in media (Large screen TV & iPads.) A fresh coat of paint was laid this summer through a generous Koopman donation. It is a positive learning environment that gets loads of use at NMS.

To stay connected and updated on all of the NMS activities and news, follow their YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/RamsTVJr](http://www.youtube.com/RamsTVJr). The members would love to see the community support!

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# UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge High School has released its honor roll for the second quarter of the 2021-2022 school year.

Grade 8  
High Honors: Aidan Arsenault, Ella Bain, Novelle Bousquet, Sebastian Bradwin, Lauren Cabral, Jacob Cahill, Kaleb Chabot, Morgan Charbonnier, Kason Cludenski, Rachel Coleman, Macy Cullen, Addison DeMarco, Hunter Douangsavanh, Brady Esposito, Alison Fleming, Zachary Fortier, Olivia Friis, Kendall Gilmore, Brooke Gniadek, Lola Grube, Mazen Hamza, Camden LaChapelle, Ethan LaChapelle, Lily LaLiberte, Mateo Lame, Julianna Lopes, Daniel Mach, Brayden Mackin, Coner McQuilkin, Niamh McSweeney, Daniel Noel, Keira Paul, Liam Powers, Jake Richardson, Alex Rivera, Jacob Rivet, Erin Roche, Brian Stumpf, Andrew Tamsky, Jacob Tavares, Abigail Thompson, Grady Walsh, Austin Walusiak, Parker Waugh

Honors: Alexander Aldrich, Camden Bartlett, Taylor Bettencourt, Amelia Blood, Julianna Casucci, Tyler Constantineau, Dante Crites, Breanna Donahue, Audrey Ellis, Logen Erickson, Field, William Fisher, Nicholas Fortier, Sophia Freire, Caleb Gonyea, Jeffrey Laflamme, Luke Lewandowski, Cameron McIsaac, Erin O’Day, Wilson, Julia Brynn Okenquist, Joshua Paulino, Daniel Pimentel, Thayla Santos, Autumn Smith, Zachary Turcotte, Sydney Vanderzicht

Honorable Mention: Angelica Afonso, Maxwell Brayman, Samuel Dow, Isabella Field, Daniel Horne, Isaac Kling, Enzo Pimental, Liam Ramirez Palmer, Mikaela Ravanales, Jullian Rosenburg, Thatcher Sweeney, Jacob True, Cody Veneziano

Grade 9

High Honors: Ali Alomar, Elyse Bouchard, Catherine Buma, Sydney Daniels, Maxwell Deary, Rogan Devlin, Timothy Devlin, Bailey Dzivansen, Evelyn Ferreira, Ewan Fortin, Katharine Fox, Lillyanna Gallant, Alicia Gauvin, Addison Griffiths, Alyson Haley, Thatcher Kling, Sumeyye Koyuncu, Milla Mace, Macen Martone, Aidan, Nolan, Darren Oliver, Danielle Olson, Natalie Orr, Brianna Pare, Maxwell Roy, Stella Roy, Hunter Schiller, Rylee Spear, Colin Spencer, Michael Stark, Landon Sweet

Honors: Hope Beroth, Victorianna Chapman, Joao Fernando DeOliveira, Nicole DeSouza, Dominick Genoa, Shane Gilmore, Shane Guillet, Chase Henault, Matthew Hinchcliffe, Landon Huber, Liam Kaferlein, Shawn Lemovitz, Awaab Mohamad, Abigaile Oliveira, Olivia Pirrotta, Talen Rosborough, Alanna Russell, Bruno Sampaio, Dominic Silva, Marrodox Sisowath, Jamal Uddin, Ashton Watt, Denning Yoffe

Honorable Mention: Joshua Alt, Ryan Amorim, Caylie Bourque, Brady Chludenski, Charles Criscola, Jillian Dimo, Hunter Fontaine, Joshua Johnson, Skylar Lovell, Isadora Malta, Riley McDonald, Diya Patel, Natalee Pendleton, Lily Ramage, Madison Silbor, Caroline Usenia

Grade 10

High Honors: Alanah Allard, Rylie Beland, James Bernard, Kathryn Cahill, Braden Cammuso, Cameron Caso, Brynn Doherty, Syrianna Dousangavanh, Luke Esposito, Madison Fairweather, Olivia Gray, Olivia Holden, Brianna Hughes, Catherine Hughes, Kellen Lachapelle, Grace Linsley, Jessica Lutton, Aiden Marquez-LeRoy, Pedro Milhomens, Sara Morton, Brianna Moss, Gage Nichols, Phetmany Phianesin, Avari Powers, Benjamin Roerden, Payson Roy, Lincoln

Schiller, Siobhan Twohig-Mann, Zoe Wojnowski

Honors: Mason Baptista, Aidan Blood, Luke Boisvert, Benjamin Bourgeois, Ashlee Brodeur, Thomas Costa, Emma Demers, Matthew DiLibero, Luke Dow, Andrew Flynn, Carter Gilmore, Jalyn Gingra, Hailey Kinyanjui, Kahlea LaChapelle, Elizabeth Lewis, Iris Marcello, Luke McCuin, Sean O’Day, Shane Okenquist, Ella Pezzullo, Cooper Phoenix, Liam Rigney, Maria Sobrinho, Miguel Suchite, Christopher Szajna, Matthew Thayer, Ellie Thompson, Cheyanne Uvezian, Emma Walker, Brayden Wilcox

Honorable Mention: Luke Bergeron, Lilliana Bernier, Dylan Bibeault, Veda Cotter, Lucas DeFreitas, Jack Emmons, Nathan Fuoss, Gavin Hallfelder, Samantha Jones, Kamryn LeRoy, Ethan McCusker, Samuel Noel, Nathan Noyes, Mikayla Ouellette, Lukas Ritacco, Bradley Sadd, Mark Schweibish, Davin Sobrinho

Grade 11

High Honors: Maren Anderson, Lily Brayman, Kelsey Brooks, Victor Cardoso-Collins, Julie Compston, Sophie Compston, Myah DeLang, Jessie DeMalia, Tyler Erickson, Jason Fontes, Carl Nathan Gallawan, Evan Grube, Avery Guillette, Samantha Hinchcliffe, Paige Irving, Eleanor Kimball, Lex Lovell, Alan Mages, Patrick McDonnell, Isabella Nolan, Zachaary Oliveira, Grace Orr, Alexandria Patterson, Kylie Paul, Julia Philbrook, Audrey Phillips, Olivia Phillips, Casey Prior, Tyler Richardson, Makayla Ross, Abigail Sanches, Sadie Schultzberg, Meghan Smith, Troy Spencer, Jack Tasick, Sabrina Tibedo, Madison Tousignant, Lindsay Vario,

Honors: Dominick Alicea, Kamryn Brodeur, Sean Costa, Joshua Cristina, Sophie Ellenberger, Tanner Gauthier, Drew Gniadek, Briana Hawes, Tia Jacobs, Sameer Khan, Ethan Linsley, Timothy Makynen, Maximus Martone, Trevor Masnyk, Samuel Mason, Edson Mendes, Matthew O’Neill, Morgan Ouellette, Laela Pendleton, Samara Qualters, Chris Reid, Theodore Rigney, Aidan Russell, Khalil Torku, Braeden Watt, Megan Wingfield

Honorable Mention: Bruce Alberto, Emma Brothers, Logan Donnelly, Samwail Girgis, Chloe Guertin, Colleen Kenny, Luswin Mendez-Lopez, Gianna Noyes, Isabella Ristaino

Grade 12

High Honors: Madison Arsenault, Peyton Bly, Madison Departie, Saige Frazier, Maia Harris, Charlotte Johndrow, Zoe Jones, Briana Joyce, Lindsey Labossiere, Madigan Lame, Luke Little, Litzji Loja, Maria Lowandy, Makarios Mansour, Maegen Morrissey, Hannah Nordstrom, Gracie Nummela, Cristian Oliveira, Jessie Paxton, Cecilia Schleinitz, Audrey Tanner, Ava Turner, Keku Wheelock, Alexandra Wojciechowski

Honors: Mya Asante-Opoku, Brian Babin, Destiny Berthiaume, Grace Boisvert, Jonathan Dow, Paul Elhaji, Hunter Fabri, Jude Goncalves, Matthew Healey, Maya Henry, Xavier Hicks, Jeremie Hodgdon, Chloe Kaeller, Bethany Loach, Andrew Oliveira, Jaymee Pelloquin, Jack Polando, Natasha Prachith, Liam Sweeney

Honorable Mention: Sebastian Beaudette, Delany Bernier, Aaron Bruneau, Abigail Deary, Jason Dion Jr., Brodie Fernandes, Ashlee Lucey, Thomas McCarthy, Brandon Morton, Madison Ramage, Madison Ryan, Connor Salgueiro, John Tasick, Kaylee Tavares, Samuel Walton

## Worcester Polytechnic Institute announces Fall 2021 Dean’s List

WORCESTER — A total of 2,054 undergraduate students achieved the criteria required for WPI’s fall 2021 Dean’s List. The criteria for the WPI Dean’s List differs from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean’s List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

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

The following students are Dean’s List recipients:

Jonathan Adams of Douglas, class of 2024, majoring in Mechanical Engineering

Christina Aube of Douglas, class of 2024, majoring in Robotics Engineering (BS)

Codey Battista of Northbridge, class of 2024, majoring in Biomedical Engineering (BS)

Lauren Flanagan of Douglas, class of 2024, majoring in Data Science

Emily Frick of Uxbridge, class of 2023, majoring in Biomedical Engineering (BS)

Casey Gosselin of Northbridge, class of 2022, majoring in Robotics Engineering (BS)

Kelly Heffernan of Whitinsville,

class of 2023, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology (BS)

Philip Heney of Douglas, class of 2025, majoring in Computer Science (BS)

Jocelyn Hinchcliffe of Uxbridge, class of 2025, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology (BS)

Theron Howe of Douglas, class of 2023, majoring in Civil Engineering (BS)

Megan Jacene of Northbridge, class of 2023, majoring in Mechanical Engineering (BS)

Katelyn Lombardo of Whitinsville, class of 2025, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology (BS)

Emily Philbrook of Uxbridge, class of 2022, majoring in Biomedical Engineering (BS)

Bridget Redgate of Uxbridge, class of 2024, majoring in Computer Science (BS)

Amelia Sadlon of Whitinsville, class of 2023, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology (BS)

Kali Sander of Uxbridge, class of 2023, majoring in Environmental Engineering (BS)

Hannah Smith of Uxbridge, class of 2023, majoring in Biology and Biotechnology (BS)

Bradley Sprunger of Uxbridge, class of 2023, majoring in Mechanical Engineering (BS)

Myles St. Jean of Whitinsville, class of 2025, majoring in Computer Science (BS)

Clarice Stumpf of Uxbridge, class of 2025, majoring in Biochemistry (BS)

Donovan Tames of Northbridge, class of 2022, majoring in Electrical and Computer Engineering (BS)

Molly Vincent of Douglas, class of 2024, majoring in Mechanical Engineering (BS)

Desmond Woodson of Douglas, class

of 2023, majoring in Civil Engineering (BS)

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI’s pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degree programs across 17 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing; cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more. [www.wpi.edu](http://www.wpi.edu)

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BEVERLY — Endicott College, the first college in the U.S. to require internships of its students, is pleased to announce its Fall 2021 Dean’s List students. In order to qualify for the Dean’s List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no letter grade below “C,” have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

The following students have met these requirements:

Douglas  
Grace Davidson, Maddison Murray, Marlee Schultheiss, Henry Torpey

Uxbridge  
Kiara Griffith, Erin Jones

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## Thomas Karns of Whitinsville named to Assumption University Dean's List

WORCESTER — Assumption University has announced that Thomas Karns, of Whitinsville, Class of 2025, has been named to the University's Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters.

"The University is proud of those students, including Thomas, who have been named to the Dean's List for the academic excellence they demonstrated in the classroom in their pursuit of a Catholic liberal education," said Assumption University President Francesco C. Cesario, Ph.D. "Through their commitment to their studies during the fall semester, students named to the Dean's List have immersed themselves in their academic program as they are formed as individuals who will use the knowledge they have gained to live meaningful and purposeful lives and careers."

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## Northbridge Historical Society meets March 7

NORTHBRIDGE — The Northbridge Historical Society will meet on Monday, March 7 at 7 p.m. at the Whitinsville Social Library.

A short business meeting, along with news of recently acquired materials, will be led by Society Present John W. Walker, Jr.

The evening's presentation will be an illustrated talk, "The Original Thirteen," by Dick Vanden Berg, who taught history for more than 40 years at Whitinsville Christian School.

What characteristics did the original thirteen colonies that fought the War of Independence share? How did they differ?

Mr. Vandenburg lives in Douglas, and has a weekly blog on historical topics.



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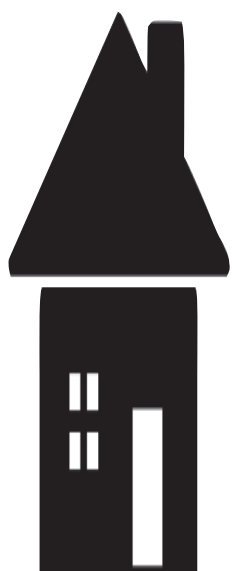
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EDITORIAL

# Your vote matters

We have heard much buzz from younger voters recently regarding the upcoming midterms, and the overwhelming consensus among them, alarmingly, is that their votes do not count. While there are exceptions to this rule, we figured we would stress to our younger counterparts how important it is to pay attention and to head to the ballot box.

The youth voice is important whether you are a Republican, Democrat, Independent, Libertarian, or something in between. Important issues in every election directly relate to concerns students and young professionals have, which is even more reason to arm yourself with knowledge. Truth be told, younger voters are needed now more than ever. Issues that concern students are college tuition reform, healthcare and federal job programs to name a few. You may not care now, but you may care a few years from now when choices politicians make, begin to affect your life, and they will.

Young voters make up almost 50 percent of the voting population, giving you a stronger voice than you think, making your votes collectively more influential across the board. An interesting bit of trivia is that youth votes declined by 2 percent from a record of 52 percent in 2008. In 2016, 19 percent of those ages 18-29 voted in the presidential election. Those ages 45-64, however, made up for 49 percent of the vote.

You may not think your vote counts, but every vote counts. The climate of the country appears to be so divided that the youth vote matters now more than ever. Oftentimes, politicians will win by a small margin as low as 20 votes, especially in local and state races, proof that your vote does matter. Young people that want to inspire change need to find the candidate who represents their values best, and cast their votes.

With news at our fingertips these days, it's easier now more than ever to educate yourself regarding politics. Sure it may seem boring and often times it is, but educating yourself on current events and the issues will serve you well. One bit of advice is to not believe everything you read or see and to always fact check your sources. Protect your interests and use your voice, after all this is what democracy is all about.

Do not be discouraged or intimidated to vote; it's easy. You have a right to be at the polls just like every other American. Bring a friend and go grab some lunch or breakfast afterwards, making it a fun occasion.

## LETTERS

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We think you're important enough to tell all our readers to turn to the Opinion pages and read your Letters to the Editor.

But first, you have to write us!

Mail your letters to the Blackstone Valley Tribune, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550.

Or e-mail your letters to the editor at [news@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:news@stonebridgepress.news).

You'll need to provide your name and place of residence, along with a phone number, so we can verify the letter is yours.

We don't have a set limit, but if you keep it around 600 words or so, you're going to have a better chance at seeing all your words in print.

If you want to write a bit longer about a particular issue, maybe a guest Your Turn column is your cup of tea. If you do that, try to keep it between 700-800 words.

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

So, what are you waiting for? Start writing!



# OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Time to be an ordinary radical

To the Editor:

What I believe. Feel free to disagree. It's time to be an Ordinary Radical.

Have you taken a moment to consider the Forces of Evil unleashed on the U.S.A.? Have you taken a moment to consider why?

Defund the Police:

Defund the Police should be called Destroy the Police. This Marxist movement to destroy America started in Minneapolis and has infected the country with poison. The result has been a war on police officers and a license for criminals to rob, assault, and brazenly murder citizens and police officers.

Just since the one year anniversary of Biden's term, two officers were murdered in New York City, one in Houston, and six other officers. In the year of Biden 2021, criminals murdered 73 police officers, the highest number of officers intentionally killed in the line of duty since Sept. 11, 2001.

Did you see the sea of Blue in the streets of NYC for the funerals of young officers Jason Rivera or his partner, Wilbert Mora? Did you see the Cathedral packed with mourners? Did you see Rivera's Mom clutching a crucifix? Jason's widow named the perpetrator: liberal district attorneys who put hardened criminals back on the street in a New York minute and refuse to prosecute criminals. Do you feel safer under Biden's Marxist Woke Regime?

The sovereign U.S. border:

Why should we worry about the sovereign Ukrainian border, with Russian troops threatening to invade, when our own border is in catastrophic failure? Those 8,500 U.S. troops mobilizing to aid NATO should instead be mobilized on our Texas border to stop the human trafficking and drug smuggling by Mexican cartels.

The criminal cartels make \$14 billion a day, \$5 billion in 2021. Thank you, President Biden, for making criminals dealing in drugs and human trafficking, rich. Biden has never been to the border. I repeat, NEVER.

As you know, if you watch Fox "Entertainment" News, two million illegal immigrants have crossed our southern border since Biden took office.

Instead of sending them back over the

border, "Homeland Security" Secretary Fidel Castro has ordered ICE to release them into cities across America. Secretary Castro issued orders to TSA agents at our airports that illegal immigrants can use their arrest documents as identification in order to board U.S. aircraft. Have these Marxist Democrats lost their minds? Or has Satan devoured them? Yes, that's it!

On Nov. 16, Sen. Ted Cruz asked Secretary Fidel Mayorkas how many illegal immigrants he had released into the country with Covid. "Senator, I don't have that number." Cruz then asked: "How many illegal immigrants have you released into the United States with criminal records?"

[Marxists always answer a question with a question.] "In their native country?" Mayorkas asked. Cruz continued: "There or here. How many illegal immigrants with criminal records have you released into the United States this year since Jan. 21 (2021)?" Answer: "I don't have the number. I have to get back to you."

Mayorkas is running the Southern border, but doesn't know the answers? Pure evil.

"Ghost flights" land at American airports in the middle of the night, releasing illegal immigrants into our communities. Why at night? What are the Marxist Democrats hiding? New illegal voters.

All of this - unmitigated evil straight from the pit of Hell - is brought to you courtesy of Marxist Democrats who want to destroy the U.S.A. For example, have you seen Portland, Ore. lately? The Marxist capital of America is surrounded by 100 homeless encampments and experiences 10,000 car thefts annually, with just a population of 645,000. Satan runs this city!

Time to be an Ordinary Radical and fight the forces of Evil. Defend our Police. Mandate that Biden enforce the immigration and border laws of our country. Pray, eat, work. Repeat. One nation, under God. What say you?

Nevertheless, she persisted.

BEV GUDANOWSKI  
UXBRIDGE

### What troubles you these days?

To the Editor:

Recent polls reflect failing grades in areas of concern to a super majority. This list, by no means all-inclusive, is what troubles me! Feel free to add your own items in support or objection.

Censorship in any disguise is a death knell to democracy. Protections in the First Amendment, freedom of speech and press, are under assault. Those daring to offer facts or opinions differing from currently-accepted storylines are subject to ridicule and blatant character assassination. The "grand American experiment" was based on a simple premise- we are all in this together- so the Woke camp must cease trying to 'cancel' those who disagree with them on any given point. Our success as "One Nation Indivisible" was achieved through conversation and compromise, not 'cancellation'!

Government's main function is to protect us, internally and externally. On the latter, border security requires a belief in and adherence to law to be effective. A policy, revoked contrary to existing law, has allowed almost two million people to enter the US illegally since Jan. 20. Private property was ruined along the southern border, and people were released to who-knows-where with no regard for spread of COVID/variants to an unsuspecting public. The only certainty is taxpayer burden for expenses of education/housing/healthcare, etc., and attendant gang violence, human trafficking and drug smuggling. Scenarios, unfolding daily, are the antithesis of a 'more humane' immigration policy prom-

ised.

Internally, local, state and federal officials are responsible for crime-ridden communities where 'justice' and 'law enforcement' are erased from the system! Results of government's abject failure in its primary duty 'to protect' are plainly visible on multiple levels. Confine catch-and-release to fishing and stop de-criminalizing felonies! Statistics show staggering increases in: fentanyl deaths due to smuggling; murder and car-jackings; smash & grabs and shoplifting that force business closings in vulnerable neighborhoods most in need of protection and services provided by those stores. Spending more money is a wasteful, feel-good-only answer; because real 'reform' begins where and when the law (legal system) prosecutes with color blind justice for all and the order (police) has hands untied.

Although dismissed (laughingly!) in Washington, those of all political stripes know (truth be told!) every city and town feel degrees of insecurity from ill-conceived policies that subvert laws without account-ability to electorate. Local economies and civilization, as we know it, will wither as many feel less safe with each passing day. Everyone has a Constitutional right and duty to remind leaders of this fact.

Be on the lookout for a follow-up letter about "Chicken Little" and "Cassandra." Meanwhile, St. Augustine reminds us: anger, hope, and courage equal change.

JANE F. KEEGAN  
UXBRIDGE

## New chapters will be written

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

TOBY MOORE

All of us go through chapters of our lives that seem permanent. The feeling of permanence can come from the length of the phase; my father, Gary W. Moore, a

successful author, who published three books and left many stories yet unpublished, started this column in 2017. He developed stomach cancer in 2018. Even so, I felt that the portion of my life that included my father would last forever.

My father's story began to end when, every once in a while, he wasn't able to hold down his food, and then over the next two years, he wasn't able to hold down his food at all until he withered down to the weight of about 80lbs.

After his diagnosis, he believed that he would live many more years; although he knew stomach cancer would end his life, it wouldn't be any time soon.

They say hindsight is 20/20, and as I look back on it, it was absurd of me to think that he would live much longer. He was starving to death right in front of my eyes. The day he died, his eyes dried out and were unable to close; he couldn't talk; I kept thinking there must be a way to save him and bring him back. Dripping saline solution into his eyes and using a dropper to give him liquid Vitamin C, I knew he was going to come back. I went to the grocery store to pick up some items quickly, and then I got the call from my sister that he'd passed. I almost didn't believe it. I rushed back home as fast as I could to see for myself, and sure enough, he left his body. He'd finished his final chapter.

I didn't realize how much the storyline of my life was about to change. As the days went on, I had to take up more and more responsibility. Things that my father used to take care of; suddenly were my responsibility. I wasn't upset about the duties that suddenly landed in my lap, but there was the anxiety. How would I continue to launch my business? How would I take care of my mom? How would I write this column? The new things that had to be taken care of seemed endless.

After a period of anxiety and worry, I realized that although the chapters of my life that included my father were many, the story must continue without him.

When one chapter ends, another begins. It's funny how new information comes to light. A new scenario begins to surface from the depths, the plot twists and turns, suddenly, you realize that the novel didn't end; it was simply the end of a chapter.

As the adventure continues, when one life ends, another is revealed. What seemed like a curse can be a blessing. New friendships pop up, and a new future unfolds, a celebration of new life and new family. Something you've never noticed can suddenly come into plain view. A secret emerges out of the darkness and shines bright - buried treasure.

The stress, the worry, the heart-break, the betrayal, the pain, the anger, the rage, the regret, the forgiveness, the love, the happiness, the joy, all of the surprises, and all the things that make you smile and cry serve to show that we are all human. You can write a new chapter if you let go, accept the past, and embrace the future.

As the pages turn, we discover that all of us make mistakes, all of us can forgive, it is possible to change and become something better. As we look back on it, we might agree that all of the feelings we've felt help make life more suspenseful, meaningful, and engaging. After all, what would life be without feelings? Whether the feelings are good or bad, it's a way to let us know that the saga continues. We are just living out the story of our lives. No matter what you've gone through, I still believe new chapters can be written.

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# Derbies, derbies everywhere



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Courtesy

Mike's big bass. Caught in local pond.

Ice fishing is in full gear, with numerous ice fishing derbies being held throughout the valley. The ice fishing derby held last week on Lake Nimunc was well attended, with more 50 anglers attending the event. No real big fish were caught, but everyone had a great time. This past Sunday, a huge turnout at the Nipmunc Rod & Gun Club Pond started out with some slow fishing for some, but jig fishing was very active with brown trout, rainbow trout and tiger trout being caught by many fishermen and women. The grand prize was a largemouth bass entered in the derby just before derby closing time.

Because the heavy rain prior to last weekend, the Whitinsville Fish & Game Club had to cancel their ice derby this past Saturday. The pond was flooded with more than two feet of water. It will be rescheduled as soon as the water recedes. The 200 sportsmen's club will hold their annual ice derby this Saturday Feb. 12. The event is open to the public. The Century Sportsmen's

This second big bass was also caught last week at a local pond by Shawn.

Club will hold their annual ice fishing derby this Sunday, Feb. 13, and is also open to the public. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate!

Numerous ice fishing anglers have been catching pickarel, and return them back to the waters where they were caught, because they claim that they have to many bones to make for good eating. Many years ago, we found a good way to avoid the pickarel bones by making pickled pickarel. A mixture of vinegar, pickling salt, and water made a good brine to do the job. Some sweet onion rings and pickling spices were added to the brine, along with the pickarel chunks, and placed in canning jars, and refrigerated for a month or more. The bones were soft, and the eating of the pick-



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erel was delicious. The onions were great too! It was at the top of the list for food to eat while ice fishing. Give it a try!

This past week, this writer received a call from a local resident looking for a beagle pup. The elderly gentleman was looking for a companion. I made a few calls, and hopefully found him someone that can connect him with a new beagle pup. In our conversation, he told me he had checked everywhere trying to locate a beagle pup, and could only find a couple out of state that were looking for big money. Back in the day, I had a few beagles that I had bought locally for \$20 or \$30 each, and they were out of good bloodlines.

My first good beagle was purchased from the late John Bolonzo in Douglas

for \$30. At full grown, he was a 15-inch dog that could track a rabbit from here to Connecticut and back. He had a great nose and won numerous field trials at The Blackstone Valley Beagle Club's trials in Douglas. Most sportsmen that I knew back in those days owned at least one beagle, as hunting rabbits was a big deal back in the '60's and '70's and long after. There were so many rabbit hunters that we banded together and formed the Blackstone Valley Beagle Club around 1962. It still is active today, but has very few members that own beagles because of the dramatic drop in cottontail rabbit populations locally. They now hunt pheasant on their 100-plus acres of property.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



Three-year-old Sage patiently waiting to buy bait to go fishing with her dad.

## Readers Share Favorite Household Hacks

It's time to take a peek into the Take the Hint! Mailbox. Thanks to all the readers who have written or emailed in their great tips for dealing with the little nuisances in life. And remember readers, your tip puts you in the running for a three course dinner for two at the Pubick House! From repurposing tips to kitchen shortcuts, readers share their favorite hints in this week's column. Read on and keep the tips coming! \*\*



TAKE  
THE  
HINT  
KAREN  
TRAINOR

the new screw and also held the old screw while I worked to repair the side arm.

This also works well for larger screws and for those of us who still use thumb tacks and sewing pins.  
Viola Bramel  
Northbridge MA  
\*\*

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.

They say necessity is the mother of invention, and this reader discovered an unconventional substitute that works for her:

Have you ever gone to shave your legs only to find out you have no shaving cream? Use your hair conditioner in its place. It gives a smooth shave just like real shaving cream.  
Donna Lewandowski  
Charlton, MA  
\*\*

Here's another "believe it or not tip" to try:

If your bathroom mirror gets hairspray or other dirt on it, try cleaning it with a damp tea bag.  
Nancy Sullivan  
Woonsocket, RI  
\*\*

Looking to give your chocolate cake a little boost in flavor? This reader's baking tip promises to increase both taste and compliments!

When you make a chocolate cake, whether from scratch or from a mix, stir in a heaping teaspoon of instant coffee. The coffee enhances the chocolate flavor.  
Donna Plouffe  
North Brookfield, MA  
\*

Prize Winner  
Congratulations to Viola Bramel of Northbridge, MA who submitted the recycling tip above. Her name was drawn for Dinner for Two at the Publick House.  
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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

A hot bowl of chicken soup is undoubtable a simple winter pleasure! Trying to skim off the fat without chilling first, can seem like an impossible task - but no more! A reader shares an ingenious tip to get the job done quickly and easily:

When making chicken soup there is usually a little too much fat on the broth when done.

In order to fix this problem, put a large spoon in the freezer in advance. When your soup is ready scoop the fat out with the frozen spoon. The fat will stick to the frozen spoon and be easily removed.  
Brian O'Leary  
Warren, MA  
\*\*

Another kitchen fix: If your homemade cornbread comes out too dense, try this simple switch to lighten things up:

If you are making a cornbread mix and want a lighter texture try substituting ginger ale for the required liquid. Also, I used to put all sorts of combos into my cornbread mix like whole corn kernels, chopped red pepper, etc.  
Annie Wuelfing  
Spencer, MA  
\*\*

This reader discovered that recycling an advertising freebie helped her with a common repair job:

Those magnet sheets that are attached to calendars from realtor companies with Pats schedules, etc. can be reused to safely corral tiny screws while fixing things.  
Just turn the magnet side up use it to hold those tiny eyeglass screws when repairing your glasses!  
This worked on my eyeglass arm repair with one of those little screw driver kits. I just turned the calendar to expose the full sheet magnet, laid out

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# Our top 2021 auction items

Our top 2021 auction items In my last column, I shared prices for some of the items that brought the best results in our 2021 auctions. Many of the top sellers were items we've discussed in previous columns like estate jewelry, sterling silver, antique paintings and sports cards and memorabilia. In this column, I'll discuss top selling items that sometimes go overlooked.



ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES  
WAYNE TUISKULA

While model trains have been dropping in value, some high-quality newer sets are exceptions. We sold a four-piece MTH Electric Trains "The IVES Railway Lines" for \$2,400 and a Retro 1-2-3 LLC Hiawatha Locomotive and Tender limited edition # 6 of 100 for \$3,900 last year.

Vintage toys also brought strong

prices last year. A Buddy "L" Transportation Company Bus brought \$1,600. An Eska Kiddie Corvette Vintage Pedal Car drew a lot of interest when we auctioned the Corvettes in Webster, MA selling for \$4,600. A 1958 Ponytail Barbie doll went for \$275.

A pre-Civil War firearm and Civil War letter also sold well, with the 1811 Flintlock Rifle reaching \$850 and the 1862 Confederate Civil War Soldier's letter fetching \$200.

Along with the Civil War letter, other ephemera and paper collectibles also performed well at auction. Despite having some pen marks and tears, a Superman # 57 March - April 1949 Golden Age comic book went for \$200. A vintage postcard album containing real photo postcards and die-cut

Valentines brought \$425.

There were other miscellaneous items that drew strong bids in our 2021 auctions. Good, usable antique and vintage musical instruments are popular with collectors. A vintage brass saxophone by C. G. Conn fetched \$300. Antique and vintage photography equipment and photographs have traditionally sold well. German companies produced some of the highest quality vintage cameras and a German made Rolleiflex camera went for \$500. Even though I've mentioned that glass and china prices have dropped over the years, a signed Baccarat candelabra sold for \$500.

A pair of early 19th century tiles depicting bare knuckle boxers Tom Spring and Jack Langan fighting for the heavy championship of England in 1824 were sleepers in our December auction. After bidders battled it out, the last one left standing won the prize tiles

for \$1,800.

We continue to accept consignments for our spring auction. During the spring, we will run another session of the model railroad, die-cast cars and vintage toy auctions. We will also run an online auction with tools, power equipment, storage containers and other items in Oakham, Mass. this spring. Registration is currently underway for my "Evaluating your antiques" class at Bay Path's adult evening school on Wednesday, March 23. Please see our website <https://centralmassauctions.com> to join our email list to keep up to date on auctions and other events.

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# Always room for strawberries

As you plan this year's garden, be sure to include some strawberries. They are low in calories, high in vitamin C and antioxidants, and provide seasonal interest in gardens and containers.



GARDEN MOMENTS  
MELINDA MYERS

Best of all, you don't need much space to grow this delicious fruit. There are three types of strawberries: June or spring bearing, everbearing, and day neutral. Select the best type of strawberry for your space and harvest needs.

June-bearing strawberries produce one crop of berries in late spring to early summer, depending on where you garden. They produce the largest harvest but in the shortest span of time. Plant now and enjoy an abundant harvest next year.

Everbearing strawberries usually produce two crops of berries each year. You'll enjoy fresh strawberries early and late in the season, while day-neutral plants produce berries throughout the growing season. Delizz®, a day-neutral strawberry, was the first ever strawberry to be selected as an All-America Selections Winner. Just like the flower and vegetable winners, it was tested nationally and selected for its performance for the home garden. This 2016

baskets, containers or garden beds. It can be started from seed or transplants and will produce sweet fruit the first year and all season long, even during hot weather.

Up the ornamental appeal of traditional in-ground plantings with a star shaped or tiered bed. The elevated beds make for easier planting, weeding, and harvesting. You'll find a variety of tiered shaped beds to purchase or plans to make your own.

Use strawberries as a groundcover in sunny well-drained locations for an abundant harvest. Their attractive leaves, white flowers, red fruit and brilliant red fall color add sparkle to the landscape and provide fresh fruit for your meals.

Or grow them in a container, window box or hanging basket on your porch, balcony, or deck. They'll be close at hand and easy to harvest.

Mix a few everbearing or day-neutral strawberries in

with flowers to create an edible and ornamental planter. The harvest will be smaller when grown in a mixed container, but the flowers, fruit and fall color add ornamental appeal and the fruit will be a welcome treat.

Boost the harvest by growing strawberries in their own container. Fill a hanging basket and watch as the runners cascade over the edge for added ornamental appeal.

Try filling a traditional strawberry pot – container with planting hole openings on the top and sides – with plants that produce several harvests and remove the runners as needed. Keep all the plants from top to bottom looking their best with this DIY watering device. Place soil on the bottom of the container. Set a couple of perforated PVC down through the planter. Slide the plants through the hole from the inside of the pot. Fill the remaining space with soil. Gently tamp and water thoroughly to eliminate air pockets. As you water, the water travels through the pipe and out the holes, providing moisture to all plants from top to bottom.

Check containers daily and water thoroughly and often enough to keep the soil slightly moist. Reduce maintenance and increase success by incorporat-



Melinda Myers

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ing a low nitrogen slow-release fertilizer into the soil at planting or sprinkle over the soil surface as needed. This type of fertilizer promotes growth without interfering with flowering and fruit production.

Start now identifying spaces to add strawberries to your landscape, deck and balcony. Then order seeds or plants early for the greatest selection. Before you know it, you'll be enjoying garden fresh strawberries in your morning cereal, salads or as a snack at the end of the day.

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

# LEGALS

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TO WIT:  
A certain lot or parcel of land, situated on the northwesterly side of Maple Street, in the Village of Whitinsville, in the Town of Northbridge and shown as Lot #147 on a plan entitled "Section B - Sheet No. B-1 Whitin Machine Works, Northbridge, Mass., August 24, 1955 by G. Bertrand Bibeault, Civil Engineering, Woonsocket, RI " which plan is recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds. Said lot is more particularly bounded and described as follows, viz; Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of said Maple Street which point is three hundred thirty-eight and five tenths (338.5) feet measured N. 33°56'E. from the corner formed by the intersection of the northwesterly line of Maple Street with the northeasterly line of Main Street, said point being the most easterly corner of Lot #146 and being the most southerly corner of the lot hereby described: THENCE N. 56°04' W., by said Lot #146, one hundred (100.00) feet to land now or formerly of Whitin Machine Works; THENCE N. 33°56'E, by said land now or formerly of Whitin Machine

Works seventy-two (72.00) feet to Lot #148; THENCE S. 56°04'E. by said Lot #148, one hundred (100.00) feet to the aforesaid Maple Street; THENCE S. 33°56' W., by said Maple Street seventy-two (72 00) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 7,200 square feet, more or less. For title see deed of Bruce Baszner. Linda B. Johnson and Karen B. Ireland dated January, 1999 recorded at Worcester South Registry of Deeds at Book 20910, Page 213.

Being more accurately described as:  
A certain lot or parcel of land, situated on the northwesterly side of Maple Street, in the Village of Whitinsville, in the Town of Northbridge and shown as Lot #147 on a plan entitled "Section B - Sheet No. B-1 Whitin Machine Works, Northbridge, Mass., August 24, 1955 by G. Bertrand Bibeault, Civil Engineering, Woonsocket, RI " which plan is recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds. Said lot is more particularly bounded and described as follows, viz; Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of said Maple Street which point is three hundred thirty-eight and five tenths (338.5) feet measured N. 33°56'E. from the corner formed by the intersection of the northwesterly line of Maple Street with the northeasterly line of Main Street, said point being the most easterly corner of Lot #146 and being the most southerly corner of the lot hereby described: THENCE N. 56°04' W., by said Lot #146, one hundred (100.00) feet to land now or formerly of Whitin Machine Works; THENCE N. 33°56'E, by said land now or formerly of Whitin Machine Works seventy-two (72.00) feet to Lot #148; THENCE S. 56°04'E. by said Lot #148, one hundred (100.00) feet to the aforesaid Maple Street; THENCE S. 33°56' W., by said Maple Street seventy-two (72 00) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 7,200 square feet, more or less.

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Containing 5,175 square feet, more or less, and being Lot #147 A on Plan by G. Bertrand Bibeault entitled "Section B-Sheet No. B-3, Whitin Machine Works" dated July 1956."

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# SPORTS

## Another game, another win for Rams — this time versus Grafton



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Northbridge's Abby Fraser slashes to the basket while fighting through a Grafton defensive double team.

**NORTHBIDGE** — With the crowd exiting Veterans Memorial Field House following a Saturday matinee on Feb. 5, two Northbridge fans could be heard saying to each other, “another ‘W.’” The letter ‘W,’ of course, is short for win. And winning has become customary for the Rams’ girls’ varsity basketball team,

as they once again took care of business — this time versus Grafton High, 40-32. Northbridge is now 14-1 as of press time and has won 12 in a row. Those wins include blowouts (62-8 at David Prouty Regional on Jan. 3), nail-biters (42-39 at Millbury High on Jan. 13) and a forfeit (which goes down as a 10-0 victory versus Southbridge High, orig-



Melissa Sabourin of Northbridge uses her left hand to maintain possession of the ball while Grafton's Camryn Mulligan attempts to wrestle it away.

inally scheduled for Jan. 22). The game with the Gators would go down in the “nail-biter” category.

Grafton led after the first quarter, 9-8, and Northbridge clung to a two-point, 20-18 halftime lead. The Rams still led after three, 30-27, as play moved to the final frame.

There, Northbridge scored the quarter's first nine points to surge ahead, 39-27, and put the game away. The Rams were led by Liz Quimby (16 points, 9 rebounds), Abby Fraser (7 points) and Katherine Kibbe (7 points).

The loss dropped the Gators down to 7-7, and they have lost five straight.



At right: Northbridge's Liz Quimby gets fouled while attempting a shot from the interior.



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# SPORTS

## Menard steals the show for Northbridge in loss to Assabet

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MARLBOROUGH — While quality offensive production was tough to come by for Northbridge High in its varsity ice hockey contest with Assabet Valley, the goaltending provided by the Rams' Zach Menard was top notch.

In the Aztecs' 3-0 win at the New England Sports Center on Wednesday, Feb. 2, they peppered Menard with shots. And Menard, a junior from Sutton High — the Northbridge team includes student-athletes from Northbridge, Sutton, Nipmuc Regional and Uxbridge High — was up to the task. Menard stopped 42 shots, including a staggering 20 in the first period.

"He did a really good job," Northbridge head coach Ryan Neville said of Menard. "We kind of left him out to dry in some areas. A lot of it was just effort — giving them second, third, fourth chance opportunities — and not getting the puck out of our end. But he did a real good job and kept us in it in the first period."

Assabet scored one goal in each period to account for the 3-0 victory.

The Aztecs scored the eventual game winner with 10:04 remaining in the first when Menard tried to tie up the puck along the goalmouth. But it slipped out to the slot area, where Assabet's Nolan Tomczyk sent a low shot into the net.

The Rams nearly scored the equalizer seconds later when senior captain Luke Lange took a slap shot, which clanged off the left post. Junior Chase Falcon also provided a scoring chance later in the period, but his wrist shot was gloved down by Aztecs' goalie Nolan Westberg, who finished with a 15-save shutout.

Tomczyk scored his second goal of the game to give Assabet a 2-0 lead in



Northbridge goalie Zach Menard kicks aside a shot for one of his 42 saves versus Assabet.

Nick Ethier photos

the first minute of the second period. Playing four-on-four, Tomczyk got behind the defense and faked a forehand shot, went backhand and slipped the puck past Menard.

The Aztecs put a bow on their victory with 13:46 remaining in the third period. There, they took a 3-0 lead when Jack Denn's wrist shot trickled just past

the goal line.

"Assabet is a strong team and I think it was just a matter of effort tonight," said Neville of the now 6-2 Aztecs. "It's the end of the year and we have a bunch of games coming up in a short period of time and we've got to put this one behind us. The lesson was learned today that you've got to come out and show up to play."

Northbridge, which Neville said is "still getting better" as the season rolls on, dropped to 4-7-1. The loss to Assabet ended a modest two-game winning

streak. Despite the current record, a trip to the statewide Division 3 Tournament could still be in the cards for the Rams.

"You can qualify automatically with a .500 record, but you can qualify with margin of victory and strength of schedule. We're in a good position. We have a pretty strong schedule and we're still in a good spot," said Neville.

The latest power ranking as of press time had Northbridge seeded 28th. The top 32 teams would automatically qualify for the tournament.



Connor DaSilva of Northbridge heads down the ice with a full head of steam and possession of the puck.



Northbridge's Drew Beudoin tries to win a faceoff versus Assabet.

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# BVT receives STEM grant from Toshiba Foundation

Courtesy Sara Lewis of Bellingham, a sophomore in the Engineering & Robotics program at BVT, holds her completed CO2 car project.



UPTON – Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT) has received a STEM grant from the Toshiba America Foundation (TAF). The school has used the supplemental funds to purchase new MakerBot Replicator+ 3D printers and accessories for its Engineering & Robotics program.

With increased access to the most popular 3D printers in education, students can complete a wider variety of projects that foster a greater understanding of the Engineering Design Process. For example, freshmen used the printers to reverse engineer a wooden toy truck, and sophomores designed race cars powered by CO2. In the process, students advance their creative thinking skills and become familiar with the engineering design process, from printing models to testing designs with their peers.

“Science, technology, engineering and mathematics occupations play a key role in the sustained growth and stability of the U.S. economy. STEM education creates critical thinkers, increases science literacy, and enables the next generation of innovators,” said TAF President John Anderson. “This grant makes the STEM classroom more exciting for teachers and students.”

Sara Lewis of Bellingham, a sophomore in the Engineering & Robotics program at BVT, recently completed the CO2 car project.

“The creation of this car presented countless challenges, and at some points, I felt as though my design was too difficult to complete. But in the end, I made small changes to the design and created the car that I wanted,” said Lewis. “The skills and knowledge learned in this project will surely be used again and will only help me grow as a student.”

“Our students are inspired and excited to learn more about the endless design possibilities in our state-of-the-art engineering lab, complete with the latest 3D printers,” explained Engineering & Robotics instructor Brian Rhodes. “Increased access to innovative tools for hands-on experiments paired with inquiry-based approaches to our curriculum makes learning here exciting and fun while preparing our students for success in STEM-related careers.”

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