



Keith Kent photos

Leading the pack: 110 motorcycles from 6 different clubs fill the 1 mile straight while heading north on the Fitzwilliam flats of Route 12.

## Cruise 4 Cancer VIII raises over \$2,300

BY KEITH KENT  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

It would have been tough to top the day participants of Cruise 4 Cancer VIII enjoyed on Saturday, Aug. 26 as sunny skies and temps in low 70's helped power motorcycle clubs both locally and from around the commonwealth to a solid success, with 110 motorcycles and over 150 people joining together to help Fire & Iron Chapter 857 raise \$2,361 for the Greater Gardner Relay for Life.

As riders continued to enter the Eugene M. Connor American Legion Post 193 of Winchendon, it was as clear as the sky above that a great event was in the works. Riders from Fire & Iron Chapter 857, Long Riders, Hawg Haulers, Loyal Sons MC, Knights of the Inferno MC, MA and NH, along with Patriot Riders and Legion Riders provided strong

support.

Not to be outdone, Fire & Iron Station members showed up from clubs not only in Massachusetts with stations 60, 86, 109, 121, 128, and 138 joining in, even with representation all the way from Station 45 in Winchester, Kentucky.

Gardner Fire Department Chaplain David Cody spoke to all riders not only about cancer but also those in Texas suffering from Hurricane Harvey shortly before the beginning of the ride by saying, "We remember those who care for and support them, as well as those who work to defeat and diminish the disease of cancer, and aim for a cure. May we be strengthened and encouraged as we participate in that battle, especially God in the assurance of your promised presence and

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## Energy abundant as school year begins

BY JERRY CARTON  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

WINCHENDON — When the bells rang Tuesday morning signaling the start of a new year, there was a sense of new beginnings at Murdock middle and high schools, and principals Jess Vezina (middle) and Ralph Olsen (high) were at their respective front doors greeting arriving faculty, staff and students, upbeat and eager to begin the 2017-18 academic term.

"We're going to hold people accountable, everyone," prom-

ised Olsen as he started his second go-round as high school principal, returning to the post he held, as he does now, on an interim basis, during the 2013-14 year.

Vezina had "assistant" removed from her title and while those in the building already viewed her as principal, she's now got the official designation to go along with that.

"Jess is the best thing that's ever happened to this building," enthused seventh/eighth grade special education teach-

er Cindy Woolley.

District Superintendent Steve Haddad was optimistic.

"It's going to be a great year. We're making progress towards becoming an even better system. We have great administrators and enthusiastic, committed faculty and staff."

As new students and parents new to the building found their ways around, returning faculty reflected on the opening of the school year.

"I'm a lot more confident

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## Ingleside rental sparks dispute

BY JERRY CARTON  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Last winter the town and the Winchendon School reached an agreement whereby the town would receive property on Ingleside Drive in exchange for the Marvin School on Ash Street down the road from the private school's campus.

It seemed like a straightforward trade but that isn't how Planning Board and Ingleside Utilization Committee member Guy Corbosiero sees it, not after the town rented the house on Ingleside Drive to Daniel Lewiston, the newly hired minister of the Cornerstone Church on Route 140 for \$350 per month between now and next spring.

Corbosiero charges the deal was rushed through without proper consideration, saying the whole transaction occurred within a 48-hour span in July. Additionally, he certainly isn't happy about the price, and he really wasn't happy when he was told he was trespassing while walking his dog last week.

"The minister's wife came out of the house and confronted me about being on the property. I explained the property was public parkland and though they rented the house they did not rent the whole property. To say

the least she disagreed and was very confrontational about it," said Corbosiero, who insisted he wasn't doing anything wrong and was in fact looking for a place where students could work on a project which needed a power source.

"I certainly wasn't at all confrontational," he said.

Eventually police were called to resolve that particular issue but Corbosiero thought the incident was part of a bigger picture.

"The rental deal happened too fast and it was far too cheap. On top of that, the Committee was never told about the rental by the town manager. We had casually discussed renting the property for the safety factor to someone who could be the caretaker but with this rental, the tenant does nothing to care for the property and it's costing the town a lot more money than it's taking in, a lot more," he asserted.

Corbosiero wasn't finished. "For example, a lead inspection needs to be done when a child under six is living in a house. Prudence would suggest an inspection be done when you're dealing with young children. I don't know how they made this

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## Interim IMA idea tossed

BY GREG VINE  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

It appears the idea of a short-term interim agreement between the towns of Winchendon and Templeton to share a chief administrative officer has been shelved. Following questions and comments from residents at their meeting Monday night, Winchendon selectmen indicated a full three-year pact could be presented to voters at a fall town meeting. It depends, said board Chairman Barbara Anderson, on whether a majority of the board feels any proposed agreement addresses the concerns of board members and residents alike.

Anderson's comment came after former selectman Keith Barrows said there seemed to be some confusion among Winchendon residents as to whether a town meeting would indeed have its say on any administrator-sharing proposal.

The possibility of current Winchendon Town Manager

Keith Hickey splitting his time between the two towns, an idea first raised publicly in June, has generated vocal opposition and concern from a number of residents.

Referring to a similar agreement between the towns of Lee and Lenox, Barrows said, "This agreement went to their town meetings for approval, knowing full well DLS, the Division of Local Services under DOR (the state Dept. of Revenue), doesn't require that. However, the contingent in the Legislature, before they enact special legislation, they would like to see that there is approval from the voters at large in town."

Barrows urged the board to avoid taking any action on an agreement before it is placed before Winchendon voters.

"What my understanding is," said Anderson, "is that the subcommittee (negotiating the agreement) will report to the

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## WPD to step up traffic enforcement



Photos by Keith Kent

Vehicles which committed motor vehicle infractions are seen being pulled over on Gardner Road in Winchendon during a recent joint collaborative operation with the WPD and Mass State Police.

BY KEITH KENT  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Due to the amount of both excessive vehicular speeds and motor vehicle accidents, the Winchendon Police Department and Chief David Walsh would like the public to know they are getting serious about the frequency on Route 140 and Gardner Road, and will be running random traffic enforcement operations.

Taking place with an inter-agency collaboration consisting of both the WPD and Massachusetts State Police, vehicles detected speeding along Route 140 and Gardner Road in

Winchendon are pulled over for license and registrations checks, and decisions are made to issue citations or warnings.

Chief Walsh said, "I met a few weeks ago with MSP Lt. Jerry Molet and we discussed the traffic in Winchendon, the amount of traffic, locations, intersections, and that Winchendon to some degrees is a crossroads for New Hampshire, Vermont. Due to those, and other factors such as serious accidents and speed, we decided it would be good to do some traffic enforcement. My major motivation is the history of Route 140 with the safety issues, and the fact that there is so much traffic moving through

there."

"Lt. Molet and I are thinking of doing some traffic enforcement similar to this in town in different areas at different times," added Walsh.

Citations issued at the joint venture on Gardner Road ranged from speeding, mobile phone use, defective equipment, and others. Walsh pointed out of the 25 citations issued, nearly one-third were warnings. Walsh also added, "Additionally we had two criminal applications with one operator cited for operating while unlicensed, and another with operation after revocation."

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WEEKLY QUOTE

If we do not lay out ourselves in the service of mankind whom should we serve?

— Abigail Adams





# Admin and staff prepped for opening

BY JERRY CARTON  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

WINCHENDON — Students returned to school Tuesday but the adults were back in the building last Friday for a combination informational/pep rally/fix-up-the-classrooms day and superintendent Steve Haddad had a clear message - everyone in the system is on the same team - hence the moniker of “Blue Devil Nation”.

But it's more than a name, stressed Haddad, saying, “our mission and responsibility remain unchanged - to provide the students in this district with the kind of education that will have them ready for college or whichever post high school option they choose.”

“We know our elementary schools

are preparing students for higher grades better than ever and we know this because we see the colleges and universities our graduates are being accepted at. The road to these acceptances begins over a decade earlier for every student,” he reminded.

And there was this.

“We have to make connections with our students,” he added. “That’s where it starts.”

School Committee Chair Larry Murphy urged teachers to “remember the ‘why’. Remember why we do this,” implored the long time administrator. Adding he was enthused by the energy in the auditorium, Murphy dryly noted he hopes to see the same level “in November, in May.”

Ralph Olsen has returned to Murdock

as high school principal, a role he filled in 2013-14 and joked, “I’m much more mature this time around” and thanked teachers who are moving from middle to high school, “for coming over to the dark side.”

In a more serious vein, Olsen said he will be holding “everyone” in the high school accountable and that includes faculty and staff as well as students.

That theme was echoed by middle school principal Jess Vezina who told the Courier, “this only works if we hold ourselves just as accountable as we do the students.”

Vezina told the assembled educators the middle school is launching the Summit Public schools model with its emphasis on personalized learning. Conceding “the middle school was hit

pretty hard” by the override defeat in June, Vezina offered a broad overview “of what we will look like this year.”

New staff members were introduced individually, Olsen having an anecdote for each first-year high school hire. Haddad acknowledged the custodial and support staffs as well.

Conforming to the unity theme, the majority of those in attendance were clad in blue and white school shirts. But the esthetics aside, Haddad was realistic.

Haddad too acknowledged the vote “slowed our progress, but that’s all it was, a bump. We aren’t canceling the flight. So let’s batten down the hatches and get back to work,” he urged.

## Mount Student Gets 37 Pints from Blood Drive

BY GREG VINE  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

A total of 33 people showed up at last Wednesday’s blood drive at American Legion Eugene M. Connor Post 193. The event was organized by Winchendon resident Nick Coddington, a 2016 graduate of Murdock High School and now a law enforcement major at Mount Wachusett Community College.

Ken Smith said he started donating blood when a family member became ill.

“I started giving when my mom got sick,” he said. “I’ve probably given 18 or more pints. I try to give a couple of times a year.”

Smith said he grew up on Elm Street in Winchendon and now lives on Main Street.

Peter Sargent, of Gardner, said he made the trip to Winchendon specifically to donate. He said he has been giving blood since the 1970s

“Today I’m donating double red,” he said. “At least that’s what it used to be called. It takes a little longer between visits before I can donate again, but they’re able to get more out of it.”

“They use it for people who have lost a lot of blood,” said Sargent.

Red Cross volunteer Patty Kane of Fitchburg said the new term for double red is “power red cell” donation.

According to the website redcross-blood.org, “Power red cell donation is similar to a whole blood donation, except a special machine is used to allow you to safely donate two units of red blood cells during one donation while returning” plasma and platelets to the donor’s system.

“At the end of the day we had performed 29 whole blood procedures and four



Greg Vine photos

First it's a little poking and prodding...

power red cell procedures, for a total of 37 productive pints,” said Coddington.

By collecting 25 pints or more, Coddington explained, the Mount student has a chance of earning a scholarship from the Red Cross. He also is able to earn some community service points.

Coddington said it’s his goal to further pursue his law enforcement education after graduating from MWCC next year, and eventually become a State Police officer

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To volunteer, contact MRWC by emailing [watershed@millersriver.net](mailto:watershed@millersriver.net) or calling (978) 248-9491.

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Volunteers collecting samples during a recent event.

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# Kuchta settles in to new job

BY GREG VINE  
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Lindsay Kuchta is hardly a newcomer to Winchendon town hall but she is now just two months into her job as administrative assistant to Town Manager Keith Hickey. Kuchta, who moved into the fourth-floor office on June 27, succeeded Margaret Giacobone, who served in the position for seven years.

Prior to the town manager's office, Kuchta served in the public works office from July 2016 until this past March, when she transferred to the planning department. When Giacobone announced she would leaving, Kuchta says several people approached her to suggest she apply for the position.

Despite being the mother of a 16-month-old son, Kuchta

works a full 40-hour week.

"It's pretty intense," she says. "With the other two positions, there was a little more flexibility, but I knew that coming into this. I did speak to Keith and asked if I'd be able to adapt, if I needed to, for my family. And he's all about family. It's awesome to work for someone who's like that."

In addition to 40 hours in the office, however, Kuchta also attends some night meetings.

"And as of late there's been a lot of meetings," she said. "I also volunteered to do the subcommittee minutes, and there have been a lot of meetings with that, and there have been a lot of board of selectmen meetings. But that's all in the job description."

"They say it takes a village to raise a child," Kuchta added with a chuckle, "so I've just been utilizing the village."

Kuchta said the most challenging part of the job may have come before she even took the position. She found out on June 7 that her long-time best friend, Courtney Carton, had passed away while at Smith College in Northampton. The following day, Kuchta interviewed for – and was offered – the job.

Best friends since fifth grade, Kuchta and Carton graduate from Murdock High School in 2011.

"Coming into the job, I really didn't allow myself the grief," she said. "I pulled together a service my friend and had the interview. I don't know how I gave the answers I gave in the interview, but I did."

Kuchta says, for the most part, she enjoys working with the public, which is a big part of the job.

"People can be difficult," she

says, "but I love working with people. I like to give people a hard time, in a fun way. If somebody comes in and they're difficult, if I can make them smile then that's a win. I don't like to take things negatively. I've always overcome difficulties by staying positive. If someone comes in and they're upset about something, I'll try to find a way to brighten things up."

Kuchta says she's in the position to stay for a while.

"I really love this job. I've loved every position I've had in this building."

"I want to go back to school," she continued, "but I'm not sure which direction I want to go, yet. I really enjoy being in municipal government, so after more time in this job I can make a better decision as to where I want to go."

"I know there's room for



Greg Vine photo

**Winchendon resident Lindsay Kuchta has settled into her new job as administrative assistant to Town Manager Keith Hickey. Kuchta, who has been on the job for about two months, succeeded Margaret Giacobone, who had served in the position for seven years.**

growth, so I don't plan on going anywhere anytime soon," Kuchta concluded.

## Winchendon Winds plans series of fall concerts

Usher in the cool fall weather with four Winchendon Winds band concerts! "Win Winds," a 40-piece professional-level concert band, is now in its third year of operation bringing a delightful variety of popular and classical music to the greater Winchendon community. All concerts are free, family-friendly and open to the public.

On Sunday, Sept. 10, at 3 p.m. Win Winds will perform "Timeless Classics for Concert Band" at the Winchendon School on 172 Ash St. They will be playing in the new hilltop Faculty Hall which features an airy atrium and banks of windows providing expansive views of the town of Winchendon nestled below. The concert takes place during the school's opening weekend and will showcase composers who are among the titans of wind band literature, ranging from Sousa's patriotic marches up to today's symphonic sounds.

The program features works by Holst, Arnold, Reed, Grainger, Vaughn Williams and Ticheli as they pour forth original themes as well as variations on beloved tunes such as Amazing Grace, When Johnny Comes Marching Home and Danny Boy. There is ample free parking adjacent to the hall and elsewhere on campus.

On Sunday, Sept. 24 at 2 p.m. Win Winds returns to the Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon on 126 Central St. with its vaulted ceilings and superb acoustics. Their program titled "Music We Remember" includes some of the most-requested concert band pieces and perennial audience favorites. There's something for everyone: Procession of the Nobles with its classical, brassy fanfares, soulful renditions of America the Beautiful and Shenandoah, Dixie land jazz, an English march, and even Hollywood blockbuster themes!

On Sunday, Oct. 1, at 2 p.m. Win Winds presents "A Symphonic Sampling" at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon. The true virtuosity of Win Winds comes to fruition with transcriptions of beloved orchestral works including Dvorak's New World Symphony and Slavonic Dances, Debussy's whimsical Golliwogs Cakewalk, and the Russian masterpieces Procession of the Sardar and On the Steppes of Central Asia, the latter of which served as the inspiration

for the musical Kismet.

Win Winds' final concert of the season takes place during Winchendon's Fall Fest on Saturday, Oct. 7, at 2 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon, just across the street from the other festival activities. "Family Festival of Delights" is a lighthearted program for all ages. It will feature John Williams' themes for Star Wars, Raiders of the Lost Ark, and others, Mary Poppins, and the story of Peter and the Wolf narrated by Rev. Inanna Arthen with instrumentalists impersonating Peter, the duck, the cat, the bird, and the wolf! Win Winds will top it off with the premier of the Toy Town March, a rollicking piece composed by New Englander David Maker, commissioned specifically for Winchendon Winds in tribute to Winchendon's rich toy manufacturing history and "Clyde" the horse.

Winchendon Winds is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization managed by Winchendon residents and sisters Jill Nicholson Sackett and Inanna Arthen, and conducted by Winchendon's own Lucinda Ellert. They are supported by generous grants including the Robinson Broadhurst Foundation and the Winchendon Arts Council, as well as donations from local businesses and individuals. For more information and to donate, visit winchendonwinds.org and Facebook at www.facebook.com/WinchendonWinds/

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# VIEWS

Opinion and commentary from Winchendon and beyond

## EDITORIAL

### Back to the same old, same old

It's Labor Day weekend. The last hurrah before the summer officially comes to an end and routine becomes...well, routine, once more.

Schools gear up, the sight is something as we watch kindergarten children with backpacks bigger than they are, and excited about the chance to ride the big yellow buses (that color by the way? It has an official name, that is American School Chrome); and the seniors at the other end of the age spectrum are either just as excited because they are at the top of their game and can't wait to be the lauded seniors, or are groaning into their pillows that the drudgery must begin.

OH wait, that's the teachers (we say from experience and a wink.)

Teachers, you see, have already been hard at work; most of them for about a month already. Doing planning, preparing the first month's assignments, creating lessons, and on-line courses, and organizing grades and on-line websites for access to students and parents, and yes, even upgrading their own computers and software.

And going to school themselves, taking extra courses in new curriculum, new teaching styles, new recommendations, and yes, new demands by the Powers That Be in education.

That lucky three months off for teachers in the summer? Not so much.

Neither is it true for other staff, as the schools have been scrubbed from top to bottom, repairs made, walls painted; in some cases, classrooms moved about, new equipment set up, new software installed, new books checked in and inventoried, and on and on and on. No, people who work in school systems do not have it easy in the summer.

Move to the next scenario: the admin-

istrative departments, who are juggling student names and teaching assignments and bus schedules and room requirements and special education restrictions and independent study and extracurricular activities and band and chorus and let's just make sure every kid has a lunch break too. This work falls on guidance counselors and special education departments and yes, the administration assistants as well as the principals and lead teachers who are attempting to not overburden one classroom teacher at the expense of another because all the kids seem to need an English class at the same time period on Wednesday.

It's a juggling act.

Yet when the front doors open, and those American Chrome buses (that have miraculously managed to make it to every bus stop almost exactly on time) discharge their loads of kids, there will be classrooms waiting, with clean desks, classwork prepared, a class list with the students' names on them for the teachers to identify their own new challenges, and the year will begin.

All across the state, and the entire country. American education still happens. Paid for by taxpayer dollars. It isn't perfect, but any kid who really, REALLY wants to learn and is willing to put in the necessary work even with adults who aren't as tasked as he or she is can make something amazing of themselves.

In most cases, in most schools, there is a core cadre of dedicated educators who do care, who do work as hard or harder than the students and, even with the frustrations and limitations of government interference still manage to do a great job of educating our children.

It is to Hurrah indeed.

### Are you a “hardworking” investor?

This week, we observe Labor Day, a celebration of the American worker. You work hard your whole life with the hope that your efforts will ultimately allow you to achieve your financial goals, such as a comfortable retirement. But for that to happen, you may need to apply some of the lessons of the workplace to your efforts as an investor.

So, what are these lessons? Here are a few to consider:

Be consistent. The most successful workers are the ones who show up, day after day, and strive to overcome the inevitable obstacles that crop up. As an investor, you, too, need to be consistent in your habits – which means you should keep investing in all types of markets. If you take a “time out” every time the market drops, you might end up missing opportunities when the next rally begins.

Be flexible. When good workers see that something is not going well, they change what they're doing. And when you invest, you also may need to make adjustments. If an investment has consistently underperformed, or if you have too many others very similar to it, or if it just doesn't meet your needs anymore, you may be better off by selling it and using the proceeds to invest elsewhere. This doesn't mean you should constantly be buying and selling — in fact, you'll likely be better off by purchasing quality investments and holding them for the long term. But you need to be flexible enough to make the appropriate moves at the appropriate times.

Be informed. The best workers are those who regularly update their skills and acquire knowledge that helps them do their jobs better. As an investor, you



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should also keep learning – about the investment world in general and about new opportunities for you to explore. And you should always understand what you are investing in – and why. Even if you work with a financial professional, you need to inform yourself about every aspect of your investment portfolio – after all, it's your money and your future.

Be farsighted. Good workers not only know what they're doing – they also can visualize the desired outcome of each task. And, of course, people who are in charge of a particular endeavor, or who are responsible for the fortunes of a business, have a clear view of what they want to accomplish, even if the achievement of that goal is many years in the future. When you invest, you also need to see where you want to go. If you can constantly keep in mind your long-term goals – such as the type of retirement lifestyle you desire – you will likely find it easier to stick with an investment strategy that's appropriate for your needs and risk tolerance. Conversely, if you lose sight of your destination, you might be more prone to taking short-term detours, which could work against you.

Labor Day reminds us to appreciate the skills and dedication of all workers – and as an investor, you can put these same attributes to good use.

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## RED LINES



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President Obama made a ridiculous comment about a red line in Syria. I say it was

ridiculous because he had no intention of following through. The Syrian president called his bluff.

Donald Trump has made a similar threat to North Korea: no more missile tests. Yet the North Korean leader continues to send missiles into the sky and we do nothing.

I make no suggestion that I know what we should or should not do with these people. But I do know we should not make

threats we have no intention of carrying out.

It makes us look weak as well as lacking in appropriate planning, determination of reaction, and intention to fulfill our threats.

One remembers Harry Truman warning the Japanese. When they failed to acknowledge his warning, he brought about Hiroshima. When they continued to ignore his warning, he brought about Nagasaki.

And the war was over.

Check out his approval ratings. Understand that history values action. If you have no intention of taking action, do not make the threat. If you choose to make the threat, then follow through or you are weakened in the eyes of the world.

Jack Kennedy learned this lesson in Cuba. George W. Bush learned it in Afghanistan. Obama learned it in Syria. And

now Trump is learning it in North Korea.

I take no position on what we should do.

I do take a position that if we say there are consequences for ignoring us, then we should be prepared to make those consequences real.

If we have no intention of doing so, then we should stop making the threats.

## As they say: SMH

Where does one even begin? With a pardon which reaffirms that DJT is indeed both a racist and a 71 year-old with no moral compass? With the hysterically funny, if it wasn't so pathetic, pleas from conservatives for help from the government they hate so much in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey? With the disgust expressed loudly and in public by DJT's Jewish chief economic adviser regarding #notmypresident's despicable response to Charlottesville? Or with the tacit acknowledgement that the bill for any 'wall' is going



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to be footed by American taxpayers with nary a penny from Mexico? Or the transgender ban? So many nauseous choices.

If you're reading this essay, you know who and what Joe Arpaio is. So does DJT. And

yet, he pardoned him anyway. This is because DJT is a bigot who has no respect for law. The Sanders voters who didn't show up and the disaffected worker class white voters who did - this is who and what they elected. All of them should be ashamed.

Think about this, too. If DJT pardoned Arpaio, what's to prevent him from pardoning any of his Russian-connected pals who refuse to cooperate with the special counsel? Lawlessness indeed.

Look, DJT is hardly the first bigot to reach the White House

but we're supposed these days to be a bit more enlightened than we once were. As a society, I think we are. Too bad our supposed “leader” isn't. He and his neo-Nazi, KKK, White Supremacist supporters are a disgrace and a blight on contemporary America and need to be condemned at every turn.

Obviously not every conservative is racist, but those conservatives who wail endlessly about the evils of government sure are hypocrites. ‘We need less government and more self-reliance’, they so arrogantly remind us,

but then a cat 4 storm crashes ashore and they're instantly on the phone to Washington. All of the sudden, federal dollars can't get there fast enough. Funny how that works, isn't it?

By next week they'll be back on their high horse of course and that's where they'll stay, until, of course, the next natural disaster hits. Perhaps you noticed Senator Cruz and Governor Abbott had nothing negative to say about the big, bad feds?

Let's talk about Gary Cohn for a minute. Cohn's the

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## Now Voyager

“Political ideology can corrupt the mind, and science.” – E. O. Wilson, American naturalist, biologist, and author.

I was fortunate recently to run across the PBS program “The Farthest – Voyager in Space.” If you haven't seen it, allow me to recommend it.

It was forty years ago this month, in what remains one of NASA's most ambitious projects ever, that Voyager I was launched on a mission to explore our solar system. Voyager II, due to differences in their respective assignments, had been launched about two weeks earlier.

The spacecraft returned awe-inspiring images of the enormous storm on Jupiter – the planet's great red spot – along with proof of volcanism on Jupiter's moon Io, and the icy-white brilliance of Io's sister moon, Europa. They

unwrapped mysteries surrounding the beautiful rings hugging Saturn, the jewel of our planetary neighborhood. Mankind was given the first hint that Saturn's moon Titan may harbor conditions favorable to producing amino acids and other building blocks necessary for life.

After exploring Jupiter, Saturn and Titan, Voyager I hurtled toward the boundary of our solar system and interstellar space, while Voyager II went on to explore the two other gas giants, Uranus and Neptune. The data returned by the spacecraft provided intriguing clues to the birth of our eight-planet family and the origins of life itself. Yet, when scientists announced their findings there was no outcry of “hoax!” or “fraud!” Instead, the whole world marveled at what we had been taught – what the minds



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of dedicated men and women of science had given us the privilege of learning.

Today, however, we have small-minded politicians and pundits telling us to ignore science, to pay no heed to what nearly all environmental scientists have warned us; that the earth is warming at an alarming rate and that mankind is, in large part, responsible. But, because it is inconvenient to those powerful interests that mine coal, drill for oil, and build fossil fuel-consuming engines, we are told by a small but stub-

born political cadre that the scientific evidence is putting our economic future – our comfort, really – at risk.

In 1990, as Voyager I sped to the very edge of the solar system, its cameras were turned to peer back to where it had come from – earth. In the inky blackness was revealed a tiny smudge, an insignificant blue spec in the infinite universe.

In 1994, in a speech at Cornell University, astronomer Carl Sagan explained better than I – or nearly anyone else, frankly – ever possibly could, just why we must heed what science has to tell us. Referring to that pale blue dot, Sagan said:

“That's home. That's us. On it, everyone you ever heard of, every human being who ever lived, lived out their lives. The aggregate of all our joys and sufferings, thousands of confident religions, ideologies and eco-

nomic doctrines, every hunter and forager, every hero and coward, every creator and destroyer of civilizations, every king and peasant, every young couple in love, every hopeful child, every mother and father, every inventor and explorer, every teacher of morals, every corrupt politician, every superstar, every supreme leader, every saint and sinner in the history of our species, lived there – on a mote of dust, suspended in a sunbeam.”

“...Think of the rivers of blood spilled by all those generals and emperors so that in glory and in triumph they could become the momentary masters of a fraction of a dot. Think of the endless cruelties visited by the inhabitants of one corner of that dot on scarcely distinguishable inhabitants of some other corner of the dot. How frequent

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POLICE LOG

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15  
12:39-2:35 p.m.: building check, secure; 12:40 p.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), verbal warning; 1:10 a.m.: investigation (Glenallan Street), spoken to; 2:05 a.m.: larceny (Mechanic Street), transported; 5:28 a.m.: lift assist (Teel Road), services rendered; 6:20 a.m.: traffic hazard (Maple Street), removed; 7:46 a.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), unable to locate; 8:30 a.m.: vandalism (Central Street), report taken; 8:32 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), info given; 10:18 a.m.: assist citizen (Glenallan Street), advised legal help; 11:44 a.m.: keep the peace (Eagle Road), assisted; 11:58 a.m.: ambulance (Ready Drive), transported; 12:25 p.m.: assist other PD (Royalston Road No.), spoken to; 12:36 p.m.: license check (Alger Street), info given; 12:57 p.m.: annoying phone calls (W. Monomonic Road), report taken; 1:34 p.m.: animal complaint (Front Street), returned to owner; 2:37 p.m.: accident (Beech Street), report taken; 3:27 p.m.: attempt to locate (Maple Street), unsuccessful; 3:35 p.m.: officer wanted (Brown Street), referred to court; 3:56 p.m.: animal complaint (Adams Avenue), services rendered; 3:58 p.m.: investigation (Goodrich Drive), report taken; 4:38 p.m.: summons service (Metcalf Street), spoken to; 4:50 p.m.: larceny (Front Street), referred to other PD; 7:55 p.m.: animal complaint (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 9:11 p.m.: accident (Central Street), verbal warning; 9:50 p.m.: dog bite (Mechanic Street), transported; 10:08 p.m.: ambulance (Brown Street), services rendered; 10:18 p.m.: welfare check/child (Goodrich Drive), spoken to; 10:47 p.m.: suicide threats (Juniper Street), report taken; 10:54 p.m.: assault (Beech Street), report taken; 11:45 p.m.: annoying phone calls (Center Lane), report taken.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16  
2:03-3:03 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:46 a.m.: ambulance (Hale Street), transported; 8:27 a.m.: investigation (Juniper Street), services rendered; 8:45 a.m.: extra patrols (Gardner Road), services rendered; 8:46 a.m.: mv stop (Central St.), spoken to; 9:25 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 9:26 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 9:27 a.m.: transport (Winchendon District Court in Gardner); 9:38 a.m.: assist citizen (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 9:43 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road ), written warning; 9:46 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 9:53 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 9:54 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), report taken; 9:58 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 10:02 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 10:04 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 10:13 a.m.: info/general (Central Street), info taken; 10:17 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 10:19 a.m.: animal complaint (Mill Glen Road), referred to ACO; 10:40 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 10:48 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 10:55 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), summons; 11:00 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:03 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:07 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:15 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 11:17 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:21 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:28 mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:34 a.m.: investigation (Juniper Street), services rendered; 11:38 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 11:41 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 11:45 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 12:03 p.m.: ambulance (Spring Street), transported; 12:30 p.m.: assist citizen (Juniper Street), info given; 1:01 p.m. fraud (Lakeshore Drive), report taken; 2:16 p.m.: juvenile/general (Lake Denison), services rendered; 3:53 p.m.: ambulance (Beamman Court), transported; 4:34 p.m.: lift assist (Welch Road), services rendered; 5:58 p.m.: summons

OFFENDER ALERT



The Winchendon Police Department is issuing an alert that registered sex offender Jason William Matick, age 40, is now employed at 202 Spruce St., Winchendon.

Matick is classified as a level 2 or 3 sex offender by the Sex Offender Registry Board, which has determined this individual has a moderate or high risk to reoffend and that the degree of dangerousness posed to the public is such that public safety is served by public availability of information.

Matick is currently listed as living at 25 Walnut St., and was convicted in February, 2009 of one count of aggravated rape.

service (Hill Street), spoken to; 5:28 p.m.: fraud (Toy Town Lane), report taken; 5:35 p.m.: erratic operation (School Street), advised officer; 7:47 p.m.: burglar alarm (Memorial Drive), secure; 7:56 p.m.: mv violations (Krantz Road), unable to locate; 9:27 p.m.: fire alarm (Pinewood Drive), services rendered; 10:30 p.m.: traffic hazard (Central Street), info taken; 11:09 p.m.: welfare check/general (River Street), unable to locate; 11:38-11:58 p.m.: build-ings checked, secure.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17  
12:06-2:26 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:57 a.m.: disabled auto (School Street), no service necessary; 9:19 a.m.: mv stop (Maple Street), verbal warn- ing; 9:26 a.m.: suspicious mv (Ingleside Drive), info taken; 9:34 a.m.: info/gen- eral (Elmwood Road), info taken; 11:04 a.m.: investigation (Ash Street), spoken to; 11:26 a.m.: summons service (Maple Street), served; 11:37 a.m.: animal com- plaint (Emerald Street), referred to ACO; 12:15 p.m.: assist other agency (Phillipston, Narrow Lane), services rendered; 12:21 p.m.: accident (Spring Street), report taken; 12:50 p.m.: sus- picious mv (Alger Street), spoken to; 2:00 p.m.: erratic operation (School Street), spoken to; 2:15 p.m.: fire alarm (Ipswich Drive), false alarm; 2:31 p.m.: investigation (Lincoln Avenue), spo- ken to; 2:26 p.m.: lift assist (Teel Road), services rendered; 4:01 p.m.: assist other agency (Elm Street); 4:20 p.m.: assist citizen (Maple Street); 4:26 p.m.: officer wanted (Baldwinville State Road), assisted; 5:01 p.m.: animal com- plaint (Benjamin Street), unable to locate; 5:54 p.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), spoken to; 6:30 p.m.: ambu- lance (Central Street), transported; 6:38 p.m.: lift assist (Royalston Road No.); 9:14 p.m.: summons service (Gardner Road), unable to serve; 9:15 p.m.: mv stop (Spring St.), written warning; 9:24 p.m.: panic alarm (Eli Drive), acci- dental; 11:23 p.m.: extra patrols (Lake Denison), canceled; 11:24 p.m.: mental health issue (Lakeshore Drive), spo- ken to; 11:31 p.m.: suspicious person (Laurel Street), spoken to.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18  
12:04-3:26 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:00 a.m.: ambulance (Lakeshore Drive), transported; 5:45 a.m.: burglary/b&e (Laurel Street), Donald A. Devarney, Jr., age 24, 28 Juniper Street, Winchendon, assault, threatening to commit a crime, report taken; 5:47 a.m.: burglar alarm (Summer Drive), accidental; 8:06 a.m.: juvenile/PC warrant (Ash Street), transported; 8:57 a.m.: burglar alarm (Beachview Drive), false alarm; 9:04 a.m.: accident (Mason Street), report taken; 11:14 a.m.: fire/box alarm (Elmwood Drive), services rendered; 12:30 p.m.: erratic operation (Glenallan Street), unable to locate; 1:11 pm.: offi- cer wanted (Goodrich Drive), assisted; 1:50 p.m.: property found (Ash Street), info taken; 3:26 p.m.: officer wanted (Laurel Street), assisted; 4:12 p.m.: disturbance (Central Street), report taken; 4:30 p.m.: lift assist (Pleasant Street); 4:39 p.m.: alarm (School Street), checked, secure; 5:39 p.m.: assist citi- zen (Goodrich Drive); 5:47 p.m.: tree on wires (West Street), referred to DPW; 6:35 p.m.: mv theft (Central Street), info

taken; 6:45 p.m.: suspicious mv (Ash Street), no cause; 7:01 p.m.: mv theft (Central Street), returned to owner; 7:57 p.m.: investigation (Ash Street), spoken to; 8:06 p.m.: animal abuse (Goodrich Drive), no cause; 8:14 p.m.: burglar alarm (Brown Street), secure; 8:33 p.m.: ATV complaint (Alger Street), spoken to; 10:13 p.m.: welfare check/child (Front Street), no cause; 11:37 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19  
12:54-2:32 a.m.: building checks, secure; 12:54 a.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), spoken to; 7:33 p.m.: road rage (Gardner Road), gone on arrival; 7:41 p.m.: ambulance (Walnut Street), trans- ported; 8:03 a.m.: DPW call (School Street), referred; 8:06 a.m.: animal complaint (School Street), referred to ACO; 9:11 a.m.: info/general (Linden Street), spoken to; 11:08 a.m.: trespass- ing (Hale Street), spoken to; 11:38 a.m.: assist citizen (Mill Glen Road); 3:27 p.m.: assist citizen (Eagle Road); 3:27 p.m.: assist citizen (Royalston Road No.); 4:16 p.m.: mv stop (Front Street), written warning; 4:53 p.m.: juvenile/ general (Harrisville Circle), trans- ported; 5:02 p.m.: fire alarm (Gardner Road), services rendered; 6:03 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 6:28 p.m.: juvenile/general (Maynard Street), report taken; 7:04 p.m.: gun- shots heard (Gardner Road), spoken to; 7:36 p.m.: suspicious (other) (Spring Street), services rendered; 8:32 p.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), property returned to owner; 8:52 p.m.: suicide attempt (Spring Street), transport- ed; 9:10 p.m.: investigation (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 9:37 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 10:04 p.m.: ambulance (Ready Drive), trans- ported; 10:10 p.m.: custody dispute (Brown Street), services rendered; 10:20 p.m.: extra patrols (Town Farm Road), services rendered; 10:55 p.m.: alarm (Gardner Road), checked, secure.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20  
12:27 a.m. ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), rescued; 2:09-2:25 a.m.: build- ings checked, secure; 2:35 a.m.: suspi- cious mv (Ingleside Drive), secure; 3:31 a.m.: suspicious person (School Street), no service necessary; 5:30 a.m.: ambu- lance (High Street), transported; 9:58 a.m.: ambulance (Eagle Road), trans- ported; 11:12 a.m.: threats (Webster Street), report taken; 11:50 a.m.: ambu- lance (Baldwinville State Road), trans- ported; 1:12 p.m.: trespassing (Alger Street), unable to locate; 1:20 p.m.: transport (Central St.), info taken; 1:33 p.m.: animal complaint (Elm Street), referred to ACO; 1:37 p.m.: property lost (Central Street), services rendered; 2:32 p.m.: DPW call (Baldwinville State Road), referred to state DPW; 5:03 p.m.: burglary/b&e (Morse Avenue), secured bldg.; 5:51 p.m.: assist citizen (Front Street), spoken to; 5:52 p.m.: ambulance (Lincoln Avenue), transported; 6:18 ambulance (Belmont Avenue), services rendered; 6:57 p.m.: fire alarm (Linden Street), services rendered; 8:16 p.m.: DPW call (Oak Street), info given; 8:29- 8:43 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:53 p.m.: mv stop (Railroad Street), written warning.

MONDAY, AUGUST 21  
12:09 a.m.: burglar alarm (Eli Drive), false alarm; 12:32- 12:50 a.m.: build- ing checked, secure; 12:33 a.m.: investigation (Main Street), spo- ken to; 12:51 a.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), citation issued; 12:54 a.m.: extra patrols (Goodrich Drive), secure; 1:10 a.m.: suspicious mv (Gardner Road), spoken to; 2:04 a.m.: suspicious person (River Street), spoken to; 7:49 a.m.: ambulance (Hale Street), transport- ed; 8:41 a.m.: fire/ box alarm (Grove Street), services rendered; 9:12 a.m.: fire/box alarm (Grove Street), services rendered; 9:18 a.m.: harassment (Hale Street), spo- ken to; 10:25 a.m.: officer wanted (Beech Street), no cause; 10:32

a.m.: fire alarm (High Street), services rendered; 11:05 a.m.: investigation (Harrisville Circle), services rendered; 11:15 a.m.: accident (School Street), report taken; 11:36 a.m.: welfare check/ elderly (address not printed), services rendered; 12:03 p.m.: vandalism (Hale Street), report taken; 3:32 a.m.: lift assist (Welch Road); 3:42 p.m.: ambu- lance (Spruce Street), transported; 3:46 p.m.: summons service (Hale Street), unable to serve; 4:21 p.m.: suicide threats (Ready Drive), transported; 4:51 p.m.: officer wanted (Baldwinville State Road), report taken; 5:58 p.m.: sto- len mv (Alger Street), report taken; 6:24 p.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), accidental alarm; 6:28 p.m.: officer wanted (Linden Street), report taken; 7:01 p.m.: burglar alarm (Spring Street), canceled; 8:17 p.m.: accident (Spring Street), transported; 9:02 p.m.: burglar alarm (Memorial Drive), secure; 9:04 p.m.: ambulance (Front Street), trans- ported; 9:44 p.m.: summons service (Carriage Lane), served.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22  
12:28-1:21 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:47 a.m.: ambulance (Mill Street), report taken; :24 a.m.: FD call (Maple Street), services rendered; 9:35 a.m.: disable mv (Gardner Road), no service necessary; 10:34 a.m.: 911 non-emergency (Murdock Avenue), false alarm; 10:53 a.m.: assist other agency (Alger Street), services ren- dered; 11:49 a.m.: fire/unknown type (Oakland Street), services rendered; 12:45 p.m.: investigation (Lakeshore Drive), services rendered; 1:17 p.m.: sex offender registration (Juniper Street), info taken; 2:18 p.m.: animal complaint (School Street), search negative; 2:24 p.m.: erratic operation (Baldwinville State Road), unable to locate; 3:41 p.m.: investigation (Cedar Terrace), spoken to; 3:53 p.m.: animal complaint (Krantz Road), referred to ACO; 5:43 p.m.: regis- tration check (River Street), info given; 5:56 p.m.: welfare check/child (Spruce Street), secure; 6:16 p.m.: investigation (Linden Street), spoken to; 6:34 p.m.: extra patrols (High Street), secure; 6:52 p.m.: extra patrols (Goodrich Drive), secure; 7:25 p.m.: DPW call (Hancock Road), services rendered; 7:38 p.m.: vandalism (Walnut Street), spoken to; 8:00 p.m.: suspicious person (Bayberry Circle), spoken to; 9:00 p.m.: vandalism (Hillside Terrace), spoken to; 9:31 p.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), secure; 10:12 p.m.: vandalism (Center Lane), report taken; 10:41 p.m.: ambulance (Alger Street), transported; 11:30 p.m.: fire/box alarm (Murdock Avenue), serv- ices rendered; 11:47 p.m.: traffic haz- ard (Central Street), removed.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23  
1:37-3:57 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:57 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 7:30 a.m.: burglar alarm (Krantz Road), false alarm; 8:21 a.m.: suspicious mv (Highland Street), spoken to; 8:39 a.m.: harassment order service (Goodrich Drive), unable to serve; 9:15 a.m.: mv stop (Ash Street), spoken to; 9:24 a.m.: summons service (Robbins Road), unable to serve; 9:27 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), cita- tion issued; 9:36 a.m.: assist other agency (Central Street); 9:38 a.m.: dis- abled mv (Gardner Rd.), no service necessary; 9:45 a.m.: welfare check/ general (address not printed), unable to locate; 10:12 p.m.: animal complaint (Ash Street), referred to ACO; 10:19 a.m.: ambulance (Glenallan Street), transported; 10:32 a.m.: accident (Baldwinville State Road), info taken; 11:10 a.m.: officer wanted (Metcalf Street), report taken; 11:12 a.m.: ambu- lance (Glenallan Street), report taken; 11:36 a.m.: mv stop (Baldwinville State Road), citation issued; 11:59 a.m.: build- ing checked, secure; 12:12 p.m.: prop- erty found (Railroad Street), property seized; 1:40 p.m.: tree down on wires (Brown Street), referred; 1:45 p.m.: property found (Main Street), info taken; 2:04 p.m.: info/general (Robbins Road), info taken; 2:30 p.m.: assist citi- zen (Pond Street), referred to court; 2:38 p.m.: keep the peace (Oak Street), no service necessary; 4:26 p.m.: burglar alarm (Main Street), secured bldg.; 4:50 p.m.: summons service (Maple Street), served; 5:07 p.m.: suspicious person (Ingleside Drive), report taken; 5:39 p.m.: civil complaint (Glenallan Street), advised civil action; 6:00 p.m.: wel- fare check/elderly (address not print- ed), report taken; 6:08 p.m.: brush fire (Lakeview Drive), services rendered; 6:27 p.m.: smoke (Whitney Street), serv- ices rendered; 6:35 p.m.: investigation (Pleasant Street), no service necessary; 6:55 p.m.: sex offender registration (Walnut Street), info taken; 7:17 p.m.: fire alarm (Baldwinville State Road), services rendered; 7:27 p.m.: property lost (Central Street), report taken; 7:34 p.m.: mv stop (Mill Glen Road), citation issued; 7:39 p.m.: investigation (Central Street), services rendered; 8:38 p.m.: property damage (Center Lane), report taken; 9:57 p.m.: assist other PD (Dunn Road), no cause; 11:34 p.m.: assist citi- zen (Central Street), report taken.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24  
1:30-2:04 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:07 a.m.: investigation (Main Street), secured bldg.; 5:37 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 5:45 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), cita- tion issued; 5:56 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 6:01 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 6:17 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), cita-

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# OBITUARIES

## Patrick J. Moriarty, 65



LEOMINSTER — Patrick J. Moriarty, of Leominster, passed away Sunday evening in Health Alliance Leominster Hospital. He was 65 years old.

He was born December 30, 1951, in Winchendon, son of John and Mary E. (Fleurant). He lived many years in Baldwinville, before moving to Leominster twenty-five years ago.

In 1969 Pat enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the Vietnam

War. He served overseas in Vietnam and Cambodia for almost two years. He earned an Expert Badge w/rifle. He was honorably discharged in 1971.

Pat was a self-employed carpenter and cabinetmaker for over thirty years. He retired from working due to illness. He enjoyed woodworking at home and was an avid Patriots fan as well as a fan of the Red Sox. In 1986 he was a founding member of the Wiffle Ball- Home Run League to help raise funding for the Make a Wish Foundation. He is

survived by his wife of 21 years, Linda (Gonynor) Moriarty, his sons Patrick J. Moriarty Jr. and wife Angela of Cottage Grove, MN, Cary Moriarty and wife Devan of Woodbury, MN, a daughter Mary Sara Moriarty of Orange, step-son, Shane Hunter of Winchendon, twin step-daughters Shelby Dame of Lunenburg, and Stephanie Bennett of Templeton, a brother Michael Moriarty of Riverview, FL, two sisters', Jeanne Moriarty of Ware, and Susan Allen of Hubbardston, twelve grandchildren and several nephews and nieces. He was pre-deceased by his former wife Jean (Columbus) Moriarty in 2015.

Calling hours are on Thursday afternoon, from 4 until 6pm., at the funeral home. A Funeral Home service will begin following the calling hours @ 6pm., all friends and relatives are welcome to attend. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Make A Wish Foundation of Massachusetts -Rhode Island Chapter, One Bulfinch Place, 2nd floor, Boston, MA. 02114 or to The Leominster Veterans Center, 100 West St., Leominster, MA. 01453.

The Lavery Chartrand Alario Funeral Home 99 Summer St., Fitchburg, MA. is directing.



LEOMINSTER — Ernest J. Ricci, age 82, of Leominster, passed away on Sunday, August 20, 2017 in Mass General Hospital. Ernest was born in Fitchburg on January 18, 1935, a son of the late Loreto and Carmela (Freda) Ricci.

He graduated from Saint Bernard's Catholic High School in 1953. Ernest worked as a Papermaker at the Crocker Burbank, Weyerhaeuser and James River #8 Paper Mill, where he retired from in 1990. After retirement, he worked for several years as a Custodian at Saint Anthony's School. Ernest enjoyed spending time with family and was always there to help his neighbors. Ernest was a parishioner of Our Lady of the Lake Church in Leominster. He leaves his wife of 33 years, Sandra (McKinney) Ricci of Leominster; his children, Michael Ricci and wife Jean of Fitchburg, Donna Gorham and husband Christopher of Templeton, John Ricci and wife Sandi of Westminster, Jim Ricci and wife Tracy of Lunenburg, Lori Jimson and husband Richard of

Fitchburg, Kim Noonan and husband Scott of AZ, Kelly Hansen and husband Walter of Ashburnham, and Ashley Garcia and husband Santos of Auburn; 15 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; siblings, Helen Palmer of Winchendon, Robert Ricci and wife Phyllis of FL, Dorothy Tatro and husband George of Leominster, and Carol Grimley and husband Tom of Leominster; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Ernest was predeceased by his siblings, Ann Tatro, Ralph Ricci, and Beatrice Denno.

The funeral will be held from Brandon Funeral Home, 305 Wanoosnoc Rd., Fitchburg on Saturday, August 26, with a Mass in Our Lady of the Lake Church, 1400 Main St., Leominster at 11:00am. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery in Leominster. Calling hours will be from 5-8pm on Friday, August 25, in the funeral home. Please consider a memorial contribution to the Our Lady of the Lake Food Pantry, 1400 Main St., Leominster, MA 01453. The Ricci family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Jeremy Richmon of Mass Eye and Ear as well as the staff of Mass Eye and Ear and Mass General Hospitals for their excellent care and compassion.

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Old Murdock will be closed Monday, Sept. 4 for Labor Day

## SENIOR WELLNESS DAY

The Old Murdock Senior Center will once again host their annual Senior Wellness Day on Wednesday Oct. 25 from 9 am to 12:30 p.m. We will have a limited supply of tables this year. Please let us know if you need one or will be bringing one of your own as well as how many chairs you will need. Also, please feel free to offer a raffle item at your table (as long as no money is required for a ticket). Last year we had over 30 different representatives from organizations benefitting our elders. This year looks to be better! If you should have

any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at (978) 297-3155. We look forward to seeing everyone in October.

On Tuesday, Sept. 19 the Senior Whole Health rep will be available to answer questions 10 a.m. to noon.

On Thursday, Sept. 21 the Fallon rep will available to answer questions 10 a.m.-noon.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**MONDAY:** Monday includes a shopping trip; Wii bowling at 9:30 a.m.; chair exercise at 9:30 a.m.; yoga at 10 a.m. Shopping: Sept. 11: North Quabbin Commons (Market Basket Athol), leave

at 9:15 a.m.; Sept. 18: Market Basket, leave at 12:15 p.m.; Sept. 25: Market Basket, leave at 12:15 p.m.

**TUESDAY:** Wii bowling at 9:30 a.m.; card games, shuffleboard

**WEDNESDAY:** Wii bowling at 9:30 a.m.; yoga at 10 a.m.; pool, card games, shuffleboard; BINGO at 12:15 p.m. Shopping.

Shopping: Sept. 6: Market Basket: leave at 9:15 a.m.; Sept. 13: Market Basket at 9:15 a.m.; Sept. 20: Market Basket at 9:15 a.m.; Sept. 27: Market Basket at 9:15 a.m.

**THURSDAY:** Wii bowling at 9:30 a.m.; pool, card games, shuffleboard

**FRIDAY:** Sept. 1: peanut auction at 10:30 a.m.

September 20 Market Basket 9:15; Wii bowling 9:30; Yoga 10:00; Pool; Card Games;

# Can you help? Day of caring plans made

On the annual Day of Caring Sept. 15, United Way of North Central Massachusetts volunteers will help nonprofit agencies stock kitchen pantries, paint, clean, landscape and perform construction work. United way is celebrating its 10th annual Day of Caring this year.

“The Day of Caring is a unique day-long event that engages hundreds of people in our community to support non-profit agencies for a day,” said Phil Grzewinski, president of United Way of North Central Massachusetts.

It is expected that over 500 volunteers from area companies and organizations, including 2,000 students from area schools, will donate the day to assist local health and human service agencies with a host of maintenance projects that normally cannot get done due to financial and personnel constraints.

Anyone who is interested in participating is encouraged to visit [www.uwncm.org](http://www.uwncm.org) to register and sign up for a volunteer project or contact Fran Longton at (978) 345-1577, ext. 311.

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The United Way of North Central Massachusetts serves the communities of Ashburnham, Ashby, Athol, Ayer, Baldwinville, Devens, Fitchburg, Gardner, Groton, Harvard, Hubbardston, Leominster, Littleton, Lunenburg, Petersham, Pepperell, Phillipston, Royalston, Shirley, Templeton, Townsend, Westminster and Winchendon.

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tion issued; 6:24 a.m.: assist citizen (Center Lane), referred to court; 7:08 a.m.: sex offender registration (Walnut Street), info taken; 7:54 a.m.: ambulance (Ipswich Drive), transported; 9:18 a.m.: ambulance (Linden Street), transported; 10:39 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 11:18 a.m.: burglar alarm (Central Street), false alarm; 11:36 a.m.: fraud (Murdock Avenue), report taken; 11:50 a.m.: animal complaint (Pearl Street), referred to ACO; 12:44 p.m.: threats (Liberty Drive), report taken; 1:18 p.m.: ambulance (Pearl Drive), transported; 1:28 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 2:07 p.m.: officer wanted (Front Street), spoken to; 2:12 pm.: burglar alarm (Whitney Street), secured bldg.; 3:21 p.m.: 911 non-emergency (Court Street); 4:30 p.m.: officer wanted (Teel Road), report taken; 8:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), info taken; 8:26 p.m.: assist citizen (Park Street); 10:26 p.m.: officer wanted (Baldwinville State Road), search negative.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**  
12:01-3:06 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:41 a.m.: accident (Maple Street), Dayton K. Lavender, age 24, 436 Maple Street, #1, Winchendon, negligent operation of a mv, services rendered; 7:30 a.m.: DPW call (Maple Street), referred; 10:17 a.m.: info/general (Teel Road), info taken; 10:30 a.m.: assist citizen (High Street); 11:59 a.m.: mv stop (Summer Street), citation

issued; 12:06 p.m.: ambulance (West Street), transported; 12:10 p.m.: mv stop (Ash Street), citation issued; 12:50 p.m.: harassment (Bluebird Road), report taken; 12:55 p.m.: officer wanted (Elm Street), unable to locate; 14:20 p.m.: ambulance (Glenallan Street), transported; 3:47 p.m.: animal complaint (Highland Street), message delivered; 5:05 p.m.: larceny (Spring Circle), spoken to; 6:47 p.m.: animal complaint (Route 140), search negative; 7:13 p.m.: alarm (Maple Street), false alarm; 8:47 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), citation issued; 10:18 p.m.: mv stop (Elmwood Road), verbal warning.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 26**  
1:48 a.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), spoken to; 4:07 a.m.: ambulance (Lincoln Avenue), transported; 9:03 a.m.: burglar alarm (Memorial Drive), false alarm 11:45 a.m.: FD call (Benjamin Street), services rendered; 11:55 a.m.: road rage (Pearson Boulevard, Gardner), referred to other PD; 12:18 p.m.: assist citizen (Lake Dennison); 12:23 p.m.: ambulance (Ready Drive), transported; 12:49 a.m.: officer wanted (Linden Street), report taken; 2:15 a.m.: info/general (Banner Place), report taken; 2:30 p.m.: animal complaint (Baldwinville Road), referred to ACO; 2:38 p.m.: ambulance (Walnut Street), transported; 3:37 p.m.: gunshots heard (Poland Avenue), spoken to; 3:49 p.m.: welfare check/general (address not printed), report taken; 4:34 p.m.: traffic hazard (Central Street), unable to locate; 6:18 p.m.: larceny (Central Street),

report taken; 7:25 p.m.: FD call (Oak Street), referred to DPW; 7:46 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), secure; 8:09 p.m.: mv stop (Goodrich Street), written warning; 8:17 p.m.: ambulance (Front Street), referred to FD; 9:02 p.m.: ambulance (Winchendon Road), transported; 10:12 p.m.: FD call (Linden Street), secure; 10:29 p.m.: mental health issue (Lake Dennison); report taken; 11:28 p.m.: noise complaint (Hillside Drive), services rendered; 11:32 p.m.: assist other PD (Dunn Road), unfounded.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**  
2:00-4:54 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:31 a.m.: erratic operation (Central Street), Jonathan Charles Curtis, 26, 176 Main Street, Groton, MA, OUI liquor, arrest; 3:09 a.m.: fire alarm (Central Street), services rendered; 5:50 a.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), transported; 6:43 a.m.: ambulance (Peggi Lane), transported; 9:32 a.m.: fire alarm (Hilltop Terrace), services rendered; 10:13 a.m.: assist other agency (Alger Street), services rendered; 10:29 a.m.: summons service (Ash Street), served; 10:53 a.m.: animal complaint (Front Street), referred to ACO; 1:05 p.m.: burglar alarm (Maple Street), secured bldg.; 1:59 p.m.: burglar alarm (Central Street), false alarm; 2:17 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 2:22 p.m.: investigation (Mill Street), services rendered; 2:48 p.m.: ambulance (Elmwood Road), transported; 3:01 p.m.: info/general (Central Street), info taken; 3:15 p.m.: ambulance (School Street), transported;

3:28 p.m.: threats (Juniper Street), report taken; 5:31 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 5:48 p.m.: juvenile/general (Chestnut Street), services rendered; 6:23 p.m.: suspicious mv (Court Street), unable to locate; 6:55 p.m.: assist citizen (Pond Street); 7:13 p.m.: ambulance (Maple Street), transported; 7:16 p.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), verbal warning; 7:57 p.m.: welfare check/general (address not printed), report taken; 9:43 p.m.: animal complaint (Maple Street), services rendered; 11:23 p.m.: town bylaw violation (Glenallan Street), spoken to.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 28**  
12:10-3:44 a.m.: building checked, secure; 6:10 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), written warning; 8:55 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 10:25 a.m.: suicide threats (Teel Road), report taken; 10:30 a.m.: summons service (Willoughby Avenue), unable to serve; 10:41 a.m.: summons service (Town Farm Road), unable to serve; 10:48 a.m.: registration check (Ash Street), no service necessary; 10:52 a.m.: larceny (Walnut Street),

report taken; 11:02 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 12:10 p.m.: ambulance (Hospital Drive), transported; 1:02 p.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), advised civil action; 2:49 p.m.: gunshots heard (Baldwinville State Road), spoken to; 4:06 p.m.: lift assist (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 4:15 p.m.: 911 non-emergency (Central Street), spoken to; 4:24 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Central Street), spoken to; 4:34 p.m.: drug/narcotics violations (Central Street), transported; 5:18 p.m.: ambulance (Route 119, Rindge), transported; 6:02 p.m.: burglar alarm (Central Street), canceled; 6:48 p.m.: extra patrols (Walnut Street), secure; 7:20 p.m.: animal complaint (Forristall Road), referred to ACO; 7:28 p.m.: animal complaint (Mellen Road), referred to ACO; 7:35 p.m.: animal complaint (Teel Road), spoken to; 8:47 p.m.: accident (Glenallan Street), report taken; 10:10 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), referred to other PD.



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## TALKING SPORTS

JERRY CARTON

Earlier this week, the Miami Marlins Giancarlo (formerly Mike) Stanton hit his 50th home run and with a month left in the season appears to have a genuine chance to become the first player to legitimately reach the magic number of 60 since Roger Maris blasted 61 in the expansion season of 1961.

Yeah, yeah. Bonds. Sosa. McGwire. Whatever. No they don't count. Of course they

don't count. Baseball's career home run leader is Henry Aaron with 756. Period. Cheaters don't count. Granted their names are written down but baseball purists know better than to consider their "accomplishments" as the real deal. As far as we know, in an era of random testing, Stanton is in fact the real deal. If he gets to Ruth at 60 or Maris at 61 or surpasses both, he should be celebrated as the first in more than half a century to do so. Not only that, he's brought the Fish back into the thick of the NL wild-card race. Too bad hardly anyone bothers going to see the team Derek Jeter and partners just bought.

The Captain is going to find South Florida's not the Bronx but kudos to him for wanting to stay involved and for finding the investors to help him start anew with a troubled franchise that won the World Series twice but commenced a roster-wide sell-off immediately following both triumphs. Maybe Jeter can bring some stability?

The Orioles brought what some considered garish orange uniforms to Fenway Park on Players Weekend but I loved them. They were bright to be sure but to me a pleasing bright and besides the O's swept the Sox and are somehow now just a single game out in the wild card race. The back-of-the-uniform

nicknames didn't do anything for me but then again those were personal choices with personal meanings. So be it. Baseball's trying to reach a younger fan base. An actual pitch clock would be a better idea. So would eliminating mound visits except to take the guy out.

Also last week, the Yankees and Tigers engaged in an old-fashioned brawl which led to multiple suspensions but I wondered why Detroit star Miggy Cabrera would try to punch out a catcher adorned in full gear. Seriously? And you had to feel for ex Oriole/Red Sox Rich Hill who threw a nine inning no-hitter only to lose the no-no and the game, 1-0 in

the tenth. It wasn't quite Harvey Haddix going 13 frames in 1959 but still, it was a tough beat and a rare one for the Dodgers.

The Fed Ex playoffs began with a tough beat for Jordan Spieth who lost a playoff to Dustin Johnson in the first of four post-season events. CBS was delighted to have two of the game's biggest stars going mano a mano. The playoffs are in Boston this weekend and the brass at NBC and the local TPC course would love a repeat. Tiger and Phil who?

Mayweather / McGregor? ESPN's Rachel Nichols stressed she didn't believe the fight was, ahem, fixed, but it sure turned out according to script,

didn't. More than one pundit likened the duo to a pair of business partners who just fleeced the masses. Not a bad way to look at it.

A lot of us were looking at tennis Monday when Maria Sharapova returned from a 19-month major tournament absence, a hiatus due to suspension and at first the crowd at Arthur Ashe Stadium was lukewarm as the US Open got underway. Sharapova was unseeded and facing the two seed Simona Halep but as the match wore on, the love returned and the first round match felt like a semi or even a final. Sharapova won in three sets and ESPN exhaled. Can she keep it up? We'll see..

*Basketball league kept athletes on their toes*

BY JON KAMKINSKI

## COURIER CORRESPONDENT

WINCHENDON — It may have been summer time for the students up at Murdock High School, but the gym was in full use by the Murdock Athletics Basketball League. Former basketball player and graduate from the class of 2007, Donald Hunt initiated, organized and ran the league this summer. He personally talked to businesses to obtain gold (\$400), silver (\$200), and bronze (\$100) sponsors to help out the league. Each sponsor that contributed received

varying levels of benefits and advertisement based on the level of sponsorship selected.

He also received help from his mother, Sheila Hunt, sister and current Murdock athletic director Jenna Whitaker, and Staci Gannon, who helped with behind the scenes organization and planning. Dylan Muse and Andy Girard also put in their time to help ref games each week.

The league has eight teams (sponsored by the gold sponsors) and runs for 10 weeks, which includes playoffs. The league costs \$70 per person, which cov-

ered the running cost for the league. All additional money raised by sponsors went toward sponsorship advertisement and Murdock Athletics donations. As of now, it is estimated that there will be a total of \$3,000 raised to go toward Murdock Athletics. Each team received jerseys with the gold sponsor's logo on them. League winners and sponsors will also receive shirts and sweatshirts.

Below is a list of the different businesses who sponsored, broken down by gold, silver, and bronze. **Gold:** Form Up Foundations, X-Treme Autobody, Grandscape, Stone Ladeau

Funeral Home, D.R.Y. Construction, Friend's Garden, M.A.B.L., Harbour Restaurant. **Silver:** Flip Side Grille, Belletetes, Gardner Screw Company, Smith's Country Cheese, Winchendon Furniture, Play Away Lanes, Four Star Catering. **Bronze:** McDonalds, Powell's, Mylec, Salvatore Jeep, James R. Mularczyk, DDS, PC, Beauvais Insurance, The Town Barber Shop, Keller Williams, Lucky Dragon, North of the Border, Baldwinville Station. Karen Drudi from Drudi Design, also donated the designs for all the logos and artwork.

## Lady Devils set for opener

BY JERRY CARTON  
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

WINCHENDON — Numbers aren't an issue,

not anymore and Murdock girls' varsity soccer Coach Jason Marshall is hoping the program's new-found

stability will begin to translate into more wins in a season which opens 3:30 Tuesday afternoon

when the Lady Devils host West Boylston. Clinton visits next Friday, also at 3:30.

Last fall, Marshall's squad had 28 players.

"That's actually almost too many," he noted.

"It's hard to get playing time for that many kids," said Marshall so this year, there's going to be a maximum every game and players will have to earn a spot on the roster.

"That makes practices more serious and competitive. We'll be look-

ing for commitment and effort in practice just like in games," he remarked while adding those who don't make the cut for a given game will still be able to attend and hustle their way onto the game roster for the next contest.

"We'll see who's serious about wanting to play," said Marshall.

Part of that seriousness will be evaluated in practices.

"We expect people to be there not just on time but earlier," explained

Marshall who added there's a new drill beginning this year.

"Alex," assistant coach Burke, "came up with it. We gave them all tennis balls, told them to name the balls, yes, we did do that, and told them to show up and do soccer stuff with them, dribbling, bouncing, passing. If you can do it with a tennis ball, you can do it with a soccer ball," Marshall observed. "Alex was brainstorming and this is a great idea."

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Travis Hull of Winchendon (left) and Joseph Mackowiak of Gardner, Monty Tech graduates, have signed agreements to play football at two colleges.

FITCHBURG — Monty Tech Athletic Director David Reid has announced that two graduates have been awarded college scholarships.

Travis Hull of Winchendon, a culinary arts major, has received an academic scholarship and has agreed to play football for Plymouth State University. He will major in education and history.

Joseph Mackowiak of Gardner, who

majored in plumbing at Monty Tech, was awarded a four-year academic scholarship to Mt. Ida College. He will be studying accounting and playing football for the school.

The students were presented with their scholarships and signed letters of intent to play football at the institutions at a signing ceremony held at Monty Tech. Both served as co-captains of Monty Tech's football team.

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your peace even in the storms. May we enjoy a safe ride and be renewed in the blessing of each day. Bless Fire & Iron in their mission and their servings, we ask it in your holy name, Amen.”

The event began with a special guest as brothers Niko Sosa and Tiago Molinari were introduced to the crowd. Speaking to all the riders, Niko informed everyone that his young and courageous little brother Thiago just finished his last treatment of chemotherapy and had competed his program to successfully defeat cancer. The crowd immediately erupted in cheers with one man loudly proclaiming, “This is why we take part in supporting this fundraiser, because of people like this little boy.”

Later just before the riders hit the road, little Thiago took the microphone from Fire & Iron Station 857 President Ricci Ruschioni and said, “Gentlemen, start your engines” to cheers from all the supporters ready to pound the pavement.

All set off in an impressive showing of commitment and solidarity with 110 motorcycles hitting the road for a roughly 65 mile ride, which after leaving town included the New Hampshire communities of Fitzwilliam, Troy, Marlborough, Dublin, Jaffrey, and Rindge, along with the Massachusetts towns of Ashby, and Ashburnham before returning to Winchendon.

During the ride as planned by Fire & Iron 857 Road Captain’s Dan Carter and Ryan Bevilacqua, many scenic views of famed Mount Monadnock were enjoyed along with multiple lakes and roadside wetlands dotting natures wondrous landscapes throughout the course. Dozens of picturesque colonial homes, old family farms with silos, historic town commons, and the occasional winged or four legged wildlife adding to the flavor.

A mid-course break in the ride included a stop at the Jaffrey John Humiston Post 11 American Legion for snacks and beverages. Participants took full advantage of those all-important group photos, which due to the nature of the event dominated any selfies being taken with the photos clearly representative of the day’s theme, Brotherhood and Unity for a common cause. Some talking about friends and



Riders arrive to sign up for the Ride for Cancer VIII



Riders arrive at Jaffrey American Legion John Humiston Post 11 for a mid-ride break and refreshments

family battling cancer, some why it was important to them taking part in the cause, and others just enjoying trying to make something good come out of a battle against something so painful for many to deal with.

Along the way, the 857 Road Captains exemplified safety by calling each community’s police departments to notify them of the large groups arrival for safety purposes. Police from multiple towns coming out to stop traffic for the riders safe passage was much appreciated as echoed by club members with the last officer assisting being Winchendon’s own Officer Derek Blair at the intersection of Routes 12 and 202 helping to make the last interchange a safe one for all.

Once back at the Legion, a filling and tasty meatball grinder lunch along with salad, fruit, and snacks was enjoyed by all. Sandy Bowers of Fitchburg with her brother Jeff Bowers of Gardner were joined by fellow Greater Gardner Relay for Life members Patty Wayrynen, Sharron Mirovich, Sandy Long, and Robbin Valerio feeding the hungry supporters

Sandy Bowers later said, “This went awesome. We had over a hundred bikes and passengers. We couldn’t have asked for a better day, better guys, better women, it was

just an awesome day for this fundraiser all the way around. There were even many people who came and didn’t go on the ride but donated anyway. We had guys who even though they were only one passenger they gave us \$40 and paid for two, so there are a lot of really kind people in the world. Everybody in some way has been touched by cancer, we couldn’t have asked for a better day to raise money to help find a cure for cancer and the cause.”

After meal festivities included prizes ranging from a 50-50 raffle worth \$117, which the winner Mike Flynn of Fitchburg immediately donated back to the worthy cause, a raffle tree with \$100 in scratch tickets, a cooler donated by Fire & Iron Chapter 857, and 3 bottles of liquor donated by American Legion post 193.

The event completing its eighth year, has now raised over \$15,000 in total for the Greater Gardner Relay for Life.

Michelle Hayden who attended from Fire & Iron Station 45 and Winchester, KY said, “It’s absolutely the most amazing thing to be able to attend an event and club like this. These people and families who battle and suffer cancer need our support, and this is just a small part our club can be a part of to help find a cure.”



Members of Fire & Iron Chapter 857 of Winchendon pose for a pre-ride picture at American Legion Post 193



Local Fire & Iron member Mike Estabrook and his daughter Jewell Estabrook, age 9 of Brookline, NH took part in the ride together making it a family event.

Club Vice President Tony “No Coin” Basso who has a brother fighting cancer was happy to say, “I think the ride went very well today. We had a lot of nice comments from many of the riders. They said they enjoyed the ride and the roads. A lot of the people are repeat riders who have come year after year. We had a really nice turnout. Just about everybody knows somebody who has had or has cancer. My brother who is fighting cancer was here today and riding to support the cause.”

Ruschioni who is also the National Fire & Iron President of 155 clubs and growing, closed with, “Fire & Iron 857 is both honored and proud to be involved with and host this ride today. Cancer hits everybody in one way or another, and all we are doing here is trying to help with coming up with a cure to someday to get rid of this awful disease and that’s what we’re all about. All the clubs in the area have come together with Fire & Iron to help with this great cause, and we thank every club and every



Nico Sosa introduces and talks about how his little brother Thiago Molinari of Team T just finished chemo and beat cancer to a cheerful crowd.

person who took part in the ride and donated. We couldn’t have done this without you.”

ENERGY

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in my second year. It really helps to know the kids better,” acknowledged science teacher Dylan Gamache, adding, “it’s a whole different feeling than it was this time last year.”

Technology teacher Mike Fontaine has been in the high school but this fall he’s switching to the middle school to jump-start the engineering/technology program on that level.

“I’m excited about going to the middle school. I can’t wait to work with the kids on game-making, web design and robotics. But I’m also a little nervous about moving after teaching high school for 22 years. I’m looking forward to working on new challenges

with middle school students. Sometimes change can be motivating and invigorating,” he noted.

Going in the other direction is music teacher Aly Galipeau, who will be teaching primarily high school students.

“I think we all need a little positivity this year,” she remarked. As for the move from middle school, “I have both rooms now,” laughed Galipeau. “But the little one has a projector and screen so that’s better for presentations, so we’ll be using that one a lot.”

Technically, math teacher Alan Hallquist retired in 2014, but he immediately thereafter began tutoring at the Murdock Academy for Success and he’s still there.

“I just love it,” he said. The Academy will be home to about 30 students this year

but in a departure from previous years, core teachers in ELA (Stephanie Rondeau), math (Laurel Johanson), science (Dylan Gamache), and social studies (Peter Birney) “will be delivering their product in person,” said Olsen. The academic center will move to the second floor.

High school secretary Debbie Connolly is nearing her 20th year.

“The first day is...exciting. Everyone in the building is excited. And,” she laughed, “it’s time to dress up again.”

Marcia Meyer-Krul sits adjacent to the high school principal’s office.

“I’m looking forward to a fabulous year

with Ralph at the helm,” she exclaimed. On the middle school side, Lisa Paulitzsky remarked, “the first day went well. It helps a lot, it matters a lot, when you work with people who are committed to doing their jobs the right way and that’s what we have here.”

Paulitzsky stressed the importance of making parents feel comfortable. “Especially if their kids are new to middle school. We tell them and we repeated it today - don’t be afraid to call. Ask questions. We don’t bite,” she assured.

Not everyone was returning

to a familiar place, though.

“I’m excited to be here,” said new high school history teacher John Brien. “I know some people from Winchendon so that will help” the settling-in process.

School resource officer Tracy Flagg said she’s “glad to be back with the students” and is, above all, hoping for “a safe and successful year.”

That’s Olsen’s goal too.

“It’s going to be a cool year,” he told faculty and staff on their first day back last Friday, “but it’s going to be one of accountability and responsibility.”

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We have all heard the terms before. A Hundred Year Flood, a Five Hundred Year Flood, a Thousand Year Flood, and now we are hearing the term, possibly a “Million Year Flood” event.

Due to Hurricane Harvey which entered Southeast Texas a Category 4 Hurricane via the Gulf of Mexico and even after being downgraded to a tropical storm has hovered over that section of Texas like a black cloud of mythical legend for roughly five consecutive days, the amount of rainfall is nearly impossible for most to even conceive.

After making landfall late Friday evening a week ago today, a widespread rain fall of 15” to 30” already flooded much of the landscape by early Monday. Some areas were projected to possibly receive between 50” and 60” of rain. Please think about that for a minute. We are talking up to FIVE FEET of rain.

Harvey is now knocking at the door steps of the historical levels once created previously by Hurricane Katrina and its devastation of New Orleans back

## The people of Texas need our help

in 2005, which created \$1.08 Billion in damage when many of the City of New Orleans flood protection levee's broke under the massive amount of sea water drawn in from the ocean in conjunction with Katrina's profound rainfall.

The numbers have already been confirmed. So just how much water has Southeast Texas already been inundated by? Well I can sum it up in two words for you, “Biblical Flooding.”

Since making its late night landfall on late Friday night, August 25, the National Weather Service had confirmed by Monday a staggering NINE TRILLION GALLONS had already fallen on Southeast Texas and the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area.

If you're having a bit of trouble envisioning this, here is the easiest way to picture it. Our Quabbin Reservoir Watershed holds 4.12 billion gallons of water. This means the water which has fallen in that section of Texas by August 28 was already enough to completely fill the Quabbin Reservoir 22 times, and enough to even fill Vermont's Lake Champlain, which is up to

nearly 500 feet in places, two times over.

Now if that isn't bad enough, Houston according to information giant Wikipedia is our nation's 4th largest city with roughly 2.3 Million residents. There are also over 6 million residents in the Greater Houston area. Southeast Texas could see up to an additional 5 to 10 Trillion gallons of rainfall before the storm had even moved out. While New Orleans averaged 10 to 20 feet deep after Katrina, if it had received the same amount of rain which Southeast Texas has, New Orleans would have been under 128 feet of rain, or roughly the height of a 12 story structure according to the Chicago Tribune which also listed the total volume of water enough to fill the Empire State Building 14 million times.

FEMA Administrator Brock Long said FEMA could be in Houston and the area for up to 3 years. The Texas National Guard also has 12,000 members out assisting at all emergency levels.

Our fellow citizens in Texas need our help. The needed it yesterday, they need it now, they will need

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## VINE

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their misunderstandings, how eager they are to kill one another, how fervent their hatreds. Our posturings, our imagined self-importance, the delusion that we have some privileged position in the universe, are challenged by this point of pale light.”

“...To my mind, there is perhaps no better demonstration of the folly of human conceits than this distant image of our tiny

world. To me, it underscores our responsibility to deal more kindly and compassionately with one another and to preserve and cherish that pale blue dot, the only home we've ever known.”

Could the climate scientists be wrong? Sure. But I doubt it.

In the meantime, should their error ever be revealed, I think it wise to err on the side of caution. I believe we should take steps to reduce our greenhouse emissions, however

inconvenient that may be. We should ignore those politicians who mock the best minds on our planet for the sole purpose of gaining political advantage. It is time science was no longer corrupted, as E.O. Wilson predicted, by political ideology.

For our children, our grandchildren, and our great grandchildren – for countless future generations – it is indeed our solemn duty to “preserve and cherish that pale blue dot.”

## CARTON

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Administration's top economic adviser, a big-time donor to Jewish causes, and was, he says, outraged by DJT's comments about “fine people” on both sides in Charlottesville. He said so quite vocally the other night at a crowded Long Island restaurant, adding he has to feed DJT information in small doses and then returned to his theme of the evening, telling everyone around him about how offended he was as a Jew. But did he resign? Did Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, who received a letter from 300 Yale classmates urging he do so? No indeed. These two self-proclaimed devout Jews are still in place. Profiles in Cowardice.

The wall? White House press lackey Sarah (daughter of Mike) Huckabee Sanders said we're “negotiating” with Mexico to perhaps maybe, someday, help fund the wall which even a lot of ranchers and geologists say is beyond impractical. The Mexican government says it has no idea what she's talking about. Who do you think is telling the truth?

Transgenders in the military? God for-

bid. DJT issued a directive over the weekend, ordering the Pentagon to no longer recruit transgenders while leaving the fate of those currently serving in limbo. Once upon a time we had a segregated corps, and then an all-male corps. “The unit adjusted,” said Percy Fitzwallace, the African-American TV Chairman of the Joint Chiefs on The West Wing. The writers were making an obvious point. And now? Transgenders aren't patriotic? Seriously?

This, my friends, is America in late summer 2017. SMH (shaking my head) for sure.

But let's close on a couple appreciative personal notes. First, thanks to the River's Edge for designating a dinner special every weekend in Courtney's memory and donating proceeds to the scholarship fund. Very classy of Seth and Amber. Second, thanks as well to faculty and staff at last Friday's professional back to school day who took a minute and in more than one case, several minutes to talk to me about their still-fresh memories of her. That was truly thoughtful and considerate. It made my day. It really did. Thanks.

## INGELSIDE

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deal that fast.”

Town manager Keith Hickey saw things differently.

“What the Board (of Selectmen, who approved the deal) agreed to is that the tenants can use the area in front of the house and garage. That's maybe half an acre and the remaining 42 acres are open to everybody,”

he pointed out.

As for the \$350 rent, “I understand the rent is certainly below market but why I recommended this to the Board was to minimize the risk of any damage and potential theft. I still believe this was the right thing to do. It's much better to have the property occupied, especially during the winter. We didn't want any damage done to the property and by having somebody

in and out, we thought it would deter any potential damage,” he stressed, adding there has already been one break-in at the barn.

Corbosiero wasn't mollified. “Access to the best part of our new half-million purchase isn't available to the people of Winchendon,” he maintained.

“The Committee should have had some input on this decision,” said Corbosiero.

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board. I believe Mr. Hickey should have a presentation – because there's some information both that the public was asking, as well as myself and other board members – as far as what's in it for Winchendon. Hopefully on September 11 we will have a full accounting of the information at that point. I believe the board will then take a vote as to whether or not it's now acceptable to send off to town meeting, because three of the board members were adamant that this has got to be approved, should it be ready for special town meeting in the fall or should it have to wait until the annual town meeting.”

“At this point,” Anderson continued,

“as of the last reading, it wasn't ready for town meeting. There were too many questions, too many unanswered questions, not enough information. So, we're hoping that we get enough information, that we get enough questions answered, and that the new document is much more inclusive so people will have a full understanding of what they're voting on.”

Selectman Audrey LaBrie, a member of the negotiating subcommittee, said the idea of an interim agreement running for about six months, until the annual town meeting in May, was withdrawn at that panel's last meeting.

“We are not looking at any sort of temporary agreement,” she said. “So, at this point, in my mind anyway, if and when it goes to town meeting it will be in the fall – as long as the document is prepared.”

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An appreciative Walsh also said, “I would like to thank Lt. Jerry Molet and the MSP for their assistance. Their help is appreciated, and in both our opinions the operation was a success and we will be looking to do similar operations in the future.”

Due to the extensive and even more recent history of the highly traveled thoroughfare, town selectmen previously approved making the 1.18 mile town owned section of Route 140 a “NO PASSING ZONE” from its intersection with Spring Street at the traffic lights to Teel Road. In addition, much of the “state section” of the road from Teel Road to the city of Gardner line will also be no passing, with the exception being the

climbing lane which begins shortly past Commercial Drive and ends at Raymond Road. The turning lanes will remain open for both Brian’s Place which hosts a Dunkin’ Donuts and Irving Gas Station, and Commercial Drive where Mylec is located.

Walsh said, “This is in response to the serious accidents we have been battling at this location.”

Another factor complicating the issue of excessive speeds on Gardner Road is residential homes and multiple side streets along both its northern and southern travel lanes, causing vehicles which are following too close or not paying attention to strongly apply their brakes; often times too late.

“We are trying to alert the public because a lot of times people become complacent, and thus enforcement activities are probably going to increase on the

road,” said Walsh.

WPD officers out on patrol have already been seen frequently flashing their blue lights at vehicles passing in the opposite directions in an effort to kindly remind operators and the public at large to slow down when driving in excess of the posted speed limits.

Town Manager Keith Hickey confirmed safety improvements along Route 140 and Gardner Road will be installed with dates awaiting TBA. A document provided by DPW Superintendent Al Gallant by Mass DOT estimates the costs of the improvement along the Winchendon section of Route 140 and Gardner Road will cost \$99,829.

Hickey said, “This is their project, and we are just happy they are going to do something about it.”

Hickey also confirmed that Mass DOT will be installing collapsible reflective

makers in a couple of small sections in the middle of the road similar to those placed along Route 2 currently existing from Phillipston to the Athol-Orange town line.

Hickey said, “DOT has indicated they will install those in areas determined necessary as part of the roads improvements, however if they become damaged, we as a town will be financially responsible for the markers replacement once installed.”

In closing Walsh said he wanted to communicate, “Please be alert while driving especially in areas where there is oncoming traffic, and please be attentive to your speeds. Remember that speed is reduced when exiting Route 2 and entering Route 140. It is not a divided highway, and you need to exercise caution when traffic is coming in the opposite direction. Again, we will be running random traffic enforcement operations in the future.”

TEXAS

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it for months and now possibly years to come.

Even though our government had quickly approved Texas for National Disaster Funding, they still need our help. Their state and our fellow countrymen have essentially been a victim of meteorological evisceration. Just one Houston disaster shelter alone reported in the media had 2,300 people who were displaced and only 1,200 beds to sleep on, with

30,000 people in shelters and climbing early in the week. No person or computer models could have predicted this level of devastation.

If you would like to donate to help the victims of this phenomenally catastrophic natural disaster, the American Red Cross is a great place to start. You can donate donate in multiple ways and even the smallest amount will help make a difference in the life of somebody who needs a person to step up and place the need of another before self.

The American Red Cross says

you can assist in donation by the following methods. Call the Red Cross by phone at 1-800-HELP-NOW which is also 800-435-7669. To donate by cellular texting please text STOP to 90999 for STOP, Text HELP to 90999 for HELP, or also text HARVEY to 90999 for disaster relief to make a \$10 donation. You can even mail a donation to The American Red Cross - PO Box 37839 - Boone, IA 50037-0839 and just put disaster relief for Harvey on the memo line.

LADY

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Marshall and Burke are in their fourth year at MHS.

“I never intended to come here for one season and leave,” reflected Marshall. “I came here to build a sustainable program and our numbers are showing that’s what’s happening.”

“Now we’d like to see the results on the field.”

The current roster includes seniors Michaela Benedict,

Hannah Turner, Marissa Losurdo, Katelyn Hutton, Mary Desire and Faith Huff. Juniors are Maria Polcari, Izzy Alcantara, Robyn Ufema, Kaileen Dibble, Lindsey O’Toole and Mackenzie Lundin. Sophomores are Lexi Pare, Gabby Cote, Breanna St. Pierre, Cassidy Stadtfeld, Kara Vongchairueng, Katrina Yang and Riya Patel. The freshmen include Ari Dibble, Kaitlyn Lusurdo and Tazsha Manca.

LEGALS

MORTGAGEE’S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Maria T. Lattanzio and Diane Caeran to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, America’s Wholesale Lender, its successors and assigns, dated January 29, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 40614, Page 181 subsequently assigned to Federal National Mortgage Association (“Fannie Mae”) by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53296, Page 252; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on September 11, 2017 at 403 West Street, Winchendon, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon situated on the easterly side of West Street in the northwesterly part of Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Beginning a the southwesterly corner thereof, at a point in the easterly line of West Street, at a corner of other land of George J. Mizhir, Jr., and being shown as the northwesterly corner of Lot “4” as shown on a plan hereinafter referred to: Thence N. 13 degrees 22’ 23” W. 40.39 feet to a drill hole in a boulder; Thence N. 17 degrees 37’ 50” W., 109.61 feet to a corner of other land of said Mizhir and being shown as Lot “6” on said plan, the preceding two courses being by a stone wall and said road line; Thence N. 73 degrees 32’ 34” E. by said Mizhir land and lot “6” about 845 feet to a point in the center line of Robbins Brook and at other land of Mizhir; Thence Southerly and Southwesterly by said brook and said Mizhir land downstream about 235 feet to a corner of the aforementioned Lot “4” and said Mizhir land; and Thence S. 73 degrees 32’ 34” W> by said Mizhir land and Lot “4” about 695 feet to the easterly line of West Street and the point of beginning. Being shown as Lot “5” on a plan entitled: “Plan of Lots prepared by George J. Mizhir, Jr., in Winchendon, Mass. Scale 1 inch = 100 feet June 4,1980, Michael S. Szoc, R.S. Surveyor, 32 Pleasant Street, Gardner, Mass.”, recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 476, Plan 44. Being the same premises as conveyed by deed and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 36450, Page 322.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney’s fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase

price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee’s attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.** Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.

Federal National Mortgage Association (“FNMA”) Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 15-000670

August 18, 2017  
August 25, 2017  
September 1, 2017

MORTGAGEE’S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage, given by Mickey D. Manson (the “Mortgagor”), to Workers’ Credit Union, a lending institution, with a usual place of business at 815 Main Street, P.O. Box 8207, Fitchburg, MA 01420 (the “Mortgagee”), dated July 25, 2014, and recorded at Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 52700, Page 210, (the “Mortgage”), of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of the Mortgage and for purposes of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1 o’clock PM on September 19, 2017 on the premises located at 67 Juniper Street, Winchendon, Massachusetts, which are all and singular the premises described in the Mortgage, **TO WIT:** ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATE IN WINCHENDON, COUNTY OF WORCESTER, COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED RECORDED 2000-08-17 IN BOOK 22903, AT PAGE 288, AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY SET FORTH ABOVE. PARCEL ID: 5A3-0-237 KNOWN AS: 67 JUNIPER STREET

The description of the premises contained in said Mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

The premises being offered for sale will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, covenants, conditions, agreements, outstanding tax titles, unpaid real estate taxes, and other municipal and public charges, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, rights of others in adjacent streets and ways, and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, if any there be, and also subject to all federal, state and municipal laws, regulations, codes and ordinances. See Betterment Assessments in Book 31849, Page 145 and Restriction in Book 10665,

Page 172 if in force and effect.

TERMS OF THE SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) by bank or certified check, will be required to be paid by the highest bidder at the time and place of the sale and said bidder will be required to sign a Memorandum of Sale containing the above and any announced terms. The sale will not be complete until such deposit is paid and such Memorandum is signed. In the event the successful bidder at the public auction fails to perform in the time specified to purchase the premises, the Mortgagee reserves the right, at its sole election, to sell the premises by foreclosure deed to the other qualified bidders, in descending order beginning with the next highest bidder and reserves the right, at its sole election, to assume the bid of any defaulting or declining bidder. The Purchaser will be required to deliver the balance of the bid price by bank or certified check within thirty (30) days of the date of the auction sale, at the law firm of Gelinas & Ward, LLP, 106 Merriam Avenue, Leominster, MA 01453 at which time the foreclosure deed and all related documents will be delivered to the Purchaser. The Purchaser will be solely responsible for filing and recording foreclosure documents and for the payment of deed excise stamps and filing and recording fees. The Mortgagee may postpone the sale by public proclamation at the original or postponed time and date of sale. OTHER TERMS, IF ANY, TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE SALE. Signed: **Workers’ Credit Union**, Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorney, C. Theodore Mariolis, Esq. Gelinas & Ward, LLP, 106 Merriam Avenue Leominster, MA 01453 (978) 537-2200 August 25, 2017 September 1, 2017 September 8, 2017

LEGAL AUCTION PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS

By virtue of the right granted by the statute, the Massachusetts Code Section 105A, the enforcement of satisfying the lien of Winchendon Central Storage, for storage and expenses will be sold at public auction on September 11 2017 9am. All and singular, the furnishings, household furniture and equipment of Anthony Hamilton storage bay #P 15, and Laura Smith #53 and Micheal Clark #P 5 and #P 7. All items sold will be cash or certified check only. Auction to be held at Winchendon Central Storage 234 Lincoln Ave Winchendon Ma 01475 August 25, 2017 September 1, 2017

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Bruce A. Traudt to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, dated May 12, 2005 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36359, Page 236 of which Mortgage Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R6 is the present holder by virtue of

the Judgment equitably assigning the Mortgage from Ameriquet Mortgage Company and ACC Capital Holdings Corporation to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R6 dated November 3, 2016 and recorded at Worcester County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 56413, Page 139, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purposes of foreclosing same, the mortgaged premises located at 81 Benjamin Street, Winchendon, MA 01475 will be sold at a Public Auction at 4:00 PM on September 28, 2017, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A parcel of land on the southerly side of Benjamin Street in Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts shown as Lot “A” on a plan entitled “Plan of lots prepared for owners, RICHARD E. & DOLORES A. GARNO, Winchendon, MA, Scale 1 inch = 50 feet, February 24, 2004, Edmond J. Boucher, PLS, 4 Jolly Road, Royalston, MA, 01368”, which plan is recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 806, Plan 59, to which plan reference is made for a more particular description. Lot “A” contains 1.0915 acres according to said plan.

For mortgagor’s title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36359, Page 234.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

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

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R6 Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Traudt, Bruce, 14-019586, September 1, 2017, September 8, 2017, September 15, 2017” September 1, 2017 September 8, 2017 September 15, 2017





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