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Charlton to look internally for new Chief

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – It's looking more and more like Charlton could have a favorite for its new chief, but selectmen want to make sure citizens understand that the decision has yet to actually be made.

Charlton's highest elected board officially initiated the search for a new chief in October mere weeks after Chief Charles Cloutier Jr. confirmed he will be leaving the depart-

ment as he retires following 23 years of service to the community, 11 as chief.

That announcement was made on Oct. 10 at which time Town Administrator Robin Craver and the chief himself spoke highly of Deputy Chief Ed Knopf as a possible replacement. A follow-up discussion at the end of October confirmed that selectmen consider Knopf as worthy applicant, but all selectmen were careful to stress a decision of a new chief

is very much still pending.

Following recommendations from Craver, selectmen agreed to post the job internally to see if any current town employees, including Knopf, would apply. Board of Selectmen Chair Joe Szafarowicz said its important selectmen encourage all interested parties to put their names forward for consideration to make for a fair process.

"Mr. Knopf's actions speak very loudly and he has accomplished a lot. He had a good

mentor. But, also I agree that everyone who is interested should apply," Szafarowicz said. "If no one applies in seven days we can always review it at another time."

Selectman David Singer was the first to speak about keeping the hiring process open and transparent saying that while he agrees with many of his fellow selectmen about the qualities Knopf would bring to the table he doesn't want citizens to think selectmen have

already made up their minds.

"I would caution against any impression of favoritism or automatic position for hiring. It is going to be posted for internal candidates, which means any internal candidate can apply for this job. We've been down this road before where people assume a certain candidate will get a position and they don't," Singer said. "We want to make sure that every internal employee that wants

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Courtesy photo

Shown accepting the check is (L to R) Pam Bruder, Rotary President Dave Zonia, and Catherine Chernisky.

Rotary collaborating to provide Thanksgiving baskets

One of Sturbridge Rotary's initiatives is to help eliminate hunger. For that reason, the Sturbridge Rotary Club decided in 2008 to provide Thanksgiving Food Baskets to the needy through the Catholic Charities Food Share Program of

Southbridge.

By 2015, the number of families requesting a turkey and grocery certificate had increased to over 400 families and Food Share found they do not have the funds to continue this special Thanksgiving program, nor do they have

the volunteers. Fortunately, eight local churches came together to form the Tri-Community Church Collaborative.

Consequently, Sturbridge Rotary continued to donate funds to the Church

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Education finance reform on radar for towns

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – It's been a rocky year for the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District and while discussions continue within the school committee concerning the future of budgeting for the district, Charlton's Board of Selectmen have shown support for a new bill they hope will assist in solving the problem.

Earlier this year the town of Charlton started the process of examining the cost and benefits of splitting off from Dudley to form its own town wide school district.

Currently the two towns share Shepherd Hill Regional High School and host a joint school committee, but frustration over cost sharing and budgeting has caused both com-

munities to examine the future of the partnership despite officials being vocal about not wanting to divide the towns.

The new bill may put the issue in the hands of state leaders. Labeled Senate Bill 217, the bill is sponsored by Democratic senators Harriette Chandler and Anne Gobi and would establish a commission focusing on regional school district foundation budgets. The bill was first introduced in January. At the request of the Dudley Charlton Regional School Committee and Superintendent Gregg Desto, the members of the Charlton Board of Selectmen discussed the bill and voted unanimously to support it.

One of the biggest talking

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Harrington Hospital and Auxiliary recognize volunteer efforts

STURBRIDGE — Harrington Health Care System and Harrington Auxiliary held its annual volunteer recognition dinner Oct. 16 at The Barn at Wight Farm in Sturbridge. More than 100 men and women volunteers from the hospital as well as many auxiliary members were in attendance.

Kelly T. Hibbard, manager of volunteer services, recognized 96 individuals for donating their time in service to "helping Harrington strive to provide compassionate quality care." Many Auxiliary members were among those who received recognition for their volunteer involvement with the organization's various fundraising events. Three special groups, Sturbridge Nifty Knitters, Oxford Silver Knitters and Overlook Silver Knitters, were honored for their contributions of 6,000, 24,500 and 42,500 hours, respectively.

In addition to distributing volunteer recognition awards, Hibbard honored Helen Lenti, immediate past president of the Auxiliary, with a specially designed bracelet for her significant fundraising efforts toward the Harrington Health Care System emergency department renovation project. Connie Favreau, current Auxiliary president, acknowl-



Courtesy photo

Kelly Hibbard, manager of volunteer services at Harrington Hospital (right), presents Marguerite Bartlett with the President's Volunteer Service Award for achieving 4,000 hours of lifetime volunteer

edged the outstanding efforts from the hospital gift shop staff, whose financial contributions have enabled the Auxiliary to fund several projects for the hospital.

Hibbard awarded the President's Volunteer Service award to Marguerite Bartlett

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Bay Path seeking solar leases

BY GUS STEEVES
STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON – Bay Path Tech is looking at leasing dozens of acres on its campus to become one or more solar arrays.

According to Principal Cliff Cloutier, they target properties comprise about 73 acres in two larger and three smaller pieces in two main areas. The larger two, totaling 40 acres, are north of the school "near the old lagoon," he told last week's School Committee meeting. The rest are across Muggett Hill Road, where the plan is to "keep away from the road as much as possible and hide it in the back," he said.

"It's clear there's a market for this even if we don't use the electricity," said Superintendent John LaFleche, who noted the school already buys solar credits from an array on Boy Scout property and doesn't need the power. "Under the new SMART regulations, you can put 5 MW on one contiguous parcel," so the total project could include 10

MW. But at this point it's not clear how much of it the member towns will have to approve.

The "SMART regulations" LaFleche cited are the Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target rules, which the state filed in August and are available online at www.mass.gov/eea/docs/doer/rps-aps/225-cmr-20-draft-clean-081117.pdf. Under those rules, the state is aiming to add "1600 MW of new solar generating capacity," with a lot more flexible rules for projects under 25 kW. Up to 25 kW, projects can get funding for 10 years; larger projects, for 20 years, and the state is requiring the distributors to "concurrently issue competitive solicitations" for proposals of 1-5 MW each totaling about 100 MW, due later this month. The state sets "ceiling prices" based on sizes; in the 1-5 MW range, it is 17 cents per kWh, with bonuses for various things, according to the draft regulations.

To qualify, all projects must start producing power

after Jan. 1, 2018; they can get bonuses if they are "co-located with an energy storage system" that's at least 65 percent efficient or if they're serving a low-income community, among other things. There are also provisions for floating solar arrays, provided they aren't in "natural water bodies" and "do not interfere with the continued use of the water body for its designed purposes."

Bay Path's project seems like it would fit under the standards for "other pervious open space," which require the developer to leave all soils in place; use minimal quantities of concrete, asphalt and "footings and other permanent penetration;" and "avoid creating a negative impact to soil and water best management practices" including causing erosion.

LaFleche said his goal is to seek proposals in early November for a 20-year lease,

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CHARLTON CAPSULES

CRAFTERS WANTED

We are looking for crafters to join our Craft Fair Bazar on Dec. 2 at the Charlton City Methodist Church, Stafford Road in Charlton. Tables at \$30 and spaces are \$25. Please contact Martha

at mburbridge50@gmail.com for more information. Please join us for the bazar and craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

GETTING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

The Bereavement Center at The Overlook in Charlton, Saturday, Nov. 4, 1-4:30 pm. The first holidays after the death of a family member are always dreaded and difficult. We can't take that pain away but we can share some strategies to help you cope. Please join us by calling Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

CHRISTMAS FAIR:

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Santa Claus Pancake Breakfast at Bay Path High School, 57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton, Saturday, Dec. 2, 7:30-10:30 a.m. Tickets \$5, children under 5 free. Free 5x7 family picture with Santa Claus professionally taken by Casson-Foster Photographers. You will receive an e-mail approximately one week after the event, notifying you that your photo is ready to be picked up in the main office at Bay Path. Raffle available.

GOING BATTY

November 13. Charlton Garden Club will hold a bat house building workshop. \$15 material fee. 7 pm at the Charlton Federated Church, Charlton. For more information, contact Ginny Charette (508) 248-7300, Marcia Liedigk at (508) 434-0507.

If not a member but want to come to make a bat box, please email thistle42@me.com.



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Members of Sturbridge Rotary welcome Bill Michael into the club.

ROTARY INDUCTS NEW MEMBER

The Sturbridge Rotary Club is pleased to announce that Basil "Bill" Michael has been inducted into the Club membership. Bill resides in Sturbridge and is the retired president of California Fruit Company. Bill is well known in the greater community and brings years of management experience to the organization which will be put to good use in the club's activities.

The Sturbridge Rotary Club meets on Mondays at 6 p.m. at the Publick House Historic Inn near the Sturbridge Common. For additional information on the Club, visit www.sturbridgerotary.org or check out the Club's Facebook page and "Like" us at www.facebook.com/sturbridgerotary.



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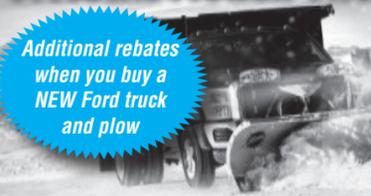
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Reducing emergency room visits through education

SOUTHBRIDGE — When the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission convened its October conference in Boxborough to showcase healthcare delivery transformations achieved through its Community Hospital Acceleration, Revitalization, & Transformation investment program, Harrington HealthCare's CHART program coordinator Maria Waterhouse and her team were present to explain how they achieved a 34 percent reduction in the number of emergency department revisits for patients who use the department as primary care.

Over the last two years, 27 community hospitals participating in 25 CHART programs have used \$60 million in CHART funding to create innovative, data-informed programs to improve care for high-risk populations in their communities. Through this program, caregiving teams at non-CHART hospitals learned how their CHART-funded peers achieved success.

Explaining how Harrington's CHART team achieved such successful results, Waterhouse said "the rapport established between the navigator and the patient is a key dynamic to the program's success. We have demonstrated

that it is possible to identify and engage high-risk patients with complex needs in the emergency room setting, to effectively follow up with them and provide support, navigation and problem-solving."

Harrington began implementation of its medical home model in 2014, supported by a \$3.5 million grant awarded by the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission. Targeted at increasing access to behavioral health services across all of southern Worcester County by removing barriers to care, Waterhouse says "the program's goal is to break the cycle of repeat patient visits in the emergency room by promoting continuity of care and establishing stability in the community."

The core team, composed of eight full-time staff, has achieved two years of success, having integrated support services into the care plan of hundreds of individuals in the community.

"This initiative," says Greg Mirhej, executive director of behavioral health, "has allowed us to reduce the burden on acute care resources, and in turn develop model programs for those with behavioral health needs that are more effective, less costly, and offer a greater

scope of care."

"The process begins when a social worker is alerted during the patient's medical evaluation," according to Waterhouse. "They complete a clinical assessment, create an individualized care plan and assign a navigator to work with the patient. The plan often includes home visits and addresses issues like access to food or shelter, outpatient programs, recovery services, doctor's appointments, long-term community supports, employment assistance and transportation."

"Our partnership with community hospitals is a critical part of the Health Policy Commission's efforts to achieve the Commonwealth's cost containment and quality improvement goals," says David Seltz, executive director of the Health Policy Commission. "CHART hospitals were issued a challenge: propose initiatives that will put you on a path of transformation, while meeting critical health care needs of your community. As we saw from Harrington Healthcare and our other presenters, they have met that challenge. Harrington's results show that their program is working to achieve its goals and positively impacting its patients.

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We look forward to continuing to partner with Harrington HealthCare and the communities it serves to build a more coordinated and affordable health care system."

The CHART program is a four-year community hospital public-private partnership aimed at enhancing delivery of efficient, effective care. The Health Policy Commission's partnership with community hospitals is a critical part of the agency's efforts to achieve the Commonwealth's cost containment and quality improvement goals.

Choral group planning annual auction

STURBRIDGE — The Quinebaug Valley Singers, centered in Sturbridge announce the second annual auction, to be held Sunday, Nov. 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple St. in Sturbridge. The many high-quality items, gift certificates and services to be auctioned can be previewed at 1:30 p.m.

This is an unusual auction, benefiting an unusual organization. The Quinebaug Valley Singers, founded over 30 years ago, draw their 50+ members from many communities in south-central Massachusetts and northeastern Connecticut. They present two pairs of concerts a year, in December and May. Under the leadership of music director Nym Cooke, they have established a reputation for top-notch performances and unusual, creative programming.

This year's QVS auction will feature both live bid-

ding (led by experienced auctioneer Roland Parent) and silent bidding. A registration fee of \$10, payable either at the door, in advance from any QVS member, or by contacting the auction's co-chairs (see below), buys you a bidding paddle, and you're ready for the fun of bidding—and the excitement of winning treasures!

But there are other special features as well. Light refreshments will be served, free of charge. And there will be live musical entertainment: the chorus will sing, and some talented instrumentalists will solo. A great time is guaranteed for all!

For further information about the auction, or to reserve a bidding paddle, contact either of the auction's co-chairs, Linda Lambrecht (lamfam151@gmail.com) or Carol Curtin (carolcurtin77@gmail.com). If you would like to donate an item, a

gift certificate, or a service, contact Jeanne Adler (jdadler@charter.net).

And come to the Quinebaug Valley Singers' holiday concerts! You have a choice of two venues on two dates: St. Joachim Chapel, St. Anne/St. Patrick Parish in Fiskdale, on Saturday, Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m., or Charlton Baptist Church on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. Both concerts are free, and (as always) will include yummy refreshments.

More information about the Quinebaug Valley Singers may be found on their Facebook page (Quinebaug Valley Singers - QVS) or on their website (www.qvsingers.org). Or by calling Linda Lambrecht at (774) 402-0218 or Carol Curtin at (508) 341-6828.



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STACY ERIN CICIO WEDDING ANNOUNCED

Maureen and Brent Booker of Charlton proudly announce the marriage of their daughter Stacy Erin to Joshua Cicio.

The couple were married Sept. 30, 2017 in Woodstock, VT.

Stacy is a nurse in the emergency room at Harrington Hospital

Josh is the son of Lisa and Jim Cicio of Southbridge. He is employed in the sales division of Rand Whitney in Worcester.

After a trip to Jamaica, the couple will be residing in Southbridge.

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for achieving 4,000 hours of lifetime volunteer service and for her outstanding dedication to Harrington Hospital.

Department managers from The Cancer Center, transport, dietary, 3 North medical/surgical unit and phlebotomy delivered speeches in which they hailed the volunteers who have helped each area function efficiently and effectively.

Before closing the ceremony, Hibbard announced a couple of new volunteer opportunities at the Hospital.

"If you are reflective, com-

passionate, cheerful and have a pleasant manner, we need you!! We are in need of a courtesy driver to drive a transport vehicle, which will pick up and/or drop off our patients in the parking lots. We also have several openings for greeters and ambassadors. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please contact Volunteer Services at (508) 765-6472," she said.

Harrington Auxiliary, established in 1932, is a non-profit organization of dedicated and impassioned volunteers whose mission is to support and enhance the excellent services provided by the Harrington HealthCare System.

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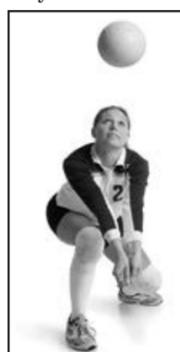
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frame you will most likely only have serious buyers because only serious buyer want to trek through snow and cold weather to look at homes. At the same time, if you are looking to buy a home as well then you may have less homes to view as many people take their home off the market in the fall and winter.

I always suggest not to rush to get your home on the market as it may not show as well as it could and thus caus-



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ing you to take a lower price for the home. If you decided today to move I would suggest making any necessary repairs, stage the home for pictures and then reevaluate the market when the home is ready to market to decide if it is the right time and this way you can win the beauty competition because that is what you are entering when your home

goes up for sale. I was looking at an article last year posted on Realtor.com that said staged homes sell 88% faster and for 20% more money than homes that were not staged for the sale. This tells me staging is important to the sale of your home.

So there is really no cut and dry answer to this question. If you meet with a Seasoned Realtor that is familiar with your market and your situation they should be able to guide in what is the best decision for you and your home.

Local Girl Scouts need troop leaders

BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Vicki Peck travels to locations throughout central Massachusetts to recruit for the Girl Scouts, an organization she holds dear. Peck has been a Girl Scout leader for most of her adult life and she grew up participating in local troops. She now leads a troop in Southbridge and is also a mentor and manager for all Girl Scouts in town. Southbridge is a part of the Hammerock Service Unit, which also covers Charlton.

At these recruiting events, Peck finds no shortage of girls interested in becoming involved.

The Girl Scouts, one of the longest running service groups for girls in the United States, attracts the interest of many families. Girls sign up at the various levels of membership, from Daisies for the youngest girls through Cadets and onto Seniors for teenagers. The recruiting challenge lies in finding enough leadership volunteers for the girls who sign up.

In the area of the Hammerock Service Unit, leaders are needed at all levels, but particularly for the youngest Girl Scouts, the Daisies and the Brownies. Daisy groups are for 5- and 6- year-olds or kindergarten through second grade.

Brownies groups accommodate 7- to 8-year-olds or grades three and four. After that, the junior, cadet, and senior levels may take a group of girls into adolescence and into adulthood. In fact, it is common for a group to grow up together through the scouting levels and form lifelong bonds.

The Girl Scouts mission statement says that "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place." Peck couldn't agree more about the impact of the Girl Scout experience.

"My girls are phenomenal," remarks Peck. "The volunteer work we do is amazing. Through scouting, they can feel more comfortable and gain confidence in themselves. Some girls who experience shyness in group really come out of their shells as Girl Scouts."

The time requirement for volunteering as a Girl Scout troop leader is flexible. Troop leaders can create a meeting schedule that works for them and their group. Peck's group meets once a week but other troops may meet two times a month, or even once a month for a longer session if needed.

"You can tailor it to your lifestyle so you can make it work," comments Peck. She says that some leaders create a multilevel troop to accommodate specific needs. Each group may have particular talents and interests on hand as well. Some are more oriented toward outdoor activities and others show a preference for indoor activities, such as crafts or volunteering at local organizations.

A troop leader does not have to be the mother of a daughter, as many may think, reports Peck. Volunteer leaders may be fathers, aunts, grandmothers or other responsible community members. College students

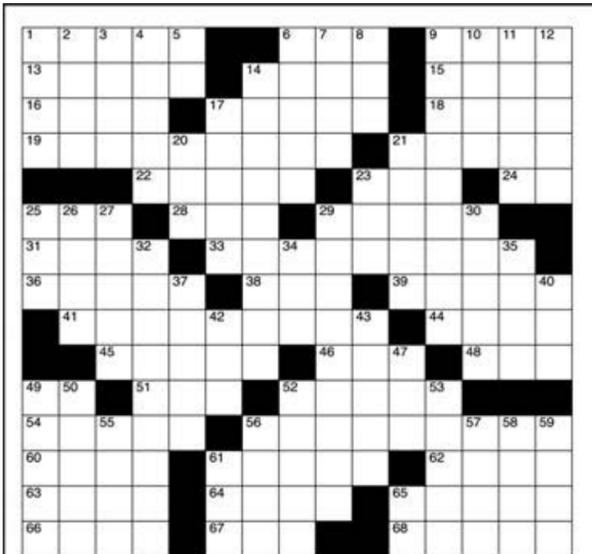


Sarah Champagne photo

Girl Scout Dara Peck and her mother, Girl Scout Leader Vicki Peck, are actively recruiting for more leaders.

and adult alumnae of the Girl Scouts make great leaders as well. When a volunteer leader comes on board, the Girl Scouts perform a quick CORI check and then provide an orientation to get started. Mentorship and support is the available on an ongoing basis. Locally, Peck supports new troops as needed.

If you are interested in learning more or signing up, you can contact Peck at vicki.peck@yahoo.com or call (800) 462-9100 for membership services. You may also register at the Central Massachusetts Girl Scouts website, www.gscwm.org.

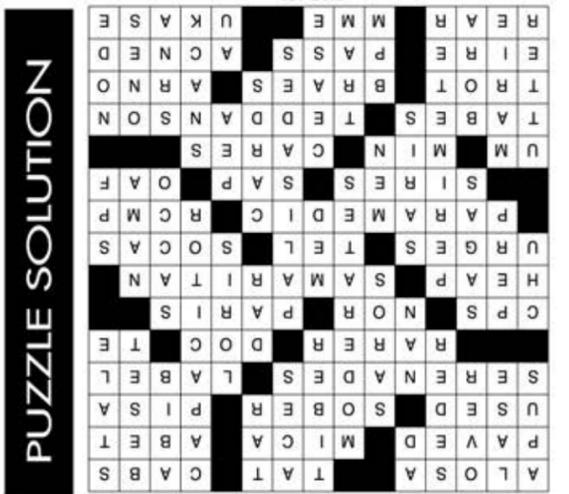


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. River herrings
- 6. Body art (slang)
- 9. Taxis
- 13. Covered with asphalt
- 14. Mineral found in granite
- 15. Assist
- 16. Handled
- 17. Not drunk
- 18. Home to a famous tower
- 19. Songs
- 21. A way to designate
- 22. More infrequent
- 23. Medical man
- 24. Tellurium
- 25. Cycles/second
- 28. Neither
- 29. Home to a famous tower
- 31. Former Ravens tight end Todd
- 33. One who helps
- 36. Tries to persuade
- 38. Israeli city ___ Aviv
- 39. Political distance (abbr.)
- 41. Emergency first aid worker
- 44. Canadian law enforcers
- 45. Fathers
- 46. Drain of resources
- 48. An awkward stupid person
- 49. Home of the Wolverines
- 51. Chinese
- 52. Gives a hoot
- 54. Emaciation
- 56. "Sam Malone"
- 60. Horses do this
- 61. Hillsides
- 62. River in Florence
- 63. Republic of Ireland
- 64. Lapse
- 65. Blemished
- 66. Backside
- 67. Woman (French)
- 68. An edict of the Russian tsar

CLUES DOWN

- 1. The Bird of Paradise
- 2. Emit coherent radiation
- 3. Above
- 4. Passover feast and ceremony
- 5. Commercial
- 6. Rome is on its banks
- 7. Kershaw and King Felix are two
- 8. Seaman
- 9. Stores an electronic charge
- 10. Teething babies need ___
- 11. Threaten persistently
- 12. Not fresh
- 14. Presides over
- 17. Astronomical period
- 20. Harding's self-proclaimed mistress Britton
- 21. Nocturnal primate
- 23. Patriotic American women
- 25. Vietnamese river
- 26. Suspect
- 27. Heroic tales
- 29. Fences of wooden stakes
- 30. Venzetti's partner
- 32. Outermost parts of an area
- 34. Type of student
- 35. Noncoding RNA gene
- 37. Frocks
- 40. Sunscreen rating
- 42. Opposite of women
- 43. Needed to play games
- 47. A partner to carrots
- 49. Absolute
- 50. Disgraced French aristocrat Antoinette
- 52. End
- 53. Food eaten between meals
- 55. Cold wind
- 56. Streetcar
- 57. Soluble ribonucleic acid
- 58. Singles
- 59. Intersecting point
- 61. Beats per minute
- 65. Gold



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Church collaborative to provide Thanksgiving dinners

BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

For the third year in a row, the Tri-Community Church Collaborative plans to collect donations to provide Thanksgiving dinner to local families in need. The group, as organized by Cathy Chernisky, began the effort in 2015 when Southbridge Food Share was no longer able to provide Thanksgiving meals to local families in need. The Food Share had provided the service for at least a decade prior.

In 2014, Chernisky read in the Southbridge News that the Food Share would not be able to continue the annual effort to bring Thanksgiving dinners to local families in need. Chernisky, a devout Christian, had been resting a lot due to hip problems, but she was growing bored – and anxious for a project to take on. She conferred with her husband Bob and then thought and prayed on the idea of coordinating the Thanksgiving

dinner drive for several days before deciding that it was “in her heart” to take on the project. She reached out to several area churches and began to coordinate the logistics and donations to begin the effort. In 2015, the first year of the Tri-Community Church Collaborative project, at least seven churches contributed to the project.

In 2016, the Tri-Community Church Collaborative began working with the Southbridge school system to get high school students involved in organizing the effort. This year, students will be even more involved, approaching small local businesses to ask for donations and to describe how they can get involved.

Chernisky derives joy from serving God in her work with the Tri-Community Church Collaborative Thanksgiving drive. She is also grateful to the Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton communities, who have given

generously each year.

“We have been very proud of the tri-community response. We have been given a lot of support - it has been so generous. We want to relay thanks for all previous support,” comments Chernisky.

Reflecting on the effort, Chernisky says, “We are doing this for people in difficult circumstances to give them a reason to experience joy at the holidays. We are doing this so that they have a reason to be thankful and joyful, under any circumstance.”

The Tri-Community Church Collaborative will be stationed outside local businesses for the next few weekends. They will have a small list available for people as they go into the store to make it easier to remember and find the items that are needed the most. This helps create the most efficient results for everyone and helps donors make sure they are making the most impact.

You can find the group Oct. 28 outside of Shaw's and Wal-Mart, on Nov. 4 outside of Shaw's and Wal-Mart, and Nov. 10 outside of Wal-Mart. The group will be at these locations from about 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on those days. Distribution day to area families will be held on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, Nov. 18 at 45 Charlton St.. The location will have a sign out front to indicate that registration for the Thanksgiving dinners is held there. Those registering for the Thanksgiving dinners should arrive with a photo identification and a piece of mail indicating their address. Efforts are made to not duplicate the efforts of any other group that may be giving out Thanksgiving dinners.

For questions about the effort or to make a donation outside of the times the group will be at stores, contact Cathy Chernisky at (774) 230-2708 or at bob_and_cathy@yahoo.com.

Energy fund gearing up for winter

The Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund, a cooperative effort between the state's sponsoring energy companies and their customers to help households in temporary financial crisis pay their energy bills, announces that its 2016-17 “Give the Gift of Warmth” campaign raised \$448,003 in contributions. Most importantly, the donations to the campaign provided energy assistance to 1,233 Massachusetts households in need.

“Raising close to a half million dollars for thousands in

temporary crisis shows the commitment of the Fund's sponsoring energy companies and the true giving spirit of our sponsors' customers,” said Patrick Murray, chairperson of the 2017-18 Good Neighbor Energy Fund campaign and customer satisfaction and regulatory compliance lead supervisor for National Grid. “Donations from other sources, including companies and foundations, also added to the community effort to ‘Give the Gift of Warmth’ to all our neighbors in need.”

The fund is often the last

resort for families who have not qualified for federal and state assistance programs. The Salvation Army, which administers the fund, pays the energy provider directly for households whose gross income falls between 60 and 80 percent of the state's median income levels. For example, in the upcoming 2017-18 GNEF campaign year, a household size of four would need to have a total gross yearly income of between \$66,115 and \$88,153 to qualify.

Since its establishment in 1985, the Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund has

raised over \$21 million and helped more than 87,250 families in need pay a month's energy expense. For more information, visit www.magoodneighbor.org.

The Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund opened for all applicants beginning Wednesday, Nov 1. Households in need who meet the eligibility guidelines are encouraged to visit the Salvation Army Center nearest to their home to request assistance.

Energy customers in Massachusetts can “Give the Gift of Warmth” by using the

Good Neighbor Energy Fund donation envelope found in their utility bills during the winter months or through an ‘add a dollar’ program offered by some companies which allows customers to increase their monthly utility bill payment by one dollar or more. Customers can also donate online by visiting www.magoodneighbor.org or simply make a check payable to “Good Neighbor Energy Fund” and send it Good Neighbor Energy Fund, c/o The Salvation Army, 25 Shawmut Road, Canton, MA 02021-1408.

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need post adoption contact with his sister who is one year older than he is. Joey would do best in a home where he is the only child or with other children that are significantly older.

Westfield Adoption Party

Have you ever considered adopting a child from foster care? Join the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at the Westfield Boys and Girls Club on November 5th from 1:30-3:30 pm in Westfield. Families are invited to meet children and sibling groups of all ages who are waiting to be adopted, and to speak with their social workers. Whether you are considering adoption for the first time or have already completed MAPP training, this event is for you! To register, email web@mareinc.org.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 1-800-882-1176 or visit www.mareinc.org.

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LEARNING

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BREAKFAST

Nutrition Tip: 95% of Americans still aren't eating enough whole grain. Whole grains give kids the energy they need to be active and play sports!
 Reference: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Department of Agriculture Dietary Guidelines for Americans,

Full Price \$1.75 Reduced \$0.30
Daily Breakfast Alternates: Assorted Muffins, Cereal and Yogurt Smoothies
Or Try the Grab and Go Line with an assortment of breakfast pastries
All meals are served with a choice of assorted 8oz low fat milk

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
French Toast with Strawberries & Cream 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 6	Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Biscuit 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 7	Scrambled Eggs Bacon Whole Wheat Toast 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 1	Sausage, Egg & Cheese on an English Muffin 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 2	Homemade Coffee Cake 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 3
Pancakes with Mixed Berries 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 13	Assorted Bagel Assorted Cream Cheese 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 14	Scrambled Eggs Sausage Whole Wheat Toast 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 8	Ham, Egg & Cheese on a Croissant 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 9	 Veteran's Day Observed 10
French Toast with Syrup 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 20	Ham, Egg & Cheese on an English Muffin 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 21	Assorted Bagel Assorted Cream Cheese 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 22	23	24
Blueberry Pancakes with Syrup 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 27	Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Croissant 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 28	Scrambled Eggs Sausage Whole Wheat Toast 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 29	Waffle Bar with Assorted Toppings 4oz Yogurt 4oz Fruit Juice Fruit Variety 30	**Meals are subject to change without notice**

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LUNCH

Daily Lunch Alternates: Salad Bar, Assorted Grinders, PBJ Sandwich, Fruit and Yogurt Parfait, and Hummus with Vegetable Crudité & Pita
Tuesday & Friday: Assorted pizza
All meals are served with a choice of 8oz low fat milk

Nutrition Tip: Practice stealth health - sneak veggies into favorite foods. Go light on the meat and top your pizza with vegetables like tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, mushrooms, zucchini, and artichoke hearts.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shepherd's Pie Seasoned ground Beef and Corn topped with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy WW Dinner Roll Fruit Variety 6	Buffalo Chicken Tender WW Dinner Roll Baked French Fries Carrot Sticks w/ Hummus Fruit Variety 7	Nachos Seasoned Ground Beef & Cheese on a bed of Tortilla Chips Served w/ assorted toppings Black Bean and Corn Salad Fruit Variety 1	Teriyaki Chicken Strip Vegetable Fried Rice Bok Choy Fortune Cookie Fruit Variety 2	1/2 Day 3
Baked Potato Bar Choice of Sweet or Idaho Potato w/ a side of chili Assorted Toppings Corn Bread Fruit Variety 13	Mozzarella Sticks Baked Mozzarella Sticks w/ Marinara Dipping Sauce Tossed Salad Fruit Variety 14	Turkey Bacon Mel Tender slices of Turkey, toasted with Bacon & Cheese Tossed Salad Fruit Variety 8	Macaroni & Cheese Elbow Pasta in a Creamy Homemade Cheese Sauce WW Dinner Roll Sweet Peas Fruit Variety 9	 Veteran's Day Observed 10
Swedish Meatball in a Savory Gravy Served over Egg Noodles Seasoned Green Beans Fruit Variety 20	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Baked Hash Brown Fruit Variety 21	Chicken Parmesan Breaded Chicken topped with Marinara Sauce and Mozzarella Cheese over a bed of Pasta Mixed Vegetables WW Dinner Roll Fruit Variety 15	Roasted Turkey w/ Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Glazed Carrots Bread Stuffing Cranberry Sauce Blueberry Crisp 16	24
Spaghetti & Meatballs Pasta Topped with Meatballs and Marinara Sauce Garlic Bread Steamed Broccoli Fruit Variety 27	Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich on WW Bun Baked Sweet Potato Fries Veggie Sticks w/Hummus Fruit Variety 28	1/2 Day 22	Brunch For Lunch Pancakes w/ Sausage Links or Bacon & Cheese Quiche Hash Brown Patty Strawberries 30	**Meals are subject to change without notice**

UNICEF Club names secretary



Kelsey Tillotson

UNICEF Club for Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy named Kelsey Tillotson, of Spencer as club secretary. Tillotson earned her medical assisting certificate at Grafton Job Corps and her high school diploma at Penn Foster High School in 2015 with a 3.6 GPA. Tillotson has worked for Patriot Direct Family Medicine, in Natick since April 2017. Her expected graduation at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is June 22, 2018. Tillotson had the opportunity to go Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, with the UNICEF Club to meet club members from all over the New England region, brainstorm collaboration opportunities, work through challenges, showcase the amazing work that they have done in the past and discuss goals for the year ahead.

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LEARNING

Herron urges students to avoid drugs

BY GUS STEEVES
STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON – Chris Herren knows all too well that how we commonly perceive addicts is wrong.

For years, until going sober nine years ago, he was one.

“Many of you have the attitude of ‘I’ll never be that guy,’” he told hundreds of students in Bay Path’s gym. “That comes from how we present addiction – we show the worst day,” when a person’s close to death, not how it begins: with sneaking around and dishonesty to loved ones.

To Herren, the latter is the important part, especially since so many teens have already passed it, although they may not yet be addicts. In his case, it came at age 13, when he and a friend stole his father’s beer and went behind the garage to chug it. After finishing, they crushed and buried the cans, but when they came around the corner to resume playing hoops, Herren’s mother was there. He said she wanted to give him a hug, but he turned and ran because he didn’t want her to smell the beer on his breath.

Herren knew, even then, that was the thing that would hurt her most, since she had to regularly deal with his alcoholic father and his drunken combativeness, which Herren often heard from his bedroom.

High school was a time when he felt “a need” to party, but he said what he remembers most wasn’t having fun, it was what he did “at the end of the night



Gus Steeves photo

Chris Herron talks to freshmen and seniors at Bay Path Monday.

– the hour, half-hour, so I could sober up” and hide the evidence of intoxication with eye drops, breath freshener and the like so his mother wouldn’t know.

At the same time, he recalled seeing his friends who didn’t drink or drug and would tell himself, “They have something special I’m missing. How can they have fun without it, and I struggle?”

Today, Herren gets it. He sometimes sees audience members make a point of their sobriety – and sometimes sees them laughed at, a reaction he always objects to, asking the laughers why they feel

the need to laugh at someone who doesn’t need drugs to feel good. One of those incidents, in which a few kids in purple thanked him for speaking up and supporting their pledges to stay sober, led to the founding of Project Purple within his umbrella project, the Herren Foundation.

He looks kids in the eyes as he talks, and often sees some cry as his story hits home. He also scatters painful stories he’s heard from students through his own – young people who turn to cutting themselves or even kill themselves, by accident or intention, to escape whatever they’re expe-

riencing.

“There are kids in this gym who are struggling. That’s a fact,” Herren said. Sometimes, kids will speak up with personal stories after he speaks, but not today. Far more often, they contact him afterward by email; he noted he has a staff of counselors who actually respond to such issues.

Getting to this point took a long time. As he got older, Herren graduated to sampling other drugs, and eventually found Oxycontin in college. When he couldn’t get that from his dealer, he turned to heroin, which short-circuited a promising career with the Boston Celtics, nearly killed him several times, and prompted him to steal from his own family.

“There was never a night ... where I looked in the mirror and said, ‘I’m so proud of you. You must feel so good about yourself, Chris,’” he told the crowd. That has changed. Today, the only time he ever feels attracted to the idea of drinking or doing drugs is “when I don’t want to be myself.”

Herren means that in a good sense because he now knows who he is. But he knows from experience that’s exactly why many people do substances – because they hate their lives and are in pain.

“If I find it, I’m not punishing, yelling, or taking [things] away because of it,” he said. “I’ll tell them how much I love them and ask one question: ‘Please, tell me why, man? Why does my son need to do drugs to hang out with friends he’s

known since age 5? Why don’t you feel good just being yourself?”

While Herren was specifically referring to how he’d react to his own children using something, he noted anyone can use a similar approach to dealing with their friends in pain. During the brief question period, he noted that while some teens don’t have a parent they can trust at home, there are always adults at school who can help them, and if a teen finds a friend in trouble, they should bring that person to one of those adults.

“This is a really tough thing for a lot of kids to go through,” said Principal Cliff Cloutier afterward. “As he said, a lot of kids hold their feeling back. We hope, deep down it affects more kids to make the right decisions for their future.”

Teacher Dina LePage, sponsor of Bay Path’s Students Against Destructive Decisions chapter, said she’d been trying to get Heron to speak here for three years before succeeding. In the past, the school has had similar speakers, including Springfield’s Joe Morrison, who had the same message from a different background – “He had nothing, and how he was surviving was by selling drugs,” she recalled.

“To think there is not a drug issue at this school would be very naïve,” LePage said. “We often don’t know what kids’ lives are like. Bringing this message to them now will help give a positive spin to their lives in the future.”

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Teen Night at the Tri-Community YMCA on Friday, Nov. 3 from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., located on 43 Everett St. Open exclusively for teen’s grades 6-12 only. Wear your favorite sports team jersey or shirt and spend your Friday nights participating in tournaments for basketball and volleyball, rock wall climbing, check out our NEW game room or hang out with friends. The cost is \$3 per student no re-entry to the

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Join the Y to help support Puerto Rico with a two-hour Zumba class (must be 13 years or older to participate) on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9-11 a.m., located on 43 Everett Street. Assist with a monetary donation of \$10 or more and enjoy two hours of Zumba with 2 outstanding instructors, with childwatch included at no additional fee. All levels welcome. Please call 508.765.5466 or visit tricomcommunityYMCA.org for more information

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Join the Tri-Community YMCA’s AOA (Active Older Adults) Luncheon on Wednesday, Nov. 15 starting at 11:30 am, located on 43 Everett St. The guest speaker will be Rita Sullivan from RSVP to discuss “Fraud Protection”, and the luncheon menu will be sliced turkey breast and vegetables. Please call 508.765.5466 or visit tricomcommunityYMCA.org for more information

ers, babysitters and fitness professionals. This class is not for Lifeguards. The cost is \$45 per person. To pre-register or for more information visit tricomcommunityYMCA.org or by calling 508.765.5466

THURSDAY, November 23

Everyone is invited to the Tri-Community YMCA’s Annual Pre-Feast Workout on Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 23 from 6:30 am until 10:00 am, at 43 Everett Street in Southbridge. The Fitness Center and Pool will be open from 6:30 am until 9:45 am. Come try one of our pool activities or for the cardio enthusiast, choose from three (45 min) total body workouts using balance, core and body strength. Entrance fee for everyone is a bag of non-perishable food items, or a monetary donation of \$10.00 per person to benefit the Southbridge Food Share, so bring a friend or family member to join you in a pre-feast workout. For more information and scheduled class times, visit tricomcommunityYMCA.org or by calling 508-765-5466.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

The Tri-Community YMCA is offering Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED Training on Thursday, Nov. 16 starting at 6 p.m. at the YMCA, located on 43 Everett St. Learn how to respond to cardiac and breathing emergencies for both adult and infant/child, including the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED) until advanced medical personnel arrive. Good for childcare provid-

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to apply for it is given equal opportunity.”

Regardless of who the candidate is that fills the open position selectmen seemed to agree hiring from within

was the best course of action, unless of course nobody steps up to apply for the job. No discussion was had about future options for the hiring if an internal candidate was not chosen. Those discussions were held off as selectmen want to see how the internal process plays out.

ROTARY

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Collaborative to help purchase the turkeys.

2017 is the 10th year that Sturbridge Rotary Club has participated in this worthwhile cause. To date we have contributed over \$2,900 to pre-screened families in the towns of Sturbridge, Southbridge and Charlton to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner.

Sturbridge Rotary Club is one of 35,000 clubs worldwide providing

humanitarian service as members of Rotary International. Beyond the local and international help that we provide, we are most proud of our work toward helping to eliminate hunger in the local communities.

If you would like to help the Tri-Community Church Collaborative, please send your donations made out to Charlton Baptist Church with Tri-Community Church Collaborative (or just “TCCC”) in the memo area. Mail your check to Catherine Chernisky - Chairperson, 150 Elm St., Southbridge, MA 01550.

BAY PATH

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but he’d like to have a solar-experienced lawyer in place to help negotiate the deal. He noted he has already talked to Southbridge and plans to modify their standard request for proposals.

“One of the more important facets of the lease” is removal and disposal of the panels, he said. “Is it hazardous waste 20 years from now? Who knows what it is 20 years from now.”

LaFleche said it could take about two years before any panels actually start producing energy.

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EDITORIAL

Enter the season of change

November. Not quite winter, too late for fall; a biting wind one day and balmy the next, it's a month in quandary. The closest thing to November in many ways is its opposite: March.

Changing from one major season to another is tough on Mother Nature. The actions are not swift and sure, but tentative, slow and unclear.

The sou'easter that swept through last weekend was one example, we can be grateful it didn't contain snow.

It did, however, strip the trees of remaining leaves, so the end came swiftly for leaf peepers.

Dressing oneself is a challenge too. A shivery 40 in the morning that feels like sweaters and even a jacket might give way to 70 by afternoon and the need to peel off a layer. Then, by the time the sun disappears, the temperature drops once more, and the shivers return.

We are watching closely the decisions being considered by Charlton and Dudley concerning the school district. Is it cost effective or even a good educational decision to go their separate ways? It could mean duplicating several positions, particularly administratively. And there would be a need for one town to create space for a separate high school program, another expense.

There would be expenses incurred for additional teachers for some programs, think of "specials" such as art and music; and transportation costs for separate schools (no longer reimbursed at all by the state...any of it. Independent districts get NO reimbursement for transportation at all.)

There would be new offices needing new support staff, janitorial services for separate buildings, additional costs for separate coaching staff for athletics....

We just don't see where there are ANY savings for anyone here money wise.

Pride wise. Maybe. Frustration deflator, perhaps. But savings? Nope. None.

So that change should not be on the horizon at all.

Why "Hate Speech" is, and should remain, constitutional

Alexander Hamilton once wrote, "The sacred rights of mankind are not to be rummaged for, among old parchments, or musty records. They are written, as with a sun beam in the whole volume of human nature, by the hand of the divinity itself; and can never be erased or obscured by mortal power."

One such is the First Amendment to the Bill of Rights, which in part says, "Congress shall make no law...abridging the freedom of speech."

Since neither the executive or judicial branches can make law, only Congress (Art. 1, Section 1), or in the case of the judiciary rule in such a way as to make law, the federal government can impose no restriction on speech and neither can the states as the 14th Amendment made the Bill of Rights applicable to them as well.

Under liberty, speech cannot be qualified by government into types of speech as good, bad, harmful or hateful. Segments of society cannot authorize government to forbid speech they disagree with. It is left to the individual to do it for himself by turning off the television, radio, Internet or not attending an event expected to have such and leaving it when it does. Peer pressure harnesses most unacceptable speech but moving from offensive speech can deal with the rest.

If government could qualify speech into types, levels of restriction would follow with anti-government speech listed as one of the first. The Founding Fathers were at the top of the list in pre-revolutionary times, thus their obsession to forbid a place for government in speech. If government decides these things we are not free, as it will always decide in favor of enhancing itself.

Colleges and universities are places where intellectual debate should flourish and be encouraged. Learning requires the free flow of ideas. Viewpoint diversity, now absent in so many universities, is critical. Restricting viewpoint is tantamount to burning books in medieval times.

Student unrest in many universities last spring demonstrated what is becoming obvious; institutions of higher learning are becoming radicalized and project intolerance for anything but a liberal view. Too few permit conservative or libertarian speakers and far fewer constitutional speakers.

College is supposed to be a big tent housing all types of thinking so that the student can gravitate to what he thinks best after all sides are presented. Although everyone gives lip service to this statement, there still exists a preferred philosophy. Most colleges insist that they adhere to the idea of intellectual diversity, but the literature suggests otherwise, that the vast majority of colleges and universities are weighted in favor of one ideology and professors to one political party. Many political science textbooks acknowledge this. In my field, it is rare when professors present more than the preferred philosophy.

There exists a consensus of what a "good education" consists. Students are immersed in race consciousness, feminism, multiculturalism, environmentalism, collectivism, globalism,



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political activism, class warfare, global warming, acceptance of sexual deviations as normal, and minimization of the importance of Christianity. The end product, the student, must come to accept the above script. It is also in virtually all

textbooks. It's not that any of these notions are bad, in and of themselves, but it is the nearly universal absence of the opposing view that is most troubling.

It is no wonder that in a just completed study of 1500 students; a majority felt that the First Amendment should not protect "hate speech" (which translates to speech they disagree with). In the geographically diverse survey covering college students from 49 states, John Villasenor found that "Freedom of expression is deeply imperiled on U.S. campuses. In fact, despite protestations to the contrary (often with statements like "we fully support the First Amendment, but...), freedom of expression is clearly not, in practice, available on many campuses, including many public campuses that have First Amendment obligations."

As mentioned, to the question, "Does the First Amendment protect 'hate speech'?" Most said no. This was so across all three political affiliations liberal, conservative and independent.

Other observations were noteworthy as well. Most, 62% of Democrats and 39% of Republicans also agreed that it was appropriate to shout down a controversial speaker to which they disagreed. With respect to the use of violence to shut down a speaker 20% of Democrats and 22% of Republicans agreed. Most incorrectly believed that the First Amendment required a presentation of a counter view. It does not. Worst yet, as college is supposed to be a place of competing view points, most also expected their institution to provide a learning environment that "shelters them from offensive views." Nonsense! College is supposed to prepare students for the real world, which has no filters.

This is especially disconcerting as students today do not know the most rudimentary parts of the Constitution and the consequence of this ignorance is serious. As pointed out by the Villasenor Survey, "What happens on campuses often foreshadows broader societal trends. Today's college students are tomorrow's attorneys, teachers, professors, policymakers, legislators, and judges."

"The sacred rights of mankind," as expressed by Alexander Hamilton, in this instance freedom of speech, is not hidden in old parchment but is, "as with a sunbeam," in the Constitution. It clearly denies government a function in addressing speech — even so-called "hate speech."

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Checklist for helping you choose a financial professional



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For reasons likely to remain obscure, October 30 is Checklist Day. But while the origins of this observance

may be a mystery, the value of checklists is clear: They help us organize our time and break large jobs into manageable steps. You can use a checklist for just about any significant endeavor — including the task of choosing a financial professional to help you achieve your important goals.

Here's what such a checklist might look like:

Find someone with the proper credentials. Make sure a prospective financial professional has the appropriate securities registrations.

Find someone who has worked with people like you. You'll want to seek out a financial professional who has experience working with people in circumstances similar to yours — that is, people of your financial status and with essentially the same goals and attitudes toward investing.

Find someone who will communicate with you regularly. During the course of your relationship with a financial professional, you will have many questions: Are my investments performing as they should? Should I change my investment mix? Am I still on track to meet my long-term goals? Plus, you will have changes in your life — new children, new jobs, new activities — that will affect your financial picture and that need to be communicated to your financial professional. Consequently, you need to be sure that whomever you work with is easy to reach and will be in regular contact with you. Many financial professionals meet with their clients at least once a year to discuss the clients' portfolios and recommend changes, as needed, and also make themselves available, through phone calls and email, for any questions or concerns their clients may have.

Find someone who will honor your preferences. Some financial professionals follow certain philosophies. For example, you might find one advisor who tends to favor aggressive investing, while another one might be more conservative. There's nothing wrong with either approach, but you'll want to be sure that your preferences take precedence in all recommendations and guidance you receive from a financial professional. And many professionals won't express any of their own preferences at all, but will instead follow a course of action based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon.

Find someone connected to other professionals. Your investment plans don't exist in a vacuum. Over time, you will likely need to integrate elements of your investment strategy with your tax and estate planning strategies. When this happens, you may find it advantageous to have a financial professional who can work with tax and legal professionals to help you meet all your needs in these areas.

Find someone whose compensation structure is acceptable to you. Financial professionals get paid in different ways — through fees, commissions or a combination of both. Which method is best for you, as an investor? There's no one "right" answer — but you will certainly want to understand exactly how your financial professional will get paid and how this pay structure will affect your interactions with him or her.

You may find this checklist to be useful when you interview financial professionals. Take your time and make sure you're confident about your ultimate choice. After all, you're hiring someone to help you reach your key goals, such as a comfortable retirement, so you'll want to get the right person on your side.

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Expanding Medicare to cover everyone

BY GUS STEEVES
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STURBRIDGE — Everyone considers good health care a necessity. The question is how to make sure it happens.

In many advanced nations, the people have given that duty to their governments, who run localized variants of what's known as "single payer."

Recently, several area residents heard about one form of that tailored for Massachusetts: Improved Medicare for All, which Jackie Wolf of the League of Women Voters described as "publicly-funded, privately-delivered healthcare" in which a single state fund pays for all preventive and medically necessary care (including dental and mental health) for everyone, who can choose their own doctors.

People would pay one premium payment annually, the same way we pay taxes; she said the plan calls for 7.5 percent to come from employers and 2.5 percent from the workers. Additionally, there'd be a 10 percent tax on unearned income (capital gains); in both cases, the first \$30,000 is exempt, as are Social Security, retirement, pension and unemployment benefits, Wolf explained.

She and colleague Leslie Nyman, a retired pediatric nurse, presented several Power Point graphs to support their case, arguing that most of the OECD nations "have some form of single payer. Single payer adapts to the country that's providing the services." Compared to many of them, the US health system is failing: our average life expectancy is 78.8, versus most of Europe in the 80s; maternal mortality is far higher (15.9 per 100,000 births) than similarly rich Australia (1.9) or Britain (6.7); first-year infant mortality is 6.0 per 1000



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Leslie Nyman, left, and Jackie Wolf present an overview of "Improved Medicare for All" at Sturbridge Town Hall on Oct. 18.

births, versus Sweden's 2.2 and Canada's 4.8. Furthermore, many more Americans report being unable to get health services even if insured because of cost, despite the fact the US "is spending far more money on health care than any other country," Wolf said.

A big part of the US's extra cost comes from the fact "30 percent of every dollar goes to non-health care costs of health insurance" -- including administration, advertising and lobbying. She noted Mass. General Hospital "has 450 people in billing alone. A comparably-sized hospital in Canada has two, and the joke is they exist to process the health claims of Americans who go there. It's a bureaucratic nightmare."

Many of those nations have had single payer systems for decades, starting with Germany in the late 1800s. In some, the doctors are government employees (UK, for example); in most, they're independent. Several allow people to

get additional insurance to cover things like cosmetic surgery the public plan doesn't cover. But "the common denominator is that the bills all come to one source, one central location," Wolf said.

In Massachusetts specifically, despite our supposedly "universal" coverage system sometimes dubbed "Romneycare," the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Foundation recently found that nearly 270,000 people lack insurance for various overlapping reasons, including 75 percent of them because they can't afford the premium, 40 percent because their job doesn't offer it, Wolf said.

Nyman later added the state's health care bill was about \$20 billion in 2016 -- 42 percent of the entire state budget. That's been rising for years, up 43 percent since 2001, and it means "cuts to the money they can give to municipalities for schools, roads, transportation." To ease some of the costs, many communities have changed plans

to require much higher copays and deductibles, meaning "workers are paying more and getting less benefit coverage," she said.

That's also often true in the private sector, where some smaller firms are eliminating coverage altogether.

"For a long time, my husband and I had a business, and three years in a row, health insurance costs went up 17 percent a year," Nyman recalled.

She also noted a few non-business incidents that happened to people she knew. In one, a 93-year-old woman fell, fracturing an ankle. The doctor prescribed three weeks of rehab, but her private insurer refused to pay more than one, forcing her to go home, where she needed to pay for help to finish recovering. In another, a friend's husband had Alzheimer's "of the combative variety," and ended up paying \$250,000 out of pocket for extra-duty nurses beyond what her insurance paid, she said.

When they opened

for questions, Tanya Nesuslan was ready. She said she works for a small insurer and "I've seen how little the state understands health insurance," including routinely under-paying Medicare/Medicaid claims and requiring firms to send data to the federal government that costs \$25 million a year. Additionally, she noted her firm has found \$13 million in fraud from providers. Because "thousands of people work in medical administration," she expressed concern about what transition to single payer would do to those jobs.

Wolf said the single payer trust fund bill (S. 619) sets aside 5 percent of the fund specifically to retrain those people "for the wealth of jobs that will open in health care" in what are termed "affiliated" fields (occupational and physical therapy, aides and the like.)

"Anybody who has significant knowledge and experience is presumably going to be invited to participate in this," she said.

"We welcome them."

Regarding the data issue, Nyman noted single payer simply wouldn't need such data.

Citing recent Supreme Court decisions, including Hobby Lobby, Nesuslan was also concerned that government officials might decide to eliminate certain kinds of coverage for religious or other reasons.

"You're a good devil's advocate," Wolf responded, then turned it around, saying, "We don't want private employers choosing" whether women get certain coverage, or contraceptives are allowed. She said she feels it'd be far harder for the state to put such restrictions in place than private firms or insurers.

Another woman noted she's had often seen doctors want to provide specific care, but the insurers reject it. How would this prevent that?

Wolf noted doctors will be part of the commission that drafts the plan and sets the requirements. The commission will look at how to attract more doctors, adding, "We need deliberate planning, so the doctors aren't left to the marketplace."

Another wondered about how it'll cover the unemployed and homeless.

Wolf didn't really answer that, but said, "We can't have a person dying on the street or starting an epidemic because they don't have care."

She described the current Obamacare system of tiers -- bronze to platinum -- as "nonsense. Your doctor should be deciding what's medically necessary."

A second bill, H.2987, calls for the state to compare the costs of single payer as organized under S. 619 to the current system, and if the former is cheaper, to begin the process of switching to it.

New building soon open

SOUTHBRIDGE — In just a few weeks, Harrington HealthCare System will open the doors to its new Child and Family Services Center in Southbridge.

The healthcare system has leased the former CarQuest Auto Parts store at 139 South St. After the renovation is complete, the facility will house mental health counseling and group sessions for children and adolescents, ages 4-24, and their families.

The move gives Harrington's Department of Mental Health an opportunity to present a new, expanded family treatment facility to the community.

"The new center really won't be anything like our current office space on Pine Street. This renovation will showcase a bright, inviting place where families can feel good seeking services," said Katie Adams, Harrington director

of mental health.

Adams said in 2016, she focused on expanding their school-based programs and services. The initiative had great success, but over time, led to growing pains within the department.

"The demand increased really quickly and we weren't able to meet it. Now, we are building a staff large enough to really service the schools that are requesting a presence," she said, adding her staff will be shifting from six to 12 clinicians when the building opens.

Adams hired several new members to her team, licensed clinical social workers and mental health clinicians and marriage and family therapists. She is also expanding the range of specialties offered for child and family services, including more expansive cognitive therapy. Through a grant, Adams

was able to send several of her staff to receive training in child trauma.

"We want to continue to expand our relationship with the local school systems, as well. Our new team has great experience and more to offer clinically," Adams said.

When finished, the 6,500 square-foot space will include 12 therapy offices, two group rooms, an administration suite and a large common waiting area.

The new Child & Family Services is expected to open by late November.

For more information, visit harringtonhospital.org



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Getting closer. The walls are going up and soon the new center will be open

Latest antiques and collectibles news

The public will soon have a chance to view a rare Revolutionary War sword. A Leonardo da Vinci painting and valuable Star Wars toy collection will also soon be auctioned according to some recent news reports.

A rare Revolutionary War Connecticut sword will go on public display for the first time according to a Fox News article. Col. Jonathan Pettibone, of the 18th Connecticut Regiment, was born in Simsbury, CT. The silver hilt is engraved with Pettibone's name, which is rare for Revolutionary War swords. The sword also bears the hallmark of silversmith Joseph Copp, of New London, CT. The sword was donated to the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia by B. Owen Williams, a descendant of Pettibone. Williams issued a statement saying, "I'm



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thrilled that it has survived in remarkably good condition despite my youthful exuberance and blissful ignorance to play with it surreptitiously as a boy." The sword will go on display in 2018.

Reuters reports that the last privately owned painting by Leonardo da Vinci will be hitting the auction block this month. The painting, titled "Salvator Mundi," is one of less than 20 known paintings by the renowned artist.

According to Reuters, "the portrait depicts Christ in vivid blue and crimson robes holding a crystal orb."

The first recorded sale of the painting was in 1763, when it was auctioned from the collection of King Charles I. It vanished until 1900 when it was found with Christ's hair and face painted over. An American buyer purchased it in 1958 for 45 pounds from a British auction house. It was auctioned again in 2005, where

the over painting was noted. It was consigned for the upcoming auction by a European private collector who had the work restored. The auction estimate is \$100 million.

The York Dispatch (York County, PA) reports that a major collection of Star Wars collectibles is currently being auctioned online. The collection is billed as "the best original trilogy vintage Kenner collection to ever come to auction."

The 700 action figures and other toys are estimated to sell for \$1 million. One of the rarest pieces is a Boba Fett action figure with firing missile. While the action figures were being produced, a toy with a similar missile was found to be a choking hazard. The Boba Fett toys with the missiles never went into production. Other rare figures include action figures of Luke Skywalker, Darth Vader and Obi-Wan Kenobi with telescoping light sabers. The light sabers were easily broken and the manufacturer did away with the telescoping feature. The figure of Darth Vader fig-



ure with the telescoping light saber is rare and Obi-Wan Kenobi is even rarer. There are only a few known to exist. The starting bid is \$15,000 and the auction estimate is \$75,000 to \$100,000. A price like that for a toy from the 1970s is truly astronomical.

We have a small estate sale in Millbury scheduled for November 11 and 12. We have scheduled an online estate auction of a Northborough farm next month. There are several horse carriages, sleighs, tractors and farm equipment.

There will be a preview at the farm on Saturday, December 9 and Sunday, December 10. Bidding ends on December 13. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other events.

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SPORTS

Rams rush past Groton-Dunstable and into district tournament

DUDLEY — The Shepherd Hill Regional varsity football team took care of business when they hosted Groton-Dunstable Regional at Carmignani Field on Friday evening, Oct. 27. The Rams ran past the Crusaders, 35-18, and improved to 6-2. With the win The Hill earned the No. 3 seed in the Central Mass. Division 3 tournament, and they will travel to No. 2 Shrewsbury High (7-1) for a semifinal tilt to be played Friday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. The Colonials defeated the Rams in Week 1 of the season, 14-10.



Mathew S. Plamondon photos



Kobe Jean-Guillaume of Shepherd Hill carries the ball through the heart of Groton-Dunstable's defense.

Shepherd Hill's Mick Sullivan employs a quarterback sneak with plenty of available running room at his disposal.



Shepherd Hill's Anthony Oriente falls forward past the midfield line on a carry.



Cody Adams of Shepherd Hill rips through the line for a long rushing play.



Shepherd Hill lineman Kam Murphy sets up a block to allow teammate Kobe Jean-Guillaume to score a rushing touchdown.



O'Londo Loggins of Shepherd Hill closes in on Groton-Dunstable's quarterback.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Fall into fitness: Youth sports at the Y

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Tri-Community YMCA, a non-profit organization, is offering kids a great way to stay active and connected with others interested in healthy competition. Choose from a variety of youth sports for both boys and girls of all ages this Fall 2 Session.

Basketball Strength & Conditioning: Tuesdays and Thursdays until Nov. 16 from 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the YMCA's Gymnasium. Boys and Girls ages 10-14 (Grades 5-8). Introduce your child to cardio, strength and flexibility conditioning to the basic fundamentals of basketball, along with developing skills such as dribbling, passing and shooting, while working on speed and

agility training.

Gymnastics: Tuesdays, Nov. 2 through Dec. 21 at the YMCA's Gymnasium from 4-5 p.m. Ages 5 years and up. Start with the basics such as balance, coordination, tumbling, stretching and safety — and finish with full routines.

Youth Basketball League: Runs 10 weeks through the end of February, 2018 — Clinics starting on Nov. 11 (Grades K-4, Ages 6-10) and Dec. 2 (Grades 5-8, Ages 11-14). Boys and Girls will learn the fundamentals of basketball, good sportsmanship, and most importantly, to have fun! Includes clinics, weekly team practices, games, team shirts and more!

Rock Climbing: Fridays from 6:30-8 p.m. Come try our 20-foot indoor rock wall with five different climbs from beginner to advance. The basics of climbing are reviewed. Come have fun and try out your skills. Free for Members and non-members included in a guest pass.

Cheer: Cheer is here! For Grades K-5 beginning the week of Nov. 13. Practices will be once a week on Thursdays and game times announced by coaches. This session offers a sound foundation for cheer, while learning about team building and the importance of good sportsmanship in a supportive and fun environment. No tryouts or experience required. All divisions are Co-Ed.

For more information on costs and to register, please call (508) 765-5466 or visit tricomcommunityYMCA.org.

Worcester State University to host various baseball clinics in 2018

With various baseball clinics at Worcester State University set for 2018, please visit wsulancers.com/camps-clinics and [facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/)

WSUbaseballclinics.com for more information. You can also call (508) 929-8852, (774) 230-3872 or email dbaker1@worchester.edu.

Dudley/Charlton women's basketball looking for available players

There will be women's pick-up basketball happening at the Heritage School gym from 7-9 p.m. We play Monday evenings based on school schedule until June. There are no set teams and no fees, so no weekly commitment. Come when you can for some friendly competition and exercise. Must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact Deb at (508) 248-3600 or mzd531@charter.net for more information.

SPORTS

Gonyea's goal helps Auburn slide past Minutemen and into district tournament

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — Nick Gonyea scored the game's only goal in the 17th minute of the second half and Coleman Picard made three of his 11 saves in the final three minutes as the Auburn High boys' varsity soccer team defeated Bay Path Regional, 1-0, on Oct. 26 at Memorial Field.

With the win the Rockets improved to 8-6-3 and qualified for the Central Mass. Division 3 sectional tournament.

Gonyea, a junior striker for Auburn, scored on a run upfield after the Rockets had gotten control of a loose ball at about midfield.

"It was a great setup," Gonyea said. "I got a flick-on from Parker Plona after he got a chip from Zach LaPointe."

Once Gonyea got the ball from Plona he did the rest, splitting two defenders, making Bay Path keeper Aiden

Sabatinelli commit to the right side of the net and unleashing a hard, low shot that zipped into the far corner of the goal.

"The ball felt great coming off my foot," Gonyea said. "Once he went right I knew I had to go left and I got a nice clean shot off."

Picard, who had played well all game, ratcheted up his effort a notch as time ticked away.

After making a save on Jalen Rojas with three minutes to play, and Joe Starr with two minutes to go, the sophomore keeper saved his best for the end. With less than a minute to play Picard made a diving save on a loose ball about eight yards out in front of the Auburn net as Bay Path senior captain August "Gus" Koebke frantically attempted to reach the ball ahead of Picard.

"I saw it quick, came out hard and got to the ball before he could get to it; I just took

it away from him. I knew I had to get to the ball first," Picard said. "The coaches have been working with me — coach [Hans] de Klerk and coach Leo [Miranda] — about being aggressive when I'm in net. They have stressed how I need to come out and get the ball. We've been working on it in practice and all that practice paid off in this game."

Auburn head coach Chris Bailey said the play of the Rockets' defense was the prime reason his team won the game.

"Our defense as a whole was tremendous. That's a good team and our defense probably played the best they have played all year," he said. "Coleman did a good job; he's an athletic kid and he's worked with coach de Klerk quite a bit this year and his improvement has been tremendous."

Bay Path head coach David Martinson also praised the play of Picard.

"Those were good chances and their keeper came up big," he said. "There were some outstanding plays there. Coach



Mathew S. Plamondon photos

Bay Path's Kris Mekal, left, and Auburn's Samuel Almeida tangle while both going for the ball.

Bailey does a great job with his team, so I expected it to be pretty tough. Their defense played well and they contained well, we just missed some opportunities that we needed to take care of. I thought it was a pretty even battle back and forth."

The Minutemen, which entered the game needing two

points to qualify for post-season play, fell to 7-7-2 with the loss. Bay Path then lost to the Advanced Math and Science Academy, 6-1, on Oct. 27, and Keefe Tech, 5-2, on Oct. 30 in their regular season finale to finish the year with a record of 7-9-2.



Bay Path's Tyler Bohenko plays a strong defense as an Auburn player tries to gain control of the ball.



Bay Path's Tyler Anderson steps in front of Auburn's Jadon Latino and heads the ball up the field.



Sean Fleming of Bay Path puts the stop on Jadon Latino of Auburn's move.



Joseph Starr of Bay Path fights for possession of the ball.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Bay Path highlights local golf contingent with state final appearance

On Tuesday, Oct. 24, the Bay Path Regional golf team took part in the Central Mass. Division 2 district tournament at Gardner Municipal Golf Course. There, they tied Grafton High for second place, as each teams' top four golfers totaled 320 strokes. The Indians won the tiebreaker with a better fifth score, but the Minutemen still advanced to the state final tournament as a team since the top three moved on. Additionally, Jon Sterczala will also compete for the individual title after shooting a 74 at Central Mass. Other counting scores for Bay Path included

Ryan Vigeant's 81, Ben Bombard's 81, Keith Duval's 84 and Colin Allain's 85.

In the Division 1 tournament, played Monday, Oct. 23 at Highfields Golf & Country Club in Grafton, a pair of Shepherd Hill individuals nearly qualified for states. Dan Brooks shot a 79, which was good for 10th place, while Sean Tully followed with an 80, which was T11.

Ski or snowboard at Wachusett Mountain

Are you interested in having a lot of fun while also helping to make the winter fly by? Any student (8 years old and older), parent or teacher from any of the surrounding towns and states can ski or snowboard for eight consecutive Saturday nights at Wachusett Mountain for just \$150 through the Southbridge Ski Club. You drive to Wachusett Mountain on your own.

The eight-week program begins on Saturday, Jan. 6 and ends Saturday, Feb. 24. Ski or snowboard rentals, as well as lessons are also available at a very reasonable cost. You may also be able to ski or snowboard for free through your health insurance coverage. Also, anyone (students or non-students) can purchase gold, silver and bronze century passes at a lower discounted price through our Club. All eight-week and season passes must be ordered through the Wachusett website by Nov. 30 for these lower discounted prices. For more information on how to order, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

Rams run to another cross-country title, this time at Mid-Wach Championships

The Shepherd Hill Regional girls' cross-country team has been on a tear this season, and the Rams rolled to another victory when they took part in the Midland-Wachusett League (Mid-Wach) championships in Fitchburg on Saturday, Oct. 28.

Shepherd Hill, taking part in the Mid-Wach A Division, got past perennial power Wachusett Regional for the team victory. The Rams accumulated just 25 points, with Rebekah James winning the race to lead the charge. Other scoring members of The Hill included Gabrielle Lawrence (third place), Emma Sullivan (sixth place), Helena Duke (seventh place) and Casey Clark (eighth place). Emma Whitehead (ninth place) and Audrey Carragher (22nd place) also ran well.

The Shepherd Hill boys' team also ran in the Mid-Wach A championship race and placed third out of five teams. Brian Belmonte was the team's top finisher, placing fifth.

OBITUARIES

Theresa P. "Terry" Choiniere, 83

WEBSTER- Theresa P. "Terry" Choiniere, 83, died peacefully Sunday, October 22, 2017 at Webster Manor with her loving family at her side. Mrs. Choiniere was born March 17, 1934 in North Grosvenordale, CT. She is the daughter of the late Henry and the late Josephine (Gagnon) Anderson. She was predeceased by her husband of 49 years Jean Paul Choiniere in 2008.

She is survived by two daughters: Michelle Donovan and her husband Timothy of Webster, and Monique Snyder and her husband John of Charlton. She also has four grandchildren; Spencer Donovan, Morgan Donovan, Madison Snyder and Carly Snyder. Sister In Law, Lola Anderson of North Grosvenordale, CT. Many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her brothers, Henry, Richard, and Raymond Anderson, and Sr. Rachel Anderson.

Terry worked 40 years as a cutter at Bates Shoe. Mrs Choiniere was a life long member of Sacred Heart Of Jesus Parish and a supporter of St. Anne School. She spent many years volunteering her time at church festivals and school functions. What brought

T.C. the most pleasure was cooking a good meal for her family and friends. She was a avid card player and would win at cribbage more often than not. Her joy was her love of her family and her grandchildren and supporting their endeavors. The family would like to thank the staff at Webster Manor for their love and care of their mother "the governor".

A Mass of Christian burial will be held 10 AM on Thursday, October 26 at Sacred Heart Of Jesus Church, 16 East Main St., Webster. Burial will follow in Sacred Heart Of Jesus Cemetery. Calling hours will be Wednesday, October 25 from 5 to 8 PM at Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel, 33 Schofield Ave., Dudley, Ma. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sacred Heart Of Jesus Church C/O Rectory, 18 East Main St., Webster, MA 01570 or to Webster Animal Control c/o Webster Town Hall 350 Main St. Webster Ma 01570. www.bartelfuneralhome.com



Doris F. (Delage) Bertrand, 77

STURBRIDGE- Doris F. (Delage) Bertrand, 77, of New Boston Road, died Monday, October 23, 2017, at the Overlook Masonic Health Center in Charlton.

She was the wife of Urban G (Jerry) Bertrand, Jr., with whom she recently celebrated 53 years of marriage. Besides her husband, she leaves her sister-in-law, Joann Johnson of Florida, a nephew and 2 nieces, and many friends.

Born in Southbridge, she was the daughter of Raymond and Clarinda (Pelletier) Delage. Doris was a graduate of the former Notre Dame High School

in Southbridge, and also was a graduate of the former St. Vincent Hospital School of Nursing in Worcester. She worked for many years as a Registered Nurse at the old St Vincent Hospital in Worcester.

The family would like to thank all staff members of the "Overlook Family" for their exceptional care and kindness.

Funeral services will be announced at a future date and time. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 is directing arrangements. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Margaret Ellen Gunter, 37



CHARLTON - Margaret Ellen Gunter, 37, passed away on Sunday, October 22, 2017. She was born in Worcester on December 1, 1979 and lived most of her life in Charlton.

Margaret leaves behind her two sons, Mikey and Colin, her sisters; Alycia, Liberty, Katy and her souls sister Becky. She also leaves behind her beloved black gloved gang at Southbridge Rehab.

Margaret was predeceased by her mother Sandi who died April 19, 2017. She loved riding horses and making people smile, she graduated from Shepherd Hill Regional High School

and went to work at Stop N Shop for a number of years.

Services for Margaret will be Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 2pm at Southbridge Rehab. 84 Chapin St. in Southbridge. Family and friends are welcome to attend. There are no calling hours.

The family wishes to Thank the residents and staff at Southbridge Rehab, who brought Margaret back to us and made her feel whole again.

The ROBERT J. MILLER-CHARLTON FUNERAL HOME, 175 Old Worcester Rd. is assisting Margaret's Family with arrangements.

An On Line Guest Book or to Share a Memory of Margaret, please visit: RJMillerfunerals.net

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CALENDAR

Saturday, November 4

IT'S ELECTRIC! On Saturday, Nov. 4, the New England Electric Auto Association (NEEAA) will be hosting a hybrid/electric car show and ride-and-drive event at the Charlton Public Library, 40 Main St. from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Several dealers will be present with the latest hybrid, plug-in hybrid and pure electric vehicles and will be offering test drives. Actual owners will also be present to share ownership experiences. Moe's Food Truck will be onsite for refreshments or lunch!

MEAT RAFFLE: Giant Meat Raffle Saturday Nov. 4, 6-9 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church Hall in Charlton. There will be six Meat, one Turkey and one Lobster Table! Early birds arriving prior to 6 p.m. receive three tickets to be used on the Meat table of their choice. Sponsored by the Mary Martha Guild and Catholic Financial Life, Chapter 56. Selected homemade food purchases will be available for dinner as well as homemade baked goods for dessert. Beverages include beer, wine, soda, water, coffee, tea, etc.

PIE NIGHT: The Hayloft Steppers Square Dance Club is holding a Pie Night dance on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8-10:30 p.m. (*Something New ~ early Fast Track at 7:30). The callers will be Ted Lizotte & Paul Cote and the cuer will be Margene Jervis. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information on our Beginner Classes, please call Moe at (508) 344-3430 or Al at (413) 436-7849 or visit our website at www.hayloftsteppers.org. The club is located at 232 Podunk Road in Sturbridge.

Sunday, November 5

ANNUAL AUCTION: Quinebaug Valley Singers (QVS) second annual Auction will be held Sunday, Nov. 5, at the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge. Auction items can be previewed at 1:30 p.m. and the Auction will take place from 2-4 p.m. The QVS Auction event will include refreshments, musical entertainment with choral and instrumental pieces, and an opportunity to bid on high-quality items, gift baskets, services, and gift certificates from popular local retailers and venues in both live and silent auctions. A \$10 registration fee for a bidding paddle may be purchased at the door, or in advance from any QVS member. Proceeds benefit Quinebaug Valley Singers, a local community chorus, www.qvsingers.org. For more information, or to purchase

your bidding paddle in advance, please contact Linda (lamfam151@gmail.com) or Carol (carolcurtin77@gmail.com) the QVS auction co-chairs. To donate items or services for the auction, please contact Jeanne (jadler@charter.net.)

Thursday, November 9

FASHION & FUN: A night of fashion and LueLaRoe! The Sturbridge Nursery School is hosting the area's first LueLaRoe fashion show at the Publick House. Join us on Thursday Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. where three local vendors will be setting up their boutiques for your shopping pleasure. There will be a live fashion show displaying many of the items for sale. Tickets will be \$3 per person, sold at the door, and a cash bar will be on site. This event is for all ages as the vendors will have both adult and children sizing available. Proceeds will benefit the Sturbridge Nursery School. We hope to see you there! For more information please see the event listing on Facebook, LueLaRoe Shopping Night and Fashion Show or email brianne.bradley1@gmail.com

Monday, November 13

GOING BATTY: On Monday, Nov. 13, Charlton Garden Club will hold a bat house building workshop. \$15 material fee. 7 p.m. at the Charlton Federated Church, Charlton. For more information, contact Ginny Charette (508) 248-7300, Marcia Liedigk at (508) 434-0507. If not a member but want to come to make a bat box, please email thistle42@me.com.

Friday, November 17

SENIOR CENTER MEAL: The Brimfield Senior Center is once again celebrating Thanksgiving with a down-home holiday feast on Nov. 17 at 11 a.m. Come join us in "Giving Thanks" for the bounty from the land, the warmth of the friendship and camaraderie we share with each other, and each and every blessing that has touched our lives. Your feast will include: oven roasted herbed turkey, homemade gravy, seasoned bread stuffing with apples, onions & celery, golden butternut squash, green beans almandine, seasoned turnip, creamy mashed potatoes, warm buttered rolls, and cranberry sauce. For dessert there will be homemade pumpkin pie and apple pie ala mode. The Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20

Main St., Brimfield. Seating is limited for this event. Please call (413) 245-7253 for reservations prior to Nov. 14. There is no suggested donation for this dinner.

Saturday, December 2

HOLIDAY FAIR: Fundraiser to benefit the Charlton Public Library, Saturday, December 2, 9:30am-4:00pm at Charlton Public Library, 40 Main St., Charlton. \$2.00 Donation, \$1.00 OFF with ad. Children 18 & under Free

CRAFTERS WANTED: The Holly Berry Fair committee of the Sturbridge Federated Church, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge is looking for crafters and artists who wish to sell their handmade items on Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Remember, local fairs are best! This popular annual show attracts people from all over the area. Our booth fee is \$25 for each 8 foot space, optional lunch and table fees are on the registration form. To join us, simply go to the church website, www.sturfed.org or call the church office (508) 347-3915. You may also get an application by e-mailing janraerose@gmail.com or nancast148@gmail.com We welcome all inquiries.

CRAFT FAIR: Need some unique, one of a kind Christmas gifts? Look no further than the Holly Berry Fair at the Sturbridge Federated Church, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge, on Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Local artisans and craftspeople will be selling all manner of handmade items including needlework, paintings and cards. Along with gift items, there will be baked goods, ornaments, and face painting for children. Enjoy some hassle-free shopping while supporting local artisans and craftspeople.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: The Charlton Helping Hand Society Inc. will host their annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 10 am to 2 pm at The Dodge Chapel, 81 Hammond Hill Road, Charlton. All proceeds will benefit the group's charitable commitment to the Charlton Community. Offerings include our popular "Gramma's Attic", Bake and Cookie by the Pound Table, Vendors, Raffle Tickets, Ticket Auction, etc. All raffle prizes will be drawn at the end of the fair. Please join us, share the spirit of the season, the fellowship, bargains and especially to, "HELP US TO HELP OTHERS."

CRAFT FAIR BAZAAR
We are looking for crafters to join our Craft Fair Bazaar on Dec. 2 at the Charlton City Methodist Church, Stafford Road in Charlton. Tables at \$30 and spaces are \$25. Please contact Martha at mburbridge50@gmail.com

for more information. Please join us for the bazar and craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: sponsored by the Golden Age Club, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Hand knit items, baked goods, craft items, holiday & Christmas items, raffles, homemade chowder, meatball grinders, peach shortcake and more!

ONGOING

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: On the third Wednesday of each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Sun Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508) 434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

Free Playgroup at the Hitchcock Academy; sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation Five Grant. It includes: Music & Movement on Wednesday 9-9:45 a.m. and Playgroup on Monday & Thursday 9-11 a.m. For more information about these and a variety of other classes visit us at www.hitchcockacademy.org or call 413-245-9977

Grief Support Group: at Overlook Hospice, Charlton: Have you recently experienced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

THRIFTY: Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

NUMISMATICS: Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Rd. (Route 20), Sturbridge.

EDUCATION

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points in the education conversations within the two towns in 2017 has been cost sharing, and Charlton Town Administrator Robin Craver told selectmen at a meeting in late October that 2018 looks to be a even bigger hit on both towns.

"The funding formulas for these two towns requires vastly different contributions from the towns without acknowledging their place in a regional district. This past year's state formal requires Dudley to increase

their minimum contribution to the district by \$442,000 when they only have approximately \$400,000 in annual revenue. Charlton, because they are closer to the target share, are required to increase to the district by \$268,000," Craver said in her report. "(The school officials) are appreciative of these increases but two things accompany them. One, a corresponding decreases in support from the state or two, a rock in a hard place scenario."

The hope is that the bill, and the subsequent formation of a commission, would allow the struggles of smaller school dis-

tricts like the Dudley-Charlton partnership would come to the forefront of conversations on Beacon Hill and bring to light funding challenges for those towns.

Several selectmen in Charlton spoke in favor of the bill with Selectman Rick Swensen making the strongest statement, criticizing the current wealth formula in play

"This has been haunting us for as long as I've been on this board. It's been a nightmare," Swensen said. "It has really done a huge disservice to both Dudley and Charlton. We are currently paying hundreds of

dollars more for pupils that sit in the exact same classes with the exact same teachers than the residents of Dudley are."

Szafarowicz said he believes the state has tried to examine this in the past, and that Charlton learned a lot about the deeper problem when they examined their own partnership with Dudley earlier this year. "If my memory serves me correctly there was a study on the formula. I think it might be on going, but I think it's probably another attempt at figuring out what's going on with it," Szafarowicz said. "That presentation we had after the

financial investigation opened our eyes a little bit to how complex it really is. I think it's a great idea to have our representatives push for this."

Selectmen said they were encouraged by the bipartisan support they perceived for the bill and voted unanimously to write a letter voicing their own support to Superintendent Desto. The most recent action on the bill recorded on the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Senate webpage shows that a hearing was scheduled to take place in July.

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The humble cup of coffee.

It's a simple pleasure that baristas elevate to an art, painters depict on canvas, and philosophers have sung the praises of throughout the ages. So what's so virtuous about the everyday cup of Joe we sip every morning? Plenty, according to reliable health studies which show a steaming mug of java may go way beyond a satisfying pick-me-upper.

If your daily dose of caffeine has become nothing more than a breakfast ritual, the following coffee facts may prove to be more of an eye opener than that morning cup of coffee!

Joe Jogs Memory: If you love your coffee, you now have another excuse to drink high octane java! Here's the latest buzz on caffeine: A cup of joe can jog your memory, especially if you're over age 65, say researchers at the University of Arizona. In a study, memory performance declined significantly between morning and afternoon in seniors who didn't drink coffee or drank decaf. Those who had a cup of the high octane stuff showed no such effect.

Dodge Diabetes: According to WebMD, one to three cups of coffee per day can reduce risk for diabetes by up to nine percent. Up the cups to six or more daily and men's risk for diabetes is cut by 54%, while woman's is reduced by 30% as compared to non-coffee drinkers. While not fully confirmed yet, several studies suggest that it's the chlorogenic acid found in coffee that help stave off Type II Diabetes, which is

the non-inherited form of the disease.

Drink to Think: A ten year study by the University of Bristol revealed coffee drinkers really may be better thinkers! The report said a cup of coffee can help in the performance of tasks, requiring sustained attention. It further helped enhance a person's ability to perform these tasks, during low alertness situations such as at night or when a person has a cold.

Buzz Boost: Did you know a safe caffeine buzz can give your workout a boost? According to the American College of Sports Medicine, consuming caffeine equivalent of between two to six cups of coffee one hour prior to exercise, increased both the endurance and performance of athletes during both prolonged and short-term exercise sessions. If you drink caffeinated beverages, drinking one before your workout may help you run or walk a little farther or cycle a little longer. Studies have shown that moderate caffeine intake about 300 milligrams, the equivalent of three cups of drip coffee, may be safe in most adults. But be sure to drink plenty of water before, during and after your workout to remain adequately hydrated.

Jovial Java: Are you aware caffeine can also be an effective antidepressant? Just don't drink more than a couple of cups of coffee a day or the effect can be counterproductive.

Steam Therapy: Taken in normal doses, caffeine has shown to have several other beneficial effects: Home remedy books advise drinking a cup of hot steaming coffee to suppress an asthma attack while waiting for proper medicine to kick in. The caffeine acts on the bronchial tubes contributing to the expansion of the muscles, thus relieving the severity of the attack in some cases.

Halt Headaches: Before you

reach for a pain pill, try drinking a cup of strong coffee to combat your migraine or tension headaches. Caffeine has long been used in over the counter pain relief products because it dilates the blood vessels, helping to relieve migraine pain. In addition, coffee is a diuretic, helping to eliminate toxic substances from the body.

Diet Drink: Coffee is the perfect diet beverage! It's not only low in calories (skip the cream and sugar, please); it acts as a natural diuretic to help shed water weight. In addition, the caffeine in coffee revs up your metabolism, which helps burn calories.

Java Rx: Did you know medical data shows coffee is rich in antioxidants? In fact, a well known study from the University of Scranton proclaimed coffee America's number one source of health boosting antioxidants! Here's the scoop: The beneficial "free radical sweepers" are also found in coffee aroma after brewing. According to research carried out in Switzerland by the Lausanne-based Nestle Research Center, consuming coffee up until 20 minutes after brewing will deliver 300 phytochemicals, (antioxidants), and can stay in the human system up to one month.

Prefer your coffee sans the caffeine? You'll reap the same health rewards as decaf has the same antioxidant benefits as regular coffee!

Reduced Risks: Several studies indicate that people who drink coffee on a regular basis are up to 80% less likely to develop Parkinson's disease. According to research performed at Vanderbilt University's Institute for Coffee Studies, it's the caffeine that offers the protection. In fact, VU reported based on this evidence drugs to treat Parkinson's, containing a derivative of caffeine are currently being developed.

Want more? Additional research reveals compared to not drinking coffee, at least two large cups of coffee daily can translate to a 25% reduced risk of colon cancer, a significant drop in liver cirrhosis risk, and nearly half the risk of gallstones!

DIY Vanilla Almond Coffee Grind

Flavored gourmet ground coffee blends are a favorite of many Java fans. Skip the high-priced specialty shop offerings and make your own - at a fraction of the cost! This "recipe" comes from McCormick, the spice people.

Ingredients: 1 can automatic drip ground coffee; 1 bottle (1 oz) pure vanilla extract; 1 bottle (1 oz) pure almond extract.

Directions: Pour coffee into a large zipper plastic bag or bowl. Add both extracts to coffee. Stir well to thoroughly blend extracts into coffee. Store coffee in plastic bag or airtight container in refrigerator or freezer until ready to use. Brew coffee as usual.

Variations: Decaffeinated coffee works just as well. And don't be afraid to try your own favorite flavors!

The "Buzz" on Coffee

*Coffee is the second most traded product in the world after petroleum.

*It takes five years for a coffee tree to reach maturity. The average yield from one tree is the equivalent of one roasted pound of coffee.

*One shot of espresso uses approximately 45 coffee beans.

*The expression "a cup of Joe" was coined during WWII, when American servicemen (G.I. Joe) were identified as big coffee drinkers.

*When coffee became scarce during the Civil War, soldiers who wanted a cup of coffee had to resort to roasting and brewing sweet potato and Indian corn.

*Out on the range, cow-

boys brewed coffee by putting grounds into a sock, plunging it in cold water and heating it the over campfire.

*Research from the University of California found that the steam rising from a freshly brewed cup of coffee contained as many antioxidants as three fresh oranges.

*In 1657, British ads for coffee claimed that the beverage was a cure for scurvy and gout.

*"Maxwell House" Coffee got its name from The Maxwell House Hotel, in Nashville, TN, where it was first served in 1886.

*Teddy Roosevelt was the inspiration of the Maxwell House coffee slogan "good to the last drop." He uttered the phrase after finishing up a particularly tasty cup of coffee, and the rest is history!

Win Dinner for Two

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

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint! c/o Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdr@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Worcester Torathon: our legacy of Jewish values

On Saturday night, Nov. 18, at Congregation Beth Israel in Worcester, rabbis, cantors, educators, and musicians from across New England will join together in an evening of music and study. Torathon will begin with a joyous one-hour concert starting at 6 p.m.

Come join us for this meaningful and spirited concert led by Jewish singer and songwriter Ellen Allard as she set the stage for exploring this year's Torathon theme: Our Legacy of Jewish Values.

The concert will be followed by three 50-minute sessions of 24 offerings of adult Jewish study including such topics as Jerry Lewis: the King of Comedy, Understanding the Jewish Calendar, Radical Rabbis, The Truth About Tattoos, and Common Ground: Islam and Judaism.

Some of the course descriptions follow:

Jerry Lewis: The King of Comedy, who died just a few months ago. He was also known as a philanthropist who raised millions for muscular dystrophy research. The course will include some of his famous work including one film that was never released.

Radical Rabbis: Rabbi Aviva Fellman discusses some of rabbinic texts that would be considered radical. Discussion will include the body, relationships, and other edgy topics.

Common Ground Islam and Judaism: Practices in common include a religious calendar, dietary laws, modest dress, and life cycle events. Mona Ives, Islamic educator and teacher, will lead the discussion.

The Truth About Tattoos: Rabbi Valerie Cohen leads a discussion about

this controversial topic. She will show images of Jewish body art.

Israeli Dancing: Learn traditional and some not so traditional Israeli dances. Dances from the days of the first Israeli pioneers consist mainly of circle and partner dances of Eastern Europe with Arab and Yemenite influences. Maybe we'll mix in some contemporary steps as well.

Songs to Mend a Broken World: This session covers music of social justice and healing from the civil rights era to the present time. Music covered includes that of Pete Seeger, Simon and Garfunkel, and Woody Guthrie. Leaders are Cantor Reef-Simpson and song leader Ian Simpson.

The Progressive Case for Israel: This is a panel discussion led by local leaders who have traveled to Israel. Topics include the LGBT community, women's

rights, and minorities.

Tickets for Torathon are \$20 in advance, by Nov. 16, and \$25 at the door. For high school and college students, prices are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door. To view the entire evening's program and to purchase tickets in advance go to www.JewishCentralMass.org/Torathon. Tickets are also available in Worcester, at the Worcester JCC, Jewish Federation of Central Mass., Congregation Beth Israel, and, in Westboro, Congregation B'nai Shalom.

For more general information, also go to www.jewishcentralmass.org/torathon or call (508) 756-1543.

Torathon is generously funded by a grant from the Jewish Federation of Central Massachusetts.

Gobi delivers impassioned testimony for East-West Rail project

BOSTON – Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) testified in front of the Joint Committee on Transportation in favor of a bill she co-sponsored with Senator Eric Lesser (D-Longmeadow) that would study the feasibility of constructing a high speed rail line from Springfield to Boston.

Senator Gobi pointed out that in the time between the committee coming to order and her rising in support of the bill, a train could have left Springfield, picked up passengers in Palmer, Worcester, and Framingham, dropped them off in Boston, picked up new passengers, and headed back to Springfield. The timeframe she highlighted was roughly one and a half hours.

She went on to discuss the benefits

of rail service to the central and western parts of the state. Reducing gas emissions from autos, access to affordable housing stock for professionals working in Boston, access to new jobs for residents currently living in the more rural areas of her district, and increased access to healthcare specialists were all highlighted as benefits of the project.

The committee must now decide whether or not to give the bill a favorable vote and send it to either the House or Senate for debate.

For more information, please feel free to contact Senator Gobi's office at 617-722-1540 and for news like this and more, visit Senator Gobi's website at www.senatorannegobi.com and sign up for her newsletter.

Speaker explains liberation of death camp

DUDLEY—As part of Nichols College's Veterans Day observances, Nichols will present a talk Thursday, Nov. 9, by death camp liberator Alan Moskin. The 88-year-old was drafted into military service at age 18 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the 66th Infantry, 71st Division, part of General George Patton's 3rd Army.

Moskin's outfit fought in combat through France, Germany, and Austria, during which time he was promoted in rank from private to staff sergeant. On May 4, 1945, his company participated in the liberation of the Gunskirchen concentration camp, a subcamp of

Mauthausen. After the war ended, Moskin remained in Europe until June 1946 as a member of the U.S. Army of Occupation.

In his powerful talk, which will be held in Daniels Auditorium on Center Road, Moskin will recount with vivid detail, the horror of liberating a concentration camp. This event starts at 6:30 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

On Nov. 10, at 7 p.m., Nichols will hold its second annual Nichols College Veterans Day campus and community-wide event in Daniels Auditorium. Veterans from the surrounding towns have been invited to attend and will be honored by the Nichols community.

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Into the fall hunting seasons, but a warning to watch out for tiny predators

Last week's weather was great but cooler temperatures are needed to get the deer moving. Many areas do not have a good crop of acorns in them this year, but for the ones that do there is a good abundance of deer feeding on them. One local archer had a few visual encounters with deer, but did not get a shot. He did manage to get some footage on his iPad of numerous turkeys feeding under his tree stand. The fall turkey season opened this past Monday, Oct. 23, and will continue to Nov. 4. Only one turkey may be harvested in the fall and can be of either sex. Only hunters with a valid permit are allowed to hunt fall turkeys. If you filled your two tags in the spring, you cannot hunt the fall season in Mass!

Pheasant hunting is now in full gear in Massachusetts. Pheasant stocking will continue up until Thanksgiving in open covers and Wildlife Management areas. The two bird daily limit and six for the season already has pheasant hunters looking to Rhode Island to hunt. Grouse populations are in very bad shape locally, but areas to the west of the valley still hold some of the fast flying birds. Woodcock are also in bad shape locally. Mass Fish & Wildlife needs to look at their six bird annual limit of pheasant per hunter, and make available a program that allows bird hunters to purchase pheasant tags allowing for the taking of more birds.

The six bird annual limit if so antiquated changes need to be made soon. At a time when woodcock and grouse were abundant, bird hunters had a chance to continue hunting with their bird dogs. Raising a bird dog to harvest six pheasant is crazy. Hunting out of state or at game farms is too expensive for many bird hunters. Fortunately, a



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few clubs have a game preserve license, and they provide some great pheasant hunting weekly.

Trout fishing anglers can fish all year long and take a daily limit of trout 365 days a year. Raising trout is very expensive, as is the raising of pheasant. Hopefully the Division of Fish & Wildlife board will take up this topic at one of their future meetings.

This writer received his copy of the New England Outdoor Writers newsletter last week. As a member for more than 20 years, I have had a chance to meet some great writers that often share some very good information about their own personal activities in the outdoors. This nonprofit organization annually selects some great college students that show good potential in protecting our environment and sportsmen's activities for the next generations. The NEOWA annually awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to these young college students.

This month's newsletter had a very good article by President Rand Julius about the dangers of tick bites. Although this writer has talked about the dangers of tick bites in the past, he revealed new information, and he asked other writers to talk about his wife's latest experience in one of their columns, hoping to sound the alarm about the dangers of tick bites.

Randy's wife Mary found a tiny tick on her foot after time in her backyard. She removed it and did not think about it until the next day when she noticed a small rash in the area of the bite. Twenty four hours later she noticed her foot had started to swell. Her leg was numb and she had severe nerve pain in her joints. She also had flu like symptoms. A doctor's visit and blood test revealed that she had showed posi-

tive for the tick disease "anaplasmosis." She was put on a prescribed medication immediately which she took for three weeks. Although she feels better, she still has nerve pain & numbness in her foot.

A couple of weeks later Mary's 91 year old father contracted the disease "babesiosis" from a tick bite. He nearly died from the disease, but after time in a VA hospital with numerous intravenous antibiotics, he seems to be getting better. During his stay at the hospital he suffered from internal bleeding & went into cardiac arrest. Doctors are still in the dark on how to treat patients that have tick bites, so the patient needs to stay educated on what he or she needs to do to survive.

Ron Merley a long time member of the NEOWA lost a year of his life from a tick bite when he contracted a serious infection. It started off as symptoms of the flu, but got much worse with each passing day. He lost 20 pounds and had numbness and pain from one joint to another. He got so bad he could not get out of bed. A specialist put him on "Rocepherin" medication, which is an intravenous medication, and he started to improve but soon found himself getting worse after the drug was stopped. He contacted another doctor and found out that he had "babesiosis" which is similar to malaria. He never tested positive for Lyme disease after all of his testing by prior doctors. He has finally recovered from his illness after being treated with numerous medications including penicillin, but Randy and Ron wanted to tell their story about the dangers of tick bites.

Test for Lyme disease are only 50 % accurate at best Ron stated. Recent hunting activities in local covers have hunters finding many ticks attached to their dogs, clothing and on their skin. Be careful out there and stay alert for any signs of tick bites and symptoms of Lyme disease. You need to check your

family and your pets daily for ticks and tick bites. Do not hesitate to find another



Courtesy photo

This huge buck was harvested in 2012, but we can hope he left a son or two for us.

er doctor if you are not getting better in a few days. If you encounter a tick bite be sure to get medical help as soon as possible. It could save your life!!!

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club will open their pond to fishing for members this Saturday at 1 p.m.!! A large stocking of trout last week should have anglers catching some impressive trout.

Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Chris Thurlow. Chris was a long time employee of Mass. Fish & Wildlife and advanced to the position of central district manager, which he held for many years.

This week's picture shows a huge buck harvested in 2012 locally in Massachusetts. Hopefully he left some of his genes for future generations. Archery season always harvests some of the largest bucks that roam Massachusetts forests.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

AREA BAZAARS AND FESTIVALS



As the fall festivals and winter bazaars go into full swing, many people travel from town to town, scooping up the sales and gathering in the handcrafted items for gifts. In addition, the ethnic foods and mouthwatering baked goods add just the right touch for holiday entertaining. With that in mind, the Stonebridge Press newspapers are adding this listing of area events just for the upcoming couple of months so you can find the nearby festivals on a crisp Saturday adventure. Enjoy!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

ALBANIAN KITCHEN & BAZAAR: The Daughters of St. Nicholas will hold its annual Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church, 126 Morris St., Southbridge.

The bake table will feature traditional Albanian spinach, leek, sauerkraut, and squash pies; baklava, orange-date cookies, kurabias, and twist cookies along with many of your other favorites. An Albanian-style café will offer garden salad, egg-lemon soup, great northern bean soup, meatball and vegetable casserole, leek and cornmeal casserole, stuffed peppers, cabbage rolls, spinach triangles, baked macaroni and cheese, eggplant & potato casserole. You may either Dine in or Take Out.

This event will also feature theme baskets, used books, this 'n that table, illustrated children's books by author Ruth Sanderson.

ANNUAL FAIR: Bethel Lutheran Church at 90 Bryn Mawr Avenue in Auburn, will be having its annual Harvest Fair on Saturday Nov. 4th from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL: St. Thomas Episcopal Church presents our annual fall festival Saturday, Nov. 4, 8am - 3pm at 35 School St., Auburn. Bake Sale, Attic Treasures, Raffle Baskets AND LuLaRoe

UWC FALL FAIR: Please join us at our annual Upton Woman's Club Fall Fair at Blackstone Valley Technical

High School on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9:00am to 3:00pm. One of the most popular fall events in the area, this fair features a raffle for a beautiful queen-sized quilt made by UWC members.

UWC members will be selling handmade wood crafts, beautiful hand sewn and knitted goods and basket raffles plus delicious lunch items and bake goods.

Stop by and visit Grandma's Attic, a unique collection of gently used items, for that special treasure you have been looking for as well as a chance to win a door prize and 50/50 raffle. Also featured are several of the areas great vendors. Don't miss this opportunity to do some early holiday shopping or to treat yourself to something special.

FALL HARVEST CRAFT FAIR: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., St. Stephen Parish Hall, Rte. 97, Quinebaug. Single 8 foot table or 10x10 space: \$20. Crafters and vendors wanted. Contact Kathy Piniarski at (508) 764-7271 or email kathyiniarski@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: St. Joseph's Parish Hall, 296 Main St., North Brookfield on Saturday, Nov. 4 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The day will include bake sale, handmade crafts, flea market, baskets and raffles galore! Lunch is served from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and includes homemade soups, great sandwiches and delicious apple pie.

HARVEST FAIR: Stella Chapter Harvest Fair (J. Prouty) Masonic Lodge Bldg., 780 Southbridge St., Auburn on Saturday Nov. 4, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

HOLIDAY FAIR: On Saturday, Nov. 4, the St. Denis Catholic Women's Council will host their annual Holiday Fair from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at St. Denis Church, located at 23 Manchaug St. in Douglas. Tea Committee luncheon, Gathering Room, Fancy Work room, Children's games and crafts and more.

HOLIDAY VENDOR & CRAFT SALE: Charity raffle to support Toys for Tots, Nov. 4 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer. Free admission.

ST. ROCH HARVEST FAIR: St. Roch Church, 332 Main St., Oxford will be holding their annual Harvest Fair on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8 am-2 pm in the church hall. Activities include: A giant Adopt-A-Basket raffle, crafts, gifts, handmade knitted items, homemade baked goods, used books, inside garage sale, and a money raffle! Lunch will be served.

HARVEST & HOLLY

FESTIVAL: sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary to Thompson Memorial Post 10088 Saturday, Nov. 4 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the VFW Post home, 654 Quinebaug Road (Rte. 131) Quinebaug. Crafts, bake table, teacup socia, attic treasures, theme baskets and luncheon available. To benefit veterans and community programs.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

BAZAAR: St. John Paul II Parish annual bazaar is scheduled Sunday, Nov. 5 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at Trinity Catholic Academy, 11 Pine St., Southbridge. It will feature a variety of tables: children's games, crafts, The Village Bake Shop, Jar Deal, theme baskets, parish table, jewelry, silent auction, community raffle table (HUGE!) and entertainment. Karol's Kafe will be open for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and will have a great variety of items for lunch. Free admission, ample parking and handicapped accessible. For information (508) 765-3701.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

HOMESPUN HOLIDAYS: The Kathryn M Huston Mission Circle of the Whitinsville Presbyterian Church, 51 Cottage St. will host its annual fair on Saturday, Nov. 11, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. "Homespun Holidays" will feature crafts, a bake sale, with our famous Cookie Walk & Harvest Table, attic treasures, theme baskets, a silent auction, kids' corner, and a delicious crunchy chicken luncheon served from 11 o'clock. The cost for the lunch is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. The public is welcome!

HARVEST FAIR: Good Shepherd Parish will host its annual Holiday Fair from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturday, Nov. 11 in the Parish Center (behind the church) and Parish Hall (beneath the church) in Linwood. The fair will feature a selection of crafts, baked goods, a cookie walk, over 60 themes raffle baskets along with gift card and super raffles, a kid's table, a luncheon, and much more. Please see the website at www.goodshepherdlinwood.org for more details.

STRAWBERRY HILL FAIR: The First Congregational Church of Leicester at 1 Washburn Square (across from Town Common) will hold its annual STRAWBERRY HILL FAIR on Nov.11 from 9 AM till 2 PM. The Fair will feature holiday decorations, homemade knitted items, second hand

treasures, gift baskets, raffles, country store, toys and games, baked goods, cafe', crafts and more. Please come and enjoy a few hours at our Fair. www.leicesterfccc.org

RED DOOR FAIR: The Christ Episcopal Church, Main Street, North Brookfield holds its annual Red Door Fair Saturday, Nov. 11 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Raffles, Christmas, baked goods, sewing & knitting, exquisite items, Rada knives. Lunch served.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

BAZAAR: St. Andrew Bobola Holy Rosary Sodality will be holding their annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday Nov. 11 from 10 am to 6 pm & Sunday from 8 am to 12:30 pm in the church hall located at 54 West Main St., Dudley. The Bake table will feature homemade pastries along with babka & paczki. Tables will include Elegant Junk, Thanksgiving Dinner, Special Gifts & Christmas Crafts n' More. Kitchen will be featuring homemade cabbage and cheese pierogi.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

GLITTER & GLITZ - A HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE: on Sunday, Nov.12 from noon to 5 p.m. at Point Breeze Restaurant, Point Breeze Road, Webster by St. Joseph's Women's Club. Hot and cold appetizers will be available, as well as a special gifts raffle, lottery scratch tickets raffle, 50/50 raffle, and an attendance prize. The tickets for the event are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, and can be purchased by calling ticket chairladies, Phyllis Scully at (508) 949-3517, Jill Manak at (508) 943-1810, or President and Honorary Chairlady Cindi Gardner at (401) 418-2242.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

HOLIDAY FAIR NEEDS VENDORS: Anyone interested in participating in Our Lady of the Valley Regional School's 35th annual Holiday Fair scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 18, please contact Kathy Kay at kathygkay@yahoo.com. The fair will run from 9 am to 3 pm, and will be held at the Our Lady of the Valley Regional School, located at 75 Mendon St., in Uxbridge. Crafters, direct sellers and other vendors are welcome! Spots are limited, so don't delay! Reserve your space today!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

VENDORS INVITED: The Friends of Charlton Public Library invite vendors to submit an application to participate in the 2017 Holiday Craft and Gift Fair which is held at the Charlton Public Library on Dec. 2. Applications available at the front desk of the Charlton Public Library or online at <https://www.facebook.com/charltonlibraryfriends/posts/1900020216878052:0> For questions contact Melinda at (508) 248-6292 or by email at melinda@sewcialite.com.

CRAFT FAIR: Need some unique, one of a kind Christmas gifts? Look no further than the Holly Berry Fair at the Sturbridge Federated Church, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge, on Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Local artisans and craftspeople will be selling all manner of handmade items including needlework, paintings and cards. Along with gift items, there will be baked goods, ornaments, and face painting for children. Enjoy some hassle-free shopping while supporting local artisans and crafts people.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: The Charlton Helping Hand Society Inc. will host their annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 10 am to 2 pm at The Dodge Chapel, 81 Hammond Hill Road, Charlton. All proceeds will benefit the group's charitable commitment to the Charlton Community. Offerings include our popular "Gramma's Attic", Bake and Cookie by the Pound Table, Vendors, Raffle Tickets, Ticket Auction, etc. All raffle prizes will be drawn at the end of the fair. Please join us, share the spirit of the season, the fellowship, bargains and especially to, "HELP US TO HELP OTHERS."

CRAFT FAIR BAZAAR
We are looking for crafters to join our Craft Fair Bazaar on Dec. 2 at the Charlton City Methodist Church, Stafford Road in Charlton. Tables at \$30 and spaces are \$25. Please contact Martha at mburbridge50@gmail.com for more information. Please join us for the bazaar and craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: sponsored by the Golden Age Club, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Hand knit items, baked goods, craft items, holiday & Christmas items, raffles, homemade chowder, meatball grinders, peach shortcake and more!
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VETERANS DAY PLANS

Webster Dudley area

This year, the Episcopal Church of the Reconciliation, 5 North Main St., Webster, will host the 2017 Veterans' Day service.

The Rev. Janice Ford, pastor, and her congregation and members of the Webster-Dudley Veterans' Council, veterans from the Webster Dudley area, and Auxiliaries will commemorate Veterans Day on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m.

Veterans and Auxiliaries, with their colors, will assemble in the parking area, which is adjacent to the church, at 9:30 a.m. At 9:55 a.m., preceded by their national and organizational colors, they will march into the church, where they will be directed to reserved pews by members of the congregation.

Women's Monument

One of the highlights of this year's Veterans Day celebrations will take place at Memorial Beach entrance in Webster Saturday November 11. The first placing of a wreath at the newly erected Women's Monument. This monument was erected to honor all women for their service in our military forces Past - Present - and Future. The wreath placing will take place at approximately 9:45 a.m. All that wish to attend are certainly more than welcome. This monument dedicated to all women is certainly

a first or one of few within the state. A special THANK YOU to all women that have served our country and continue to serve.

Harrington Veterans Appreciation Luncheons; Registration Required

Harrington HealthCare System is pleased to offer two lunches this November for local veterans of any US Military Branch. In partnership with the generosity of Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center, a lunch will be provided to Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton Veterans on Nov. 6 at no cost. In partnership with the generosity of Point Breeze Restaurant, a lunch will be provided to Webster, Dudley and Oxford Veterans on Nov. 8, also at no cost.

Registration is required for both events; seating is limited. Details are as follows:

SOUTHBRIDGE
Monday, November 6 at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center; noon (no early birds), RSVP by leaving a message: (508) 765-2109. Return calls will not be made unless there are specific concerns.

WEBSTER
Wednesday, November 8 at Point Breeze Restaurant; noon (no early birds), RSVP by leaving a message: (508) 949-8798. Return calls will not be made unless there are specific concerns.

Student Concert

Pakachoag Music School presents a student recital honoring veterans Saturday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m. at the Great Hall at Pakachoag Church, 203 Pakachoag St., Auburn. The school welcomes veterans and community friends to join school families, faculty and students for this concert. It will include patriotic selections, traditional student favorites and audience favorites. Features beginners through advancing music students, free admission and refreshments will follow the program. Pakachoag special events are made possible in part with the support of the church through use of the Great Hall and the Steinway concert grand piano.

North Brookfield American Legion Invites Community to Veterans Day Ceremony

The Sawyer Mathieu Kearns American Legion Post 41 in North Brookfield invites all veterans and residents to a Veterans Day Ceremony on Nov. 11 at 11:00 a.m.

"The American Legion Family of Post 41 and Unit 41 is excited to open our doors to the community this Veterans Day," Post 41 Commander Raymond Dupell said. "This event will not only honor veterans and their families, but emphasize our past, present, and future of service to the community."

All area veterans, their families, and members of our community are invited to attend.

Veterans are encouraged to wear their medals and/or their uniforms. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

Post 41 currently numbers 70 members plus 55 in the affiliated American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion. The post is located at 163 Main St., below Subway in the old Star Theater building.

For more information contact Keith A. Tytula at (419) 277 5328 or email at keithtytula@aol.com.

SPENCER
Gaudette-Kirk Post 138 American Legion will hold its annual veterans' night parade Saturday, Nov. 11 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Line up will be at 6 p.m. at the Legion post, 175 Main St.,

Spencer. Parade will begin at 6:30 and continue down Main Street through the center to Spencer to Elm Street, to Chestnut Street over to Maple Street and back to Main Street to end at the American Legion. All civic groups and town organizations are invited to participate.

NORTHBRIDGE

VETERANS' DAY BREAKFAST

16th annual Veterans Day Breakfast Saturday, Nov. 11, 8-10 a.m. at Northbridge Middle School Cafeteria. Sponsored by Northbridge Middle School. All veterans, active service members, and their families are welcome.

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BREAKFAST

Santa Claus Pancake Breakfast at Bay Path High School, 57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton, Saturday, Dec. 2, 7:30-10:30 a.m. Tickets \$5, children under 5 free. Free 5x7 family picture with Santa Claus professionally taken by Casson-Foster Photographers. You will receive an e-mail approximately one week after the event, notifying you that your photo is ready to be picked up in the main office at Bay Path. Raffle available.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

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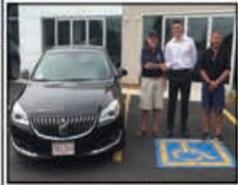
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Environmental Considerations Driving Major Evolution In Agriculture

(NAPS)
Farmers have been called the original conservationists because they have a rich history of tending to the delicate balance between soil and water that sustains life for all. Their love of the land drives what may well be the next major evolution in agriculture.

Most industries strive to do more with less, and agriculture is no different. Today's farmers use advanced tools and technologies that focus on the basics of plant science: how to make plants more efficient at taking up the essential nutrients they need. These new tools include products that increase fertilizer efficiency, make nutrients more available to growing crops and even create "hunger pangs" within those crops that signal plants to grab more nutrients.

By increasing nutrient use efficiency or ensuring more nutrients go to the plant, these technologies not only improve crop yields but also benefit the environment, especially soil health and water quality. Nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus that might otherwise wind up in waterways are instead left in the soil in significantly reduced amounts where they can be used by the plants that need them.

"Advanced science allows us to create new interactions among biological, chemical and physical relationships that benefit plant growth and output," said Greg



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Thompson, president and chief operating officer for Verdesian Life Sciences, an industry leader and global supplier of plant health, biological and nutrition technologies headquartered in Cary, North Carolina. "At the same time, the positive environmental characteristics of these innovations are helping farmers improve their sustainability and conservation efforts, which they desire as stewards of natural

resources and which are also being demanded by consumers and food companies."

The product and technology portfolio offered by the company focuses on minimizing modern agriculture's environmental footprint while simultaneously helping farmers to remain profitable. "Conservation on farmland can seem hard to define. We define sustainability and conservation as continuous

improvement on every acre around water quality and soil health," Thompson added. "Our purpose as an organization is to help farmers adopt and follow best practices that support environmentally, economically and socially sustainable crop production. Being a good environmental steward and operating a profitable farm are not mutually exclusive."

"Farmers want to see

their fertilizer and nutrients leave the field in a grain truck at harvest—not be left in the soil or washed away in drainage," said Mike Wilson, specialty products marketing manager and agronomist for Wabash Valley Service Company, a major supplier of farm inputs and agronomic services for farmers in Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky. "This new category of nutrient use efficiency products is every

bit as revolutionary as the first John Deere plow."

Wilson works closely with roughly 2,500 customers who farm across several environmentally sensitive watersheds. Each has a nutrient management plan that Wilson's team helps farmers develop and implement. These plans are designed to maintain high crop yield potential while implementing the best possible environmental stewardship practices with fertilizer applications.

"We meet our environmental objectives by only applying the minimal amount of fertilizer needed to make a crop and we're very careful as to what, when, where and how much is applied," Wilson explained. "We also use new fertilizer efficiency technologies to get the most out of every pound of fertilizer applied by increasing the nutrient use efficiency of nitrogen and phosphorus—more in the plant means less in the environment."

This latest agricultural evolution benefits consumers by maintaining a plentiful and affordable supply of healthy and safe food, clean drinking water and productive, sustainable soils that will feed and nourish us for generations to come, Wilson noted.

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<p>SOLD</p> <p>DUDLEY - 36 Fish Rd! 7 Rm Raised Ranch w/Huge Split Level Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm w/Skylights! Open Cathedral Ceiling Kit/Din & Living Rms w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 3 Full Baths! Huge Steel I Beam Clear Span 2 Car Garage! 1.1 Acres! Oil Heat! Shed! \$299,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>DUDLEY - 20 Williams St! Nice 7 Rm Cape w/Full Bath! SS Appliance Kit w/Oak Cabinets & Corian Counters! Frplcd Liv Rm & Din Rm w/Hrdwds! Sunroom w/Hot Tub/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath & Walk-in Closet! 2 Tile Bathrms! Baduser Furnace! Town Services! Fenced Backyard! \$244,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 59 East Main St! Best Street for Business in Webster! Highest Traffic Count! Ideal for Most Business Applications! Complete Recent Remodel Inside & Out! Formally a Polish Deli & Convenience - Fully Equipped As Such - Full Kitchen! With Almost New Equipment - \$399,900.00 Without - \$299,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>DOUGLAS - 93 Monroe St! 10.97 ACRES! Updated 1867 8 Rm Farmhouse! Flexible Floor Plan! Loads of Charm! Frplc Liv Rm! Fam Rm w/Cathedrals! Slider to Deck! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 2 Car Attached Garage! Additional 3 BAY, 50x85, GARAGE BUILDING! \$594,500.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>DUDLEY - 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.34 Acres! Appliances Granite Kit! Frplcd Dining Rm! Living Rm w/Hrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garage! \$359,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 Rm Colonial w/Greenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm w/Wood Floors! Full Bath! Den w/Built-in! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near Walk to Schools & Churches! \$114,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>CHARLTON - 44 Oxford Rd! 8 Rm Colonial w/Farmers Porch! 1.38 Acres! New Quartz Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Frplcd Fam Rm w/Hrdwds! Spacious Liv Rm! 4 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 16x30 Deck! 2 Car Garage! Shed! 2016 Roof! Many Updates! \$344,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER - 39 Cudworth Rd! Everything on One Level - 5+ Room Ranch Set On Nice 47 Acre Lot! Cabinet Packed Kit! Dining Area w/Slider to Deck! Spacious Liv Rm! Comfortable Master! 2 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! 1st Flr Laundry! 2 Car Garage! Town Services! Easy 395 Access! \$212,900.00</p>
<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER - 42 Cushing Rd! 7 Rm Ranch! Cabinet Kit w/SS Appliances & Tile Flr Dining Area w/Corner Hutch! Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Den w/New Carpet! New Electrical Service! Partially Finished Basement! Garage! Screened Porch! Shed! Town Services! \$239,900.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER - 141 Gore Rd/Rte 16! 1.68 Acres! Prime Exposure! Business Opportunities! Zoned Commercial! 165' Road Frontage! 183x2' 4 Car Garage! 12x20' Workshop! 7 Rm Colonial! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Slider! NEW FURNACE! Needs Roof! Updates to Electrical & Cosmetics! \$119,000.00</p>			<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER - 56 Chase Ave! Well Maintained 2 Fam! 6/4 Rm! 3/2 Bdrms! Appliances Eat-in Kits! Formal Din Rm! Carpeted Liv Rm! Large Bedrooms! Updated Full Baths! Skylight! Hrdwds! 6 Panel! 1st Flr! 22 Oil Heat! Furnaces 1 Yr Old! Newer Plumbing & Electrical! Fenced Yard w/Patio! \$219,900.00</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p> <p>WEBSTER - 28 Colonial Rd! Immaculately Maintained 8 Rm Colonial Across from Views of & Beach Access to Webster Lake! Appliances Kit! Dining Area! Dining Rm! Fam Rm! 3 Comfortable Bdrms! Master Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower! 2.5 Baths! C/Air! \$279,900.00</p>		
<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 294 Killdeer Island! North Pond! 62' Waterfront! Panoramic Views! 8 Rm Colonial! Kit w/Double Oven! GLEAMING Hrdwd Flrs! 4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! 14x20 Trex Deck! Newly Painted! Pond Landscaped! Fenced Yard! Plenty of Docks Included! \$524,900.00</p>	<p>NEW PRICE</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 10 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! Sandy Shoreline! 8 Rm Colonial! Ranch, 3 Bdrms! 3 Baths! Lake Views from Most Rooms! Cathedral & Tile Flrs Throughout! Burmanhan Custom Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! 1st Flr Office! Master w/New Bath! Frplcd Fam Rm! Deck w/Custom Bar! 2 Car Garage! \$639,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Pond Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrm, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdwds! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frplcd Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! \$749,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/Heated Flr! Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplc Liv Rm! Din Rm w/Tray Ceiling! Lake Facing Master w/Master Bath! Upstairs 3 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Lower Level Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Sauna & Full Bath! 3 Car Attached, 1 Car Detached! Security! Generator! Boat House! \$1,195,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - Reid Smith Cove WATERFRONT LOT! South Shore Rd! Build Your Dream Home or Summer Retreat! Set on Quiet Road, Surrounded by Woods! Sloping Lot Down to Level Waterfront! 7,200' Lot! 57' w/ Water & Road! Town Water & Sewer Available! \$229,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 30 S. Point Rd! 91' Waterfront! Yr Rd! 7 Rm Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home! Panoramic Views of South Pond! NEW Kit w/Dial! Frplc Din & Liv Rm w/Lake Facing Picture Window! 3 Bdrms! Walkout Lower Level w/Fam Rm w/Summer Kit! NEW! Int. Paint! Recent Roof & Siding! Lake Facing Deck! Liv Rm that Walks Out to Small Balcony! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! Level Lot! Access All the Lake Has to Offer! \$279,000.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - 271 Killdeer Island Rd! Middle Pond! 120' Waterfront! Facing West! Beautiful Sunsets! 10 Rm Yr Rd Cottage! Open Flr Plan! Cabinet Kit & Din Rm out to Lake Facing Deck! Liv Rm that Walks Out to Small Balcony! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! Level Lot! Access All the Lake Has to Offer! \$279,000.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER LAKE - Access! 124 Gore Rd! 440' Waterfront! Great Location! Direct Highway Access! 3.4 Acres! UNDEVELOPED LAND w/EXQUISITE VIEWS! Explore the Opps! Build a Restaurant, Hotel, Condominiums! Cozy 4 Rm, 2 Bdrm Home! Oversize 2 Car Garage w/2nd Floor! \$399,000.00</p>
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<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 38 WEST POINT RD</p> <p>SORRY, SOLD!</p> <p>On Killdeer Island with 90 feet of water frontage on North Pond! This 3-4 bedroom, 2 car garage! All town services. House would make a good rehab or complete tear down, nice location justifies either. assisted sale \$449,900.</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 18 BATES XNG</p> <p>SORRY, SOLD!</p> <p>Privacy, view, and a lot of Land! 2+ acres! level waterfront with a natural shoreline, no wells. Private Lagoon! 3,100' Contemporary! 3 bedrooms, 3 baths! Large open kitchen, cathedral ceiling with skylites and fireplace, overlooking lra. Bates Cove! Master Bedroom with Jacuzzi Tub, large walk in Closet! Central Air! 2 Car Heated Garage! Experience Nature at it finest! assisted sale \$950,000.</p>	<p>WEBSTER LAKE - 22 LAURELWOOD DR</p> <p>1st Time Offered in Reid Smith Cove, Spectacular 3700+/- SF, 13 Rm/4.5 Bath Lake Home, Uniquely Designed for Lake-Style Living! Private Setting, Ideal Location, .68 Acres, 92' of Natural Shoreline, Prof. Landscaping, Multiple Decks, Lakeside Cabana, 3 Mstr BR Suites w/Elegant 1st Flr Mstr - all w/ Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living & Billiard Rms & Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information \$1,150,000.</p>	<p>LAND!</p> <p>WEBSTER/DUDLEY BUILDABLE LOTS</p> <p>Webster Lake - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Town Water & Sewer. \$52,000</p> <p>Webster Lake - 0 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Garage on lot \$144,900.</p> <p>Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer \$229,900</p> <p>Oxford - 4 Leicesters St., 8.47 acres, mostly cleared \$149,900</p>	
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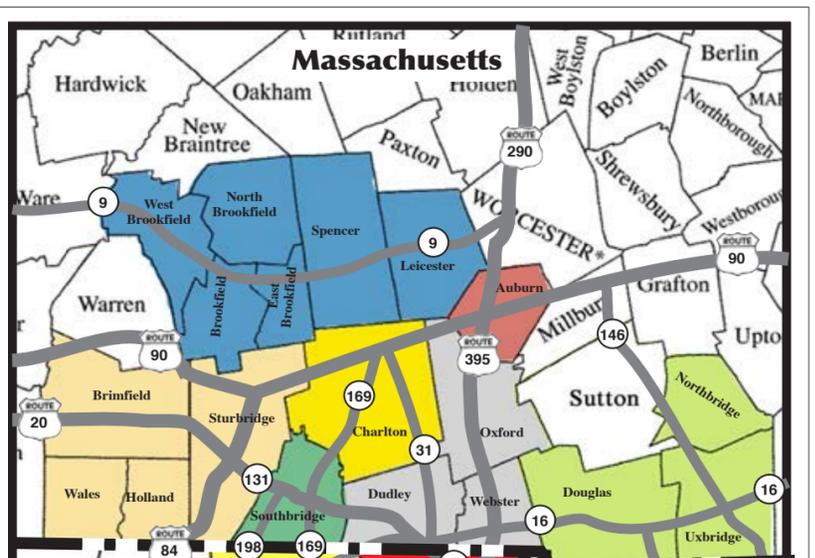
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ENVIRONMENT

Finding ways to conserve energy around the office

Conservation methods can help save energy and preserve natural resources, but business owners may also be intrigued by the potential cost-savings of conservation.

Utility costs vary depending on the size of a business, but the U.S. Small Business Administration notes that prospective business owners must estimate and include such costs when seeking loans to start their businesses. Estimated utility costs can be intimidating, especially for those owners who have never before owned their own businesses. Traditional conservation methods like recycling and reusing are great ways to conserve and save around the office, but business owners also can embrace some other ways to lower their office energy costs while benefitting the planet at the same time.

- Order an energy audit. Many utility companies will conduct energy audits free of charge or for nominal fees. These audits typically include onsite visits, during which auditors will look for areas where business owners can conserve energy.

- Determine how much space you truly need. Current business owners and prospective owners can save substantial amounts of money and avoid wasting energy by giving ample thought to how much office space they truly need. Large office spaces may not be necessary for businesses that recently downsized staff, while those starting out may want to start in small spaces before upgrading to larger spaces if and when their businesses expand. Small business own-



Evaluating existing office space and downsizing if ample space is going unused can help business owners conserve energy and save money.

ers leasing their office space can speak with their leasing agents to determine if they can include a clause in their lease that allows them to move into larger spaces if the need arises before their existing leases expire.

- Allow employees to telecommute. Based on an analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2005-2014 American

Community Survey conducted by GlobalWorkplaceAnalytics.com, a typical business would save \$11,000 per person per year if it allowed its employees to work from home just half the time. Those cost-savings can be traced to numerous factors, and lower utility costs in the office as well as the need for less office space are among them.

- Embrace green technology. Many homeowners use programmable thermostats and other eco-friendly tech products to lower their monthly utility costs at home, and businesses can follow suit. LED lighting around the office can substantially reduce office energy consumption and costs, while business owners who own their office buildings

might be able to install solar panels that will dramatically reduce energy costs and even pay for themselves over time.

Conservation is not just for home, and business owners confronted with rising energy costs can find numerous ways to lower their energy expenses while simultaneously helping the planet.

Helpful and harmful insects



Butterflies and other helpful insects, such as bees, pollinate flowers and can keep dangerous pests at bay in the garden.

Although it's virtually impossible to count them, insects are the most diverse group of organisms on the planet. Nine hundred thousand different kinds of insects are known to exist. At any given time, it is estimated that there are around 10 quintillion individual insects living.

Gardeners grow frustrated when seeing their gardens infested with insects. In an effort to restore their gardens, homeowners might be tempted to eradicate any bug that moves in their yards. But gardeners would be wise to first learn which insects are hurting their gardens and which can actually help gardens in the long run.

HARMFUL

Certain insects can be dangerous to animals and plants. The following are a handful of insects that can threaten the vitality of gardens.

Aphids: These insects suck on the juice needed to sustain plants, particularly when they congregate.

Bald-faced hornet: Hornets tend to be an aggressive species that can sting

repeatedly. Should you find a nest near an entertaining space or garden, it can cause trouble.

Carpenter ants: These ants will burrow into wood causing damage. They may compromise any wooden structure in and around a home.

Locusts: Various species of locust can damage plants and crops due to their voracious appetites.

Treehoppers: These small, green insects mimic the look of leaves, and their appetites can affect crops and gardens.

Red pavement ant: As they feed on all manner of human food, these ants can quickly overtake areas with their staggering numbers and deliver painful bites.

Grasshoppers: Certain grasshoppers, like the red-legged grasshopper, can decimate food crops and transfer parasites to birds when eaten as prey.

Caterpillars: Many caterpillars, the precursor to adult moths, will feed constantly on leaves, stems and other parts of plants. The tobacco hornworm moth caterpillar can damage potato and tomato plants.

HELPFUL

Plants depend on insects to transfer pollen as they forage, and many insects are quite beneficial to have around. While some pollinate, others are predators of other pests.

Antlion: A foe of ants, they'll help eat and control ant populations and pollinate flowers. They pose no threat to humans, either.

Big dipper firefly: These colorful insects feast on earthworms, slugs and snails during the larval stage. Fireflies add drama to evening gardens with their twinkling lights.

Garden spiders: Although some spiders can be venomous, many are quite handy to have around the garden. They'll help control pest populations that can damage plants and crops.

Dragonflies: These arial artists that zip around the yard are consuming smaller insects that would otherwise pester plants and humans.

Blue-winged wasp: This wasp attacks the larvae of Japanese beetles, helping to control beetle populations.

Bees and butterflies: Butterflies and bees are some of the best pollinators out there, and each can add whimsy to gardens.

How to conserve water when temperatures rise



Underground irrigation systems can be more effective and eco-friendly than hoses for homeowners who want to maintain lush lawns in spring and summer.

Spring and summer are synonymous with increased hours of sunlight, warm temperatures and, oftentimes, an increased reliance on water to feed recreational pursuits and lawn and garden needs.

The Water Information Program states that 3.9 trillion gallons of water are consumed in the United States each month and the average person uses 176 gallons of water per day. Water conservation may be essential when the risk for weather-related drought looms. Practicing year-round conservation efforts can help ensure smart usage of local watersheds, lakes and reservoirs and help maintain these water sources for years to come. It also helps the average person reduce his or her carbon footprint while saving people a little money along the way.

Explore these water-saving tips to make smart use of water.

- Collect shower water in a bucket while you are waiting for the water to heat up. Use that water to irrigate plants around the house or even outdoors.

- Check for leaks around the house. Put a few drops of food coloring in the toilet tank and see if it spreads into the bowl within a half-hour. If it does, that means a leak is present and gallons of water may be being wasted.

- Keep a pitcher of drinking water in the refrigerator. This way, when you come inside from the heat you'll have a cold drink at the ready and will not have to run the tap to fill a glass.

- Install a lawn irrigation system so that you can maximize the amount of water that gets to the roots. Arrange

the sprinkler heads so surrounding driveways and sidewalks are not getting "watered" as well.

- Apply the minimum amount of fertilizer required, as fertilizers can increase water consumption.

- Aerate lawns and garden beds so the water reaches the roots rather than running off the surface of the dirt.

- Employ rain barrels to collect rain water runoff. Rain barrels can help to repurpose rain water rather than simply allowing it to wash into storm drains.

- Reduce reliance on sprinklers and hoses for summer recreation. Instead, rely on pools and other devices that use recirculating pumps.

- Homeowners with pools can limit how often they backwash their pool filters.

- Solar pool covers can warm up pool water naturally and also reduce the rate of water loss through evaporation.

- Inedible plants can benefit from the nutrient-rich water siphoned out of a home aquarium when cleaning the tank.

- The conservation guide Earth Easy says one way to cut down on water use is to turn off the shower after soaping up, then turn it back on to rinse. A four-minute shower can use between 20 and 40 gallons of water.

- Add organic matter to the landscape to increase water absorption and retention. Top dress areas as needed throughout the season.

Water conservation efforts can help homeowners maintain their lawns and gardens during heat waves and even save them a little money while benefitting the planet as well.

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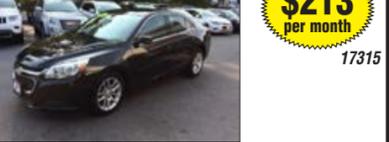


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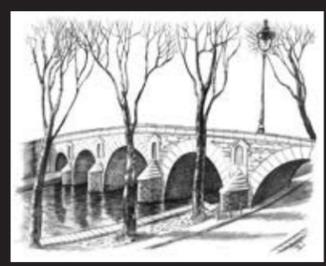
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Creating A Pet EMERGENCY First Aid Kit

Here are some helpful items* to consider when making an emergency first aid kit for your pet. Store the items in a waterproof container. Make sure to note the seasonal items (e.g., winter blankets, season appropriate medicines, etc.) and expiration dates.

- A book detailing animal first-aid procedures and tips
- Copies of your pet's medical/vaccination records
- Contact information for your:
 - Veterinarian
 - Veterinary emergency clinic
 - ASPCA's Animal Poison Control Center (1-888-426-4435)
 - Friend or family member who is familiar with your pet

GENERAL ITEMS



PET-SPECIFIC SUPPLIES



- Spare leash and collar
- Cloth muzzle
- Prescribed medication records-
It is always a good idea to have an extra supply of pet's prescribed medications.
- Bottled water & bowl
- Bag of food (Be sure to mark the date of storage to replace as needed)
- Dog waste bag, paper towels, antibacterial soap

- Gauze rolls and adhesive tapes - Used to control bleeding and provide support for suspected bone fractures or breaks
- Bandage scissors
- Self-adhesive bandages (does not stick to fur)
- Antiseptic products - Used on cuts and scratches to prevent infection and relieve pain
- Cotton balls
- Gauze pads (for wound cleaning)
- Instant ice pack
- Saline solution
- Blanket
- Pet carrier

FIRST-AID SUPPLIES



OVER-THE-COUNTER ITEMS



- Milk of magnesia, activated charcoal for ingestion of poisons
- Anti-diarrheal pills
- Flea and tick medicine
- Sedatives
- Artificial tear solution
- Veterinarian suggested allergy medicine, such as Diphenhydramine
- Anti-itch cream
- Water-based sterile lubricant
- Animal bug spray
- Styptic pencil to stop bleeding
- Rubbing alcohol
- Epsom salt
- Glucose paste or corn syrup for animals that are diabetic or have low blood sugar

Keep in Mind...

When an animal becomes ill or requires emergency first aid care, the veterinarian should be contacted immediately.

- Thermometer
- Tick remover
- Tweezers
- Nail Clippers
- Needle-nose pliers
- Syringe
- Eye droppers
- Pen light/ Flashlight

USEFUL TOOLS



REMEMBER!

- Injured pets may be scared, in pain, or confused
- Even the most gentle pet may bite or scratch
- Take precautions to avoid getting hurt:
 - Avoid mouth
 - Do not smother the pet
 - Stay calm, slowly move, and handle carefully
 - Stop if pet becomes agitated
 - Use a muzzle, but only if animal is not vomiting
- If possible, secure animal in a carrier during transport.
- To avoid distraction and provide comfort, have someone ride with you or drive to the veterinarian.



* This is a comprehensive list of suggestions; you may include any items that best fit your needs
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PETS

Helping Your Pet Survive An Emergency

(NAPS)

If you're like many pet parents, it's probably crossed your mind lately about what would happen to your animal if a natural disaster strikes.

The experts at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offer this advice: Make a plan and prepare a disaster kit for your pet. This can help make things safer for you, your pet and any first responders.

Make A Plan

1. Find out what shelters and assistance are available to accommodate pets.
2. Microchip your pets and register the microchip with the manufacturer.
3. Get a pet carrier for each of your pets and put his or her name, your name and contact information on it.
4. If you'll be sheltering at home with your pet, find an interior room with few or no windows and make sure it's pet friendly.

Make A Kit

The experts on animal care at Henry Schein Animal Health have these hints to help you create an emergency first aid kit for your pet.

- A book on animal first-aid
- Your pet's medical records
- Contact information for your veterinarian and a friend or family member familiar with your pet
- Spare leash and collar
- Food and water for at least two weeks
- Food and water bowls and a manual can opener
- Prescribed medication
- Gauze rolls and pads and adhesive tape
- Scissors
- Antiseptics
- Cotton balls

- Instant ice pack
 - Saline solution
 - Blanket
 - Dog waste bag, paper towels, antibacterial soap, litter box and litter
 - Milk of magnesia and activated charcoal
 - Anti-diarrheal pills
 - Flea and tick medicine
 - Sedatives
 - Artificial tear solution
 - Anti-itch cream
 - Water-based sterile lubricant
 - Animal bug spray
 - Styptic pencil
 - Rubbing alcohol
 - Epsom salts
 - Thermometer
 - Tick remover
 - Tweezers
 - Nail clippers
 - Needle-nose pliers
 - Syringe
 - Eyedroppers
 - Flashlight
 - Pet toys and bed (familiar items can help pets feel more comfortable)
 - Current photo of pet
 - A description of the pet, including age, sex, neuter status, colors and approximate weight.
- Remember, injured pets may be scared, in pain or confused, and even the most gentle pet may bite or scratch. Try to stay calm, move slowly, and handle your pet carefully. If possible, secure him or her in a carrier during transport.
- Learn More
Download an infographic on emergency preparedness at <https://www.henryscheinvet.com/firstaid>.

Close The Lid On Cat Litter Odors

(NAPS)

According to the ASPCA, there are more than 85 million pet cats in America. If one (or more) of them is yours, you may have noticed one aspect of cat companionship that's less than delightful: the litter box. Fortunately for cats and their humans, following a few steps can help keep the odor down and the litter box use up.

What You Need To Know

To help keep your home from smelling like cat litter, you need to have the right number of litter boxes and deal with them promptly and properly.

- Veterinarians recommend you have at least one more litter box than you have cats: two boxes for one cat, three for two and so on. That will make sure your cat always has a place to go.
- When adding the litter, don't overfill. Most cats prefer two inches of litter or less. Too deep, and your cat may not like his or her footing and opt to go elsewhere.

If your cat does miss the litter box, don't panic. If it's a onetime thing, treat the affected area with water, vinegar and mild soap and blot dry. If it happens a lot, consider moving your litter box, retraining your cat, or visiting the vet to make sure it's not a medical issue.

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Keep Your Dog From Dining In The Litter Box

(NAPS)

If your home is like most, you share it with at least one animal friend. According to a recent Harris Poll, 62 percent of Americans have at least one pet; half of cat owners also have a dog; and a third of dog owners also have a cat.

Dogs and cats living together, however, can lead to a problem: Dogs like to dine out of the cat's litter box.

The reason may be boredom or instinct but most often it's due to a nutritional deficiency. Typically, cat feces contain lots of protein and fat and give off an odor that's very appealing to dogs. The result is a nasty habit that could lead to health issues if not corrected.

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PETS

Foods that cats and dogs should never eat

Nutritious diets are essential to long-term pet health. Many well-intentioned pet owners feed their pets foods they believe are nutritious, only to learn that certain foods, even those deemed healthy for humans, can be quite dangerous to dogs and cats.

Cats and dogs metabolize foods and other substances differently from humans. WebMD reports that each year, there are more than 100,000 cases of pet poisoning in the United States. Many of these instances were caused by household substances that may seem perfectly harmless. Medications, cleaning products and certain foods can poison pets. Dogs tend to be at higher risk for food poisoning, particularly because they



are less discriminatory with regard to food.

Before caving into the temptation to share snacks with their pets, pet owners should recognize the common foods the ASPCA and other pet welfare organizations list as the most likely to contribute to pet poisonings worldwide.

- **Chocolate:** Chocolate is accountable for roughly one-quarter of all toxic exposures. Chocolate contains methylxanthines, which are found in cacao seeds. When ingested by pets, methylxanthines can cause excessive thirst and urination, panting, vomiting, diarrhea, abnormal

heart rhythm, and seizures. Serious cases can be fatal. Dark chocolate and baking chocolate are especially dangerous for pets.

- **Grapes/raisins:** Grapes, raisins, sultanas, and currants, whether raw or cooked, can cause kidney failure in dogs. Not all dogs are affected. However, these fruits should be avoided. Symptoms include lethargy, diarrhea and vomiting within 24 hours of consumption.

- **Hops:** Commonly used for brewing beer, hops have become a greater risk for pets now that home brewing as a hobby or side business has become popular. When ingested, hops can cause a rapid heart rate, anxiety, vomiting, and other abdominal symp-

toms. Essential oils and tannins in hops also can cause high fever when pets ingest them.

- **Macadamia nuts:** These nuts can cause depression, vomiting, tremors, and hyperthermia in dogs.

- **Milk and dairy:** Do not give dogs and cats milk to lap up, and avoid giving them high amounts of cheese and other dairy foods. Pets do not possess significant amounts of lactase, the enzyme that breaks down lactose in milk. Therefore, diarrhea and digestive upset is likely to occur when pets consume dairy.

- **Onions/garlic:** These aromatic ingredients are not a good idea for pets, particularly cats. Onions contain an ingredient called thiosulphate, which is toxic to cats and

dogs. The ingestion of onions and onion-related foods can cause a condition called hemolytic anemia. This is damage to red blood cells that causes the cells circulating throughout the pet's body to burst.

- **Xylitol:** Keep pets away from sugarless gums and candies that contain Xylitol, which also may be used in toothpaste. The substance causes insulin to release in most species, which can lead to liver failure.

Pet owners should be aware that the foods they eat regularly may not be safe for their pets. Always consult with a veterinarian before giving pets foods commonly eaten by humans.

Recognize and relieve sources of pets' stress



Stress can affect anyone, even household pets. Although life may seem foot-loose and fancy free for companion animals, they have their share of stressors as well.

It may be hard to believe that dogs, cats, birds, and other animals can suffer from stress. But certain situations or scenarios may trigger a stressful response in pets, and pet owners should learn to recognize such stressors and do what they can to help pets avoid them.

Research indicates that stress, especially constant sources of stress, can impact pet health and well-being. A 2011 study published in the Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology found that when dogs are under stress, their bodies release an excessive amount of the fight or flight hormone norepinephrine. This can alter gut bacteria and interfere with gastrointestinal tract motility. Resulting diarrhea can compound stressful situations and exacerbate the situation.

The pet advice site Pet-Happy says that, during stressful situations, pets' blood pressure may climb, breathing may become more rapid, heart rate may increase, and the immune system can become less effective — instances that would also occur in humans. Various studies show that stress can be a contributing factor to disease.

Animals experience stress for different reasons and exhibit stress in ways that set them apart from one another and their human companions. The following is a breakdown of what may contribute to stress in birds, cats and dogs.

BIRDS

According to James Morrissey, a veterinarian at the College of Veterinary

Medicine at Cornell University, birds are very good at picking up stress in people, which may contribute to their own stress. It can be challenging to determine what is causing stress in birds. However, the appearance of stress bars on feathers, the sudden onset of aggression, fearful behavior, changes in appetite, and destructive behavior can indicate that stress is present.

CATS

Cats can become stressed over situations their owners may not consider major. Loud music and noises, changes in food or litter brands, having new carpet or furniture installed, or a number of visitors in the home may be stressors, says Pam Johnson-Bennet, author and cat behavior expert. Some of the easiest stress symptoms to spot include excessive self-grooming, urine spraying, aggression, extreme vocalization, and eliminating outside of the litter box.

DOGS

The British Small Animal Veterinary Association's "Manual of Canine and Feline Behavioural Medicine" says that some of the most common dog stress triggers are novelty, housing changes, loud noises, changes in household members, and changes in schedule. Dogs may exhibit stress through appetite changes, isolation, digestive issues, lethargy, and increased sleeping.

Once stress is identified apart from any other health issues, pet owners can take steps to reduce it. Providing a security spot to which the pet can retreat, regular exercise, mental stimulation, and gradual changes to routine, diet or other things a pet has relied on can help.



A warm coat, a cozy spot to sleep and limited time spent outdoors can keep pets safe during winter.

How to keep pets safe in winter weather

The arrival of cooler temperatures sparks various changes. Chilly air and precipitation can be dangerous, especially to pets that are unaccustomed to extreme changes in temperature.

Pet owners may be well aware of the hazards of warm weather, including the threat of leaving pets in hot cars. But cold weather also has its share of risks. Heed these tips to keep pets safe and secure.

- **Schedule a well visit.** The American Veterinary Medical Association suggests scheduling a visit with a veterinarian to check for any medical issues. Cold weather can aggravate symptoms of certain conditions, such as arthritis. A thorough examination can shed light on potential problems.

- **Keep homes humidified.** Going in and out of the house and moving from cold air to dry indoor heat can affect pets' skin. Itching and

flaking may result, causing pets to scratch at such areas. Maintain humidity in the home for comfort. The ASPCA also says to reduce bathing to help preserve essential oils on the skin.

- **Protect paws outdoors.** Pet paws are sensitive to sand, ice, snow, and chemical ice melts. Massage petroleum jelly or another protectant onto paw pads, or consider the use of pet booties.

- **Keep pets indoors more often.** Pets should not remain outdoors for long stretches of time in frigid temperatures, even if they are accustomed to roaming during other seasons, advises The Humane Society of the United States.

- **Provide options for sleeping.** Come the winter, cats and dogs may need new sleep spaces to avoid drafts and stay warm. Give them other spots they can call their own.

- **Consider a sweater or**

vest. Some pets are more tolerant to the cold than others. However, some dogs and cats may benefit from a sweater, vest or coat designed for pets to offer a little more insulation.

- **Update identification and contact information.** Snow and ice can mask scent cues that help pets find their way home. Update contact information and make sure pets' collars are on tightly.

- **Keep coolant and antifreeze locked away.** Coolant and antifreeze are lethal to dogs and cats and should be kept out of reach. Clean up any spills from vehicles promptly.

- **Provide fresh food and water.** Pets may burn more calories trying to stay warm. Be sure the animal has a little extra food and plenty of water to stay sated and hydrated.

Winter weather requires pets owners to make changes so pets can remain happy and safe.





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