

# United Way volunteers give back



Photo Elise Capillo — Courtesy

Rollers in hand, volunteers with the United Way’s Day of Giving pose for a photo after re-painting the maintenance building at McMahon Field in Southbridge.

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REGION — Friday the 13th was a day for volunteers from Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton communities to forget any superstitions surrounding that day and come together to help make a difference in the lives of those around them.

The United Way brought these volunteers under one roof bright and early to celebrate their annual Day of Giving. Many volunteers noted that this year began a little different with a breakfast for those who were able to attend and many seemed more motivated than ever to get out there and show the community how much they care.

Sitting in the empty ballroom of the

Sturbridge Host Hotel, where breakfast was to be served, it quickly became flooded with people coming in to volunteer their time and the impact of seeing all those who came to help out for the day could be felt in an excited buzz of conversation throughout the room.

The breakfast also served as a great way to gain a sense of community for those involved.

Executive Director, Mary O’Coin, said, “We thought, well why don’t we start with the breakfast and get that sense of community. A lot of times volunteers never get to see all the people that are working that day, they go to their one site and there might be ten people there or there might

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# Community Garden credits volunteers



STURBRIDGE — In its second year of operation, the volunteer-driven Community Food Collaborative in Sturbridge gives full credit to its volunteers for the success of the garden. All produce from the garden is organic and is donated to the Saint John Paul II Food Pantry located in Southbridge. The Pantry services both Southbridge and Sturbridge.

“After last year’s success producing 1,524 pounds of fresh organic vegetables, we made the bold decision to double the size of the garden to 5,800 square feet with a total of 37 raised growing boxes,” commented Joe Coan, the garden’s president. “It’s quite a commitment for the 12-member

committee who work alongside the community volunteers. We had a solid volunteer base but with a larger garden, we had to operate differently. Instead of having individuals adopt beds to care for, we needed more participation so we established four work schedules throughout the week and weekend so volunteers could come when it was convenient for their schedules and we let them choose from a list of what needed to be done. We think it worked out great for most everyone. One or two committee members work at each work session and with vacations, illness, meetings, or travel, they cover for each other and it seems to work out well. For the most

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# Charlton recovering after computer network attack

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CHARLTON – An attack on the town of Charlton’s computer network in late August left town officials seeking answers and sparked an investigation by federal authorities.

In a press release, Charlton Town Administrator Robin Craver said that the town hall’s computers were attacked by “malicious software” on Friday, Aug. 30, resulting in the freezing of documents, email and the main servers.

The attack did not impact emergency services or 911 calls, and also did not affect the town’s payroll system.

“To our knowledge, no personal information has been copied or removed. Town staff and network administrators are working to restore the

system. FBI and the Town’s Insurer have been notified. The attack also compromised the e-mail,” Craver said in the release.

The incident forced the cancellation of meetings in the first week of September.

Town Hall employees were

unable to send or receive emails for several days. In the weeks since the attack the town has been working with authorities to assess the issue. Selectmen were to meet earlier this week to provide an

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# Food Pantry benefits from generosity

SOUTHBRIDGE — The St. John Paul II Food Pantry in Southbridge recently received a check for \$5,000 from a distant stranger.

At a recent Sturbridge Rotary Club meeting, Bill Pioppi and Co-Director Roberta Watson were presented with a check. The story unfolds during Rotary’s Annual Golf Classic at the Cohasse Country Club. A participant during the Classic learned about the great work that Sturbridge Rotary does to help the Food Pantry. The golf participant asked to learn more and to meet with folks at the Pantry. Once he learned more about the Pantry, he raised his donation to \$5,000. He had two stipulations with his gift; one being that his name will

remain anonymous, and two, the gift must support his passion to help the elderly in need. The Pantry will purchase gift cards with his donation to be used solely for the elderly who qualify. Sturbridge Rotary was happy to help facilitate the donation which started out with a casual conversation while playing golf.

Sturbridge Rotary Club is one of 35,000 clubs worldwide providing humanitarian service as members of Rotary International. Beyond the regional and international help that we provide, we are most proud of our work toward helping to eliminate hunger in the local communities by donating funds to purchase turkeys at Thanksgiving and Christmas,



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Left to right: Bill Pioppi, Roberta Watson - both from the JPPI Food Pantry; Bill Lemke, Golf Classic Committee; Klaus Hachfeld, Sturbridge Rotary President; Austin Jenkins, Golf Classic Committee.

conducting fundraisers for the St. John Paul II Food Pantry, and most recently, the formation of a Rotary Community Corps who first project is the creation of the Community Food Collaborative – a community Garden which provides fresh, organ-

ic vegetables for distribution by the Food Pantry. For additional information on the Club, visit us at [www.sturbridgerotary.org](http://www.sturbridgerotary.org) or “Like” us on the Club’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/sturbridgerotary](http://www.facebook.com/sturbridgerotary).

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# \$40,000 in grants awarded to Bay Path students

CHARLTON — The MassHire Worcester Career Center announced the awarding of \$5,000 each in training grants for the following Bay Path RVTHS Practical nursing students in the PN Class of 2020: Andrea Champagne of Webster, Felisters Mburu of Shrewsbury, Robin Peters of Douglas, Yaitzarie Rodriguez of Millbury, Philip Kagame and Fjolla Shehu, both of Worcester, Sandra Melton of Woonsocket, R.I. and Renee Welch of Dayville, Conn.

Training grant funds encourage economic growth in the state and allows in additional training for workforce. “Reflecting the diversity of PN Class of 2020, these grant awards enhance the students’ pursuit and discipline towards nursing career,” said Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy Director, Gretheline Bolandrina MSN Ed, RN, CRRN. “We’re thank-

ful for the support of the MassHire Worcester Career Center. Mr. Chabot have been incredibly helpful in assisting our practical nursing students. The grant will not only help our nursing students through the ten months of rigorous training, but also ensure that they stay motivated and inspired to give their best. We are producing world class, real world ready LPNs right here in Massachusetts.”

The Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, and Commonwealth Corporation encourage businesses to address workforce training needs. Interested parties are encouraged to visit [www.commcorp.org/wtfp](http://www.commcorp.org/wtfp) to learn more.

About Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy

Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy offers a 40-week, (10-month), full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a Practical Nursing Certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is



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# Journal of Antiques & Collectibles to host New Year’s Day show

STURBRIDGE — The Journal of Antiques and Collectibles, a national monthly magazine for dealers, collectors, and enthusiasts of antique collectibles, will be hosting The Antique Collectibles Show in Sturbridge at the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center, New Year’s Day 2020. Managed by Weathervane Enterprises, Inc., publisher of *Journal of Antiques and Collectibles*, the Show will feature over 60 hand-selected local and regional dealers covering 11,000 square feet with authentic, quality antiques and

antique collectibles. This new Show replaces the now defunct Central Mass Antique Show at Sturbridge, which ran from 2014 until 2018 over New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day at The Host.

“This New Year’s Day show provides a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase some of the best and most knowledgeable local and regional dealers of antique collectibles,” says Maxine Carter-Lome, President of Weathervane Enterprises, Inc. and Publisher of the *Journal of Antiques and Collectibles*. “It’s the perfect way to spend the day as these dealers will create spaces adorned with special finds that are sure to spark memories and inquiry.”

The Exhibit Hall will be open on

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., offering guests ample time to walk the floor and meet the dealers while enjoying special treats throughout the day in celebration of the New Year. In addition, The Host will offer a Concession Cafe outside the Exhibit Hall with breakfast and lunch options, and a Hospitality Table will provide great take-home information on future shows and antique publications.

\$10 Admission, \$8 online. Tickets go on sale Oct. 1 at [theantiquecollectiblesshow.com](http://theantiquecollectiblesshow.com). For more information visit [theantiquecollectibleshow.com](http://theantiquecollectibleshow.com), Follow Us on Facebook @AntiqueCollectiblesShow, or contact Maxine Carter-Lome directly at 508-347-1960, ext. 402, and at [weathervanepublishing@gmail.com](mailto:weathervanepublishing@gmail.com).

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# Officials consider electronic voting at town meeting

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – Charlton may soon follow in the footsteps of other communities in the Commonwealth by embracing electronic voting system for town meetings.

Following several lengthy town meetings in recent months, selectmen in Charlton are exploring options for a more private and efficient voting format that they hope could speed up the process while also providing more accurate votes during town meetings. The proposed purchase would expend \$20,000 to buy handheld voting devices that would tally audiences votes without the use of hand counters, making each vote a truly private vote while expediting the counting process.

The idea was presented during a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee earlier this month and comes following a lengthy town meeting over the summer where several votes, including a private

ballot vote, caused a single proposal to take up over an hour of the meeting.

Selectman Bill Borowski was the first to share his thoughts on the concept saying that he has heard support for the new voting format from citizens in the wake of recent lengthy meetings.

“I know that this was a conversation piece based on our last town meeting especially. It would basically be, in a sense, a secret ballot at every town meeting vote because you’d be issued something as soon as you walk in. I think most people that at least I’ve spoken with are proponents of the idea,” Borowski said.

Borowski later admitted that using the devices would “remove the charm” of a town meeting where people should feel free to speak their minds, however it’s an idea the selectman has warmed up to over time as a wave of the future multiple towns have successfully implemented.

“This may be the way things are going to progress and I

begrudgingly support it,” Borowski said.

Other selectmen voiced their support for the idea as well with Selectman Deborah Noble commenting that it would shorten meetings without relinquishing power or opportunity from the public while Selectman Karen Spiewak felt it would guarantee accurate vote counts and prioritize privacy in controversial town decisions. It was also noted that due to several contentious issues coming to light in the town that voters have openly expressed discomfort outting themselves in favor or opposition of certain arguments for fear of public judgement. As Selectman Borowski put it, the idea of private town meeting voting would allow voters to speak their peace without feeling the discomfort of presenting their opinions for all to see in the public forum.

“There is a discomfort by certain voters around voting for more controversial items in front of their neigh-

bors or their peers by raising your hand and doing roll call votes,” said Borowski. “It would simply say by showing up to town meeting you can vote with anonymity and not have to worry about what your neighbor thinks about you.”

However, despite the arguments in favor of the concept members of the Finance Committee were less convinced. Chairman Hank Camosse felt it would be a poor investment that would

defeat the spirit of town meetings.

“We’ve had one requirement of a secret ballot in the last five years that I’ve been attending town meetings. \$20,000 just seems like an awful lot of money,” Camosse said.

The voting system and other matters are expected to be discussed when Charlton convenes its annual fall town meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8.

## Emmanuel Communications launches Spanish programming

WORCESTER — Emmanuel Communications, Inc. parent company of Emmanuel Radio, Worcester’s #1 Catholic Radio Network, is pleased to announce the launch of their first Spanish-language Catholic radio programming in the Worcester broadcast market.

“*En el nombre de Jesucristo*,” hosted by Reverend Diego Buritica, Associate Pastor at the Cathedral of St. Paul Church in Worcester, Massachusetts, will premiere on Emmanuel Radio’s broadcast stations, 1230 AM WNEB Worcester, 970 AM WESO Southbridge, and 101.1FM WESO Southbridge in October 2019.

“*En el nombre de Jesucristo*” invites listeners to start the day off right with daily Bible readings and a positive message of “Truth for Life” offered in Spanish by Rev. Buritica. Initially, the segment will be available on Emmanuel Radio’s

website, 1230radio.com and on smartphones via the station’s eCatholic app.

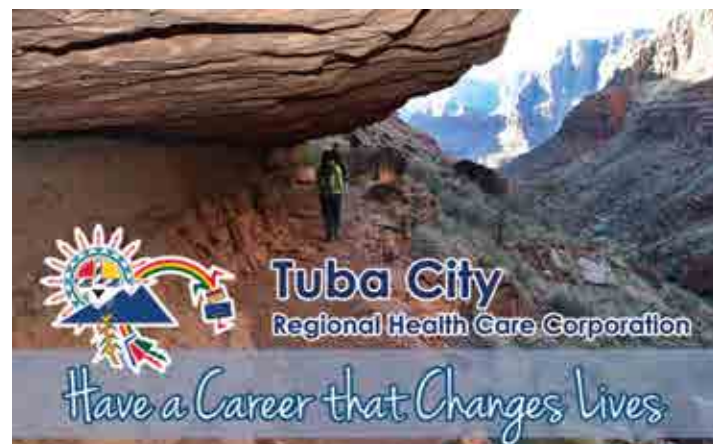
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“The addition of Spanish-language bible reflections and study with Rev. Diego Buritica is Emmanuel Radio’s response to the call by diocesan Hispanic Catholics, via a U.S. bishops’ initiative called V Encuentro, to increase evangelization within the Hispanic population,” Mrs. Dorsey said. “We welcome Father Diego to the Emmanuel

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Author to speak on Franco-American history at library

United Way Women’s Initiative, Girl Scouts bring BOSS Program to grades 5-8

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Jacob Edwards Library invites the public to attend a presentation on Monday, Oct. 7 at 6:30 p.m. by author David Vermette on his recently published book, “A Distinct Alien Race: The Untold Story of Franco-Americans.”

In the late 19th century, French-Canadian Roman Catholic immigrants came to the United States seeking work in the burgeoning textile industry. Mr. Vermette’s groundbreaking study sets this neglected and poignant tale in the broader context of North American history. He traces individuals and families, mainly poor farmers and laborers of Quebec, seeking a new life in New England working in mills in the post-Civil War period of the US, owned by textile barons and predominantly established in lower New England. He discusses the murky reception these cross-border immigrants met in the USA, and the eventual assimilation into the life of communities.

The presentation is part of a tour in the New England states. Mr. Vermette will sign copies of the book for sale after he program. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Jacob Edwards library. Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter No. 12 of Southbridge, is also involved in making this visit of cultural heritage possible.

REGION — Thanks in part to funding from the Women’s Initiative of the United Way of Central Massachusetts, the Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts offer a free program, BOSS Girls, for girls in grades 5-8, running eight consecutive Wednesdays beginning Oct. 2.

BOSS (Bright, Outstandingly Strong, Self-Confident) Girls, which incorporates the Girl Scout aMAZE Journey, is an anti-bullying program aimed at increasing girls’ abilities to be leaders for peace within their communities. With role-play, writing, games, and reflection to navigate issues like peer pressure, stereotypes, gossip, and cliques, girls work to discover their abilities to forge healthy relationships, connect to stop bullying, and take action to make change within their community.

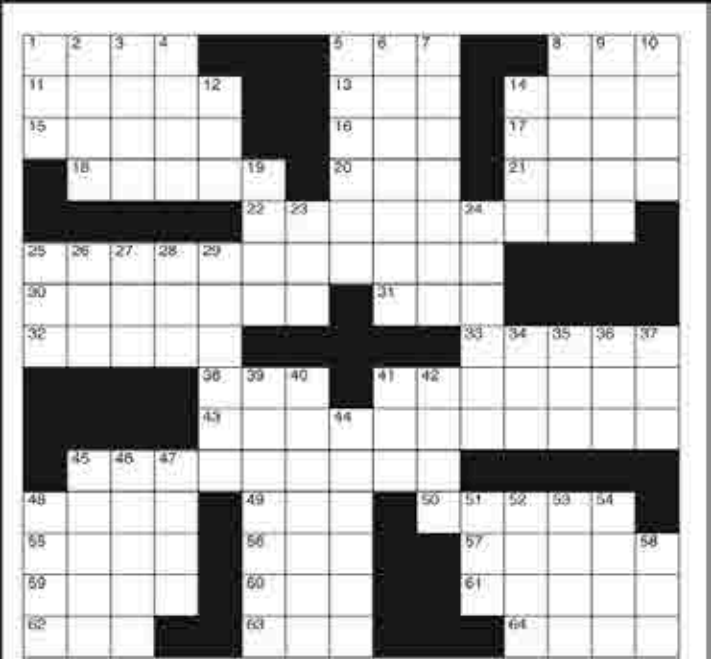
Girls do not need to be currently registered Girl Scouts to participate in BOSS Girls. The deadline to register for the program is Sept. 26.

Program details:  
Dates: Wednesdays, Oct. 2 through Nov. 20  
Time: 6 - 8 p.m.  
Location: NEW Girl Scout Worcester Leadership Center, 115 Century Dr., Worcester  
Included: Dinner, program supplies, the aMAZE Journey and badge set, and a Girl’s Guide to Girl Scouting  
Cost: Free

For more information and to register contact Tammy Gilpatrick at [tgilpatrick@gscwm.org](mailto:tgilpatrick@gscwm.org) or 508-749-3639.

Open to girls in the following towns: Auburn, Barre, Boylston, Brookfield, Douglas, East Brookfield, East Douglas, Grafton, Holden, Hubbardston, Leicester, Millbury, New Braintree, North Brookfield, Northborough, Northbridge, Oakham, Oxford, Paxton, Princeton, Rutland, Shrewsbury, Spencer, Sterling, Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, West Boylston, West Brookfield, and Worcester.

About Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts  
Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts serves more than 7,000 girls in grades K through 12 with the strong support of 3,800 adult volunteers in 186 towns and cities in central and western Massachusetts. Girl Scouts’ mission is to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Since 1912, girls have explored new fields of knowledge, learned valuable skills, and developed strong core values through Girl Scouts. Today, Girl Scouts is, as it always has been, the organization best positioned to help girls develop important leadership skills they need to become successful adults.



- CLUES ACROSS
1. Group of languages

5. No seats available

8. Helps little firms

11. Having a strong sharp smell or taste

13. Established by the Treaty of Rome

14. Whale ship captain

15. Thick

16. When you hope to get there

17. First capital of Japan

18. Cyprinids

20. Dry white wine drink

21. Witnesses

22. Alcohol drinks

25. Synthetic resin

30. Latin for "very early"

31. Bill Clinton plays it

32. One-time province of British-India

33. Folic and amino are two

38. Integrated data processing

41. Use to build roads

43. 44th US President

45. Where school kids eat

48. Small New Zealand tree

49. Doctors' group

50. Civil Rights group

55. Swedish rock group

56. Baby's dining accessory

57. Succulent plants

59. Dutch word for "language"

60. Polynesian garland of flowers

61. Spiritual leader

62. Single Lens Reflex

63. Baseball stat

64. Abba \_\_, Israeli politician

- CLUES DOWN
1. He's honored every June

2. Breezed through

3. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid

4. Flat, thin round object

5. One looking for knowledge

6. Calls it a career

7. Egg-shaped wind instrument

8. Allied H.Q.

9. Reveals

10. Greek sophist

12. Speedy ballplayer Gordon

14. Body that defines computing protocols

19. Common Japanese surname

23. Eucharist box

24. Oil company

25. Parts per billion (abbr.)

26. A metal-bearing material

27. The common gibbon

28. Affirmative

29. Writer

34. Taxi

35. Pioneering journalist Tarbell

36. Used to hold back

37. Senior officer

39. OK to go out with

40. First in order

41. Defunct phone company

42. Southern Ghana inhabitant

46. Peninsula in SW Asia

45. Political plot

46. "Great" Mogul emperor

47. Young horse

48. Where wrestlers compete

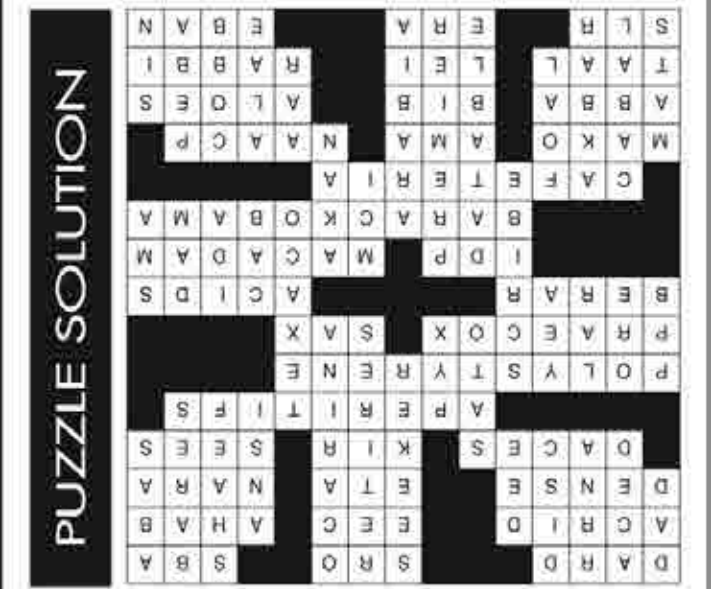
51. Swiss river

52. Wings

53. Baseball legend Ty

54. Skipper butterflies

58. Immoral act



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Water Department to perform semi-annual hydrant flushing

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Southbridge Water Department will start its semi-annual hydrant flushing program on Sunday, Sept. 29 at approximately 9 p.m. and continue during overnight hours for approximately six to eight weeks between the hours of 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Flushing will start in the Westville area and continue

easterly throughout the town. The procedure will include the cleaning of the reservoir intake screens, flushing accumulated sediments from the water mains and testing the operation of each hydrant. The department requests that during this period, customers check their water before washing clothes. Customers may

also get accumulated sediments in their house laterals and experience some discolored water. This will clear after a brief run of water at the tap. Please contact the Southbridge Water Department at (508) 764-3207 if you have any questions or comments.

Walk Against Abuse to be held Oct. 6

BRIMFIELD — Stop Abuse Today, Inc. is hosting their Annual Walk against Abuse on the Brimfield Common on Sunday, Oct. 6 from noon-3 p.m. Speakers will begin at noon, with the walk following at 1 p.m., and gathering back on the common after the walk for refreshments. We hope you and your family will attend to help support awareness about domestic abuse and bullying.

Stop Abuse Today, Inc. is a local nonprofit whose purpose is to support abuse victims and their families. Our primary objective is to provide education, awareness, outreach and support concerning domestic abuse, elder abuse and bullying among our youth.

You may visit our Web site at <http://www.stopabusetoday.org/> and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StopAbuseToday/>.

For any questions, please email Kathy Boyer at [TeamHoyt73@gmail.com](mailto:TeamHoyt73@gmail.com).

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be three people there so they don’t know how impactful it is across the board.”

The Day of Giving is not all that the United Way organization does for these communities though. They are known nationally for three main pillars of assistance in health, education and stability.

When asked about how these areas are addressed within in this three-town footprint, Mary O’Coin said, “We achieve these goals by supporting the programs in our area that have something to do with education; third grade reading proficiency for example, an area where it’s proven children have a better chance of success later in life, so you really want to emphasize those education opportunities in early childhood development. A new program that we have is a sports and robotics program and homework help, just for that age range. Health, we support a couple of different health initiatives, whether its domestic violence prevention and education, dental and

medical clinics in Southbridge with Family Health, even the YMCA, anything that has to do with healthy lifestyles. With financial we want to make sure everyone has their basic human needs, because if you meet those requirements in someone’s life then they’re able to not worry about it and concentrate on their families, their health.”

With one hundred volunteers showing up to help out during this Day of Giving, it was clear that those living and working in these towns value their sense of community and wanted to do all they could to give back.

O’Coin said, “United Way looks to give, advocate, donate and volunteer and people will advocate for United Way all the time. Whether it at their workplace or at our programs, we have very generous donors in our area and this is our opportunity to allow them to volunteer. We have opportunities like this throughout the year.”

When asked about the importance of volunteering in one’s community, longtime volunteer with United Way Liz Marie echoed the statements

of others when she said, “To me, it’s always been really important to give back and support the communities that we all work in and live in and that’s one of the primary reasons why I like to do it and I enjoy doing it, it’s just a way to give back to them really.”

Others, like Kris Marier, who has been volunteering with United Way for nearly six years and currently sits on the board, said, “I like to lead by example personally and I think it’s great. I’m from Connecticut and so you know when people say it’s not my neighborhood, I don’t agree with that.”

Volunteers on that Day of Giving performed tasks such as painting, replacing ceiling tiles and re-staining pews in local churches and everything in between. Most importantly though they went out and helped those within their communities that needed it. If you would like a chance to join some of the volunteers on their next project or learn more about the United Way organization, more information can be found at <https://www.unitedwaysc.org/>.

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# West Street School teachers picked for community service project

SOUTHBRIDGE — On Sept. 11, school supplies were delivered to teachers by a group of Master Masons from Quinebaug Lodge Doric Chapter, who are also Royal Arch Masons, and is part of the York-Rite. This chapter was founded in 1867 and is the third oldest chapter of Freemasons in the state. As part of this year's Community Service Project fund raiser the Doric chap-

ter chose the teaches of West St. School in Southbridge. It's a well-known fact that today's teaches contribute financially to provide supplies for their classrooms when needed. The lodged reached out to Vice Principle Maria Murray of West St. School in Southbridge and asked her for a list of supplies needed for their teachers. Once this list was received a Doric

Chapter member recruited his daughter in law Karolina Jacobkewicz to research the best places for the best deals and the most for your buck for school supplies. Supplies ranged from Dry erasers to colored markers, Lysol wipes, colored pencils, zipper pencil cases, sharpies of all colors and the list goes on. These supplies will be distributed between 25 classrooms.



Members of Quinebaug Lodge Doric Chapter with school supplies for Teachers of West St. School and center sitting Karolina Jacobkewicz and daughter Lucy who purchased these supplies for the lodge.

# SCHOTT Lighting & Imaging bids farewell to longtime employee

SCHOTT Lighting & Imaging bids farewell to longtime employee SOUTHBRIDGE — After 45 years of dedicated service at SCHOTT Lighting and Imaging in Southbridge, Jay Nadeau, a long-term resident of Southbridge, has decided to retire. Nadeau started working for American Optical on Feb. 11, 1974 as an Injection Molding Operator. Southbridge has a long history of manufacturing optical products, earning it the unofficial title "Eye of the Commonwealth," in reference to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Under the Wells family, the American Optical Company ("AO") became the world's largest manufacturer of ophthalmic products. The American Optical's fiber optic division

eventually became a part of SCHOTT. SCHOTT Lighting and Imaging is now the last decedent of AO and still manufactures fiber optics in Southbridge with over 200 employees. During his career, Nadeau worked as a Machine Operator in Manufacturing and he retires, as a Draw Operator A. He was always there to train new employees in the draw towers, passing down his expertise and knowledge to the future of SCHOTT. As an appreciation for Nadeau's service, SCHOTT had a small celebration for him to wish him well on his future endeavors. Jay is looking forward leisurely touring the US in his RV.



Jay Nadeau

# Vocal group to present benefit concert

STURBRIDGE — Take a trip back into history with the talented singers of Old Sturbridge Village as they present a concert of 19th Century hymns, patriotic pieces, popular music and folk songs. The concert will be held on Oct. 26 at 3 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 345 Main St. in Sturbridge. The concert is to benefit St Luke's Guesthouse which provides Christian hospitality to those in need of temporary shelter. All proceeds will be given to this incredible place! Admission is \$10 at the door. Come and join us! Light refreshments will follow the concert.



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# Summer weather visits Autumnfest

SOUTHBRIDGE — The community descended on the Common by the thousands to celebrate Southbridge and the coming of autumn Saturday, even though the weather felt more like July than fall.

To rock cover tunes by an expanded version of She's Busy, visitors perused a wide variety of crafts; learned about history, the schools and various area non-profit groups and businesses; played games of various kinds; and consumed lots of food and drink. A few dozen of them walked away with a long list of raffle prizes, most of them provided by various members of the event's sponsor, the Southbridge Business Partnership.

Photos Gus Steeves



Volunteers from St John Paul II Parish fill orders for Latin food as a customer looks on.



Beth Stephens contemplates her dog Cosmo.



Maggie the Clown begins a balloon creation as a girl watches.



Hailey Petricola and John Lindsey from Main Street Tire get caricatured.



The owners of Mary's Garden in Dudley talk to a visitor at their produce-laden booth.

Two kids play with the giant Jenga blocks




She's Busy gets into a Pink Floyd groove.

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A girl and her balloon sculpture.



Two girls have a duel in the most harmless way possible.

BELOW: Sarah Champagne resists her son's entreaties for more money at the Southbridge Schools table.





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## GARDEN

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part, we got to know the volunteers and they got to know each other and everyone seemed to enjoy sharing stories and gardening knowledge.”  
This year the garden committee hosted “guest groups” visiting the area who want to do community service work for a few hours. So far, the “guest groups” include Housing Management Resources from Quincy, Mass., which spent half a day planting, weeding and making hand-painted signs for the different vegetables which are now displayed in their proper growing box. The signs help everyone know what variety of crop is growing in the box. This group also donated several dozen men’s and women’s gloves as well as hand shovels and diggers. Another group was the Defense Civilian Emerging Leaders Program (CDELP) from the DOD in Southbridge. One team came from Georgia and one from Oklahoma. For the second year, a team from United Way’s “Day of Caring” worked at the garden for several hours.  
Tantasqua Regional High School has been great right from the start in helping with this project. The carpentry department made the raised growing boxes last year and more this year when we expanded. They also made a 12-by-eight-foot tool shed for us this year which has been painted an eye-catching orange. The garden pays for the lumber and any materials but the students use their skills to get everything built. The lacrosse girls team filled the boxes with soil last year and again this year. The Town of Sturbridge provides us with the water and all the wood chips we need. People from area towns have donated garden tools and many, many companies have donated in-kind services. When the companies hear who we are and what we’re doing to help food-insecure members of our communities, they donate their work as their contribution to our efforts.  
Having a garden of any size comes with a few challenges. A hungry woodchuck and several rabbits sampled a lot of veggies before they were “discouraged” from doing so. Holes chewed through the plastic fence were repaired repeatedly. Supplies to increase efficiency are expensive. The committee runs a fundraising campaign each February and the local banks, businesses and some individuals have been very generous. The garden has also received two small grants from the Rotary District Foundation. This year, the garden committee has applied for a grant that focuses on community gardens and should hear soon if it is received.  
“A larger garden means much more watering,” Coan said, “so with some of our remaining funds, an irrigation system was installed in one-half of the garden. The garden committee is sensitive to keeping waste to a minimum so

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Oct 9 (Wed) New Hampshire Turkey Train - Foliage train ride, Harts Turkey Farm Luncheon, Mystery stop and sightseeing - \$99.00  
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Dec 3 (Tues) Johnny Mathis Christmas Tribute - Ultimate tribute to Johnny Mathis with Christmas

an irrigation system positioned close to the plants waters only the plant and not the walkways or edges to the fencing, nor does it let the water evaporate. If the grant is received, we plan to irrigate the other half of the garden and secure the garden with new metal fencing.”  
Another challenge for the garden was when it rained during a work session and the session had to be cancelled. Especially difficult was when it rained during harvest time. The harvest can’t wait. Members of the garden committee would watch the weather and move harvesting up an hour or two based on the forecast but that wasn’t always convenient for volunteers’ schedules. However, these folks are determined and the crops were harvested regularly. The garden also adjusted the time of their work sessions recently when the Town of Sturbridge raised the EEE alert to HIGH. Coan stressed the safety of the volunteers comes first.  
“The committee was fortunate this year to have Roberta Watson join them as its second chief gardener,” says committee member Pauline White. “Roberta, a Co-Director at the Saint John Paul II Food Pantry, shares her experiences and knowledge from the Food Pantry perspective. She also planted a few new varieties not grown last year such as different kinds of winter squash, okra and tomatillos.”  
“We’ve spent a lot of time focused on the infrastructure of the garden and the crops,” according to White. “That’s why we were very happy when the Southbridge Garden Club, of which several members volunteer at the garden, offered to install plantings around the garden sign in an effort to make the entrance to the garden more attractive. We are looking forward to that happening this fall.”  
“It has been another busy year and a good year for us,” says Coan. “Once we expanded, we set a goal of growing and donating 3,000 pounds of vegetables to the Pantry. We are almost at our goal and we still have lots of tomatoes, peppers, and eggplant to ripen. We’ve come a long way in our two years with the garden and we plan to continue to look for ways to streamline and work more efficiently and to grow great produce. We sometimes talk at our committee meetings about what people say to us. Most of them tell us it’s a great project that we are doing – helping to feed people in need. Yes, we feel that way too.”  
Check out the garden’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CFCGardens/ or website at http://cfcgarden.org/ or email them at CFCGarden357@gmail.com. The garden committee welcomes volunteers, donations of funds, new or used garden tools, and in-kind services. Pay a visit and take a look at the garden and see the amazing work these folks are doing. They are located on Maple Street in Sturbridge behind the Sturbridge Town Hall in the lower parking lot.

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Sunny Portugal next April. The Douglas Sunshine Club is planning a trip to sunny Portugal April 21-30, 2020. This trip is with Collette Travel. An informational meeting is planned for Wed. June 12th at the Douglas Senior Center, 331 Main St., Douglas, at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in the trip, this is a great opportunity to get a description of the travel arrangements and itinerary with a representative from Collette Travel who will also answer any questions you have about the trip. For more info call 508-476-4474.

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EDITORIAL

# The battle over banned books

It is a tale that has excited young readers the world over since its publication in the late 1990s. A nine-year-old orphan delivered as a baby into the custody of relatives who mistreat him terribly discovers that he is the child of two powerful wizards. His heritage earns him entry into a prestigious school of magic, where, over the course of the next decade, he uncovers the secrets of his past, battles the evil nemesis responsible for his parents' deaths, and learns the value of friendship while forging his own path in the world.

This is, of course, the story of everyone's favorite budding wizard, Harry Potter, and between the stratospheric success of J.K. Rowling's original series of books and the blockbuster films they inspired, he has become such a popular character that it's hard to imagine any corner of the world where his name is still unknown.

It may, however, surprise you to know that there are places right here in our own country where the right of libraries to circulate the Harry Potter books, and the right of locals to read them, have come under attack in recent years — so much so, in fact, that the series ranked at one time among the top 10 most frequently challenged and/or banned literary titles in the world.

The notion that a simple children's book about growing up in a world of magic might have a corruptive influence on the young may strike many of you out there as patently ridiculous. It certainly did us. But in many communities, particularly those dotting the region that we call the Bible Belt, the fear that Rowling's books might convince young readers with impressionable minds to turn away from the teachings of Scripture and experiment with the dark powers associated with witchcraft has garnered enough legitimacy that access to them has either been severely, or completely, restricted in communities from Michigan to Pennsylvania to Florida.

And Harry is not alone. According to the American Library Association (ALA), more than 350 books faced similar challenges by local authorities in 2017 alone, and the list keeps growing every year. Among the titles most frequently restricted or outright banned are "The Kite Runner" (for a graphic rape scene that becomes the defining moment in its main character's life); "I Am Jazz" (for supposedly glorifying the lifestyle of co-author Jazz Jennings, a transgendered teen); "Thirteen Reasons Why" (for allegedly glamorizing teen suicide, though many have argued that it has just the opposite effect on the reader); and "Drama" (for its depiction of LGBTQ characters).

We certainly understand the concerns that have led parents, school boards, and community members to mount challenges against these books, and we are believers in the right of any community or school district to govern itself. When it comes to the question of banning books, however, we do not believe such a practice can, or should, be condoned here in the United States of America. To censor literature of any kind, no matter the reason, runs counter to the principles of free speech and expression upon which our country was founded. It is no mere coincidence that those freedoms were the first to be enshrined in our Bill of Rights. By protecting the right of individuals both to create and enjoy art and literature that provokes, challenges, and educates us and enriches the human experience, we nurture the freedom of thought that is fundamental to the preservation of our democratic values. To borrow an old cliché, but one that we feel bears repeating, censorship in any form is, simply put, un-American.

Fortunately, a force has emerged

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# OPINION

Viewpoints and commentary from the Tri-Community and beyond

## TO THE EDITOR

### Help us keep children from the cold this winter

To the Editor:

For the last few years, our Knights of Columbus Council 199, in Southbridge, has been raising money to purchase and donate children's winter coats to Catholic Charities to be given away free to local children. Our goal was always to raise enough money to purchase and distribute 72 coats every fall, something we did easily without thinking as to whether or not the need was greater. We found out that the need was so great that the coats were gone in less than 1 week so last year we decided to try to raise as much as we could so we could purchase many more coats, the drive was so successful that we were able to purchase 192 coats and received 16 more from K of C State as a match of one free coat for every case purchased. With so many coats to distribute we were able to donate to both Catholic Charities and Holy Trinity's coat

closet.

We will be conducting another dinner and turkey shoot in November with the proceeds going to purchase more coats and pledge to buy at least the first six cases with the proceeds. The coats are sold in cases of 12 for \$236, which is about \$20 per coat, what we would like to do is purchase another 10 cases on top of the 6 we are pledging for, but that would require your help, if you're a business or civic group maybe you could donate \$236 and we could buy 1 additional case, if that's too much to ask for two donations of \$118 will buy the case, a person or a family could donate \$20 which we could towards purchasing 1 coat. Maybe we won't hit our goal of buying 16 cases, but whatever extra we do raise will put a coat on someone's child that might otherwise go cold this winter if we don't try. This year they are also offering teen size coats

but they are \$306 per box of 12, if we raise enough money I would like to purchase a few of these larger coats. These kids could be a neighbor or most likely be someone you'll never know or meet, but we could all get a warm feeling if we pitch in and help keep our kids warm this winter. If you can help, checks would be payable to K of C Council 199 and can be dropped in the collection basket at St John Paul II Parish with a note on the envelope saying "Coats for Kids" or just mail them to us, our address is PO Box 176 here in Southbridge. Please don't think that you won't make a difference because every dollar counts and it just takes 20 of them to buy a coat. Thank You from Council 199

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2019 COATS FOR KIDS  
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## Fall Projects and Recipes

Autumn in New England is a simple wonder like no other - With a canvas of colorful fall foliage, fat orange pumpkins growing on the vine, and red apples just right for picking, it offers nature's brilliance at its best! The bounty of the harvest also provides perfect inspiration for some of the most interesting fall project and meal ideas. Read on for a potpourri of creative autumn delights!



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styrofoam ball or ball of clay into the bottom of the flowerpot about halfway to the top of the pot. Arrange popsicle stick stems in the ball to form an attractive centerpiece bouquet. Attach one or more ribbon bows to popsicle sticks and anchor them deep into the pot to fill in bare spaces.

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**Foolproof Roasted Pumpkin Seeds:** Never toss out the seeds when carving Jack-O-Lanterns or cooking fresh pumpkins! They strings and pulp on the seeds the flavor will be enhanced. Toss pumpkin seeds in a bowl with melted butter or oil and seasonings of your choice. Mix well. (Kids can help with the tossing). Spread seeds on a single layer on a baking sheet. Bake for about 45 minutes, stirring occasionally, until golden brown. make great snacks that are rich in fiber and vitamins B and E. Best of all, the kids love these treats because they can help make them. Everyone has their own way of baking pumpkin seeds, but this foolproof method results in delicious, crisp seeds every time.

**Ingredients:** One and one half cups pumpkin seeds; two teaspoons melted butter or olive or vegetable oil; salt to taste. (Other seasoning options: garlic powder, cayenne pepper, seasoning salt, and Cajun seasoning blend.)

**Instructions:** Preheat oven to 300 degrees.

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### Apple Cider Crock Pot Stew

What could be better than hot stew on a crisp fall day? How about coming home from work with it all ready to serve up!

**Ingredients:** One to two pounds beef or venison stew meat; eight carrots, sliced thin; six potatoes, sliced thin; two apples, cored; two teaspoons salt; one half teaspoon thyme, two tablespoons minced onion; two cups apple cider.

**Directions:** Place carrots, potatoes, and apples in crock pot. Add meat and sprinkle with salt, thyme, and onion. Pour cider over meat and cover. Cook on low heat 10-12 hours. Thicken gravy.

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### Chinese Butternut Ravioli

This is a recipe from a popular local restaurant. It's a seasonal treat that combines the flavors of fresh butternut squash and native maple syrup with an Oriental twist.

**Ingredients:** Butternut squash; butter; brown sugar; won ton wrappers; egg white; pure maple syrup.

**Instructions:** Mash and prepare butternut squash with butter and brown sugar as desired. Brush one side of won ton wrapper with egg white wash. Fill center of wrapper with squash and top with another wrapper

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## How can you make your money last during retirement?

It's probably safe to say that many of us are concerned about having enough money to cover our retirement years. In fact, some surveys have shown that we are more frightened of running out of money than we are of dying. What can you do to help alleviate these fears?



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Your first move is to create a retirement income strategy, and you'll want to develop it well before you need to use it. While there are many ways to develop such a strategy, you may want to consider these three key elements:

**Withdrawal rate** – Your withdrawal rate is the percentage of your portfolio you use every year during your retirement. So, for example, if you retire with a portfolio worth \$1 million and you choose a 4% withdrawal rate, you'll be taking out \$40,000 per year. Your withdrawal rate will depend on several factors – your age at retirement, the size of your portfolio, potential earned income, date at which you start taking Social Security, and so on. Clearly, when deciding on a withdrawal rate, you'll want to reach the "Goldilocks" solution – not too much, not too little, but just the right amount.

**Reliance rate** – Your reliance rate is essentially the percentage of your overall retirement income that comes from your investment portfolio – your IRA, 401(k) and other accounts. It's called a reliance rate because you rely on this portfolio for your income. The higher your reliance rate, the more you will rely on your portfolio to provide income during your retirement, and the greater your sensitivity to market fluctuations.

**Income sources** – The more sources of lifetime income you have – such as Social Security and a pension from your employer – the less you may be relying on your investment portfolio to cover your retirement goals. However, many private employers have moved away from pensions in favor of 401(k)-type plans, and Social Security will only provide about 40 percent of your preretirement income in retirement, assuming your earned income is average for U.S. workers, according to the Social Security Administration. Consequently, you may want to consider options such as annuities, which can provide lifetime income benefits.

It will take careful planning to put these three factors together in a way that can help you build enough consistent income to last throughout your retirement – which could easily extend two or three decades. And there's no single formula for everyone. For example, while an annuity could offer lifetime cash flow and help you reduce your reliance on your investment portfolio, it also involves fees and expenses, plus lower liquidity than other sources of income, so it may not be right for everyone.

Fortunately, you don't have to go it alone when taking all your retirement income factors into account. You may want to work with a financial professional – someone who can evaluate your individual situation and then recommend retirement income solutions based on your appropriate reliance rate, withdrawal rate and potential income sources. By getting the help you need and by following a suitable long-term strategy, you can ease some of the stress that comes from wondering if your life span might eventually exceed your financial resources.

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# Collecting trade cards

Trade cards are a type of collectible that can fit in everyone's budget. Some can sell for under one dollar. Rare ones can sell in the thousands, though.

Trade cards were most popular during the Victorian era, but they were already being used in the 18th century. On their Web site, the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester states that "although there is no concrete definition of a trade card, it is generally a printed notice of goods for sale or services available for the public." Large copper engravings similar to those used by newspapers were first used to advertise businesses. Trade cards were later created that could be produced on a smaller "card" press. One of the first printers was Samuel Dickinson, who printed the "Boston Almanac." The Antiquarian Society's website states that they have over 15,000 trade cards in their collection dating back to 1749. One of the trade cards in their collection is from Paul Revere.

Much later in the next century, trade cards had their "hey day." Cornell University's website and other sources attribute their increased popularity



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to Louis Prang. Prang introduced a prize winning, full colored lithograph trade card at the Vienna International Exposition in 1873. He returned to the United States and printed them commercially. By the mid-1870's, many manufacturers and other businesses were using the cards to promote their businesses. The early versions were printed with blank space. This allowed businesses to place their name and location in that area when they ordered them from traveling salesmen.

Trade cards became so popular with consumers that they began to be included in product packaging as a premium. Card designs improved. Die-cut cards in the shape of people, animals, and products such as tea-cups and even pickles were produced. Figures of the time also appeared on trade cards. Presidents, war heroes, actresses, sports figures, and stereotypical caricatures all appeared on trade cards.

Trade cards lost their appeal in the early 1900's though. Printing technology improved and large-scale color printing became commonplace in magazines and elsewhere.

Trade cards remain popular with collectors today. We sold two notebooks, each with a little over 20 pages of plastic sleeves of trade cards, in our August auction. One brought \$250 and the other sold for \$400. Ten clipper ship trade cards sold for \$7,500 in a 2008 auction. A 1901 Coca Cola trade card sold for \$1,800, an 1892 Coca Cola version went for \$2,500, and an 1893 Coke trade card reached \$4,250 in other sales. A trade card from the magician "the Great Hermann" and "Adelaide" sold for over \$4,000 in 2015. Trade cards advertising mechanical banks can sometimes bring as much as the banks themselves. A "Darktown Battery" bank and a "Picture Gallery" bank trading card each brought \$8,000, providing the consignors with plenty of cash to deposit in their own banks.

It was nice meeting some regular readers of this column at my night class, the Auburn Public Library, and the Finnish Heritage Society in Rutland. I'll be back at the Auburn Library appraising items on Oct. 5. I'll also be lecturing at the Worcester Senior Center on Oct. 16 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. I'll be at the Shrewsbury Historical Society on Oct. 23 for an appraisal event. We have an online auction currently running in Woodstock, Conn., featuring recreational vehicles, A Kubota tractor, 2005 Victory



motorcycle, household items and furnishings. Please see [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for details on these and other events.

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# Fall fishing at its finest

With the continuation of the cool days last week, it made the waters suitable for Mass. Fish & Wildlife to start stocking local waters with trout. The annual fall stocking of ponds and lakes only in the Central District should give anglers a great opportunity to catch numerous rainbow & brown trout prior to freeze up. The Cape also offers some great fishing for trout in the fall for anglers that do not hunt. Unfortunately, the stocking of bloodstock salmon has ended for now, but they could become available in the near future.

Striper fishing picked up last week at the canal, with stripers in the 50-pound range being caught Wednesday of last week. Numerous stripers in the 40-pound-and-up class were also caught. The fall run of stripers is starting to pick up, with Block Island starting to show signs of large numerous stripers being caught.

Snug Harbor reported on the following species of fish: Striper fishing at Block Island picked up this past, and confirmed reports by other anglers week with a lot of big fish being caught. Albi and Bonita fishing was still doing good until the high surf started to role in this past weekend. Tautog and seabass fishing is very good in shallow water. This week's fishing improved a lot after the sea's settled down.

The Salmon River action is picking up as of this past Friday. A large concentration of salmon moved into the river, and is providing anglers with some great fishing. It is only going to get better, according to Fat Nancy's Bait & Tackle shop weekly report in Pulaski, N.Y. The river was running at 335 cfs this past Friday. This week's picture shows a young lady with her first salmon caught on the Salmon River. Photo courtesy of Fat Nancy's. If you love fishing and have never caught a large salmon out of the Salmon River, you need to go now!

A lot of back yard bird feeders are not being used like in past years, according



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to some local residents. Although my feeders are having numerous birds at my feeding station, I noticed a drop in the normal amount of birds at them. This past week, I caught a local news stations report on the loss of thousands if not millions of birds throughout the United States and other parts of the world. The reason for the decline was because of climate change, destruction of habitat, predators, and also house cat's. Many cats are allowed to roam freely and are having a negative effect on bird populations.

Huge forest fires in California and other parts of the world are having an extreme negative effect on birds and numerous other forms of wildlife. Severe flooding in Texas and other areas will be lucky to get some of the species of wildlife to recover. Mother Nature has not been kind to residents of these devastated areas, and wildlife and pets are feeling the force of Mother Nature also. Man has had a huge impact on these weather and climate changes.

The first segment of goose hunting in the Central District of Mass. was extremely poor locally. The first segment closed on Sept. 20. Canada Goose will reopen on Oct. 14, with a two bird a day limit in the Central District. Ducks also open on Oct. 14 this year. Be sure to purchase a federal and state waterfowl stamp before hunting. The stamps also need to be signed on the face of the stamp in ink, prior to hunting. Only steel shot is allowed for hunting waterfowl.

The second picture in this week's column shows Lucy Watson with one of the two northern Pike she recently caught in Uxbridge while fishing in the Blackstone River. I have heard of numerous pike being caught in the Blackstone over the years. Trout are also stocked by the Rhode Island Fish & Game for a number of years in the Blackstone River. It is too bad Mass. Fish & Wildlife does not listen



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over the past three decades to combat the rising tide of bans and challenges across the country: Banned Books Week, an initiative begun in 1982 by the ALA that seeks to focus public attention on the problem each fall by encouraging libraries from coast to coast to spotlight banned and/or challenged titles. This year's Banned Books Week will be wrapping up as this newspaper goes to press, but we

see no reason to limit the celebration to just seven days. Your local library may still have a display in its foyer of the titles in its own collection that have been subjected to challenges or bans, so take a look the next time you visit, and show your support for Harry, Jazz, and their beleaguered brethren by taking home a banned book for your own enjoyment or, better yet, passing it around to family and friends. Draw your own conclusions about these books, for that is a luxury that someone else may not have tomorrow.

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(washed sides touching). Pinch edges to form a seal. Boil in water for three or more minutes until won tons are tender. Serve hot topped with warmed maple syrup.

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Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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 three course dinner for two at the renown restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town com-

mon in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

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

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Favorite Line Dances, and on up to the Best songs from the '50's, '60's and '70's. Sing along, Dance along and Party strong to this Live Band. For \$89, enjoy Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, Salad, Breads, Choice of Entree, Potato, Vegetable, N.Y. Style Cheesecake, Coffee/Tea and let's not forget a CHAMPAGNE TOAST.

May 15, 2020 to May 22, 2020 Cruise 8 Days/7 Nights Boston to Bermuda aboard the Norwegian Cruise Lines "GEM" SHIP Leave Boston Friday, May 15 and return Boston Friday May 22. Included are All of the Following, Roundtrip Transfers from Sturbridge to Boston and back. The Ultimate Beverage Package, The Ultimate 4 Night Dining Package, Specialty Restaurants for Free, Exclusive Best of Times Cocktail Party, All Luggage Handling Fees, Drivers Gratuities and Best of Times Professional Tour Director. Early Booking Discount for those people who Book a Balcony Cabin by October 1st, you will receive a 1 Category Upgrade & Special On Board Credit. Prices start at \$1,199 Double Occupancy for an Inside Stateroom, \$1,399 for an Oceanview Porthole Window, \$1,899 for a Balcony Stateroom on Deck 9, \$1,949 for a Balcony Stateroom on Deck 10, and \$1,999 for Balcony on Deck 11. ALSO Add \$400 for Taxes, Transfers, and Gov't Fees. Single Occupancy is Available upon request. Please contact Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com for questions or information on any of the above Trips.

**LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER.**  
  
Thursday, Oct. 17: Trip to Twin Rivers and Wright's Chicken Farm. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. \$7 food credit and \$10 slot play. Cost is \$59.

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Indian Head Christmas Spectacular and Luncheon. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$89.

Friday, Jan. 17, 2020: Foxwood Casino. Free lunch buffet or \$10 food voucher and \$10 casino slot play. Cost is \$30.

Friday, Feb. 14, 2020: Foxwood Casino. Free lunch buffet or \$20 food voucher and \$10 casino slot play. Cost is \$30.

Friday, March 20, 2020: Foxwood Casino. Free lunch buffet or \$10 food voucher and \$10 casino slot play. Cost is \$30.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

SPENCER — Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, is offering the following trips. For more information, call Bernard Dube at (508) 885-3098.

USA: SPLENDORS OF THE NORTHWEST: Wonders of Northern California Redwoods, Oregon & Washington Aug. 3-16, 2020  
JAPAN: March 26 to April 9, 2020  
JAPAN & CHINA: March 26 to April 22, 2020  
SPAIN & PORTUGAL: September 9-24, 2020

**PAXTON SENIORS**  
  
Are you interested in joining another wonder trip in 2019?

A group of Seniors from Paxton and surrounding towns are planning a trip this year to Italy. The group plans to leave Paxton on Sept. 9, with transportation provided to Logan and return. Our flight will take us to Rome, Italy for 10 days visiting many historical sites of Italy. Rome has many beautiful attractions that many of us have not seen on previous visits. After two nights in Rome, we will move on to one night in Perugia where we will have the opportunity to visit Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi. Following our stay in Perugia, we move on to Florence, "the Cradle of Italian Renaissance," where we will view Michelangelo's incredible

statue of David. After two nights in beautiful Florence, we will move on to Venice. On the way to Venice, we will stop at a 12th century castle and learn about the famous Tuscany wines and enjoy a cooking class and lunch. Next we are off to Venice for two nights. During that time, we have an opportunity to visit many of the wonderful sites of the Canal City.

After Venice, our next and last night will be Milan where we will have an opportunity to visit and shop at the "Quadrilatero della Moda," Milan's high-fashion district. We will depart for home from Milan.

**SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center Monday, Wednesday, or Friday 9-10 a.m. or call (774) 922-4049 or e-mail jimtrips@yahoo.com.

Trips are open to the public! Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association, payment due at sign up:

**SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS 2019 TRIP SCHEDULE  
OPEN TO PUBLIC  
PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN UP**

October 8-15, 2019 – ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA – Room has just opened up for two couples on the 2019 trip, and I am taking names for 2020 trip,

November 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$25 - 10 - AM bus.

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 PM. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

Trips are open to the public! Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association.

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon senior center Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM or call 774 922 4049, or e-mail me jimtrips@yahoo.com

**FRIENDS OF STURBRIDGE SENIORS**

We are proud to announce the following upcoming Bus Trips which are open to everyone age 21 and over: The following One Day Bus trips are 92.00 which includes a Deluxe Bus Transportation, Delicious Lunch, Tax, Gratuity and Fabulous Entertainers.

Sunday May 19th See The Edwards Twins, the Best Impersonators of all the Biggest Stars.

Tuesday June 18th See The 3 Red Neck Tenors, Down Home Laughs + Big City Music, Pop to Opera.

Wednesday August 28th Tribute Show hear Songs of Neil Diamond, Carole King, Johnny Cash, Janis.

We also have the following 2 to 5 Day Overnight Trips for Singles and Double Occupancy.

Saturday June 29 to Wed July 3 Nova Scotia, Bay of Fundy, Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Tuesday, Dec. 3 to Thursday Dec 5th Pennsylvania Dutch and The Miracle of Christmas Show, Hershey's Chocolate World and more 459.00 Double occupancy

For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at 508 410 1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com

**UNION SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CHAPTER 12**

Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring a variety of excursions for all to enjoy in 2019. We are a non-profit family oriented Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

2019  
2019 is the Society's 27th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experi-

ence excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

Nov. 16 — "Do As You Wish Day in New York City" – shop for Christmas, do some sightseeing, visit a museum, attend a Broadway matinee, dine at a special restaurant, a visit to the aircraft Intrepid, visit the 911 Memorial complex. There is much to do and enjoy. Departure is 6:30 a.m. from the Southbridge RMV parking lot, and the return departure from New York City is 6:30 p.m. Included are rest stops to and from New York City. Cost is \$59 per person. The reservation deadline is Nov. 6. For information and reservations, call (508) 764-7909. To avoid disappointment, call early.

Dec. 14 — "Festival of Christmas Lights" at Our Lady of La Salette Shrine, seasonal concert with Fr. Pat, the singing priest, visit the International Museum of Creches, Gift and Book Shop, Chapel of Light, a Bistro for refreshments and snacks, a Carousel for the children, an optional trolley ride for a small charge to view the display of more than 400,000 lights and a complete inclusive luncheon at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Cost is \$54 per person, \$44 for children three to 10, under three free. Departure is 10:45 a.m. from Southbridge and 11:15 a.m. in Webster, with the return about 7:45 p.m. Reservation deadline is Dec. 5.

**UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER**  
  
All trips leave from the Whitinsville Walmart and the Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St, Westboro. Make sure to include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency # when sending payment. "Like" us on Facebook The Silver Club and The Uxbridge Senior Center. Please call Sue at (508) 476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2019  
Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Uxbridge Senior Center and its Silver Club travelling group is offering the following trips for 2019:

Oct. 1- Return of Turkey Train! Train ride along Lake Winnepesaukee with turkey dinner on board. \$81; leaves Whitinsville at 8:30; Home 6:30

Nov. 12~ Aqua Turf Club ~ lunch & show, "Crooning the 70's". \$79. Family style meal of Penne ala Vodka, Beef Burgundy, & Salmon

It's not too early to think about Christmas! Join the Silver Club for Boothbay Harbor, "Christmas by the Sea" in Portland, ME, or Reagle Players Christmas Show for Christmas 2019!

Nov. 21-22~2 day Boothbay Harbor w/ lunch at the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport. ~ 2 days w/"Gardens Aglow" (beautiful light show at the botanical garden) at the Boothbay Harbor Botanical Gardens. 1 lunch, 1 breakfast. \$199. double occupancy, \$259. single.

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All trips leave from Whitinsville Walmart, 100 Valley Parkway, Whitinsville. Make sure to always include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency phone number. Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information or to reserve.

The Silver Club of the Uxbridge Senior Center invites you to join them on a couple of Christmas trips.

There is a trip to Boothbay Harbor, Maine for the Gardens Aglow on Nov. 21 and 22 for the great price of \$199. After traveling along the Maine Coast, we'll arrive in Freeport, Maine to explore this quintessential Maine village. There will be time for shopping at the dozens of brand-name outlets, flagship L.L. Bean Store, and local boutiques housed in historic brick buildings; then enjoy an included late lunch buffet at the Harraseeket Inn. We will arrive in Boothbay Harbor in the late afternoon and check in to the Flagship Inn. This evening we'll experience Gardens Aglow; walk through the Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens' dazzling, outdoor display of 650,000 lights illuminating their meticulously cared for gardens. You'll also have a chance to peruse the visitor's center & gift shop and get a bite to eat. We will stop in the village of Boothbay Harbor afterwards to experience "The Festival of Lights." After breakfast we will head home with a stop in Kennebunkport for lunch and shopping. \*Please note this tour includes periods of outdoor walking on dimly lit, potentially uneven surfaces, and overnight accommodations that require walking up and down stairs.

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OBITUARIES

Debra A. Soper, 55

SOUTHBRIDGE- Debra Ann Soper, 55, passed away on Friday, Sept. 20th, in the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, after a long battle with cancer.



She leaves her father, Clarence “Buddy” Soper and his wife Pamela of Sturbridge; her mother, Shirley (Mellen) Chakuas and her husband Steve of Southbridge;

her nine siblings, James Rosseel of Sturbridge, Mark Soper of Southbridge, Lisa Soper of Southbridge, Linda Montigny of Hudson, Daniel Soper of Fiskdale, Stephen Soper of Brimfield, Christopher Soper of Los Angeles, CA, Kenneth Hasiya of New York, NY and Robert Mellen of West Virginia; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her two brothers, Charles E. “Chuck” Soper in 1995 and Randy M. Soper in 2018. She was born

in Worcester on May 23, 1964.

Debra worked at Flexcon in Spencer for many years, retiring due to illness. She was also a bartender at the former Squires in Brimfield for several years. Deb had a very big passion for animals, especially her beloved cat Oreo. She was a member of the MSPCA. Deb loved children and enjoyed being around her nephews and nieces. She was an avid New England sports fan. She also loved music and watching movies.

Calling hours for Debra were held on Wednesday, Sept. 25th, from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. A graveside service in North Cemetery, Sturbridge, will be private at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515 or to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

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Dr Clarence “ Doc” H. Prahm,93

NORTH BROOKFIELD- Dr Clarence “ Doc” H. Prahm,93, was called home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, September 18,2019 in Quaboag Rehabilitation and Care Center in West Brookfield with his loving wife by his side.



He was born in Southbridge,MA on February 26,1926 the son of the late Adolph and Emma (Gatzke) Prahm. He leaves his wife Wanda (Jacobson) Prahm of North Brookfield; sons Jeffrey Prahm & his wife Lana of Deerfield Beach, FL, Gary Prahm & his wife Priscilla of Marstons Mills, MA, Terry Jacobson & his wife Donna of Caldwell, ID, Mark Jacobson

of Port Saint John, FL; a daughter Cindy Horak & her husband Larry of Enfield, CT and 4 grandchildren Matthew,Rachel,Hannah and Elizabeth. He was predeceased by his first wife Gloria (Rudy) Prahm, his son Steven Jacobson and his twin sisters Shirley Mueller and Beverly Krussell.

Dr Prahm graduated from high school at New Hampton Preparatory School in New Hampton, NH, where he was the quarterback for the football team. After serving as a corpsman in the US Navy during WW II,

he completed his education at Tufts University and Penn State School of Optometry. While he was in college he played the saxophone in a jazz band.

He set up his Optometry Practice with offices in North Brookfield and Southbridge. In addition to his practice, he conducted eye exam programs at local factories and learning disability programs at local schools.He attended Trinity Lutheran Church in Springfield, MA. where he was a church elder, deacon, member of the church council, member of the mission board and taught Sunday school. As an avid golfer he was a member and former club president at Petersham Country Club. It was there that he scored his first hole in one. He also coached weekend basketball at North Brookfield Junior Senior High School and was a trustee at the North Brookfield Public library for many years.

A very special thank you to the outstanding staff at Quaboag Rehabilitation & Care Center Unit 1 for taking such excellent care of Dr Prahm for the past year and a half.

Calling hours were be held 1pm to 3pm on Monday, September 23,2019 in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 44 Gilbert Street, North Brookfield. A funeral service followed at 3PM in the funeral home. Burial with Military Honors will be held at a later date in Walnut Grove Cemetery, North Brookfield. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to the First Lutheran Church 1810 Northampton St. Holyoke, MA. 01040.

Kenneth A. Heins, 71

Kenneth A. Heins, 71, of Salem, NH and Dalton, MA passed away August 19, 2019 after a brief battle with cancer. But that’s not what he’d like you to remember about him. Rather, that he spent a whole lifetime making every day count and showing family & friends how important they were to him.



Ken was born April 7, 1948 in Boston, MA to Harold and Majorie (Shine) Heins. He grew up in Sturbridge, MA and graduated from Tantasqua Regional High School. He went on to study engineering at Lowell Tech where he earned his degree in Engineering. He worked briefly for Raytheon and Digital Equipment Corporation, but spent almost his whole career working in Quality Control for General Electric, in its many iterations, before retiring from Lockheed Martin (Chemsford, MA) in 2009 to spend more time with his grandkids & family.

Family meant everything to him. Ken leaves behind his wife, Nancy Gajewski, whom he married in 1973 and will forever be his sweetheart.

He is also survived by his three children, with whom he shared a lifetime of adventures: Karen (Heins) Israel and her husband Adam Israel, Craig Heins and his wife Elizabeth (Mack) Heins, and Randall Heins and his wife Rebecca (Hamm) Heins. His grandchildren were his absolute favorite people and he leaves behind Evan & Brendan Israel, Owen & Simon Heins, and Alexander Heins on earth, and now gets to hold granddaughter Penny Heins in heaven.

Ken is also survived by three sisters: Susan Merle, Marilyn O’Brien, and Cheryl Heins; a Brother-In-Law: Ken Gajewski; and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and “honorary” Heins family members. He was a role model and mentor to many, and his love and dedication to his family & friends is a legacy that will last forever.

As Ken wished, his family held a Celebration of Life in his honor on Sept. 14th. Please visit <https://www.carrierfuneralhome.com/> to leave condolences and remembrances. In lieu of flowers, please take someone you love out for an ice cream... preferably at a place at least 20 miles away so you can get a good conversation going along the way. He would have loved that.

Therese M. LaMere, 92

SOUTHBRIDGE- Therese M. (Gagné) LaMere, 92, of Therese Avenue, died September 10, 2019, at Southbridge Rehab & Health Care Center. Her husband was the late Emmett LaMere.

She is survived by her brother Adelard J “Del” Gagné of Sturbridge and nieces and nephews Monique Reed of Southbridge, Diane Goddard of Colorado, Rita Laws of Fiskdale, Michelle Gagné of Southbridge, Daniel Gagné of Warrn, and Alan Gagné of Brookfield.

She was born in Southbridge, daughter of Eloi and Lucia (LaRoche) Gagné, and lived here all her life. Mrs. LaMere was an active member of St. John Paul II Parish (Notre

Dame Church), its Ladies of St. Anne Sodality, she was the morning mass organist at the former Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, she worked Bingo at Notre Dame and Sacred Heart, she delivered Meals on Wheels, and was a volunteer for the Literacy group of the Jacobs Edwards Library.

She retired from Boniface Tool & Die where she worked as an office secretary for 12 years, retiring in 1993.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, with burial in Notre Dame Cemetery & Mausoleum in Worcester. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 directed the arrangements.

www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Matthew T. Nugent, 35

SOUTHBRIDGE – Matthew T. Nugent, 35, of Pine Street, passed away suddenly on Thursday, September 12, 2019, at Brockton Hospital.



He is survived by his girlfriend, Katie L. Dickson and her son Alexander Dickson of Southbridge; his brother, Michael Nugent of Ashford, CT, a close friend

who was like a mother to him, Kerri Gibeault of Southbridge; and many friends. He was born in Springfield, son of the late William E. and Susan A. (Warren) Nugent, and live most of his life in Southbridge. He attended Southbridge High School.

Mr. Nugent owned and operated Harvest Dreams in Southbridge for several years. He was an advocate for medical and recreational marijuana. He enjoyed custom glass design, artwork, and the outdoors. He loved animals, especially his beloved dog Roxanne.

Matthew was a powerful example for many through recovery.

A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at St. Mary’s Church, 247 Hamilton St., Southbridge. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Second Chance Animal Shelter, 111 Young Rd., East Brookfield, MA 01515. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. [paradisfuneralhome.com](http://paradisfuneralhome.com)

Send all obituary notices to Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550, or by e-mail to [Obits@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:Obits@stonebridgepress.news)



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SATURDAYS OCTOBER 20-DECEMBER 15

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ONGOING

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SUPPORT: The Cancer Support Group meets 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second Monday of every month in the Boardroom on the 4th floor at Harrington Hospital, 100 South St., Southbridge. Call (508) 764-2400 for more information.

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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

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the email systems anyone who sent an email to the town hall from Aug. 30 to Sept. 7 should re-send any information, as those emails may have been lost in transit.

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to fishermen who want to see pike stocked in more waters in the state locally. Manchaug Pond has produced numerous big pike over the years, as has Webster Lake. Blackstone River seems to be another body of water that will hold Northern pike.

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update of the situation for the public however those updates were not made available prior to press time.

In an interview, Craver told Stonebridge Press that she wanted business owners and others to be aware that due to the impact the attack had on



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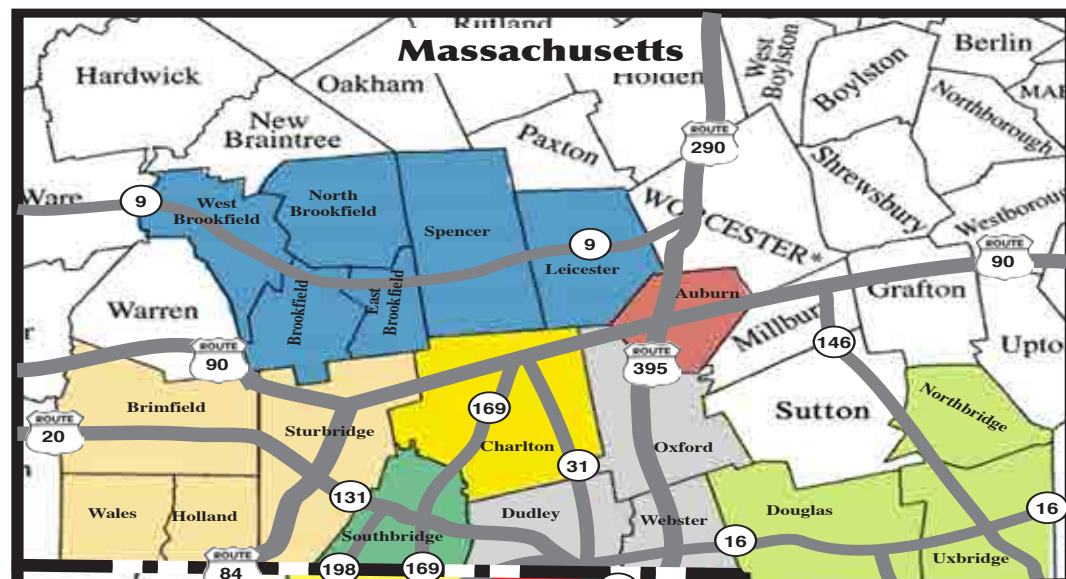
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It was created in 1965 on Bainbridge Island — a short ferry ride from Seattle, Wash. — by Joel Pritchard, Barry McCallum and Bill Bell. Pritchard claimed it was called pickleball because “the combination of different sports reminded him of the pickleboat in Crew, where oarsmen were chosen from the leftovers of other boats.”

McCallum claimed, “the game was officially named after Pritchard’s dog Pickles who would chase the ball and run off with it.”

The game is a combination of badminton, ping-pong and tennis. Basically, it is a racquet sport played much like doubles in tennis but on a much smaller court. The only equip-



Local pickleball players take part at the two specially-lined courts at the Sturbridge Recreation area behind Burgess Elementary School.

ment needed is a racquet (prices range from \$30 to well over \$100) and pickleballs, which resemble plastic whiffle balls. These balls can be purchased for approximately \$30 for 40 balls. During the winter months, it is played here at the Southbridge YMCA.

The ball must be served underhanded and travel diagonally across the net. Points are won only when serving and 11 or 15 points will win

the game. The net is lower than the net used in tennis. Unlike in tennis, players are not allowed to enter the “kitchen,” which is an area that extends seven feet on either side of the net. The one exception is when the ball lands in this area, the player may enter but must leave immediately after returning the ball.

Pickleball is a strategic, fun, fast-paced game easy to pick up and easier on the body than some. It’s played

all over the country on both outdoor and indoor courts. It is a social game and, as we pointed out earlier, becoming more popular each year. Many older people (ourselves included) find this game to be very enjoyable and a good form of exercise.

THE 100TH GAME

Several days ago we had a meeting with Sarah Champagne, who is Communications Specialist for the Southbridge Public Schools, concerning the 100th Thanksgiving Game between Southbridge and Bartlett. She will be collecting memories and stories about previous Thanksgiving Day games. She hopes that you will share them with her so that she will be able to put out articles about those game. You can forward these stories to her at [shsfootball100@Southbridgepublic.org](mailto:shsfootball100@Southbridgepublic.org). You can also forward them to use at our email [sportshistorians1@yahoo.com](mailto:sportshistorians1@yahoo.com) and we will see that she gets them.

*Charlie Bickerstaff and Lefty Varin are the Sports Historians and the statisticians emeritus for The News. They may be reached by e-mail at [sportshistorians1@yahoo.com](mailto:sportshistorians1@yahoo.com), or by mail at Sports Historians, c/o Southbridge Evening News, 25 Elm St., Southbridge, MA 01550.*

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Monday, Sept. 16  
Tantasqua 166, Northbridge 203 — Playing at their host course of Hemlock Ridge, the Warriors’ golf team easily dispatched the Rams to improve to an even 3-3 overall and 3-1 inside the Southern Worcester County League. Co-captain Grace Farland was the medalist for Tantasqua, shooting a 2-over par 38.

Tuesday, Sept. 17  
Tantasqua 166, Bartlett 194 — At Raceway Golf Club, the Warriors improved to 4-3 by beating the Indians. Will Pieczynski’s even-par 36 paced Tantasqua, as he earned medalist honors.

Wednesday, Sept. 18  
Tantasqua 181, Uxbridge 206

— Playing at Blissful Meadows, the Warriors’ golf team improved to 5-3 thanks to their victory over the Spartans. Will Pieczynski was the medalist after carding a 3-over par 39.

Tantasqua 6, Uxbridge 2 — Owen O’Brien scored three goals for the hat trick to lift the Warriors over the Spartans in a boys’ junior varsity soccer contest. Noah Genest, Sam Bachand and Scott Anderson also scored for Tantasqua (5-0). Josh Baldracchi and Ryan Huettmann gathered assists for the Warriors.

Thursday, Sept. 19  
Shepherd Hill 162, Tantasqua 168 — Dan Brooks of the Rams’ golf team was the medalist in the win versus the Warriors after carding a 1-under par 35

at Hemlock Ridge. Tantasqua’s low player was Will Pieczynski with a 37.

Friday, Sept. 20  
Tantasqua 17, Fitchburg 10 — The Warriors’ varsity football team evened its record to 1-1 following a victory over the host Red Raiders. Ryan Sears (19 carries, 96 yards) and Dominic Brown (6 carries, 71 yards) had the rushing touchdowns for Tantasqua, while Liam Gore (16 carries, 87 yards) also ran the ball well. Jarod Spratt kicked two extra points and made a field goal in the win.

North 1, Tantasqua 0 — The Warriors’ JV boys’ soccer team lost in heartbreaking fashion to the Polar Bears, surrendering a goal in the final 30 seconds.

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# Tantasqua, Uxbridge fit to be tied



Tantasqua's Amber Almeida scores a goal on a second half penalty kick.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos



Tantasqua's Amber Almeida tries to find an opening to take a shot at the Uxbridge net.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

UXBRIDGE — Two evenly matched teams don't always end up with the same result, but in this case — when the Uxbridge High girls' varsity soccer team hosted Tantasqua Regional on Wednesday, Sept. 18 — the Spartans and Warriors battled to a 1-1 tie.

Both coaches seemed pleased and not surprised by the result.

"We knew it was going to be close," said Uxbridge head coach Brian Linnehan. "To come out with a result was important, without a doubt."

"A point is better than none," Matthew Rickson, Tantasqua's head coach, said. "The girls still played hard, played aggressive and moved the ball well."

In the first half the possession was favored in the Warriors' offensive zone, including a corner kick opportunity where the ball slipped past Spartans' senior keeper Sydney Bretana — and a few Tantasqua players — before being kicked out of harm's way. Then, almost on cue, Uxbridge scored coming down

the other end in the 34th minute.

There, senior Elena Franzosa gathered the ball in the middle of the field and directed a pass to her right side into space. A sprinting Kathryn Cahill, just an eighth grader, approached it and, in stride, took two touches toward Warriors' junior keeper Ainsley Way. Cahill then booted a shot at the left portion of the net and past Way for the score.

"I've seen that at all levels of soccer; that's what's beautiful about this game or ugly about this game," Rickson said of having a scoring opportunity, only for the opposition to come right down the field and get the goal. "In this case it was very beautiful for Uxbridge and ugly for us, but that's why I love this sport."

Linnehan was quite pleased about his team's scoring play.

"It was a beautiful goal," he said. "It was a goal that we like to see where our forwards combine. We played a nice combination to get [Cahill] into space and behind the defense."

The Spartans took their

1-0 lead into halftime, but it wasn't long before the Warriors responded.

In just the third minute of the second half, Tantasqua junior Amber Almeida broke free from Uxbridge's defense and was in alone on Bretana. Almeida took a final touch into the box, where Bretana made contact with her, causing a yellow card and coinciding penalty kick.

With Bretana forced to the sideline for the play, Cahill stepped in to play goalie. And she got a hand on Almeida's shot, but it ultimately found the back of the net for the score.

"She was a little calmer on the ball compared to the other chances and her last touch before the shot was on," Rickson said of Almeida's chance being better than the other touches the Warriors had throughout the game. "A lot of the other chances, their last touch they either touched too much or they didn't touch enough. That's on our list to work on, finishing under pressure."

Tantasqua nearly took a 2-1 lead with 21 minutes to play



McKenna Lowell of Tantasqua sends the ball forward with pressure from Uxbridge's Maeve Mahoney.

when senior Eva Wengender found enough room in tight to take an unimpeded shot, but Bretana made a kick save a la a hockey goalie.

In all, Bretana made 15 saves and had countless other possessions where she slid in to corral the ball before a Warrior could shoot.

"Her timing is good; right when they take that touch, boom, she's there to get the ball," Linnehan said of Bretana's aggressive nature. "She's definitely one of our MVP's and she's improved every year. As a coach that's what you want to see."

With 10 minutes to go it was Uxbridge's turn to almost take a 2-1 lead. There, Franzosa's shot clanged off the crossbar and the rebound went to Cahill, whose shot was saved by Way (five saves).

The game's final flurry fea-

tured Almeida passing the ball over to her right to sophomore teammate Faith McCormack, who one-touched before shooting. But Bretana was there to preserve the tie, as Uxbridge is now 3-1-1 and ahead of the .500 mark to get back into the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament, where the Spartans hope to defend their title from last year.

"We created a lot of opportunities," Rickson said of his squad, which is now 2-2-1 and hopeful to get into the Central Mass. Division 1 Tournament. "We still created quite a few numbers in the second half; we just couldn't capitalize on any of them."

"We're right down the middle," Rickson added about the team record. "That's what we're shooting for [to get into the playoffs]."



Eva Wengender of Tantasqua battles against Uxbridge defenders MarthaAnn Rolandelli (left) and Jenny Frick.



Eva Wengender of Tantasqua battles to bring the ball into her possession

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# Persistence pays off for Blackstone Valley Tech to slip past Minutemen



Ben LaPointe of Bay Path races up to a loose ball before grabbing possession.



Bay Path keeper Aiden Sabatinelli keeps his eyes on the ball as it inches closer. Sabatinelli would go on to make the save on the play.

**BY NICK ETHIER**  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

UPTON — The Blackstone Valley Tech and Bay Path Regional boys' varsity soccer teams matched up on Friday, Sept. 20 and, after a scoreless and evenly played first half, the Beavers turned it on in the second stanza.

There, they finally broke through for two late goals to upend the Minutemen, 2-0, and remain a perfect 5-0 on the season.

Bay Path's record slipped to 4-2 following the loss.

"I felt like we really controlled the ball and limited their chances," said Valley Tech head coach Khalid Al-Haza'. "I kept waiting for it to hit the back of the net and finally in that 69th minute we got one."

In that minute the Beavers earned a free kick just outside

of the Minutemen's defensive box. From there, junior Luke Morrison took the kick and, after it hit Bay Path's wall, it trickled closer to the goal. Two Valley Tech forwards, including junior Grant Van Dyke, were there and Van Dyke slipped his shot past junior keeper Aiden Sabatinelli for the game-winner.

Then, in the 73rd minute, Valley Tech put the game away with another goal.

"That definitely took a lot of pressure off," Al-Haza' said of the insurance score. "The first goal felt good, but it definitely wasn't over."

On the play, freshman Ben Tufts earned his first varsity goal by winning a one-one-one battle with his defender as the serviced ball lowered to the ground. Tufts then one-timed a shot into the upper portion of the net.

"He saw the keeper coming out and if he tried to get a touch I don't know if he would have controlled it. Instead, he stuck his foot out and got a nice [shot] on it," Al-Haza' said of the heads-up play.

Bay Path head coach Dave Martinson agreed that the Beavers outplayed the Minutemen in the second half after a close first 40 minutes of play.

"They pressured us more in the second half," he said. "Their intensity was better than ours in the second half and they did a good job of shutting down our scorer."

Bay Path's scorer is junior Devin Hanlan. He and the rest of the Minutemen—including main facilitator Ben LaPointe, a senior—were limited to just four shots on frame, which were smothered by senior keeper Zach Brabham for the

shutout.

Sabatinelli made 12 saves for Bay Path.

"He came up big," Martinson said of his goalie. "They definitely could have had a few more [goals]. He's been training and working hard all season. When he's practicing he's 200 percent focused. He's really done a great job for us this year."

The Beavers' victory not only kept them undefeated

ed overall, but also unblemished in the Colonial Athletic League at 4-0. That's important to Valley Tech since one of their goals is to finish atop the table.

"Our goal is to win our league [Colonial Athletic League Large Schools Division] and so far we're in a good spot," Al-Haza' concluded.

## Bartlett football rallies to take down Bay Path

**BY KEN POWERS**  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — The Bartlett High varsity football team looked adversity square in the face during its game with Bay Path Regional on Saturday, Sept. 21, and the Indians didn't even think about blinking.

Ten minutes into its game with the

Minutemen, Bartlett couldn't get out of its own way. During that span the Indians had fumbled the ball away twice, run three plays from scrimmage and trailed by two touchdowns.

After that Bartlett (2-0) was able to find its way into the end zone on their final four possessions, hold Bay Path (0-2) scoreless and walk off George L.

Fowler Memorial Field with a very satisfying 28-14 victory.

"We suffered some self-inflicted damage [at the beginning of the game] and I kept telling the kids, 'let's show our character.' That start was not how anyone draws it up," Bartlett head coach Dane Laboissonniere said. "We got 22 guys and they're out here in the 82-degree heat working hard and cramping up while facing a team that's got something like 45 guys on their roster. These guys dug deep and found a way to win the game. They just showed their resolve."

Drew Malboeuf, one of Bartlett's five senior captains along with Logan Paranto, Donald Speight, John Franks and Brooks Williams, said the team was still confident it would win, even after it found itself in a two-touchdown hole.

"We re-bite every time. It's just a matter of re-biting and bouncing back. We knew we were in the game the whole time. The guys on the field believe in each other," said Malboeuf, who started at fullback and defensive end and played on special teams, not coming off the field all game. "Once we got down 14-0 we wanted it to be an even playing field at halftime and we did that. Once we got to that point we knew they weren't going to be able to stop us in the second half."

Bartlett won the game with a punishing ground attack, running around, through and past Bay Path, gaining 236 yards on 43 carries in, essentially, three quarters.

Paranto, Bartlett's quarterback, led the attack, rushing for a game-high 130 yards and two touchdowns on 23 carries. He also completed both of his pass attempts—to Alex Nunez—for 30 more yards and another touchdown. Nunez was also a key component of the Indians' run game, gaining 54 yards and scoring a touchdown on 10 carries. Speight added 48 yards on the ground on nine rushing attempts and added more than 60 yards on punt and kickoff returns.

After spotting Bay Path a 14-0 lead on touchdown runs of 11 and nine yards by Tyler Gillespie (11 carries, 73 yards) and a pair of Zach Whittemore extra points, Bartlett went to work.

The Indians cut Bay Path's lead to 14-6 with 6:19 left in the first half when Paranto found Nunez behind the Minutemen defense for an 18 yards

scoring strike. The score capped an 11-play, 71-yard drive that took 7:33 to complete.

Bartlett pulled to within two points of the lead, 14-12, with 17 seconds left before interception, Nunez plowing up the middle from four yards out to finish off a seven-play, 40-yard drive. The Indians tied the game, 14-14, on the ensuing two-point conversion run by Speight.

Speight opened the second half by returning Bay Path's kickoff 39 yards to the Minutemen 41-yard line. On the seventh play of the drive Paranto gave Bartlett a 20-14 lead with a one-yard run and then increased the lead to 22-14 with a conversion pass to Nunez.

Bay Path appeared to be driving for a score of its own after the ensuing kickoff, but quarterback Michael Keeler's pass skipped off the hands of Minutemen receiver Jonathan Nussy and was intercepted by Bartlett's Bryce Patterson in the end zone. Patterson returned it to the Bartlett seven-yard line.

"I call the plays on offense and the play where they came up with the interception, we [practiced] that play about 10 times in practice on Tuesday," Bay Path head coach Matt Fall said. "We run that play right and make the connection and it might end up being 22-all at that point. I guess I could second-guess myself on the play call, but I thought it was the right call at that point in the game."

Paranto pushed Bartlett's lead to 28-14 at the end of the ensuing 19-play drive—which took 12 minutes and 20 seconds off the clock—with a two-yard run.

"Paranto's a good player and a smart quarterback," Fall said. "He did a good job running the play clock down and snapping the ball with about five seconds left on each play on that drive. That was great clock management. My hat's off to a great job by both player and coach."

Malboeuf gave a lot of credit for the win to the Bartlett coaching staff—Laboissonniere, Ben Jenness, Rob Price, Barry Forrester, George Spitz and Keyshawn Hampton.

"Going into the game we were really well prepared for what we were going to see," Malboeuf said. "Our coaching staff is a great group to be coached by. They really know how to get the best out of us."

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<b>Danielson \$249,900 NEW LISTING</b>  3+ BR, 2 BA, 1/2 acre, part. finished lower. Neighborhood setting no cut through traffic. Immediate occupancy. <b>Robert Viani</b> 401-741-2432	<b>Ashford \$374,900 NEW LISTING</b>  2002 Sturbridge Village Freeman Farm House replica. 3 BR, 2 BA, ash flooring, 2 FPS, 17.8 acres. Tested negative for pyrrhotite. <b>Robert Viani</b> 401-741-2432	<b>Thompson \$282,000 NEW LISTING</b>  Well maintained 3 BR 3,BA Raised Ranch 2 car garage on 2 beautiful acres. Quiet country road. Rare find in Thompson! <b>Kathy Durand</b> 860-208-3934	<b>Woodstock \$259,900 NEW PRICE</b>  Immaculate 3 BR, 2 BA Cape. 1st floor bedroom and full bath. New hardwoods! 2 car garage. Beautiful lot. <b>John Downs</b> 860-377-0754	<b>Pomfret \$739,900</b>  Rare opportunity to own one of the finest homes in NECT. This reproduction features authentic historic details & custom craftsmanship. 5.52 acres. <b>John Downs</b> 860-377-0754	<b>Putnam \$165,000</b>  Well cared for Victorian w/in walking to downtown. 3 BR & 2 full BA & hardwood floors. There is a private drive w/a detached 2 car garage & shed. <b>Gelhaus Realty Group</b> Vivian 860-455-5363	<b>Killingly \$699,000</b>  Breathtaking long views! Spectacular horse property in NECT w/indoor riding arena (2013), open pastures & 8 horse stalls w/run-outs. <b>John Downs</b> 860-377-0754	<b>Thompson \$329,900</b>  Stone walls line the entrance, leading to a spacious 3576 SF Colonial. Beautiful grounds w/a pond & a lg yard perfect for entertaining. <b>Tanya McDermott</b> 860-933-0996						
<b>Woodstock \$425,000</b>  Enjoy this beautiful property on almost 6 acres w/ barn & post & beam home. 1st floor BR, open living, master w/private TV room & BA. Covered front porch. <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343	<b>Brooklyn \$354,000 New Price!</b>  Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom home with large family room & a finished walk out lower level! <b>Gelhaus Realty Group</b> Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408	<b>Killingly Waterfront \$695,000</b>  Sensational living on Alexanders Lake. Glassed in front w/the most beautiful views. Open living, wood floors, fireplaces, wine room, front patio. <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343	<b>Plainfield \$220,000</b>  2013 Ranch on 29.65 acres of recreational land at the end of a lovely cul-de-sac. Vaulted ceilings, open plan & cook's kitchen. <b>Mary Collins</b> 860-336-6677	<b>Woodstock \$415,000</b>  One of a kind 3 bedroom home! Stone fireplaces, incredible kitchen and a master bath to covet! <b>Gelhaus Realty Group</b> Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408	<b>Brooklyn \$479,900</b>  4 BR, 3.5 BA, in-law w/1500 SF on lower level, sep. entrance, 3 bay att. garage, radiant heat, center island, fieldstone fireplace, sunroom, sauna w/shower. <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343	<b>Putnam \$349,900</b>  Totally renovated commercial building. Prime location in Putnam's business district. Lg. parking lot. 1st flr handicapped BA. <b>Big yard!</b> <b>John Downs</b> 860-377-0754	<b>Putnam \$199,000</b>  Completely renovated, turn key medical office Condo adjacent to Day Kimball Hospital. 1,133 SF 7 rooms. Association fee pay for snow removal, lawn & trash. <b>Mary Collins</b> 860-336-6677						
<b>Canterbury \$365,000</b>  Beautifully renovated home with 3 floors of living space & all the luxuries you desire in a peaceful setting! <b>Gelhaus Realty Group</b> Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408	<b>Woodstock \$230,000</b>  Lovely Cape home in Woodstock. 2 stall detached garage, w/3-4 BR & 2 full BA! Perfect fit for a growing family! <b>Kiona Carpenter</b> 860-933-3305	<b>Woodstock \$630,000</b>  Horse property! Custom 3000 SF ranch, 41 acres to ride, hunt, and fish. Huge heated barn for all your toys and a workshop. <b>Maryann Miller</b> 860-949-6130	<b>Thompson \$90,000</b>  Home has burnt down, only foundation, well, septic, driveway and partial garage is left. 2 acres. <b>Sold as-is.</b> <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343	<b>Pomfret \$350,000</b>  Custom Colonial w/4 BR & 2.5 BA. Kitchen w/granite counters opens to eat-in area & plank hrwd floors. 2 car garage & lg. deck. <b>Mary Collins</b> 860-336-6677	<b>Putnam Commercial Lease \$2,200/mo.</b>  2 units side by side. \$2200/ea. Triple net lease. One unit has separate offices, waiting room, office space, kitchenette. 2nd rental is open. Close to town & 395. <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343	<b>Land for Sale</b> <b>Putnam \$125,000</b> .27 acres. Commercial land, close to 395 on Kennedy Drive Build your business location. Near medical offices! <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343 <b>Canterbury \$59,900</b> Buildable 2 acres, beautiful lot on Raymond Schoolhouse! Build your dream home <b>Rachel Sposato</b> 860-234-1343 <b>Eastford \$125,000</b> Build your dream home on this 7.5 acre parcel that abuts Yale Forest. Private, peaceful & picturesque. Enjoy country living at its best! <b>Gelhaus Realty Group</b> Vivian 860-455-5363							



# LEGALS

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 66 A New Boston Road, Sturbridge, MA 01566

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Steven A. Birri to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Prime Mortgage Financial, Inc., and now held by **The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee for First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-FA1**, said mortgage dated January 13, 2006 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38211, Page 280, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Prime Mortgage Financial, Inc. to The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee for First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-FA1 by assignment dated June 11, 2015 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 54011, Page 344; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction on** October 8, 2019 at 4:00PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

*The land in said Sturbridge situated easterly of New Boston Road, adjoining on the east land of grantees which fronts on the easterly side of New Boston Road, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southwesterly corner thereof, at an iron pin at the south-easterly corner of land of grantees distant 200 feet S. 56° 25' E. from an iron pin on the easterly side of New Boston Road, being at land this day conveyed to Harold E. manners et ux.; Thence N. 33° 35' E. by said land of grantees 291.23 feet to an iron pin at land of grantor; Thence S. 56° 29' E. by land of grantor 215 feet to an iron pin; Thence S. 33° 35' W. by land of grantors 291.48 feet to an iron pin at land conveyed to Manners et ux.; Thence N. 56° 25' E. by said land conveyed to Manners et ux 215 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 62,641.3 square feet. For title reference see deed recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds at Book 31756, Page 256 For mtgr's title, see deed rec Bk. 38211 Pg. 278*

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated December 23, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38211, Page 278.

**TERMS OF SALE:** Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

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Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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Attorney for The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee for First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-FA1  
Present Holder of the Mortgage  
401-217-8701  
September 12, 2019  
September 19, 2019  
September 26, 2019

## LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by David M. Nichols and Kristina L. Nichols to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Full Spectrum Lending, Inc., dated October 14, 2004 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34897, Page 29 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-12 is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Full Spectrum Lending, Inc., its successors and assigns to The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-12 dated Au-

gust 12, 2015 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54226, Page 385, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 16 Camp Road, Fiskdale (Sturbridge), MA 01518 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on October 11, 2019, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

All that certain parcel of land situate on the Southerly side of Camp Road in Sturbridge, the County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, being known and designated as follows: Beginning at an iron pipe on the Southerly side of Camp Road at the Northeast corner of land herein described and the Northwesterly corner of one Debreuil; Thence S. 11 deg. 2 min. West along land of Dubreuil and now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux., 439.29 feet to an iron pipe; Thence S. 7 deg. 46 min. West along other land now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux., 87.63 feet to an iron pipe at other land now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux.; Thence N. 76 deg. 7 min. West along other land now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux., 150.0 feet to an iron pipe at other land now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux.; Thence N. 10 deg. 55 min. East along other land now or formerly of Arthur Denault, et ux., 497.83 feet to an iron pipe on the Southerly side of Camp Road; Thence N. 67 deg. 58 min. East along the Southerly side of Camp Road, 22.38 feet to an iron pipe; Thence S. 84 deg. 28 min. East along the Southerly side of Camp Road, 96.46 feet to an iron pipe; Thence S. 74 deg. 19 min. East along the Southerly side of Camp Road, 31.16 feet to the iron pipe at the point of beginning.

Being the same property as conveyed from Dale J. Hurd and Melissa Jean Hurd (formerly known as Melissa J. McGarry) to David M. Nichols, individually, as described in Book 19544 Page 142, Recorded 01/23/1998, in WORCESTER County Records. Tax ID: 190-02315-016

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 19544, Page 142.

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

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

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-12  
Korde & Associates, P.C.  
900 Chelmsford Street  
Suite 3102  
Lowell, MA 01851  
(978) 256-1500  
Nichols, David, M., 19-034233  
September 19, 2019  
September 26, 2019  
October 3, 2019

## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Barbara M. Barber to James B. Nutter & Company, dated May 21, 2008 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43017, Page 377, subsequently assigned to Reverse Mortgage Funding, LLC by James B. Nutter & Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 59715, Page 291 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 3:00 PM

on October 10, 2019 at 48 Fairmount Avenue, Southbridge, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS EXHIBIT IS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER AND THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS IN DEED BOOK 7366, AT PAGE 277, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE LAND AT 48 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE, SOUTHBIDGE, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON .AND BEING LOTS #158, #159, #160 AND #161 ON PLAN OF VILLA NOVA TERRACE (REVISED) , MADE BY C.A. TRAYER, C.E., DATED JULY, 1911 AND ON FILE WITH THE WORCESTER DISTRICT REGISTRY OF DEEDS, PLAN BOOK 19, PLAN 53, MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF THE PREMISES TO BE CONVEYED, BEING ALSO THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF FAIRMOUNT AVENUE AND ALSO AT THE END OF SAID FAIRMOUNT AVENUE AND RUNNING; THENCE RUNNING WESTERLY BY SAID SOUTHERLY SIDE OF FAIRMOUNT AVENUE, EIGHTY-TWO (82) FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT NO. 162 ON SAID PLAN; THENCE RUNNING SOUTHERLY BY SAID LOT NO. 162 ON SAID PLAN ONE HUNDRED AND ONE AND FORTY-THREE ONE HUNDREDTHS (101.43) FEET TO A POINT; THENCE RUNNING EASTERLY BY LOTS 154, 155, 156 AND 157 ON SAID PLAN EIGHTY-THREE AND ONE TENTH FEET (83.1) TO A POINT AT LAND OF OWNER UNKNOWN. THENCE RUNNING NORTHERLY BY SAID OWNER UNKNOWN TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 8,561 SQUARE FEET OF LAND MORE OR LESS. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO CECILIAD. ROBERTS AND BARBARA M. BARBER, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, BY DEED FROM CECILIA D. ROBERTS, RECORDED ON NOVEMBER 23, 1981, IN DEED BOOK 7366, AT PAGE 277, PUBLIC RECORDS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Reverse Mortgage Funding, LLC  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,  
ORLANS PC  
PO Box 540540  
Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
17-004998  
September 19, 2019  
September 26, 2019  
October 3, 2019

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE** By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by William Zachara to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Shamrock Financial Corporation dated January 19, 2007, recorded at the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 40555, Page 220; said mortgage was then assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by virtue of an assignment dated July 24, 2013, and recorded in Book 51302, Page 221; of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for

breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION at 12:00 PM on October 15, 2019, on the mortgaged premises. This property has the address of 72 High Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. The entire mortgaged premises, all and singular, the premises as described in said mortgage: The land in the Town of Southbridge, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner thereof at a point on the west line of High Street; Thence westerly on land now or formerly of Elwyn H. Durgin, 184 feet 7 inches; Thence southerly by a wall and land now or formerly of J.W. Smyth and J.A. Lynch about 83 feet; Thence easterly by land now or formerly of Ellen E. Streeter about 192 1/2 feet to said street line; Thence northerly by said street line 85 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the conditions contained in the Deed from Daniel Whitford to John O. McKinstry dated July 1, 1846, and recorded with Worcester District Deeds, Book 414, Page 185. For title see Deed from William Zachara and Maria C. Lamica to William Zachara dated 9/2/03 and recorded with the Worcester County South District Registry of Deeds in Book 31483 at Page 44. Subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservation, restrictions, and taking of record, if any, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable. In the event of any typographical error set forth herein in the legal description of the premises, the description as set forth and contained in the mortgage shall control by reference. Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this sale. Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax sales, tax titles and other municipal liens and water or sewer liens and State or County transfer fees, if any there are, and TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) in cashier's or certified check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale as a deposit and the balance in cashier's or certified check will be due in thirty (30) days, at the offices of Doonan, Graves & Longoria, LLC ("DG&L"), time being of the essence. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale-date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date. The premises is to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, leases, tenancies, and rights of possession, building and zoning laws, encumbrances, condominium liens, if any and all other claim in the nature of liens, if any there be. In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder, providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein. If the second highest bidder declines to purchase the within described property, the Mortgagee reserves the right to purchase the within described property at the amount bid by the second highest bidder. The foreclosure deed and the consideration paid by the successful bidder shall be held in escrow by DG&L, (hereinafter called the "Escrow Agent") until the deed shall be released from escrow to the successful bidder at the same time as the consideration is released to the Mortgagee, whereupon all obligations of the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to have been properly fulfilled and the Escrow Agent shall be discharged. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Dated: September 10, 2019 Nationstar Mortgage LLC By its Attorney DOONAN, GRAVES & LONGORIA, LLC, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 225D, Beverly, MA 01915 (978) 921-2670 www.dgandl.com (ZACHARA)

September 19, 2019  
September 26, 2019  
October 3, 2019



# LEGALS

## Sturbridge Planning Board Public Hearing Application for Site Plan Approval Dileo Gas

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40A Section 11 and the Town of Sturbridge Zoning Bylaws, the Sturbridge Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 6:35 PM in the Center Office Building – Meeting Room located at 301 Main Street, Sturbridge on the application of Dileo Gas of Worcester, MA.

The applicant requests Site Plan Approval as required by Chapter 25 of the Zoning Bylaws, for the modification of an approved site plan. Applicant is proposing modifications to an approved Site Plan for a proposed building and underground storage tanks for a propane gas service company. The proposed modifications include increasing the drive aisle in the front parking area from 24' to 30', a change in site grading and a one way entrance off of Picker Road has been added to allow for better truck access into the site. The property location is 51 Technology Park Road, Sturbridge.

A copy of the site plan and application can be inspected in the office of Town Clerk during normal office hours. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this petition should appear at the time and place designated.

Charles Blanchard  
Chairperson  
September 20, 2019  
September 26, 2019

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO19P2994EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: JoAnn R Detarando Date of Death: 02/09/2007

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Anthony M Detarando of Sturbridge MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Anthony M Detarando of Sturbridge MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **without surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/08/2019.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

Date: September 13, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman,  
Register of Probate

September 26, 2019

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO17P1140EA Estate of: Dorothy J. Dandro Date of Death: 02/13/2017 CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Jane E. Ciras of Charlton MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, First and Final and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/08/2019.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, Hon. Leilah A Keamy, First Justice of this Court  
September 12, 2019  
Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate  
September 26, 2019

### Public Meeting Notice

In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Brimfield Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, October 9th, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Salisbury Annex Building Conference Room, located at 23 Main Street in Brimfield, MA 01010. The Commission will review a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) permit application submitted by Robinson Tree Service LLC c/o Seth Mitchell and Scott Pingeton to determine if the removal of dead and dying trees at 31 Seventh Street (Assessor's Map 5A-B-12) in Brimfield is subject to the MA Wetlands Protection Act (as amended). All disturbance with the project as proposed is located in the Buffer Zone to Little Alum Pond. Project location: 31 Seventh Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Assessor's Map 5A-B-12)

Any person(s) interested or wishing to be heard on this request should appear at the designated time and place. A copy of the permit application and plan may be inspected at the Brimfield Town Annex in the Conservation Commission Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 or contact the office at 413-245-4100 ext. 1101. Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs  
September 26, 2019

### Public Meeting Notice

In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Brimfield Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, October 9th, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Salisbury Annex Building Conference Room, located at 23 Main Street in Brimfield, MA 01010. The Commission will review a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) permit application submitted by Robinson Tree Service LLC c/o Ron and Gail Douglas to determine if the removal of dead and dying trees at 24 Third Street in Brimfield (Assessor's Map 5C-A-24) is subject to the MA Wetlands Protection Act (as amended). All disturbance with the project as proposed is located in the Buffer Zone to Little Alum Pond. Project location: 24 Third Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Assessor's Map 5C-

A-24)

Any person(s) interested or wishing to be heard on this request should appear at the designated time and place. A copy of the permit application and plan may be inspected at the Brimfield Town Annex in the Conservation Commission Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 or contact the office at 413-245-4100 ext. 1101. Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs  
9/23/2019  
September 26, 2019

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Any person(s) interested or wishing to be heard on this request should appear at the designated time and place. A copy of the permit application and plan may be inspected at the Brimfield Town Annex in the Conservation Commission Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 or contact the office at 413-245-4100 ext. 1101. Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs  
September 26, 2019

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Any person(s) interested or wishing to be heard on this request should appear at the designated time and place. A copy of the permit application and plan may be inspected at the Brimfield Town Annex in the Conservation Commission Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 or contact the office at 413-245-4100 ext. 1101. Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs  
September 26, 2019

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO19C0497CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME In the matter of:

**Patrick Michael Fountain**  
A **Petition to Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Patrick Michael Fountain of Charlton MA** requesting that the court enter a

Decree changing their name to:

## Patrick Michael Demars IMPORTANT NOTICE

**Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/15/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.**

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 17, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate

September 26, 2019

## CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION Public Hearing Notice

A **Public Hearing** will be held at the Charlton Municipal Building, 37 Main Street in Charlton, MA at 7:25 PM on 10/2/2019 to consider a

**Notice of Intent** for Timothy Reardon for the property

Located at: Lot 1, Hyde Rd, Charlton, MA 01507

For: Notice of Intent for construction of a single family residential home with well, septic & driveway

*This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Conservation Commission's office at the Charlton Municipal Building on Tuesdays from 12:30-6:30p.m. For more information, call 508-248-2247.*  
September 26, 2019

## CHARLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION Public Hearing Notice

A **Public Hearing** will be held at the Charlton Municipal Building, 37 Main Street in Charlton, MA at 7:20 PM on 10/2/2019 to consider a

**Notice of Intent** for Kenneth Laferriere for the property

Located at: 7 Lambs Pond Circle, Charlton, MA 01507

For: Notice of Intent for Construction of Shed, Expansion of Deck, construction of patio under deck, installation of hot tub, sidewalk to be replaced and/or added, walking path with stairs to be added for access to Lambs Pond, installation of dock for canoe/boating access.

*This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Conservation Commission's office at the Charlton Municipal Building on Tuesdays from 12:30-6:30p.m. For more information, call 508-248-2247.*  
September 26, 2019

## TOWN OF STURBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

The Sturbridge Conservation Commission, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 131, §40, and the Town of Sturbridge Wetland Bylaws, will hold the following Public Hearing relating to work within a wetland, waterbody, or resource area and/or within the 200-foot buffer zone to a wetland, waterbody, or resource area on October 1, 2019 at 7:30PM in the Sturbridge Center Office Building, 301 Main St. 2nd Floor.

This Public Hearing is in regards to a Notice of Intent submitted by Existing Grade, Inc. on behalf of Mark and Barbara Smith, Owners, for a proposed well and walkway located at 198 Lake Road, Sturbridge, MA.

Submitted by: Ed Goodwin, Chairman  
STURBRIDGE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

September 26, 2019

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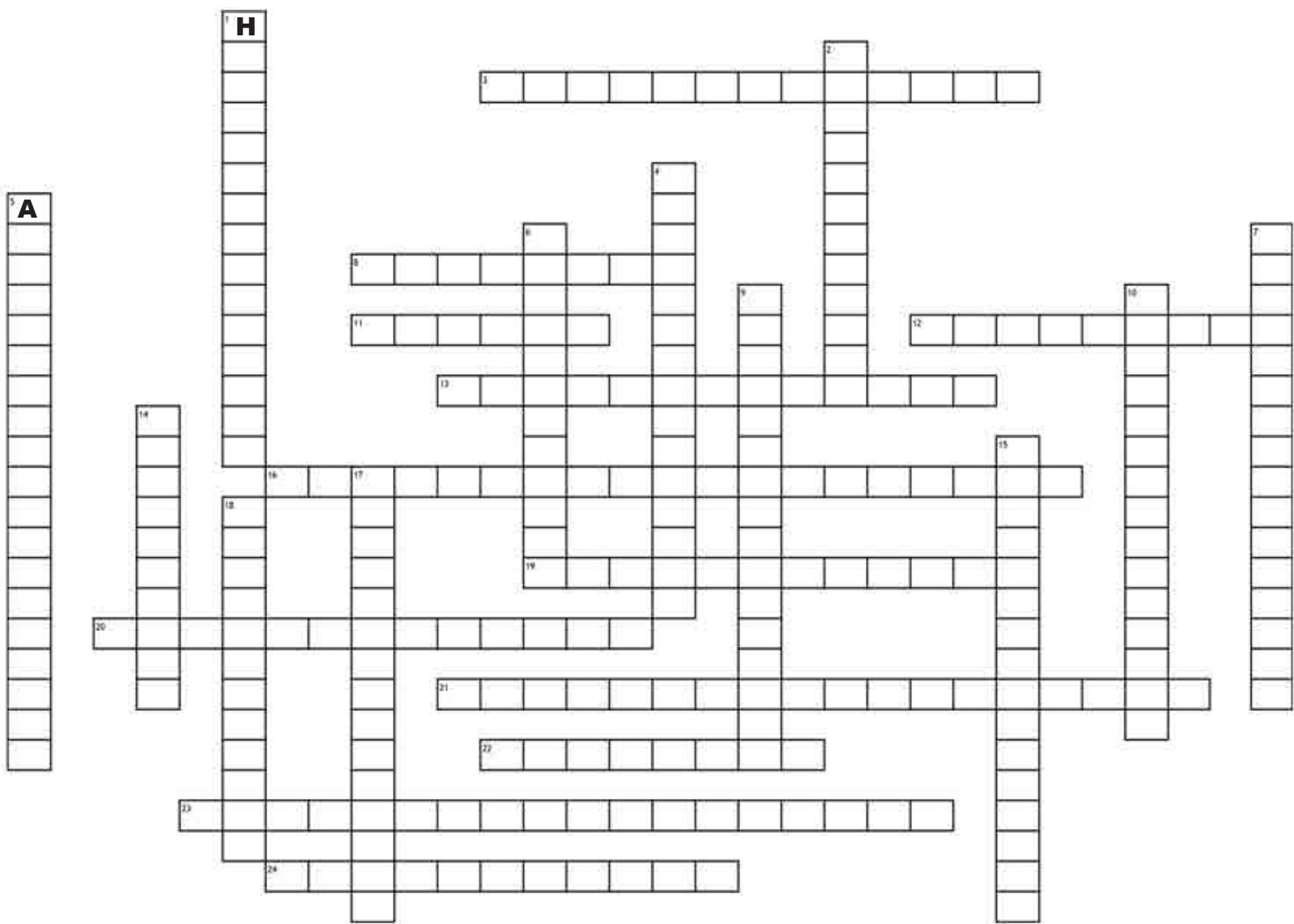
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# LEGALS

**Town of Brimfield  
Public Hearing Notice**

In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Brimfield Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 9th, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Salisbury Annex Building Conference Room, located at 23 Main Street in Brimfield, MA to review a Notice of Intent (NOI) permit application submitted by Sherman & Frydryk LLC c/o Alexandra E. McNitt of 1213 Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road (Assessor's Map 7-A-16.1) in Brimfield, MA to determine if the construction of a single family home, private water supply, septic system and driveway are subject to the MA Wetlands Protection Act (as amended). All disturbance associated with the project as proposed is located within the Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands Associated with Penny Brook, a coldwater fisheries stream. Project location: 1213 Dunhamtown-Brimfield Road, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Assessor's Map 7-A-16.1) Any person(s) interested or wishing to be heard on this request should appear at the designated time and place. A copy of the permit application and plan may be inspected at the Brimfield Town

Annex in the Conservation Commission Office, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 or contact the office at 413-245-4100 ext. 1101. Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs 9/18/2019 CC: Board of Health Planning Board September 26, 2019

**TOWN OF STURBRIDGE  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
PUBLIC HEARING**

The Sturbridge Board of Health, in accordance with 310 CMR 15, and the Town of Sturbridge Regulations for Private Wells, will hold the following Public Hearing relating to a request for Local Upgrade Approval / Variance installation for the construction of a private drinking water well within 100 feet of an existing soil absorption system on October 15, 2019 at 12:00 PM in the Sturbridge Center Office Building, 301 Main St. This Public Hearing is in regards to this request pursuant to the 310 CMR 15 and the Sturbridge Regulations for Private Wells submitted by Summit Engineering & Survey, Inc. for the applicant, Bryan Rathbone, for the drilling of a new well for an existing sin-

gle family house, located at 36 Tanta-squa Shore Drive, Sturbridge, MA. Submitted by: Linda Cocalis, Chair STURBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH September 26, 2019

**TOWN OF STURBRIDGE**

In accordance with MGL Chapter 132, Section 40-46, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Sturbridge will hold a public hearing on the petition of Scott Gerrish for a logging permit for 11 acres of land on 177 Podunk Road, Sturbridge MA, 01566 owned by Gerald Suprenant. The hearing will be held on Monday, October 7, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at Sturbridge Town Hall, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA. September 26, 2019

**TOWN OF STURBRIDGE**

In accordance with MGL Chapter 132, Section 40-46, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Sturbridge will hold a public hearing on the petition of Scott Gerrish for a logging permit for 18 acres of land on 176 Podunk Road, Sturbridge MA, 01566 owned by Thomas & Patricia Buell. The hearing will be held on Monday, October 7, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at Sturbridge Town

Hall, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA. September 26, 2019

**TOWN OF STURBRIDGE  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Snow Plowing  
and Sanding Equipment**

The Town of Sturbridge, Department of Public Works is accepting bids for "Snow Plowing and Sanding Equipment for the 2019-2020 winter season. Bids will be received by the Town Administrator, Town Hall, 308 Main St., Sturbridge, MA 01566 until 11:00am on Tuesday, October 9, 2019 at which time bids will be opened. Bid packages may be obtained at the Sturbridge Highway Department, New Boston Rd., Ext., Mon-Fri, 7:00am-3:30pm. \*Snow plow drivers that are not owner operators with be required to have work mans compensation insurance. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids in the best interest of the Town. Butch Jackson DPW Director September 19, 2019 September 26, 2019



# HELP WANTED



## TOWN OF DOUGLAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Town of Douglas Highway Department, 56 Main St. 508-476-3378 is now accepting applications for the Full-Time (40hrs) position of Laborer/Driver/Equipment Operator. Applicants must possess a valid Massachusetts Class B CDL and a 2B hoisting license with a minimum of 3yrs of experience operating equipment and snow plowing. Must have knowledge of construction and maintenance operations and be willing to work overtime. Starting pay is \$20.34 per hour with full benefits.

Applications can be obtained at the Highway Department and Selectmen's office and must be submitted by 3pm on October 21st, 2019.

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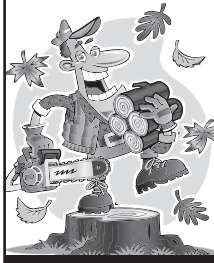


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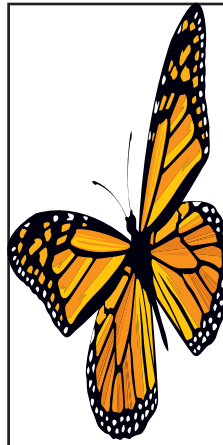
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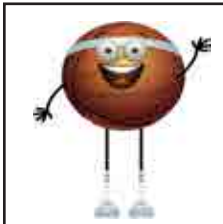
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The importance of routine vehicle maintenance

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A vehicle needs consistent care if it is to run efficiently. Maintenance also reduces the risk of roadside breakdowns and costly repairs. Here's a look at some of the benefits of staying on top of maintenance.

- Saves money: Even though maintenance costs money, sticking to a consistent maintenance schedule can save big bucks in the long run. For example, the cost of rotating and aligning tires is considerably less than repairing a car after a major blowout and paying for a tow and tire replacement.
- Improves performance and efficiency: Routine maintenance includes oil changes, filter changes and fluid top-offs. Such tasks keep engines running smoothly. Ignoring this routine maintenance can put engines in jeopardy of breaking down and adversely affect vehicle



performance, diminishing fuel economy and leading to a sluggish ride.

- Identifies safety issues: Routine inspections and work performed by reputable service stations help drivers stay abreast of recalls or issues that can affect the safety of the vehicle.
- Maintains a maintenance record: When the time comes to sell the vehicle, having a log of routine maintenance indicates to potential buyers that the vehicle was well cared for.
- Keeps compliance: Vehicles covered under manufacturer's warranties typically need to be maintained in adherence to factory-recommended maintenance schedules. This ensures that the vehicle is in compliance and will be covered in the event of a warranty claim.

Routine vehicle maintenance is important for a variety of reasons. Drivers can work with a trusted and reliable mechanic to develop a schedule that keeps their cars and trucks on the road.

Reduce distractions behind the wheel



If you must use your cell phone, do so only after pulling over to the shoulder or into a rest stop.

Despite the fact that automobiles are now designed with more safety features than ever before, the rate of traffic accidents and fatalities continue to rise. The National Safety Council says safety improvement like crash-avoidance technology hasn't reduced accidents, and driver error is still to blame for many crashes — with distractions behind the wheel and impaired driving leading the way.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says distracted driving claimed 3,450 lives in 2016 alone. Distracted driving is defined as any activity that diverts drivers' attention from the road. This can include everything from talking to passengers to eating to fiddling with the car radio. However, distractions from technology have become especially alarming, particularly texting or reading phones while driving. During daylight hours, approximately 481,000 drivers typically use cell phones while driving. The NHTSA says that removing one's eyes from the road for a mere 5 seconds when traveling at 55 miles per hour is like driving the length of a football field with your eyes closed.

Reducing distractions should be a priority for all drivers. Here are some suggestions, courtesy of Geico insurance and AAA Exchange.

- Store loose gear and other items that can roll around away from the driver's seat so you are not tempted to reach for them.
- Adjust mirrors, GPS maps, climate controls, music, and more before you put the car in drive.
- Use a mobile phone only for emergency purposes and only after pulling over to the side of the road. Avoid social conversations on the phone while driving.
- Limit the number of passengers you allow inside your car. The more passengers, the more distractions. This is especially true for young drivers.
- Eat food before getting in the car. Snacking while driving makes you less attentive to the road around you.
- Secure children and pets accordingly. Both should wear harnesses and not be given free reign to roam around the car.
- Try to focus only on driving while in the car. Leave the multitasking to when you're not behind the wheel.

Geico indicates that studies have shown people are limited in the amount of information they can process at any one time. Driving requires focus and an ability to react to a host of potential circumstances. Distractions compromise drivers' ability to focus. Reducing distractions can considerably cut down on the number of motor vehicle accidents each year.



## AUTOMOTIVE

# Don't Let Tires Flatten Your Travel Plans

(NAPS)—Getting a flat tire is no fun for anyone at any time, especially on vacation. To keep your next road trip rolling along, the nonprofit Car Care Council recommends a quick tire check before you leave the driveway.

“The excitement of summer vacation quickly deflates when your car has a flat tire,” said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. “A quick four-step tire check will help you to avoid the aggravation of changing a flat tire on the side of the road.”

1. Check that all tires, including the spare, are inflated to recommended pressure levels.

2. Check tire tread depth with a simple penny test—if you see Lincoln’s head above the tread, then it is time for new tires.

3. Check for irregular wear as uneven wear indicates a need for wheel alignment.

4. Check tires for cuts, bruises, bulges, bald spots or other irregularities that can lead to a flat tire.

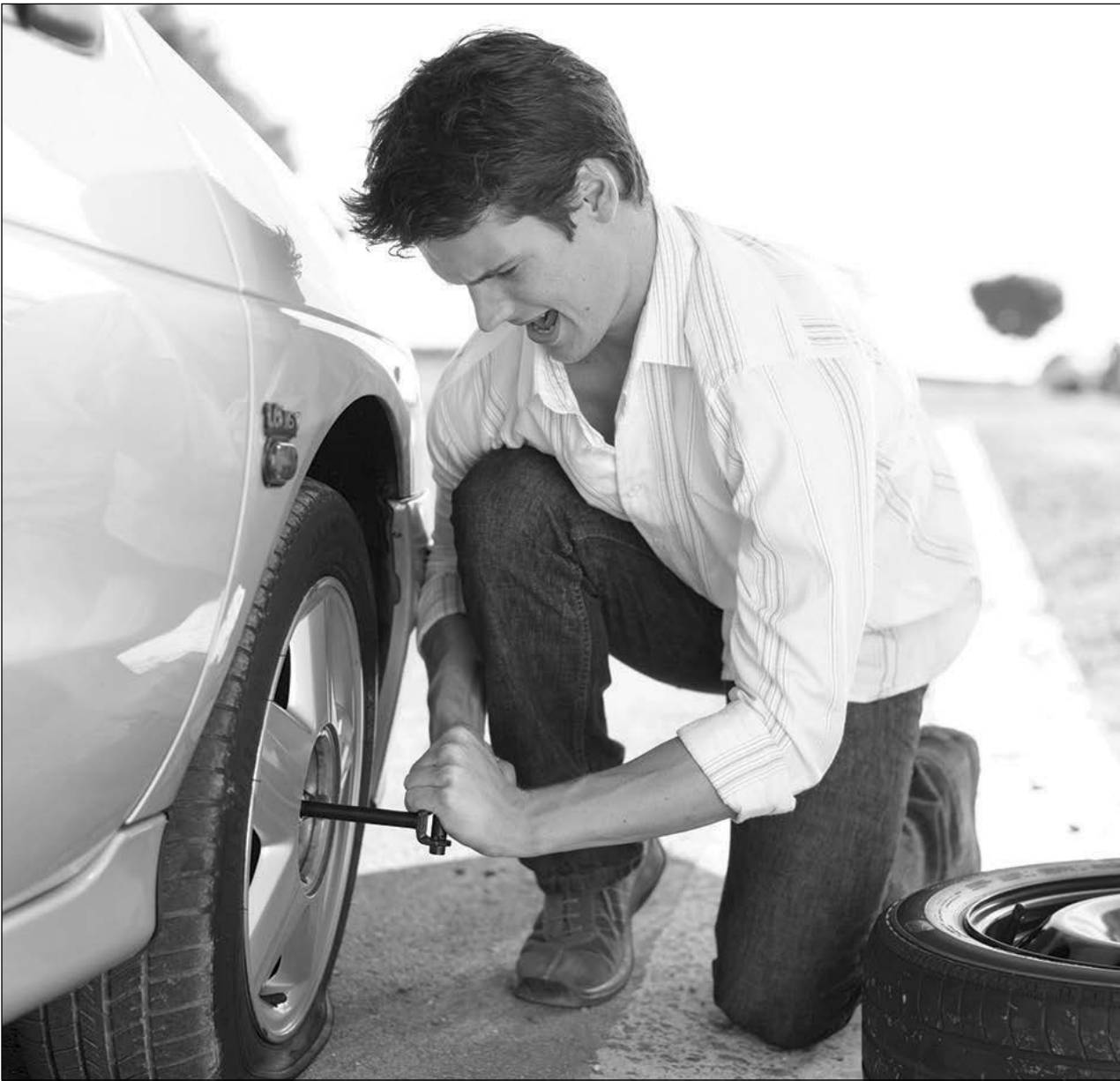
“AAA expects to get calls from stranded motorists this summer and a good portion of those vehicle troubles

will be tire related,” said White. “A comprehensive pre-trip vehicle inspection, including the tires, is the best way to alert yourself to any potential issues so you can address them before you leave home and keep your road trip on track.”

For more information on tire safety and maintenance, visit [www.ustires.org/safety](http://www.ustires.org/safety). For service interval schedules, questions to ask a technician and other helpful auto care information, view the Car Care Council’s free digital “Car Care Guide” at [www.carcare.org/car-care-guide](http://www.carcare.org/car-care-guide).

The Car Care Council is the source of information for the “Be Car Care Aware” consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers. To order a free copy of the “Car Care Guide,” visit [www.carcare.org](http://www.carcare.org).

Check your tires before your next road trip so they don’t leave you flat.



# Ignore These Vehicle Repairs And You May Get Pulled Over



Keeping your car in good repair may keep you from getting a ticket.

(NAPS)

Many drivers may feel that they don’t have the time or money to address vehicle repairs immediately, but beware: Ignoring some repairs can get you pulled over and even ticketed.

“Ignoring certain vehicle repairs may seem to save money in the short term but can lead to extra costs, such as fines or ‘fix-it’ tickets, if these problems are not taken care of when they arise,” explains Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. “In some jurisdictions, car owners may even lose their license for cer-

tain violations. A few dollars spent on simple vehicle repairs can help avoid trouble with the law.”

While a vehicle is in operation, traffic laws require that certain equipment is properly installed and functioning correctly, including brakes, headlights, turn signals, mirrors, windshields and safety belts, to name a few.

The Car Care Council recommends that drivers address these four repairs right away as they present public safety concerns that can earn drivers a traffic ticket on top of a repair

bill.

- Non-functioning turn signals and headlights or taillights that are cracked or broken. Most states require vehicles to have functioning turn signals as well as two functioning headlights and taillights. Taillights must illuminate red; if a taillight is cracked, it can give off a white light, which is also typically a traffic violation.

- Cracked windshield. If a windshield is cracked, discolored or tinted in a way that obstructs vision, drivers may get ticketed and fined. In some

states, vehicle modifications, such as tinted windows, are prohibited.

- License plates are unreadable. If the license plate light is out or the plate is otherwise unreadable, drivers may be pulled over. In some states this includes clear or tinted plastic license plate covers.

- Loud exhaust system. A defective exhaust system that is too loud, either because it’s been modified or because it needs repairs, can be cause for a ticket. What’s considered loud depends on the state.

Many states also require

periodic vehicle safety inspections. For an overview by state, visit <https://drivinglaws.aaa.com/tag/safety-inspection/>.

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