

Fire & Iron donates to MVOC

BY KEITH KENT
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

In a strong show of support for veterans and their causes, the members of Fire & Iron Station 857 of Winchendon presented the Montachusett Veterans Outreach Center and its Executive Director William Edson with a donation of \$2,700 to assist with opening a veterans' wellness center.

The motorcycle club, now a decade old and which has 18 fully patched members and 2 probationary members, has

raised and donated well over \$30,000 to various charitable causes over the years. All members voted in favor to help support a veteran's wellness center at the MVOC. Previous club donations have varied from Christmas toy drives for children, Wreaths Across America, the Greater Gardner Relay for Life, scholarships for Murdock graduates, and more.

Funds for the donation were raised by membership participation in a Warrior 22 motorcycle ride, which raises funds

to aid in veteran suicide prevention as 22 veterans per day nationwide commit suicide after returning from deployment.

Eighty-five people supported the fund raiser, raised the money for the MVOC donation in just the one ride itself, compared to the previous MVOC donation which took a year's projects to raise.

Receiving the check Edson said, "I am just totally blown away. This being just the sec-

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Keith Kent photo

Fire & Iron Chapter 857 members present William Edson of the MVOC with a check for \$2,700

Logging work draws scrutiny

BY GREG VINE
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WINCHENDON — A meeting was to be held Thursday at state Department of Environmental Protection offices in Worcester to discuss a Winchendon logging operation. DEP Wetland Section Chief Denise Childs called the meeting after receiving a complaint regarding the logging of property off Teel Road.

The work was done by Central Mass Tree of Westminster on behalf of Powell Stone & Gravel, which has operations in Lunenburg and Winchendon.

The land on which the logging has taken place borders the town line with Ashburnham. Aerial photos show much of the property has been harvest-

ed up to the border.

The person filing the complaint, and whose name has not been made public, claimed that "while walking an abutting conservation property, I discovered substantial recent harvesting in streams and around wetlands...More concerning, I witnessed substantial road construction and culvert installation."

The complaint goes on to state: "I did not witness any DEP permit information on site, and so my assumption was that there was no permit for these activities. I fear for the soil and water quality of this and abutting parcels."

While the complainant says the activity was observed in

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Photo by Keith Kent

Sierra Herr of Winchendon behind the grill of Hometown Cafe putting her Monty Tech cooking skills to the test.

Local Monty Tech grad puts her training to good work

BY KEITH KENT
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

WINCHENDON — There are those students who study and train for a specific skill and put it to good use, and then there are those who decide it wasn't for them after completion. The latter of the two has never been an issue for 19 year old Sierra Herr of Winchendon, as this 2016 Monty Tech graduate

enjoys what she does with a true love and passion of the cooking arts.

Growing up in Winchendon, Herr knew by the tender age of just 6 she not only liked to cook, but wanted to learn how to cook many different dishes and styles. As the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School offered a comprehensive culinary arts

program, Herr transferred to pursue her passion.

Herr, when asked if her parents could tell as a child that she was really interested in learning how to cook, said, "I really started getting interested at a young age, and yes, my parents could tell and they definitely noticed. When I was in the 8th grade, I knew I had made my mind up that

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Town sends road improvement priorities to state

BY GREG VINE
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Winchendon has sent its list of road improvement project priorities to the state in anticipation of applying for funding under the Complete Streets program. Once the list is approved by the state

Department of Transportation it will be sent back to the town, which will then formally apply for a Complete Streets grant.

The top two priorities – the development of a roundabout at Blair Square and the recon-

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Foundation now accepting applications

WORCESTER — The Greater Worcester Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for its 2017 Community Grants. Community Grants support programs by local nonprofit organizations that build healthy and vibrant communities throughout Central Massachusetts. Grants are awarded annually from endowments given to the Foundation for this purpose.

Areas of interest are:

Civic Life, the Arts and the Environment

- Increase access to cultural resources that reflect the diversity of the community.
- Inform and improve civic engagement and dialogue.
- Create meaningful opportunities for economically or socially marginalized people.
- Protect our region's natural resources and make them accessible to all.

Early Childhood Development

- Increase quality and quantity of formal early education for low-income children.

- Provide a foundation for life-long development rooted in behavioral and physical health.
- Support parents and families.
- Help eliminate summer learning loss among low-income children.

Youth Development and Education

- Support high school graduation and college or career readiness
- Work closely with public school systems and youth-serving organizations.
- Provide employment opportunities.
- Provide access to networks of caring adults.
- Teach conflict resolution, teamwork, persistence, and other 21st Century skills.
- Engage high-risk youth.

Economic Security

- Address the basic needs of those facing the greatest challenges.
- Prevent homelessness and increase access to affordable housing.
- Ensure access to wholesome

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DOWN MEMORY LANE

Archival photo

Winchendon police force - circa 1912: front row, left to right Captain Daniel J. Flaherty, J. Murphy, Chief Robert Callahan, and Wilfred V. Stanley. Second row, left to right: Rodney G. Gould, Louis Bourgault, Leon w. Davis, Louis G. Jean and John Perry. More photos page 2



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WEEKLY QUOTE

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else.

Charles Dickens

Winchendon's thin blue line

The Winchendon Police Department were made available to the Courier through the graciousness of Chief Dave Walsh, to whom we are indebted.

Additionally, the department received some of those artifacts from retired police officer Rick Marinelli. The Courier appreciates his generosity as well.

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Handcuffs From early to mid 20th Century; "Claw" For Wrist on far right



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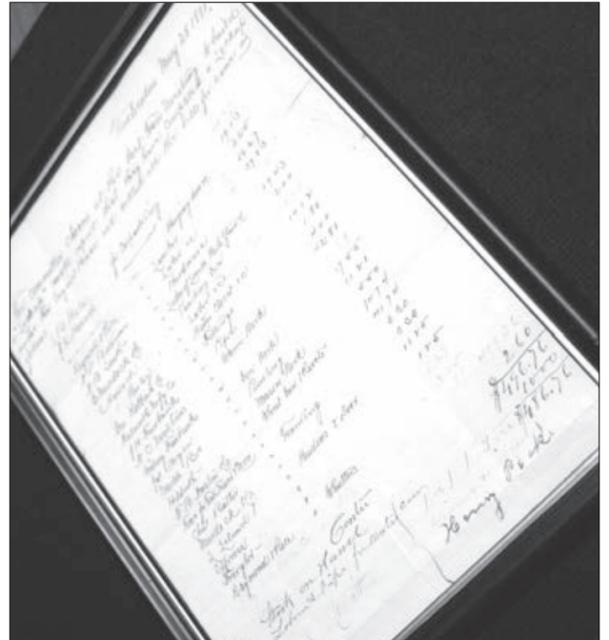
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Winchendon police roll call, 1888, the cost associated with running the department for the year.

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MWCC honors 61 outstanding students

GARDNER – Mount Wachusett Community College celebrated the academic achievements of extraordinary students during its annual Evening of Excellence awards dinner May 12 at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Leominster. Students were recognized not only for their performance inside the classroom, but for their contributions in the community as well.

In addition to college curriculum and outstanding achievement awards, the MWCC Foundation also presented a number of memorial awards and scholarships during the ceremony. The foundation has awarded more than \$300,000 in scholarships this year.

"You have earned and you deserve the excellence that has brought you to this moment," said President James Vander Hooven, who took over the office in March. "I haven't been here very long but I can say from the bottom of my heart that I am proud of each and every one of you for the excellence you have shown. I implore you to use whatever you have gained at The Mount to benefit others and to build and strengthen our communities because we need that now more than ever."

The following awards were presented:

CURRICULUM AWARDS

Art: Kevin Lynch of Worcester
Communications Track: Rebekah Chiasson of Jaffrey
Early Childhood Education – Career: Leslie A. Ackers of Gardner
Early Childhood Education – Transfer: Samantha Gravlin of Gardner
Elementary Education Track:

Brianna Marsh of Orange
Liberal Arts & Sciences: Faith Kurtz of Holden and Eden Shaveet of Hubbardston

Interdisciplinary Studies: Angela M. Haynes of Richmond, NH
Accounting Concentration: Cynthia A. Boucher of Ashburnham
Business Administration – Transfer: Iva Quinn of Winchendon

Business Administration – Career: Linda J. Anderson of Ashburnham
Analytical Laboratory and Quality Staci Wolski of Fitchburg Systems Concentration

Biotechnology/Biomanufacturing: Nicolas R. Romero of Fitchburg
Biological Science Track: Jennifer M. Guerriero of Ashburnham

Computer Information Systems: Marguerite E. Nicholas of Gardner
Chemical Science Track Lorna A. Tambi of Hudson

Natural Resources: Jari Squire of Harvard
Paralegal Degree: Carrie F. DeCosta of Leominster

Physics or Pre-Engineering Track: Liam J. Scanlon of Barre

Fire Science Technology: Dylan B. Jones of Townsend
Criminal Justice-Law Enforcement Concentration: Joshua T. Goliber of Buzzards Bay

-Corrections Concentration: Alicia Navarro of Fitchburg
Human Services: Rachel C. Vargeletis of Ashburnham

Dental Hygiene: Mailoan Nguyen of Clinton
Complementary Health Care: Lisa K. Kowalczyk of Gardner

Physical Therapist Assistant: Courtney B. Hurley of Shrewsbury
Medical Assisting: Nicole B. Joseph of Gardner

Medical Laboratory Technology: Anne M. Allan of Lunenburg
Nursing: Elizabeth A. Brown of Leominster

Nursing – Evenings: Kristina D. Snay of Winchendon
LPN to ADN Bridge: Joseph K. Kum of Worcester

MEMORIAL AWARDS
Aspasia Anastos Award: Sofia G. McDonald Games of Barre

Judge Moore Awards: Katrina K. Ung of Jaffrey (Academic Excellence); Rebekkah Dietz of Gardner (Excellence in Writing)

Peter J. Trainor Leadership Award: Kimberly A. Cook of Gardner
Roberts Scholar: Jessie Mascitti of Rindge

H. Marilyn Kiosses Scholarship: Colleen M. Suarez of Fitchburg
Craig Hamel Scholarship: Sabrina A. Pettigrew of Rutland

Melissa Herr Marsh Scholarship: Sybil L. Sinclair of Ashburnham
Joseph S. Baldyga Veteran's Fund: Stanley Choruzek of Lancaster

MWCC Veteran's Memorial Scholarship: Cristen C. Comptois of Hubbardston
James D. Murphy Scholarship: Jasson Alvarado Gomez of Worcester

HONORS SOCIETY RECOGNITION
Honors Program Graduates
Lisa K. Kowalczyk of Gardner; Jana Murphy of Hubbardston; Marymar Perez Cruz of Fitchburg; Eden Shaveet of Hubbardston

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

All-USA Community College: Michel L. Cocuzza of Winchendon
Academic Team Nominees: Eden Shaveet of Hubbardston

2017 Newman Civic Fellow Award: Jana Murphy of Hubbardston
Visions Program Award: Nicholas Coddington of Winchendon and Sarah L. Mello of Shirley

RX Program Award: Ann Giaquinto Scott of Barre
Best of English 101 Award: 1st Place: Tara Dugan of Templeton; 2nd Place: Amanda Pawlikowski of Gardner; 3rd Place: Jessica I. McKay of Gardner

Mount Observer Scholarship: Courtney L. Wentz of East Templeton
Best of Mathematics: Liam J. Scanlon of Barre

Ellen Daly Dental Hygiene Scholarship: Linda N. Mclean of Troy, NH

John Burton Award: Kayla Arianna Shabo of Paxton
Jean Tandy Award: Kyle W. Salam, Baldwinville

Carrie Progen Memorial Scholarship: Kayla D. Rameau of Baldwinville
Carl Tammi Award: Colleen J. Moran of East Templeton

Keith Nivala Award: Nicholas R. Auffrey of Westminister
Sandy Signor Award: Jessica L. Decker of Westminister

Service Learning Scholarships: Rachel C. Vargeletis of Ashburnham; Ryan B. Weston of Hubbardston

Sharyn Rice Award: Tianna M. Caisse of Gardner.

Mount Wachusett Community College 2017 Graduation List

GARDNER – Mount Wachusett Community College celebrated the academic achievements of its graduates during the college's 52nd commencement on May 17. Area graduates include:

Ashburnham
Associates: Linda J Anderson, Megan J Barker, Cassandra Leigh Benes, Megan Elizabeth Bernard, Cynthia A Boucher, Cassandra Cardillo, Lynne Galvin, Rebecca L Gardner, Jennifer Marie Guerriero, William Robert Hoeksema, Dylan Robert Mei, Lisa M St John, Rachel Celina Vargeletis

Certificates: Patrick R Brownell, Lynne Galvin, Donna M Slocum Baldwinville

Associates: Tiffany R Barsamian, Kayla E Boutell, Tara DeWitte, Phylisia K Duguay, Laura Lyman, Caleb Simeon Matson, Alannah Marie McDonald, Kayla D Rameau, Kyle W Salam

Certificates: Samantha E Whalen East Templeton

Associates: Lisa J. Delorme, Colleen Janice Moran, Courtney Lynn Wentz Gardner

Associates: Leslie Ann Ackers, Raina Aiello, Kristin J Anderson, Samantha Mariel Badia, Scott Batchelder, Benjamin K Blake, Christine C Boisvert, Destiny D Boisvert, Emily A Bradshaw, Taylor M Butler, Chelsea May Caron, Megan E Casteel, Rebekah L Cohen, Ashley Marie Comley, Donald T Connors, Cynthia M Cormier, Elizabeth A Crete, Timothy Cronin, Harli L Curtis, Rebekkah Dietz, Wendy A Dobbins, Viclinepon S Duangsay, Brittany A Dufresne, Britnii J Dyer, Acacia A Fisher, Samantha Gravlin, Jose Manuel Herrera, Erika A Holm, Jessica Noel James, Latisha Johnson, Nicole Brianna Joseph, Alyssa M Juliano, Shannon M Kelley, Kendyll Marie-William Knight, Lisa K Kowalczyk, Kristina M LaBombard,

Samantha JM LeBlanc, Jordan Robert Learmonth, Krista Lennerton, Anthony C MacKenzie, Douglas Marroquin, Jessica I McKay, Kaitlyn Marie Mearn, Keith A Melanson, Marguerite Elizabeth Nicholas, Charles M Njaaga, Olivia Ouellet, Kevin W Oxford, Melissa Paulhus, Julia R Pitre, Nicholas Powell, Estephany S Rodriguez, Michael T Sadowski, Lani D Scanlan, Julia N Scott, Tracy J Shackett, LaKeya Springfield, Jerrika St John, Deborah-Jean Strachan, Amy M Tervo, Eva Tolman-Brown, Laurie Tucci, Scott Vieira, Cameron Walsh, Melissa S Wright

Certificates: Kyle J Blanchette, Christopher T Blouin, Tanya Lee Botelho, Jessica L Cahill, Sadiya M Clark, Ramsey E Clayter, Harli L Curtis, Brittany A Dufresne, Curtis Hall, Lisa K Kowalczyk, Grace Kraft, Elizabeth P LaPan, Angell Nakanwagi, Lee Ann M Orsalock, Janice Perez, Emma L Phillips, Sarah E Pierce-Legassey, Kari L Quinlan, Deborah-Jean Strachan, Nathan A Thibault, Scott Vieira, Kathleen D White

Phillipston
Associates: Stephanie Jane Girouard, Kathleen Julius, Tyana Kandi Maki, Brooke Pacheco, Hayleigh D Sundstrom Royalston

Associates: Kelly E Frazier, Dylan C Hall, Ashley R Sawyer Templeton

Associates: Lynnea Joy Anderholm, Devin Bellis, Cynthia J Bettencourt, Jason Boski, Elizabeth J Conner, Allison Cormier, Katherine Iris Goguen, Zoe H Hammond, Timothy Shane Hazelton, Daniel R Martin, Benjamin Thomas May, Jacob Ryan Parent, Shaina R Wallace, Eric Wilson, Sarah E Young

Certificates: Holly S D'Angelo, Angelica Mona De Los Rios, Daniel R Martin, Jonathan K Martin

Winchendon
Associates: Madeline M Allard, Brandon William Beals, Lauren Bennett, Jonathan P Blodgett, Mariah Boisvert, Kelsey Bosselait, Philip Brady, Samantha Brooks, Ashley E Brunt, Daniel Caputi, Jaymisen M Carr, Natalie Chretien, Cayla M Clinkscale, Michel L Cocuzza, Kristen A Cormier, Leslie A Cosentino, Robert W Courtemanche, Melanie Cranfill, Marygrace Daly, Joel T DeVelis, Riley Elliott, Mark T Gagnon, Stephanie J Goodwin, Bridget Harrington, Becca Hill, Lindsay K Laporte, Sarah E Larson, Joseph Daniel LeBlanc, Di Lin, Ryan Patrick May, Brity T Murphy, Trevor Goodwin Page, Iva Quinn, Kelsey Schecker, Kristina D Snay, Gordon Dale Tuttle, Jonathan D Zukowski

Certificates: Katherynn R Alden, Cassandra Anderson, Michel L Cocuzza, Joseph A Duerr, Jana S Egan, Becca Hill, Jay Pereira, Yaribeth Torres Fitzwilliam

Associates: Casey R Bedingfield, Julia Josephine Roma McHugh
Certificates: Kenneth F Roy Jaffrey

Associates: Amanda B Boucher, Shauna M Chamberlain, Rebekah Chiasson, Rebecca J Myott, Katrina K Ung, Paula D Whitcomb

Certificates: Margaret E Hart-Smith, Kaitlynn Shea Rindge

Associates: Andrew Michael Hoenig, Breanna Marie McAvoy, Gregory A McAvoy, Manzall Mitchell, Bridget Troy Murphy

Certificates: Jade Hill, Lee-Ann Johnson

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MWCC students recognized for over 104,000 hours of volunteer service

GARDNER – Last spring, 77 students were recognized for giving back over 104,000 volunteer hours as they were each presented with the President's Service Learning and Volunteerism Award.

"What you have done in civic engagement and volunteerism is create a community," said former state Senator Stephen Brewer. "You're learning you can help heal our world."

The award given out through the Senator Stephen M. Brewer Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement recognizes students who have documented 100 plus hours of volunteer service over the course of their time at MWCC.

"The Brewer Center for Civic Engagement intermingles with your curriculum and becomes a part of your being here at Mount Wachusett Community College," said President James Vander Hooven who commended the students for all their hard work.

In addition to their volunteer efforts, some students were recognized for additional volunteer-based work. Stevie LaBelle, Eden Shaveet, Rachel Vargeletis and Gemini Walter were recognized for being Student Leaders in Civic

Engagement. The Serving Our Students interns for the year, Aritha Daniels, Jarelin Escobar, Brity Murphy and Rachel Vargeletis, were also recognized. Jana Murphy was also honored for being selected as the school's 2017 Newman Civic Fellow award winner.

Ryan Weston, of Hubbardston, was awarded the Service Learning Scholarship. The Above and Beyond Award was presented to the college's Otaku Club, which raised \$1,900 that will be used to purchase books for children in the Gardner community. The Gardner CAC was recognized as the Community Partner of the Year for ongoing support of MWCC students' volunteer efforts.

Rachel Vargeletis was awarded the Hillary Bartlett Newsome Service Learning Scholarship. Hillary was a graduate of the Early Childhood Transfer program at MWCC and went on to Fitchburg State to continue her education. After Hillary unexpectedly passing away in the spring of 2017, members of the MWCC community began the scholarship in her name and her family started

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EDITORIAL

Back in the world

Paul Shanley is back in public, living in a small apartment out in Ware. The announcement the defrocked priest is out, mostly because of his age, has had a lot of people disturbed.

Is it possible, even at his more advanced age (he is now in his 80s) he might reoffend?

There are a lot of safeguards in place, attempts to keep children safe from such people; announcements of where they live, and awareness by the police of who they are and where they are likely to be; where they work, where they "hang out."

It's been a calmer, quieter few years in the Catholic Church; we can only hope it is because people have become more vigilant and they are also more likely to blow a whistle rather than accept someone they find is inappropriate. They won't just pass a sketchy person along to be someone else's problem either, the Church has become more responsible.

But, and it's a big "But", we can't let our guard down. Not with church groups, not with scout troops, not with sports teams, not in any place where we hope our children are safe and with other responsible adults learning something valuable...good lessons not bad ones.

The possibilities are always there, unfortunately; it's up to all the rest of us to stay alert.

Along that same vein, there was a shooting close to home last week. As the

facts unfold, we discover the man had a long, violent history; and his choice to wave what looked like a real pistol at Spencer Police (who know him and his history), was probably not a good life choice.

Now that he is no longer a threat to anyone, we have been told about his long history, his arrests for domestic violence, his repeat offenses.

The new guidelines for the police departments to provide information on domestic calls has changed in the past few months. The addresses are not provided, but more importantly, the name of the person arrested for the domestic violence is also no longer available for publication.

The reasoning, we were told, is to protect the lives of the victims in the incidents.

No, it isn't.

It's blatantly to protect the perpetrators. The person, after all, is arrested. Arrests for all other crimes are public record.

And if this person has harmed someone, and might harm someone else, then the name should be public.

Period.

There's no protection of victims here. There's a good old boy decision to protect the guy who did the hitting.

One has to wonder if the fellow with the long history of domestic problems and who just lost his life for his idiocy just might have been less of a threat with all his neighbors aware of him.

Turtleboy Sports

A VILE INTERNET CANCER

While I support the First Amendment right which guarantees Freedom of Speech, Right to Peaceful Assembly, and Freedom of the Press, I also realize that just because one has the right to do something, it doesn't mean it's always the right thing to do. Such was recently proven to me when sticking up for the town of Winchendon against the website Turtleboy Sports. An extremely vile blog site which masquerades as a news source by attacking every community which suffers a bad event all in the name of profit.

Winchendon has been on this vile site several times. Once for an altercation between an adult and a student at a school sports event, and most recently for a drug dealer caught with 30 bags of heroin who made disgusting comments about how and why he wasn't a bad heroin dealer in area newspapers. Again, enter Turtleboy Sports calling him, "Another one from Winchendon who went pro."

I wrote this cancerous website which hides behind a cowardly curtain of anonymity by not even replying by a first name or last, and took the time to write about many positive things which make Winchendon a great place to live.

From a beautiful bike and walking trail, to the campgrounds, swimming, and much more offered by local state



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prestigious Winchendon School with students from around the globe receiving a top-notch college preparatory education. Our countless area charitable clubs and organizations and their great people working hard for the betterment of others, and yes, our incredibly dedicated teachers and public school system working diligently for our children including, Memorial School Principal Michelle Atter who recently donated over 50 Beanie Babies from her own personal collection for students to win at their annual field/fun day.

I then issued a challenge to Turtleboy Sports. I personally offered as a citizen, tax payer, and local news correspondent, to invite its staff to Winchendon, provide them with a personal tour, show them all that makes Winchendon great, and even treat them to lunch. I am deeply troubled to have to share the following.

In return for my efforts, I was ridiculed and insulted. After all I wrote my first response received was, "The

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FAIRY TALES



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The Great Leader in North Korea has made a very serious mistake. He has misjudged the sitting President of the United States.

He continues to treat the world the way he and his predecessor always have: all talk and no action. Over the years, he has been pretty much

ignored by other countries. He was seen as a bear with no claws. He has been seen as a ruthless dictator who commits atrocities daily against his own people. His people have been beaten down, killed or sent to work camps.

Does any reasonable person believe you can build an army of enthusiastic supporters from people who live in fear?

Then there is the matter of missiles.

He builds them.

He launches them.

So far, they have all fallen into the Sea of Japan.

Yet every day he reminds the world he can reach any of our

cities, and he can destroy our country.

Either he loves to daydream, or our intelligence operation is woefully inadequate.

I am not able to read the future, but it seems to me I know where I would place my bets. With the current President of the United States, the Great Leader is more likely to see how missiles work by looking to the skies over his own factories and laboratories as American planes and missiles destroy any possible chance of a nuclear North Korea.

All the subtle signs, and they are out there, suggest we are

readying the destruction of the grand plans of this roly-poly thug with the bad haircut.

American and South Korean jets are overflying North Korean airspace. Major naval vessels of the US have been moved into place. The number of fighter jets and bombers have been increased at our bases in the area. Missile-launching submarines are in the waters of the South China Sea and the Sea of Japan.

China has made it clear they won't control North Korea. Why should they? They love watching this thing play out. Ditto for the Russians. If we don't handle it ourselves, we

will handle it with the help of South Korea and Japan and maybe some of our European allies.

And if my hunch is right, I don't see the downtrodden citizens of North Korea rising up to support the Great Leader. And I do not think nuclear weapons or an invasion will be needed to rid the world of this nut case.

North Korea is a boil on a part of the world body that cannot be mentioned but needs to be lanced soon.

Anger? And, why bother?

"Are you angry?" People have sometimes asked me that over the last 57 days. The answer of course is "yes." I am angry. Not every day, but there have been times when I've indeed been angry. I've even been momentarily angry at Courtney for not being the first teenager in human history to be completely compliant with her regimen, at myself for not being the first parent in human history able to make said teenager be completely compliant when it came to doing all the right things medically, at medicine in general for not having found a cure for juvenile diabetes, at the occasional people whose responses can best be described as what one mental health care professional termed, "empathetic failure" at specific people from whom there has been no contact whatsoever, even at other family members who have been unable to fully understand the extent and depth of my individual grief, even though it's patently unfair to ask them to, or expect them to. So yes, there have been flashes of anger. That's human nature. Being angry doesn't change anything. It doesn't solve anything but there it is. Sue me. I'm human.

Last Friday I was angry. Maybe I was angry Friday because we spent Thursday, an appropriately cool and showery day, in Northampton. My

eldest son Andy taped the video introduction to her memorial scholarship. The people at Smith had originally asked me to do it but Andy really wanted to and he's closer to the eventual recipient's generation than me so it made sense. I had no issue with that. Additionally, we were given Courtney's thesis, bound in book form. Her friends (alphabetically, Amee, Dan, and Kate) joined us in the cafeteria and gave us the poster they had made for thesis dissemination day. I'd seen it online but to actually have it at home is really special. You guys are amazing. Yeah, I've said it before but it's still true. To find the time to come see us meant so much. Other friends were in class as they should have been, but we know they too were with us in spirit. As an aside, I know these aren't easy times for them either. In a few weeks, their cohort will be dispersed to various corners of the country and that is certainly weighing on their minds. To put that aside and do something for us was very, very classy.

And so given that, I definitely liked seeing her friends again, knowing how much they meant to her and I cher-



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ished getting the thesis and poster and I thought Andy articulated perfectly who she was.

I thought I was okay. But I wasn't. Friday was beyond awful. Delayed reaction I guess? Perhaps. I was angry. I am angry. I am angry at the fact Courtney has been cheated. I'm angry that she won't be at graduation. The grief experts tell me that no one can understand the emotional toll on parents who have lost a child other than other parents who have endured the same nightmare, which is obviously logical. "You can be sad," someone told me, "but you shouldn't be angry." Oh yes, I can be. And am. Not every day by any means, but at times? You bet I am. How can I possibly be otherwise?

Shifting gears for the first time since June 7, all of you should be angry too. For seven years, Republicans railed against the Affordable Care Act, promising they would, all together now, "repeal and replace" the moment they were given the chance. Well, they now have the power to do so. You saw what happened. You should be angry when we are called a "democracy." We are not. Fueled by dark

and untraceable campaign money, egged on by extremist rhetoric, Congress has essentially ceased functioning. It makes you wonder why you bother to vote at all, doesn't it? The notion of bi-partisanship on major issues is a joke and not a funny one. Kudos to Susan Collins and Lisa Murkowski and the Arizona maverick for putting rationality and common sense above party last week, and kudos as well to Democratic Senators facing tough battles next year for standing firm but what are the odds on both sides coming together to address things like infrastructure repair or, God forbid, hunger and poverty? Yes, you should be angry about our epic failures as a society while at the same time doing whatever you can as an individual to make your own communities better places to be. Is it all hopeless on a national level? Is there no one out there willing to be honest with you - to tell you we do have to confront these moral wrongs and that, yes, it will cost money to do so? And even if there is, are we willing to listen? Are we willing to confront economic, social, and racial inequalities? That's what the next few election cycles will determine. Who's willing to participate?

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Try and stop me!

Every so often, I really like to get a good grump on; to get in touch with my inner curmudgeon. It's an unpleasant fact one's skills slowly diminish with age, so - while it admittedly takes more mental and physical exertion - I recognize it will take hard work to maintain my status as a professional sourpuss. But it's well worth the effort.



...AND ONE MORE THING...
GREG VINE

So, since I have the opportunity to subject several hundred unsuspecting readers to my (at least) once-a-year workout - we pros call it "crochety conditioning" - I figured, why not? I just turned 62 a few days ago so, damn it, I have the right to be surly!

So, here we go:

1. Countdown Clocks - Cable news channels need to cut it out. We really don't need to know when the White House press office will hold another informationless briefing, or when we can hear another speech about the size of Trump's (not) historic electoral victory (see: Boy Scout Jamboree). Besides, it defeats the purpose. All it does is let us know the exact time we need to change the channel.

2. Camo chic - Unless you're hunting or your SEAL team is carrying out a black ops raid, leave the camouflage in the closet. Guess what? If you're standing in front of the Victoria's Secret window at the mall we can still see you - and you're ruining the view.

3. Irregardless - Stop it, people! There is no such word! The word is regardless. Repeat after me - "regardless."

4. Often - More specifically, people who pronounce the "t" in often. Sure, Merriam-Webster says either pronunciation is correct, but what do they know? They added the abomination "ginormous" to their dictionary. Sheesh!

5. Kars-4-Kids - Stop the madness! This little jingle is 10 times worse than fingernails on a blackboard. Whenever it pops onto my TV or radio I change the channel to keep my ears from bleeding. Until they drop this assault on the senses, I - and I say this as a proud liberal - I'm more likely to donate my

car to the Trump re-election campaign than Kars-4-Kids. Which brings me to...

6. Kids in commercials - Babies are one thing. They can be cute. But give a kid between the ages of 5 and, oh, 15 a script and toss 'em into a TV ad and they're more likely to come across as precocious and annoying. To all the ad agencies - just stop it! Besides, only my grandkids have what it takes to pull it off.

7. Theme sports uniforms - Let sports uniforms beat sports uniforms. I have nothing against honoring our troops or paying tribute to the fight against breast cancer, but camo (again!) baseball caps and bright pink stockings, batting gloves, and sports shoes are just distracting. And call me un-patriotic (you wouldn't be the first), but those stars and stripes stockings worn by baseball teams around the Fourth of July were just hideous. I like sports because of what they are, sports - not because they make a statement.

8. Throwback uniforms - Do we really need these? I mean, look at the reaction to the Pittsburgh Steelers "killer bees" uniforms. They were good for a laugh - a short one. Then the amusement transitioned to horror. And if the Oakland A's ever drag out the uniforms Charley Finley imposed on his teams in the '70s they'd burn out your retinas. They even made Reggie Jackson look stupid...and that's not easy. Let's just stay with what works.

9. The man bun - Really? I mean, REALLY?! This really should have been #1, but when you've got a lot to complain about it's tough to prioritize. Anyway, probably - no, not probably - ACTUALLY the worst men's hair fashion since the mullet...and maybe the Mohawk. If you have a man bun, lose it. Trust me, you'll be glad you did.

Guess I'll leave it there for now. I've already ragged on people who don't use their turn signals, leave shopping carts sitting in the middle of the parking lot, and wear pajamas to go to the store (that still kills me). So, until next time...

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blog is satirical. This is what we do. It's a joke. We make jokes. Remember jokes? Relax; life really doesn't have to be this serious."

Not this serious, you're bashing every man, woman, and child in our community by grouping them all together under one giant blanket of false perception!

In an immediate response, I explained how their blog as they call it has portrayed not only our community, but every community in a very negative light, in a day and age where many believe everything they read on the internet including news to be accurate and truthful.

It was then I was intellectually insulted with the following.

"Once again, you obviously

do not understand how our site works, or how satire works for that matter. We do this to literally every town. It's a joke. You take yourself way, way too seriously. I live in Worcester. I love it here. I make fun of it all the time because unlike you I have a sense of humor. We have many readers in toy town. Smart people from Winchendon understand that it's nothing personal. You're not one of them."

My final response, "Thank you for showing me your true colors."

This cancerous blog leeches off other news sources rarely doing its own work. It then takes pride in only posting stories which only portray communities in a negative or dark light, never giving any credit for all their great accomplishments all the while calling many men and especially women derogatory and sexist

names which I cannot repeat. Simply put, Turtleboy represents cyber-bullying taken to the municipal level.

I encourage parents of impressionable children to block this site on their electronic devices. This site only cares about advertised driven revenue, at the expense of the reputation of the innocent while exercising their right to be a vile shock-jock of a blog masquerading as a faux news source.

This is the price we pay for the Freedom of Speech. No matter the person, group, or site, no matter how abhorrent their ilk, we sadly must defend their right to Free Speech and Peaceful Assembly, or we are the next to lose ours. Again, just because you have the right to do something, doesn't always make it the right thing to do. I am truly sorry Winchendon, I tried.

KITTY KORNER



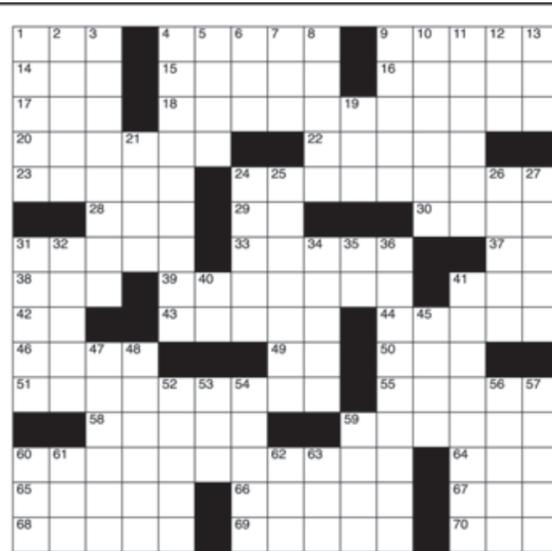
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Shamus is a gorgeous 2 year old boy. He was brought to us by a family that had to give him up because he didn't get along with their children.

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Defunct phone company
- 4. Rural area in Guinea
- 9. Hairstyles
- 14. Makes a good meal
- 15. Nats' CFer Adam
- 16. El __, painter
- 17. Midway between south and southeast
- 18. Baseball's "The Big Hurt"
- 20. A serialized set of programs
- 22. A woody climbing plant
- 23. Japanese metropolis
- 24. Whirlpool
- 28. Toddler
- 29. Integrated circuit
- 30. WWII British fighter Blackburn __
- 31. Ancient Briton tribe
- 33. Injurious weeds (Bib.)
- 37. Nonredundant
- 38. Turf
- 39. Canned fish
- 41. Team's best pitcher
- 42. Touchdown
- 43. Woody perennial plants
- 44. Rattling breaths
- 46. Smaller quantity
- 49. Of I
- 50. When you'll get there
- 51. Adventures
- 55. Type of chip
- 58. Having wings
- 59. Mutilated
- 60. Considered
- 64. Wrath
- 65. A citizen of Iran
- 66. American state
- 67. Explosive
- 68. One who challenges
- 69. __ senilis
- 70. Affirmative

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Move rapidly in music
- 2. Brief are one type
- 3. Repeated
- 4. Quitter
- 5. Paddles
- 6. Broadway actress Hagen
- 7. Politician Paul
- 8. Joint
- 9. Ottoman military men
- 10. Covers for illegal operations
- 11. Comment
- 12. Office of Consumer Affairs
- 13. Distress signal
- 19. ' __ death do us part
- 21. S. Korean boy band
- 24. Bishop's hat
- 25. Learning environment
- 26. Measurement
- 27. Equines
- 31. Hard plant fiber
- 32. Protocols
- 34. Stands up
- 35. Linear unit
- 36. Songs
- 40. One of the six noble gases
- 41. Cheerful readiness
- 45. Zoroastrian concept of holy fire
- 47. Having only magnitude
- 48. Containing salt
- 52. Chadic language
- 53. Fed
- 54. Beef or chicken intestine
- 56. Hill in Australia and London
- 57. "Waiting for Lefty" playwright
- 59. A list of available dishes
- 60. Have already done
- 61. Geological time
- 62. Swiss river
- 63. Twitch



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OBITUARIES

Merlyn K. Miller, 66

WINCHENDON — Merlyn K. Miller, 66, of 61 Peggi Lane, died peacefully Thursday evening, July 27, 2017 in UMass Memorial Medical Center, University Campus, Worcester.

She was born in Greenfield on January 30, 1951, daughter of the late Wayne C. and Sybil (Standish) Miller and had lived in Winchendon for a year and a half.

Merlyn was a graduate of St. Johnsbury Academy in St. Johnsbury, VT. She worked for many years as a

librarian and retired from Burr and Burton Academy in Manchester, VT, where she worked for 25 years.

Merlyn loved to crochet, knit, read and cook. She treasured time with her family and enjoyed taking trips to the ocean in Maine and in particular enjoyed her many trips to Disney World.

She leaves her husband of three years, Steven M. Yell; a daughter, Melanie R. Munroe and her husband Christopher and their two children,

Myles D. Munroe and Molly R. Munroe of Chittenden, VT.

There are no funeral services or calling hours planned.

Memorial donations may be made to United Church of Dorset, 143 Church Street, Dorset, VT 05251.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home, 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.

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POLICE LOG

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TUESDAY, JULY 25

12:01-12:25 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:12 a.m.: mv stop (Front St.), verbal warning; 12:35 a.m.: ambulance (Metcalf St.), transported; 12:53 a.m.: mv stop (Main St.), written warning; 1:17 a.m.: bolo (Gardner Rd.), unable to locate; 2:09 a.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Dr.), assisted; 7:10 a.m.: DPW call (Baldwinville Rd.), referred; 7:23 a.m.: sex offender registration (Spring St.), assisted; 7:47 a.m.: fire/unknown type (Ash St.), referred to FD; 8:31 a.m.: officer wanted (Otter River Contact Station), spoken to; 9:11 a.m.: summons service (Mechanic St.), served; 9:50 a.m.: summons service (Spring St.), served; 10:14 a.m.: summons service (Baldwinville Rd.), served; 10:28 a.m.: summons service (Central St.), served; 10:42 a.m.: welfare check/elderly (School St.), secure; 11:07 a.m.: 911 hang-up (River St.), secure; 11:41 a.m.: 911 non-emergency (Mill St.), secure; 1:42 p.m.: animal complaint (Maynard St.), referred to ACO; 2:25 p.m.: investigation (Maple St.), report taken; 3:24 p.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), advised officer; 3:38 p.m.: assist other PD (Otter River Campground); 4:06 p.m.: investigation (Hill St.), info given; 4:32 p.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), services rendered; 6:02 p.m.: fire/box alarm (Hyde Park Dr.), false alarm; 6:08 p.m.: burglar alarm (Front St.), false alarm; 8:03 p.m.: burglar alarm (School Sq.), secure; 8:04 p.m.: larceny (Mechanic St.), report taken; 8:18 p.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Dr.), no service necessary; 8:57 p.m.: missing person (W. Monomac Rd.), report taken; 9:12 p.m.: ambulance (Brown Ave.), transported; 9:56 p.m.: lift assist (Hyde Park Dr.), services rendered; 10:04 p.m.: suspicious auto (Old Gardner Rd.), spoken to; 10:09 p.m.: suspicious auto (Glenallan St.), dispersed gathering.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

12:13 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), written warning; 12:26-1:25 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:48 a.m.: registration check (Beech St.), info given; 2:21-4:16 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 5:18 a.m.: accident (Spring St.), report taken; 7:30 a.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), services rendered; 7:56 a.m.: assist citizen (River St.); 8:56 a.m.: info/general (Banner Pl.), spoken to; 9:34 a.m.: suspicious MV (High St.), advised officer; 11:15 a.m.: assist citizen (Pine St.); 11:21 a.m.: lift assist (Teel Rd.), services rendered; 11:27 a.m.: info/general (Goodrich Dr.), property seized; 12:30 p.m.: animal complaint (River St.), referred to ACO; 1:19 p.m.: assist other PD (Rte. 2A); 1:39 p.m.: animal complaint (Ready Dr.), referred to ACO; 2:21 p.m.: animal complaint (Teel Rd.), Alvin Alexis LaRoche, 56, 641 Teel Rd., Winchendon, disturbing the peace, report taken; 3:33 p.m.: animal complaint (Highland St.), referred to ACO; 3:46 p.m.: animal complaint (Elmwood Rd.), services rendered; 3:54 p.m.: info/general (High St.), report taken; 4:05 p.m.: burglar alarm (High St.), secured bldg.; 4:10 p.m.: property stolen (Goodrich Dr.), report taken; 4:55 p.m.: investigation (Spring St.), services rendered; 4:59 p.m.: annoying phone calls (Pearl St.), spoken to; 5:09 p.m.: animal complaint (High St.), unable to locate; 5:13 p.m.: ambulance (Ready Dr.), services rendered; 6:13 p.m.: suspicious (other) (Tucker St.), secured bldg.; 6:30 p.m.: warrant check (Juniper St.), info given; 6:33 p.m.: road rage (River St.), spoken to; 7:58 p.m.: noise complaint (School St.), services rendered; 9:09 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), spoken to; 9:41 p.m.: mv stop (Central St.), verbal warning; 9:44 p.m.: noise complaint (Mill Glen Rd.), unable to locate; 9:57-11:45 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:46

p.m.: mv stop (Central St.), verbal warning; 11:55 p.m.: investigation (Central St.), spoken to.

THURSDAY, JULY 27

12:04 a.m.: investigation (Murdock Ave.), secure; 12:10 a.m.: investigation (Spruce St.), secure; 12:20 a.m.: warrant check (Mechanic St.), info given; 12:22 a.m.: investigation (Lincoln Ave.), spoken to; 12:24-12:48 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:15 a.m.: investigation (Gardner Rd.), secure; 1:25 a.m.: vehicle repossession (Spring St.), spoken to; 1:36 a.m.: assist other PD (Winchester St., Baldwinville); 1:40-3:19 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:50 a.m.: trespass notice entry (Goodrich Dr.), info taken; 6:18 a.m.: DPW call (Maple St.), referred; 6:50 a.m.: DPW call (Jackson Ave.), referred; 7:03 a.m.: mv stop (Front St.), verbal warning; 7:54 a.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), services rendered; 8:15 a.m.: assist other PD (Spruce St.); 11:15 a.m.: vandalism (West St.), report taken; 11:30 a.m.: suspicious auto (Hale St.), no cause; 11:51 a.m.: extra patrols (Central St.), citation issued; 12:19 p.m.: investigation (Central St.), info taken; 12:34 p.m.: extra patrols (Central St.), citation issued; 12:41 p.m.: extra patrols (Central St.), services rendered; 12:56 p.m.: custody dispute (Goodrich Dr.), info taken; 1:19 p.m.: ambulance (Ipswich Dr.), no service necessary; 2:08 p.m.: animal complaint (Front St.), referred to ACO; 2:14 p.m.: animal complaint (Lakeshore Dr.), referred to ACO; 2:25 p.m.: welfare check/general (Pond St.), transported; 2:33 p.m.: accident (Teel Rd.), report taken; 3:31 p.m.: mv stop (Pearl St.), spoken to; 4:00 p.m.: suspicious auto (Hale St.), no cause; 4:03 p.m.: burglar alarm (Memorial Dr.), secured bldg.; 4:13 p.m.: animal complaint (West Shore Dr.), services rendered; 5:07 p.m.: fire alarm (Winter St.), services rendered; 6:13 p.m.: suspicious (other) (Mechanic St.), secured bldg.; 7:09 p.m.: ambulance (Lakeview Dr.), transported; 7:25 p.m.: animal complaint (Glenallan St.), services rendered; 7:46 p.m.: investigation (Whitney St.), services rendered; 7:56 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), verbal warning; 8:10 p.m.: intoxicated person (River St.), transported; 8:29-9:34 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:36 p.m.: registration check (Central St.), spoken to; 9:55 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), citation issued; 10:05 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), verbal warning; 10:12 p.m.: burglar alarm (Brown St.), secured bldg.; 11:06 p.m.: ambulance (Ash St.), transported; 11:11 p.m.: mv stop (Goodrich Dr.), verbal warning.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

12:04-2:39 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:49 a.m.: drug/narcotics violations (Murdock Ave.), services rendered; 7:46 a.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), services rendered; 8:37 a.m.: burglar alarm (Front St.), false alarm; 9:33 a.m.: parking violation (Front St.), no services necessary; 10:03 a.m.: animal complaint (Brown St.), referred to ACO; 10:43 a.m.: suspicious auto (High St.), unable to locate; 11:14 a.m.: accident (Baldwinville State Rd.), report taken; 11:50 a.m.: drug/narcotics violations (Eagle Rd.), report taken; 12:00 p.m.: ambulance (Juniper St.), transported; 12:45 p.m.: DPW call (Spruce St.), referred; 12:47 p.m.: DPW call (Hyde St.), spoken to; 2:19 p.m.: suspicious auto (Candy Ln.), no service necessary; 3:02 p.m.: harassment (Juniper St.), report taken; 3:13 p.m.: animal complaint (Metcalf St.), referred to ACO; 3:44 p.m.: investigation (Cedar St.), spoken to; 3:56 p.m.: accident (Glenallan St.), report taken; 4:38 p.m.: suicide threats (Brown St.), spoken to; 4:57 p.m.: structure fire (Summer St.), extinguished; 5:27 p.m.: officer wanted (Central St.), spoken to; 6:13 p.m.: registration check (East St.), info given; 6:28 p.m.: extra patrols (Ingleside Dr.), secure; 6:33 p.m.: fire alarm (Winter St.), false alarm; 6:44 p.m.: runaway (Polly's Dr.), advised officer; 6:50 p.m.: gunshots heard (Murdock Ave.), unable to locate; 7:24 p.m.:

assist other PD (Baldwinville Rd.), unable to locate; 9:15 p.m.: ambulance (Ipswich Dr.), transported; 9:23 p.m.: extra patrols (Ingleside Dr.), secure; 9:26 p.m.: mv stop (Main St.), verbal warning; 10:04 p.m.: disturbance/group (Black Bridge), unable to locate; 10:15 p.m.: intoxicated person (Central St.), transported; 11:42 p.m.: threats (Railroad St.), transported.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

12:16 a.m.: warrant check (Chestnut St.), spoken to; 2:01-2:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:03 a.m.: noise complaint (School St.), spoken to; 7:18 a.m.: extra patrols (Lakeview Dr.), services rendered; 8:14 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant St.), transported; 8:49 a.m.: fire/box alarm (Hyde Park Dr.), services rendered; 9:22 a.m.: structure fire (Oak St.), services rendered; 9:30 a.m.: transport (Heywood Hospital); 11:10 a.m.: ambulance (School St.), transported; 12:09 p.m.: registration check (Spruce St.), no service necessary; 12:14 p.m.: mv violations (Lakeshore Dr.), unable to locate; 12:50 p.m.: summons service (Willoughby Ave.), served; 12:54 p.m.: investigation (Banner Pl.), no service necessary; 1:00 p.m.: summons service (Emerald St.), served; 2:43 p.m.: investigation (Goodrich Dr.), report taken; 4:07 p.m.: erratic operation (Spring St.), report taken; 4:47 p.m.: animal complaint (Lake Dennison), referred to ACO; 4:55 p.m.: extra patrols (Hyde Park Dr.), secure; 5:18 p.m.: officer wanted (Pond St.), report taken; 5:20 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Rd.), unable to locate; 5:28 p.m.: assist citizen (Central St.); 5:57 p.m.: extra patrols (Black Bridge), secure; 6:15 p.m.: ambulance (Pearl Dr.), transported; 8:12 p.m.: disabled auto (Franklin St.), secure; 8:19 p.m.: road rage (Commercial Dr.), report taken; 8:28 p.m.: gunshots heard (Mill Glen Rd.), unfounded; 10:41 p.m.: missing person (Pond St.), returned home; 11:06 p.m.: missing person (Pond St.), report taken; 11:21 p.m.: ambulance (Spring St.), transported; 11:43 p.m.: intoxicated person (Front St.), spoken to.

SUNDAY, JULY 23

1:03 a.m.: burglar alarm (Maple St.), cancelled; 1:28 a.m.: fire alarm (Central St.), referred to FD; 1:55 a.m.: fire alarm (Central St.), referred to FD; 4:15 a.m.: fire/box alarm (Ready Dr.), referred to FD; 6:27 a.m.: traffic hazard (Pleasant St.), removed; 9:19 a.m.: suspicious auto (Water St.), no service necessary; 9:53 a.m.: ambulance (Central St.), transported; 10:15 a.m.: animal complaint (Cardinal Ln.), returned to owner; 11:39 a.m.: larceny (Spring St.), Trisha Ann Ducharme, 28, 355 Front St., Winchendon, larceny under \$250, report taken; 12:25 p.m.: accident (Elm St.), spoken to; 1:42 p.m.: investigation (Pond St.), unable to locate; 1:47 a.m.: sex offender registration (Spring St.), info taken; 1:54 p.m.: larceny (Hyde Park Dr.), no service necessary; 2:03 p.m.: welfare check/child (River St.), report taken; 3:10 p.m.: suspicious auto (Franklin St.), spoken to; 5:33 p.m.: burglar alarm (Pinewood Dr.), secured bldg.; 8:09 p.m.: burglar alarm (Spring St.), cancelled; 8:10 p.m.: investigation (Pleasant St.), assisted; 8:38 p.m.: ambulance (Lakeview Dr.), transported; 9:05 p.m.: panic alarm (Maple St.), false alarm; 9:12 p.m.: property damage (Jackson Ave.), report taken; 9:18 p.m.: lift assist (Lakeshore Dr.); 9:22 p.m.: ambulance (Central St.), transported; 10:37 p.m.: assist citizen (Central St.); 9:01 p.m.: transport (Central St.); 11:20 p.m.: ambulance (Eli Dr.), transported; 11:23 p.m.: larceny (Spring St.), report taken; 11:51-11:57 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

1:35-2:13 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:13 a.m.: trespass notice entry (Juniper St.), info taken; 2:17 a.m.: trespass notice entry (Juniper St.), info taken; 2:23-2:26 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:21 a.m.: accident (Gardner Rd.), Dustin Grey, 20, 15 Fairbanks St., Winchendon, negligent operation, report taken; 6:07 a.m.: ambulance (Hale St.), transported; 7:00 a.m.: FD call (Hyde Park Dr.), message delivered; 7:22 a.m.: animal complaint (Alger St.), referred to ACO; 8:00 a.m.: assist citizen (Baldwinville Rd.), spoken to; 8:07 a.m.: officer wanted (Goodrich Dr.), report taken; 8:11 a.m.: mv stop (Central St.), verbal warning; 8:13 a.m.: accident (High St.), report taken; 8:35 a.m.: animal complaint (Mellen Rd.), referred to ACO; 9:06 a.m.: investigation (River St.), report taken; 9:27 a.m.: traffic hazard (River St.), info taken; 10:39 a.m.: info/general (Grove St.), info taken; 12:26 p.m.: accident (Ipswich Dr.), report taken; 12:36 p.m.: animal complaint (Jackson Ave.), referred to ACO; 12:41 p.m.: animal complaint (Alger St.), referred to ACO; 12:57 p.m.: animal complaint (West St.), referred to ACO; 1:03 p.m.: warrant of apprehension (Goodrich St.), arrest; 1:10 p.m.: officer wanted (Spring St.), gone on arrival; 1:31 p.m.: ambulance (School St.), transported; 3:03 p.m.: summons service (Webster St.), advised officer; 4:35 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Rd.), info taken; 5:26 p.m.: accident (W. Monomac Rd.), report taken; 5:40 p.m.: missing person (Spruce St.), assisted; 6:00 p.m.: investigation (Central St.), spoken to; 6:14 p.m.: suspicious person (River St.), report taken; 7:36 p.m.: DPW call (Glenallan St.), referred; 7:54 p.m.: harassment (Spring St.), report taken; 7:56 p.m.: DPW call (Glenallan St.), referred; 9:34 p.m.: noise complaint (Cedar St.), no cause; 11:48 p.m.: investigation (Pleasant St.), spoken to.

Search for Suspect Comes Up Empty

Winchendon police responded to a report of a suspicious person on River Street at around 6:15 p.m. Monday evening. Sgt. Gerald Gagne responded and came across Theodore French, 30, of 21 Washington Street, Gardner, who was carrying a bag.

Gagne determined that French was drinking alcohol in violation of the town's Public Drinking bylaw. A release from the Winchendon Police Dept. said French provided "incorrect and misleading" information when Gagne attempted to identify the individual. When advised he was under arrest, French "resisted and fled into the wooded area adjacent to River St., ultimately crossing Millers River."

The release states a search – which included police officers from Ashburnham, Petersham, Phillipston, Royalston, and the Mass. State Police, assisted by Winchendon K9 Clyde and other K9 units – was unsuccessful.

French was identified via booking photographs provided by the Gardner Police Dept. According to the release, French is wanted on two warrants out of Gardner District Court – one for being a fugitive from justice and one for assault and battery. Winchendon Police say they will also seek a warrant against French for misleading a police officer, an open container violation, and resisting arrest.



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**MONDAY,
JULY 31**

SPORTS

No legitimate reason for kids' football

When NFL training camps opened this week, they did so against the backdrop of a Boston University report that all but one of 111 deceased former players had signs of or full-blown CTE, which can be confirmed only at autopsy. BU of

course has been in the forefront of the study regarding head trauma and football and to be fair, the families volunteered to have the brains studied which might have skewed the results of this specific survey but the bottom line is simple and undeniable - football can be hazardous to health and longevity and cognition.

So given what we now know, why in the world should schools have middle school football programs? Why in the world would any parent sign a permission slip for their kid, or for Pop Warner? I've heard youth football coaches talk about improved safety measures but in the end, the game is by nature a violent one. Celebrate a middle school football team? Seriously? Are



TALKING SPORTS

JERRY CARTON

you people deliberately ignorant of the facts? Adults who do that should be ashamed of themselves. Don't argue with me. Argue with science. I haven't seen a rush to form 10-11-12 year-old boxing teams, have you?

I'm not especially crazy about high school football either. Blasphemous, I know, but at least by high school, kids' heads won't have taken much pounding yet. I obviously know youth football isn't going away even though it should but I can't conceive of a single rational reason for a parent to condone it, either.

College football? Pro football? Those are played by adults old enough to be responsible for themselves. But even there, we're seeing an increase in the number of athletes opting out. More NFL players are retiring earlier. The Ravens' John Urcher, generally deemed the brightest guy in the NFL, what with his math and MIT background, called it quits the other day specifically because of the potential for head trauma. He's

not alone, either.

I really don't know what can be done to make the game much safer. Yes, every sport has risks. Life has risks. But it says here that eliminating tackle football at the very least before high school is just common sense. I am not holding my breath.

There are plenty of MLB managers who are holding their breath every time they send anyone other than their top starter to the mound, and for some teams, their number one is realistically a number three or four. You can never have too much pitching, the saying goes, but the fact is you can never have too much good, or at least decent pitching. The Orioles are a perfect example. Plenty of offense. Decent defense. And a starting rotation which barely qualifies as AAA caliber. Barely. Chris Sale and Carlos Corosco pitched crummy games the other night but they've been outstanding all year otherwise which gives the Red Sox and Indians a big arm with which to start a short series. Same goes for the Yankees who now have Sonny Gray at the front of their rotation. These are teams who are seri-

ous contenders. Their managers can exhale. Whether they can challenge the Astros, we'll find out but if your guy can win game one, you're a legitimate World Series contender. New York wasn't expected to be. Not this year. They are. Everyone in New England knows and fears that.

Of course, if you listen to some self-styled experts, baseball has its own version of the Golden State Warriors. The Dodgers are the alleged "super team" which became more super by acquiring Yu Darvish. We shall see. Baseball has a treacherous and diabolical post-season format. It's where teams with great pitching tend to dominate when said pitchers have their best stuff. The problem in Los Angeles has been that October has never been where Clayton Kershaw has had his best stuff, hence the trade for Darvish. On paper, LA looks exceptionally formidable but we all know the line about how games aren't played (and races aren't run) on paper. Besides, the Cubbies are rolling again. See you next week.

All Stars advance in playoffs with 5-3 win

BY JON KAMINSKY
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

On Monday July 31 the Winchendon All-Star 10-12 year old Jimmy fund baseball team started the Willie Sinclair playoffs against North Leominster at the American Legion in Winchendon. In a tight, back and forth game, right up to the final pitch, it was Winchendon who took the game.

After a coin flip, North Leominster was chosen as the home team.

In the top of the 1st Winchendon started off the game with a pop out to the 2nd basemen. After a single to left field by Cole Patterson, Domenic Iannacone came up to the plate and smacked a double off the wall in right center. Cole would come around to score on the play and Winchendon led 1-0. A wild pitch would advance Domenic to third base, and he would eventually score after a ground ball went right under the shortstops leg into the outfield to make it 2-0. North Leominster's starting pitcher would eventually settle down and strike out the next two batters.

Winchendon's starting pitcher Cole Patterson would start off the bottom of the 1st with a walk, and then a strikeout. After a wild pitch advanced the runner to 2nd, Cole would walk the next batter. A single to centerfield would load the bases for North Leominster. A couple lengthy at bats would result in two straight walks and eventually tie the game 2-2. Patterson would find the strike zone again and strike out the next two batters to end the bottom of the 1st.

The 2nd inning would be a breeze for both starting pitchers as they both struck out the side to move the game along.

The top of the 3rd inning would start off with a walk. After two straight wild pitches, the runner would advance to 3rd base while Winchendon would look to take the lead. They were not able to do so as North Leominster's starting pitcher struck out three consecutive batters to end the top of the 3rd.

As North Leominster came to bat in the bottom of the 3rd, they would start the inning off with a groundout to 1st base, a

walk, and a strikeout. After a single to centerfield, runners were on 1st and 2nd with two outs. The next batter for North Leominster would hit a ground ball to the 2nd basemen but he would bobble the ball and not make the play, so the bases were loaded. After another tough at bat, Cole would make a great pitch and get a ground ball back to himself and get the force play out at home. After 3 innings, the score would stay 2-2. Cole Patterson's final pitching line would be 3 IP, 7 SO's, 5 walks, 2 hits, 2 runs.

Winchendon came up to bat in the top of the 4th inning looking to take the lead. A walk and a double to centerfield would ensue and they would have runners on 1st and 2nd with no outs. After a double and a RBI in his first at bat, Iannacone came up to the plate looking to do some more damage. After working the count in his favor, Domenic crushed a three run home run to right field off the scoreboard to give Winchendon the lead 5-2. North Leominster would eventually get out of the inning with no further damage.

Steven Gauthier would come in to pitch the bottom of the 4th inning. After a couple walks and two strikeouts, he would eventually load up the bases for North Leominster. Gauthier would get out of the jam though after making a great pitch to get a ground ball back to him to record the third out.

Winchendon would come up to bat in the top of the 5th but it was short lived, as they went down 1,2,3 with three strikeouts.

Jack Saveall came into pitch for Winchendon in the bottom of the 5th. He would get the first batter to groundout to the third basemen but a wild throw would advance the runner to 2nd base. After a wild pitch the runner would advance to third. Jack would walk the next batter to put runners on the corners. He would then get a ground ball back to himself and get the out at first, but the runner on third base would get himself caught in a run down as Cole Patterson who was playing 1st base made a heads up play to get the runner out at third. North Leominster would add a run in the inning

on a wild pitch to close the gap at 5-3.

After a scoreless top of the 6th inning, Jack Saveall would look to close out the game for Winchendon. He would strike out the first two batters of the inning. North Leominster's next batter would single to left field after a lengthy at bat to put the tying run at the plate. After working the count full, and fouling off 5 straight pitches, North Leominster's batter would hit a ground ball in between the first and second basemen of Winchendon. Cole Patterson would get to the ball and bobble it as he finally gathered it and made the throw over to Jack who was covering the first base. After originally being called safe by the umpire at 1st, North Leominster thought that they scored a run on the play to make the game 5-4. But after a meeting between both umpires, the original call was overturned and the runner was called out at 1st. The game was over and Winchendon would win 5-3. Their next playoff game was yet to be determined.

Catch and consume, not catch and release!



GO FISH DAN

BY DAN KENNEY

What are you doing sitting at home? Head to Florida for sun, fun, and snakehead fishing!

Bullseye snakeheads were first documented in the Coral Springs area in 2000 and are now considered an invasive species throughout southern Florida. They're spawning at incredible rates and competing with native species for food. So, what does that mean for you and I? Well, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission makes it very clear: "If you catch one, do not release it!" Instead, you should "humanely euthanize" your catch and, if you like, eat it.

Snakeheads are not only tasty, they say, but they're "even said to have medicinal benefits in its native range by hastening the healing of wounds and internal injuries."

If protecting the Everglades isn't reason enough to make the trip this winter, you should know that snakeheads are a blast to catch because they put up a serious fight. I learned this firsthand when my friend Captain Shane Procell took me out in the Miami area.

"We're gonna catch 'em, and we're gonna eat 'em," Shane told me as we headed into the Everglades.

Since snakeheads are known for eating pretty much anything that moves,



And the final decision...delicious

including toads, turtles and snakes, Shane recommended we start with frog baits. And boy did they work! Even though I kept pulling in bass, it was fun to watch Shane catch several in a row. Those guys fight for every inch and, judging by what they did to the frog baits, they aren't afraid to use their teeth.

"Look what he did to that frog, Dan!" Shane said after one of his catches. "That was absolutely incredible. He slashed it like a piranha!"

Yup, those snakeheads really are fun to battle with, and it starts even before you hook them. With my Typhoon Optics sunglasses, I could see them coming at the bait aggressively. Snakeheads "lock in like radar," Shane said. "They're like a heat seeking missile, just oblivious to everything else around them."

Luckily, I was finally able to experi-



Courtesy photos

Dan Kenney Shane Procell with a fine specimen

ence it for myself when I caught my first ever snakehead, and my guy did not disappoint. Reeling him in was well worth the wait—and so was the delicious meal he made.

Captain Shane and I took our catches to Pins & Things, a Caribbean restaurant in Miami, and they were gracious enough to prepare them. Turns out, FWC wasn't lying. Snakeheads make a delicious meal, although I can't vouch for their medicinal benefits.

So if you're dreading snowflakes and shoveling this upcoming winter, plan a trip to the Miami area. The snakeheads are jumping, and FWC wants you to catch and eat!

You can view the episode on my GoFishDanShow YOUTUBE channel: www.youtube.com/user/gofishdan-show

Until then God Bless and Go Fish!

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Hints for fresh herbs

It's midsummer and most garden herbs are hearty and lush, just waiting to be plucked, pinched or snipped and brought to the table as a flavorful seasoning or garden fresh garnish. From adding a gourmet touch to BBQ rubs, sauces and marinades, to bringing a dash of class to lemonade, soups and salads, freshly picked herbs are a seasonal delight!

Read on for some helpful hints to better enjoy homegrown herbs!

For best flavor, cut or snip herbs in the morning, after the dew has evaporated from the leaves but before the midday sun heats the plant.

Most annual plants can be harvested twice during the planting season. Cut plants back to about five inches above the ground and feed after cutting. Annual herbs can be harvested until frost.

Perennial herbs may be harvested once during the first year and up to three times each season after the initial growth year. Here's how: Harvest up to 75 percent of the top growth in late spring and another quarter in late summer. Stop harvesting about one month before the frost date. Late pruning could encourage tender growth that cannot harden-off before winter.

Flowering herbs should be harvested when the buds are apparent or when flowers are just opening. This is when their oil concentration is at its peak.

Storing Cut Herbs

Place freshly cut herbs in a bag in the salad crisper of the refrigerator. Or for or maximum freshness, cut an inch off the stalks and place them in a glass of water in the refrigerator. Try to avoid submerging the leaves in the water.

Note: Don't refrigerate basil as the leaves my turn black if they get too cold. Store cut basil in a bag in a cool, dark place or in a cup of water out of direct sunlight.

Bouquet Garni from the Herb Garden

The herb bundle or bouquet garni (French for "garnished bouquet"), may have a fancy name, but it is simply a bunch of herbs bound together with string and dropped in soup stock or other cooking liquid to "season it up." Some cooks use a cheesecloth sachet or tea strainer to "steep" the fresh herbs. A fresh bouquet garni is never far if you have an herb garden. A classic fresh bouquet garni includes three sprigs of parsley, one sprig of thyme and a small bay leaf.

If you are using dried herbs, crush them and place in the middle of a cheesecloth square and tie with string. As with all bundles, be sure to leave a long enough length of string to hang out of the pot for easy retrieval. Herb bundles tied in cheesecloth can even be made ahead of time and frozen. Here are some suggestions for bringing out the best in dishes with a bouquet garni:

Poultry: celery stalk; one sprig each of parsley, marjoram, tarragon, and thyme.

Chicken soup: three sprigs each of parsley, thyme, tarragon; one bay leaf.

Beef Stew: one sprig each of rosemary; thyme; parsley; one bay leaf.

Provençal: one sprig oregano, savory, thyme, marjoram, and rosemary.

Pork: one sprig thyme; six sprigs parsley, one bay leaf.

Seafood: two springs tarragon; one sprig dill; lemon zest.



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Fresh Vinaigrette
Whip up this garden fresh dressing that's simple and scrumptious!

Ingredients: 1/2 cup olive oil; 1/2 cup white wine vinegar; 1/2 cup chopped fresh basil; 3 tablespoons chopped fresh oregano; 2 garlic cloves, minced; 1/2 teaspoon seasoning salt; 1/2 teaspoon dried crushed red pepper; 1/2 teaspoon sugar

Directions: Combine all ingredients in a jar; cover tightly, and shake vigorously.

Mint Butter

Super quick and delicious, it's great on grilled fish or try it on corn on the cob!

Ingredients: one stick butter, softened; 2 tbsp. chopped mint leaves; 1 tbsp. lemon juice

Directions: Cream ingredients together in a bowl. Cover and chill in refrigerator a few hours before serving.

If you have an herb garden, these remedies are always on hand:

Lemon balm: Lemon balm is a relaxing herb that reduces restlessness, anxiety and irritability. It is also used to treat anxiety that causes digestive problems. Simply steep leaves, strain and drink as a tea.

Note: Do not use if you have thyroid problems.

Oregano: Oregano is a great skin remedy to aid in the healing of cuts, scrapes, rashes and even eczema. Simply steep Oregano leaves, strain and allow to cool. Soak a cloth in the "tea" and apply to skin a few times per day until skin is healed.

Basil: Relief of a sore throat is as

close as your garden. Pour boiling water over dried basil leaves, steep and strain. When cool, gargle with the liquid three times a day.

Passionflower: Passionflower is an effective depressant of the central nervous system which translates into a relaxing anti-anxiety effect. It not only helps general anxiety, but is especially touted as a remedy for nightmares and nocturnal anxiety.

Note: Those taking an MAO inhibitor should not take passionflower.

Skullcap: An herb with fewer side effects, Skullcap helps calm the "worrier" who has racing thoughts and constant fret. This herb is useful for all types of anxiety but has also been hailed as an aid for stress caused by hormonal imbalances in women.

Win Dinner for Two

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

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

ROAD

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struction of "pedestrian accommodations" along Central Street from Blair Square to Maple Street - are targeted to receive funding under two other state programs. It's hoped the \$1.2 million Blair Square project can be funded through MassWorks, a state program which has been in effect for two years and which, it's anticipated, will continue to receive funding in future fiscal years. The Central Street work, estimated at \$170,000, would be funded through the Transportation Improvement Plan, or TIP.

A \$3.8 million reconstruction of Central Street from Blair

Square to Maple Street has already been included on the TIP for 2020.

The first project likely to receive funding through Complete Streets is the Phase I reconstruction of sidewalks along the east side of Elmwood Road/Central Street from Maple Street to Brooks Drive, the entrance to the Memorial Elementary and Murdock Middle High schools. The work would bring the sidewalks into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The estimated cost of the project is pegged at \$430,000.

Winchendon Development Director Tracy Murphy said the maximum amount of a Complete Streets grant is \$400,000, meaning the remainder would have to come from

other sources.

Phase II, the reconstruction of sidewalks on the west side of Elmwood Road/Central Street between Maple Street and North Central Street, would cost an estimated \$285,000.

The next two priority projects are phases one and two of the reconstruction of sidewalks on both sides of Grove Street, from School Street/Route 12 to Central Street. Plans call for the south side of the street to be done first. Work on the north side, passing Toy Town Elementary School, would then be completed. Again, the sidewalks would be improved and made ADA compliant.

Murphy said the four projects, once completed, would not only provide improved access but also make it safer

for students walking to and from school each day.

"Our idea is, in the first round of grant funding, to put in for sidewalks to kind of connect our schools and downtown," said Murphy. "Once this gets approved, we're really going to aim at fixing up quite a bit of sidewalk."

The town should hear back from the state regarding the priority list, which was sent to the state about a week and a-half ago, in another week or two.

"It takes about three weeks for them to look it over and then get back to us if there's anything we need to correct or add, or let us know if there were any elements that were missing," Murphy said. "After that, they have two rounds of

grant funding. One application is due in October and the other one is due in March, I believe."

"We have been discussing whether we're going to be ready for October," she continued. "If you apply for it construction has to be ready for the next construction season. So, we would have to be ready to go (on Phase I of the Elmwood Road/Central Street sidewalk project) in the spring, and we're not sure, yet. We might be, but at the very least we'll be able to apply in the spring."

The full Complete Streets Funding Project Prioritization Plan, listing all priority projects, is available on the town of Winchendon website.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

WCU adds staff and promotes

Workers Credit Union added new staff and promoted two employees.

Michelle Rossi of Pepperell has been named assistant vice president, member information center manager. She was previously with Fidelity Investments as director of service delivery and holds securities licenses Series 7,9,10 and 63.

Jennifer Cowles of East Longmeadow joined the credit union as vice president, mortgage lending manager. She was previously with Radian Guaranty as vice president, risk manager and holds a degree in finance from UMass, Amherst.

Jennifer Prouty of Winchendon, the assistant branch manager for the

Fitchburg office, was promoted to assistant vice president, branch manager, Athol branch.

Kristen Dejniak of Townsend was promoted from assistant branch manager to assistant vice president for the Groton branch.

Workers Credit Union, home of the \$3.3M GiveBack program, is headquartered in Fitchburg. With assets of \$1.5 billion, the credit union serves over 93,000 members from 16 offices in Acton, Chelmsford, Fitchburg, Gardner, Groton, Lancaster, Leominster, Lunenburg, Orange, Townsend, Westford and Workers Online at workercu.com.

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CLYDE'S CORNER

Saturday, August 5

TOY TOWN OUTDOOR MARKET: 126 Central St. on the lawn of the Unitarian Universalist Church, Winchendon Thursdays 4-7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

SATURDAY YARD SALE: at UU Church of Winchendon, 126 Central St. From 9 a.m. to noon, come browse for unlikely treasures and unexpected bargains. Donate goods to sell or set up your own table for a modest donation to the church. Saturday Yard Sales run every other week through the summer.

FAMILY FUN DAY: the 33rd annual Massachusetts State Chili Cook off and Kiwanis Family Fun Day is scheduled 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on the grounds of the American Legion Post 193, 295 School St. Admission is still just \$8 each for adults, free for children up to 12 years of age. Crafters, children's games, petting zoo, live music by the Mychael David Trio and more.

Sunday, August 6

INDIVISIBLE WINCHENDON: The Indivisible Winchendon group meets every Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon, 126 Central St. to discuss and organize creative, effective resistance to the Trump administration over the long term. We are liberal/progressive but non-partisan. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/381174492262359/>

Tuesday, August 8

WINCHENDON NA MEETING: This is a new meeting being launched with the support of the Central Massachusetts Area of Narcotics Anonymous. Led by Winchendon residents, Winchendon NA is an open meeting, welcoming newcomers and old-timers alike, featuring discussion, sharing and learning. If you're in recovery or want to be, and would like support, please join us. At the UU Church of Winchendon, 126 Central St, downstairs in the parish hall. Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 10

BOOK DISCUSSION: Beals Memorial

Library has a book club that meets at 5:45 p.m. the second Thursday each month, the next meeting is Thursday July 13 Books are available at the library.

TRIVIA CHALLENGE: every month it's Franco O'Malley's trivia challenge at Zoe's Restaurant beginning at 8 p.m. Bring a team or join a team and try your memory at this intriguing game of wits. Open to everyone, come on down.

OUR NEIGHBOR'S KITCHEN: On Thursday, August 10 at Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon for a hearty dinner. Dinner is served at 5:30 p.m. We can always use more volunteers! If you'd like to help with set-up, come to the church around 4 p.m. If you want to help with serving, come at around 5:15 p.m. so we can go over any special protocols for the night's menu. Clean-up starts around 6:15 p.m. and is usually done shortly after 7 p.m. Volunteers have a chance to sit down to socialize and enjoy the meal.

Saturday, August 12

OWC PLANNED: On Saturday, Aug. 12 from 9-11 a.m. at the American Legion Post 193 on School Street, Operation Winchendon Cares will be collecting donations to send to our troops. These are all local Winchendon men and women.

This will be our End of Summer Drive. We are looking for things like freeze pops, baked goods, snacks, quick meals like tuna packets, ramen noodles - anything that they could heat up as a meal if they were unable to get to the mess hall, art work from children especially since school is on vacation, cards & notes from the townspeople. Please nothing chocolate that could melt. We can always use money towards the postage to mail these packages and volunteers to help sort and pack up the donations. Spread the word, come on down to see what we are all about and bring a friend.

Our Holiday Drive will be held on November 4th.

Saturday, August 19

ANNUAL FIREMEN'S MUSTER: Begins at noon with a parade through downtown Winchendon ending at

American Legion Post 193, 295 School St. where the historic antique pumper equipment will vie for recognition as the best at aiming and distance with the pressured water. Barbecue chicken will luncheon will be sold by American Legion, entrance to watch the Muster is free. Other family activities available.

Thursday, August 24

OPEN MIC: at the American Legion Post 193, 295 School St. Beginning at 9 p.m. Like to sing? Play an instrument? Willing to jam with a few other musicians? Then come on down and join us at the lower level. Always a good time. Open to everyone! Non-smoking venue.

OUR NEIGHBOR'S KITCHEN: Our Neighbor's Kitchen Winchendon's Community Supper is served on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon, 126 Central St. at 5:30 p.m. On the first and third Thursdays, the supper will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 52 Spruce St. Our Neighbor's Kitchen meals are cooked homestyle from fresh ingredients. We're supported by voluntary donations at the door contributions from Winchendon churches and organizations and many hard-working volunteers.

Saturday, September 9

CASINO!!!! Casino Royale is Saturday Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. This is our 10th Casino so come see how much fun it is. Tickets are now available by calling Peggy at 978-297-2415 or 561-459-9484. They are \$25 each and we are always sold out so call Peggy Corbosiero now. This event is held at the Orange Whitney Mansion at 122 Pleasant Street in Winchendon.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

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MONDAY

LEGO CLUB: Beals Memorial Library, 50 Pleasant St. hosts a Lego Club for kids aged six-12, 3:30-4:30 p.m. every Monday afternoon the library is open. Show off your creative side. More information about this and other programs by calling (978) 297-0300 or visit townofwinchendon.com/bealmemoriallibrary.

TUESDAY

LEARN: Computer classes for adults are offered on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Beals Memorial Library and are open to adults ages 18 and older.

CRAFT FOR ADULTS: On Tuesday nights at 6:30 Beals Memorial Library has an adult craft hour providing a place to meet and do crafts. People bring in things they are working on, and can get help on knitting, crocheting, quilting and discuss different ideas.

TINY TOTS PLAYGROUP: on Tuesday 10-11 at Beals Memorial Library, 50 Pleasant St. for toddlers aged 0-4. Songs, rhymes and sharing.

WEDNESDAY

BINGO! Hyde Park residents hold bingo in the community hall every Wednesday night beginning at 6 p.m. It's inexpensive, just two cards for 5¢, and the community is invited! Anyone over the age of 50 is welcome to join in. We'd love to have more players.

BINGO 2! Old Murdock Senior Center hosts Bingo on Wednesday afternoons at 12:15 p.m.

FRIDAY

FREE MOVIES: Throughout the summer, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church holds family movie nights beginning at 7:30 p.m. Bring a blanket, a chair, pillows and a few snacks for a free movie under the stars. Every movie will be a family rated G or PG bundle of fun. In case of bad weather, the movie will be shown the following day, Saturday. Check the Facebook page for the name of each week's movie.

HOURS

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the Hills Chucks nonprofit that will be working to continue Hillary's spirit of giving back to the community.

The students that were honored for their volunteerism were:

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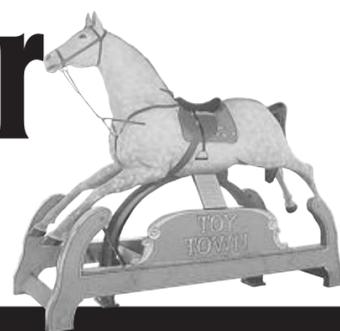
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Caleb Matson
Barre
Sean Craig and Gabrielle Walker
Cherry Valley
Stacy Riel-Rigiero
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Mavis Barnor, Aritha Daniels, Jarelin Escobar, Leonela Grullon, Alicia Navarro, Sevina Ortiz, Ashley Perez, Marymar Perez Cruz, Megan Rossi, Rose Sanchez Pratts, Samnath Say, and Fuechee Yang

Gardner
Kristin Anderson, Rebekah Cohen, Curtis Hall, Samantha LeBlanc, Krista Lennerton, Jessica McKay, Melissa Paulhus, Estephany Rodriguez
Julia Scott, Jerricka St John, and Laurie Tucci
Greenfield
Katherine Newell
Holden
Faith Kurtz
Hubbardston
Stevie LaBelle, Jana Murphy, Eden Shaveet, and Evan Tucker
Leominster
Carlotta Belle, Brianna

Boulay, Carrie DeCosta, Jennifer Jones, Taisha Lopez, Maria Rivera, Gemini Walter, and Letecia Winters
Lunenburg
Anthony Cintron, Bonnie Logan, Gail Mercier, Kamerin Munroe, and Amber Rivera
Malden
Taryn Graybeal
Orange
Eliza Graton
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Stephanie Girouard
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Lynnea Anderholm,

Elizabeth Conner, Angelica De Los Rios, Timothy Hazelton, Julie LaFleur, and Tiffany Vincenti
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MVOC

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ond year of the event, you guys just milked it for all it's worth, and this is a totally amazing gift, just amazing."

Edson went on to say, "What this will do is help us as we are getting ready to open up a Veterans Wellness Center, and this will go towards actively reaching out to folks who need our support in the sense of counseling service, outreach, whatever the case may be, draw them in, and get to the before they reach a state of crisis. The only way we are really going to make a dent in veterans' suicide or any other kind of crisis we deal with is to get to it before it reaches that state of no return."

The wellness center as described by Edson will be designed to be inviting, friendly, and to draw people in, in an effort to defeat the stigma of entering for support, help, and counseling.

Edson added, "This donation

will cover between 50 and 100 counseling visits and we can't do this without you guys. We get a certain amount of funds from the state and the rest all comes from donations because of the hearts of folks like you."

Edson addressed the need for a proactive approach with active service members who have returned home who need assistance before they leave the armed forces and reintegrate with society.

Club President Ricci Ruschioni immediately looked at Edson and asked, "So what do you say, want to do this again next year?"

Edson with a smile emphatically responded, "Yes, absolutely, you make this awfully easy to say yes!"

Ruschioni said, "People and veterans like you are very important. You are the heroes of this country and the world in our opinion."

Edson replied, "You're all wearing flags for a reason, and you're all great people. Folks like you are our blood line in the community, and we

couldn't do a lot of what we do without people like you."

After the donation was presented Ruschioni said, "We really need to thank the PACC of Gardner. They let us use their property as part of our fundraiser for this veterans' cause and they didn't charge us a dime, not a dime. We also would like to thank the spouses and all our friends of our club, and people like Cindy and Jeff Bowers who help out in many ways to help make things like this a success. We have a great core of supporters who help us all the time, and they make raising this money easy. Helping our veterans is by far an incredibly important cause, and we are just glad to support it."

Vice President Anthony "No Coin" Basso added, "Three of my children are veterans, and I think donations like this help out veterans causes a lot. This is one of the reasons I joined Fire & Iron, because of the charities which they do work with like this."

The future MVOC Wellness

Center will serve as a dedicated spot to enhance current services by providing more counseling, therapeutic activities, and a resource center which will allow educational programing, workshops, seminars, along with information nights to the public for community members, family members of veterans, military members, and professions to help anybody who needs to be more educated on the challenges veterans issues they face.

Club Treasurer Peter Ashley summed it all up by simply saying, "For me, I am a veteran and I see a need for it, and I appreciate the MVOC and all they do. They need all the help they can get."

Secretary Richard Creamer said, "We have given to a lot of good charities. My father was in the military, and I was not. He was a World War II soldier who was captured, and was in the Battle of the Bulge, the last major German offensive campaign in the World War II western theater, so I have a real soft spot for helping any

veterans. It hits home, it's close to me. It was such a quick vote to support this cause as hands went up fast."

Member Bernie "Rainman" Cameron said, "This is huge for me, because I have a lot of people in my family alone who are military veterans. It makes me feel great as a member that we can give back to these men and women who need our help."

On Saturday, Aug. 26, Fire & Iron Station 857 will team up with the Greater Gardner Relay for Life for its 8th annual Cruise for Cancer Ride. All bikes are welcome. Registration takes place at American Legion Post 193 in Winchendon from 9-10:45 a.m. with kickstands up at 11 a.m. sharp. Cost is \$20 per rider, \$10 per passenger, and the ride returns to the American Legion about 2:00 PM for lunch which is included in the price. For more information on the internet go to <http://www.cruise4cancer.net>

GRAD

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I wanted to learn how to cook a lot of things, and that I wanted to attend Monty Tech. Everything was so hands on that it seemed to come naturally to me and that made it easy for me."

Applying herself, Herr was happy to add both the teachers and instructors were very pleased with her, always enjoying her work which helped to make her very outgoing. When asked if one in particular stood out which she would like to thank, Herr said, "Yes, Mr. Haggerty was my best teacher, and very supportive."

Even with all the training she received at Monty Tech, Herr will tell you without a second thought her two favorite things to make are lasagna and Italian stew, which comes from her family's own recipe.

Herr added, "My goal some day in the future is to open my own restaurant."

During four years of high school and after graduation, Herr obtained her initial experience working in the kitchen at the Broadview Assisted Living and would eventually become employed starting last November at the Hometown Cafe with Jesse Algarin and Becky Conner.

While in uniform wearing her Utility Cooks coat, Herr said, "Since the first day I started working here, I have heard customers say my cooking is the same as Jesse, and that is a good thing. To hear them say it's just like Jesse was coming out here and doing the cooking is something I am really happy to hear."

The small but busy café, known for its home style cooking, can be very demanding on its owner's hourly schedules. Algarin, who has been flirting with the possibility of finding an eventual full time cook to aid in helping free

up time for himself to address managerial duties, hired Herr to test the waters and possibility of the concept. The café has been open since March 2014.

Algarin confirmed his long term goal is to be able to offer more catering as it becomes available, and is slowing increasing the hours of his young cook.

"We are slowing working towards the point where no matter what aspect Becky and I may leave due to work related issues that we left it in good hands. Right now, Sierra is averaging between 20 and 35 hours per week depending on need. Right now, it's works out for her, and for us. We hope in the future that this is a win-win for both of us, and we will be able to have her work more hours in the future," said Algarin.

Algarin was pleased to say his new cook takes directions well, and is receptive to criticism as part of trying to learn more about the culinary arts.

Algarin also added, "She is also very

good at garnishing the plates, and will use a few of the ingredients on top of the plate of food she prepares. It's good to hear our customers say her cooking is a lot like mine. She made her Italian stew her once already, and we actually sold quite a bit of it."

In closing Algarin wanted to say, "Our customers who all came here before, have all come back again, and have almost all made comments that you can't tell the difference between who is at the grill which is what I like because nothing should ever change with the food you like when you come back."

Hometown Cafe is located at 314 Central St., and is open Monday-Saturday, 5:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday's and holiday's 6 a.m.-noon, and is closed Wednesday's, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. It can be reached by phone at (978) 297-2233.

LOGGING

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early May, they further stated "issues are ongoing."

A copy of the complaint was provided to The Courier by the town's Conservation Department.

Species of trees to be harvested under the Forest Cutting Plan include white pine, red pine, hemlock, white ash, and birch.

One issue to have been discussed Thursday is whether logging operations continued after November of last year when, according to the cutting plan, they were to have come to a halt.

Conservation Commission member Lionel Cloutier also said it appeared culverts had been improperly installed in wetlands on the property.

The purposed of the meeting was to determine whether any improper activities may have taken place on the parcel and it should be pointed out that none of those involved have, as of press time, been found to have done anything wrong.

When contacted for comment, spokesman for Central Mass. Tree Raymond Rameau would only say that members of the Winchendon Conservation Commission had trespassed on the property to "snoop around."

The spokesman further threatened legal action against this correspondent and Stonebridge Press, publisher of The Courier, if he or his business were mentioned in this article.

Steve Powell, owner of Powell Stone and Gravel, was more circumspect in his comments when contacted at his Lunenburg office.

"We're just the property owner," he said calmly. "I was quite surprised when I got a call from (the state) last

week. It was a shock when I got the call. All the trails I've seen on the property appear to be high and dry. It's difficult sometimes for business to keep up on all the demands and regulations placed on some projects by the government."

Powell did say he's unsure what he will do with the property in future years, adding, "We're still trying to figure that out. I'm not sure, yet, what we're going to do up there."

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