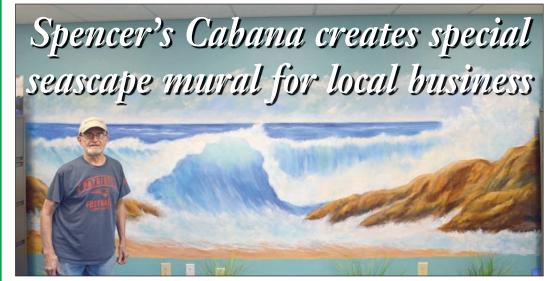




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Kevin Flanders photo

Local artist Norman Cabana recently used his creative talents to transform the office of a Spencer husiness.

BY KEVIN ELANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Local artist Norman Cabana encountered plenty of challenges in his quest to complete a seascape mural, but he rode out each wave and wowed viewers with the final result. Back in 2019, Cabana was invited by Robin Marble to paint a mural in her office at Odyssey Wealth Management Group, LLC (369 Main Street). Marble, who has handled Cabana's taxes for several years, wanted to

enliven her office with a seascape scene and she knew she wouldn't have to look far to find the right combination of talent and

First virtual forum held for 'potential renovation or replacement of David **Prouty High School'**

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Residents recently participated in a virtual public forum to learn more about the David Prouty High School building project.

Led by the DPHS Building Committee, the Oct. 14 forum was the first of many similar events to come over the next five years, officials said. Participants not only had an opportunity to receive the latest information on the proj-

District Superintendent Paul Haughey. "The DPHS Building Committee wanted to share why the district has requested this school building project, what options are being explored, how long this will take, and what it may cost."

SEBRSD officials have already received feedback from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) on the district's preliminary design plan for the project. Members from across the school community were invited to take part in the Zoom-based virtual forum. The event provided extensive information on the district's partnership with the MSBA to identify the best DPHS building

dedication.

Even though Cabana had never done a mural as large as the one Marble requested, he was up for the challenge.

"I'm grateful she gave me the opportunity to do it," said Cabana, who has lived in town for 50 years.

Cabana began the project in late 2019. He

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ect, but also to offer feedback.

"The focus of the public forum was to talk about the potential renovation or replacement of David Prouty High School," said

Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School

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Spencer a perfect backdrop for upcoming film 'Nocturnal Spiritoe'

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

SPENCER — Autumn in rural New England is the perfect time for apple picking, leaf peeping, and vampire moviemaking, as a film crew recently discovered.

The cast and crew of Nocturnal Spiritoe recently descended on Earlier this year, when Director Ian Stevens was in search of a venue featuring a small-town feel and classic New England foliage, cast member Jacqueline Seymour had the perfect answer: her hometown of Spencer, Massachusetts.

Seymour, an award-winning

Spencer to produce B-roll footage. singer-songwriter, actress, and author, invited the crew to film at her home and various sites around the area. Last weekend, Oct. 16-17, the team spent several hours shooting scenes at Seymour's East Charlton Road property, then

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Kevin Flanders photo

Cast and crew members of Nocturnal Spiritoe recently filmed several scenes in Spencer.

David Prouty tops Pirates, moves to tournament play for first time in 10 years



the ball against an Oxford defender.

Nick Ethier photos

Please Read **PROUTY,** page **A10**

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS EDITOR

SPENCER — Now that the regular season has

officially concluded for the David Prouty Regional

girls' varsity soccer team,

the Panthers can celebrate

first time in 10 years,

Prouty is postseason

defeated Oxford High,

3-1, on Friday, Oct. 15,

to wrap up a 14-game

season with a record of

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compete in the Central

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David Prouty's Gabby Soter turns a corner while possessing

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was able to complete the majority of the crashing wave that serves as the focal point of the mural, but the project came to a screeching halt in the early spring of 2020, when the COVID-19 statewide shutdown prevented him from continuing. It was hard for him to wait for businesses to reopen across the state, but the hiatus also provided a few silver linings.

"Even though it was a horrible time, it gave me a chance to pause and think about it. I really wanted to make it come alive," added Cabana, a co-founder of the Massasoit Art Guild. "I was kind of shocked when I walked back in after a year. That wave really hit me."

After returning to his project, Cabana finished each day by taking a photo-graph of the mural. This helped him view the project from a different perspective and identify aspects he wished to change.

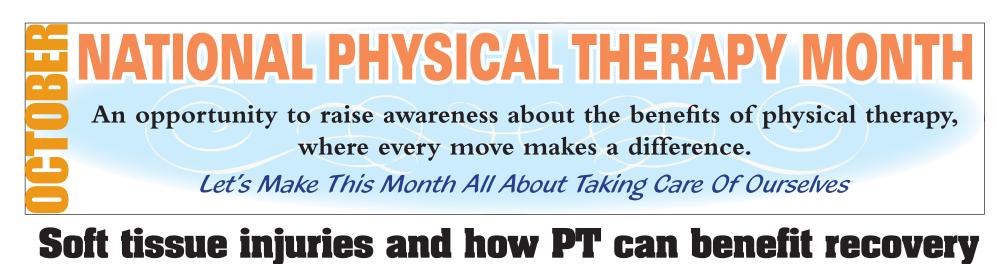
Earlier this month, Cabana showed the final result to Marble and her team. They were thrilled by the mural's ability to capture viewers and transport them to the distant shores of imagination.

"I've known Norman for a number of years, and we have developed a great friendship," said Marble, a part-ner with Odyssey Wealth Management Group. "Every day he came here when he could. Throughout this process, he has inspired me and become part of our office family."

The final element Cabana added to his mural was the precise detailing of seagulls rendered between the sea and the sky. He enjoyed tackling each additional challenge that presented itself throughout the project.

"Getting the horizon straight was a fun challenge, and I wanted to make sure there was motion in the water," Cabana told the New Leader.

Looking ahead, Cabana is interested in painting more murals in the future.



Soft tissue injuries are more common than people may realize. In fact, anyone with an undiagnosed pain in his or her body may be suffering from a soft tissue injury.

According to Delaware Integrative Healthcare, bone injuries garner significant attention because broken bones and fractures can be very serious. But soft tissue injuries, when left untreated, also can be troublesome and jeopardize individuals' athletic pursuits.

Verywell Health defines soft tissue injuries as trauma to any muscle, skin, tendon, or ligament in the body. Injuries may result from overuse or acute trauma, which is an external force applied to the body. Common examples of soft tissue injuries are lacerations, abrasions, contusions, sprains/strains, bursitis, and tendinitis.

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tendons and sprains are injuries to ligaments, which are elastic bands of tissue that connect and stabilize bones. Both strains and sprains are common soft tissue injuries. Bursitis and tendinitis also are common. Bursitis is an inflammation of the bursa, a fluid-filled sac that provides a cushion between the bones and muscles or tendons. Tendinitis is an inflammation of the tendons, which connect muscles to bones.

Many minor (Grade 1) soft tissue injuries that involve muscles, tendons and ligaments may heal when injured persons follow the protocol known as R.I.C.E., which is an acronym for Rest, Ice, Compression, and Elevation. R.I.C.E. is widely recommended for these types of injuries. However, more serious soft tissue injuries may take extended time to heal. Some of these injuries also may lead to permanent changes in muscles, tendons and ligaments, causing certain body parts to cease functioning how they used to. That may be the case with Grade 2 (moderate) or Grade 3 (severe) injuries. Further medical attention may be needed and physical therapy may be prescribed.

The Ace Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Institute says soft tissue injuries account for most of the injuries that outpatient physical therapists treat. A therapist will analyze the type of injury and the pain or impairment it is causing to develop a rehabilitation program. Physical therapists often perform various treatments geared toward reducing swelling and inflammation. Manual therapies to help restore normal motion also are part of soft tissue treatment plans. Stretching and strengthening exercises may be incorporated to improve endurance and repair soft tissue. Orthotic therapy may be needed to correct certain imbalances, advises Algonquin Chiropractic Center. Physical therapists also can educate patients about how to strengthen the body to help reduce risk for future injuries.

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Friends of North Brookfield Town House to sponsor upcoming Fall Family Fun Fest

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD The Friends of the North Brookfield Town House invite residents to attend a fun family event this month to help raise funds for ongoing projects.

The Friends are sponsoring a Fall Family Fun Fest on Saturday, Oct. 30, at Common Ground Ciderworks (31 East Brookfield Road in North Brookfield). The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The event will have a fall-time and Halloween theme. Individuals and families are encouraged to design their own homemade costumes and show them off during the Creative Costume Contest held at 1:30 that afternoon.

Additional activities and musical entertainment will take place throughout the day. Performers will include The DeeGee's (Derek and Greg, a pair of local, versatile musicians who perform toe-tapping, familiar songs). Also performing will be Secret Sage (a band featuring a mix of acoustic originals and covers thrown in). Moreover, Stan Matthews — a country singer in the style of Johnny Cash — will perform at the event.

The Fun Fest will also include appearances from Kara Anderson Dance Studio and North Brookfield Theatre Guild.

"The group is asking people to join in the fun, become a part of something bigger, and by doing so help open the doors of the historic North Brookfield Town House," read a statement released by event organizers.

For those seeking even more fun, the event will feature artisans with a variety of items. It will also include raffles and autumn/Halloween games, crafts, and activities for guests of all ages.

Food and drink will be provided by Common Ground Ciderworks and selected vendors.

"In the past year, the Friends of the North Brookfield Town House have been working to raise funds for the costly construction plans and permits required to finally break ground on the renovation and restoration of the North Brookfield Town House," read the statement released by event organizers.

The Fall Family Fun Fest is the first in a series of events that will occur to help raise seed money and matching funds. Community involvement and commitment is important to project leaders as they apply for government funds and matching grants.

The restored Town House is slated to become a regional cultural resource and performance center for the entire Central Massachusetts region. Officials are excited about recent progress made toward various renovation efforts.

"Through Mass Development, we were awarded a Technical Assistance Panel composed of experts from Mass Development and the Urban Land Institute. Their recommendations overwhelmingly support the idea of the Town House becoming a regional cultural center," said Eva Brown, a Friends of the Town House board member. "The Fall Family Fun Fest, the first in a series, is meant to stir up the cauldron of interest, excitement, and support for our project. It will be a magical, comical, colorful, fun-filled way to raise funds for the restoration of this historical building."

The Town House is on the National Register of Historic Places. It has a rich history of hosting community events, including stage performances by George Cohan, often referred to as the father of American musical comedy.

To learn more about efforts to restore the Town House, visit www.nbtownhouse.com.

If you would like to make a donation, or to volunteer to help at the Fun Fest, send an email to trish.miller3@verizon.net. You can also call (508) 867-7054 or (774) 312-1336.



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CORRECTION

Wrong headline in field bockey game

In the Oct. 15 edition of the Spencer New Leader, the Leicester High versus Quaboag Regional game story was accompanied by an incorrect headline that read, "Emilee Larson of David Prouty gets her head on the ball versus Auburn." We apologize for the error.

Candlelight Vigil Against Domestic Violence at Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church

Stop Abuse Today, Inc. will be co-hosting the annual Candlelight Vigil Against Domestic Violence with Reverend Craig Nowak at the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church (9 Upper River Street in Brookfield, MA) on Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 6 p.m.

We are honored to have Cindi Perla as one of our guest speakers. After losing her daughter to an act of domestic violence in 2018, Cindi set out on a mission to find peace, understanding, strength, and healing. As founder and president of the Maddilyn Rose Memorial Foundation, Cindi shares her daughter's story with the aim of raising awareness, honoring victims, and bringing hope to survivors of domestic violence. All are invited to attend this indoor vigil, which is an opportunity to honor

those who have passed, those who are still in the midst of darkness, and those who have made it out of the darkness.

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

Out of respect for others, all attendees will be required to wear a mask and maintain social distancing during the vigil. If you have any questions, please



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NORMAN CABANA, Spencer, MA

Norman is being recognized as our Person of the Week for his service as a WWII veteran, and for his contributions to art in the community. He is a founding member of the Massasoit Art Guild and is currently working on a new mural in the Gregson Insurance building.

Christmas Fair comes to St. Joseph's Parish Hall Nov. 6

St. Joseph's Parish Hall, located at 296 Main Street in North Brookfield, will host a Christmas Fair on Saturday, Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be handmade crafts, a flea market, a jewelry table and raffles. Come one, come all!



email KatBoyerb5@gmail.com



Thank you, Norman, for all that you do to promote art in the area, and for your service in WWII. We salute you! - Submitted by Maggie Hart

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Quail Hollow Golf & Country Club Pit's Crew

First place (-9): Stan Nolan, Dennis Dialadi, Barry Jacques, Rich Olson

Second place (-7): Kent Seith, Rick Wheeler, Bill Parsons, Ken Maclean

Third place (-6): Joe Desimone, Paul Boulette, Howard Tillotson, Chuck Colebrook

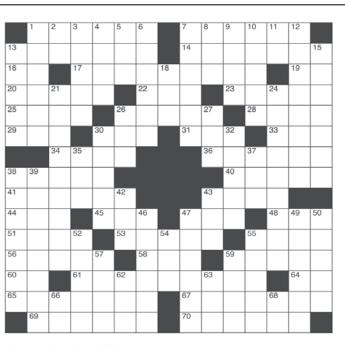
Hole-in-one: Joe Desimone carded an ace on the par-3 fourth hole. The hole-in-one was witnessed by playing partners Paul Boulette, Howard Tillotson and Chuck Colebrook.

FOURNIER, BERNABEI KEEP THE PACE AT CELTIC 5K



Courtesy photo

Leicester High had a few cross-country student-athletes who ran the Celtic 5K over the past weekend. Jason Fournier (18:16) finished third overall out of 767 runners and Abby Bernabei finished as the second overall female out of 442 and 21st out of the 767.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Break 7. Ruled Russia

40. Furies 41. Removes from the record

43. Young salmon

51. Formal term for "on"

55. Traveled rapidly

59. Expressed pleasure

60. Exclamation of surprise

69. Arranged systematically

39. Native Americans of Colorado

49. Former Broncos coach Dan

55. Self-immolation by fire rituals

57. Expression of annoyance

59. ____ Spumante (Italian wine)

58. Prickly husk

61. Most irritable

67. Humorous works

64. Virginia

65. Optimistic

70. Emerges

35. Prosecutors

42. Pouch

46. Chose

37. Motor vehicle

38. Non-religious

43. Touch gently

47. Actress Tomei

50. Icelandic poems

54. Grillmasters use it

52. More decent

62. Consumed

63. Body part

66. Thus

68. Rupee

and Wyoming

53. Weight of precious stones

56. Long-winged aquatic bird

44. Feline

48. They

45. Skin decor

47. Disfigure

Gators earn SWCL Golf Team Championship; Millbury's Sousa top individual

LEICESTER — On Tuesday, Oct. 12, Leicester Country Club played host to the Southern Worcester County League Golf Championship. There, Grafton High prevailed as the team champion, edging Millbury High.

Both the Gators' and Woolies' top four golfers combined to shoot 315, but the tiebreaker came on the fifth golfer, where Grafton's was lower.

The team results are as follows:

- 1. Grafton, 315 (396) 2. Millbury, 315 (413)
- 3. Auburn, 330
- 4. Tantasqua, 337
- 5. Uxbridge, 359 6. Northbridge, 370
- 7. Quaboag, 386
- 8. Leicester, 388
- 9. David Prouty, 407
- 10. Oxford, 411
- 11. Bartlett, 424
- The top 10 individuals are as

follows: 1. Nathan Sousa, Millbury, 76

- 2. Ryan Schiappa, Grafton, 77
- 3. Will Piett, Northbridge, 78
- 4. Dominic Maynard, Grafton, 79
- 4. Mark Monfreda, Millbury,
- 79 4. Nick Viens, Grafton, 79
- 7. Carter Burnett, Grafton, 80
- 7. Blake Samuelson, Millbury,
- 80
- 7. Jaden Palumbo, Millbury, 80 7. Cooper C'Miel, Auburn, 80

Veterans Day service at First Congregational Church of West Brookfield

WEST BROOKFIELD — The First Congregational Church of West Brookfield, UCC, invites local residents to attend a community Veterans Day service next month.

The event is set for Thursday, Nov. 11, at 6:30 p.m. This year's service will be dedicated to Everett Allen, a World War II veteran who passed away at age 100 on Sept. 8.

"The church, where Mr. Allen was a longtime member, desires to honor and remember Mr. Allen and all veterans, living and deceased, in this service,' read a statement released by the church.

The public is invited to attend the event and give thanks to veterans and those actively serving in the Armed Forces. The service is expected to include prayers, songs, and words of appreciation.

To learn more about the service, call Rev. Ann Rogers

Brigham at 508-867-7078.

Please note that the church will follow established guidelines for social distancing, and masks will be highly recommended for those in attendance.

Guests are invited to stay after the service for refreshments and conversation.

The service is free to the public. Reservations are not required.

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\$420,000, 98 Carter St, Helen Pearce RET, and Pearce, Helen, to Harrison-Rogers, John, and Byrne, Jessica.



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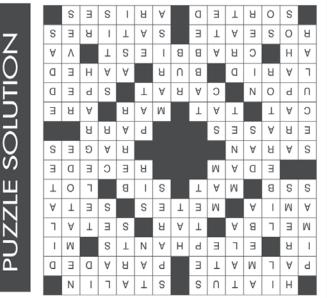
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CLUES DOWN

38. Type of wrap

- 1. Wives of a polygamous man
- 2. Where hurt ballplayers land
- 3. Single-celled animal
- 4. Rhythmic pattern
- 5. One from Utah
- 6. A group of seven
- 7. Refrains from inflicting
- 8. Light brown
- 9. Humanistic discipline
- 10. Emits coherent radiation 11. It says who you are
- 12. Roundworm
- 13. Group of Native Americans
- 15. Makes wider
- 18. Headgear
- 21. One who sets others free
- 24. Form of communication
- 26. A Brit's mother
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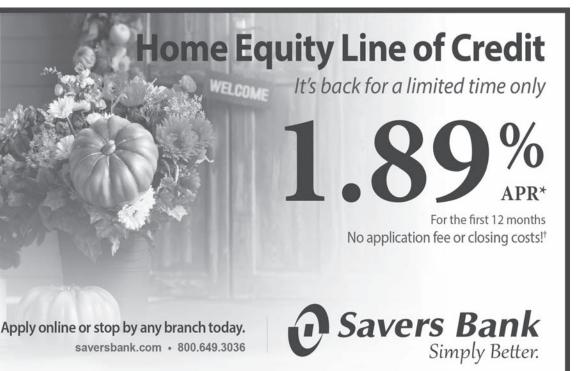
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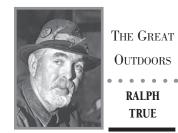
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Fall has arrived



Summer is over and fall has arrived with all of the colors and cool temperatures that only New Englanders are able to enjoy year after year. Bow hunting for deer opened this past Monday in Mass., but not all archers are able to enjoy hunting with a crossbow. Many sportsmen prefer to hunt with their compound bows and recurve bows, but for many that had hoped to hunt this year with a crossbow, will need to wait a bit longer. Passing new hunting regulations in Mass. is not easy! Not all bow hunters have the skills needed to hunt with traditional bows, and passing a crossbow bill for any hunter that would like to use one would increase recovery of many deer, that would year!!!

The high population of whitetail deer in Mass. should make for a great hunting season ,and put plenty of venison on the table for many families. With the high price of meat at the grocery stores this year the venison will be a welcomed addition to the freezer for the coming winter months. Wild turkeys also opened to hunting this past Monday, and their populations remain high. Many families prefer wild animals to eat, and are much healthier to eat than farm raised meats. Coyotes are causing more concerns among the local community, as daily sightings of them are reported. Keeping a sharp eye on your pets needs to be practiced, especially small pets.

Ticks are also being observed on pets and hunting dogs. One local bird hunter reported taking numerous ticks from his dog after each daily hunting trip Keeping your dog on NexGuard or some other medication to keep your pet healthy needs to be practiced. They are

otherwise be lost. Maybe next not cheap, but owning a dog is not cheap, but they are worth every penny.

Trout fishing has been providing many anglers with some great action on the recently stocked trout in the Central District. Numerus anglers reported catching some 15-& 16-inch rainbow trout at Wallum Lake and Webster Lake last week. Reports of trout being stocked on some of the major rivers this year ,was good news. Many rivers have much higher water than in previous years, making the water suitable for holding trout. The Cape ponds are also providing some excellent trout fishing in uncrowded conditions.Go to the Mass. fishhunt web site for a complete list of stockings to date

A few local anglers returned home from a fishing trip on the Salmon River in Pulaski New York. Unfortunately, the fishing was very slow because of the warm water and lack of rain fall. The recent cool temperatures should change all that by the time you read this column & fishing should



improve dramatically.

Tautog fishing remains strong in Mass. & Rhode Island with many fish in the 5-to-8pound class being caught. The limit of tautog was increased to 5 fish per angler last Friday, but only if you are on a party boat. Anglers that have their own private boat in Rhode

Island, can only take 10 fish daily, if more than two anglers are in the boat. The recreational guy that has his own boat gets hit again. What is it? They do not like the recreational guy? They like our money !

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending !

Latest antique and auction news

There've been some interesting stories from the antique and auction world since my last column. Here are some of the latest.

Artwork by Muhammed Ali recently hit the auction block here in the U.S. In early October, 28 pieces painted by the former Heavyweight champ owned by his friend Rodney Hilton Brown were sold, according to CBS news. "I had taken over a failing art gallery in Soho, and I was looking for a world class famous figure that could paint some paintings that we could make limited edition prints of and sell," Brown said. Ali agreed to help his friend and created paintings that were sold in Brown's gallery. Some of the subjects of Ali's paintings were religion, war, social justice and, of course, boxing. The collection sold for nearly \$1 million and "Sting like a Bee," which depicts Ali in the ring with his arms raised over an opponent sold for \$425,312.

This antique and antique story comes from across the pond. Collector plates typically have little value, but an antique

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STURBRIDGE — The Journal of Antiques and Collectibles — a national monthly magazine for dealers, collectors, and enthusiasts of antique collectibles — will be returning New Year's Day 2022 to the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Convention Center with its New Year's Day Antique Collectibles Show, sponsored by the Sturbridge Tourist Association and Sturbridge Antique Shops.

Managed by Weathervane Enterprises, Inc., publisher of Journal of Antiques and Collectibles, the Show will feature 50 hand-selected local and regional dealers covering 11,000 square feet with authentic, quality antiques and antique collectibles. The Antique Collectibles Show made its debut on New Year's Day 2020, welcoming over 700 guests eager to kick off the new year with some old finds. This year's show kicks off with optimism as we all welcome the new year and a return to doing the things we love.

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

With something for everyone, this year's dealers offer a mix of 18th through early 20th century period items, including Primitives, Decorative Objects Folk Art, Glassware, Textiles, Vinyl Records, Books, Oil Paintings, Small Furnishings, Estate Jewelry, Coins, and so much more!

The Exhibit Hall will be open on Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., offering guests ample time to walk the festively decorated floor and meet the dealers. In addition, a Concession Café will be open in the Exhibit Hall with beverages, snacks, and lunch options, and a Hospitality Table will provide great take-home information on future shows and antique publications. Items of interest to antique lovers will be raffled off all day on the show floor, adding to the excitement and experience.

\$10 Admission, \$8 online (starting Dec. 1) at <u>www.theantiquecollectiblesshow.com</u>. For more information visit <u>theantiquecollectiblesshow.com</u>, Follow Us on Facebook at AntiqueCollectiblesShow, or contact Maxine Carter-Lome directly at (508) 347-1960 x402 and at <u>weathervanepublishing@gmail.com</u> for more information.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

LEICESTER — The newly formed Leicester High School Wolverine Pep Band, under the direction of teacher Alexis Phillips, is eager to restore a beloved holiday craft fair after it was canceled in 2020.

This year's event at LHS will take place on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Organizers invite local crafters and creators to submit an application, as space is still available.

"Over 100 crafters have joined in the past, and we are welcoming all to register while there is still a chance," read a statement released by event organizers.

All proceeds from registration fees will go directly to the LHS Music Department. Funds will benefit a variety of projects and purchases, including new instruments, opportunities for competitions, and student field trips.

For arts and music departments at small schools, every dollar of support goes a long way. Local officials are hoping crafters and creators will get involved and area shoppers will support them.

"Rebuilding a small school program comes at a challenge, but we are growing every day and would love all the help we can get," read the statement released by organizers.

For Phillips, an LHS music teacher, it has been a thrilling challenge to focus on bolstering the program while organizing the craft fair. She took over as the primary organizer after LHS teacher Danielle Rieder previously led the popular holiday event.

"For the last year, Ms. Phillips has been working to revive our band program," read a statement released by Rieder. "As part of this goal, she has formed the Wolverine Pep Band, a student group that will directly benefit from event proceeds as we build this program."

In addition to supporting the school's music program, the craft fair also promotes shopping local for the holidays, especially at a time when countless small businesses are attempting to recover from lost revenue during last year's pandemic shutdown. With craft fairs and festivals canceled throughout the fall and winter of 2020-21 — even some events in the springtime — many crafters and small business owners lost major percentages of their income.

To reserve a spot at the Dec. 4 fair, vendors must register by Nov. 15.

To learn more about the program, or if you are interested in registering for a spot at the fair, send an email to lhsmusic@lpsma.net. A registration form will be sent to you to fill out.

Please return your completed form by Nov. 15.

Additionally, the school's Art Club Cafe will be making its return at this event. Be sure to stop by the concessions area to say hello.



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Editorial

Wby do people enjoy being scared?

With Halloween just around the cor-

ner, scary movies, goblins, monsters

and all things Freddy and Jason are

re-surfacing as they do each year. One

of the scariest novels by far is Stephen

an attempt to read the original 1,138

page novel did not go so well. Being far

to scared by Chapter Three, the book,

was closed and has been collecting dust

since. An avid reader of Dean Koontz,

the thought of reading IT didn't seem so

When the film was released in 2016,

this Editor, took another stab (see what

I did there) at the story, this time via

motion picture. It was not scary, maybe

a 20 plus year gap between the attempt

to read the novel and see the film played

a role in that. Disturbing, yes, but not

home of Stephen King. The trip from

New Hampshire and into Maine was

vast, with winding roads and houses

scattered far apart. Small towns were

passed and if you blinked, you would

miss them. Farm stands and old farm

houses lined the roads and we could see

why it would be the perfect place for

an author to relax their minds, and get

The interest to go and see Stephen

King's home wasn't planned, it was

more of a, 'since we're here' type of sit-

uation. The downtown area was quaint

and had less people than one would

think on a Sunday, sunny morning.

King's home was located just about a

Anyone with any knowledge of the

famous author could pick his house out

right away. Red balloons were seen

mile from the downtown area.

This brings us to Bangor, Maine, the

When this Editor was in High School,

King's IT.

scary

creative.

scary, but I digress.



<u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u> **Operation Undercover now in 31st year**

To the Editor:

Once again Laura Torti and I will be collecting new men's and women's underwear and delivering to Jeremiah's Inn, Abby's House and the Mass Veteran's Shelter. Due to COVID-19 we will not be wrapping them in Christmas wrap. They have asked us to leave them in the original packaging. From now until Dec. 12 you can drop off the unwrapped packages in the hamper on the front step at 125 Pleasant St. (Spencer). Thank you for your generous donations all these years. We wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

> BETH MCPHERSON SPENCER

Alarm bells ring louder and louder... but 'The Dogs Don't Bark'

To the Editor:

Not a surprise. Bernie Sanders has continued to talk at about what our working families and children need for wellbeing, success, and developing abilities to contribute to their communities and our country.

Bernie says these needs include:

Child care and pre-kindergarten assistance

Help to push children up from poverty and onto success in school

Paid leave for a parent after birth or for medical reasons

Free community college and other programs for young students and adults to get the skills they need for new and better paying jobs

Lowering prescription drug costs

Making health care more affordable Providing the elderly with dental care (I have two rows of teeth lined up for that), hearing aids, and eyeglasses

Continuing to fight the Covid epidemic and assist those harmed by it, and

Most importantly, investment to prevent the worst effects of climate change with job creation, economic development, and making sure that our children and grandchildren will live in a healthy America

No dreaming fool, Bernie also indicates how these can be paid for without burning a hole in the pockets of working Americans, including

Negotiating drug and other prices (like Canada does) with the big enormously wealthy pharmaceutical and health insurance companies to lower health care costs

Have the wealthy and big corporations pay a fair share of taxes, in the United States and wherever they stash/hide it outside the US Also as Bernie knows, without these and similar changes America will continue to become less globally competitive. Meanwhile China gets stronger and stronger.

Combine weakening competitiveness, with climate change and Covid and increasing attention and anger directed at "other Americans" and you have alarm bells ringing louder and louder.

Nationally and in many states (like Texas) we suffer from a group of politicians and wealthy supporters — mostly, reactionary Republicans, who think if Democrats lose by not getting needed programs approved, they "win" including the rich who will continue to pay tiny taxes. Meanwhile the "gridlock" they create badly damages America, working families, and children.

Arthur Conan Doyle wrote stories about a fictional detective, Sherlock Holmes. In one story, "The Dog Didn't Bark," Holmes said he was able to solve a household robbery because the dog didn't bark, as that meant the thief lived in the house.

The New Leader almost always contains a number of "dogs that don't bark letters." These rarely mention anything about the needs of working families, children, or the elderly that Bernie sees. Nor do they mention Covid, Climate Change or fairly taxing the wealth.

Rather when they "bark" seeking to divide people in our towns around emotional issues like race, religion, sports team nicknames, and so called Democratic "Radical Socialists" like Joe Biden, a moderate centrist elected official whose history and career stretches back 50 years and blessed with an unchanging love and devotion

Short-term investments offer liquidity, and more

Generally speaking, investing is a long-term process. You invest in your IRA and 401(k) to reach a long-term goal — retirement. You may invest in a 529 education savings plan for many years to reach another long-term goal — college for your children. But is there also a place in your portfolio for shorter-term investments?



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In a word, yes. You have three good reasons for owning short-term investments: liquidity, diversification and protection of longer-term investments. Let's look at all three:

Liquidity: For many people, the COVID-19 pandemic brought home the need to have ready access to cash, and shortterm investment vehicles are typically liquid. Still, some are more liquid

than others, and you'll want to know the differences right from the start. Probably the most liquid vehicle you could have isn't an investment at all, but rather a simple savings or checking account. But you likely could earn much more interest from a highyield online savings account without sacrificing much, if any, liquidity. Money market accounts are also highly liquid, but they may carry minimum balance requirements. Other short-term investments may be less liquid, but that may not be a major concern if you don't need the money immediately. For example, you could purchase a type of mutual fund known as an ultra short-term bond fund that invests in longer-term bonds due to mature in less than a year, so you could receive the benefit of the higher interest rates typically provided by these bonds. You could choose to partially or entirely liquidate your bond fund at any time, but it may take several days for the sale to go through, since the shares in the fund need to be sold. You could also invest in a three-month certificate of deposit (CD), but if you cash it out early, you'll lose some of the interest

swinging and bobbing from the tall black gates, with iron cobwebs and a bat at the top. Our guess is that the balloons were placed by enthusiastic fans, however a closer look and one will notice a red balloon inside the home, peeking from a window. Thank you Stephen, for playing along. King is said to be the best horror writer of all time. Before him, Bram Stoker who wrote Dracula in 1897 was the one to read for a good scare. A story about the Dracula Festival in Whitby, England, I'll save for next week.

A conversation with the Editor in Chief for Salmon Press, brought us the knowledge that King, was working as an Associate Professor of English at the University of Maine, barely making ends meet, when his wife rescued the manuscript for 'Carrie' from the trash and sent it to Viking, his original publisher. The rest is history.

So brought forth the question, 'Why do people like being scared?'. Human beings have been telling ghost stories and doing other fear producing things, such as jumping from cliffs or entering haunted houses since the dawn of time, but why? There are some people who abhor being scared and those who love nothing more. Horror has become, fun and a major pillar of the entertainment world.

Experts say there is a rush from the fight or flight response. This happens when a person feels threatened. That natural high can leave some people feeling great. The Excitation-Transfer Theory could play a role as well. This is when a group experiences extreme emotions together, which can build stronger relationships. The oxytocin released tends to make those moments more prevalent in our brains. There is also the Reward Pathway Theory, in which the brain thinks you're in danger while watching a scary movie or reading a horror novel. When the story is over, your brain 'likes' not being scared, therefore provides a reward.



Survey after survey show that Americans know that our working families need these types of support (as do elderly geezers like me). Surveys show that Americans think health costs are too high and the wealthy should pay more taxes.

Follow the money

To the Editor:

Even if you did not watch the "Jerry Maguire" movie or catch the line, "show me the money," it is likely the best advice you could ever receive in today's world.

While it is easy to support the concept of establishing a budget, and sticking to it, it would be a societal pariah, to think that spending and paying are different issues, and that even discussion, never mind the need to pass separate legislation, to pay our bills, could lead to anything either positive or logical, is a complete folly and totally illogical.

When you take into account, that we are now over 20 trillion dollars in debt, the bulk of which has gone to the military industrial complex, which has produced zero victories, over the last 60 years, maybe we should pay attention to President Eisenhower's admonition that the military industrial complex, will take your last dollar, and leave you to starve in the streets.

I keep hearing that the resistance to the Biden build back plan, is the to the United States, its continuing, growth, diversity, and families.

May the alarm bells not ring louder and louder.

KEVIN KANE Spencer

cost. We hear a constant barrage of how spending monies taken from the wealthy, will lead to socialism. In point of fact, it will lead to the same oligarchy, that rules the world, from Russia to home sweet home. Between the social and commercial media, the barrage of misinformation is overwhelming. Pretend you live in a democracy. where Senators Manchin, who receives 75 percent of his earnings, from the fossil fuel industry, and Sinema, who gets contributions, four times her salary, from big pharma, and that they can overrule the will of the people (McConnell and his party, have their own convoluted story).

If you think the legislation being done, to correct the fairest election ever, makes any sense, don't be surprised at people's inability to navigate the hurdles, and the explanation of why votes don't count, stand by.

> KEN KIMBALL BROOKFIELD

payments.

Diversification: If your portfolio consists largely of stocks and stock-based ETFs and mutual funds, you could take a hit, at least temporarily, during periods of market downturns, which are a normal part of the investment world. But a diversified portfolio, containing both long- and short-term investments, may hold up better during periods of market volatility. That's because the short-term vehicles we've looked at are typically going to be far less affected by market movements, if they're affected at all. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification by itself can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

Protection of longer-term investments: If you were to face an unexpected expense, such as the need for a major home or car repair, how would you pay for it? Without any liquid reserves, you might be forced to dip into your longterm investments, such as your 401(k) and IRA. But by doing so, you could incur taxes and penalties — and, perhaps even more important, you'd be removing resources from accounts designed to help you achieve a comfortable retirement. With enough short-term investments in place, though, you can avoid touching these long-term accounts. As you can see, you can benefit significantly by adding some short-term investment vehicles to your portfolio. They could make a big difference in your ability to meet your financial goals.

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Having said that, I want to suggest that while it may not be possible for strong personalities to agree, it may be possible for them to treat one another with dignity and respect. I look forward to sharing more of your thoughts, and respectfully request that you lower the volume with each other. You are free, as always, to do as you see fit (Ya gotta love freedom of speech), but my hope is that two such excellent gentlemen will find discourse more desirable than discord.

Yours, Fraternally,

JACK MCCLINTOCK NORTH BROOKFIELD

Appreciation for both McRae, Har-Yarok

To the Editor:

I want to say first how much I enjoy reading the opinions expressed in the New Leader. The restrictions and political predilections of the modern publications render most newspapers as unworthy as they are antiquated. News print may be going the way of the buggy whip, but a few like the New Leader still proudly offer an opportunity for common people to voice important opinions. Not all are well expressed, but all are worthy.

Among those who contribute, Mr. John McRae and Mr. Omar Har-Yarok are standouts. Mr. McRae, I've read several of your pieces and am impressed. I share many of your views and admire your willingness to express opinions which often appear to have fallen from grace. They are non the less, credible, well articulated, reflections of ideas I hold. I want to thank you.

After reading Mr. Har-Yarok, I can only say ... Well done sir. What you offer may be offensive to people who put the beloved mythology of our nation before the truth, but all I can think to say is, thank goodness you're an American who loves truth more. Your exegesis on slaver (Ya, I like big words) was stunning in its accuracy and clarity. Many who disagree with you either don't know the truth, or have lost their taste for it. I've lost friends over these matters, but like you Mr. Har-Yarok, would prefer to die for the truth than live with the lie. I thank you for standing tall for one of our most cherished founding principles.

<u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u>

Welcome to the Heartbreak Hotel, kid!

To the Editor:

While doing my little part time job last week (box truck driver for a local firm), I had an interesting experience that has occupied my thoughts for a few days now. Stopping for gas, I filled the tank and started for the store to get a coffee for the road west. I noticed a man with his back to me getting gas at the next pump, and on his rear bumper a well-worn, bedraggled sticker proclaiming "Bernie!"

Never one to pass up an opportunity to have a little merriment, I announced in a clear voice, "Well, what do you know, \$115.00 to fill this tank, and only nine months ago the same amount cost about \$65.00. Love that Biden gas!"

To my surprise, the gentleman turned to look at me and responded, "Hello, Mr. McRae." He had been my student sometime in the distant past, and, after he told me his name, it all came into focus, and I remembered him as a nice kid, well-behaved, and a pleasure to have in class. He seemed a little uneasy, so I excused myself and went inside for the coffee.

As I was preparing to make my purchase, he entered the store and, upon seeing me, approached and said, "I read your letters in the paper." I responded, "Oh, really?" "Yes, and I have to tell you, I'm heartbroken." Stupefied, I asked "What?! Heartbroken?" As if to add emphasis he added, "Yes, heartbroken."

I could sense a possible outburst coming — he is, after all, a Bernie Bro — so I demurred from any further discussion and asked him to come outside so we could speak in a less congested venue. At that point, he seemed to be slightly agitated, and muttered "No, I've got to get going."

Even though I was on the clock and needed to get going, I was genuinely interested in learning why he would have said such a bizarre thing to me. I mean, to the charge of having broken hearts along the dreary path of my starcrossed life, I plead guilty and throw myself on the mercy of the court (of public opinion.) In truth, I was a multiple, repeat offender, and I think my sordid trail of crushing the hopes and dreams of more fragile psyches than my own commenced at about the age of thirteen in the seventh grade. It wasn't until much later when I met my current "life partner" that my dismal pattern of bruising — if not breaking — hearts finally, mercifully came to an end.

You see, there is always hope even for the worst of us, hope to reform, to be better.

But, all my victims were.....girls! In eight decades, I had never been told by a male of the species I had "broken his heart." That's why I wanted to chat with him, to find out what in the world he was talking about.

Here's what I was prepared to tell this young and callow fellow: You are broken-hearted by, I surmise, learning your old teacher who was always fair and kind to you, who showed genuine interest in and concern for you as an adolescent, turns out to be the exemplar of all your "progressive" teachers and, I presume, professors taught you to hate: a racist, nativist, homophobic, bigoted, ignorant, reactionary who has enjoyed undeserved advantages in life only because of systemic racism, white privilege, and toxic masculinity. None of which is true, but I wouldn't waste my time trying to convince you of that. One doesn't undue years of leftist brainwashing cant in three or four minutes of rushed conversation. No, judging by your bumper sticker and your discomfort being in my presence, I would say you are a young man of the left. You have no business being heartbroken over anything, buddy. Your side has won. At least at present, my side, the traditional, patriotic, pro-American side has been vanquished. Your socialist/commie — I might add traitorous — heroes have taken total control. They now own the media, the military, the universities, the courts, Hollywood, the majority of the churches, the public schools, the corporations — all of it, all the opinion shaping organs of the culture. The only thing they haven't yet seized control of is the hundreds of millions of guns still in the hands of American citizens. If they can accomplish this dream of theirs they have had for nearly a hundred years, then it will truly be all over, America will gone. And you and your leftie cohorts, the smarter people, will find out what misery and day-today horror is really like. Just look to Venezuela, Cuba, North Korea, China, and any other place where freedom, if it ever existed, does so no longer — if you would see your future.

If anyone's hearts should be broken, it's those of people like me on the conservative side of the political spectrum. Most of us are now old, but we still have our memories of when we were proud and grateful to be Americans, and we have watched in disbelief as everything our parents, grandparents and other ancestors worked so long and so hard to build now be destroyed on a daily basis by people like your heroes — filthy rich, entitled, corrupt to the marrow of their bones, America-hating, elitists and all stalwart Democrats, the Party of slavery, sedition, secession, segregation, and stupidity.

Let your heart be broken by the almost certain knowledge that you missed out on the Golden Age of America, a time when even those of us from humble circumstances with no particular advantages that I can think of at the moment experienced great joy and satisfaction in knowing we were blessed to have had the accident of birth find us living in the greatest and freest country in history. Let your heart break knowing that unless things change very quickly, you — and your kids, if you have any — will never know the freedom we had to make of one's life what you would if you were willing to work hard, sacrifice a little, and play by the rules which were reasonable and fair.

No, now your crowd has taken over, and a full-blown communist-style tyranny is what the elites appear to have in mind as their goal for America. They have already destroyed the rule of law (some crimes simply go unpunished depending on who commits them); the public schools produce legions of illiterates who are casually taught to hate their country and their race; the courts are thoroughly politicized and the Constitution has no home there; the effeminized military is now run by race-obsessed, politically-correct perfumed princes who haven't won a war since 1945; freedom of speech and expression is dead, especially in the universities where it should be the most vibrantly alive; careers and lives are ruined by a merciless cancel culture; Democrat Party corruption of the electoral process makes a sick joke of their professed love of "democracy"; they have absolutely destroyed the cities of America with their incompetent and totally corrupt Democrat-machine hacks running everything; their economic programs have already brought ruination to working and middle class Americans, and it will only get much worse; they — your people — have made a total hash of America's role in

To the Editor:

The Progressive Democrats must think that all the voters out there went through the public education system. They evidently think that you're uneducated, failed in math, and don't have a lick of common sense. They flood their liberal biased news media clips saying things like its net zero, it will cost you nothing, and everyone will get what they deserve. Yeah, if they pass these 3.5 Trillion social infrastructures bill, you'll get what you deserve. A boat load of inflation.

It don't cost nothing

Just look at the results of the last year with the government Covid relief package and stimulus monies. The effect was to flood the economy with cash from your taxes. The result: home prices up 30%, gas/energy up 30%, food prices up 30%, increased property taxes due to higher home prices, and rents up 30% to offset these higher taxes. Have you priced a new car? Sticker price plus a big fee added.

So, the result of this "relief" brought to you by them is the cost of everything is 30% more. Has your boss given you a 30% cost of living increase? Of course not. Has the bank where you keep your savings given you a 30% interest rate. Of course not! So, the result of the free cash is the price of these goods has inflated 30%. This means your paycheck a is only worth 70% of what it was when Trump was in office. The monies you saved in the bank has effectively lost 30% of its value. Just wait to you see your heating bills this winter. This is truly going to be a Biden cold dark winter. You can use your Christmas money to pay for your oil and gas to heat your house. Let's all say "that you" to Joe Biden and the Democratic Party.

What do you think the result's going to be once they pump 3.5 Trillion free dollars into the system? You think that you'll have more money to buy things. Think again! With all this cash out their prices of everything will just increase more. That's how inflation works. Supply and demand. A big supply of free money with limited stuff means prices go thru the roof. So, who will be the big losers? Well, you in the middle class of course. The buying

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power of any money you have saved for retirement or college fund will be cut in half. Of course, illegal immigrants will get free community college paid by your taxes while you will have to pay an increased tuition for your kids. Just evening things out in society according to the Democrats. Hoping your kids will be able to by their own house or get an apartment. Think again. The prices will be in the stratosphere with Jeff Bezos and his phallic starship. Of course, huge amounts of your tax money will be used to build free housing for the illegal immigrants and refugees. Just all part of social equity by progressive Joe. The teachers, politicians, and those that work in government won't have to worry though. I am sure they are protected with huge pay increases in the plan. Remember here in Massachusetts, the politicians in our state house (controlled by Democrats) passed a bill to give themselves automatic pay raises tied to the rate of inflation. As you know most teachers aren't covered by Social Security as normal workers. They have a public pension. You can be sure that somewhere in the Democrats 3.5 trillion bill is a part that fully funds these with fat increases from your tax money. Remember it doesn't cost nothing! Those progressives got to keep the unions that put them in fat and happy. Money talks, BS walks!

So, what is the progressive goals if everyone with a brain knows what's going to happen. It's to consolidate their power grab. Their aim is to create a depression. This way big government can be called into passing even bigger bills and taking your rights. Well, we can all dream about the golden days of 2016 and 2017. Full employment in the country, peace in the middle east, best economy ever, energy self sufficient with gas at \$1.80, dealerships full of cars, cheap food at the supermarkets, illegal immigration being controlled with the wall, and the most powerful army in the world. Yes, what a time that was. The high point of America.

> MARK ROBILLARD SPENCER



the world and we are now the laughing stock of that world.

I could go on with my bill of particulars against those America-hating, amoral, zealots whose main energizing force is a love of power and control, and an abiding hatred of anything normal and good and decent, but I grow weary. It's me, not you, kid, who has a right to sing a "Broken Hearted Melody" like Sarah Vaughn, or to check in with Elvis down at the end of Lonely Street at the Heartbreak Hotel. But, you? No way, you've got what you asked for with Bernie, the fake socialist millionaire with three mansions, the man of the people who never worked a real job for even one day of his fraudulent life.

Enjoy it while you can. Hunger is coming. Shortages are already here. Empty shelves. Gas out of sight. Heating costs through the roof. Crime spiraling out of control. "Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world," and you're young enough to have to deal with it for possibly a very long time. I'll be gone, but thanks to your crowd, the smarter class, you may live to see the days when, as Nikita Khrushchev said, "The living shall envy the dead."

Just try, former student, to never again tell another guy he had broken your heart. It doesn't go over well with some men, especially those at least forty or fifty years older than yourself.

> JOHN MCRAE EAST BROOKFIELD

For more information, call the Senior Center at (508) 885-7546.

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Hi! My name is Aaliyah and I like to help those in need!

Aaliyah is an intelligent, kind, and loving teenage girl of Cape Verdean and Lebanese descent. Her favorite activities include riding bikes, playing basketball, and playing volleyball. Those who know her best describe her as responsible and ambitious. She often talks about wanting to go to college and about possibly becoming an actress. Aaliyah is very creative and likes to make Tik Tok videos. She loves to watch movies, especially scary movies.

Aaliyah is incredibly smart and loves school and learning. This academic year, she received several awards for excellence in

Aaliyah Age 15

her academic performance and positive behaviors in class.

Legally freed for adoption, Aaliyah has the potential to thrive in a family that can provide her with emotional support and structure in her everyday life. Aaliyah should be placed with a mother and a father or two mothers, with or without other children in the home. Aaliyah will need to maintain contact with her birth parents per an Open Adoption Agreement, which calls for several in-person visits a year. In addition, she is very close with two of her brothers and it is important to her that these relationships continue.

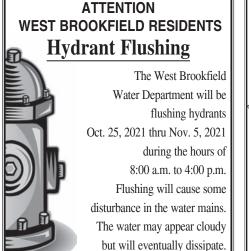
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HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Oct. 12

Tantasqua golf places fourth at SWCL Golf Championship — Colm McGrath (82), Patrick Dunn (83) and Aubyn Phillips (83) helped lead the Warriors to a fourthplace finish at the Southern Worcester County League Golf Championship, placed a Leicester Country Club.

North Brookfield 1, Leicester 1 — The Wolverines' Nicole Berard scored the lone Leicester goal at the 10-minute mark of the first quarter, while the Indians' Ty Babineau scored the equalizer with 2:34 remaining in the first quarter. North Brookfield is now 9-2-3, while Leicester is 9-3-2.

Oct. 13

Tantasqua 166. Sutton 177 — For the final match of the season, the Warriors' varsity golf team faced the Sammies at Hemlock Ridge. Medalist honors go to Tantasqua senior co-captain Nate Wright, who shot a 3-over par 39. The Warriors finished the regular season 11-7.

Tantasqua 11, Quaboag 0 — In boys' JV soccer, the Warriors went on a scoring barrage to upend the Cougars. Tantasqua's goals were by Joey Chidster

PROUTY

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"It's an amazing feeling, it really is," David Prouty head coach Derek Blodgett said. "I've been here for a while and in my first season we missed playoffs by I think a point and ever since then we've only been a three-win, four-win team.

"I think [the girls] expected themselves to get here. I think it will hit them more when they get to practice and find out who we're playing, but they're definitely excited," he continued.

Oxford head coach Colby Harvey gave praise to the Prouty program and the coaching of Blodgett, his cousin.

'Derek's done a wonderful job. He really just changed their system," said Harvey.

The Panthers raced out to a 1-0 lead in the game's 15th minute. There, Ayla Messier had a nice throw-in, which got to teammate Olivia Pepin. From there, Pepin sent a pass down to Olivia Charette. At that point Charette took a hard shot on net, which was saved nicely by Oxford keeper Jenna Katsoulis. But the rebound found the foot of the Panthers' Eliana Barnett, and she deposited the ball in for the goal.

David Prouty then employed its team speed to a T for the next two goals, as they grabbed a 3-0 lead at the halftime break.

First, in the 38th minute, Gabby Soter sent a long pass that was tracked down by

(two), Zack Cooper, Jeff Shaw, Flecher Sacco, Ryan Perival, Emil Escobar, Luke Goodwin, Alex Kenney and Owen Stattenfield. **Oct.** 14

Tantasqua 2, Shepherd Hill 1 — The Warriors edged the Rams in boys' JV soccer action. Emil Escobar scored twice for Tantasqua, with Joe Chidester assisting. In goal for the win was Daelan Ahearn. Hats off for the defense of Luke Goodwin, Alex Kenney, Flecher Sacco and Charlie Linton.

Oct. 15

Northbridge 36, Tantasqua 0 — A 21-point first quarter did in Tantasqua Regional's varsity football team, as the host Rams improved to 5-1.

For the Warriors (0-6), quarterback Caleb Thompson was 6 of 9 passing for 62 yards. Derek Plowman caught a pair of those passes for 24 yards, while Liam Hubacz hauled in a 22-yard catch. Tantasqua's rushers included Thompson (17 carries, 84 yards) and Gabriel Howard (12 carries, 40 yards).

Oct. 18

Tantasqua's Aubyn Phillips quali-



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua's Gabriel Howard follows a lead block provided by Anthony Lataille while carrying the ball.

fies for State Golf Tournament — The High School. Sophomore Colm McGrath Tantasqua Warrior varsity golf team traveled to Berkshire Hills C.C. for the District Tournament. In cold and rainy conditions, Tantasqua's final score was 343, which was good for a seventh place tie with Pope Francis

finished tied for 17th place with an 83, and junior Aubyn Phillips was low Warrior with a 79, which was tied for seventh place and qualifies Aubyn for the Division 2 State Tournament at Sandy Burr Country Club in Wayland.





Angelyna Latour of David Prouty watches her shot sail up and away - and eventually into the back of the net for a goal.

David Prouty's Eliana Barnett catches a pass in stride before scoring a goal versus Oxford.

Angelyna Latour. She then lifted a high shot that grazed off Katsoulis' fingertips and into the net.

Moments later, Soter again — sent a long pass down the field. This pass caught a hard-charging Barnett in stride and she did the rest, taking a shot that Katsoulis got a piece of, but produced enough momentum to get in the net for her 11th goal of the season.

"All three goals she made the save," Harvey said of Katsoulis' play, of which she made 13 saves — some of the spectacular variety. "They

scored on the second rebound and defensively we've got to clear that up. And we did in the second half.

One example that proved Harvey correct was early in the second half when Pepin took a shot on net, which was saved by Katsoulis. The rebound then trickled down toward the goal line, but Oxford defender Paige Reynolds was there to kick the ball out of harm's way.

Reynolds' heads-up play is fitting, as she is the team's backup keeper. But, as an eighth grader, she has only played one game in net thus far.

The Pirates never quit and continued trying to make the deficit closer. Prouty keeper Jocelyn LaMonda (10 saves) kept Oxford off the scoresheet, though.

That was until the 77th minute, when Oxford's Alana Purretta fed a pass to Ellie Makowiecki. Makowiecki then made a quick turnaround with the ball and fired off a high shot that got over the reach of LaMonda.

"Oxford works really hard, and they did a good job holding us," Blodgett said of Oxford's effort.

'We've definitely grown

over the season," Harvey said after his team dropped to 2-9. "We had a lot of injuries early. We're led by 13 girls that are either sophomores, freshmen or eighth graders. We're developing. They never quit."

Despite the Pirates' late desperation, the final whistle finally sounded and Blodgett is excited for his team to embark on their second season — the postseason. "I really think that we have a squad that if they can stay focused and committed, we can make a really good run this year," Blodgett concluded.





Pirates pack offensive punch, defeat depleted David Prouty

BY DEAN ST. LAURENT SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SPENCER — On Friday, Oct. 15, the Oxford High varsity football team traveled to David Prouty Regional to take on the Panthers. Both teams went into the contest 3-2 eyeing a win to increase their chances at a Division 8 playoff berth.

David Prouty was riding high after a big 34-0 win over Bartlett High and Oxford came into the contest looking for a bounce-back effort after suffering a loss to undefeated Quaboag Regional.

The game started slow and no points were scored in the first quarter of the contest, but heading into the second quarter, the Pirates exploded for 30 points, which helped them coast to a 51-6 win over the Panthers.

"Honestly, after how we played last week, we had a different week of practice," stated Oxford head coach Jeff Clarkson. "We honed in on the kids in a different way. We had to. We were not executing the way we should be and were miserable in the penal-ty department. We have been getting so many penalties and it makes it so hard to get anything going. Last week everything that could've gone wrong went wrong, so we just had to take a step back. We did things a little differently this week; we even practiced this Monday instead of watching film. We couldn't lose this game and we knew that. We have a game against Bartlett and then we have Leicester, so these are two very important games for us. Seven years I have been here and we haven't made the playoffs yet, so that is our goal."

Late in the second quarter with 1:14 left on the clock, Oxford had real control of the contest after quarterback Lucas Lambert sprinted to the end zone from 19 yards out to give the Pirates a commanding 22-0 lead.

However, David Prouty was able to answer. The Panthers took over at their own 42 yardline and just two plays later were able to get on the board. The drive started with a nineyard completion from quarterback Justin Falletti to wide-out Steven Ceccarini. On the next play, the duo connected for a 49-yard touchdown. Falletti





Nick Ethier photos

David Prouty's Julian Kondratowicz is off to the races for a big gain after hauling in a pass.

threw a strike across the middle of the field to Ceccarini. The senior wide-out stopped on a dime, spun off a Pirate defender, and took off for the long touchdown.

David Prouty was on the board. With 32 seconds left in the half, Oxford led 22-6.

Going into the locker room down just two scores with some momentum would've been ideal for the Panthers, but the Pirates had other plans. Moments after the big touchdown, David Prouty booted the kickoff out of bounds and Oxford elected for a re-kick. This turned out to be the best decision of the game.

On the re-kick, junior Brett Morgan corralled the kick near the Panther sideline, took the ball across the field, followed his blockers until he saw only green grass ahead of him. Morgan then sprinted 60 yards to pay dirt. The Pirates converted the two-point conversation and led 30-6 going into the locker room.

"Brett, he is a California kid," praised Clarkson. "We got him in the offseason. He was a big surprise and every offseason you hope for a big surprise. This young man is the most respectable, just an outstanding kid. He is a team player, was in the weight room all summer. Brett Morgan is phenomenal; he is a great kid and has been a real plus for us this year."

Oxford had a bunch of players contribute offensively. Lambert ran for 61 yards and accounted for two scores, Jordan DeLeon rushed for 74 yards and a score; Robert Fisher scored from eight yards out, and late in the game Jaden Morales scored from 27 and 30 yards out.

"It was good to see," Clarkson expressed. "We haven't been able

to generate the long runs, we

have been wondering where our horses are and they finally came to play tonight. It has been difficult to get these kids to go in the right direction, a lot of dancing in the backfield instead of moving forward, but tonight that is what we got. We got the kids to play downhill football."

Despite the loss for the Panthers, they showed some



ultimately intercepted by Oxford's Darius Richardson.

Jake Kenneway of David Prouty takes the handoff from quarterback Justin Falletti.

promise and remain in the hunt for a playoff spot. They are a young team that is having a hard time staying healthy. The Panthers start six sophomores and one freshman.

"We have to be healthy," expressed David Prouty head coach Pat Rossi. "We played our third-string emergency quarterback the whole second half of the game. Our middle linebacker, tight end goes down, our quarterback goes down, our second-string quarterback goes down, and our slot receivers down. We have just had a band of injuries. When we have the full team we can compete. Unfortunately, all these injuries have led to this outcome. The kids are upset and naturally they should be. They worked hard and fought and I am proud of them for that. We will get back to the drawing board next week and get the W for next week."

Positives taken for Shepherd Hill and Tantasqua, as Rams edge Warriors

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS EDITOR

DUDLEY — Not often can two high school boys' varsity soccer teams engage in a spirted, physical game that had a postseason-like feel to it and both sides walk away pleased and optimistic, but such was the case at Carmignani Memorial Field on Thursday evening, Oct. 14 following Shepherd Hill Regional edging Tantasqua Regional, 1-0.

The Rams and Warriors employ strong teams and, as regular season play winds down, both clubs are preparing for runs in the upcoming Central Mass. and State Tournaments.

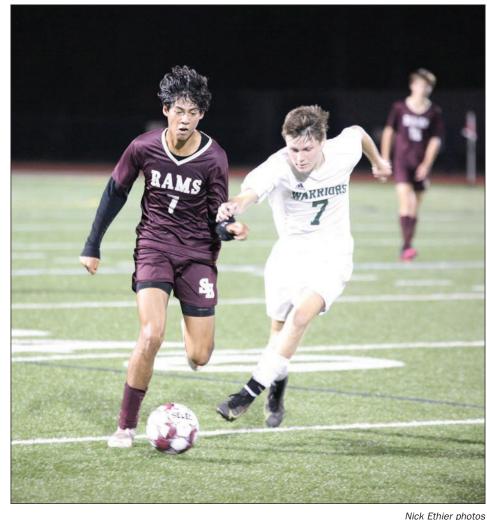
"We want the momentum. We've had a few ties in a row, so we're hoping to end on a good note," said Shepherd Hill head coach Tim Cormier following the victory. "It's a grind and we'll be battle tested for the postseason. That's what I'm happy about."

Following their win versus Tantasqua, the Rams ended the regular season by defeating North Middlesex Regional, 4-1, two days later to finish 10-2-2. The Hill will now play in the Central Mass. Division 1 Tournament, followed by a Division 2 bid in States.

"As a sports fan, I'm excited for postseason ball for this club. Just to be able to experience it," said Cormier. "I'm actually excited to be in D1 to get a crack at those teams."

To defeat the Warriors, it took a goal scored in the 25th minute by Shepherd Hill's Dan Gronek that made all the difference. Teammate Jack Barrows sent a pass down the field that Gronek and a Tantasqua defender battled for. Gronek got a step on the defender and was off to the races.

"I saw the keeper coming out. I took a touch...with my right. I knew I could get there first...just enough," Gronek said of the goal-scoring play. "With the balance I had left [I shot] lefty and it went in the net."



Jack Leland of Tantasqua clears the ball out of his team's defensive end.

the lineup to rest up and heal injuries.

"We had guys in positions they hadn't played all season," explained Guertin. "I'm glad the guys came out and fought hard. I thought we owned the last 15 to 20 minutes and had some chances."

Tantasqua did indeed have its chances, but Shepherd Hill keeper Ryan Davis was in position to make all six shots sent his way, five coming in the second half.

The Warriors finished the regular season 11-2-1 and are now ready for the Central Mass. Division 1 Tournament, following by a Division 3 State appearance.

"I'm very proud of this team. I'm hoping we can make some more things happen," Guertin said.

From left, Shepherd Hill's Jacob Luke and Tantasqua's Trevor Harris battle for possession of the ball.

"He's got tremendous pace and very good instincts," Cormier said of Gronek reading the play and knowing that Warriors' keeper Braylon Casinghino (seven saves) was approaching the ball. "He's smart and we try to feed him as much as possible up there."

Tantasqua head coach Matt Guertin

also gave credit to Gronek on the scoring play.

"Right place, right time and a nice little one-two," Guertin said. "That was a great play."

Guertin was pleased with his team's effort, though, especially with numerous regulars — "at least three" — not in

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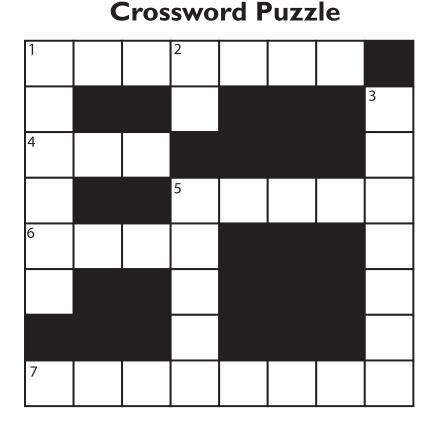




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- 5. Rounded shape
- 6. Prefix for "half"
- 7. Working with hands to mix

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- 3. Vegetable or meat that enhances pizza
- 5. Popular comfort food

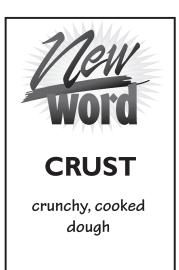
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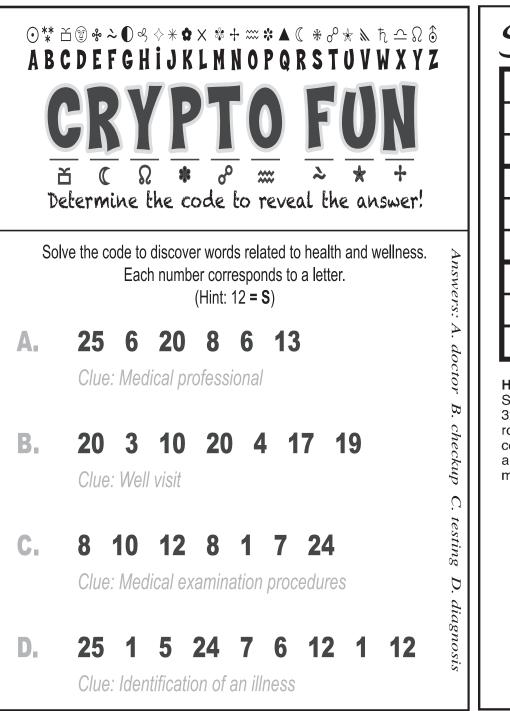
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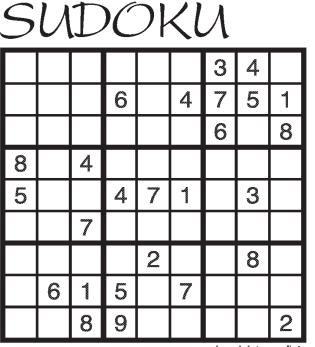
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Save seeds of favorite vegetable and flower plants



Garden Moments

MELINDA MYERS

Experimentation is part of the fun of gardening. Saving seeds from your favorite vegetable or flower for next year's garden or even the next generation is something you might like to try.

Keep in mind that all flowers and vegetables will not come true from seed. Hybrids and those pollinated by the wind or insects may produce offspring unlike the parent plant. The resulting surprise can add to the fun. Use heirloom or older varieties when looking for consistency.

Timing is critical. When saving flower seeds wait for the seeds, not the flower, to be full size and mature. This is usually when the seedpod, capsule or seed head that houses the seeds turns brown and brittle.

Collect these and separate the seeds from the surrounding structure. Spread them on newspaper to finish drying. Place the dry seeds in an envelope



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Saving heirloom seeds, like this striped Roman paste tomato preserves both flavor and history.

labeled with the plant name and date the seeds were collected. This will make spring planting much easier. Store the seeds in an airtight container in the



Ever since my dad died, I've had more problems than ever before. My responsibilities have easily tripled. I'm constantly working yet determined not to let all of these new responsibilities get in the way of my dreams.

I'm thankful I've had time to grow up before being faced with this situation. Not long ago, I wouldn't have handled it well; I would've been bitter, jaded, angry, and constantly complaining. I've learned that to go where I want to go in life, I cannot complain. If I want to accomplish my goals and achieve my dreams - I must leave no room for complaint.

How can I focus on the future if I'm focused on the past? How can I think thoughts of victory when I'm feeling the thoughts of anger, defeat, and victimhood? If I'm reliving a bad experience that happened last month, yesterday, or even just five minutes ago through the act of complaining, I'm reinforcing that experience and living in the past.

Every thought produces a chemical peptide in the brain that causes a feeling in the body. When I complain, I am bathrefrigerator.

Consider saving a few vegetable seeds as well. Heirloom peas and beans are open-pollinated, so they form seeds that will grow into plants that are similar to the parent plant. Allow the peas and beans you plan on saving to dry on the plant. Once the pods turn brown and the seeds rattle inside, they are ready to harvest. This is about six weeks after you harvest snap beans for eating and about four weeks after the normal picking stage for peas.

Protect plants from frost or pull them out of the ground and hang them in a cool dry location, so the pods can finish drying if needed. Remove the pods from the plants and allow them to further dry indoors for about two weeks.

Remove the seeds from the dried pods, store in an airtight opaque container in a cool dark location. Label with the varietal name and date the seeds were collected.

Saving seeds from tomatoes requires a bit different preparation. Scoop out the gelatinous center of a ripe tomato. Place this in a container of water and let it ferment in a warm location for a week or two. Then remove and compost the rather disgusting layer of fermented tomato waste and bad seeds floating on the surface. Pour the remaining water and the good seeds sitting on the bottom of the container through a fine mesh strainer. Rinse the seeds, removing any of the gelatinous material that may remain. Spread the seeds on a piece of paper to dry.

Once dry, place the seeds in an envelope labeled with the date and variety and set in a sealed jar or plastic container. Store in the refrigerator or other consistently cool location until it's time to start them for next season.

Start with these and then consider trying other flower, vegetable and even tree and shrub seeds. You'll find helpful information in books, online and on the Seed Savers Exchange website. Saving your own seeds can help you save money while preserving and planting a bit of gardening history.

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

Don't Complain

ing my inner self in a chemical cocktail of negativity.

Complaining seems very innocent. After all, you're just expressing how you feel.

It's a common belief that you have to vent your feelings because if you don't let them out, then they will bottle up inside of you until you explode!

Scientific studies show that complaining isn't an act of getting rid of the feeling; it's not an act of venting at all. Instead, it reinforces a negative emotion and trains your brain to produce more bad feelings until all you can focus on is the negativity in every interaction.

I used to work in the service industry,

and a lot of my income depended on tips. When I first started, I complained about almost every tip I received. I complained about customers that annoyed me, I complained about my managers, I complained about my co-workers, I complained about my schedule, I complained about my commute to work. It was a never-ending parade of complaints, and I was miserable.

Little did I know that I wasn't unhappy because I received a bad tip or had a bad interaction with a customer, co-worker, or manager. I was miserable because I reinforced negative moments I experi-

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ORDER OF NOTICE TO: The Heirs, Devisees and Legal Representatives of the Estate of Anne A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Uta Roselia DiPasquale of West Warren MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Uta Roselia Harrington-Wilson

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The abovenamed person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the abovenamed person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 05, 2021 Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate October 22, 2021

M. Canavan; Theresa Marie Loe; Anne Marie Buhrmester; Francis J. Canavan; John P. Canavan; Kenneth M. Canavan; The Heirs, Devisees and Legal Representatives of the Estate of Maureen Mohamed; Russell John Mohamed; Russell D. Mohamed; Kerri Ann Boulmetis

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Spencer, numbered 26 Wilson Avenue, given by Anne M. Canavan to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, dated March 4, 2009, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 43916, Page 41, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 11/22/2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 10/8/2021. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder October 22, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO21C0470CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME In the matter of: Uta Roselia DiPasquale Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/02/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 06, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate October 22, 2021

Notice of Public Hearing Town of Spencer

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on November 22, 2021 in the McCourt Social Hall at the Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer at 6:00 pm on the Annual License Renewals for 2022, including Class II, Class III, and Gravel. Gary E. Woodbury Chairman October 22, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO17P2437GD NOTICE AND ORDER **PETITION FOR RESIGNATION OR PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF GUARDIANSHIP OF A MINOR** PERSON PURSUANT TO In the interest of: Aleena Lynde Of: Spencer, MA MINOR NOTICE TO ALL **INTERESTED PARTIES** 1. Hearing Date/Time: a hearing on a

Petition to Resign as Guardian of a Minor or Petition for Removal of Guardian of a Minor filed by Jesseca M Lynde on August 31, 2021

will be held on 09/24/2021 08:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located Magistrate via zoom 160 280 6833 or call 646-828-7666

2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to: File the original with the court; and Mail Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

Date: September 2, 2021 Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate October 22, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO21P3283GD **CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITAT-ED PERSON PURSUANT TO** G.L.c. 190B, §5-304 In the matter of: **Carol-Ann Michaels** Of: Spencer, MA RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by UMass Memorial Health Care of Worcester, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Carol-Ann Michaels is in need of a Guardian requesting that Alyssa Wetherbee of Worcester, MA, (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, a nd that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **11/02/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO20P2206EA Estate of: Nancy L. Phillips Date of Death: 03/23/2020 CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Matthew E. Faria** of **Waltham MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, First and Final and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/09/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, Hon. Leilah A Keamy, First Justice of this Court October 12, 2021 Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate October 22, 2021

OBITUARIES

Ronald L. "Hunna" Barnes, Sr., 75

EAST BROOKFIELD- Ronald L. "Hunna" Barnes, Sr., 75, of 298 West Main St., died Friday, October 15 at Saint Vincent Hospital after an illness.



He leaves his wife of 51 years, Sandra E. (Parker) Barnes, two sons, Ronald L. Barnes, Jr. and his wife Justine, Robbie J. Barnes and his wife Michelle, two brothers, Raymond Barnes,

RaeAnn, Richard Barnes and his wife Catherine, four grandchildren; Alexis, Kane, Emma and Jack Barnes all of East Brookfield.

Born in Ware, he was the son of

vices are planned. Jr. and his wife The J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer are assisting the family with arrangements.

ing them.

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Raymond & Olive (Lynds) Barnes, Sr.

He was a graduate of David Prouty

High School in Spencer. Hunna was

owner/operator of Barnes Sanitation

for over 50 years and was working right

up until he took ill. He loved working

on cars and earlier in life enjoyed rac-

A Graveside Service will take place

on Friday, October 22 at 11 A.M. in

Evergreen Cemetery, East Brookfield.

At the family's request no other ser-

Richard E. Moulton, Sr., 78

SPENCER- Richard E. Moulton, Sr.,78, of Howe Village died Saturday, October 16 in St. Vincent Hospital.



His wife Marie (Normandin) Α. Moulton died in 2015. He leaves a son Richard E. Moulton, Jr. and his wife Stacie of Spencer, a daughter Lisa M. Zmyslowski and her husband Kurt

of Dudley, a grandson JT Ethier and a granddaughter Abby Lavigne, two brothers; Harold "Mokey" Moulton and his wife Leah of Spencer and Kevin Moulton and his wife Barbara of Sturbridge, two sisters; Janice Madsen of North Brookfield and Barbara Marrier of Spencer and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by four brothers; Ernest, David,

Kenneth & Gary Moulton and a sister Phyllis Nealer.

Richard was born in North Brookfield, son of Harold L. and Hazel M. (Hirbour) Moulton. He was a custodian for the Spencer East Brookfield School System for many years before retiring. He was an avid Boston Bruins fan. He enjoyed playing cards and watching horse racing.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 20 at 11:00 AM in J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A calling hour will precede the service from 10:00-11:00 AM in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Donna Elaine Klimavich

On Thursday, October 14, 2021, Donna Elaine Klimavich passed away peacefully at Brookhaven Assisted Care in



West Brookfield just five days shy of her 76th birthday, after a long period of declining health. Originally from North Brookfield, she was a resident of Wheelwright for many years.

Born in Ware, MA on October 19, 1945, Donna was the daughter of Doris E. (Weighill) and Joseph J. Klimavich of North Brookfield, where she attended St. Joseph's Elementary School and North Brookfield High School.

She leaves her sister D. Jean Messier and her husband Robert of Ware, and three brothers: Joseph J. Klimavich and his wife Barbara of Brookfield, Dennis R. Klimavich of St. Petersburg, Florida, and Douglas R. Klimavich and his wife

Worcester before taking a position at the former People's Savings Bank, also in Worcester, where she worked her way through multiple positions before spending the better part of her career as a construction loan officer.

After retiring from banking, she moved back to North Brookfield, and then Wheelwright where she was primary caregiver to her mother throughout the later years of her life, and an attentive aunt to her nieces and nephews, attending many dance recitals and other activities. When she had room for a garden, Donna had a special love for growing roses, with the peace rose being a particular favorite.

The family would like to express their thanks to the staff at Brookhaven Assisted Care for their compassionate care while Donna was a resident there. Donations may be made in Donna's name to Brookhaven Hospice Care, 114 Turnpike Road, Suite 206, Westborough,

Mary E. Madden, 105

SPENCER-Mary E. Madden, educator and Spencer's oldest citizen, ended her 105-year journey on April 29 th, 2020, at Overlook Masonic Health Center in Charlton, her residence since 2017. Mary was born in Spencer on September 18 th , 1914, in the family home on Grant Street where she lived until declining health prompted her to move to Overlook. She was one of 5 children of the late William J. Madden and Ellen "Nellie" (Dempsey) Madden. In addition to her parents, Mary was predeceased by her siblings, Andrew, William, Eleanor (Meany) and A. Rita (McCaffrey). She is survived by her nephews, William J. Madden (Ellen Gillis), of Lake Wylie, SC and Michael Madden (Linda Krese), of Edmonds, WA. Additional survivors include her great-nephews, Raymond Madden (Dr. Stacey Madden), of Winter Park, FL, and Connor Madden, of DC, her Washington, greatgreat nieces, Darby and Kolbe Madden, both of Winter Park, FL. Mary also leaves behind her special friends, Rose and Andrew Cassavant, Susan Jorritsma, Liz and Jesse Knott, Paul and Nancy LaVallee, Judie Leone & amp; Sheila Noble. Mary attended Spencer public schools, graduating from David Prouty High in 1931. She then went on to obtain her teaching degree at what is now Worcester State University, graduating in 1934. After college, she taught for a brief time in the Auburn school system, before returning to Spencer in 1935 to begin her 46-year long career as an educator there. Mary taught at Pleasant Street school from 1935 until 1947, when she moved to West Main Street school as teacher/principal, a position she held until 1966. During that period, Mary also found time to return to Worcester State, where she earned a Master's Degree in Education in 1959. Mary's final assignment was at Lake Street school in Spencer, where

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project for the community. One of the district's main goals for the project is to improve the school's learning experiences to align with modern stan-

DPHS serves students from Spencer, East Brookfield, and the Southern Worcester County region for schoolchoice. Built in the 1960s, Prouty is the oldest of the district's schools. Students and staff members have long struggled with the building's limitations structural nrohshe served as principal from 1966 until her retirement in 1981. Following her retirement, Mary continued her commitment to the children of Spencer, first as a volunteer at Pleasant Street school and, following the closing of that facility in 1997, at Lake Street school, where she tutored and mentored countless students, many of whom remember her fondly to this day. Mary also devoted time during these years to other pursuits including the Spencer Garden Club, the Richard Sugden library, and especially her passion for creating intricate and beautifully hand-crafted quilts, which won her numerous awards at fairs and exhibitions statewide. Mary celebrated reaching the age of 99 with a hot-air balloon ride, wasmpresented with the Boston Post cane recognizing her status as Spencer's oldest resident, and from then until her death she especially enjoyed her annual appearance as Grand Marshall of the Christmas Parade. The family would like to thank the Skilled Nursing Facility staff at Overlook... especially Dave Auger, Pat Hoffman, Janice Gauthier, Kristin Reed and Melissa Totaro...for their exceptional level of care, and more importantly for the kindness and affection they all displayed toward Mary during her time there.

There will be a Memorial Mass celebrating Mary's life at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 46 Maple St., Spencer, MA at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2021. The Mass will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Attendees are asked to observe applicable COVID-19 protocols. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation in Mary's name to the Richard Sugden Library, or a charity of choice.

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explored whether it makes sense to plan for the inclusion of an eighth grade academy at the school. They have also studied the possibility of basing a district-wide pre-K program at the high school.

"Adding an eighth grade academy at Prouty would build in greater long-term flexibility for enrollment spikes because it would allow us to make a larger overall school. But it would also require redistricting, and it would add to the project cost," Haughev said. "Those issues may make the inclusion of

dards.

Christine of Upton. She also leaves eight nieces and nephews, and a number of grandnieces and grandnephews.

Donna worked for many years as executive secretary to Dr. Marcus M. Mason at EG&G Mason Research Institute in MA 01581

Arrangements are being managed by Pillsbury Funeral Home, North Brookfield. A private memorial service will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.





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(from all wars & branches, including honoring deceased veterans, reservists, and active duty U.S. Military members in the November 5th issue of the Auburn News, Blackstone Valley Tribune,

Spencer New Leader, Southbridge News, Webster Times, Sturbridge Villager & Charlton Villager.

This is not a separate section but will be page(s) within the papers. If you've submitted a veteran in the past, you must resubmit.

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lems, and outdated equipment.

officials decide As whether a renovation or a new school is the best route, community feedback continues to be prioritized. This represented a major portion of the Oct. 14 forum.

"We wanted to gather input on the options being explored by the School Building Committee, and take time to answer the public's questions the about project," Superintendent Haughey told the New Leader.

Attempts to renovate or replace Prouty are nothing new for the district. In 2011, SEBRSD officials conducted a feasibility study process to explore the renovation or replacement of DPHS.

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plate that was tucked away in a Scottish woman's closet fetched a small fortune at auction recently. The British "Mirror" newspaper reported that the "the 16th century plate bear[s] a biblical scene by Italian artist Nicola da Urbino." The majolica plate of Samson and Delilah was said to have been tucked away in the back of a drawer and forgotten about. It had a preauction estimate of £80,000 (approximately \$110,000 U.S.) to £120,000 (approximately \$165,000 U.S.)." It sold for ten times expectations at £1.2 million (\$1.7 million U.S.).

A badly deteriorated portrait of French and Polish composer and pianist Frédéric Chopin recently made news when the owner had it appraised after owning it for 30 years. NPR referred to Chopin as a "matchless genius in the realm of keyboard music." A man purchased the painting of Chopin at a Polish flea market approximately 30 years ago, according to the New York Post. The painting was reported to have been painted during Chopin's life in the 18th Century. After hanging on the buyer's wall since the 1990s, financial concerns caused the owner to get the painting appraised. Dariusz Markowski, an art restoration expert and Nicolaus

this time will be different than previous attempts. The entire process of a public school building project typically takes at least five years, officials said.

"That process ended

unsuccessfully in 2012,"

Haughey said. "After the

school faced a difficult

accreditation review that

called us out for deficien-

cies in our science labs,

the district reapplied to

the MSBA for admission

into the core grant pro-

gram to explore again, as

the district had done in

2012, the idea of a major

renovation or replace-

ment of David Prouty.

Eight years passed between the end of one

unsuccessful building

project to the start of this

Officials, students, and

parents are hopeful that

project."

"We are very much at the beginning of this process. I want to stress that while all SBC meetings have been held publicly and available to watch, we will also continue to host public forums throughout this five-year process," Haughey said.

If a renovation or replacement project continues to advance through the necessary approvals, the MSBA will fund more than half of the project costs.

At the request of the district and the MSBA, the DPHS Building has Committee also

the eighth grade divisive enough to jeopardize the public vote for the project."

Meanwhile, a district-wide pre-K program at the high school could benefit the district in a number of ways, officials said. Students in the DPHS early education vocation program could assist and observe in the pre-K classrooms. Also, the relocation would free up space at East Brookfield Elementary School, where the pre-K program is currently based.

Officials said they are looking forward to receiving more public feedback at upcoming forums. The latest public forum, held in-person, was scheduled for Oct. 21.

Copernicus University professor didn't reveal the appraised value but told the AP "it has significant historic and emotional value.²

The Polish Press Agency's "First News" additionally reported that an unsigned portrait of Mozart sold for £4.4 million at a Paris auction in 2018. They also stated that "when the current owner discovered the true value of the small oil on canvas he was so astonished he crashed his car into a ditch." I hope you stay safe when you are on the hunt for treasures.

Our next multi-estate online auction will begin soon, and I will have more information about it in my next column. I'll be presenting on antiques and collectibles at FinnFunn Weekend in Troy, NH on Saturday, October 30th. My antiques night class takes place November 10th at Bay Path Evening School in Charlton, MÅ. I'll be appraising items virtually for the Townsend, MA Historical Society on November 13th. Please visit our website for more details on upcoming events: https://centralmassauctions.com

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It's Soup Season

A pot of homemade soup simmering on the stove fills the house with flavorful scents, and the spirit with fond sentiments. Many a long, cold New England winter has been cheered by bowls of soup that warm both body and soul. From crock pot stews that cook during the workday to weekend soups that taste better reheated, soups and stews are a favorite comfort food for all generations. Read on for some delicious soup and stew recipes to try this season as we gear up for the colder months. ***

Old Fashioned Chicken Soup Every family needs a good chicken soup recipe to whip up at the first sign of sniffles. This one is easy and effective, not to mention delicious!

Ingredients: Carcass of whole chicken (with some meat attached); five cut carrots; four stalks celery, sliced; one large onion, chopped; egg noodles; chicken bullion; dash of poultry seasoning; salt, pepper, parsley.

Directions: Place the chicken in a large soup pot and cover with cold water. Heat and simmer, uncovered, until the meat easily pulls off bones. Take carcass out and pick off meat return chicken meat to pot. Add carrots, onion, celery, poultry seasoning, and chicken bullion to taste. Bring to a boil, then simmer until carrots are tender. Add precooked egg noodles and season with salt, pepper and parsley. Tip: For convenience, use a pre-cooked roasted chicken from the supermarket. ***

Broccoli and Cheese Soup

This thick, rich soup is a clone of a favorite served at a nationwide chain restaurant. The good news is it takes little time and effort to clone the popular appetizer at home!

Ingredients: four cups chicken broth; one cup water; one cup half and half; four

slices American cheese; one half cup all-purpose flour; one half teaspoon dried minced onion; one quarter teaspoon ground black pepper; four cups broccoli florets (bitesize). Garnish: one half cup shredded cheddar cheese; two teaspoons minced fresh parsley.

Directions: Combine chicken broth, water, half and half, cheese, flour, onion and pepper in a large saucepan. Whisk to combine and to break up any lumps of flour, then turn heat to medium high. Bring soup to a boil, then reduce heat to low. Add broccoli to soup and simmer for 15 to 20 minutes or until broccoli is tender but not soft. For each serving spoon one cup of soup into a bowl and garnish with a tablespoon of shredded cheese and a pinch of parsley. ***

Classic Crock Pot Beef Stew Beef Stew is the ultimate comfort food, and the crock pot is one of the best ways to make a tender, delicious stew. This recipe uses tapioca as a thickener. This addition saves the cook the step of mixing up a gravy after the meat has cooked.

Ingredients: three carrots, cut; three potatoes, cut; two pounds beef chuck or stew meat, in $1-\frac{1}{2}$ " cubes, one cup beef stock, one pkg. beefy onion soup mix, three tbs. tapioca, one tsp. Worcestershire sauce, one garlic clove, one bay leaf, one tsp. paprika, one celery stalk, cut up, onions to taste, salt and pepper to taste. Directions: Put all in a crockpot, stir to mix spices. Cover and cook for 10 hours on low or five to six hours on high. Note: You may want to add a little more broth for your desired consistency. TAKE S THE fi HINT a KAREN s

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Squash Bisque This hearty recipe uses fresh butternut squash and apple cider for a blend of savory and sweet.

Ingredients: one tablespoon olive oil; one-half large onion, diced; onehalf large carrot, diced;

Butternut

one stalk celery, diced; one pound butternut squash, peeled, seeded and diced; two sprigs fresh thyme, rinsed; five cups chicken stock or canned chicken broth; two cups apple cider; two cups heavy cream, or half cream half chicken stock (optional); Salt and black pepper, to taste. Directions: Heat the oil in a large pot and sauté the onion, carrot, and celery until the carrot and celery are soft and the onion is translucent, about five minutes. Add the squash and thyme and sauté until all of the vegetables are coated with oil, about two minutes. Add the stock and the two cups of cider and simmer until the squash is very soft, about 30 minutes. Remove from heat. Puree the mixture, in small batches, in a blender on medium speed until smooth and well blended. Place the pureed mixture into another pot and stir in either the cream or stock to achieve the desired consistency. Add the salt and black pepper. Heat gently and serve. Note: When heating this soup, be careful not to overcook it to retain its sweet and savory flavor.

Slow Cooker Minestrone Brimming with flavor, this soup cooks itself while you're at work.

Ingredients: two quarts cold water; two to three pounds beef sirloin or top round; one medium onion, diced; three carrots, diced; two celery stalks, sliced; two (28 ounces) cans crushed tomatoes; three teaspoons salt; one cup shredded cabbage; one (16 ounce) can garbanzo (chi chi) beans; two tablespoons chopped fresh parsley; one-half cup barley; three teaspoons chopped fresh basil; one garlic clove, minced; one teaspoon dried oregano; two zucchini, sliced; two (10 ounces each) packages frozen mixed vegetables; one cup uncooked spaghetti; Parmesan or Romano cheese. Directions: Add all ingredients through oregano to slow cooker. Cover and cook on low/med setting for seven to eight hours. Remove meat from bones and return to stockpot. Discard bones. Stir in uncooked spaghetti, sliced zucchini, frozen mixed vegetables. Cook covered on high for one hour.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House — Contest has resumed!

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

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

North Brookfield Savings Bank continues the fight against hunger with annual Fall Food Drive

NORTH BROOKFIELD — As we say goodbye to Summer and the leaves start to turn, North Brookfield Savings Bank is gearing up for their annual Fall Food Drive fundraiser, offering the perfect chance to share some kindness, support the Community and help those in need during the season of giving.

North Brookfield Savings Bank's Fall Food Drive fundraiser, held from Oct. 25 through Nov. 20, helps provide much-needed food items to local neighbors and families in need. For every item collected through the Community, North Brookfield Savings Bank will contribute \$1, for a total of up to \$3,000, to help fund the pantries' operations. The Bank's goal is to collect at least 3,500 items total, but the Bank will be contributing monetarily and is issuing



Examples of nonperishable and nonfood items that pantries can use are paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, diapers, and baby wipes; deodorant, soap, toothbrushes, and toothpaste; dry and canned pasta and soups, canned meats, tuna and salmon, peanut butter, jelly, tea bags, and ground coffee; canned vegetables and fruits, hot and cold cereals, rice, cake mixes, pancake mix, syrup, powdered milk, and granulated sugar; canned juices, baby food, baby formula, granola, and cereal bars.

"The unfortunate reality is that there are people who still struggle with hunger close to home in our local communities. The Food Drive is a great opportunity for local community members and North Brookfield Savings Bank to work together to make a real difference in our communities by helping our neighbors," said North Brookfield Savings Bank SVP/Chief Administrative and Human Resource Officer Andrea Healy. "It is always heartwarming to see the kindness and generosity displayed through this drive by our communities, and we are so grateful for the contributions they make each year." To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank's Community giving efforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank. com.

a challenge to the Community.

Community members are encouraged to drop off nonperishable food items, paper goods, toiletries, or any monetary donations at any of NBSB's convenient branches anytime from Oct. 25 through Nov. 20, with the proceeds going directly to local food pantries.

Drop off locations:

• North Brookfield Branch: 9 Gilbert Street or 35 Summer Street

• East Brookfield: 100 West Main Street, Route 9

• West Brookfield Branch: 128 West Main Street, Route 9

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enced in the past, making those connections stronger in my brain. I was trapped, a prisoner of my thoughts.

Studies have also concluded that complaining is bad for your health.

When you complain, you're damaging your brain. Complaining shrinks and damages part of your brain called the hippocampus. What does this mean? It means that complaining destroys your memory, imagination, creativity, decision-making, and much more!

When you complain, you're increasing your levels of cortisol, also known as the stress hormone. Chronically high cortisol levels can lead to various health problems, including depression, digestive issues, sleeping disorders, higher blood pressure, and increased risk of heart disease; complaining shortens your lifespan.

Although it's been a battle, I've rid myself of complaining more and more every year. Sometimes I still catch myself, and I have to retrain my thought process. It becomes easier the more you do it.

Whenever I catch myself complaining, I try to think thoughts like this, "I know complaining keeps me from moving forward. Losers complain; winners brush it off and keep moving forward. Thank you for allowing this experience to sharpen me and make me better; I know I will overcome."

Rather than giving voice to the negativity of complaint, try voicing the positivity of gratitude. Try to speak words of encouragement, speak ill of nobody.

You are capable of handling every situation that comes your way. Every bad thing that happens to you doesn't deserve Courtesy photo

Community members of West Brookfield and surrounding towns were generous with their donations in 2018 to the North Brookfield Savings Bank Food Drive. West Brookfield Assistant Customer Experience Manager Mary Antinovitch, Customer Experience Manager Meagan Brousseau and Branch Operations Manager Kim Brown with the extensive food drive collection.

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 Shays Highway, Routes 9 & 202

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the time it takes to complain. Focus on your dreams. Change your thoughts and your words, and you'll begin to see miracles happen in your life.

Toby Moore is a columnist, the star of Emmy - Nominated A Separate Peace, and CEO of CubeStream Inc.



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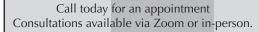
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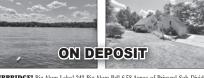
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POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Police

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6 12:40 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:48 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), speeding; 2:04 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 6:50 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 7:15 a.m.: juvenile matter (Temple Street), re: students at bus stop; 9:04 a.m.: medical/ general (Ash Street); 9:27 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), re: animal at pre-school; 10:39 a.m.: medical/general (Chestnut Street); 12:32 p.m.: harassment prevention order service (Wire Village Road); 12:59 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dogs; 1:21 p.m.: suspicious activity (Mechanic Street), investigated; 2:17 p.m.: medical/general (Lyford Road); 2:24 p.m.: vandalism (Park Street), report taken; 2:42 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 2:58 p.m.: medical/general (Lake Whittemore Drive); 3:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Summit Street), spoken to; 3:05 p.m.: parking complaint (Maple Street), services rendered; 4:25 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 5:44 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 6:23 p.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), services rendered; 6:34 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Mechanic Street), misdial; 8:07 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); (Total daily mv stops – 1).

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

12:11 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 12:29 a.m.: disturbance (Bixby Road), fight; 12:59-2:05 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:06 a.m.: medical/ general (Lake Avenue); 4:06 a.m.: fire alarm (Pleasant Street), referred; 5:00 a.m.: officer wanted (High Street), re: concern for friend: 7:09 a.m.: medical/ general (Wall Street); 8:17 a.m.: officer wanted (South Spencer Road), assist bus turnaround; 10:31 a.m.: officer wanted (Church Street), funeral escort; 11:03 a.m.: restraining order service (West Main Street); 11:28 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:08 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 4:06 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), wallet found; 4:21 p.m.: 911 call (Old Farm Road), re: accident in Worcester; 4:32 p.m.: mv complaint (Pleasant Street), speeding/racing; 4:38 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), refusal to pay; 5:09 p.m.: LTC issued (Adams Street), assisted; 5:21 p.m.: animal complaint (Smithville Road), loose dog; 6:00 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), cell phone found; 6:08 p.m.: parking violation (Lincoln Street). ticket issued; 6:13 p.m.: animal complaint (Emmett Street), dead cat; 6:13 p.m.: officer wanted (Chestnut Street), req. welfare check; 7:03 p.m.: suspicious persons (Valley Street), spoken to; 8:06 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 8:45 p.m.: juvenile matter (Condon Drive), teen left residence; 8:53 p.m.: officer wanted (Howe Village), re: rumours; 9:10 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:19 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), referred; 9:23 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Bixby Road), no contact; (Total daily mv stops – 2). FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

12:12 a.m.: assist other PD (West Main Street), message delivered; 12:36-2:16 a.m.: 4:21 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 5:34 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 8:21 a.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), investigated; 8:22 a.m.: citizen complaint (Temple Street), re: issues at bus stop; 8:49 a.m.: 911 call (Main Street), open line; 9:39 a.m.: animal complaint (Mechanic Street), animal in trash bin; 9:42 a.m.: medical/general (Lake Avenue); 11:12 a.m.: medical/general (Chestnut Street); 12:14 p.m.: accident (Main Street), hit/run; 12:18 p.m.: juvenile matter (Condon Drive), son left house; 12:19 p.m.: animal complaint (High Street), spoken to; 1:06 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 1:51 p.m.: fire alarm (Cedar Road), referred; 1:53 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), bicyclist blocking d/way; 3:26 p.m.: LTC issued/2 (West Main Street), assisted; 4:26 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 4:35 p.m.: animal complaint (Cranberry Meadow Road), injured owl; 4:41 p.m.: larceny (Mechanic Street), alleged theft of mail; 4:46 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 5:19 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 6:21 p.m.: intelligence/criminal (West Main Street), info taken; 7:07 p.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), services rendered; 7:34 p.m.: animal complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), cows in yard/extensive damage; 8:18 p.m.: disabled mv (Howard Hurley Road), info taken; 10:14 p.m.: commercial alarm (Lake Street), services rendered; 10:26-10:35 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:15 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Holden PD bolo; (Total daily mv stops - 2).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

1:19-1:30 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:35 a.m.: animal complaint (Maple Street), mv vs "white animal"; 1:56-2:19 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:29 a.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), wallet lost; 2:31 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:51 a.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), female thumbing; 7:49 a.m.: officer wanted (Bay Path Road), req. escort/ retrieve belongings; 8:08 a.m.: officer wanted (Cherry Street), req. welfare check; 8:27 a.m.: parking violation (Mechanic Street), ticket issued; 8:49 a.m.: animal complaint (Chickering Road), dead beaver; 11:06 a.m.: officer wanted (Summit Street), inquiry/ retrieve belongings; 11:22 a.m.: fire alarm (Mechanic Street), referred:

11:58 a.m.: officer wanted (Church Street), re: message rec'd; 12:02 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: custody issue; 1:07 p.m.: medical/ general (Lake Whittemore Drive); 1:56 p.m.: 911 call (Main Street), investigated; 2:01 p.m.: animal complaint (Crestview Drive), loose dog; 2:29 p.m.: medical/general (Paxton Road); 3:23 p.m.: officer wanted (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 4:06 p.m.: officer wanted (Smithville Road), re: Worcester accident; 4:21 p.m.: RV complaint (Pleasant Street), dirt bikes/no helmets; 4:41 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), m/f dispute; 4:57 p.m.: animal complaint (Cottage Street), dog bitten by dog; 5:01 p.m.: hdcp parking violation (Main Street), ticket issued; 5:23 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), req. courtesy transport; 6:18 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 6:53 p.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village), referred; 7:42 p.m.: mv lockout (Jones Street), assisted; 10:32 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Main Street), spoken to; 10:35 p.m.: RV complaint (Chestnut Street), ATV on rail trail; 10:59 p.m.: juvenile matter (Holmes Street), spoken to; (Total daily mv stops -0).

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

3:17 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street), lift assist; 4:34 a.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 9:29 a.m.: mv complaint (Maple Street), speeding/ stop sign violation; 10:03 a.m.: medical/general (South Spencer Road); 2:16 p.m.: medical/general (Lake Avenue); 2:22 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 2:33 p.m.: 911 call (Ethier Drive), misdial; 2:55 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 3:54 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 4:30 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Warren PD bolo; 4:45 p.m.: residential fire (Greenville Street), referred; 6:51 p.m.: lost/found (Thompson Pond Road), cell phone found; 7:20 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 7:47 p.m.: lost/found (Dale Street), lost front plate; 8:12 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:01 p.m.: disturbance (Ash Street), family dispute; 9:17 p.m.: building checked, secure; (Total daily mv stops -2).

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11

12:37 a.m.: officer wanted (Grove Street), property check request; 1:05-1:08 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:16 a.m.: suspicious mv (Smithville Road), investigated; 1:34 a.m.: suspicious mv (West Main Street), investigated; 5:03 a.m.: residential alarm (Lake Street), services rendered; 6:34 a.m.: medical/general (Starr Street); 8:15 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Debbie Drive), child w/phone; 10:36 a.m.: 911 call (Tom Casey Road), open line; 11:31 a.m.: phone calls (Temple Street), daugh. rec'g inappropriate msgs.; 11:57 a.m.: animal complaint (Bixby Road), missing cat; 12:28 p.m.: officer wanted (Norcross Road), med. supply scam; 12:49 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), re: donation; 12:52 p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), investigated; 1:08 p.m.: medical/general (North Spencer Road); 1:30 p.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 2:06 p.m.: animal complaint (Kingsbury Road), cows in yard; 2:37 p.m.: sex offender registration/new (West Main Street), assisted; 2:56 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), cat dropped off; 3:08 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), loose dog; 3:23 p.m.: animal complaint (Meadow Road). injured goose; 3:35 p.m.: vandalism (Casey Street), damage fr. paving company; 6:36 p.m.: fireworks complaint (Howe Road); 7:56 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), req. welfare check; 10:52 p.m.: suspicious mv (Chestnut Street), investigated; 11:23 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:29 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; (Total daily mv stops -1).

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:09 a.m.: medical/general (Church Street); 10:06 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Ash Street), no contact; 10:55 a.m.: medical/general (Starr Street); 11:13 a.m.: animal complaint (Hastings Road), woodpecker pecking holes in house; 11:40 a.m.: parking complaint (Ash Street), mv blocking travel lane; 11:43 a.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), re: road rage; 11:46 a.m.: officer wanted (South Spencer Road), req. welfare check; 12:21 p.m.: LTC issued/2 (West Main Street), assisted; 1:23 p.m.: parking complaint (Wall Street), re: car in lot; 1:40 p.m.: animal complaint (Blueberry Hill Drive), re: neighbor's roosters; 2:19 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 2:41 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), erratic operator; 3:22 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 5:13 p.m.: 911 call (North Spencer Road), accidental; 5:21 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Leicester PD bolo/stolen mv; 6:23 p.m.: medical/general (Kingsbury Road); 8:03 p.m.: phone call (G.H. Wilson Road), harassing calls/ msgs.; 8:17 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), erratic operator; mutual aid (Route 49), assist Brookfield PD/ search for male; 9:16 p.m.: RV complaint (North Spencer Road), neighbors on ATVS; 11:52 p.m.: odor of gas (Rene Drive), services rendered; (Total daily mv stops – 3).

Leicester Police

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7 (Waite Street), spoken to; 10:57 a.m.: fraud (Willow Hill Road), services rendered; 12:17 p.m.: suspicious activity

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(Rawson Street), spoken to; 12:42 p.m.: suspicious activity (Collier Avenue), spoken to; 5:14 p.m.: assist citizen (Brook Street); 8:05 p.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), spoken to; 8:43 p.m.: suspicious mv (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 8:49 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), transported to hospital; 10:06 p.m.: suspicious mv 8:22 a.m.: hanging wires (Auburn Street), services rendered; 8:43 a.m.: suspicious activity (Main Street), unable to locate; 11:48 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

12:04 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 12:09 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 12:23 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:50 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 1:13 a.m.: disturbance (Stafford Street), spoken to; 3:19 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 3:27 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:01 a.m.: suspicious mv (Henshaw Street), spoken to; 11:15 a.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), services rendered; 4:05 p.m.: mv stop (Marshall Street), verbal warning; 4:49 p.m.: property found (Sargent Street), report taken; 5:33 p.m.: investigation (Main Street, Worcester), services rendered; 7:42 p.m.: suspicious person (Main Street), no action required; 8:36 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

12:14 a.m.: ambulance (Queen Street, Worcester), transported; 1:04 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 1:14 a.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), no action required; 1:34 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:59 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 2:10 a.m.: my stop (Marshall Street), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, marked lanes violation, citation issued; 3:51 a.m.: ambulance (Whittemore Street), transported; 12:26 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 3:26 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:35 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log,

unlicensed operation, report taken; 5:29 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:40 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Westminster Street), unable to locate; 6:05 p.m.: debris in road (Main Street), services rendered; 6:38 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), spoken to; 7:13 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 7:27 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:16 p.m.: erratic operator (Main Street), unable to locate; 8:23 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:25 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered; 9:06 p.m.: suspicious person (Mulberry Street), unable to locate; 9:19 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning: 10:16 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 10:38 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), no action required.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

12:09 a.m.: mv stop (Waite Street), verbal warning; 12:12 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 12:21 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 12:34 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 1:10 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 1:15 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), no action required; 1:34 a.m.: suspicious mv (Mulberry Street), spoken to; 2:09 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:25 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 3:06 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 3:28 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 3:37 a.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), verbal warning; 12:40 p.m.: traffic control

(Paxton Street), assisted; 1:19 p.m.: traffic control (South Main Street), assisted; 3:47 p.m.: accident (Stafford Street), report taken; 4:33 p.m.: assist other PD (South Main Street), message delivered; 5:07 p.m.: summons service (Town Beach Road), served; 9:24 p.m.: assist other PD (South Main Street), message delivered.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11

9:02 a.m.: fraud (Victoria Drive), report taken; 12:28 p.m.: assist other PD (Paxton Street), services rendered; 5:30 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mannville Street), unable to locate; 5:57 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), spoken to; 8:02 p.m.: welfare check (Henshaw Street), spoken to.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

12:36 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), advised civil action; 4:04 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 7:44 a.m.: investigation (Lincoln Square, Worcester), services rendered; 9:13 a.m.: investigation (Auburn Street), services rendered; 9:24 a.m.: investigation (Tobias Boland Way, Worcester), services rendered; 9:25 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, unregistered mv, no inspection sticker, citation issued; 9:51 a.m.: investigation (Carleton Road), services rendered; 11:18 a.m.: suspicious person (Main Street), assisted; 11:48 a.m.: investigation (Stafford Street, Worcester), services rendered; 12:06 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, marked lanes violation, criminal application issued; 2:24 p.m.: welfare check (Lake Sargent Drive), unable to locate; 2:36 p.m.: erratic operator (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 2:48 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered; 4:36 p.m.: animal complaint (Tobin Road), report taken; 5:21 p.m.: stolen mv (Main Street), report taken; 6:09 p.m.: suspicious activity (Mayflower Road), unfounded; 6:23 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 7:29 p.m.: lockout (Main Street), assisted; 7:46 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 8:14 p.m.: investigation (Lake Sargent Drive), services rendered; 8:30 p.m.: welfare check (Chapel Street), transported to hospital.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

12:01 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), unlicensed operation, unregistered mv, marked lanes violation, number plate violation to conceal ID, mv towed; 12:51 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, speeding, op w/suspended license, unregistered mv, report taken; 1:10 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street, Spencer), transported; 3:33 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 5:18 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 5:41 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued; 5:55 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Juan Martinez, Junior, 40, 127 Country Club Boulevard, #542, Worcester, straight warrant, arrest; 5:55 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued; 10:33 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:08 a.m.: mv stop (Soojians Drive), citation issued; 1:51 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), spoken to; 2:17 p.m.: debris in road (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 3:53 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, mv towed.





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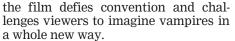
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fanned out across the region.

Additional filming locations included Spencer's Pine Grove Cemetery, Paxton's Moore State Park, and Canterberry Acres, a horse ranch owned by Seymour's mother.

"We got some incredible shots from many places," Seymour said. "We have gotten support from a lot of places, and it's been really cool to film in my hometown.'

Combining horror, humor, and romantic elements, Nocturnal Spiritoe isn't your standard prosaic vampire movie relying on tired tropes. Filled with chilling twists and comic turns,



For Stevens and his team, it was an enjoyable visit to rural central Massachusetts. Stevens drove all the way to New England from Florida, and he knew on arrival that the foliage would amplify the scene for Nocturnal Spiritoe. With assistance from several drone-captured shots, the setting offered the perfect combination of wide views and close-up images.

"This is my first time in Massachusetts. The colors are riveting and we have a wonderful backdrop to work with." Stevens told the New Leader. "I wanted to have a sleepy little town for the atmosphere. Everyone has pitched in and it's been a great experience.'

The team is planning to return to Spencer next month for additional filming. Actor Donald St. John, who has worked on several major motion pictures in Boston and Worcester, always appreciates the opportunity to act in smaller movies set in New England towns.

"I love working on large and small movies. Ian is awesome and everyone is having a great time," said St. John, who has been featured in over 50 movies. "Ian wrangled a great cast together."

In Nocturnal Spiritoe, St. John plays a customer at a bar who unwittingly stumbles into a vampire. Spoiler alert: his character may not make it to the end of the film.

The movie also features longtime actors Albert Marks and Daniel Roebuck, both men starring in police roles. Seymour's daughter, Sydney, also appears in the film. The entire cast and crew can't wait to get back to filming in central Massachusetts and eventually releasing their film.

We want to dispel a lot of the urban myths surrounding vampires,' said Stevens, whose family has been involved in moviemaking for four generations. "I grew up loving monsters and horror, and I wanted to put a dark comedy twist on a vampire film.'

To learn more about the movie. visit www.imdb.com and search for Nocturnal Spiritoe.





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