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Singer to chair Board of Selectmen



David Singer

BY JASON BLEAU VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON - The Charlton Board of Selectmen held its annual reorganization on Tuesday, May 7 naming a familiar name as the not-so-new chair of the board.

David Singer received unanimous approval from board members to serve as chair, a position he has occupied in the past. Singer was the only nominee for the post and will lead the meetings when available for the next year. Vice Chair will be Karen Spiewak who received the nomination over Deborah Noble who was recommended by selectman

John McGrath, the previous board chair. McGrath's nomination of Noble was not seconded leading the board's newest member William "Bill" Borowski, who was elected earlier this month, to nominate Spiewak who received four votes with Noble abstaining from the vote.

Borowski was nominated for and accepted the position of clerk. Prior to the reorganization the newest member of the oard thanked voters for trusting him and town employees and officials for helping with a smooth tran-

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Budget, safety building top Town Meeting warrant

BY JASON BLEAU VILLAGER CORRESPOND

CHARLTON - The town of Charlton will hold its annual spring town meeting this coming Monday, May 20, with 28 articles on the agenda for discussion including the recently voted down marijuana bylaw and the proposed 2020 Fiscal Year spending plan.

The spending plan to be presented represents a \$864,511 increase in expenses over the current fiscal year, a three percent increase public safety seeing the largest increase in terms

of dollars. The budget includes a proposed increase of \$508,368 to public safety, which would fund an added traffic officer, contract settlements, salaries changes, training and other expenses within the Charlton Police Department while the fire department's share would retain five positions from a SAFER Grant, increase educational incentives and help with maintenance among other costs. Among the other increases proposed are \$171,078 for

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Early deadlines for Memorial Day

The offices of the Charlton Villager will be closed Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day.

To ensure that our May 31 edition arrives in subscribers' mail boxes on schedule despite the holiday, the submission deadline for any press releases, letters to the editor, and calendar listings intended for publication that week has been moved up 24 hours, from the usual Friday to Thursday, May 23 at 4 p.m. Submissions are welcome by e-mail to news@ stonebridgepress.news.

Please note that any submissions received after 4 p.m. on the 23rd will be held for publication on June 7.

The staff of the Charlton Villager thanks our readers for their cooperation with this change in our normal schedule, and wishes our community a safe and happy Memorial Day weekend.



Jason Bleau Photos

Nichols College graduates take a glance at their diplomas after crossing the stage during the school's Commencement ceremony last weekend.

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Nichols awards 505 degrees at Commencement

BY JASON BLEAU

WORCESTER - Nichols College held its annual commencement exercises on Saturday, May 11, graduating 505 students during the ceremony at the DCU Center in Worcester. The event was filled with the usual pomp and circum-

stance as graduates of the colleges bachelors and graduate programs all celebrated their big day and prepared for the next step in their futures as contributing members of the work force and society.

To prepare the graduates for the next step in their adult lives, several speakers took to the podium to

offer words of wisdom and inspiration over the course of the event. This included three student speakers who all shared their personal stories and lessons learned in and out of the classroom during their time at the

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Residents ask for help as pets go missing



While temporarily staying at the Sturbridge Days Inn last October during a move, Amy Bednarz of Worcester lost her blue-eyed, four-year-old orange tabby cat named Okie after he was startled by a car and bolted away, forcing her to lose control of his leash.

BY ANNIE SANDOLI VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

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blue-eyed, four-year-old orange tabby cat named Okie after he was startled by a car and bolted away, forcing her to lose control of his leash.

Bednarz continues to go back to the same spot very often to search for him, and has even

started a Facebook page under the hashtag #findokienow, but has had no luck yet.

"For two weeks after that, I would go back to the hotel every day and look for him and there were never any sightings," she said.

Bednarz is not alone, as it seems that more and more pets, including other orange tabby cats, have been going missing in the town recently. As of right now, at least three other residents of Sturbridge and Brimfield are searching for their lost orange tabby cats, and many more have posted missing pet notices on the Sturbridge Community Facebook page.

"We've had cats go missing and a lot of people post their cats missing and found and everyone shares," said Paula, a Sturbridge resident who requested that her last name be left anonymous. "That's how I became aware of Amy's cat. Around October, three orange kitties went missing, and I started thinking about it and couldn't get it out of my head. I wanted to get involved, so I contacted Amy through Facebook Messenger."

Bednarz was given free assistance in helping to look for Okie by Maureen McCormick, the owner of Friends of Buddy/ Lost Cat Rescue & Trapping in Manchester, Conn. who has found missing pets across the country, and both her and Paula have posted neon fliers with Okie's picture in stores, restaurants, parking lots, banks, and the town library. They are now asking residents of Sturbridge and the surrounding areas to look out for Okie and other animals and share any information they have through the Sturbridge Community Facebook page.

"There are so many people who are out there that may not see a flier or ignore it, and we want to help anyone who is missing a cat on both sides and reach out to people who may not be seeing this," said Paula. "We want to raise awareness so that even if you were to find a cat or see a cat, you know what to do and where to go to find out if someone is looking for that cat. We are not saying go grab the cat, but maybe approach it and get a picture and share it on a site or call animal control.'

Bednarz and Paula said it is extremely important for people to keep tabs on their animals, especially with the missing pet trend that seems to be quickly spreading throughout the town.

"It's an issue of safety and sometimes that means not letting your cats out because of the wildlife out here," said Bednarz. "They say that cats that go outdoors have less lifespan than indoor cats."

"Even if they do want to go out, that's their choice, but I don't know if maybe more people could get them chipped,' Paula added. "That would be something that could help because there are so many animal shelters around here that post their cats and people may not know because of where the cat has ended up.'

Although Okie has not yet been found, Bednarz is grateful for the sharing that has been happening already and everything people have done to try to help her since October.

"I've gotten so many calls, text messages, Facebook messages about yellow tabbies that have been found and at least one person will message me every day," said Bednarz. "It just blows me away the amount of people who have have gone out of their way to share his picture and offer to help me. I never thought there were that many good, selfless people out there.

For more information on the missing animals in the town or to provide a lead on the location of a pet, go to the Sturbridge Community Facebook page.

Nichols College students inducted into Honor Societies

DUDLEY — Nichols College recognized on April 30 the following students with their induction into the College's and national honor societies. The seniors will graduate at the College's May 11 Commencement at the DCU Center in Worcester.

Kayla Hewett of Uxbridge Emily Sprague of Charlton

Political Science Professor Erika Cornelius Smith, Ph.D., presided over the general ceremony.

"I feel privileged to be an advisor to Zeta Alpha Phinot just because of the achievements of our outstanding student inductees-but also because ZAP is unique to Nichols College. We are part of something very special, a Bison legacy," said Dr. Cornelius Smith, who serves as faculty advisor to ZAP. And, working with our ZAP student president, Jared Maymon (junior finance and economics major from Coventry, R.I.), and board members, we hope to increase the visibility of these truly terrific students next year.»

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Holland Elementary 5K is Saturday

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Charlton American Legion news

CHARLTON — The Charlton American Legion, Post 391, will meet on May 20 at 7 p.m. for our regular monthly meeting in the Lower Grange Hall at #10 Main St. in the town of Charlton. We encourage all veterans from the

community to join us.

Upcoming events that will be discussed include the final details centering around the Memorial Day holiday, the Memorial Day parade, the Memorial Day program at the Masonic Home nursing facility, the decoration of graves of veterans in all the towns cemetaries and etc. Also, discussion of Flag Day ceremonies on June 14th on the town common and establishing the nomination committee for the election of officers for 2019/2020. Again, if you are an inactive member of our Post 391 or a veteran who lives in Charlton, come on down and participate along with us during this holiday season.

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Library to host LGBTQ historian for Pride Month



Sarah Prager

BY ANNIE SANDOLI

STURBRIDGE—On June 5, Joshua Hyde Public Library will kick of Pride Month by hosting "Queer History: Amazing Stories You Never Heard (and why they matter)," a talk by esteemed LGBTQ historian Sarah Prager on her 2017 book "Queer, There, and Everywhere."

The book tells the stories of 23 queer people who changed the world from

the year 200 AD to the 2000s, including a Roman emperor, a Mexican nun, a baseball player, a Georgia blues singer, a Franciscan friar, and a Star Trek actor.

"I moved to Sturbridge last year, and I really wanted to bring my talk that I've given to over 100 groups," said Prager. "What it entails is telling some unknown stories from LGBTQ history, and there will be some famous names, but also a lot of names people have never heard before.'

Prager has been an LGBTQ activist since she came out at age 14 and has worked for queer rights organizations all over the world. Her creation of the popular Queer history mobile app Quist in 2013 has gotten her invited to the White House, the U.S. embassy in Mexico, and the offices of Twitter, Google, and Microsoft, and her writing has been published in The Atlantic, The Advocate, Huffington Post, QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking, and It Gets Better Project's blog, among others. She has also contributed to making the tech policies of large corporations more inclusive of LGBTQ terms.

"I think it's really important to shed some light on a history that doesn't get talked about very much,' she said. "Just like women and black individuals, the LGBTQ community has contributed so much to society and doesn't always get recognized. This history helped give me a sense of community and pride, and when I was a teenager, it helped me to know that I wasn't alone."

Prager was able to bring her program to Joshua Hyde Library by applying for and receiving a grant from the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency that works to enhance the cultural life in Massachusetts by partnering with communities to encourage the expansion and improvement of the arts, humanities, and sciences.

"I live with in Fiskdale with my wife and our two year old daughter, and we love going to the library here, so I'm just excited to have this opportunity," she said. "I applied for a grant basically, so I got approved for some funds to be able to do this

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talk and I wanted to do it at my local library. I reached out to the library to see if they would like to host this and they agreed.."

Prager is hoping that her program will bring in people from all backgrounds and identities because she believes that it is important for everyone to learn this history regardless of whether they are part of the LGBTQ community or not.

"I think it's important for non-LGBTQ people to know this history as well for multiple reasons, including that these are interesting stories regardless of the sexualities," she said. "For instance, I'm going to talk about the invention of the high five. These stories also show why they matter for straight people and what straight people can do to be allies and take it upon themselves to help set the record not so straight."

For more information on ""Queer History: Amazing Stories You Never Heard (and why they matter)" or to register for the event, go to https://www.sturbridgelibrary.org.

Rebecca Siefken inducted into Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

BATON ROUGE, La. — Rebecca Siefken of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Siefken is pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice at Salem State University.

Siefken is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and

alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 300 campuses in the United States and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

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"I'm both excited and humbled to be here tonight. Thank you all who came out to vote," Borowski said. "I'd also like to extend special gratitude to both my colleagues as well as the staff at town hall for making the on-boarding process relatively painless. I'm just looking forward to trying to help out and move the town forward. So, let's get to work."

John McGrath and Deborah Noble will continue to serve as the remaining two selectmen on the board for the next year. Both of their terms expire in 2020. Before officially turning over the position of chair McGrath thanked the board for their

support over the last year.

"I appreciate everybody's support while I was chair. It's been an interesting year to say the least, but the staff and my fellow board members have been very gracious,' said McGrath.



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The festival opens Friday night, June 14 from 5 until 11 p.m. Seafood Specials of fish and chips, clam chowder and fritters will be featured, as well as Polish and American foods. Award winning Maestro's Men will play polka music for your dancing and listening pleasure from 6 to 10 p.m.

On Saturday, June 15, the festival will be open from noon until 11 p.m. At 3 p.m., the Polish-American folk group, PIAST, will perform. At 4 p.m., the annual Festival Mass will be held in St. Joseph Basilica. Maestro's men will take the stage with your favorite polka music from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Then the Vedemecum Band will play from 9 to 11

p.m. for dancing.

On Sunday, June 16, the festival will open at noontime, with a special Father's Day Barbeque Platter being offered. Live music by Windstar will entertain until 3 p.m. The Money Raffle will be drawn at 2 p.m., and all other raffles will be drawn starting at 3 p.m.

All weekend long will feature Polish and American food and Spirits, Live music, Raffles, 50/50, Games of Chance, Crafts, Polish Booth, Pastry Booth, Kids games, Kiddie Land, Bounce House, adult games of fun, Dice Wheel, Seven Under/Over, and much more!

All proceeds from the festival benefits St. Joseph School in Webster.

So join us for a fun-filled weekend to greet the arrival of summer! more information, contact St. Joseph Basilica Rectory at 508-943-0467.

Gateway players bring "Stranger in the Attic" to Sturbridge

STURBRIDGE — Old Sturbridge Village is proud to welcome Gateway Players to our stage with an exciting dinner theater experience.

On May 31, join us for dinner and the production of "Stranger in the Attic." Tickets for the dinner and show must be purchased in advance, but tickets for just the show will be available at the door. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. Show begins at 7:30 p.m. This is a fundraiser for the "Gateway to the Future Fund". The menu is Tossed Mixed Greens Salad, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, OSV

Chicken Thighs, Beef Brisket, Pulled Pork, Rolls with Whipped butter, and Strawberry Shortcake with fresh Whipped Cream. Tickets available by calling Kim Dolan at 508-347-0397. "Stranger in the Attic," written by John Kaasik, is directed by Lynn Boucher. The cast includes Billy Bolster, Lou-Ellen Corkum, Ed Humphries, Stephen Jean, Joni Metras and John Turpin. Chris McTigue is the stage manager and Barbara Day is producer. The story is set in the country home

of freelance writer Brian Hollander and his wife Dana, their quiet life unexpectedly upset by the arrival of a stranger named Kendrick, who is offering an exclusive story to Brian about a murder that has happened yet! Brian pursues discussions of the story with Kendrick, meets his neighbors Douglas and Margaret Brendan who tell Brian and Dana a disturbing story about a stranger who may be stalking them. Detective Nelson comes into the play to try and locking stories and prevent a murder from happening.

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Bay State Savings Bank appoints Denise DiDonato Vice President, Credit Administration Officer

WORCESTER — Bay State Savings Bank is proud to announce Denise DiDonato has been appointed Vice President, Credit Administration Officer at the Bank's 28 Franklin Street location in Worcester.

Mrs. DiDonato joined Bay State Savings Bank in April 2019. Previously, she served as Vice President, Credit Administration Manager at Savings Institute Bank & Trust in Willimantic, Conn. She has also served as Vice President, Small Business Lending Manager at Bank Rhode Island and Assistant Vice President of Small Business Lending at Citizens Bank in Rhode Island. She bears over 30 years of bank, credit, and lending experience.
In 2014, Mrs. DiDonato received

the Rhode Island Small Business Administration Financial Champion

Ms. DiDonato currently resides in Killingly, Conn. with her husband Joseph and son Joseph, Jr.



Denise DiDonato

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education, \$60,896 for the Department of Public Works, \$39,845 for Human Services, \$29,595 for general administration and \$15,891 for recreation. The total spending plan would be \$30,021,104.

The meeting will open by finalizing the decisions made during the annual election earlier in May. This will include addressing a referendum question to implement a bylaw prohibiting recreational marijuana that failed at the polls and this is expected to fail or be passed over at the town meeting. Other items include the usual expense-related matters of the town including transfers, town reports, litigation, unpaid bills, the water and sewer budgets, and capital items. One article will seek to amend the bylaw concerning the department of public works superintendent by changing the definition of this title and leadership role. Other personnel bylaws including the classification plan and

human resource department will also be addressed.

One of the bigger items is the discussion of the proposed public safety building complex. The plans for this initiative have been making the rounds throughout Charlton in recent months with the town meeting set to stage a vote on the money required to construct and equip the facility and how that money would be raised or borrowed. In addition, several zoning bylaws concerning site plan reviews and penalties for zoning violations among other issues will also be addressed with amendments on the table for the town's processes for the foreseeable future.

These and other issues will all be discussed during the annual town meeting on May 20 at Charlton Middle School starting at 7 p.m. Full documents concerning meeting articles and the proposed 2020 town budget are available on the Town of Charlton Web site.



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CHURCH PILGRIMAGE

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St. Joseph's Church in Charlton is sponsoring a Pilgrimage Sept. 29- Oct. 9, 2019 to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje with Fr. Robert Grattatori. The cost is \$4,599; 11 days includes 4-5 star hotels, airfare, luxury transportation, and breakfast/dinner daily. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. Please contact parishioner Dr. Karen Zaleski for trip details at karenzaleski42@gmail. com or you may call Proximo Travel directly for information and to register at 1-855-842-8001, or 508-340-9370.

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Trip Coordinator Dotti Murphy Please call 978-424-7010

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June 18 (Tues) 3 Redneck Tenors -Musical comedy with downhome laughs and big city music -Davensport Yacht Club - \$92.00

Lobsterbake at July 16 (Tues) Fosters's with Michael Minor singer, comedian. celebrity impressionist and ventriloquist performing - \$99.00

July 25 (Thurs) Gloucester Harbor Lobsterbake Cruise-fabulous day on the water with two dance floors, indoor& outdoor seating and buffet (1 lobster each) \$119.00

August 28 (Wed) Ultimate Tribute Show - Experience some of the greatest hits from some of the greatest entertainers of all times - Lake Pearl, Wrentham

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Sept. 15-17: Atlantic City Resorts Casino

Atlantic City's original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play/\$60 food credit/Casino Revue Show. Atlantic City! The 'Shore' Thing!

Oct. 6: NH Turkey Train

Scenic rail tour round Lake

Winnipesaukee and lunch! 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster. Spectacular New England footage! New Hampshire awaits!

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LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

Monday-Thursday, June 1-13: Trip to Wildwood Crest & Cape May and a day at Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Bus leaves at 7 a.m. Cost is \$599, including driver's tip and all one-day guides.

Wednesday, June 12: Trip to the North Shore Music Theatre to see "Oklahoma" and lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club. Cost is \$119. The bus leaves at 9:30

Friday, July 12: Trip to the Gloucester Lobster Cruise with clam bake and buffet aboard the ship. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. Cost is \$99. On the way home, we can enjoy ice cream at Kimball's Farm.

Wednesday, Aug. 14: Trip to the Summer Theatre for "Saturday Night Fever" and Hart's Turkey Farm. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$99.

Winnipesaukee Cruise. Buffet luncheon & scenic sights and a visit to Moulton Farm Market. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$99. Thursday, Oct. 17: Trip to Twin Rivers

Friday, Sept. 13: Trip to Lake

and Wright's Chicken Farm. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. \$7 food credit and \$10 slot play. Cost is \$59. Wednesday, Nov. 13: Indian Head

Christmas Spectacular and Luncheon. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$89.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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

IRELAND: September 9-22, 2019 USA: SPLENDORS OF NORTHWEST: May 20 to June 4, 2019 JAPAN: March 26 to April 9, 2020 JAPAN & CHINA: March 26 to April

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PAXTON SENIORS

Paxton's bus tour season starts Wednesday, April 24, on the Maine / New Hamphire seacoast topped off with a vist to a Winery. First stop is the Kittery Historical & Naval Museum where you will wander through Kittery's past as you browse the exhibits, from colonial times to grand hotels, shipbuilding and lighthouses, up to the present day. Find out what makes Kittery special... at the Museum!

Next stop is lunch at Warren's Lobster House in Kittery, Maine. Our prior visits to Warren's have always been wonderful. Warren's has the Seacoast's Finest Salad Bar, which offers over 60 selections and homemade pumpkin bread, soup and rolls — For an entrée vou may select from; Seafood Casserole, Fried Baby Shrimp, Ritz Filet of Haddock, Crab Crusted Salmon, Top Sirloin Steak and Chicken Parmesan. Beverages and dessert will be included.

After a delightful lunch on the River separating Maine and New Hampshire, we move on to Zorvino Vineyard. A family-owned and operated winery, that originally started as a hobby. Jim and Cheryl Zanello purchased the 80-acre lot in Sandown, NH in 2000 after retiring. Four years later Zorvino Vineyards was established. The "Zor" in Zorvino

comes from the original family name Zorzanello and "Vino" means wine. Family and Wine, the perfect pairing.

the In first years, 150 cold climate vines, mostly hybrids, were planted. To date, there are roughly 2,000 vines on site. The bulk of the grapes are brought in from Italy, California and South America. They are mostly known for their "off dry"fruit wines. blends and unusual 100% fruit or vegetable wines like Pumpkin, Beet and Rhubarb to name a few. New favorites include their red wines and white wines aged in American White Oak.

Our bus trip leaves the Paxton Senior Center, 17

West St., at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, April Baring any traffic concerns on Route 495, we plan to be back in Paxton around 5 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$82 per person. Reservations, payment and your choice of entree at Warren's should be mailed to Bob Wilby, 11 Tanglewood Rd., Paxton, by Monday April 15. Checks should be made payable to the FRIENDS Of PAXTON COA.

For more details, please contact Bob at 508-792-4662.

Are you interested in joining another wonder trip in 2019?

A group of Seniors from Paxton and surrounding towns are planning a trip this year to Italy. The group plans to leave Paxton on Sept. 9, with transportation provided to Logan and return. Our flight will take us to Rome, Italy for 10 days visiting many historical sites of Italy. Rome has many beautiful attractions that many of us have not seen on previous visits. After two nights in Rome, we will move on to one night in Perugia where we will have the opportunity to visit Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi. Following our stay in Perugia, we move on to Florence, "the Cradle of Italian Renaissance," where we will view Michelangelo's incredible statue of David. After two nights in beautiful Florence, we will move on to Venice. On the way to Venice, we will stop at a 12th century castle and learn about the famous Tuscany wines and enjoy a cooking class and lunch. Next we are off to Venice for two nights. During that time, we have an opportunity to visit many of the wonderful sites of the Canal City.

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

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

May 19, 2019 – Sunday – Newport rail tour.

Tour ocean drive: board the excursion scenic dinning car for a 90 minute tour along Narragansett bay. Enjoy a full course lunch on the train when you book give choice of meal - chicken Marcella or Atlantic Cod.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

June 9, 2019 - Sunday - Gloucester Beaufort princess cruise.

Board the ship for a New England clam bake including clams, lobster chowder BBQ chicken and more finish with chocolate mousse. Cruise the harbor for 2 1/2 hours with music on board. Visit the Salem visitor center and shops.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

July 23, 2019 - Tuesday - Mohegan Sun \$25 - 10 AM Bus

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

August 28, 2019 - Wednesday Diamonds and Pearls the ultimate tribute show.

For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Lake Pearl in Wrentham MA. where you will hear the music of Neil Diamond, Carol King, Janice Joplin and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod

September 17, 2019 Tuesday - Atlantic City Boys For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Danvers Yacht Club in Danvers MA. where you will hear the music of the Beach Boys, The Drifters, the Bee Gees and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or

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

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Trips are open to the public!

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

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

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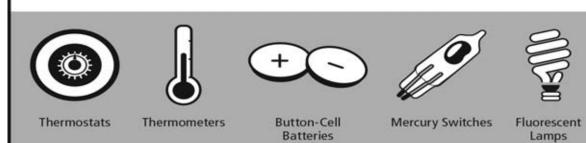
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Having anxiety in a world where it shouldn't exist

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We have been told that it's not sup- I think of it as some posed to be there. We try to treat it with medication, meditation, exercise, addictions, and distractions. It's still an avoided topic, a taboo, something to get rid of, a quality to change about ourselves, and a part of life to hide away from the world.

Regardless, anxiety still shows up, completely unwelcome and unwanted. It's a part of the human experience that we try to lose like a bad cold, but that we can't really do anything about unless we stay in one mental and physical place and lock the door forever, and even then, it still shows up now and again, seeping through the holes in the walls and cracks on the floor.

I've had anxiety for quite literally as long as I can remember, probably triggered by my parents' divorce and going back and forth from household to household. Then it became a big part of college when I had five papers, two exams, and a group project all due within the same week. Now it tends to show up during my long weeks of working two jobs and simultaneously trying to create the career and life I envision.

sort of otherworldly presence that shows up randomly and just won't go away, like that unstable and emotionally unhealthy friend who keeps coming back even though

you tried to cut ties with them for your own sake. It shows up uninvited, drives you crazy to the point of tears, and won't leave you alone even when you find a completely sensible and well-thoughtout reason for it to go elsewhere.

The problem with thinking of anxiety like an unwelcome friend is that you are the only one who can see them. As long as you smile and act casual, no matter what's going on inside your head, the people you interact with and even the people who know you very well can't see the presence that is pulling your hair and screaming in your ear at the most inconvenient times. They can't see that you are trying to stay in the moment and listen to what they're saying, but their voice is drowned out



by "what ifs" and cluttered, disheveled thoughts. But the thing is, you

can't see the annoying and relentless presences that haunt the people around you either, the ones that are taunting your mom and dad, poking at your best friend, testing the patience of your

boss, or consuming the thoughts of the person who sits next to you on the bus every day. Over 40 million people in this country suffer from anxiety and it is easily the most common mental illness, but so many don't want to talk about it, or can't bring themselves to talk about it, or feel like they wouldn't be accepted if they did talk about it, so I'll talk about it.

Anxiety is mental — it makes me feel sad and worried, it halts my concentration, it tells me I'm not enough, it prevents me from doing the things I love. Anxiety is physical. It hits my stomach first. It makes me shake. It causes me to lose my appetite. It gives me headaches. Some days, my body is sick, and other days, my mind is sick,

and there is absolutely nothing wrong with that. Anxiety is okay, your anxiety, my anxiety, it's just part of all of this intense pain and overwhelming beauty we were born into.

I will probably have anxiety to some degree for the rest of my life. What I'm learning to do is shut down that presence pulling on my hair and screaming in my ear as much as I possibly can. Ignoring it doesn't make it go away, but just accepting that it's there without doing anything about it doesn't help either. I've made friends with the presence and am not afraid to disagree with it, even if I have to spend all day arguing and defending my stance. I've also come to the conclusion that I would rather have all these emotions and vulnerabilities, both good and bad, than feel nothing at all.

What I wanted to say this week is that no one is going through anxiety alone, we are all here, fighting our annoying presences, and every day that we are able to push through, it is an absolute success worth recognizing.

Timely Tips

The long awaited warm weather is finally here and summer is right around the While springtime promises plenty of outdoor fun in the sun it can also bring with it a new season of everyday hassles. From repelling pesky fleas to growing a better garden, the following "timely tips" are geared toward making life's little challenges a little easier!

Make Fleas Flee: It's flea season and here are some home remedies:

Are fleas bugging your dog? Field and Stream magazine touts Avon Skin So Soft as a great flea and bug repellent for dogs. The magazine recommends mixing: Five parts water to one part Skin So Soft. As a bonus, brushing the mixture into the pet's fur makes its coat gleam.

*Here's an easy way to turn any inexpensive shampoo into a highly productive flea bath for your dog. Add a few drops of natural eucalyptus oil (food grade, not craft oil) to regular shampoo, lather up the dog and rinse away fleas!

Note: Never use essential oils on cats.

Or, try (original blue) Dawn dishwashing detergent in a tub of water. Lather up the dog or cat well, let sit for five minutes or so and rinse thoroughly. (I tried this and was amazed at all the dead fleas in the sink!). This treatment is for occasional use only as any shampoo can dry your pet's

*Whip up a great, natural flea spray for dogs by mixing equal parts apple cider vinegar and water in a spray bottle. Spritz directly on fur and rub in for maximum benefits.

Gardening season arrived! Read on for some tips and tricks from green thumb sources:

Want the secret to growing great tomatoes? Blue Ribbon tomato growers reveal planting deep is the golden rule to successful tomato plants! Bury a tomato plant's stem and the stem will sprout new roots that help the plant grow sturdy and tall quickly!

How does your garden grow? With a little help from your garden tools! Keep them clean with a five gallon bucket of coarse sand mixed with a quart of clean motor oil in the garage. After using spades and shovels push the metal end in the sand mixture and wipe dry. The sand will knock off the dirt and the oil will prevent rusting!

Do pesky insects invade your garden each year? Here's how to banish bugs the natural way! Aluminum foil "foils" aphids: Use a tin foil mulch around



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the base of plants. The reflection drives insects away. Deter cabbage worms with a sprinkle of flour, and slay a slug with a dose of table salt.

If visions of planning a lush garden have taken their toll on your trusty old house plants, try this tip: Just stir together one package of granular dry yeast and one quart of warm water. Mix it well and water plants with the elixir monthly to perk up your plants!

Placement is important when growing squash and melons. Because they are pollinated by bees, avoid planting them near other flowering plants, which can compete for bee pollinators.

Plant a chrysanthemum plant in the vegetable garden. Because the flower wilts before other plants when water is needed, it'll act as a red flag to tell you to irrigate. Cucumber and squash plants can also act as indicators because they are the first to droop during a dry

Going on vacation? Keep house plants watered for up to a month by watering well placing pot and all in a clear plastic bag. Tie it top and bottom and place in northern light. When vou're back, untie the top and let the plant adjust to room air for a day or two before removing the plastic completely.

Here are some more seasonal

Firing up the grill for a sizzling steak? New York Times 'Minimalist' and cookbook author Mark Bittman claims the five best steaks for grilling are: rib eye, skirt, sirloin, t-bone and flank steaks, one inch thick. His secret? Dry the steaks with paper towels then grill them without turning for three minutes

Want to serve up the "catch of the day?" Here's a tip to serve up perfect fish every time: Store fresh fish in the refrigerator between self-sealing plastic bags filled with ice cubes. This will keep it from getting soggy and ensure a fabulous fish feast. And if you need to remove fish odors from a pan, just rinse the pan with vinegar while it is still not.

Sleeping under the stars this season? To keep warm, make sure your sleeping bag fits properly. Too big and you'll

lose heat, too small and insulation compresses, compromising the warmth factor. And before turning in, indulge! A high calorie treat like hot cocoa will give your body fuel to burn and keep you warm through the night.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the renown restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town 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

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 E-mail KDRR@aol. com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

NICHOLS

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The first to peak was Daniel Baker, who earned a business degree and discussed how enrolling in college was a massive accomplishment seeing as his struggles with anxiety prevented him from attending high school in the traditional sense. Speaking in front of around 4,000 people, including more than 500 of his fellow students, served

as evidence of how much Baker has evolved leading him to leave his fellow students with three life lessons he learned at Nichols.

"I hope each and every one of you walks away with some important lessons in your life," Baker told his fellow graduates. "For me, I will always remember take that risk, don't be afraid to be different, and, most importantly, don't be afraid to fail."

Speaking for the graduate degree was Caitlyn Llewellyn,

who earned a Master's in Business Administration after earning her initial degree from Nichols in 2017. After five years at Nichols College Her message to the graduate students was to leave a mark on the world no matter how big or small.

'No matter where life takes you, leave a legacy. With this mindset, you have the ability to make every single day count," Llewellyn said.

The third student speaker of the afternoon was Valedictorian Sabrina

Boermeester, who earned an accounting degree when she crossed the stage later in the ceremony. Her speech focused on what she called the "three F's of life": fear, failure, and future.

"Success is not money. Success is happiness, love, meaning, and longevity. It's about being able to jump through hoops and didge obstacles and teaching others to do the same," Boermeester said. "Nichols has provided us with the base we need to be successful in a career. Now it's our turn to teach ourselves how to not only survive, but also to live. It's up to us to learn how to redirect fear, lead through the surmounting of failure, and succeed in our futures that stand before us."

While hearing from their fellow students provided some of the most poignant moments for the graduating class of 2019 the 505 students were also greeted by Lt. Governor Karyn Polito, who offered words of wisdom after being honored herself with an honorary doctorate. Polito's partner in Boston, Governor Charlie Baker, served as commencement speaker for the 2016 ceremony during the pairs first term in office. Polito left students with an important message, to follow their compass which she defined as "purpose."

"Helping others in your community is purposeful, and I'm blessed with the opportunity to do a whole lot on that front," said Polito. "Now is the time and opportunity for you to calibrate your compass. Define what it is that gives your life purpose. Your family and community here at Nichols have helped you create the foundation for this exercise. You have the opportunity to be bigger than yourself, and to serve your communities in positive, impactful ways."



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Incorporate arbors, trellises and other structures into your designs when planning new or updating existing gardens and landscapes. These structures help form the framework of any garden, add yearround interest and provide years of beauty and function.



Utilize arbors to define and connect distinct areas of the landscape. Invite visitors into your landscape with a vine-covered arbor. Guests won't be able to resist the invitation to enter and experience the beauty that lies beyond. Cover these structures with vines for seasonal interest, additional texture and blossoms. Combine two different vines to extend or double your floral display. Plant an annual vine for quick cover with a perennial that takes a year or more to establish and cover the

Beat summer's heat by creating your own shade with vine-covered arbors. Plant annual or deciduous vines that let the sun and its warmth shine through during the cooler months. When the leaves return, they provide shade and cooler temperatures during warmer

Arbors are as much at home in the food garden as the flowerbed. Connect

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Many trellises are works of art in their own right, so when the plants go dormant the structure continues to dress up an otherwise blank wall. Whether you prefer simple squares and diamonds, circles, leaves or ceramic songbirds perched among the branchlike supports of the Enchanted Woods Trellis; select a design that reflects your personality and complements your garden design.

Combine several trellis sections to create a decorative screen or bit of fencing. This is a perfect solution for

creating privacy or a bit of vertical interest in any size or shape of garden space. Add colorful glass bottles and contemporary design to a vertical planting with a trellis like Gardener's Achla Designs Vinifera Bottle Trellis.

Use obelisks as focal points and plant supports in the garden or containers. They're perfect for creating scale in the garden, especially when new plantings are small and immature. Select a support tall and sturdy enough for the plants you are growing.

Add a bit of beauty and elegance when growing watermelons, cucumbers, pole beans or tomatoes. Train them onto decorative obelisks and they'll be pretty enough to include in flowerbeds and mixed borders. Add more beauty and a bit of hummingbird appeal with scarlet runner beans. The bright red flowers are followed by green beans that can be eaten fresh or its large seeds harvested and used fresh or dried.

Always consider the function, strength and beauty when selecting structures for your landscape. Team them up with plants suited to your growing conditions and you will benefit from years of enjoyment.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers



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Arbors can provide a beautiful framework and vertical gardening space for pole beans, melons, or squash in food gardens or serve as a support to climbing roses and credit: Photo courtesy of Gardener's Supply Company

is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Gardeners Supply for her expertise to write this article. Her web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

TRIPS

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American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

2019 is the Society's 27th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experience excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

June 14 — "Evening at the Boston Pops" features a musical journey to European countries with a noted conductor leading the Boston Pops Orchestra, with each concert piece a selection of stirring 19th century anthems by Romantic-era composers, including Greig, Smetana, Strauss, Berlioz, Elgar, Wagner and Verdi. Each piece honors a particular nation, while the finale, Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" (Europe's official anthem) pays homage to the continent's motto of "United in Diversity. The concert is enhanced by a montage of evocative video images curated by Rick Steves, America's leading authority of extensive knowledge of European history and culture and of PBS frame. All considered, this promises to be an extremely entertaining night, and please reserve early. The cost is \$59 per person for the 8 p.m. concert, with reserved second balcony center seating and motor-coach transportation. Departure is 5:30 p.m. from the RMV, La Rochelle Way in Southbridge. This is the 37th annual excursion to the "Pops."

Aug. 11 - "A Sunday Afternoon at Tanglewood" — a noon luncheon at the Red Lion Inn followed by the 2:30 p.m. concert with reserved seating in the Koussevitsky Music

Shed. Thomas Ades, conductor, leads the Boston Symphony Orchestra with the music of Ives and Beethoven and guest pianist Inon Barnatan. The cost is \$127 (an inclusive luncheon, concert and motor coach transportation). A payment plan is available. The reservation deadline is July 30. Departure is 9 a.m., RMV parking lot, Southbridge.

Sept. 23-25 — A three-day excursion to Cape May, N.J. The cost and all of the details to be announced soon in this listing of trips.

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

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

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

Tues, May 28 -- the Lobster Bake Cruise returns! This has turned into a yearly tradition because everyone loves it so much! Don't wait to sign up or you'll miss out! Cruise around Gloucester harbor with music and dancing and white linen tablecloths while you dine. Lobster and baked chicken both. \$85. Leaves Whitinsville at 8:30 a.m., home around 7 p.m.

17∼"On Pond" at the Winnipesaukee Playhouse w/lunch at Hart's Turkey Farm. Choice of turkey, haddock, or roast beef. \$89. Leaves Whitinsville at 8:45, Home around 7

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EDITORIAL

"Senioritis": a very real mindset, with very real consequences

We've all heard the term 'senioritis,' but is this diagnosis real? After some lengthy research, we say absolutely.

Senioritis is defined as, "A supposed affliction of students in their final year of high school or college, characterized by a decline in motivation or performance." The end is near, with graduation just around the corner, and many seniors can taste freedom, but aren't quite sure what to do with it. Even with some students heading off to college, the fear of the unknown, combined with a complete change in the cadence in life, is enough to make several seniors come down with a serious case of senioritis in an attempt to break away from the stress and rigors of 13 years of school-

Some signs of the affliction include a lack of motivation, a decline in grades or feeling as though nothing they do in the final months leading up to graduation really matters much. Most students' entire senior year of high school is spent trying to plan for the future; this can be daunting and stressful for these kids, who are still, at the end of the day, just kids. Some symptoms parents should look for include extreme laziness, apathy, spending all of their free time with friends away from home.

Unfortunately, this rapid decline in motivation does not go unseen by universities. Many schools will look at a student's last semester, even after he or she has been notified of acceptance, and a substantial decrease in grades raises a red flag. This has admissions offices questioning a prospective student's level of commitment, and the question of maturity is also put on the table. If the situation is had enough, a college or university can rescind an acceptance. Each year, thousands of students receive such letters. Sometimes a student will enter their freshman year of college already on academic probation. If a student was issued merit aid from an institution they risk losing those

There are things that can be done to help offset senioritis. One thing a student can do is to set tiny goals, such as getting a B or higher on the next quiz or test, or to finish an assignment ahead of time. Working on better ways to study for tests is also crucial. Too much pressure can cause students to shut down so taking some time to relax and have fun with family and friends is a great idea.

Another idea is for parents and teachers to reassure students that life after high school is an exciting time and that not every graduate needs a definitive plan right away. Explain different opportunities for a gap year, including the pros and cons of taking one.

If your child becomes too self-destructive handing out consequences is key. Finding their currency and removing it may change their perspective and keep them on track. Remembering to reward good behavior is a must. If your child is behaving in such a way that they become emotionally removed, disobedient and disrespectful taking a gap year might be the best option as college is expensive and tuition should never go to waste. Sometimes when students see their friends off at school while they are left behind can be motivation to get back into the swing of things.



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SPEAKING

By Gary W.

MOORE

I have enjoyed a fair amount of success in my life, and yes, I have endured near devastating defeat. Regardless, I've always been able to stand up, brush myself off and keep moving forward. I always have hope of a bright future. I am

constantly optimistic that success is coming, and because I have hope and optimism, I'm driven to be persistent in pursuit of my dream. I am rarely the smartest guy in the room, but I'm always the most persistent.

I have written often about hope, optimism and persistence. I believe these are the essential building blocks for health, happiness and prosperity. It doesn't always take intelligence, education or IQ to succeed. Some of the unhappiest and least successful people I know are also the smartest. Although intelligence and education are important, they are not the be-all of success and happiness.

Hope, Optimism and Persistence.

I began writing a book in late 2002. My father had lived a fascinating life in baseball and war. He served in the Navy during the Second World War and was a star baseball player, growing up in the rural coalmining town of Sesser, Ill. I felt the story had wide appeal and would be inspirational to readers. I was not a trained writer and in fact had little experience writing anything, but I began.

After 14 months of pecking away on my laptop, I had a rough manuscript I was calling, "Playing with the Enemy" and I began sending copies out to publishers. I was certain they'd all jump at the chance to publish my book. However, the rejection letters began pouring in. One, two, three ... twenty-six ... forty-two ... sixty-three .. seventy-four ... yes, I was deeply disappointed but not discouraged. I had hope that a publisher would say yes. I was optimistic that the next submission would be the one, but most importantly, I kept submitting my manuscript to publishers even though seventy-four had said no.

I submitted for the 75th time to a publisher that focused on military titles. This time, I didn't only mail a copy as their submission guidelines instruct ... I called their President, Theodore P. Savas.

Me: Hello, Mr. Savas? My name is Gary Moore, and I'm mailing a manuscript to you today that I know is a perfect fit for your publishing firm.

Give me your ten sec-Savas: ond version.

Me: It's about a young man's journey through life in baseball and war. Savas: Don't bother mailing it. We don't do sports books and we are

not interested. 'CLICK"

I put my manuscript in an envelope, addressed it and sent it to the man who had just abruptly said he wasn't interested and hung up. Most people would think I'm crazy. I was just rejected and instructed not to send anything. Regardless, I was hopeful he would read it. I was optimistic that he would love it. I knew if I did not send it, I had zero chance he would publish it ... so with enthusiasm, I rushed it to the post office. A one percent chance is better

than no chance at all.

A few days later, I called Mr. Savas again.

Mr. Savas? Me: This is Gary Moore. I was calling to see ... (interrupt) Savas: I told you not to send it. We are not interested.

Me: I know, but I am confident when you read it, you will love it and ... (interrupt)

I won't read it. I don't Savas: have time and we don't publish sports books and ... (interrupt)

Me: Right, and if this was a sports book, I never would have sent it, but ...

Again, I was disappointed, but not discouraged. I logged onto the internet to find out who publisher number 76 would be, but truth is stranger than fiction! The next day, I received a call from the man who had hung up on me twice.

Savas: Do you have a publisher for this story?

Me: Yes ... you.

You know ... I told you Savas: not to send it.

Me: I remember.

When you sent it any Savas: way, I told you I would not read it.

Me: Yes, you did.

Savas: But last night ... I took my son to Karate class along with a handful of manuscripts I wanted to read. When I settled into the chair, I realized I accidentally grabbed yours. I wasn't happy, but read it anyway ... (long pause)

Me: (I stopped breathing.) Congratulations. I'll Savas: fax a contract to you later today.

Savas Beatie released my book in September 2006 and it was heralded as a surprise hit!

Surprise? I wasn't surprised. I remained hopeful and optimistic that it would be a bestseller. In 2008, Penguin, the world's largest English language publisher, purchased the paperback rights and again, it was released and succeeded. Today, "Playing with the Enemy," the book that was rejected seventy-four times is now in its nineteenth printing. It is read and taught in high schools all over America and is optioned as a motion picture. Since then, Savas Beatie has published two more of my books and I've become a freelance columnist appearing in thirty-four newspapers.

What would have happened if after seventy-four submissions ... and after the seventy-fifth told me not to send it ... what if I had just given up? Today, "Playing with the Enemy" would be gathering dust in a cabinet drawer, having never been published and my dream of my book would be dead ... and I would not be in this newspaper.

What is the moral of this story?

Never give up on your dream.

Gary W. Moore is a syndicated columnist, speaker and author of three books including the award-winning, critically acclaimed, "Playing with the Enemy." Follow Gary on Twitter @ GaryWMoore721 and at www.garyw-

Time to 'cycle' through some investment ideas



FINANCIAL Focus

If you've noticed an increase in bicycle-related events lately, it may be because May is recognized

"Bike Month" - and some cities even observe a specific Bike Week. Of course, bicycling is good exercise and an environmentally friendly method of transportation, but it can also teach us some lessons about invest-

Here are a few to consider:

Put the brakes on risky moves. To keep themselves safe, experienced cyclists regularly do two things: They keep their brakes in good shape and they don't take unnecessary risks, such as whipping around blind curves. As an investor, you can combine these two actions by putting your own "brakes" on risky moves. For example, if you're tempted to buy some hot investment you heard about, you may want to think twice before acting. Why? In the first place, most "hot" investments don't stay hot for too long, and may be cooling off by the time you hear of them. And even more important, they might not be appropriate for either your risk tolerance or your need to diversify your portfolio. When you invest, you can't eliminate all risks, but you can reduce them by avoiding impulsive moves and sticking with a disciplined, long-term strategy based on your needs and goals.

Get regular financial tuneups. Avid cyclists keep their bikes in good shape through regular maintenance. When you invest, you usually don't need to make a lot of drastic moves, but you should periodically "tune up" your investment portfolio, possibly with the help of a financial professional, during regular reviews. Such a tune-up may involve any number of steps, but the main goal is to update your portfolio so it reflects where you're at in life – your goals, risk tolerance, earnings and family situation.

Protect yourself from bumps in the road. All serious bicyclists – and all bicyclists serious about keeping their heads intact – wear helmets when they are riding, because they know the dangers of rough terrain. Likewise, you need to protect yourself from the bumps in the road that could impede your progress toward your objectives. For starters, life insurance can help your family meet some essential needs – pay the mortgage, educate children, and so on in case something were to happen to you. And you may need disability insurance to replace your income temporarily if you became injured or ill and can't work for a while. Also, you might want long-term care insurance, which can help you guard against the potentially catastrophic costs of an extended stay in a nursing home or the services of a home health care worker.

Don't stop pedaling. When going long distances, bicyclists ride through rain, wind, sun and mosquitoes. They elude angry motorists and they change flat tires. In short, they persist in reaching their destinations. As an investor, you will pursue some goals that you may not reach until far in the future, such as a comfortable retirement, so you too need to demonstrate determination and persistence by continuing to invest, in good markets and bad, through unsettling political and global events – and even despite your own occasional doubts.

Whether you're an avid cyclist or not, following these principles can help keep your financial wheels moving along the road to your goals.

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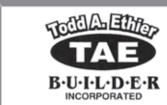


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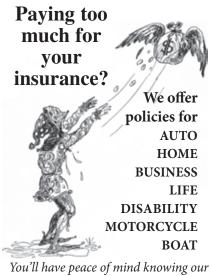
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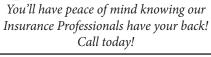
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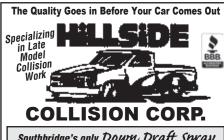


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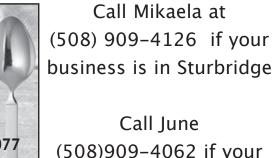
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Saturday, June 8

STURBRIDGE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE ANNUAL CAUCUS: The SDTC will hold its annual Caucus on Saturday, June 8 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Sturbridge Senior Center, 480 Main St., Sturbridge, The purpose of the Caucus is to elect delegates to the Massachusetts Democratic Convention to be held on Saturday, September 14th in Springfield at the Mass Mutual Center. The Caucus is open to all registered Sturbridge Democrats (you may register at the event). Doors and Registration open at 9 a.m. For more information, refer to: https://www. facebook.com/sturbridge.dem.town. committee/.

Thursday, June 27

ANIMAL ADVENTURES: 6 p.m., Holland Public Library, 23 Sturbridge Rd. Hear interesting stories and information about eight different animals, including an alligator and two exotics (such as a mountain coati, kinkajou, bush baby or lemur). Audience participation, controlled petting and touching is allowed at the discretion of the Animal Adventure Guide. A fun and unique learning experience to be enjoyed by all! All ages are welcome! Thank you to the Holland Cultural Council and

the Massachusetts Cultural Council for sponsoring this event!

June 27-Aug. 17

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES SUMMER READING PROGRAM: Holland Public Library, 23 Holland Rd. Weekly prizes, special programs and a grand prize drawing! Registration begins at our kick-off program on June 27.

Sunday, June 30

ALBANIAN DAY PICNIC: Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church will hold its annual Albanian Day Picnic on Sunday, June 30 noon to 5:30 p.m., on the church grounds, 126 Morris St., Southbridge. The Albanian Day Picnic will feature shish-kabab, traditional pies, such as spinach, leek, sauerkraut, and squash, baklava, date-filled cookies, twist cookies, and other Albanian dessert specialties. Ethnic music will be provided by the Mosaic Ensemble. The public is invited. The picnic will be held rain or shine and admission is free. This event is sponsored in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Wednesday, July 24

HAND-CRAFTED HOOKED RUG SHOW: Noon-7 p.m., Publick House, 227 Main St., Sturbridge. Free admission. Come see the artistry of handhooked rugs by the members of the Pearl K. McGown Northern Teachers Workshop.

ONGOING

CHARLTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 391 meets every fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Charlton Grange Hall. All veterans are welcome. We'd love to see you. We sponsor Boy Scout Troop 165, as well as three Boys Staters & assist young men interested in attending the State Police summer school. We also assist the Charlton Little League financially, as well as other things such as veteran's wakes & funerals. There's plenty we can still do to help our community.

"A CARING PLACE" MEMORY CAFÉ: A Memory Café is a place where people living with a cognitive related illness or injury such as; Parkinson's, Dementia, Alzheimer's, PTSD, autism and any other related illness or injury can go with their loved ones (often their caregivers), and spend quality time together away from the negativity and stigma that often accompanies this. A Memory Café is a safe judge free and fun place for people to go where they can be themselves and enjoy the company of loved ones and never have to worry about what others are thinking. We will never ask for a diagnosis and anyone from any town or city and any age are welcome. We only ask that all guests have a caregiver with them and that the guest has a cognitive related illness or injury. Staff is not responsible for the personal care of any guest. We are accepting to any level of ability and always welcome new people. Our Memory Café is run on donations and sponsors. Light refreshments are often served. Our atmosphere is geared toward fun yet comfortable and always safe. Our Café often hosts singers, dancers and performers who will help bring back old memories and days gone by. Our Café also hosts fun interactive activities but never educational events; we feel this should be a fun time spent together. Please see the upcoming scheduled events coming to our Memory Café over the next few months. Signups are encouraged. We are open the first Wednesday of each month from 3-5 p.m.

BUSINESS NETWORKING: Join us for a FREE Business Networking Meeting! Thursdays - 7am at Old Sturbridge Village Oliver Wight Tavern - Grecian Room, 1 Old Sturbridge Village Rd, Sturbridge, For more info call Tia @ 774-200-6740

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Please come join us for a fun evening of exercise and basketball at the Heritage School gym in Charlton. We play pickup basketball from 7-9 PM every Monday evening from September to June based on the school schedule. There are no set teams and participation is free for women 18 years and older. Please contact Deb at 508-248-3600 for more information

Pilgrimage to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje

St. Joseph's Church in Charlton is sponsoring a Pilgrimage Sept. 29- Oct. 9, 2019 to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje with Fr. Robert Grattatori. The cost is \$4,599; 11 days includes 4-5 star hotels, airfare, luxury transportation, and breakfast/dinner daily. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. Please contact parishioner Dr. Karen Zaleski for trip details at karenzaleski42@gmail.com or you may call Proximo Travel directly for information and to register at 1-855-842-8001, or 508-340-9370.

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

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of coin collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

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

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

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Traditional open AA meetings in a friendly setting. Come early to chat and share in refreshments. Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m., Hitchcock Academy, Brimfield.

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SEN-I JUDO CLUB: This course runs all year long on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield, and is well suited for all levels of practitioners, including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez at (413) 279-4330 for more information.

FAMILY FOUNDATIONS 5: PLAYGROUP: This free program for preschool-aged children is sponsored by the Union 61 Family Foundation 5 Grant. 9-11 a.m. Mondays while school is in session until May at Hitchcock Academy, Brimfield. Pre-register your child by calling Karen Distefano at (508) 867-2232 or e-mailing union61cfce@tantasqua.org.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: Traditional Weight Watchers Meetings Monday evenings at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield. Times: WeighIn/Registration 5:30 p.m., meeting 6 p.m. Leader: Angela Kramer. Visit www.weightwatchers. com to become a member or to learn more about Weight Watchers.

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GRANDPARENTS IN THE KNOW: Grandparents with custody of their grandchildren meet on the first Tuesday of the month from 9-10:30 a.m. at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield.

GENEALOGY RESEARCH ABC'S: We all know something about our families — it's what we don't know that's intriguing. Genealogical research is becoming very popular, and for good reason. You might be living right next door to a third cousin twice removed! The research can be simple, or it can be a real challenge. "ABC's" will guide you along the right path with tips on research on- and offline. If you would like to have a conversation with your own great grandparents, then your job is to tell your family story to hand down to your descendants. Four classes at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield beginning Tuesday, Jan. 22. Instructor: Dave Robinson, Old Bones Genealogy of New England.

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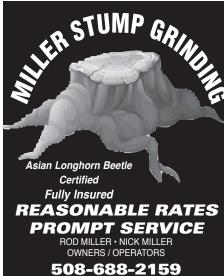
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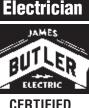
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A common trend as Bay Path falls just short, this time to Assabet

BY NICK ETHIER

NORTHBOROUGH — Amid this rain-soaked high school spring sports season, the Bay Path Regional varsity baseball team has endured the elements and fought hard, only to fall a run or two short many times. The Minutemen, who still hadn't hosted a game at their high school field as of press time, squared off with Assabet Valley at the New England Baseball Complex on Monday,



Third baseman Dylan Brien of Bay Path sees the ball into his glove while making a clean play in the infield.



Cam Stisitis of Bay Path hustles as fast as he can down the first base line.

May 13, as the Aztecs' field also wasn't suitable for play.

The rain began to fall, again, and Bay Path ultimately lost another close decision, again. This time the Minutemen were eked out by the Aztecs, 3-2, as they lost their fourth one-run game of the

"We're just not hitting in key opportunities," said Bay Path head coach Mark Sansoucy. "We had guys on, we just can't bring them in.

"I'm a little frustrated at this point; the talent is there. The pitching's been great, we just don't hit in key opportunities," added Sansoucy.

The Minutemen mustered seven hits and ended up stranding eight runners on base, all over the course of the final four innings. All this was happening as Bay Path's Nate Shoemaker was pitching to the best of his ability. Shoemaker tossed all six innings and gave up three runs — none earned — on five hits to go along with three strikeouts and one walk.

"He pitched great. He couldn't have done much better. They scored on a couple of errors. He absolutely deserved to win," Sansoucy said of Shoemaker, the game's hard-luck loser.

Assabet struck for a run first in the bottom of the third inning when Justin Giusti led off with a single and advanced to second base on a coinciding throwing error. A pair of groundouts to second base moved Giusti over to third and then home, as Andrew Smith was credited with the RBI groundout.

Bay Path tied the game in the top of the fifth, though, when Dom Esposito stepped to the plate with the bases loaded and one out. Dylan Brien, Andrew Leache and Andrew Fritze had all singled for Esposito, who grounded one to second base. Fritze was out on the force play, but Esposito beat the throw and Brien came around to score.

The Minutemen nearly took the lead in the top of the sixth when Shoemaker (3-for-4) got to third base, but he remained stranded on the bag. The Aztecs then took advantage in the home half, scoring twice.

Tyler Dossas opened the inning by reaching on a two-base error. Tyler Boucher (2-for-3) then plated him with an RBI triple and Boucher later scored when Isaac Wagner reached base on an

Bay Path, again, had its chances in the top of the seventh when Wagner



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Nate Shoemaker has a pitch fly off his fingertips and toward an Assabet

Assabet's starter — got wild. Brien walked, Fritze hit a one-out fielder's choice, and Esposito and Erik Johnson (2-for-3) both walked to load the bases and end Wagner's day.

Dossas stepped in to toe the rubber and Shoemaker greeted him with a chopper that maybe went 30 feet. But Fritze scored from third and Shoemaker was safe at first to make it 3-2. But Dossas got Cam Stisitis to fly out to right field to end the game.

The Aztecs are now an impressive 12-2, while Bay Path slipped to 6-8.

"We have our work cut out," Sansoucy said of potentially qualifying for the Central Mass. Division 3 Tournament, where a record of 10-10 or better will be required. "We've got to get four more wins to keep playing."
The spring of 2010 was the

Minutemen's last time not playing postseason baseball.

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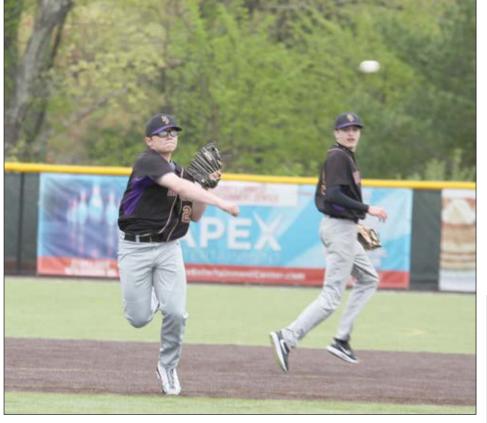
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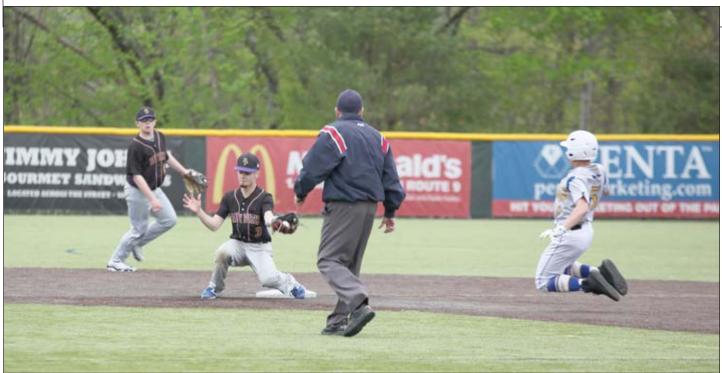
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Bay Path shortstop John Schramm makes the play on the run and throws the ball over to first base to record an out.



Bay Path second baseman Andrew Fritze catches the ball with plenty of time to spare, but it hops up on him as Assabet's Tyler Boucher slides safely into second base with a steal.

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SPORTS

Oxford takes control in later innings to take care of 'letdown' Minutemen



Bay Path catcher Izzy Tanacea employs a laser-like focus to control the ball and attempt to throw Oxford's Bella Auclair out at first base.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — In a game that started out as a pitchers' duel but turned into a slugfest — for one team, anyway — the Oxford High varsity softball squad defeated Bay Path Regional, 11-1, behind another all-around solid performance by junior Crystal Nelson and a productive day at the plate from her classmate, Sam Meech.

The Pirates improved to 7-5 with the win, while the Minutemen dropped to 8-5. The game was played at Allen Field in Charlton, which is located directly behind the library in the center of town.

After staking her team to a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning with a two-run homer her seventh round-tripper of the season — Nelson (home run, double, single, three RBI) struggled through the bottom of the first in the pitching circle. Sophomore Kyleigh Sutherland led off Bay Path's half of the first by walking. She then stole second and came home to make it 2-1 when the next batter, freshman Izzy Tanacea, poked an RBI single into right field.

Up next for the Minutemen was senior Kathryn Ryan, who hit a sharp grounder to Oxford shortstop Skyla Hodsdon, who forced Tanacea out at second base and then threw to first to complete the double play. Nelson finished off the inning with a strikeout of freshman Paige Osche, her first of four punch-outs in the game.

"Crystal's been pitching great this year and she had a great warm-up so it was a little surprising that she was a little

bit off early but, like always, she settled down and came back even stronger," Meech said. "The double play was big for her and for us. Usually when we get that one big play we're in it for the rest of the same."

Nelson finished the complete game win allowing just four singles and two walks.

The Pirates made it 3-1 in the top of the third inning. With two out Nelson double to left field and then scored when Meech (two singles, two RBI) belted an RBI single to left field. Oxford added another run in the top of the fifth. Eighthgrader C.C. Gendron reached on a bunt single with one out, stole second base and scored to give the Pirates a 4-1 lead on an RBI single by Nelson.

Oxford increased its lead to 6-1 in the top of the sixth, senior Hannah Buxton opening the frame with a double to right field. Freshman Audrey Hayes was up next and she was awarded first after being hit by a Sarah Gosselin pitch. Both runners ended up scoring on a Bay Path error.

The Pirates closed out the scoring in the top of the seventh inning, scoring five runs on four hits, two walks, an error and a wild pitch. Big hits in the inning were an RBI single by Meech, a two-run double by junior Bella Auclair and a two-RBI single by sophomore Bella Buxton.

Meech said an early-season adjustment in her mechanics at the plate has allowed her to string some quality at-bats together.

"Hitting-wise the season was a little rocky at the beginning but it's getting better; I've kind of picked it up at the plate. I've been working on my swing all season," Meech said. "I've been focused on getting my hands back in the box and driving through the zone. I, personally, hit the outside pitch better so I look for that. I'm a little picky on the inside ones. My hits today came on low and outside pitches."

Oxford recorded two stolen bases and two walks in the game and also benefitted from three Bay Path errors and two wild pitches. All of that traffic on the bases allowed Oxford head coach Jamie Hetherman to go to his bread-and-butter, small-ball approach.

"I love playing small-ball; the key is to put the ball in play," Hetherman said. "Once you do that they have to field it, transfer it and then throw it to first. That's hard to do sometimes. And then when you add the pressure of our first two girls [Gendron and Hodsdon] running hard right out of the box, it sometimes causes the other team to make mistakes and when they do that we've got a runner or runners on with the big part of our lineup coming up."

After the game Bay Path head coach Rick Carrero was disappointed by his team's performance against the Pirates.

"This was the worst game we played all season. It was horrible; there's no excuse," Carrero said. "It seemed like we were flat and we played scared; nobody wanted to make a mistake. We were just really bad today. We're not a team that loses 11-1 to a team like Oxford. This was not us. This was a complete letdown."



Jason Mckay photos

Izzy Tanacea of Bay Path gets the end of her bat on the ball with a powerful swing.



Bay Path's Kyleigh Sutherland watches while bunting the ball into play.



Bay Path's Paige Osche fields the ball and throws it back toward the infield



Sarah Gosselin of Bay Path fields her position inside the pitching circle cleanly and throws over to Trish Gallien at first base for an out.

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Rams win pair of tennis matchups

May 9

Shepherd Hill 3, Tantasqua 2 — The visiting Rams edged the Warriors in a girls' tennis matchup. Shepherd Hill's winners were Samantha Gevry (No. 1 singles), Panayiota Veronis (No. 3 singles) and Muska Patel/Louisa Foisy (No. 2 doubles), while Ava DeBruin (No. 2 singles) and Ava Cooper/Nina Ellison (No. 1 doubles) took care of business for Tantasqua.

Shepherd Hill 3, Grafton 2 — Ryan Moore (No. 1 singles), Ben Martin-Jaffee/Andrew Kalunian (No. 1 doubles) and Niko Goulas/Declan Cronin (No. 2 doubles) were all victorious for the Rams in their boys' tennis victory over the visiting Indians.



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OBITUARIES

June "Junie" Octavia Oakes



Octavia (Gaviorno) Oakes, Charlton, passed peacefully on May 2, 2019. Born in Pittsfield, MA, she was the daughter of Alexander and Wilhelmina (Martin) Gaviorno. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert N. Oakes in 1974.

CHARLTON- June

June graduated from Pittsfield High School, Becker Junior College (Business and Journalism), the Lee

Institute (Real Estate) and the Reisch World Wide College of Auctioneering. She was the office manager for Curboy's Auto of Sturbridge for over 33 years, retiring at the age of 75.

In her own unique way June was a renaissance woman and very independent. In college she and some women in her dorm defied an order to not wear shorts outside by dressing in shorts and rolled up tee shirts. They then frolicked on the lawn. She made sure they were photographed for the record. Over the years she also wrote many critical letters to reporters and editors and to various politicians demanding they 'right' what she thought were wrongs. Once, when her refund was late, she wrote the IRS asking if it had "run out of money" and received an apology.

She became a real estate agent and an auctioneer. For years she and Lyman Hall of Dudley, MA operated Hall & Oakes Auctions conducting estate and weekly hometown auctions in "the red barn" in Dudley.

She raced pigeons - becoming a

Champion flyer in the former Worcester Homing Pigeon Club. Her secret, she said, was to talk to each bird, encouraging them to fly home quickly. She was the 'Pigeon Whisperer'. Once an International pigeon buyer came from Taiwan to buy one of her champion pigeons.

She had many hobbies: playing piano; jitterbug dancing; fishing; gardening; bird watching. She had an incredible doll house collection, a full village, which she painstakingly built, sided, roofed and fully furnished from scratch.

June was known for her compassion, endless generosity, devotion to family, her ice cream addiction and the love of all things which made her smile and giggle.

She is survived by her children Kim A. Oakes, Michael R. Oakes, Bob Oakes and his wife Martha, her grandchildren: Steven, Carolyn, David, Elizabeth and Emma, her great grandchildren: David, Dennis, Lily and Michael, her sisters: Dolores Gaylord, Marilyn Scolforo and Donna Nicholson, and her brothers: Peter Gaviorno and Richard Gaviorno. She was predeceased by her siblings Gloria Messer, Glenda Kern and Alexander Gaviorno Jr.

She deeply loved all of her family and her family deeply loved and will miss

Calling hours will be on Saturday, May 25th from 1-2pm with a Memorial Service at 2pm in the Robert J. Miller-Charlton Funeral Home, 175 Old Worcester Road followed by burial at West Ridge Cemetery in Charlton.

In lieu of flowers, donations in June's memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

To leave a message of condolence please visit RJMillerfunerals.net

Irene M. Donais, age 100



SOUTHBRIDGE-Irene M. (Giroux) Donais, age 100, died Sunday, May 5, 2019, at Saint Mary's Health Care Center in Worcester. husband was the late Norman A. Donais who died in January

She is survived by her 2 daughters and son in laws Judith and Brian O'Hearn of W. Boylston, and Jo Ann and Paul LeBlanc of Charlton, daughter in law Debra Donais of Goffstown. NH and 6 grandchildren Sean O'Hearn and his significant partner Jennifer Piper; Ashley (O'Hearn) and her husband William Spradley all of Worcester; Nicole (LeBlanc) and her husband John Bissell; Michael LeBlanc and his wife Katelyn all of Charlton, Monique Donais Picard and Jennifer Donais both

She was predeceased by her son Jeffrey Donais of Goffstown, who died in 2017, her sister Therese Reynolds, and 9 brothers Armand, William, Raymond, Alfred, Emile, Germain, Rosaire, Roland and Gerard.

Mrs. Donais was born in Southbridge, daughter of Joseph N. and Hermine

(LaFleche) Giroux. She was a member of St. John Paul II Parish, and its Ladies of St. Anne Sodality. She retired from the American Optical Co, and previously worked at Conrad's Furniture. Mrs. Donais enjoyed reading, knitting, baking and was a member of the Casaubon Senior Center.

A calling hour was held from 9:30-10:30AM, Thursday, May 9th, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA followed by the Mass at 11AM at Notre Dame Church, 446 Main Street, Southbridge. Burial followed at New Notre Dame Cemetery, N. Woodstock Rd. Southbridge.

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Marion Campbell Dowell, 90

CHARLTON-Marion (Fuller) Campbell Dowell, 90, passed comfortably with family close by on April 30,2019, at The Overlook Masonic Healthcare in Charlton.

of Goffstown, NH, 13 great-grandchil-

dren, and many nieces and nephews.

She leaves her husband of 44 1/2 years, William A. Dowell. Her first husband was the late David P. Campbell who died in 1970.

She is survived by her sons, L'Isle Campbell of Westborough, and Bradford Campbell of Sturbridge, and her daughter, Patricia (Dowell) Merrill and her husband Richard, of Southbridge. She is also survived by 6 grandchildren, Ann Campbell Brazee and her husband Brian; Bradford Campbell and his wife Kelley; Kaitlyn Merrill; Jenna Merrill Herzog and her husband Andrew; Scott Campbell and Robert Campbell; several great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Dorothy McDougald of Clermont, FL; and Alice Miller of S. Grafton; and a brother, Douglas Fuller, of Norwich, CT. She was predeceased by her son, Craig Campbell, of Virginia Beach, VA; and her sisters, Marjorie Clayton, of

Dowletown TN; and Winifred Tight, of

Holden.

Mrs. Dowell was born in Rocky Hill, CT, daughter of Merton and Edith (Griggs) Fuller. She graduated from Classical High School in Worcester, and retired as the church secretary at the First Congregational Church of Sterling where she worked for many years. She enjoyed sewing, singing, and playing the organ, but mostly loved spending time with family.

A Memorial Service ,which is open to family and friends, will be held at

11 AM, May 18th, 2019 at the James C. Nicoll, Jr. Chapel at the Overlook Masonic Health Care Center, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton, MA 01507. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 is assisting the family with the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you kindly consider making memorial donations in Marion's name to either the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or the American Cancer Society, 3 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Juan A. Padro, 79

CHARLTON- Juan A. Padro age 79 passed away Monday, May 6, 2019 at Rose Monahan Hospice, Worcester. He is survived by his wife of forty-eight years, Jane F. (Moynagh) Padro, two sons; Jaun Padro of Denver, CO and Miguel Padro of Ambler, PA two grandchildren Wesley and Josephine. He also leave a brother Santin Padro of Maricao, Puerto Rico, and a sister, Milagros Julia of San Juan Puerto Rico. He was born in Vauco, Puerto Rico son of the late Santin Padro and Maria (Perez) Padro and living here for 48 years. He was US Army Veteran. He was a graduate of University of Puerto Rico and was very proud of his fraternity, Alpha Beta Chi. Juan was employed

as a field advocate for the US Dept. of Labor and also was involved with FEMA. Some of his joys were family, gardening, cooking and horses. A Celebration of Life will be announced. There will also be

second celebration in Puerto Rico. There are no calling hours. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Lyle Favreau

Burial and Prayer Service June 1, 2019 at 10:30 am West Ridge Cemetery Charlton, MA

Reception to follow at the Charlton Beagle Club 103 Bond Rd, Charlton, MA 01507

Frank R. Cassano Jr., 62

PAXTON- Frank R. Cassano Jr. age 62 died Saturday, May 4, 2019. He is survived by four brothers; Steven, Joseph of Webster, Robert of Hubbardston and James and his wife Carrina, a sister Cheryl Prescott and her husband Russell of Barre, several nieces, nephews and cousins. He also leaves his mother, Phyllis E. (Rowland) Cassano Jason of Inverness, FL. He was born in Worcester son of Phyllis and the late Frank R. Cassano Sr. He lived in Paxton for the past 25 years, prior to that living in Hubbardston. He was a

self-employed carpenter. He enjoyed golf and his cat Tanzy. There are no calling hours, services are private. Please omit flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, 111 Young Rd. E. Brookfield, MA 01515. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

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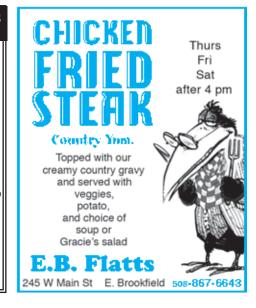
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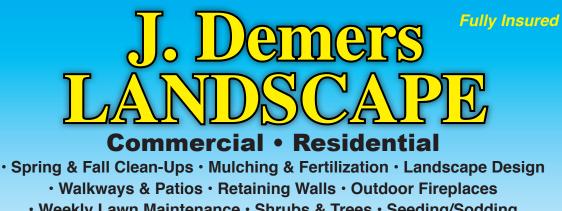






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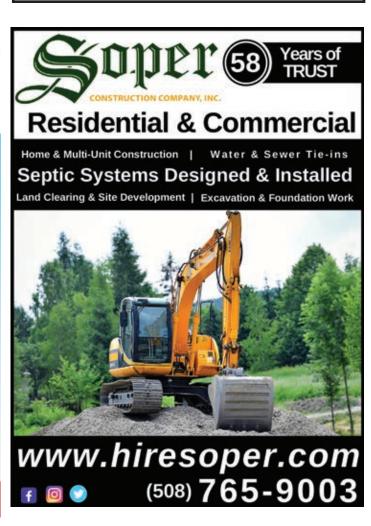
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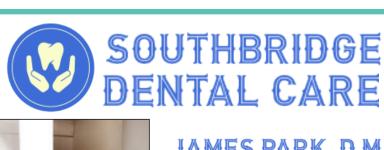
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WEBSTER - 28 Colonial Rd! Immaculately THOMPSON Oversized 2 Car Garage! This Home is Loaded w/Quality & Detail! Quick Closing No Problem! Don't Delay! **\$1,199,000.00**



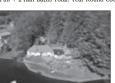
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Possible Plans! 4+Rooms! Open Floor Plan!
Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath wDble Vanity!
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CHARLTON — 105' WATERFRONT! Baker Pond! 63 Lincoln Point Rd! East Facing = Beautiful Sun Rises! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Beautiful 1/2 Acre Lot w/Lawn to Water's Edge! 2 Story Entry Foyer! Natural Woodwork! Open Fir Plan! Appliance Granite Kit w/Isl, Recessed Lighting, Tile Flr & Water View! Tiled Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Sunken Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Flr & Water Views! Din Rm w/Hrdwd! 1/2 Bath w/Pedestal Sink! 2nd Flr w/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Water Views! Master w/Cathedrals French Dr to Balcony, Bath w/Skylight & Separate Tub/Shower, Walk-in Closet & Laundry! Hall Full Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/31' Fam Rm! Full Kitchen! Full Bath & Laundry! Enjoy Outside from the Farmer's Porch, Deck, Patio, Screened Porch or Dock! 2 Car Garage! Full Recreational Use! Enjoy for the Summer! \$624,900.00



WEBSTER LAKE - 39 Bates Point! Panoramic Views of South Pond! Southern Exp! Park Like Grounds! Extensive Patio, Paver Walkways & Perennial Gardens! 18X24 Covered Composite Deck, w/vinyl Railings! 90' U-Shaped Dock! Beautiful 7 Rm A/C'D Ranch! 14,549' Level Lot! Lake Facing Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/Gas Frplace, Maple Hrdwd Flrs, Custom Granite Wet Bar wMaple Cabinetry! Applianced Granite Kit wMaple Cabinets & Porcelain Tile Flr! Formal Din Rm wCathedral Ceiling, Skylight & Birch Flooring! 20' Master wCathedral Ceiling, Skylight, Ceiling Fans, Walk-in Closet & Dble Closet! Birthm wTrawertine Flr, Dble Granite Vanity, Custom Tile Shower, Linen Closet & Cathedral Ceiling wSkylight! Entry Foyer/ Mud Rm wTile Floor! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w2 Bdrms, 1 Lake Facing! Liv Area wWet Bar & Frig! Full Bathrm! Laundry Rm! Work Shop & Storage! 26X32 Detached Garage w/2 Stalls & 2nd Flr Storage! Start Packing! \$749,900.00





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THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE



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WEBSTER - 44 BRODEUR AVE



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WEBSTER - 5 JACKSON ROAD

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WEBSTER LAKE - 32 JACKSON RD



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comfortable floor plan which includes a large kitchen with a center island and open

eating area. The living room conveniently opens to the kitchen and large front deck for entertaining, relaxing, and endless views of the waterfront. There are 3 good

is the terminal relations and entires were on the water front. Here are 3 goods sixed bedrooms including TWO with attached full bathrooms. There is a thirf dill bathroom centrally located for guests and a laundry room adjacent to the kitchen for easy access. One of the bedrooms also has a separate, private end deck for

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The Overlook Vista Adult Day Program

88 Masonic Hill Rd., Charlton, MA 01507

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VOLUNTEER DRIVE for Stephen Mandile for Selectman Uxbridge, 8am-Noon Route 16 & 122, Uxbridge. Closest landmark: Koopman Hardware, 12 Douglas Street, Uxbridge. Contact: ann@jointvco.com

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SUNDAY, MAY 19

VOLUNTEER DRIVE for Stephen Mandile for Selectman Uxbridge, 8am-12pm Route 16 &

122, Uxbridge. Closest landmark: Koopman Hardware, 12 Douglas Street, Uxbridge Contact: ann@jointvco.com

TUESDAY, MAY 21

VOLUNTEER DRIVE for Stephen Mandile for Selectman Uxbridge, 7am-8pm Uxbridge High School, 62 Capron Street, Uxbridge Contact: ann@jointvco.com

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

FREE DINNER - RESERVE TODAY! You And A Guest Are Invited For A Retirement Strategies Dinner Presentation. 6pm Protecting Your Wealth From A Stock Market Down Turn Rules on Countable & Non-Countable Assets For Medicaid Planning. How To Mitigate or Even Eliminate Paying Excessive Taxes, Updated Rules On Social Security Filing Strategies. Efficiently Transfer Retirement Assets. And Leave A Tax-Free Legacy, AND SO MUCH MORE. Seating is Limited. A \$25 Gas Card Will Be Drawn. Spencer Country Inn, 'Glass Room' 500 Main Street, Spencer, MA 0156 To Register, Call (508) 796-3902 or Online https://sites.google.com/view/ theretirementwiz

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

WEST BROOKFIELD ANNUAL FLEA MARKET ON THE COMMON Sponsored by the First Congregational Church of West Brookfield New format-no fence or admission charge for public. Come visit, find treasures, and eat at food trucks! Vendors set up at 5:30 - 7:30 a.m. Flea Market opens at 8 a.m., closes at 2 p.m. \$40 for a 20 x 20 Space - No electricity available. To receive an application, email: FCCofWBfleamarket@gmail.com Or call: 508-867-3241

FRIDAY, JUNE 21



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ALBANIAN DAY PICNIC St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church



will hold its annual Albanian Day Picnic. The Albanian Day Picnic will feature shish-kabab, traditional pies, such as spinach, leek,

sauerkraut, and squash, baklava, date-filled cookies, twist cookies, and other Albanian dessert specialties. Ethnic music will be provided by the Mosaic Ensemble. The public is invited. The picnic will be held rain or shine and admission is free. Noon to 5:30 p.m., on the church grounds, 126 Morris Street, Southbridge, MA This event is sponsored in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13,

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER An interactive dinner theater The Fashionable Murders. 6:30 pm Join us for a laugh-filled night, a great dinner, and a mystery we need help solving.

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Pressure Ulcers Cost U.S. Healthcare \$10.2 Billion and Contribute to Nearly 29,000 Hospital Deaths Each Year

BY MARGARET DOUCETTE. D.O.

(NAPS)—American healthcare, renowned for pioneering new technology to save lives, has all but ignored one of the most costly and deadly Hospital-Acquired Conditions (HACs), which the federal government defines as preventable patient injuries.

While the number of other HACs has decreased by 8 percent, pressure ulcers have been resistant to improvement efforts. They continue to grow by 10 percent annually.

Pressure ulcers are both costly and

The U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) reports that pressure ulcers add \$10.2 billion to U.S. healthcare costs. As the chart above shows, pressure ulcers are associated with more than 45 percent of the nation's 63,619 HAC-related deaths and are the leading contributor to HACrelated deaths.

Costly, deadly problem

Averaging the impact among the nation's 5,534 hospitals means that each will treat more than 127 pressure ulcers, write off more than \$1.8 million in unreimbursed treatment costs and see more than five pressure ulcer patients die every year.

Medicine has wrestled with the problem of pressure ulcers for generations. Their prevention relies on physically moving or turning a patient at frequent intervals to relieve pressure on different parts of the body. Unfortunately, turning a patient can slip on the priority list of busy hospital staff.

Technology that monitors patient movement and notifies nurses when a patient needs to be turned exists and is available throughout the United States. Dozens of studies presented in public medical forums demonstrate that a wearable patient-monitoring technology helps hospitals prevent pressure ulcers, reduce their medical costs and

save lives. These studies all monitored patients at risk for pressure ulcers using the Leaf Patient Monitoring System, the only system on the market designed exclusively to help providers prevent pressure ulcers.

One randomized trial of more than 1,200 patients at a large California academic medical center concluded that the pressure ulcer incidence rate was 74 percent lower among patients monitored by the wearable monitoring sys-

Tech can save lives, money

Applying the same rate of reduction to the national problem, the deployment of wearable technology could save more than 21,000 lives and nearly \$7.5 billion in unreimbursed healthcare costs each year. For the average hospital, that would mean \$1.36 million in annual savings.

Technology can help our understaffed clinical teams reduce the risk of very preventable pressure ulcers. For the sake of our patients' well-being-and our healthcare institutions' financial stability—we need to seriously consider the benefits new technology can pro-

• Margaret Doucette, D.O. is chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the Boise VA Medical Center, where she oversees wound prevention and care efforts. The founder and former medical director of the Elks/St. Luke's Wound Care Center and a co-founder of the Idaho Pressure Ulcer Prevention Coalition, Dr. Doucette has been instrumental in developing wound care programs across the continuum of care in Idaho. She is published and presents nationally and internationally. She is adjunct faculty at several universities and a clinical associate professor at the University of Washington.

Pressure ulcers present a problem to many patients.

Hospital-Acquired Condition (HAC)	Total number in 2016	Excess mortality rate (95% CI)	Estimated HAC-related deaths / year	% of total HAC-related deaths / year
Pressure Ulcers / Injuries	704,906	0.041	28,901	45.4
Falls	218,399	0.05	10,920	17.2
Adverse Drug Effects	845,400	0.012	10,145	15.9
Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections	175,032	0.036	6,301	9.9
Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia	24,194	0.14	3,387	5.3
Surgical Site Infections	73,212	0.026	1,904	3.0
Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infections	5,848	0.15	877	1.4
(Post-Op) Venous Thromboembolisms	20,103	0.043	864	1.4
OB Adverse Events	64,077	0.005	320	0.05



FACILITIES COORDINATOR TOWN OF STURBRIDGE

The Town of Sturbridge is seeking applicants for a full-time, salaried position of Facilities Coordinator for several of the Town's municipal buildings, excluding the schools. Ideal candidates will have strong organizational skills, be able to multi task, have experience with project coordination, handling emergencies, long range planning skills and supervisory responsibilities.

This position will be responsible for establishing proper preventive maintenance schedules, policies and procedures as well as the coordination of the staff and contractors involved with the maintenance of public buildings.

The Town of Sturbridge offers an excellent benefits package and a salary not to exceed \$65,000/year DOQ.

> For a full description, go to the Job Opportunities link at www.town.sturbridge.ma.us.

Submit resumes and cover letters no later than May 30, 2019 to:

The Town Administrators Office, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566. Or email to jbridges@town.sturbridge.ma.us.

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LEGALS

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE INVITIATION TO BID DRAINAGE PIPING & MISCELLANEOUS ROAD SUP-PLIES, - FISCAL YEAR 2020

The Town of Sturbridge, Massachusetts is accepting sealed bids for Drainage Piping & Miscellaneous Road Supplies in accordance with the specifications established by the Town at the Office of the Town Administrator, Town Hall, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566 until

11:40 am local time for Piping & Miscellaneous Materials (Sections VI,- XII) on May 30, 2019, and at the time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Each bid must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked

"Piping & Miscellaneous Materials Bid" with Date and Time of Bid Opening and Section Number. A bid bond of 5% of the estimated value bid is required for items included in Section VI.

Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Highway Department during normal working hours from 7:30am to 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm, Monday - Friday. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after the opening thereof. The Town of Sturbridge reserves the right to waive any informality, and reserves the right to reject any and all bids, wholly, or in part, and to accept any bid or part thereof, deemed by it to be in the best interest of the Town. Successful bidder must comply with all the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 149, and Sections 26-27F. The requirements of weekly certified payroll will be monitored closely.

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE Jeff Bridges Town Administrator May 10, 2019 May 17, 2019

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE* INVITIATION TO BID* GOODS & SERVICES-FISCAL YEAR 2020

The Town of Sturbridge, Massachusetts is accepting sealed bids for Paving & Road Materials in accordance with the specifications established by the Town at the Office of the Town Administrator, Town Hall, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566 until 10:30 am local time for Paving & Road Materials (Sections I,-V) on May 30,2019, and at the time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Each bid must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked "GOODS & SERVICES" w/Date and Time of Bid Opening and Section Number. A bid bond of 5% of the estimated value bid is required for items included in Sections I and II.

Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Highway Department during normal working hours from 7:30 am to 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm, Monday -

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TOWN OF STURBRIDGE Jeff Bridges **Town Administrator** May 10, 2019 May 17, 2019

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE INVITATION TO BID CONCRETE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT - FY2020*

The Town of Sturbridge, Massachusetts is accepting sealed bids for Concrete Sidewalk Replacement in accordance with the specifications established by the town, at the Office of the Town Administrator. Town Hall. 308 Main Street., Sturbridge, MA until 12:00PM local time on May 30, 2019 and at the time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Each bid must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked "Concrete Sidewalk

Replacement" Date and Time of Bid Opening.

Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Highway Department during regular working hours between 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM and 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM Monday Friday.

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of the town. Successful bidder must comply with all provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 149, Section 26-27F. The requirements of weekly certified payroll will be monitored closely.

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE Jeff Bridges Town Administrator May 10, 2019 May 17, 2019

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE INVITATION TO BID HIGHWAY RENTAL EQUIPMENT FISCAL YEAR 2020

The Town of Sturbridge, Massachusetts is accepting sealed bids for Rental Equipment. Appropriately marked bids will be received, publicly opened and read in the Office of the Town Administrator, Town Hall, 308 Main St., Sturbridge, MA on May 30, 2019 at 11:20am for the following equipment to be rented as needed during Fiscal Year

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Rubber Tire Tractor Mounted Backhoe 3/8 yd.

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Tree Removal - hourly with Truck & Chipper **Bucket Truck without Chipper** Stump Grinder Hourly Rate/Daily Min-

imum Tub Grinder Hourly Rate/Daily Mini-

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Screening Plant (req. topsoil 1" <, Gravel 3"<) Hourly Rate/Daily Minimum Pavement Reclamation (full depth) without Grader & Operator

Pavement Reclamation (full depth) with Grader & Operator

Roller 5 ton Roller 10 ton Roadside Mowing

Asphalt Milling Hydraulic Hammer Jaw Crusher

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or equal list 2wheel or 4 wheel drive Wheeled Skid Loader Bobcat S130 Operating weight 5,000-6,000 or equal Provisions of the M.G.L. Chap. 49, sections 26-27F must be considered when submitting bids. Bids must be submitted on forms that are available from the Office of the Highway Department during normal working hours

Selectmen reserve the right to waive any informality in the bids, to re-bid any item at their discretion, to reject any or all bids and to make awards in the manner deemed in the best interest of the Town of Sturbridge.

from 7:30am to 12:00pm and 12:30pm

to 3:00pm, Monday — Friday.

TOWN OF STURBRIDGE Jeff Bridges Town Administrator May 10, 2019 May 17, 2019

Public Hearing Notice In accordance with the provisions of

Chapter 40A, Section 11, M.G.L. the Brimfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing, on the following: The Brimfield Planning Board will

be holding a Site Plan Review Public Hearing for Woloshchuk Enterprises Inc. for the proposed project of a commercial building and parking lot, which is located at Lots 2 & 3 Palmer Road (parcel id: Map #10 Block# C, Lot 1.12 & 1.13) on June 5, 2019 at the Brimfield Town Hall (21 Main Street) at 8:15pm.

Anyone interested in more information or wishing to be heard on the application can contact the Brimfield Planning Board or appear at the time and place designated above. A copy

of the application may be inspected at the Planning Board Office in the Town Hall, please call 413-245-4100 x153 or email planning@brimfieldma.org. May 17, 2019 May 24, 2019

NOTICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING REGARDING PROPOSAL OF

HEAL, INC. TO OPERATE ADULT-USE MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT AT 660 MAIN STREET, FISKDALE (STURBRIDGE), MA

Heal, Inc. ("Heal") will be hosting a Community Outreach Meeting ("the Meeting") on May 30, 2019 at 660 Main Street, Fiskdale (Sturbridge), Massachusetts at 6:00 p.m. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the Meeting, at which Heal, which is has previously been approved to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary ("RMD") at 660 Main Street, Fiskdale (Sturbridge), Massachusetts (the "Property"), will outline its proposal to apply for Marijuana Retail license at the Property pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 94G and Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, and other applicable laws and regulations promulgated thereunder, including those promulgated by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control

Information presented at the Community Outreach Meeting will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. The type of Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to be located at the Property.

2. Information adequate to demonstrate that the Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment location will be maintained securely.

3. Steps to be taken by the Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to prevent diversion to minors.

4. A plan by the Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to positively impact the community.

5. Information adequate to demonstrate that the location will not constitute a nuisance to the community by noise, odor, dust, glare, fumes, vibra-

tion, heat, or other conditions likely to cause nuisance. Members of the Sturbridge community will be encouraged to ask questions

and to engage in discussions with representatives of Heal. A copy of this notice is on file with the

office of the Town Clerk and with the office of the Planning Board, Sturbridge Town Hall, 308 Main Street, Sturbridge, Massachusetts. A copy of this notice was mailed at least seven calendar days prior to the Community Outreach Meeting to abutters of the Property, abutters to abutters within three hundred feet of the Property, and the owners of land directly opposite the Property on any public or private street or way, all as they appear on the most recent applicable tax list, notwithstanding that the land of any such owner is located in another city or town. May 17, 2019

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