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# Blackstone Valley Ed Hub producing face shields for health workers



BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI  
TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

WHITINSVILLE — As a critical need for medical personal protection equipment increases amidst the Covid-19 crisis, the local community is responding.

According to State Rep. David Muradian, the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce's Education Hub is utilizing its 3D printers to produce face shields to be donated to the Milford Regional Medical Center medical staff.

"As many of you may already be aware, the State Senate has reached out to request assistance in procurement and production of critical need medical personal protection equipment, including masks, gloves, gowns, and eye protection," the Chamber of Commerce said in a recent statement. "There is also a very critical shortage of ventilator equipment, urgent need to adapt the current equipment, including ventilators to work with more than one patient and to produce large numbers."

Milford Regional recently released a statement requesting community support "of our community as we work together to meet the growing need of medical supplies in response to Covid-19."

The greatest needs at this time include surgical procedure masks with elastic ear loops, NIOSH approved N95 masks and face shields, impervious isolation gowns, and nasopharyngeal swabs. "These critical needs have been identified as the Covid-19 crisis is beginning to accelerate in Massachusetts. The national strategic supplies have only been able to deliver to states about 10 percent of requests," the Chamber of

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# Uxbridge High School earns \$200,000 grant

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI  
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UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge High School is among 54 Massachusetts educational institutions that recently received a Skills Capital Grant award to update equipment and expand student enrollment in programs that provide career education. The school will receive \$200,000.

"Skills Capital Grants help preserve the Commonwealth's talent pipeline by funding expanded enrollment and equipment upgrades at educational institutions to provide more students with in-demand skills sought by employers," said Gov. Charlie Baker, who recently announced with Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito the \$14.6 million in grant awards that will be given across the state.

"We extend our gratitude and appreciation to the Baker-Polito administration for its continued support of our programs," said Uxbridge Superintendent of Schools Dr. Frank Tiano. "The opportunity to put industry-standard equipment in our students' hands enables them to acquire skills that make them more college and career ready."

Uxbridge High School's Innovation Pathway programs in advanced manufacturing, information science, and biomedical science give students college coursework and work experience in those fields, according to the high school. The equipment purchased with this award will further the capacity of students in design, manufacturing, and engineering with additional computer hardware, enhanced wireless access, 3D printing, and laser engraving—all technology needed to expand access to these growing programs and enable students to earn credentials in additive manufacturing, Adobe software, and engineering design.

"The Massachusetts economy is firing on all cyl-

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# Fire causes \$1.3 million in damage to local business

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI  
TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

WHITINSVILLE — Officials said a recent fire at Whitinsville-based West End Firewood resulting in \$1.3 million in damages was not intentionally set.

According to Northbridge Fire Chief David White, Northbridge Police Chief Walter Warchol, and State Fire Marshal Peter Ostroskey, a joint investigation revealed that the fire on March 23 ultimately consumed seven wood and metal buildings, several forklifts and logging trucks, and 700 cords of firewood. The fire was reported at 8:15 p.m.; the investigation found no signs of arson.

There was one minor firefighter injury, according to reports. Due to the extent of the damage and the

need to use heavy equipment to fight the fire, officials are unable to rule out at this time a number of possible accidental causes, including a spark from an acetylene torch or a welder, failure of a heat processing conveyor or a woodstove, an electrical malfunction, or the improper disposal of smoking materials.

The fire will remain officially undetermined, the Northbridge Fire Department released in a statement.

Members of the Northbridge Fire and Police Departments and State Police assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal jointly investigated this fire. The Department of Fire Services' Special Operations Unit drone was used to help document the fire scene.

West End Firewood has been in operation since 1988, according to the business' Web site. The business is located at 496 Purgatory Rd. Originally, the Northbridge Fire Department reported that upon arrival, two to three structures were "fully involved" and quickly extended to seven structures "due to the location out of the water district and the high wind condition."

A total of six alarms were sounded, which included two strike teams and one task force, the department said.

"We would like to thank the many supporting towns and Firefighters & First Responders for helping us get this incident under control," they reported.

# A Note to Readers

This week's edition of the paper might seem a bit smaller than you are accustomed to, but rest assured, this is only temporary. Due to the unique circumstances we are all living under at the present time, local sporting events and community activities have wisely been canceled as we all try to stay closer to home and practice social distancing.

As we ride out this temporary interruption of life as usual together, we urge you to continue supporting the local businesses that advertise in your newspaper. They have always been here for you through good times and bad, and now, more than ever, they need you to be there for them in any way you can.

Amid this temporary absence of local events and municipal meetings, we are also looking to celebrate the many quiet heroes in our communities who have gone above and beyond to make this situation easier for those most affected by it. Let us know if there is someone in your community who you think should be recognized by e-mailing [news@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:news@stonebridgepress.news).

Above all, know that we have been your trusted source for local news for generations, and we plan to be here for you to generations to come, in print and online at [www.stonebridgepress.com](http://www.stonebridgepress.com).

# Calendar of events suspended

With many local groups and organizations wisely canceling planned events due to the ongoing coronavirus outbreak, we have temporarily suspended publication of our weekly calendar of events. Once the current situation settles down, we will return to being your go-to source for the area's most comprehensive listing of local events and activities.




**DAR SUPPORTS  
NATURALIZATION CEREMONIES**

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National Society of The Daughters of The American Revolution recently recognized the Captain Job Knapp Chapter of Massachusetts as First Place winner for the Most Flags Distributed by the National DAR Society in 2019. The Captain Job Knapp Chapter of Douglas is a Small Chapter of 33 women who serve their county at every Naturalization Ceremony in Worcester for the last five years. They give each new citizen an American Flag and a form to register to vote. The Chapter is supported in their work by donations from organizations like the Mexicali Restaurant in Webster, the Oxford, Worcester, Uxbridge, Sudbury, and many other Massachusetts DAR chapters. The joy and excitement on the faces of these new citizens are very rewarding for members. If you would like to learn more about how you can join the DAR or how you can support this effort contact the Captain Job Knapp Chapter at [sylgam11@gmail.com](mailto:sylgam11@gmail.com).





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## How to practice social distancing during a pandemic

As COVID-19 continued to spread across the world, it quickly became evident that the public would have to take drastic measures to slow the transmission. In addition to practicing generalized sanitation and good hygiene, people in some of the hardest-hit clusters were advised to take additional, more aggressive measures. Quarantines and travel restrictions were implement-

ed, and the term “social distancing” became a buzzword.

Social distancing involves people keeping a physical distance from each other during disease outbreaks in order to slow transmission rates. Social distancing also is employed to lessen the impact of the disease on the medical care system, which quickly can become overwhelmed with a high number of cases presenting in a short period of time. In best-case scenarios, social distancing also may enable a few people to avoid infection until a vaccine is available.

So how can people socially distance themselves? Here are some of the recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the World Health Organization and other leading health groups.

- Opt out of group events. Steer clear of events, whether meetings, sports games, conferences, and other gatherings where large amounts of people congregate together.
- Stick to non-contact greetings. Avoid hugs, kisses and handshakes.

Substitute a smile, a wave or a bumping of elbows, instead.

• Practice remote learning. Students who attend large schools, such as high schools, universities and colleges, can continue their studies via remote learning and virtual classes instead of gathering in classrooms.

• Work from home. Many companies are now equipped to allow employees to work from home all the time or a portion of the time. Businesses can encourage employees to stay home and utilize the internet to get their work done.

• Stagger commute times. Commuters in urban areas can consider staggering work hours so that they help curb crowds on public transportation.

• Alter shopping schedules. Try to

visit stores in the early morning or late at night when they are less likely to be crowded.

• Make changes in worship practices. Celebrants may have to make modifications to the way they worship. The Catholic Diocese of Trenton, NJ, recently advised all diocesan churches to halt the distribution of the most precious blood (wine) from communal chalices; encouraged clergy and eucharistic ministers to sanitize their hands before distributing the eucharist; and parishioners to avoid contact during the sign of peace.

Common sense is key to stall disease transmission, and social distancing can be an important public health measure.

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- Restrict visitors – Visit loves ones through the window, outside while remaining at least 6 feet apart or video chat when possible.
- Call your local senior center or Tri-Valley Elder Services if you need help with services or obtaining groceries/meals.
- Call your local grocery stores to find elder shopping hours and only shop during that time period.
- Wash your hands frequently with hot soapy water.
- Stay home as much as possible.

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# United Way receives \$49,000 donation from Cornerstone Bank & Employees



Featured here with Cornerstone Bank employees are representatives from the United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton (UW SSC). From left: UW SSC Executive Director Mary O'Coin and UW SSC 2019 Campaign Chair Dawna Dagenais, Cornerstone Bank President & Treasurer and Chairman of the Bank's Charitable Donations Committee Todd M. Tallman; UW SSC Board President April Parzych; and Cornerstone Bank VP/Controller and UW SSC Treasurer Scott M. Dungey


Courtesy Photo

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank is pleased to announce its recent donation of \$49,312 to three local United Way organizations. This donation reflects an employee gift of \$24,656, with a matching contribution from the Bank.

The United Way is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the educational, economic and health-care needs of people worldwide. The \$49,312 donation raised through the Bank campaign will support three different United Way organizations: United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton; United Way of Webster and Dudley; and United Way of Central Massachusetts.

"I am extremely proud to be associated with both organizations," stated Cornerstone Bank VP/Controller and UW SSC Treasurer Scott M. Dungey. "Cornerstone Bank has such caring and generous employees and the corporate match demonstrates the Bank's commitment to giving back to the community. With being on the United Way Board of Directors, I know these funds are being stretched as far as they can to touch as many people in our community as possible."

"United Way has been helping people in need for such a long time, its reputation and charitable services are impeccable," commented Cornerstone Bank President and Treasurer Todd M. Tallman. "Cornerstone Bank is pleased to play a role in supporting its efforts,



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and I am so proud of all the people here who were instrumental in making this happen."

For more information on the local United Way organizations, please visit [www.unitedwayssc.org](http://www.unitedwayssc.org), [www.unitedwayofwebsterdudley.org](http://www.unitedwayofwebsterdudley.org) and [www.unitedwaycm.org](http://www.unitedwaycm.org).

About Cornerstone Bank

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## "American Pickers" to film in Massachusetts

REGION — Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont! They plan to film episodes of the hit series "American Pickers" throughout your area, potentially this summer.

We understand that with the proliferation of COVID-19, we are all facing very uncertain times, and everything is changing daily. We at "American Pickers" are taking this pandemic very seriously and will be adjusting our schedule accordingly for the safety of those who appear on our show and our crew. We won't be picking until everybody is safe, so if we cannot make it this summer, nobody's time is wasted as we will re-schedule to a date

when conditions allow filming. However, we are excited to continue to reach the many collectors in the area to discuss their years of picking!

"American Pickers" is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on History. The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects

a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

"American Pickers" is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: [american-pickers@cinetflix.com](mailto:american-pickers@cinetflix.com) or call 855-OLD-RUST.



## Massachusetts launches COVID-19 text message notification system

BOSTON — The Baker-Polito Administration today announced the launch of a new text-based notification system to deliver important information about the Commonwealth's COVID-19 response to Massachusetts residents.

The new messaging tool called "AlertsMA" will allow residents to subscribe to real-time notifications by texting the keyword COVIDMA to 888-

777. After signing up, state and public health officials can send short messages and links to information directly to a resident's cell phone or other mobile device.

The AlertsMA notifications can be used to share news, prevention information, and help connect residents to information that they are looking for through other public information channels, such as the state's Information line, 2-1-

1, and Web site searches on Mass.Gov.

The Commonwealth's Executive Office of Technology Services and Security partnered with Everbridge, whose platform powers AlertsMA, to bring the notification service online during the COVID-19 response. Everbridge is a Massachusetts-based company located in Burlington. The company's notification service is assisting the public health response around

the country, including New York City, San Francisco, and Houston.

The Commonwealth will promote the service on Mass.gov, through digital displays and billboards at the MBTA, via MassDOT, and through social media. For additional information please contact Rep. Smola at Todd.Smola@mahouse.gov or (617) 722-2100.

### Local attorney announces candidacy for Governor's Council

WORCESTER — Worcester attorney Padraic Rafferty has officially announced his candidacy for the vacant seat on the Governor's Council for District 7.

Rafferty, a democrat, leans on his significant litigation practice in multiple courts throughout the Commonwealth, as he is the only candidate with substantial courtroom and trial experience for a position that approves or rejects gubernatorial nominations for lifetime Clerk Magistrate positions and State Court Judgeships, which includes the Industrial Accident Board.

"This position is something I am very passionate about and my vote for a candidate will be for one who applies the law, protects the community, and exhibits compassion to every person involved with each case, whether a victim, complainant, or defendant," Rafferty said. "I understand who is qualified because I'm in the courtroom every single day."

A lifetime resident of Worcester County, Rafferty is a graduate from Oakmont Regional High School and Wentworth Institute of Technology. Rafferty then worked fulltime while attending Suffolk University Law School, being the first ever evening student at Suffolk to simultaneously graduate with a law degree (J.D.) and Masters in Tax Law (LL.M.) in its history. Upon graduation, Rafferty worked as an Assistant District Attorney in Worcester for several years handling hundreds of cases at a time.

Rafferty now is an attorney at Eden & Rafferty practicing criminal, administrative, and probate law. Additionally, he continues to serve as a special prosecutor for District Attorney Joe Early.

"I am proud to have represented the people of Worcester County in a variety of manners and I'm bringing such understanding of this district to this position," he said.

Rafferty is engaged and has a nine-month-old son with his fiancé. For more information, visit [www.padraicrafferty.com](http://www.padraicrafferty.com) or contact 978-895-3552.

### Girl Scouts offer virtual programming

REGION — Aligning with the growing trend of taking programming virtual, the program team at Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts (GSCWM) have begun offering digital opportunities normally offered at their leadership centers and camps, a perfect solution for families wanting to stay connected to Girl Scouts and continue their badge work.

Each week, GSCWM program specialists will be releasing digital activities, one focusing on a badge and the other will be a fun activity or patch program. There will be activities available across all six Girl Scout age levels. Additional virtual resources will be available for Girl Scouts and their families, including content from other councils across the country.

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Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer any questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

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8:30 A.M..... Walking Club  
9:30 A.M..... Light Exercise  
12:00 noon..... Lunch  
12:30 P.M..... Wii Bowling

12:45 P.M.....Mahjong Game  
1 : 00 P. M.... Cribbage  
1:00 P.M....Game Day, including Cribbage, Scrabble, Chinese Checkers , Scat & Wii Bowling  
TUESDAY  
9:00-10.00A.M...Blood Pressure  
9:30-10:30 A.M.....Tai Chi  
10:45-11:30 A.M.....Zumba  
Noon...Lunch  
1:00 P.M....Cribbage & Scat  
WEDNESDAY  
9:30 A.M..... Craft Class  
12:00 noon..... Lunch  
1:00 P.M..... Social Bingo  
THURSDAY  
9:00 A.M.....Cards  
10:00-11:30 AM...Adult “Coloring Class”  
12:00 Noon..... Lunch  
12:45 P.M.....Whist  
2:30-3:30 P.M...Computer & Cell phone class, Reservations required 508-865-9154  
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9:00 A.M.....Shopping  
9:30 A.M.....Light Exercise  
10:30 A.M.....Yoga (NEW CLASS!)  
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12:30 P.M..... Bridge & Scat

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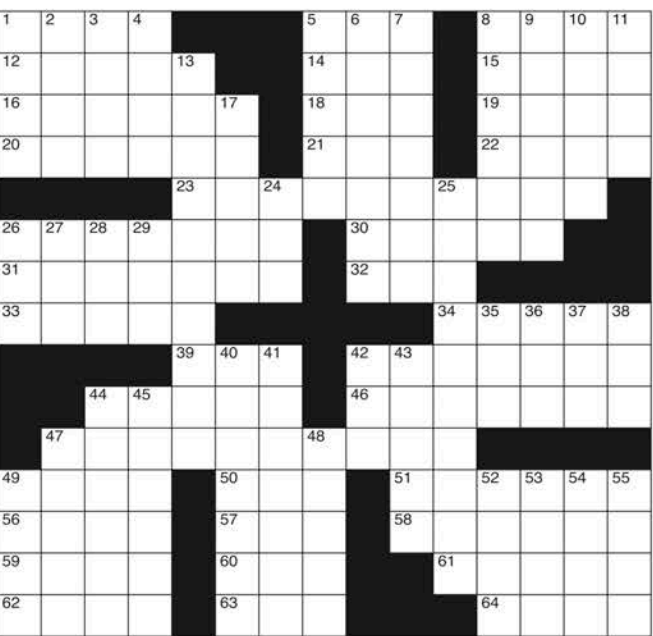
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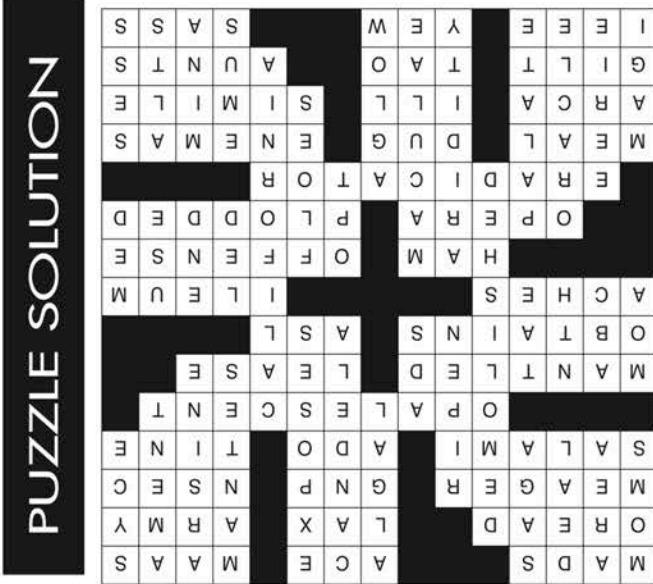


### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Bond villain Mikkelsen
- 5. A team’s best pitcher
- 8. French river
- 12. Mountain nymph (Greek)
- 14. City of Angels airport
- 15. Military force
- 16. Scrawny
- 18. Value
- 19. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
- 20. Highly seasoned sausage
- 21. Trouble
- 22. Prong
- 23. Showing varying colors
- 26. Cloaked
- 30. Renters sign one
- 31. Acquires
- 32. Type of language (abbr.)
- 33. Partner to pains
- 34. Third portion of the small intestine
- 39. Excessively theatrical actor
- 42. Infraction
- 44. Classical music for the stage
- 46. Slogged
- 47. One who terminates
- 49. Breakfast is an important one
- 50. Moved earth
- 51. Medical procedures
- 56. Genus of clams
- 57. Not well
- 58. Comparative figure of speech
- 59. Covered thinly with gold
- 60. Principle underlying the universe
- 61. A parent’s sisters
- 62. Professional engineering group
- 63. Coniferous tree
- 64. Impudence

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Female parents
- 2. Region
- 3. Transaction
- 4. Heroic tale
- 5. Of algae
- 6. Luminous intensity unit
- 7. Uncovers
- 8. French commune name
- 9. Poisonous gas
- 10. Pearl Jam’s bassist
- 11. Horse groom in India
- 13. Destroyed
- 17. A way to alter
- 24. Promotional materials
- 25. American state
- 26. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- 27. “Modern Family” network
- 28. Last or greatest in an indefinitely large series
- 29. Exercise system \_\_\_-bo
- 35. Type of bulb
- 36. Opposite of beginning
- 37. Utilize
- 38. Type of student
- 40. Deficiency of moisture
- 41. Areas of the eye
- 42. Select
- 43. Sheets of floating ice
- 44. Priests who act as mediums
- 45. Roof of the mouth
- 47. Unnatural
- 48. Illuminated
- 49. There are three famous ones
- 52. Large, fast Australian birds
- 53. “Dracula” heroine Harker
- 54. Substitutes (abbr.)
- 55. Tax



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# Baker escalates precautions against coronavirus

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REGION — Gov. Charlie Baker escalated measures to combat the coronavirus last week, ordering a two-week closure of all nonessential businesses statewide.

Announced on March 23, the order remains in effect from March 24 through April 7 at noon. The order requires all businesses and organizations that do not provide “COVID-19 essential services” to close their physical workplaces and facilities to workers, customers, and the public. Nonessential businesses and organizations are encouraged to continue operations remotely.

The Baker-Polito Administration issued a list of industries and organizations that provide essential services and can continue to operate their facilities during the two-week emergency period. These include healthcare workers; law enforcement and corrections personnel; food and agriculture workers; electrical, natural gas, and petro-



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Gov. Charlie Baker announced a nonessential personnel ban last week.

leum workers; transportation personnel; and public works officials, among others.

“This list is based on federal guidance and is amended to reflect the needs of Massachusetts’ unique economy,” read a statement issued by the Baker-Polito Administration. “While these businesses are designated as essential, they are urged to follow social distancing protocols for workers in accordance with guidance from the Department of Public Health.

“Businesses and organizations not on the list of essential services are encouraged to continue operations through remote means that do not require workers, customers, or the public to enter or appear at the brick-and-mortar premises closed by the order.”

Restaurants, bars, and other establishments that sell food and beverages are permitted to remain open. However, they can only offer food through takeout and delivery services; on-premises consumption of food or drink is prohibited.

Due to the increasing outbreak of COVID-19 statewide, Governor Baker also directed the Department of Public Health to issue a stay at home advisory outlining self-isolation and social distancing protocols. Residents were advised to stay home and avoid unnecessary travel and other activities during the two-week emergency period. Residents over 70 years of age, as well as individuals with underlying health conditions, were asked to limit

social interactions.

The Governor’s orders were not as strict as measures taken in New York, California, and other states. There are no plans for a statewide lockdown or similar measures, officials said.

“The Baker-Polito Administration does not believe Massachusetts residents can be confined to their homes and does not support home confinement for public health reasons,” the statement read.

The Governor’s order also limits gatherings to 10 people during the state of emergency, a reduction from the 25-person limit established in an earlier order. This includes community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based events, and any similar event or activity that brings together more than 10 persons in any confined indoor or outdoor space.

To access a complete list of essential personnel, visit [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov).

# Fattman announces passage of COVID-19 related bills

BOSTON – State Sen. Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) has announced that the Senate has been working on legislation to address the many impacts of COVID-19 on the Commonwealth. The bills address a range of issues including unemployment wait times, municipal elections, and healthcare professionals.

On March 18, Gov. Baker signed into law legislation expanding access to unemployment insurance for those affected by outbreak of COVID-19. The legislation waives the one-week waiting period claimants must follow when filing for unemployment benefits. This allows those affected by COVID-19 related layoffs to immediately file for unemployment benefits, providing much needed relief for individuals and families surprised by the layoffs. Senator Fattman was present during the session to vote on enacting the bill in the Senate.

On March 23, the legislature passed an Act granting authority to postpone 2020 municipal elections in the commonwealth and increase voting options in response to the declaration of emergency to respond to COVID-19. This bill allows municipalities to change their local election dates scheduled on or before May 30, 2020 to a date prior to June 30, 2020. Moreover, the

bill will increase ballot accessibility in response to the state of emergency declaration by the Governor. This will allow completed applications to vote by absentee ballot to be accepted until noon on the last business day before the rescheduled election, as well as allowing any eligible voter to vote by mail in an election on or before June 30.

On March 26, the Senate passed legislation to expand the scope of practice for certain health care professionals for the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency. This bill, an Act ensuring access to qualified health professionals, removes barriers to immediate care by granting certain health care professionals the authority to work at the top of their license, education, and training to ensure that our healthcare system can meet the increased demand it’s currently seeing due to the COVID-19 outbreak. This legislation is now being considered by the House of Representatives.

“My colleagues and I have been keenly aware of the many challenges that this pandemic has brought to the Commonwealth,” said Sen. Fattman. “We are working to mitigate these challenges through legislative action. While there is still much work to accomplish in order to combat the effects of the

coronavirus, the passage of these bills is the first step in the right direction.”

In addition to legislation, state agencies are developing resources to keep residents informed with the most up-to-date information on COVID-19. Governor Baker recently announced a convenient SMS text alert system that was made available to the public. Residents can now text “COVIDMA” to 888-777. Additionally, residents can follow <https://mass211.org> for updates on the Commonwealth’s response to COVID-19.

Senator Fattman also mentioned that constituents who have experienced layoffs due to COVID-19 can call 774-276-7128 to speak to a member of his staff that specializes in unemployment issues. Furthermore, the Department of Unemployment Assistance has been hosting virtual town halls for claimants to ask any questions. To find more information or to sign up for one, please visit <https://www.mass.gov/forms/massachusetts-department-of-unemployment-assistance-dua-virtual-town-halls>.

Sen. Fattman has been working to find sources of personal protective equipment (PPE) for doctors and nurses battling this virus on the front lines. The Senator has received thousands of PPE so far and is continuing to request

donations from local businesses with access to PPE. In addition to finding sources for PPE, Senator Fattman joined Sen. Moore and Representative Muradian to construct face shields for doctors and nurses on the front lines. They were made in 3D printers provided through Jeannie Hebert and the Blackstone Valley Education Hub. Those who have PPE, or know someone that does, are urged to call the office line at 617-722-1420.

Finally, Sen. Fattman has been coordinating virtual meetings and emails with town officials to keep them informed on updates of the COVID-19 situation in Massachusetts. In one of the last public meetings before gatherings were banned, Senator Fattman spoke with the Blackstone Board of Selectman to address their concerns and share information with the public.

If anyone has any concerns regarding COVID-19, they should call Sen. Fattman’s office at 617-722-1420. Constituents can also visit <https://www.mass.gov/resource/information-on-the-outbreak-of-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19> for the most up to date COVID-19 information.

# Moore files legislation to protect homeowners during COVID-19 pandemic

BOSTON — Earlier this week, Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury) filed SD.2889, an Act establishing a COVID-19 homeowner protection act. The legislation protects homeowners by allowing them to take a 180-day forbearance on required mortgage payments.

The legislation is in response to adverse financial impacts created in the wake of the novel coronavirus outbreak, and the subsequent COVID-19 state of the emergency declaration. Therefore, mortgagors with residential property in the

Commonwealth must adhere to this forbearance if the mortgagee demonstrates financial hardship as a result of COVID-19.

Additionally, the mortgagor will not report late payments to credit rating agencies or assess fees or penalties as a result of this forbearance. Mortgagors will also not deny loan modifications, new residential or commercial loans. Nor will mortgagees be denied certain credit card services due to the forbearance protection.

When the forbearance is terminated, the mortgagors and mortgagees will have 90 days to reestablish pre-forbearance monthly payments or create loan modifications to reduce the monthly payments.

Mortgagors may also not initiate foreclosure proceedings until 90 days after the emergency declaration is rescinded by the governor. Mortgagees will have until 180 days after the termination of the state of emergency to enact the payment forbearance.

“These are unprecedented times, and therefore we must take unprecedented actions,” said Moore. “Many people have been and will be financially impacted by the coronavirus outbreak. We must protect these people, so they can keep their homes, and not have to worry about losing the roof over their heads so that they may stay safe during this public health crisis.”

This legislation will help prevent a bankruptcy and foreclosure crisis as we move through this pandemic. This

is made evident through the Massachusetts Division of Banks who, in a letter to financial institutions, mortgage lenders, and mortgage loan servicers, explained the need to protect homeowners to decrease the adverse economic effects of COVID-19. In their letter, they proposed similar efforts to what is outlined in Senator Moore’s legislation, such as postponing foreclosures, mortgage payment forbearance, and refrainment from reporting late payments to credit agencies.

# Moore, Kane file legislation to cover overtime costs for public safety officials

BOSTON — Today, Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury), alongside State Representative Hannah Kane (R-Shrewsbury), filed SD.2886 and HD.4977, an Act providing emergency assistance for municipal public safety overtime.

The legislation instructs the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to establish a grant program to provide funding for cities and towns so that they may cover the overtime costs of their public safety officials during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

The public safety officials who would be covered under this

program are; municipal police officers, municipal law enforcement personnel with arrest powers, municipal personnel with authority to enforce public health regulations, members of the fire department, and emergency medical technicians.

Under this legislation, the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security will develop guidelines governing the implementation of this grant program.

“It is vital that we do whatever we can to support our public safety officials, as they are on the front lines of this pandemic” said Sen. Moore. “By ensuring that

their overtime pay is received, they can operate uninterrupted and continue to protect the residents of the Commonwealth”

“Our public safety personnel are integral partners in the Commonwealth’s COVID-19 response and are essential to keeping all of us safe as we navigate this unprecedented pandemic. I am proud to have joined with Senator Moore in filing legislation that recognizes the critical role of public safety officials by providing municipalities funding to cover their overtime hours,” remarked Rep. Kane.

# Douglas National Guard soldier receives new rank, responsibilities

LATHAM, N.Y. — Major General Ray Shields, the Adjutant General for the State of New York, announces the recent promotion of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership.

John Noecker from Douglas, and assigned to the Operations Company, 42nd Infantry Division received a promotion to the rank of Major.

Army National Guard promotions are based on overall performance, attitude, leadership ability, and development potential.

These promotions additionally recognize the best qualified Soldiers and attract and retain the highest caliber Citizen Soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard. For more information about the New York Army National Guard, visit [www.dmna.ny.gov](http://www.dmna.ny.gov) or [www.1800goguard.com](http://www.1800goguard.com)

The New York National Guard (New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs) is the state’s executive agency responsible to the Governor for managing New York’s Military Forces, which consists of nearly 20,000 members of the New York Army National Guard, the New York Air National Guard, the New York Naval Militia and the New York Guard.



# Fishing may offer a cure for cabin fever

By now, most people are feeling the effects of cabin fever. Fortunately, we are dealing with this terrible situation during the warmer weather, and not in the middle of winter. It has also brought families closer together. Families are actually sitting down to the table together and enjoying a meal. Trout fishing at recently stocked trout waters has many families fishing, and it is also being enjoyed by many other senior residents.

Wallum Lake opening day for fishing is expected to take place as usual on April 11. A call to the state park this past weekend revealed plans to keep the Douglas State Park open. Unfortunately, there will be no restrooms open. Visitors to the park are asked to take home all of their papers and containers. Carry it in, carry it out! There is substantial parking at three different sites. The lower parking lot is reserved for boat trailers only. Keeping a safe distance from each other is number one. All of this could change if the virus spreads, and we are told to «Shelter In Place» and it is mandatory.

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun stocked their club pond this past weekend with some real impressive trout, and opened it up to members for fishing immediately. With the country going through a



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pandemic the clubs fish chairman Ed Gervei hoped that fishing would give their members something to do! Saltwater fishing is expected to open as usual with some of the following recreational 2020 regulations for Massachusetts & Rhode Island: Massachusetts & Rhode Island striped regulations have a slot limit this year that allow only fish 28 to 35 inches legal to keep. Fish over 35 inches must be released. The Massachusetts Marine fisheries received word that a rumor about striped fishing being closed this year is indeed a rumor!

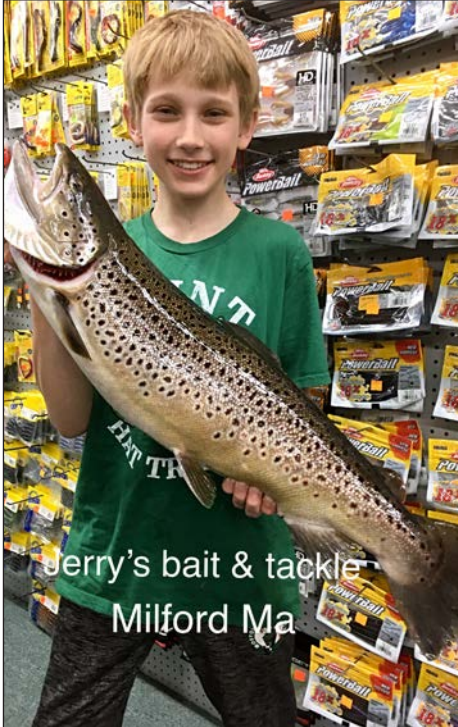
Massachusetts seabass become legal on May 18, at 15 inches and a daily bag of five fish. Massachusetts Tautog fishing opens on April 1, with a 16 inch three fish daily limit.

Massachusetts Fluke fishing will open on May 23, with a 17 inch length and five fish daily bag limit.

Rhode Island seabass open June 24 with a 15 inch size limit and three fish daily bag limit. Summer flounder regulations in Rhode Island are enough to «Make You Sick.» The season opens on May 1, with a (19 inch size limit) and six fish daily. Tautog fishing starts on April 1, with a 16 inch size limit and



three fish daily. This week's picture shows a young old angler with his nine pound, four ounce Brown trout caught recently at a local reservoir. The second picture shows a young man with a four pound, six ounce, white catfish caught last week at a secret fishing hole. The state of Massachusetts has been stock-



ing some large fish in local ponds and reservoirs, but local rivers and streams had not been stocked, despite rumors of them receiving trout at the time of this publication. God Bless America. Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

# The best dahlias for a backyard cutting garden



For bright, energetic bouquets, grow an assortment of red, orange, and yellow dahlias.

Dahlias are bold and beautiful flowers that are easy to grow in any sunny garden. They are also spectacular in summer flower arrangements. With just a few dahlias, you can enjoy picking your own fresh-cut flowers every day from July through September.

These spring-planted tubers make gorgeous additions to flower beds and even the vegetable garden. If space allows, the very best way to grow dahlias for bouquets is in a cutting garden. A backyard cutting garden doesn't need to be large. Even a three-by-six-foot raised bed will give you plenty of space for six to eight full size dahlia plants. Planting dahlia tubers in rows lets you get maximum productivity with minimal maintenance.

When choosing dahlias for a small to medium size cutting garden, start by narrowing your choices. Select colors that you can imagine looking great together in a vase. This will make it easy to create lots of creative combinations on the fly.

Choose red, orange, and yellow flowers if you like energetic arrangements that mimic the colors of late summer and fall. Blossoms in cool colors and pastels, such

pink, lavender and violet, will be softer and more soothing. Include purple and burgundy flowers to add drama and help unify warm and cool colors.

Floral designers know that combining flowers with different shapes and sizes makes arrangements more interesting. Dahlias offer many options and it's one of the reasons they are such a popular cut flower.

Ball dahlias have tightly curled petals and dense, perfectly round, three-to-four-inch flower heads. Varieties such as Sylvia and Jowey Mirella are perfect for adding repeating bursts of color. Decorative dahlias have the classic dahlia look, with four-to-six-inch wide, open-faced blossoms and orderly layers of petals. American Dawn and Great Silence are two reliable and versatile, decorative dahlias.

The flowers of dinner-plate dahlias can measure eight to 10 inches across and these enormous blossoms make it easy to make stunning summer bouquets. Popular varieties for cutting include Café au Lait, Penhill Dark Monarch and Otto's Thrill. Add texture and movement to your arrangements with cactus dahlias. Varieties such as Yellow Star and

Nuit d'Ete have tightly rolled petals that give the flowers a spiky appearance.

Single and peony-flowered dahlias are seldom seen at the florist or even in farmer's market bouquets because they don't travel well. But home gardeners can enjoy growing varieties such as scarlet-red Bishop of Llandaff or the melon and burnt orange flowers of HS Date. These plants tend to be compact and rarely need staking.

Don't let the many options overwhelm you. Consider starting with an assortment such as the Flirty Fleurs Sorbetto Collection (longfield-gardens.com). It includes five varieties of pink and burgundy dahlias, specially selected by an experienced floral designer.

Most cutting garden flowers are picked before they are fully open. But dahlias should not be harvested until they are fully open and in their prime. To avoid crushing the stems, make your cuts with a sharp knife rather scissors.

If you want your dahlias to have nice, long stems, take a cue from cut flower farmers. When harvesting for market or removing spent flowers, they always remove



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the entire stem, cutting right back to a main stalk. Though this means sacrificing some buds in the short term, the next round of flowers will have noticeably longer stems.

When selecting plants for this year's flower garden, be sure to include plenty of dahlias. These spring-planted, summer-blooming bulbs will take your homegrown flower arrangements to a whole new level.

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# Being optimistic in a Covid-19 world

I was recently asked, «How is it possible to remain optimistic when the entire world is falling apart?»

My response is simple. «No, the entire world isn't falling apart.»

I understand that many of us are frightened, and that fear often brings out an exaggerated feeling of gloom and doom. Yes, depending upon our age and underlying health situations, we are all at risk, but if we willingly act with health officials, shelter in place, practice social distancing and wash our hands, we can dramatically cut our risk of contracting this virus.

If you defy all the guidelines designed to keep us safe, being optimistic is foolish. However, if you are willing to cooperate, you'll potentially save lives ... and maybe your own. Think about the common sense of it all. If you shelter in place, and if you have the virus, you will not pass it to others. If you don't have it, others cannot pass it to you.

The word contagion has taken on such a negative meaning, and there's not much we can find positive about this virus. But let me share a few other things that you can 'catch.'

Kindness, patience, empathy, enthusiasm, love and optimism are also highly contagious. I not only hope you'll catch

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these. I pray you'll expose everyone you encounter and become a carrier.

And if you look for the positive, you'll find it. I believe as we come out the other side of this pandemic, we'll be better people and see better government.

I'm watching on the news as some Republicans and Democrats are working together, and even complimenting each other for their efforts. When was the last time that happened?

And yes, there are some hardliners out there shaking their fingers at the cameras and accusing others of inaction or even causing this current crisis. All I can say to them is «Shame on you!» Rather than pulling together to be part of the solution, they are using this sickness and death to try and achieve political gain. I hope we all remember who they are at the ballot box. They should be given no power, ever.

I'm seeing a great unmasking of so many problems that most Americans weren't even aware existed.

Did you know most of our pharmaceuticals are manufactured in China? That's a national security issue, plain and simple. I believe now that citizens are aware, and we've experienced this pandemic, lawmakers will work quickly to bring the manufacturing of essen-

tial products for our health and security back into our country, along with the jobs.

So yes, be optimistic! This is not the end of the world, but also remember the lessons we are learning. Americans have had a short memory in the past and it's only been national tragedies such as Pearl Harbor and 9/11 that have indelibly burned the lessons into our minds. Let this pandemic and the lessons we learn be also forever engraved into our hearts and memory.

Can worry solve anything?

The obvious answer is no ... but understanding that worrying solves nothing doesn't necessarily keep us from worrying. I find comfort in ancient scripture, as recounted by Matthew.

«Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?»

«Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?»

«Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?»

«So do not worry, saying, 'What shall

we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'''

So, when does it all end? I think the answer lies within us. If we are willing to make the sacrifices asked by health officials, I believe we can slow or even stop the wave of tragedy that may have otherwise killed millions.

Be vigilant. Cooperate. Be kind. If you have more than you need, share. If you are so inclined, pray for government leaders, health care workers and each other. If not, send out positive thoughts and let's pull together, not apart.

My prayer for you this week is that you remain healthy and safe, while also finding your peace. We are truly all in this as one nation and one world. Let's fight this with all we have, and we'll come out the other side together, a stronger world and better people.

Will you join me? I'm optimistic. How about you?

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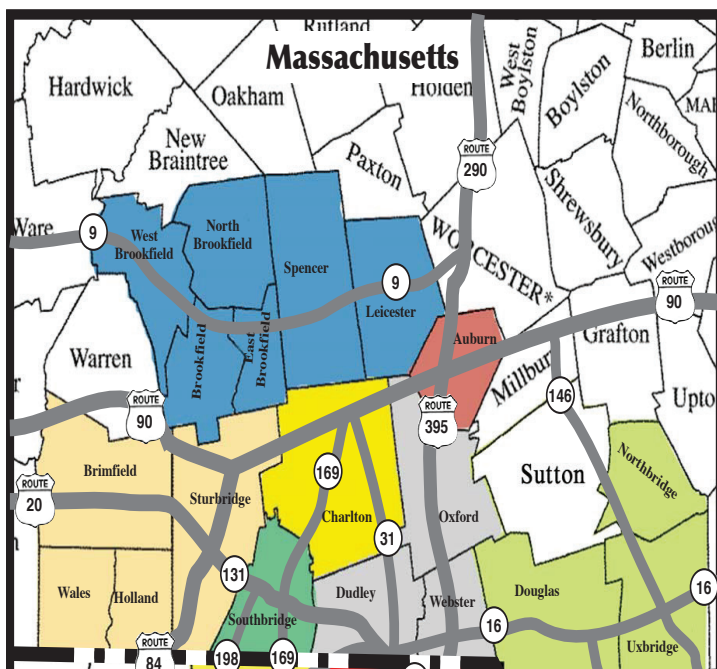
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# When you're on your own, we are there for you

Rarely in our nation's history has any phenomenon overtaken our society so quickly or caught us so completely by surprise as the outbreak of the COVID-19 coronavirus. Amid this atmosphere of uncertainty, it has become more important than ever for you to have access to an accurate and balanced portrait of how the outbreak is affecting your community, and we want you to know that as your local newspaper, we are here for you — and with you.

As the ongoing pandemic continues to make its way through our region, we will be there to keep you up to speed on how the community we share is handling the situation, from its effect on the local business community, to the steps being taken by local officials to combat the spread of the virus, and most importantly, how readers like yourself are facing the challenge of not just staying healthy, but adjusting to life under the new social distancing restrictions we have all been forced to adapt to.

There is another side to this story, however. There are quiet heroes throughout our community taking extraordinary measures to help their neighbors and spread some positivity in the midst of all this fear and anxiety — business owners who, even amid their own hardship, are stepping up with donations for those in need; nursing home residents sewing homemade protective masks for health care workers; postal workers offering to deliver food and supplies to elderly, high-risk residents on their routes; and of course, the health care workers on the front lines of the crisis — and we are committed to bringing you their stories as well.

Whatever happens, wherever and whenever it may happen, we will be there at your side, helping you maintain perspective on this situation and helping you navigate your way through it. Our country, and our community, have faced down horrific events before, from terrorist attacks to natural disasters, and emerged on the other side stronger than ever, and we will survive this outbreak with the same grit, determination, and commitment to one another that has seen us through in the past. More than any of the political or societal divisions that too often separate us, what defines our character is our resiliency. We have built this unique and vibrant community together, and as long as we continue to support one another, we will get through this. Together.

# OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

## Local legislators offer guidance and assistance during COVID-19 outbreak

As our Commonwealth, and our nation, grapples with the COVID-19 outbreak, it is more important than ever that we, as your state legislators, remain connected to you during these unprecedented times.

Information is changing quickly so it is difficult for us to write a “timely” message. Some of what we describe about the outbreak may be outdated by the time you read this but one message will not change: We are here for you.

As of last Monday morning, Gov. Baker had declared a state of emergency and issued five additional emergency orders. Subsequent orders and news about legislation will follow, likely daily for a while. For now, we'd like to make sure you know that public and private schools are closed for at least a three-week suspension. All bars and restaurants in Massachusetts are currently shut down to on-premise consumption. Gatherings are limited to crowds of 10 or fewer. Please stay up to date with these and future emergency orders by visiting [mass.gov/covid19](https://www.mass.gov/covid19)

Throughout this health emergency, we will continue to be guided by actions that will ensure our resources are dedicated to responding to this epidemic in a fair, timely and effective way. We have already introduced and/or are supporting legislation related to extending and increasing unemployment insurance, moratoriums on evictions and foreclosures during the time of the Emergency Order, increased funding for our regional transit authorities, deferral of payment of hospitality-related taxes, and providing assistance to public institutions of higher education and their host communities.

Our colleagues from around the state are frequently taken aback by the collegiality practiced in our counties. They admire how well our businesses and non-profits seamlessly engage with one another for the betterment of all communities. They marvel at how county lines disappear so that municipalities can support each other and advance solutions that serve the entire region. The reality is that we do not have the luxury of doing otherwise. We know we are strongest when we work together and that has never been as true as it is right now.

In this time of uncertainty, know that each one of us is working to ensure that we all have the most timely and accurate information pertaining to the COVID-19 virus. We encourage you to be in touch with us and have included our contact information below. Even if we don't know the answer to your question right away, we will get you the information as quickly as we can.

If you can, please join us in practicing

social distancing which at this time includes staying home as much as possible, working from home, and abiding by the emergency order banning large group gatherings. This is not only for your health but it is designed to stop the spread of the infection. Stopping the spread of infection at this time is about protecting both the health of vulnerable neighbors and the health care system upon which we all rely. But there is more we can all be doing: Let's check in with our neighbors by phone. Contact your local council on aging to see if there are seniors alone in the community in need of a phone call. Make a financial donation (online) to a local food pantry if you can. Continue washing our hands and practicing good personal hygiene. Take care of yourself. And, reach out if you need assistance.

We want to thank all public officials, boards of health, medical providers, first responders, public safety personnel, school staff, transit authorities, small business owners, and everyone charged with the care and well-being of Commonwealth residents.

We stand with you. Today and always.

As we continue to learn more about this virus, improve testing and gather data, the situation may get worse before it gets better. But it will get better. We have already seen so many beautiful examples of individuals in our communities reaching out to support one another. Let's continue to support each other in the coming days. In this time of social distancing, know that we are not just here for you - we are here with you.

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## Time for some financial spring cleaning



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Spring is officially here — and for many of us, that means it's time for some spring cleaning around our homes and yards. But why stop there? This year, why not do some financial spring cleaning, too?

You can apply some of the same principles of traditional spring cleaning to your financial environment. Here are a few suggestions:

- Clear your vision. Spring brings extra hours of sunshine — and to enjoy them, you'll want to clean your windows, inside and out. As an investor, you also need to take a clear-eyed view of your situation periodically. Are you on track toward achieving your goals? If not, what moves can you make to get back on the right path? You need to be honest with yourself to see if you're doing all you can to help make progress toward your objectives.

- “De-clutter” your portfolio. As you go about sprucing up your house, you may find that you have a lot of clutter. Do you really need three mops? And are you holding on to those old calendars for any good reason? You'll probably feel much better about your surroundings when you de-clutter them — and the same may be true of your investment portfolio. For example, do you own several investments that are virtually identical? If so, you might want to consider ways to help diversify your holdings. While diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against losses in a declining market, it might help reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio.

- Recharge your batteries. When you do your household spring cleaning, you may want to check the batteries on your smoke alarm, carbon monoxide detector and other devices. And as part of your financial spring cleaning, you might need to recharge your own investment “batteries,” so to speak. In other words, increase the power you're providing to your portfolio. You can do this in a few different ways. First, you can increase your contributions to your 401(k) or similar retirement plan every time your salary goes up. You can also try to “max out” on your IRA contributions each year. (For 2020, you can put in up to \$6,000 in an IRA, or \$7,000 if you're age 50 or older). Another way to increase your investment voltage is to make sure you've got adequate growth potential in your portfolio based on your goals and risk tolerance.

- Put your house in order. As part of your spring cleanup, you may want to check for damage on your roof, windows, siding and so on. But you also need to put your financial house in order, especially as it regards to protection. Do you have adequate life insurance? If not, your family could suffer if something were to happen to you. And have you thought about how you could pay for long-term care if you needed it? The average annual cost for a private room in a nursing home is about \$100,000, according to the insurance company Genworth. To retain your financial independence — and also to help protect your grown children from possibly having to deal with these costs — you may want to explore some type of long-term care insurance.

By doing some spring cleaning around your home, you'll lighten up your living space. And doing some financial spring cleaning may help you brighten your future.

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## Senior citizens who need financial help

BY SEN. RICHARD T. MOORE  
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Given all the bad news about the Coronavirus — COVID 19 — and the fact that those of us who are over age 65, especially any with underlying health conditions, I thought I should share some good news for senior citizens who need financial help.

When I was honored to serve in the Massachusetts Senate, I co-sponsored the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit to provide financial help to our senior citizens with rising property taxes and water/sewer fees. In order to apply for this credit, seniors must file a Massachusetts Income Tax form — even if they aren't normally required to pay state income taxes.

The Circuit Breaker has been around for a number of years and most senior center directors know about it. It will be around even after this Pandemic abates. In fact, first time filers are able

to seek the relief going back three years if they qualify.

Similarly, although the details of the new Federal Coronavirus Emergency funding are not yet available, it appears that seniors and low-income residents who aren't required to pay federal income taxes may be eligible for federal financial assistance by filing the basic federal tax form this year. More details will be released in the next few weeks, but it could be worth \$1,200 per person (\$2,400 per couple) to file a federal tax return. This can be done on line. Even though most seniors don't earn enough to pay federal taxes, and generally haven't filed federal tax paper work, even if they file the state forms for Circuit Breaker eligibility.

While the state Circuit Breaker program eligibility differs from this new federal relief package, seniors, age 65 or older, may be eligible to claim a refundable credit on their personal state income tax return. The Circuit Breaker tax credit is based on the

actual real estate taxes paid on the Massachusetts residential property they own or rent and occupy as their principal residence.

The maximum credit amount for tax year 2019 is \$1,130. If the credit exceeds the amount of the total tax payable for the year, they'll be refunded the additional amount of the credit without interest. For complete details check on the Department of Revenue website at: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/senior-circuit-breaker-tax-credit>.

Senior citizens, this year, have an opportunity to receive important financial help. We should not think of this as some kind of hand out, but a bonus for all that seniors have done by being the backbone of every community and state.

*NOTE: Mr. Moore served in the Massachusetts House for 17 years and in the State Senate for 19 years. He resides in Uxbridge.*

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# SPORTS

## Worcester County Senior Golf Club welcomes new members for second season



Courtesy photos

From left, Tom Lisi, Joe Condelli and Dick Lisi of the Worcester County Senior Golf Club hope for a fun second season.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Dick Lisi, originally from Providence, and Joe Condelli, who grew up near Boston, officially met one another on a golf course during the 2018 season as part of a traveling social group, the Safari Club. After a fun experience, the two Central Mass. residents and now friends (who learned that they both attended the Lowell Tech Institute — now UMass-Lowell — together in the early 1970s and probably walked down the hallways together) figured they should bring the same experience around this region.

“Dick and I were playing at a club in the Western part of the

state and we became friendly. We were talking one day and thought it'd be a good idea to have a similar club for the Central part of the state. Last winter we met a few times and came up with a name for the club and our mission,” said Condelli, of Auburn.

“Our idea was to play some of the premium courses in Central Massachusetts at a discounted rate, so that's where we set our focus on,” added Lisi, of Sturbridge.

The Worcester County Senior Golf Club was formed, and their first experience where strangers could now become golf buddies and new friends was at Heritage Country Club

in Charlton last May.

The club, with members hailing “from Brimfield to Whitinsville,” according to Lisi, opened with 34 players teeing off at Heritage.

The once-a-month club also played at Blackstone National Golf Club in Sutton, Cyprian Keyes Golf Club in Boylston, Shining Rock Golf Club in Northbridge, Green Hill Golf Course in Worcester and Pleasant Valley Country Club in Sutton.

“We started with 34 golfers at Heritage in May and we finished with 66 at Pleasant Valley in October,” said Lisi. “Seeing our numbers increase, that was very satisfying. It meant that people liked what we were doing.”

“I think for our first year and for flying by the seat of our pants, we did a nice job in getting some nice courses,” added Condelli. “I'd say overall we had a pretty happy group. We did a quick survey after one of our events and asked about playing different courses. It's difficult to get a bunch of people to agree, but overall we didn't have a lot of negative feedback.”

One may notice how nice — and expensive — these particular courses can be. But one of the main benefits of playing as part of the Worcester County Senior Golf Club is the ability to play with multiple people at a discounted rate.

“We're a traveling social golf group of men and women 60 and

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Dick and Tom Lisi welcome Worcester County Senior Golf Club members to the sign-in booth at last year's event at Shining Rock Golf Club.



Dick Lisi offers a pre tee-off pep talk at last season's Worcester County Senior Golf Club event at Blackstone National Golf Club.



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## Beatrice “Betty” Nydam, 97



WHITINSVILLE-Beatrice “Betty” (Vriesema) Nydam, 97, of Whitinsville passed away on Wednesday March 25, 2020 in CareOne Healthcare in Millbury. She was the wife of the late Edward Nydam who died in 2004.

A very social an active woman, Mrs. Nydam had worked at the former Whitinsville Savings Bank for 17 years before retiring. Previously, she held several jobs in Whitinsville which included working at the former Whitin Machine Works, the former Baker’s Department Store, and her favorite Eileen’s Children’s Store.

She was born in 1922 in Midland Park, NJ, the daughter of the late Garry and Pearl (Vander Meer) Vriesema.

Betty was a longtime member and volunteer at the Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church in Whitinsville and was always offering her help for all who needed a hand. She enjoyed Scrabble, which she was usually the winner and Dominoes. There was always a puzzle underway in the den and she loved visits from her family, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and the neighbor

children and would always have her candy dishes filled for them. She was also driving up until the age of 92.

She is survived by her son, Edward Nydam, Jr., of Ocala, FL; three daughters, Pearl and her husband Mike Largesse of Worcester, Jeanie and her husband Robert McKenney of Putnam, CT and Heidi and her husband David Staruk of Millbury; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a daughter, Linda Nydam who died in 2018, and two sisters, Trina Ebbeling and Annette Carver.

The family and friends of Mrs. Nydam are mourning her passing. The current environment has prevented them from receiving guests as they would prefer, so we encourage all friends and family to reach out to her family and show your support. Please call or write to them directly or you may leave your name and a memory on a digital guest book at [www.bumafuneralhome.com](http://www.bumafuneralhome.com).

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Whitinsville Christian School, 279 Linwood Ave., Whitinsville, MA 01588. Arrangements by Buma Funeral Home, Whitinsville.

## Michelle A. Boutilier



SUTTON — Michelle A. Boutilier died Thursday, January 16 surrounded by her loving family. She leaves her mother Fran (Stuart) Boutilier Rivers and her husband Donny, of Sutton, her father Richard Boutilier and his wife Debbie, of Narragansett, RI, two sisters; Christina Montgomery and her husband Dennis, of Waltham and Melissa Nolan and her husband Kyle, of Sutton; 3 nieces, Margaret Montgomery, Peyton Nolan and Emma Nolan, a nephew Declan Nolan, godmother Sue Mailea and godfather Ken Stuart, both of Sutton, and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. She also leaves her special girls, Madeline and Sophia, whom she loved very much.

Born in Northbridge on March 15, 1981, Michelle attended Northbridge schools until moving to Sutton in 7th grade. She earned degrees from Mass Bay Community College and Framingham State University.

She worked at Philips Lifeline in Framingham before recently becoming the assistant to the director of the Uxbridge Housing Authority.

Michelle loved the beach, especially Bonnet Shores. She enjoyed drawing, painting, laughing, joking around, listening to music, and being dorky with her sisters. Above all else, she loved children, especially being an aunt and spending time with her nieces and nephew.

A special thank you to the ICU team at Milford Hospital for your care and compassion for Michelle and her family.

Calling Hours at the Carr Funeral Home, 24 Hill St., Whitinsville, were Tuesday, January 21. . Michelle’s Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, January 22 at Saint Mark’s Church, Boston Rd., Sutton, followed by burial in New Howard Cemetery, Sutton. In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be made in Michelle’s name to <https://foundation.milfordregional.org/>. To leave a condolence, please visit [www.carrfuneralhome.com](http://www.carrfuneralhome.com)

## Raymond E. LeBlanc, Jr., 70



UXBRIDGE - Raymond E. LeBlanc, Jr. 70, of Uxbridge passed away on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at UMass Medical Center, Worcester following a period of declining health. He was the husband of Nancy (Desjourdy) LeBlanc.

Mr. LeBlanc was a longtime police officer for the Town of Uxbridge and later was an Inspector for the Registry of Motor Vehicles. He also owned and operated Brookside Driving Academy in Northbridge for the past 27 years. He served the Town of Uxbridge as a longtime Assessor and was also a manager of Patrick’s Function Hall in Uxbridge.

Butch was born in Whitinsville in 1949 the son of the late Raymond and Lorraine (Isabelle) LeBlanc and was a graduate of Uxbridge High School

He enjoyed traveling with family and friends. He also loved all sports and especially enjoyed following the Boston teams. He was an Off-ice official for the American Hockey League for all Worcester based AHL teams.

In addition to his wife Nancy of 46 years, he is survived by a daughter,

Kristin LeBlanc of Uxbridge; a son-in-law, Edward Lewis of Uxbridge; his brother, Neil LeBlanc and his wife Susan of Santa Rosa Beach, FL; two sisters, Diane and her husband John Brothers of Uxbridge and Lynne and her husband Donald Gaskell of Uxbridge; one grandson Nickolas; his godson Christopher Brothers and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his grandparents Willie and Edouilda (Dion) Isabelle and Henry and Leona (Dalbec) LeBlanc.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Whittier Rehabilitation Hospital in Westborough and to the UMass Medical Center in Worcester for their care, kindness, support, and compassion.

The family and friends of Butch are mourning his passing. The current environment has prevented them from receiving guests as they would prefer, so we encourage all friends and family to reach out to his family and show your support. Funeral services will be at a later date. Please call or write to them directly or you may leave your name and a memory on a digital guest book at [www.bumafuneralhome.com](http://www.bumafuneralhome.com).

Arrangements by Buma Funeral Home, Uxbridge.

## Kenneth J. Lange, 60

WHITINSVILLE-Kenneth J. Lange, 60, died Tuesday, March 3, in the Beaumont Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Center in Worcester, after a period of declining health. He is survived by his father, Donald K. Lange, his brothers; Jeffrey Lange and his wife Susan, and Kurt Lange and his wife Donna, all of Whitinsville; his long

time girlfriend, Christina Simonian, also of Whitinsville, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mother, Elinor (Kelliher) Lange, in 2014 and his son Brendon, in 2015. Services were private. To leave a condolence for the family, please visit [www.carrfuneralhome.com](http://www.carrfuneralhome.com).

## Matthew A. Evans, 42



Matthew A. Evans, 42, died suddenly, at home, Tuesday, February 4. He is survived by his wife, Melissa (Brown) Evans; a son, Aiden Evans, a daughter, Zoe Evans, of Sutton; his parents, Arnold and Deborah (Costello) Evans, of Milford; and a brother, Daniel Evans, and his wife, Jaime, of San Antonio, Texas. He was predeceased by a daughter, Kaitlyn.

Matthew was born in Framingham, June 4, 1977, and grew up in Framingham and Uxbridge. He was a graduate of Uxbridge High School, and the New England Tractor Trailer School in Pawtucket, RI. He was a truck driver at MBI in Charlton, and previously drove for Covenant Transport

and U.S. Express.

Matthew was a member of the Westborough United Methodist Church, and he was an active Dad with Cub Scout Pack 243 in Sutton. He was a Pittsburgh Steeler fan, loved the outdoors, especially fishing and camping, and he enjoyed the times he spent with his family and friends.

Calling Hours for Matthew were Sunday, February 9, in the Carr Funeral Home, 24 Hill Street, Whitinsville. A Memorial Service was held Monday, February 10, in the Westborough United Methodist Church, 120 Main Street, Westborough., MA.

Please omit flowers. Memorial donations are requested to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA, 02284. To leave a condolence for the family, please visit [www.carrfuneralhome.com](http://www.carrfuneralhome.com)

## Patrick J. “Paddy” Mawn, Sr., 79



WHITINSVILLE—Patrick J. “Paddy” Mawn, Sr., 79, died Friday, January 31, at Saint Vincent Hospital with family by his side. He leaves two sons, Sean M. Mawn and his wife Holly, of Northbridge, Danny B. Mawn and his wife Stephanie, of Whitinsville; a daughter Erin Mawn and her fiancé Sean Madore, of Webster; 6 siblings: Peggy, Charlie, Jimmy, Mae, Ita and Vinny; 10 grandchildren: Chloe, Megan and her fiancé Brian, Wesley, Patrick, Calvin, Morgan, Molly, Mason, Kathleen and Sean; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife Kathleen (Wynn) Mawn in 1994, son Patrick in 2018, and infant son Kevin.

A son of Michael and Rose Ann Mawn, he was born in Glenfarne, County Leitrim Ireland, November 26, 1940 and came to Boston in 1959. After

he and Kathleen married, they lived in Burlington, then moved to Whitinsville with their family, in 1981. For 32 years, he worked as a field service technician at Air Products and Chemicals in Marlborough. Paddy enjoyed going to local Irish clubs and was a lunch regular at Herbie’s in Worcester. He was a member of the Leitrim Society of Boston and Saint Patrick’s Church in Whitinsville. He was very handy and could fix anything. He maintained a life long interest in farming, raising cows, chickens and sheep over the years.

Calling Hours were Tuesday, February 4.. Paddy’s Funeral Mass was Wednesday, February 5, in Saint Patrick’s Church, Cross St., Whitinsville. Burial followed in Saint Patrick’s Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the NAC Food Pantry, PO Box 60, Whitinsville, MA 01588. To leave a condolence for the family, please visit [www.carrfuneralhome.com](http://www.carrfuneralhome.com)

## John H. Del Padre, Jr., 91

PROVIDENCE, RI – John H. Del Padre, 91, peacefully passed away at Mont Marie Rehab and Health Care Center, Holyoke, MA on March 25, 2020.

He was born in Providence, R.I. on December 30,1928 the son of the late John H. Del Padre, Sr. and Isabelle (Leamy) Del Padre.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife of nearly 60 years, Josephine (Giusto) Del Padre. He is survived by his daughter Fran Del Padre of Chicopee, MA.

John is also survived by his sister, Mary Slater of North Kingstown, RI; his sister Peggy and her husband Tony Roma of Coventry, RI; his sister Patricia Del Padre Myers of Coventry, RI; his brother David Del Padre and his wife Betty of Las Vegas, NV; his sister Carol Grafton of Hope Valley, RI; his sister Kathleen Crowley of Coventry, RI and his sister-in-law Valerie Del Padre of Cumberland, RI.

He was predeceased by his sister Isabelle and her husband George Haslip; his brother Donald Del Padre; his sister Barbara her husband Christopher Di Panni; his brother-in-law Donald Slater; his brother-in-law, George Myers; his brother-in-law Harwood Grafton and his brother-in-law Robert Crowley.

John grew up in Providence, RI and graduated from La Salle Academy. John was a devoted Catholic his entire life, in his younger years he served as a page to Bishop Francis Patrick Keough. He attended Union College in Schenectady, NY. He started his life long career in the shoe industry as a sales person for Thom McAn at the young age of 15! He followed in his father’s “footsteps” who worked for Thom McAn his entire career.

From a long career as a manager for Thom McAn shoes, John transitioned to Spencer Shoes in Boston as a buyer and ending his career there as an Assistant Vice President. After an early retirement he opened his own Shoe Store, “Del Padre Shoes” in his

hometown, Uxbridge, MA. John loved running his own store and serving local residents.

John was a longtime member of the K of C rising to 4th degree and Grand Knight. He and Josephine were active members of the North Uxbridge Italian Club and served on the Uxbridge Fourth of July Committee for several years. John and his wife loved to travel and were fortunate to do so for many years. They loved to ballroom dance having first met at a ballroom. Their favorite song was “Blue Spanish Eyes” which they are certainly dancing to in Heaven. They loved their yard and spent hours caring for their vegetables and flowers. This was due in large part to his wife’s influence as John was brought up a true city boy. John took up golf later in life and thoroughly enjoyed playing the game and watching the pros on T.V. John and Josephine loved family gatherings especially during the holidays. They were close to their brothers and sisters’ families which included 47 nieces and nephews.

His daughter dearly misses her father, she wishes to thank all the people that helped take care of John during his last few years. She especially wants to thank the staff at Mercy Medical Center, Springfield, MA and Mont Marie Rehab and Healthcare Center, Holyoke, MA for their clinical care, but more importantly their kindness and compassion.

A celebration Mass of John’s life will be held in the future. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in John’s name may be made to Mercy Medical Center, Office of Philanthropy, Gift Processing Center, PO Box 320635, Hartford, CT 06132-9900 or to Mont Marie Rehab and Healthcare Center, c/o Activities Fund, 36 Lower Westfield Rd., Holyoke, MA 01040 or a charity of your choice.

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## J. Richard “Dick” Ofcarcik, 77



DOUGLAS- J. Richard “Dick” Ofcarcik, 77, died Sat. March 28, 2020 after a period of declining health. He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Janet A. (Lee) Ofcarcik.

He is also survived by his 4 children, Sharon M. Ofcarcik of Douglas, Karen L. Heredia and her husband Gustavo of Miami, FL, Susan J. Richard and her husband Brian of Uxbridge, and Richard J. Ofcarcik and his wife Kathryn of Chester, NH; 6 grandchildren, Mathew Ofcarcik and his significant other Ashley Mongeon, Devan Rock, Jeffrey Richard and his wife Sarah, Katelyn Audet who Dick affectionately called “Katie Mae child” and her husband Joshua, Hunter Ofcarcik and Brennan Ofcarcik: 6 great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Logan, Zelda, Charlotte, Owen, Georgia; a brother, Francis “Jack” Ofcarcik and his wife Marcia of Auburn; a sister-in-law, Judith Ofcarcik of Cumberland, RI; many cousins in Slovakia, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his broth-

er, John Ofcarcik. Born on Sept. 29, 1942, he was son of the late Joseph M. and Mary (Gurovic) Ofcarcik and grew up in Douglas.

Dick was a graduate of Douglas High School and East Coast Aero Tech, becoming a Jet Engine Mechanic working for Pratt Whitney in Connecticut for 43 years up until his retirement in 2005. He was a proud member of the Douglas Historical Society and Uxbridge Rod and Gun Club. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, studying history and especially town history, and yard saling . He also took a deep interest in old tractors & engines, and trains. He was a devout husband, father, grandfather, and brother and will be sorely missed.

Dick’s services will be privately held at the convenience of his family at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Dick’s memory may be made to the

Douglas Historical Society, 283 Main Street, Douglas, MA, P.O. Box 176, or the Douglas Ambulance Fund, P.O. Box 222, Douglas, MA 01516.

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# A Mix of Tips

Going through my accumulated tip file (or I should say pile!), I often find an array of hints without a common theme. Therefore, these stray hints occasionally comprise a “mix of tips” column. Read on for an assortment of tips geared to tackle the little hassles in everyday life – especially now when we are hunkering down.

Are you getting a little stir crazy at home? Why not send in your favorite tips to be in the running for dinner for two at the Publick House? Above all, stay safe.

With shopping trips reduced, it’s good to know household products can do double duty around the house. It goes without saying that hydrogen peroxide is an effective germ killer, but did you know one cup of hydrogen peroxide to one quart water creates a safe bleach substitute for fine washables? Want to keep your overload of household trash deodorized until pickup day? Simply pour some kitty litter in the bottom of the trash pail to dispel lingering odors.

If you ran out of decaf tea, you don’t have to go without. Did you know you can decaffeinate regular tea quickly and easily? Just steep it for about one minute, then pour off and discard water then add water to re-steep. This method releases up to 90% the caffeine, yet retains all the taste and most of the

antioxidants!

More than ever, cooking has become a favorite “in house” activity! To duplicate the fluffy omelets you find in the best restaurants, add a pinch of powdered sugar or cornstarch to the egg mix before cooking. Here’s a hot tip from a steak house: Reduce meat shrinkage by pouring a little liquid over steaks throughout the cooking time!

Stressed out? Who isn’t! How about some therapy - music therapy that is. To relieve stress, take a 20-minute “sound bath.” Lie in a comfortable position and listen to music with a slow rhythm, slower than the average heartbeat, which is about 72 beats per minute. As the music plays, breathe deeply and allow the music to ease away the stress.

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KAREN TRAINOR

ing the clove. So eat fresh garlic, or run it through a juicer in a vegetable drink for best results.

If you’re choosing this time at home to spruce up your house with paint, choose warm dry mornings to start the project. Cold weather retards drying of paint and the dampness will spoil the gloss. And avoid using paint directly from the can as this may cause contamination and prematurely age the paint. Pour the amount you expect to use in 30 minutes into a separate container.

Revamping your house with color? When painting new plaster, or other porous surfaces, paint on a solution of water mixed with PVA glue first. This will seal the surface and stop the paint from soaking into the plaster. Not only does it give a much better finish, but, as a bonus, the paint will go further too!

We’re spending more time with our feline friends, and do you ever wonder what your pet is thinking? Why not take cues from cat’s body language? A cat’s tail acts as an indicator of its mood and as a warning of intention. Broad swishing of the tail indicates annoy-

ance. Severely agitated cats will move their tails rapidly back and forth from the base. The larger and more rapid the swish, the more upset the cat.

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 hints!

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

## No evidence of arson at West End Firewood in Northbridge

\$1.3 MILLION IN LOSSES REPORTED

NORTHBRIDGE — Northbridge Fire Chief David M. White, Northbridge Police Chief Walter J. Warchol and State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey said the joint investigation into the March 23 fire at West End Firewood has found no signs it was intentionally-set. The fire was reported at 8:15 p.m. and ultimately consumed seven wood and metal buildings, several forklifts and logging trucks, and 700 cords of firewood. Damages are estimated at \$1.3 million. There was one minor firefighter injury.

Investigators have found no signs of arson. Due to the extent of the damage and the need to use heavy equipment to fight the fire, they are unable to rule out

a number of possible accidental causes, so the fire will remain officially undetermined. Some of the possible causes are: a spark from an acetylene torch or a welder, failure of a heat processing conveyor or a woodstove, an electrical malfunction, or the improper disposal of smoking materials.

Members of the Northbridge Fire and Police Departments and State Police assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal jointly investigated this fire. The Department of Fire Services’ Special Operations Unit drone was used to help document the fire scene.

## Molly Vincent named to Honors List at Pomfret School

POMFRET, Conn. — Molly Vincent of Douglas, from the Class of 2020, was named to the Winter 2019-2020 Honors List at Pomfret School. To achieve this level of distinction, Molly earned a grade point average of at least 3.330 and received no grade lower than a B. Founded in 1894, Pomfret School is an

independent college preparatory school for boarding and day students in grades 9 through 12. We also offer a postgraduate year. Set on 500 acres in the celebrated Last Green Valley of Northeastern Connecticut, our mission is to cultivate a healthy interdependence of mind, body, and spirit in our students. We offer 8 academic disciplines, more than 100 elective courses, 25 athletic options, and numerous opportunities to participate in community outreach and service programs.

## Pomfret School announces Head of School Scholar Honors

POMFRET, Conn. — Students named to this list earned a grade point average of 4.00 and received no grade lower than an A- for the Winter 2019-2020 Term. Jackson Medeiros of Douglas Rachel Mello of Douglas Founded in 1894, Pomfret School is an

independent college preparatory school for boarding and day students in grades 9 through 12. We also offer a postgraduate year. Set on 500 acres in the celebrated Last Green Valley of Northeastern Connecticut, our mission is to cultivate a healthy interdependence of mind, body, and spirit in our students. We offer 8 academic disciplines, more than 100 elective courses, 25 athletic options, and numerous opportunities to participate in community outreach and service programs.

# LEGALS

## MORTGAGEE’S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Dennis Kimball and Gail Kimball to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, dated June 21, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 34022, Page 108, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R8, under the pooling and servicing agreement dated August 1, 2004 by Citi Residential Lending Inc., as attorney-in-fact for Ameriquest Mortgage Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43810, Page 249, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R8 by Ameriquest Mortgage Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 52295, Page 39, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R8 by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R8, under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated August 1, 2004 by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 54973, Page 277 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on April 17, 2020 at 40-42 North Main Street, Northbridge (Whitinsville), MA, all and singular the premises described in said

Mortgage, to wit: All that land in Northbridge, in the Village of Whitinsville, Worcester County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, on the northeasterly side of North Main Street, and shown and designated as Lot #72 on a plan of land entitled “Section A, Sheet No. A-2, Whitin Machine Works, Northbridge, MA” dated March 10, 1951, by G. Bertrand Bibeault, Civil Engineering, Woonsocket, RI recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 173, Plan 49, said parcel of land being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the most westerly corner thereof at a point on the northeasterly side of said North Main Street, which point is 556.27 feet measured S. 32° 18’ E., from the corner formed the intersection of the northeasterly line of said North Main Street with the southerly line of Crescent Street, said point of beginning being the most southerly corner of Lot #73 on said plan; Thence N. 55° 54’ E., by said Lot #73 on said plan, 105.7 feet to Lot #84 on said plan; Thence S. 33° 36’ E., by said Lot #84 and Lot #85 on said plan, 84.94 feet to Lot #71 on said plan; Thence S. 55° 54’ W., by said Lot #71 on said plan, 107.63 feet to a point on the northeasterly side of said North Main Street; Thence N. 32° 18’ W., by said North Main Street, 85 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 9,060 square feet of land, more or less. Subject to any and all rights and easements as described in a deed of James M. Meller to Rodney N. Gallagher and Barbara A. Gallagher, dated May 13, 1974, recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 5490, Page 310. For title reference see deed recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 27120, Page 349. The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens

and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney’s fees and costs. TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee’s attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R8 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANDS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 16-001401 March 27, 2020 April 3, 2020 April 10, 2020

## NORTHBRIDGE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with MGL Ch 44B [Community Preservation], the Northbridge Community Preservation Committee shall hold a Public Hearing **Tuesday, April 14, 2020 (7:05PM)** in the Selectmen’s Room, Northbridge Memorial Town Hall, 7 Main Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588. The Community Preservation Act was adopted by Northbridge voters in 2017. The Act established a local dedicated fund (CPA funds), to undertake open space/recreation, housing, and historic preservation projects. Implementation of the CPA is overseen by a 9-member committee representing the Conservation Commission, Historic Commission, Housing Authority, Planning Board, Playground & Recreation, School Committee, and three (3) members at large appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The purpose of this hearing is to solicit input from the public on the preparation of a Community Preservation Plan. The CP Plan shall include guidance and criteria for selecting projects to be considered at future Town Meetings. To aid in the preparation of the CP Plan the public is encouraged to comment on needs, opportunities and resources for open space, historic preservation, outdoor recreation, and housing. A copy of the (draft) CP Plan is on file with the Town Clerk (7 Main Street -Town Hall) and Planning Office (14 Hill Street -Town Hall Annex) and may be viewed during normal office hours. In addition to the public hearing written comments may be sent to the Community Planning & Development Office or submitted via email to cpc@northbridgemass.org. Glenn King, Chair Northbridge Community Preservation Committee Friday, April 03, 2020 Friday, April 10, 2020





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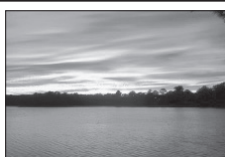
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**OXFORD** – 377 Main St! 9 Rm Center Hall Colonial! .59 Acre Corner Lot! Charm of Yesteryear! Eat-In Frpld Granite Kit w/Updated Cabinets, Frpld Din Rm w/ Built-in China Cabinet & Butler Closet! Gracious Foyer! Spacious Frpld Liv Rm! Breezeway to a Home Office or an Unfinished Cathedral Ceiling Fam Rm or Craft Rm! Sit on the Front Porch and Enjoy Morning Coffee or Evening Tea! Huge 2-Car Garage w/Loft-Storage Area! Mature Tree Studded Yard! **\$349,000.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 9 Pebble Beach Rd! Middle Pond – Winter Cove! Private Peninsula Protected from the Storm – Safe Harbor! Custom 3,179' 8 Rm Contemp Ready for Your Immediate Enjoyment! Grand Entry Foyer! Ideal Open Fr Plan w/Sky Lighted Cathedral Ceilings, Tall Windows & Hrdwd Flrs! Beautiful Applianced Custom Granite Kit w/ Center Is! Formal Din, Fireplace Liv Rm w/Water/Estuary Views! 1st Flr Laundry! Second Floor Master Suite, Ideal Full Bath, Huge Walk-in Closet! 3 Bdrms Total! 2 Full & 2 Half Baths! Walk-out Lower Level Fireplace Fam Rm! Buderus Oil Heat! C/Air! Oversized 2 Car Garage! **\$779,900.00**



**OXFORD** – 10 Huguenot Rd! 8 Rm Colonial! 1.36 Acres! Country Setting! Country Kitchen w/Bay Window Overlooking Back Yard, Front to Back Living/Dining Rm w/French Doors to Deck! Office! Side Entry Breezeway! 3 Bdrms Plus a Study/Craft Rm on the 2nd Floor! 1 Car Detached Garage w/Workshop! Easy Access to Shopping and Highways! **\$179,000.00**

**DUDLEY** – 38 Pine St! 5 Rm Ranch! Original Owner! Quaint Eat-In Kit! Formal Din Rm! Spacious Liv Rm w/ New Picture Window! Fam Rm w/ Views to Private Back Yard! Mudrm! Huge Deck! Buderus Oil Heat! 2 Car Garage! New Septic! Vinyl Sided! Newer Windows! Solar Panels! **\$239,000.00**

**DUDLEY** – 9 Nellies Way! TOBIN FARM ESTATES! 10 Rm Colonial Set on 1.2 Acres! Applianced Dine-in Granite Kit! 3 Season Sun Rm off Kit! Din Rm, 2 Story Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove, Bdrm, Full Bath w/Laundry & Gleaming Hrdwds Round Out 1st Flr! 2nd Flr Features an Open Balcony to the Liv Rm! Plenty of Space for an Office, Playroom or Reading Area, Use Your Imagination! Master w/Tray Ceiling & 3 Closets! Master Bath w/Dual Sinks, Shower, Whirlpool Tub & Makeup Counter! 2 Additional Bdrms & Full Bath! Huge Finished Walk-out Lower Level Perfect for Entertaining! Wet Bar w/Wine Cooler & Fridge! Half Bath w/Tile Flr! Irrigation! Shed! JD Riding Mower! Don't Miss Out! **\$469,900.00**

**DUDLEY** – 7 – 9 West Street! Brick 4 Family plus a 2 Family! Side by Side! All with 5 Rooms and 2 Bedrooms! Gas Heat! All Separate Utilities! 2 Car Detached Garage! The 4 Family with Beautiful Natural Woodwork! All Apartments are Empty and Work is Needed in Several Apartments! Excellent Potential! Will be a Good Investment for the Right One! **\$399,900.00**



**WEBSTER** – 9 Lake Parkway! Extremely Conveniently Located just off Exit 1 of 395! Loads of Potential! 6 Rm Cape! Applianced Kit! Din & Liv Rms w/Wall to Wall over Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! 1st Flr Bdrm w/Commode Closet! Recent Furnace! Recent Roof! **\$169,900.00**

**WOODSTOCK** – 9 Fawn Ridge! Renovated 4 Rm Townhouse! New Granite Kit w/SS Appliances! Kit & Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! 2 Comfortable Bdrms w/New Wall to Wall! New Full Bath! Freshly Painted Throughout! Lower Level w/Laundry & Storage, Able to Finish Additional Living Space! 2 Parking Spaces! **\$129,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 62 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 51' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Fantastic Panoramic Lake Views! 11 Rms, 6 Bdrms, 4 Bathrooms, 3,269' A/C'd Colonial! Custom SS Applianced Granite Kit! Formal Din Rm w/Cherry Hrdwds! Lake Facing Liv Rm w/Cathedrals, Cherry Hrdwds! Slider to Waterfront Deck! Spacious 1st Flr Master Bdrm w/Full Bath, Cherry Hrdwds & Walk-in Closet! Frpld Lower Level Fam Rm! 1st & 2nd Flr Laundries! 2 Car Garage! **\$1,199,900.00**

**WEBSTER** – 60 East Main St! Established Local Bakery & Delicatessen Specializing in Polish Foods being Sold with Building! Turn Key Business! Equipment to be Included with Sale! High Traffic Count! Ample Parking! Easy Access to Rear for Deliveries! Building also consists of a One and Two Bedroom Apartment! The Owner presently uses two rooms for his office and storage which could easily be added to the One bedroom Apartment! Building was Totally Renovated in 2010! **\$599,900.00**



**DUDLEY** – 132 Southbridge Rd! 5 Rm Bungalow! 2.21 Acres! Enjoy Nature and Kayak right from your Backyard! Eat-in Kit w/Pantry! Frpld Liv Rm w/Hrdwds & Bay Window! Din Rm or Fam Rm w/Hrdwds & Ceiling Fan! Full Tile Bath w/ Tub/Shower Combo! Master Bdrm w/Wall to Wall Carpet! Second Bdrm w/ Wall to Wall & Ceiling Fan! Walk-up Attic w/Potential for Additional Living Space! 3 Season Porch w/Natural Woodwork! Recent Roof! Recent Oil Steam Heat! New Septic & being Well Installed! Plenty of Parking! **\$179,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 50 West Point Rd! Kildeer Island! 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, Has It All! 2 Story Foyer! Granite Kit w/Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances & Walk-in Pantry! Din Rm w/ Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm w/Lake Views, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplc! 1/2 Bath + Laundry! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Upstairs leads to 3 Spacious Bdrms each w/Private Baths! Master w/ Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet + Private Balcony! Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level w/Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm + Lake Facing Bdrm w/Frplc & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Zones! Oversized 2 Car Garage! Loaded w/Quality & Detail! **\$1,175,100.00**

**WEBSTER** – 14 Summit Street! Conveniently Located 8 Room, 4 Bedroom Cape! Featuring Newly Remodeled Stainless Steel Applianced Granite Eat-in Kitchen w/ Custom Cabinetry & Luxury Vinyl Plank Flooring! Formal Dining w/Hardwoods! Spacious Living Rm w/Hardwoods! 2 1st Floor Bedrooms w/Hardwoods! Newly Remodeled Full Tile Bath! 2nd Floor w/2 Bedrooms w/Hardwoods, Plenty of Closet & Storage Space! Updated Second Full Bath! Recently Oil Heat, Cast Iron Baseboard! Detached Garage! Corner Lot! **\$279,900.00**



**CHARLTON – GLEN ECHO LAKE!** 3 Sunset Dr! Western Exposure = Beautiful Sunsets! Fantastic 105' Waterfront! Ideal 15,941' Gently Sloping Lot! Comfortable 9 Rm Ranch! Stainless Appliance Eat-in Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwd Flr! Lake Facing Liv Rm w/Panoramic Water Views! 4 Bdrms, 3 Lake Facing including the Spacious Master! Full Hall Bath! Enjoy the Sun Rm w/Lake Views! 32' Walk-out Lower Level Frplce Fam Rm w/Wet Bar & Convenient Half Bath! Nicely Landscaped Front & Back! Lake Level Deck, Dock & Rear Shed! Benefitted by Town Sewer! Start Packing! **\$499,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 50 Union Point Rd! Panoramic Views of Middle Pond – South Facing – Tons of Sun! Principal Residence or as a Second Home this 6+ Rm Gambrel Colonial will be Ready for You! You'll Appreciate its Easy Access and Taken Back by the Ever Changing Lake Vistas! Featuring Applianced Kitchen w/Island, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplace Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Floor & Anderson Sliders All Around! 3 Second Floor Bedrooms! Spacious Lake Facing Master w/ Cathedral Ceiling & 2 Sliders to its Private Deck! 2 Full Baths! Central Air! Composite Decks & Flag Stone Patio for Your Enjoyment! 7,405' Lot with 50' on the Water! Sorry, Closing not before 9/10/2019! **\$624,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 68 W Point Rd! Western Exposure - Spectacular Sunsets! 75' Waterfront w/Expansive Views! 6 Rm Yr Rd Ranch! Ideal 2nd Home! Renovate or Enjoy As Is! Open Fr Plan! Applianced Cabinet Packed Kit! Lake Facing Din & Liv Rms w/Water Views! Sliders to Screen Enclosed Porch! Master w/Ceiling Fan & Dble Closet! 2nd Bdrm w/Dble Closet! Full Bath off Hall! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/25' Fam Rm w/Door to Lakeside Patio, Bdrm, Full Bath & Utility! Storage Rm! 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths Total! Oil Heat! Covered Entry Ramp & Electric Chair Lift! Shed! Dock! Summer Will Be Back – Don't Delay! **\$499,900.00**



**CHARLTON** – 105' WATERFRONT! Baker Pond! 63 Lincoln Pt Rd! East Facing = Fantastic Sunrises! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Beautiful 1/2 Acre Lot w/Lawn to Water's Edge! 2 Story Foyer! Natural Woodwork! Open Fr Plan! Applianced Granite Kit w/Is, Recessed Lights, Tile Flr & Water View! 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/Separate Tub/Shower, Walk-in Closet & Laundry! Hall Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/31' Fam Rm! Full Kit! Full Bath & Laundry! Includes **NEW A/C SPLIT SYSTEM!** Enjoy Outside from the Farmer's Porch, Deck, Patio, Screened Porch or Dock! 2 Car Garage! Full Recreational Use! **\$524,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 506 Beacon Park! 1,280' Custom WATERFRONT Townhouse, Ideal End Corner Unit w/Panoramic Lake Views! Overlooks Lakeside Pool & Sandy Beach! From the Private Entry this Unit is Like No Other! Being Sold Fully Furnished & Appointed! 1st Flr w/Beautiful Maple Hrdwds! SS Applianced Silestone Kit! Recessed Lighting! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Tile Baths! Recent A/C & Heat! Garage! **\$369,900.00**

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#### THOMPSON, CT - 6 LILLIAN AVE, LOT #1



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#### WEBSTER - 8 MAPLE ST



**SORRY,  
SOLD!**

2 Family - **1st Floor** 6 Rooms, 3 bedrooms, 1 Full Bath, open Kitchen, Fully Applianced, New Carpeting, Hardwood Floors. **2nd Floor** - Open Kitchen with Gorgeous Kitchen Cabinets - 6 Rooms, 3 Bed, 1 Full Bath Hardwood Floors, New carpeting. Each Apartment has 1,200+ sq ft plus. Oil Heat. Off street parking. Town Water & Sewer, 3rd Story Unfinished. **\$237,500.**

#### WEBSTER/OXFORD/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS

**Dudley** - Marshall Terrace 12,000 +/- Sq. Ft. Possible potential for a 2 family to be built! Town Water, Sewer, City Gas! Nice level lot. **\$70,000**  
**Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2** 2.5 Acres of flat land that abuts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**  
**Webster** - Potential **6 Buildable Lots!** Water/Sewer Access **\$129,400.**  
**Webster** - 85 Upper Gore! View of the Lake, 1+ acre, artesian well, Septic Design, Etc. **\$130,000**  
**Oxford** - 4 Leicester St. approx. 8.47 acres! River frontage! Highly possible to be subdivided. **\$99,900**

#### WOODSTOCK, CT - 64 LYON HILL RD



**SORRY,  
SOLD!**

Estate like long paved driveway! 3158 Sq Ft Colonial! Geothermal built. Open floor plan, ash flooring throughout! Granite and s/s applianced kitchen! Large master bedroom, coffered ceiling, master bath, W/Jetted tub! Walk in closets. Two car garage. Radiused walkout on upper level! A walk up attic. Walk out lower level! The third garage is accessed from the lower level. Generator hookup. One beautiful property! **\$499,900.**

#### WEBSTER LAND - COOPER RD



**2 BUILDABLE  
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Internally, the horse will still go by Hank; however, externally, both Bay State Savings Bank and the Friends of the Mounted Police Unit – Worcester would like the public to help officially welcome Hank to the city by giving him a new name. More information regarding the horse, as well as how to participate in the Naming Contest can be found on the Bank's Facebook, Twitter,

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