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Auburn residents elected to Girl Scout board



Jennifer Johnson

The Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts elected eight new members, including one girl member, to the Board of Directors and a new board chair, vice-chair and treasurer at its annual meeting the end of April. New board members include: Melisa Alves, of Spencer, Brenda Denison of Montague, Jennifer Johnson of Auburn, Maryann C. Johnson of Millbury, Ryan Matson of Worcester, Nikki A. Sharleville of Auburn, Bonnie Walker of Millbury, and Gabriella Wilkerson of Northampton.

New GSCWM Board officers include: Joan Bertrand of Sterling, President/Chair, Casey Freeman of Worcester, Vice Chair, Chris Michael Mendoza of Wilbraham, Treasurer.

According to outgoing GSCWM Board Chair Lyn Simmons, “The broad perspective and wealth of knowledge these individuals bring to

the Board will help maximize the impact of the Girl Scout mission.”

The mission of the Girl Scouts is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Joan Bertrand, a GSCWM board member since 2011, was appointed as the new chair of the GSCWM Board of Directors. According to Bertrand, “I am thrilled to have the privilege to contribute to the Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts in my capacity as Board Chair. Girl Scouting was my foundation that taught me how to become a leader, how to speak up for myself and gave me the confidence to accept challenges that I may not have otherwise taken. I am excited to watch the young women in our programs advance



Nikki Sharleville

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Auburn voters stay the course

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Auburn has a new face on the School Committee, but the Board of Selectmen will look the same.

On Tuesday, voters chose newcomer Meghan McCrillis and incumbent George Scobie over two others for three-year school seats, and returned both Ken Holstrom and Doreen Goodrich to the town’s top board.

“I’m humbled by the residents’ trust in me,” Goodrich said. “They recognize the work I’ve done in the last nine years, and I want to continue the good work we’ve been doing. Congratulations to all the other winners, and I look forward to working with them.”

Goodrich was top vote-getter in her race with 1,058, according to unofficial totals provided by the town clerk’s office. Holstrom came in second with 915, and challeng-

er Wayne Page, who left the School Committee to run, landed a distant third with 568. That distance was physically visible outside the polls, with Goodrich and Holstrom campaigning and talking to passersby together near the entrance to the high school parking lot, while Page’s team had a space much closer to the doors.

A similar separation was visible in the school race, with teams for McCrillis and Scobie near the entrance and Sullivan standing with Page, although their race was closer in the end. Scobie came out on top with 935, McCrillis got 754, and Sullivan 538. The fourth candidate, Mary DeCoursey, had no presence at the polls and collected just 192 votes.

“This is my first election day, so it’s interesting. It’s been a lot of fun, and people are friendly,” Sullivan said of being at the polls. “I expected

to be more anxious than I am, but the support’s been great and people stop to ask questions.”

As the day went on, the campaigners had to keep an eye on the sky. Although the day started sunny and unseasonably warm, a tornado watch covered Worcester County for the later afternoon, and people started taking shelter around 4 p.m. as wind picked up and thunderstorms started rolling in. Even before then, a good wind gust collapsed the McCrillis canopy, breaking a couple of its aluminum beams. The resulting tag-team effort to take it apart and fold it up was a reflection of the usual camaraderie at the polls on Election Days.

Afterward, McCrillis’s father, 1980s-era School Committeeman Jim Creelman, said he was glad to see his daughter running “for my old



Gus Steeves photos

Winning Selectmen Doreen Goodrich and Ken Holstrom hang out at the polls together.

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Brunelle gets perfect score

BY GUS STEEVES
STAFF WRITER

AUBURN – The School Committee gave Superintendent Mary Ellen Brunelle a perfect score on her annual review this year, not really surprising anyone.

“She’s getting 100 out of 100,” Chairman George Scobie summarized. “I don’t think we

could ask for much more. I knew mine was going through perfect, and had I known that all five were, we could’ve skipped the whole process. Dr. Brunelle’s the real deal.”

He described Brunelle as “the real deal” and “the best superintendent I’ve had in my professional life,” a phrasing very similar to that from

other board members. He was particularly happy with her “open door policy,” which he noted is a real one versus some who claim to have one “and close the door when you say something they don’t want to [hear].”

“She hears what [people] say and is a critical thinker. It’s not in one ear, out the other,”

he said. “She looks into everything and follows up on everything. Everyone in town values what we have in Dr. Brunelle.”

Member Gail Holloway used a personal example to express her agreement. She said her daughter, who teaches in another district, recently came to her for help with a union issue. As Holloway

dug through her trove of documents for useful things, she said she realized “Boy, we’re lucky to get Dr. Brunelle. There [is] none of the confrontation my daughter was seeing in her school system. Everyone here is about making things better, not making a point.”

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First step to ed reform passes

BOSTON – On Thursday, students, parents, and teachers filled the State House as the Massachusetts Senate unanimously voted to pass a key education reform bill to update the state’s 25-year-old funding formula.

The bill, An Act Modernizing the Foundation Budget for the 21st Century (S.2506), was introduced by Senator Sonia Chang-Díaz (D-Boston) and was co-sponsored by 36 senators. The bill would implement the recommendations of the bipartisan Foundation Budget Review Commission which found the foundation budget formula is drastically underestimating education costs. This has forced deep cuts to classrooms and critical programs, and one of the worst achievement gaps in the nation.

Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) had this to say, “This is a necessary step to recognize that funding has been inadequate and our students deserve more.”

“In Massachusetts, we strive for a fair and equal education system, not as an ideal, but as a reality,” said Senate President Harriette L. Chandler (D-Worcester). “This is an immensely important bill for our schools, large and small. I want to commend Senator Chang-Díaz for her commitment, dedication, and hard work on this legislation.”

“With the unanimous passage of the commis-

sion’s recommendations, the Senate is doing its part to make good on our obligation to every child in Massachusetts,” said Sen. Chang-Díaz, Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on Education. “For years now, our schools have been suffering death by a thousand paper cuts, and its long past time we right this wrong. Schools and families shouldn’t have to lawyer up to get a quality education for their children.”

The vote follows months of advocacy by education stakeholders across Massachusetts. More than 50 school committees across the state have passed resolutions supporting the reforms, and Brockton Public Schools announced earlier this year they are preparing to sue the Commonwealth for failing in its constitutional obligation to properly fulfill its obligations to funding.

“The Senate’s initiative will be welcomed by school committee members and education stakeholders,” said Beverly Hugo, MASC president, Framingham School Committee. “It sets us on the right path to get the full and adequate funding that we’ve been seeking, over a reasonable period of time.”

Established by the 1993 Education Reform Act, the Foundation Budget was designed to ensure every Massachusetts student was provided a quality education. However, the formula has failed to keep up with rising fixed costs like health care and special education that have outpaced initial estimates. It also underrated what it actually takes to educate English language learners and students living in poverty. The FBRC found these combined costs have led the Commonwealth to underestimate the cost of education by \$1-2 billion every year.



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Olivia Kentley age 5 on the loom at the Auburn Festival of the Arts. Story and more photos page 9.





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Chamber to award \$16,500 in scholarships

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce will award a total of \$16,500 during its scholarship award breakfast on Wednesday, May 23 at the Auburn-Webster Elks Lodge.

Since 1995, the Auburn Chamber has awarded a total of \$297,000 in both student scholarships and teacher mini-grants with proceeds from its Annual School/Business Partnership Golf Tournament held every September.

GuestspeakeroftheeventwillbeformerStateRepresentative, and chairman of the Worcester Redevelopment Authority, Vincent Pedone.

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the following students as scholarship recipients for 2018:

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Amanda Doherty: \$1,500
Katelyn Norwood \$1,500
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“Thank you for doing what you do so well, and taking the smallest questions and concerns seriously,” Dorothy Kauffman added.

Kauffman said she feels Brunelle effectively addresses individual issues and concerns while always tying them to the district's larger goals.

Wayne Page agreed, saying, “You always put your foot forward for the children and parents and address concerns even if you can't fix it.” He praised the district as “one of the best in the state” for that and other reasons.

Scobie observed that “this year was one of those years where we didn't have a whole lot going on...but she's still everywhere.”

Brunelle is finishing her 10th year as superintendent. She noted when she began, her aim was to bring stability to the district, since she'd previously been a principal and had seen five superintendents in five years.

“I'm humbled by your scores and comments,” she said. “It really is about working together, and we need to set the bar high.”

In other business, the committee got a brief state budget update from Rep. Paul Frost and Sen Michael Moore. Frost said he feels the state's recent revenue increases are “so far so good” and might be “sustainable.” For a while, state officials were unsure whether it would be, or if it'd be just a short-term effect from federal tax changes.

He predicted Gov Charlie Baker will veto some budget items, but doesn't expect him to

touch Chapter 70 funding, which goes to the schools and has been hiked by both House and Senate. More general local aid and Chapter 90 road funds have also, although not as much.

“It is challenging and everybody is looking for help and more aid,” he said. “It'll be a good issue to have if you have a few more dollars than you expected to have a few months ago.”

Moore noted the Senate will release its budget on May 9, and will start debate May 22. The House already approved its version, and after the Senate finishes its work, the two will be reconciled via a conference committee.

“This is the first time at this point in the budget ... I've been able to go out to my communities and say ‘We have a surplus,’” he said. “Right now, we're in a good situation.”

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Spring turkey hunt yielding nice birds



Six year old Quinn Horvath with his grandfather Mike Guertin get ready to land a prize winning trout at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club kids' fishing derby.



Brother Kein with a 20 pound bird.



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Turkey hunters are harvesting some very nice birds as the breeding season becomes red hot. Turkeys are responding to hunters calls and are strutting into their set up of turkey decoys. One hunter showed me a video of his hunt this past Saturday that was like being there with him from beginning to end. It was exciting to watch! He harvested a nice 22 lb. tom that had an 11 inch beard and 1 1/4 inch spurs. Numerous turkey hunters have already harvested their two birds, and have also harvested a bird in Rhode Island. My brother Ken is shown in this week's photo with a nice 20 lb. bird that he harvested on the first day of the turkey hunting season. This writer still needs to fill

my two turkey tags in Mass, and things are looking good for this week's hunting, as the toms become easier to call in for a good shot. Tautog fishing had blown wide open last week, with almost every angler filling their three fish limit in the Westport area. Catching doubles on a two hook rig was easy for some anglers. Most tautog anglers were catching and releasing fish, as the action was incredible. Steve Mercure and this writer managed to catch six fish all 19 inches or better last week. The fish were cleaned and cooked at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club last week by this writer, and served to a few members that were present last Friday. Eating poached tautog at 9:00 a.m. did not seem to bother those guys. One guy was in Pennsylvania hunting turkeys and missed the tautog feed. I sure felt bad that he was not there!! Striper fishing was still slow last week with reports from local bait & tackle shops becoming disgusted with the

slow fishing. Their patience is also being stretched to the limit, as they try to survive the slow fishing and lack of business at this time of year. Fishing for haddock on the North Shore has been incredible the last couple of weeks. Captain John boats fishing out of Plymouth have been catching limits of haddock on their all day fishing charters. Numerous cod are also being taken daily, but need to be released because of the closed season on all cod fishing on the Gulf of Maine. Trout fishing anglers continue to catch limits of trout at local streams and rivers in the valley area. Freshwater bass fishing still remains slow in lakes and ponds due to the cold water that is slow to warm. Jerry's Bait & Tackle shop in Milford, weighed in a six pound bass last week. Action should pick up soon. The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club held their annual trout fishing derby for kids this past Saturday. A group of approximately 20 youngsters enjoyed a free breakfast and

some great trout fishing prior to the rain. All youngsters received some great prizes and had a fun day at the event. Special thanks to all of the club officers and members that helped make a day of fishing and eating a day to remember. A special thanks to fish chairman Ed Gervais for his time, making a great day for all in attendance. This week's second picture shows six year old Quinn Horvath fighting a huge rainbow while his grandfather Mike Guertin ready's the net. It was landed successfully and Quinn received a great prize for his big rainbow trout. On May 20 the Wallum Lake Rod & Gun Club will hold their steel plate shoot starting at 10 a.m. at the pistol pits. Check out all of this month's events on their website at www.wallumlakeRod-Gun.com! On May 26 the club will also hold a ladies beginner's skeet shoot starting at 9 a.m.!

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seat." To him, the district's key issue should be school security, "but no guns for teachers." On Wednesday, McCrillis herself responded to a request for comment by email. "I just want to thank everyone in town for coming out to vote yesterday," she wrote. "I look forward to working with an already wonderful school committee in supporting the town's schools. I would also like to mention Erika and Mary and thank them for running as well, I wish them all the best in the future." Goodrich said she hopes to continue the current fiscal policies and road reconstruction projects, and hopes to start doing something about illegal dumping in town. Page, by contrast, said he didn't think the town was doing enough roadwork and wanted to "move some of the [budget] around for the people" rather than to pay town officials, while still decreasing taxes. He also proposed a charter change by which several now-appointed boards revert to being elected, including the Planning Board and Board of Health. Voters also re-elected Moderator Chet Stencil and Town Clerk Deb Gremo without opposition, and put two people on the Board of Library Trustees - Ellen Ganley and Nan Johnson. Voters also filled numerous town meeting seats, but those figures were not available by deadline.



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Today we have 1538 single family homes for sale in Worcester County compared to 6 months ago where we had 1800 and only 1322 last month at this

time. Inventory did tick up about 16% from this time last month which is normal this time of year. If we look back to 12 months ago we had 1661 homes for sale in Worcester County which shows a 7.4% decrease in inventory year over year. The average days on market is currently 100 days which is a 15.3% decrease in days on market from last month. This shows that homes are continuing to sell quicker and most likely



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last year in Worcester County. This shows that prices are still rising and homes are still selling quicker than a year ago. It is also showing that sales are slowing down due to low inventory since we only had a 0.3% increase in

older inventory is starting to sell as well. If we look at homes sold over past 12 months compared to the same time for the previous year there is an almost 0.3% increase in sales and a 6.1% increase in average sales price while it is taking 17.6% less time to sell the homes this year than

sales compared to last year and last month it was 1.6%. The numbers again are all positive and showing continued growth, the one big sign is that the growth in sales is slowing and will see that number negative very soon which is caused by the low inventory. It is important to hire a Realtor familiar with your market especially in this market where it seems you can just put a sign out front and get a bunch of offers. The right agent will ensure you get the most money for the house in the shortest amount of time.

Leominster-based Fidelity Bank announces new employees

Fidelity Bank continues to grow with the appointment of five new staff members. The community bank, headquartered in Leominster, is known for its innovative LifeDesign approach of doing the next right thing to help clients, colleagues and communities get where they want to be. It has 10 full-service offices in central Massachusetts with plans to add a second branch in Worcester and a branch in Winchendon in 2018.

Linda Carmichael brings over 30 years of experience to her new role as vice president of operations at Fidelity Bank. Carmichael most recently served as the head of operations & banking and enterprise risk management at GFA Credit Union. She brings depth

of knowledge relative to operations, vendor management, electronic banking, technology, and risk management to Fidelity Bank. In addition, Carmichael has conversion and merger experience and is six sigma trained.

John Peculis is the new senior vice president, commercial lending at Fidelity Bank's Worcester office. Peculis comes to Fidelity Bank from People's United Bank and was formerly with United Bank and Millbury Savings in comparable roles. He previously owned and operated Allied Appraisal Associates of New England. He has strong ties to the Worcester community and supports many local organizations. Peculis is the chairman of the March of Dimes annual

Signature Chef's Auction for Central Massachusetts, serves on the Nichols College Board of Advisors and is on the Executive Committee of the Worcester Economic Club. He has a BSBA, management from Nichols College.

Travis Perry has joined Fidelity Bank as vice president & commercial relationship manager and will be seated in the Millbury office. Perry resides in the town of Sutton and has strong ties to the Blackstone Valley. He will play a key role for Fidelity in that market. He brings over 15 years of commercial banking expertise and a track record as a top performing commercial lender. Prior to joining Fidelity, Perry served as vice president, commercial lending

for Hometown Bank. Perry holds a Bachelor's degree from Salve Regina University in Newport, RI.

Stephen Smith rejoins Fidelity Bank with over 30 years of mortgage experience to his role as vice president, home loan specialist. Based out of the Millbury office, Stephen most recently held a position at Santander where he was a mortgage development officer. Smith is an active member of Board of Realtors and member of American Legion in Auburn, where he helps raise money and assists veterans. He currently resides in Webster with his wife and three children.

Kara Wiersma joins Fidelity Bank as its vice president, learning and development manager. The new role was developed

as part of Fidelity Bank's commitment to help its employees achieve greater job knowledge and professional growth at the bank. Wiersma previously worked at Commerce Bank as its retail training onboarding and development manager where she designed and delivered all training programs for the retail bank division. She played an integral role through Berkshire's acquisition of Commerce, preparing employees for all systems conversion activities and post-conversion roles. Kara earned her Bachelor's degree in management studies from Boston University. Wiersma currently resides in Auburn.

Fattman amendment adds to veteran job protections

BOSTON – The Massachusetts Senate last week unanimously passed “The Brave Act” – new legislation that will expand benefits and increase access to a range of services for veterans, active-duty military and their families.

State Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Sutton) filed and passed an amendment that would legally protect veterans who wish to observe, participate in ceremonies, or be granted a leave of absence in the work place on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day.

“It may come as a shock to people that veterans weren't legally entitled to take the day off to observe the commitment their fellow men and women made in serving our country. As the brother to a current service member, I believe this is the least we can do out of respect for the sacrifices made by generations of Americans,” said

Fattman.

Understanding the sacrifice that military personnel and their families make not only while on active duty, but also after returning home, the Massachusetts Legislature has consistently provided a continuum of major veteran legislation to help with those who sacrifice the most for our freedoms.

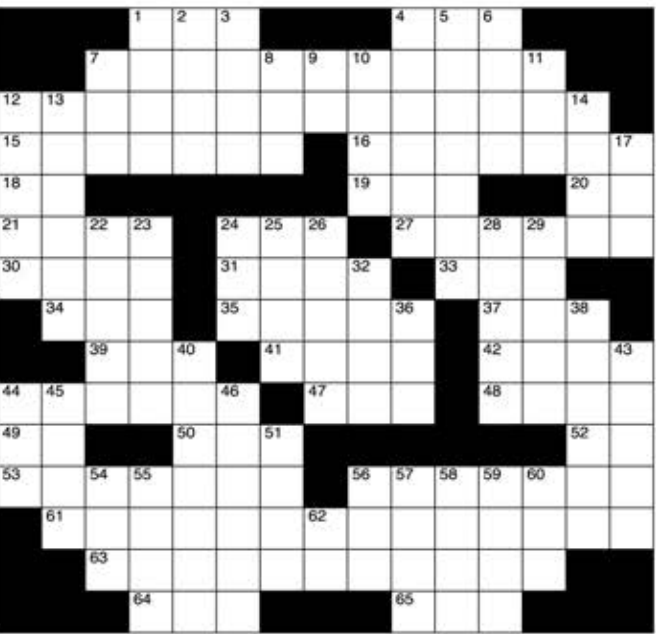
On the recognition front, the legislation designates the 5th day of April as Gold Star Wives Day and the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mothers and Families Day and directs cities and towns to designate reserved parking for veterans at all city and town halls.

Additionally, the bill also grants paid military leave for those called to duty by the armed forces for up to 40 days for training and operation purposes. To help ease the costs of housing, the legislation changes the requirement

for veterans to receive property tax exemptions from residing in the Commonwealth for five years down to two years. It also increases the amount a veteran can earn on their property tax exemption for volunteering in their city or town.

The BRAVE Act increases the burial expense paid by commonwealth from \$2,000 to \$4,000 for indigent veterans to receive to adequately provide for a dignified funeral. It also exempts any veterans who receive annuities for service to their country from income calculations when applying for state programs or services.

The BRAVE Act, which now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration, is the legislature's latest effort to support veterans, military members and their families.

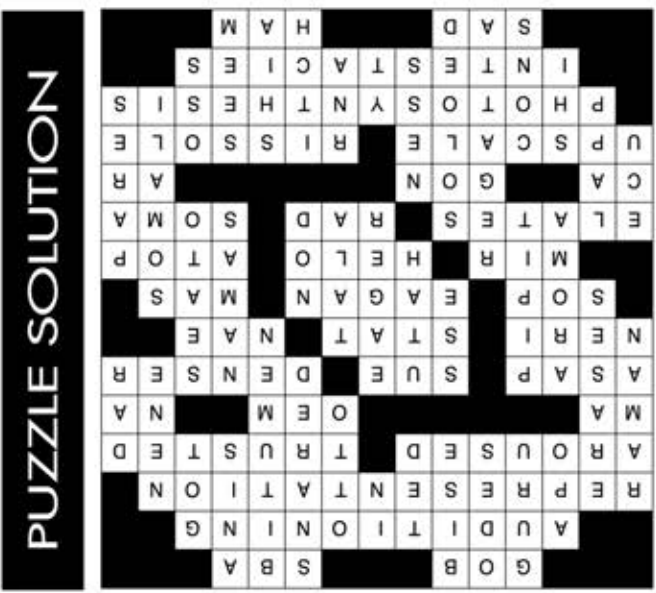


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Small lump
- 4. Helps little firms
- 7. A way of performing
- 12. Lawyers
- 15. Stirred up
- 16. Believed in
- 18. The Bay State (abbr.)
- 19. Makes computers
- 20. Sodium
- 21. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
- 24. Institute legal proceedings against
- 27. More compact
- 30. Ethiopian river
- 31. Quantitative fact
- 33. No (Scottish)
- 34. A concession of no great value
- 35. Tony-winning actress Daisy
- 37. More (Spanish)
- 39. Russian space station
- 41. Helicopter
- 42. At the peak
- 44. Makes ecstatically happy
- 47. Excellent
- 48. Material body
- 49. The Golden State (abbr.)
- 50. A unit of plane angle
- 52. Argon
- 53. Fancy
- 56. Fried mixture of meat and spices
- 61. How green plants use sunlight
- 63. Without wills
- 64. Unhappy
- 65. Meat from a pig's leg

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mentor
- 2. Lyric poems
- 3. A dry cold north wind in Switzerland
- 4. Trapped
- 5. Used for road surfacing
- 6. Cuckoos
- 7. Prefix “away from”
- 8. Seth McFarlane comedy
- 9. Not out
- 10. “The Simpsons” bus driver
- 11. Popular HBO drama (abbr.)
- 12. Acclaimed Indian physicist
- 13. Removes
- 14. One-name NBA player
- 17. Revolutionary women
- 22. Smell
- 23. Ground-dwelling songbird
- 24. Midway between south and southeast
- 25. American state
- 26. Keen
- 28. Khoikhoi peoples
- 29. Int'l defense organization
- 32. Samoan money
- 36. A sign of assent
- 38. One from Somalia
- 40. Boat race
- 43. Trims
- 44. French coins
- 45. Indigenous Scandinavian
- 46. Flew alone
- 51. Loch where a “monster” lives
- 54. Japanese title
- 55. Pros and ____
- 56. Present in all living cells
- 57. Something to scratch
- 58. Branch of Islam
- 59. Appear
- 60. Former CIA
- 62. Yukon Territory



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Safe driving tips



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Did you know a few years ago an insurance report revealed drivers in nearby Worcester were named among the worse drivers in America! According to that study, Worcester drivers got in auto accidents once every 4.3 years, which makes them 134.8 percent more liable to crash their cars than the average American!

With these stats in mind the following “safe driving tips” from AAA and other sources, are offered.

This time of year bright sun glare is a common problem, especially just after sunrise and prior to sunset. If you find yourself driving with the sun shining in your eyes, try these tips:

*Check out polarized sunglasses, studies show they really do decrease glare.

*Don't forget to utilize your sun visor. If necessary invest in an inexpensive sun shield that attaches to the visor and

provides more shade.

*When the sun is interfering with your vision, practice proactive safety. Back off from the car in front of you to leave more room (and more reaction time) between you and the other vehicle.

* Make sure your windshield is crystal clear. Dirt and smudges increase glare from the sun's rays.

*Leave your headlights on. It will help others see you better.

Rainy weather poses more problems for safe driving. In fact, studies show wet roadways contribute to nearly 1.2 million traffic crashes each year. Up your odds of a safe arrival with these pointers:

*Check out your wipers. Replacing worn windshield wipers are an inexpensive, cost effective way to increase visibility in rainy weather.

Note: Wipers that don't clean the glass in a single swipe should be replaced.

*Always turn on your headlights when driving in rainy weather. It not only helps you to see the road more clearly, but it also allows you to be visible to other drivers.

*Did you know proper maintenance of tires can help prevent accidents, especially on wet pavement? Tire tread is

important for good traction. Place a quarter in the tire groove. If you can see above George Washington's head, you should replace your tire for optimum safety.

*Also, be sure your tire pressure is up to par. Correct tire pressure aids in preventing slipping and sliding on rain soaked roads. Note: Tire pressure often drops in cold weather.

*Above all, don't use cruise control! When utilized in wet weather, the loss of acceleration control can prevent a safe reduction in speed.

*Did you know hydroplaning can be prevented simply by slowing down? Here is an eye opening fact from AAA: With as little as 1/12 inch of water on the road, tires have to displace a gallon of water per second to keep the rubber meeting the road. Drivers should reduce their speed to correspond to the amount of water on the roadway. At speeds as low as 35 mph, new tires can still lose some contact with the roadway.

*OK, so you find yourself skidding in wet weather. What to do? According to AAA you should: Continue to look and steer in the direction in which the driver wants the car to go. Avoid slamming on the brakes

as this will further upset the vehicle's balance and make it harder to control.

Whether you're taking a road trip of just have a long daily commute, being alert is imperative to safe driving. Research reveals very sleepy drivers can impair judgment as much as drugs and alcohol can. Read on for ways to reduce drowsiness:

*Never attempt a long trip unless you have at least six hours of sleep under your belt.

*Drink a coffee or caffeinated soft drink. Keep in mind it takes about a half hour before it takes effect, so if need be, take a nap in the meantime.

*Schedule a break every couple of hours. Have a healthy snack. Step out of the car and stretch your legs.

*Getting plenty of sleep (at least six hours) the night before a long trip;

*On long trips avoid driving when you normally sleep, even if you've slept in the off hours. Drive during your regular waking hours to keep your body on your regular schedule and more alert.

*Driving with a passenger that is awake is the best bet for keeping yourself from nodding off.

*If you are tired, pull over and take a nap. Be sure to park

in a safe place, never pull over the side of the road. Instead, find an open parking lot where you feel you can safely take a snooze.

Win Dinner for Two

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

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

GIRL SCOUT

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by learning that they too can reach for and achieve their goals. Girl Scouts provided me and continues to provide girls and young women valuable skills that will make a positive impact to their lives and those they engage.”

Bertrand is the vice president of human resources at AdCare Hospital of Worcester, Inc. and an adjunct professor at Assumption College. She served two terms on the GSCWM Finance Committee, two terms as treasurer, and as a member of the Camp Green Eyrie 85th and 90th Anniversary Committees and is a lifetime member of the Girl Scouts. Joan previously served on the Board of Girls Inc. as treasurer and Board president.; Alumni Board of Anna Maria College; Nature's Classroom, and the Fallon Community Employers Advisory Board. She holds an MBA in personnel management and certification from the Society of Human Resource Management. Bertrand and her husband reside in Sterling.

Casey Freeman, past GSCWM board member at large, was appointed the first vice-chair. Freeman is a wealth management advisor with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management in Worcester where he leads a four person team. Freeman sits on the Board of Directors for Worcester's Oak Hill Community Development Corporation. He is a graduate of University of Tampa with a Bachelor of Science degree in business economics. He and his wife and daughter reside in Worcester.

Chris M. Mendoza DBA, a member of the GSCWM board since 2014, has been appointed treasurer. Mendoza is a financial services marketer and strategist specializing in multicultural markets. Chris is also a faculty member at the University of Phoenix where he teaches business at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Mendoza holds a doctorate in business administration. His research and thought leadership on Hispanic entrepreneurship and diversity marketing are published in academic and industry journals. Mendoza and his children are Wilbraham residents.

GSCWM's new board members were elected to serve a two-year term. They are:

Melisa Alves is an assistant director in the Career Development Center at College of the Holy Cross and an active Alumni Association member. She has more than ten years of experience working in higher education in areas including residence life, multicultural education, career and academic services. As a first generation college graduate, she received a Bachelor of Arts from College of the Holy Cross and a Masters of education in student personnel administration from Springfield College. This upcoming June she will be starting her doctoral studies at UMass Boston in their Higher Education Ph.D program. Melisa is the adviser to the Latin American Student Organization, a member of the Sister 2 Sister Leadership Board and serves as the Region 1 Representative to the Latinx/a/o Knowledge Community under NASPA- Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education. Alves resides with her husband and two dogs in Spencer.

Brenda Denison is an assistant vice president at Greenfield Cooperative Bank and has worked in the banking industry for more than 30 years. She is a member of the Advisory Board for the money management program, a service of LifePath, Inc., which assists elders and persons with disabilities who have difficulty writing checks or managing their basic living expenses. Brenda serves on the Advisory Board for the

Financial Reality Fair which helps high school students learn how to balance wants and needs as practice for making adult budgeting decisions. She is a member of the Auditing Committee for the Montague Elks Lodge and an active volunteer for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life for more than 25 years. Denison resides in the town of Montague with her teen daughter and father.

Jennifer Johnson is a registered nurse with diverse healthcare experience and is a member of the International Nurses Association. She is the clinical director for CareScout, a case management company, where she has worked for 10 years. She supervises teams of 35 clinicians and 38 administrative personnel as they assess the needs of elderly clients throughout the United States and provide care recommendations. She is a Medical Service Corps officer for the United States Air Force Reserves where she is trained as a Six Sigma Green Belt. Jennifer earned her Bachelor's Degree in nursing and science in 2004 and her Master's in business administration in 2011. She resides in Auburn with her husband and five children.

Maryann C. Johnson is the chief development officer of Oak Hill Community Development Corporation where she oversees fundraising, marketing and strategic planning. Maryann received her Master's in public administration with a concentration in non-profit management from Clark University in 2009 after receiving her undergraduate degree in government & women's studies. Past volunteer experience includes Worcester Animal Rescue League, the Boys & Girls Club of Worcester, Worcester Community Action Council, and she is currently a board member for the Canal District Alliance. Johnson was named to Worcester Business Journal's 2017 Forty under 40 list. Maryann lives in Millbury with her husband and children.

Ryan Matson is a health, life and disability insurance broker with Small Business Insurance Agency of Worcester having previously worked in human resources and employee benefits. He is the co-founder of the Paulsen's Putt Against Parkinson's Disease Golf Tournament which in year one (2017) raised \$27,000 for the Michael J Fox Foundation. Ryan is the chair of the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors and a member of the Leadership Worcester class of 2018. Ryan resides in Worcester where he attended and graduated from Assumption College.

Nikki A. Sharleville is a state management analyst at The Hanover Insurance Group where she supports growth and profitability of the Indiana and Ohio's Personal Lines portfolios. Nikki received her Bachelor's in business administration from Worcester State College. She recently received her MBA from Nichols College, with a focus on Six Sigma and completed a certificate program in business analysis from George Washington University. Nikki was involved with Girl Scouts as a troop leader for the past three years with her daughter who will continue her Girl Scout journey. They live in Auburn.

Bonnie Walker is executive director of diversity and inclusion strategy at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. She serves in a consultative role aligning institutional efforts tied to diversity, inclusion, and equity implementation and practice. She is a member of the College and University Professional Organization for Human Resources, Commonwealth Compact, Multicultural Affairs Think Tank, Brandeis, National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, and the Leading for Change Consortium as Institutional

Partner Liaison. Bonnie received her BA, magna cum laude, in sociology, and MA in communications from Clark University. She resides in Millbury with her husband and children.

Gabriella Wilkerson is a Girl Scout Senior with seven years of Girl Scout experience. Gabriella earned her Silver Award with a project to educate youth about global warming. She plans to start working on her Gold Award this summer and was elected to represent GSCWM as a delegate at the National Girl Scout Council Session in October 2017. Gabriella is an honors sophomore at Northampton High School. She is active in the Model United Nations Club, the Math Team, and Teen Advocacy Group. She helps teach dance twice a week to younger children and is involved with two dance companies: one modern, one Irish. She is passion-

ate about human rights, animal rights, and the environment, and frequently volunteers in her community.

For more information about GSCWM, visit www.gscwm.org.

Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts serves 7,500 girls in grades K through 12 with the strong support of 3,600 adult volunteers in 186 towns and cities in central and western Massachusetts. Girl Scouts' mission is to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Since 1912, girls have explored new fields of knowledge, learned valuable skills, and developed strong core values through Girl Scouts. Today, Girl Scouts is, as it always has been, the organization best positioned to help girls develop important leadership skills they need to become successful adults.

Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Izaquiel and I have a fun personality!

Izaq is a sweet, caring and inquisitive boy of Hispanic descent. Those who meet him immediately notice how funny, warm and engaging he is. Izaq is eager to please, and enjoys talking to and playing games with adults. He also loves cooking, cars, Legos, Pokémon, and playing on his computer. When asked what he wants to be when he grows up, he talks about wanting to help others and one of his dreams is to become an ambulance driver. Izaq responds well to praise and positive attention, and talks

often about his desire to find a family who will love him.

At school Izaq receives extra support to help him catch up to his peers. His teachers describe him as eager to learn and to do well. In class, Izaq loves to be in a teaching position with his peers and is eager to share his knowledge. He volunteers often to read out loud and to go to the board.

Ready for adoption, Izaq is looking forward to finding a caring and permanent family that will love him unconditionally. An ideal family will provide Izaq with structure and consistency. His social worker is open to exploring a family of any constellation, including single-parent homes, as long as they have a strong support system in place. However, Izaq will do best in a family with at least one male parent, and where he can be the only or significantly youngest child in the home. A family should be open to helping Izaq make a slow transition from his current placement to a family setting.

Who Can Adopt?

Can you provide the guidance, love and stability that a child needs? If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ singles and couples.

The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Cynthia Brannon, a/k/a Cynthia Brannon-Schofield, Ann Brannon, and Eric Schofield to Beneficial Massachusetts, Inc. dated January 27, 2005, registered at the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 86808 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 14775; said mortgage was then assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust by virtue of an assignment dated October 7, 2014, and registered as Document No. 106055; of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION at 02:00 PM on June 12, 2018, on the mortgaged premises. This property has the address of 3 Beverly Road, Auburn, MA 01501. The entire mortgaged premises, all and singular, the premises as described in said mortgage: THE LAND IN AUBURN, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THENCE SOUTHERLY BY BEVERLY ROAD EIGHTY (80) FEET; THENCE WESTERLY BY LOT 32 AS SHOWN ON A PLAN HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED ON HUNDRED SIXTY (160) FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY BY LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF ROSA BRADLEY EIGHT (80) FEET; THENCE EASTERLY BY LOT 30 ON SAID PLAN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) FEET. ALL OF SAID BOUNDARIES ARE DETERMINED BY THE COURT TO BE LOCATED AS SHOWN ON SUBDIVISION #872-J DRAWN BY WILLIAM I. THOMPSON, C.E. DATED FEBRUARY 3, 1938 AS MODIFIED AND APPROVED THE THE COURT, FILED IN THE LAND REGISTRATION OFFICE, A COPY OF A PORTION OF WHICH IS FILED WITH LAND REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE #2380. BEING LOT 31 ON SAID PLAN. SO MUCH OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LAND AS IS INCLUDED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF SAID BEVERLY ROAD IS SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS OF ALL PERSON LAWFULLY ENTITLED THERETO IN AND OVER THE SAME; AND THERE IS APPURTENANT TO SAID LAND THE RIGHT TO USE BEVERLY ROAD IN COMMON WITH OTHERS ENTITLED THERETO. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LAND IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN DEED GIVEN BY WILLIAM J. HOGG TO THE CITY OF WORCESTER, DATED JUNE 14, 1899 RECORDED WITH THE WORCESTER DISTRICT DEEDS, BOOK 1633 PAGE 49, AS FAR AS NOW IN FORCE AND APPLICABLE, AND SAID ABOVE DESCRIBED LAND IS ALSO SUBJECT TO AND HAS THE BENEFIT OF THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE DEED GIVEN BY THE WORCESTER CARPET COMPANY TO CHARLES A. HAMILTON, DATED JUNE 13, 1901, RECORDED WITH SAID DEEDS, BOOK 1713 PAGE 653. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED FROM JOSEPH RODIER AND KRISTEN RODIER TO CYNTHIA BRANNON AND ANN BRANNON, J/T/R/S BY DEED RECORDED 10/31/02, IN DOCUMENT 78636 IN THE REGISTER’S OFFICE OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS. TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO. : 17-144 Cert 14775 Subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservation, restrictions, and taking of record, if any, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable. In the event of any typographical error set forth herein in the legal description of the premises, the description as set forth and contained in the mortgage shall control by reference. Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this sale. Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax sales, tax titles and other municipal liens and water or sewer liens and State or County transfer fees, if any there are, and TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) in cashier’s or certified check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale as a deposit and the balance in cashier’s or certified check will be due in thirty (30) days, at the offices of Doonan, Graves & Longoria, LLC (“DG&L”), time being of the essence. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale-date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date. The premises is to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, leases, tenancies, and rights of possession, building and zoning laws, encumbrances, condominium liens, if any and all other claim in the nature of liens, if any there be. In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the

within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder, providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee’s attorneys, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein. If the second highest bidder declines to purchase the within described property, the Mortgagee reserves the right to purchase the within described property at the amount bid by the second highest bidder. The foreclosure deed and the consideration paid by the successful bidder shall be held in escrow by DG&L, (hereinafter called the “Escrow Agent”) until the deed shall be released from escrow to the successful bidder at the same time as the consideration is released to the Mortgagee, whereupon all obligations of the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to have been properly fulfilled and the Escrow Agent shall be discharged. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Dated: May 4, 2018 U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust By its Attorney DOONAN, GRAVES & LONGORIA, LLC, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 225D, Beverly, MA 01915 (978) 921-2670 www.dgandl.com 52294 (BRANNON-SCHOFIELD, A/K/A CYNTHIA BRANNON-SCHOFIELD, A/K/A CYNTHIA BRANNON) May 18, 2018 May 25, 2018 June 1, 2018

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 Bruce J. Grici and Angela J. Grici to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for CitiMortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated December 5, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 40314, Page 1, subsequently assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 46367, Page 333, subsequently assigned to Federal National Mortgage Association by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 52042, Page 122 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on May 25, 2018 at 650 Oxford Street South, Auburn, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: EXHIBIT A Legal Description Re: Bruce J. Grici and Angela J. Grici Property Address: 650 Oxford Street South , Auburn, Massachusetts TRACT I: The land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated on the westerly side of Oxford Street South in the Town of Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lot 3 on a plan of property owned by Joseph A. Tonelli, Jr. and John E. Johnson, Oxford Street South, Auburn, Massachusetts by Cullinan Engineering Co., Inc. dated July 22, 1974, which plan is recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 403, Plan 40, and to which plan reference is made for a more particular description. TRACT II: The land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Town of Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lot 4A on a plan of land entitled: “Plan Showing Land” in Auburn, Mass. owned by Stephen Messina, to be conveyed to Joseph C. Messina et ux prepared by George E. Smith, Jr. R.L.S. dated May 17, 1983, which plan is recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 509, Plan 19, and to which plan reference is made for a more particular description. Subject to and with the benefits of any and/or all rights, restrictions, covenants and easements of record insofar as the same may be in force and applicable. For title, see deed dated 8-13-1996 from Edward A. Pouzar to Bruce J. Grici and Angela J. Grici, recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Book 18230, Page 152. 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. Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 16-015263 May 4, 2018 May 11, 2018 May 18, 2018

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 Steve Okanlawon to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated September 15, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 39923, Page 182 as affected by a Loan Modification recorded on May 7, 2010 in Said Registry of Deeds at Book 45769, Page 215, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2007-HE2 by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 44468, Page 262 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on June 8, 2018 at 64 Harrison Avenue, Auburn, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated at 64 Harrison Avenue, Auburn, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Harrison Avenue, said point being the southwest corner of the lot to be conveyed; Thence south 73 degrees 30’ East twenty-six and three tenths (26.3) feet to a point; Thence North 16 degrees 30’ East forty-four (44) feet to a point; Thence south 87 degrees 36’ East one hundred fifty-five (155) feet to a point; Thence North 2 degrees 24’ East seventeen (17) feet to a point; Thence South 88 degrees East eighty-nine (89) feet to a point; Thence North 10 1/2 degrees East seventy-six and five tenths (76.5) feet to a point; Thence North 79 1/2 degrees West two hundred sixty-eight and four tenths (268.4) feet to a point at the easterly side of Harrison Avenue; Thence South 10 1/2 degrees West by said easterly line of Harrison Avenue one hundred forty-seven and five tenths (147.5) feet to a point; Thence South 16 degrees 30’ West still by said easterly line of Harrison Avenue seventeen and seven tenths (17.7) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. Said premises are conveyed subject to rights and conditions of record, if still in force and applicable. County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts; APN #: AUBU-000025-000000-000022 Being the same premises described in the Deed recorded in Book 33012 Page 350 at the Worcester County Registry of Deeds.

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 Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2007-HE2 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 16-007206 May 18, 2018 May 25, 2018 June 1, 2018

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Cindy Bucinkas and Steven Bucinkas to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for WMC Mortgage Corporation, dated March 7, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 38546, Page 291, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee to JPMMAC 2006-WMC2 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WMC2 dated June 22, 2009 and recorded with said Registry on November 10, 2010 at Book 46625, Page 173 and by assignment from (corrective) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to U.S. Bank N.A., as Trustee, on behalf of the holders of the J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust 2006-WMC2 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WMC2 dated October 5, 2016 and recorded with said Registry on October 11, 2016 at Book 56116, Page 242, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m. on June 13, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 182 1/2 Leicester Street a/k/a 182.5 Leicester Street, Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

That certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated in Auburn, County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the most southerly corner of the land herein described; THENCE N. 39 deg. 30’ E. five hundred ten (510) feet more or less to a point; THENCE N. 83 deg. 15’ W. two hundred twenty-eight (228) feet more or less to a point; THENCE S. 23 deg. 15’ W two hundred fifty-four (254) feet more or less to a point; THENCE S. 64 deg. W. seventy-five (75) feet more or less to land now or formerly of one Malone; THENCE S. 25 deg. 45’ E one hundred seventy-seven and 9/10(177.9) feet to the place of beginning. Together with the right of way about 16 feet wide over a part of the Giorgio land to Leicester Street, see Book 3326, Page 526.

For title reference, see deed recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 25042, Page 256.

For mortgagor’s(s’) title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 25042, Page 256.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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

U.S. BANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST 2006-WMC2 ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-WMC2 Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 201702-0310 - TEA

May 18, 2018
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(M) Magna Cum Laude 3.70 – 3.89
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The art of waterwise gardening



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Making a few changes in your garden care can yield great benefits. Less time and water wasted means more time for you to relax or entertain friends and family in your beautiful landscape. Water is critical throughout the life of a plant, but deciding when and how much water to provide each plant can be a bit overwhelming. Make this task easier and conserve moisture with these simple strategies.

Start by matching plants to your growing conditions. Selecting plants suited to your climate, soil moisture and average rainfall means healthier, better-looking plants and productive gardens with less supplemental water.

Incorporate organic matter such as compost into the soil prior to planting. This helps the soil more efficiently absorb rainfall and irrigation water. Less runoff means less water wasted. Adding organic matter also increases the ability of fast-draining soil to hold moisture, extending the time between watering.

Mulch the soil with organic materials such as shredded

leaves, evergreen needles or woodchips. Mulching helps conserve moisture while suppressing weeds and improving the soil as it decomposes. Plus, you'll be recycling landscape trimmings back into the landscape and the environment. It's green gardening!

There will still be times you need to lend nature a hand. Sprouting seeds, young seedlings and new transplants need consistent moisture to grow and establish a root system. Most annual flowers and vegetables also need consistent moisture throughout the season.

Newly planted perennials, trees and shrubs also need more attention and water than established plants with deeper roots able to absorb more moisture. During extended dry periods, even established plants will need supplemental water.

Providing the right amount of water at the right time can be a challenge. Doing it efficiently to avoid wasting time or water can help ensure your gardening success.

Take the guess work out of watering with a drip irrigation system like the DIY WaterWell Irrigation System Drip Line Kit (gardeners.com). Drip irrigation systems allow you to apply water to the soil right above the plant roots, exactly where it's needed.

Run a line next to each row of plants - or every 18" in planting beds. The water slowly seeps



Gardener's Supply Company photo

Drip irrigation systems allow you to slowly apply water right above the plant roots, encouraging the development of deep, drought-tolerant roots.

through the holes and into the soil below. The slow, steady flow moistens the root zone, encouraging the development of deep, drought-tolerant roots.

Just turn on the faucet, set the timer and let the irrigation system do the work. This reduces the risk of frequent, ineffective watering which leads to shallow roots growing just below the soil surface where they dry out quickly. High temperatures or missed

irrigation can stress shallow rooted plants, reducing their beauty and productivity.

The use of appropriate irrigation, mulching and organic matter can make a huge difference in the quality of your landscape - and your enjoyment of your garden!

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The

Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Gardener's Supply for her expertise to write this article. Myers's web site is www.melindamyers.com.

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EDITORIAL

Preaching to the choir

Somewhere between fourth grade and college graduation, between learning about what the pieces that make up our government are and becoming actual adult citizens, we've let our children down.

Big time.

And it isn't just the current generation.

Or the last two generations.

This has been coming on for a while.

There are a lot of factors, but one of the biggest is absolutely expectations.

We didn't teach our kids to give back.

They heyday of service clubs like Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis and such was also a heyday for capitalism of course, and also after the second world war, when the men in gray flannel suits had agendas to meet.

One of which was to see and be seen.

And to do that, they became involved, they helped. They became members of local organizations, they got themselves elected to local office, and not only did capitalism prosper, so did local citizens and towns.

It didn't last.

And we need it back, because every single town needs people on committees and boards; it needs people to coach youth sports; it needs people to do fund-raising for good work; it needs people. (And certainly NOT only men in grey flannel).

And it means our towns themselves will find themselves floundering.

The answer is not paid boards and committees, stipends do not make for good "volunteers", you will get people who do not care about the topic, only about the income.

And frankly, we cannot afford in any of the towns to go strictly with entirely paid staff; nor should we. The people of every town need to have input into the government of their town.

That is democracy.

We can't leave it up to bureaucracy. That is not how our government works.

But.

And here is the biggest obstacle of all.

Anyone reading this is nodding their head in agreement; yes, we understand this. We probably already work diligently at volunteering ourselves at one or more projects, at our church, at a non-profit we believe in, on a town board. We get it. And we are the newspaper readers so we aren't the ones to target.

The question is, how do we get to those people who should hear this message? And how do we encourage them to rethink their lethargy? What will fire their enthusiasm? How can we, as those who understand the problem, encourage others to become involved?

Particularly younger people.

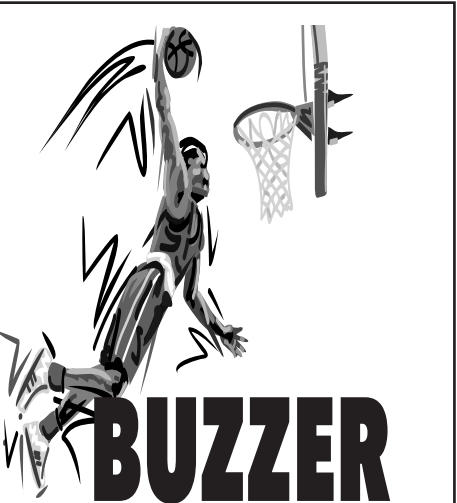
Our future.

Someone wryly asked the other day, "What if we threw an election and nobody came?"

Ouch.

Too close to home.

Any ideas? Let's start a dialogue on this: ruth@stonebridgepress.news.



BUZZER BEATER!

CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!

How the road led here

As I type this Rocket Review, I want to first and foremost thank the parents and students who I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with these past nine years—it has been my honor to serve you. This might be my final article I will write for a newspaper; however, a second career might prove newsworthy some day.

Today I want to take you down a road that leads me to Auburn, which has made all the difference. If you are familiar with Robert Frost, then you will recognize this as a line from "A Road Not Taken." I have to start by telling you that I have had a wonderful and eclectic 35-year career in education. My career began in Springfield, Massachusetts as a teacher of special needs in a high school pupil adjustment program. We serviced high school students by supporting their related classroom education in blueprint reading, machine shop, electronic bench assembly, and food services to name a few. The program provided an education for some of Springfield's most challenged students.

An opportunity to teach came to me in a more traditional high school setting in Easthampton, again working with troubled youth in a grant funded Chapter 188 Dropout Prevention Program. The students and I built everything from saw horses, to sheds, to a wooden walking bridge from the high school to the middle school. The unfortunate aspect of grant funded positions is that funding will at some point come to an end. I was very fortunate in Easthampton since the Director of Pupil Services wanted to start what we call today an intensive special needs program. This position was most likely my toughest teaching assignment and the most rewarding. I was in a classroom part of the day teaching related skills, reading, and life skills curriculum with 8 special needs students whose abilities were my main focus in acquiring jobs in sheltered workshops, entry level positions, and summer camps or summer jobs. Some of my students had disabilities ranging from Down syndrome, to autism spectrum disorder, to physical and cognitive challenges. I remember teaching "Kevin" how to make Filet-A-Fish in a fryalator. I still think of him often.

From Easthampton, I settled in South Hadley where I was in a more traditional role as a special educator at South Hadley High School, home of the Tigers. The position in SHHS led to my first administration position as the dean of operation at what is now called the Michael E. Smith Middle School. A small side note, Michael E. Smith was the superintendent who hired me for this position but unfortunately passed away too young during his tenure. Mr. Smith was a great man and leader of leaders. This position was very fast paced and exciting—a new building project to assist in completing, the first MCAS, and the first of many administrative decisions. From the grades 5-8 middle school of 800 students, I went across the river to a rather large 6-8 middle

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MR. JOSEPH GAGNON
AUBURN MIDDLE
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

school of 1,000 students in a more urban setting. In West Springfield, I worked for and with possibly one of the best middle school principals in Western Massachusetts—Thomas McNutly Jr. Then it happened, "Two roads diverged," and I was approached by a colleague to apply for the principal of Auburn Middle School.

Then my story here began.

I cannot believe it has been 9 years since I walked through the doors of the old middle school. I have been asked what accomplishments I would like the students and parents to remember me by. After giving this much thought, I would think the most impactful educational aspects that I have been fortunate to be a part of were the inclusion of all students in regular education through co-teaching and shared planning time, the introduction of the iPad 1:1 initiative, and lastly the new middle school building project. All of these projects could not have been accomplished without the support of teachers, the leadership team, and the community at large. Again, thank you for allowing me to be a part of your children's lives these past nine years as I truly consider it a privilege. I will leave you with a passage:

"I shall be telling this with a sigh somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference"

The Road Not Taken

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.[1]

Mr. Joseph Gagnon is the Principal of Auburn Middle School. To speak with him to share an idea or a concern, he can be reached at 508-832-7722 or via e-mail at jgagnon@auburn.k12.ma.us.

Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the Auburn Public Schools

The dangers of debt

Politicians and commentators these days like to point to an array of threats to our constitutional system. There's one, though, that doesn't get nearly as much attention as it should: our national debt.

We may not yet be in imminent danger of fiscal collapse, but we're moving into uncharted waters. We are among the most indebted nations in the world, and it's only getting worse. Thanks to our new tax law, we're starting ahead at routine federal budget deficits north of \$1 trillion each year — compared to what now seems like a paltry \$665 billion in 2017.

As we look down the road to an aging population, rising entitlement costs, and skyrocketing interest payments, things promise to go from dismal to dire. In just five years, the head of the Congressional Budget Office warned a few weeks ago, we'll be spending more on interest payments on the debt than we do on our entire military. By 2028, we'll be closing in on \$1 trillion in interest payments alone each year.

We're running these deficits at a time of full employment, when the economy is doing well. This is exactly the wrong time to be pressing on the accelerator, because when the downturn comes — which, inevitably, it will — we won't have room to maneuver.

The more debt we accumulate, the more interest rates rise and the more our spending on debt serves to dampen economic growth. Small wonder that former Fed chair Janet Yellen told Congress last year that rising debt "is the type of thing that should keep people awake at night."

The problem is not quite that nobody's talking about the debt in Washington. They are. But it's not a productive dis-



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cussion — especially among the politicians who will need to roll up their sleeves and tackle it. They give lip service to debt and deficit reduction, but for the most part, each party is trying to blame the other.

This is not just a waste of time, it's counter-productive. Because a problem of this duration, severity and complexity is not going to be solved without a bipartisan approach.

Tackling deficits and the debt always takes a back seat to other priorities: tax cuts and spending increases of all kinds and descriptions. Politicians fall prey to the temptation of saying that economic growth will save us — whether it's spurred by tax cuts or spending increases. We've been fed this line for decades, and it hasn't worked out yet.

To be sure, carefully targeted tax cuts and spending on investments in the economy's underpinnings — infrastructure, say, or human development — can enhance economic growth. But we've had too much that was merely political fodder, and it's done more harm than good.

What do we do about all of this?

"The time to repair the roof," John F. Kennedy once said, "is when the sun is shining."

That's why it's time right now, while the sun is shining on the economy, to repair our fiscal problems. We need to restrain the growth of spending, especially in entitlement programs. And we need to recognize that this most recent tax cut, with its fiscal stimulus and further explosion of debt, is exactly the wrong medicine.

Like a lot of problems, the longer we wait to act, the larger and more dis-

How can you meet your short-term goals?



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Why do you invest? If you're like most people, you'd probably say that, among other things, you want to retire comfortably. Obviously, that's a worthy long-term goal, requiring long-term investing. But as you journey through life, you'll also have short-term goals, such as buying a second home, remodeling your kitchen or taking a much-needed vacation. Will you need to invest differently for these goals than you would for the long-term ones?

To answer that question, let's first look at how you might invest to achieve your longer-term goals. For these goals, the key investment ingredient is growth — quite simply, you want your money to grow as much as possible over time. Consequently, you will likely want a good percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks and other stock-based investments, to fund your 401(k), IRA or other accounts.

However, the flip side of growth is risk. Stocks and stock-based investments will always fluctuate in value — which means you could lose some, or even all, of your principal. Hopefully, though, by putting time on your side — that is, by holding your growth-oriented investments for decades — you can overcome the inevitable short-term price drops.

In short, when investing for long-term goals, you're seeking significant growth and, in doing so, you'll have to accept some degree of investment risk. But when you're after short-term goals, the formula is somewhat different: You don't need maximum growth potential as much as you need to be reasonably confident that a certain amount of money will be there for you at a certain time.

You may want to work with a financial professional to select the appropriate investments for your short-term goals. But, in general, you'll need these investments to provide you with the following attributes:

Protection of principal — As mentioned above, when you own stocks, you have no assurance that your principal will be preserved; there's no agency, no government office, guaranteeing that you won't lose money. And even some of the investments best suited for short-term goals won't come with full guarantees, either, but, by and large, they do offer you a reasonable amount of confidence that your principal will remain intact.

Liquidity — Some short-term investments have specific terms — i.e., two years, three years, five years, etc. — meaning you do have an incentive to hold these investments until they mature. Otherwise, if you cash out early, you might pay some price, such as loss of value or loss of the income produced by these investments. Nonetheless, these types of investments are usually not difficult to sell, either before they mature or at maturity, and this liquidity will be helpful to you when you need the money to meet your short-term goal.

Stability of issuer — Although most investments suitable for short-term goals do provide a high degree of preservation of principal, some of the issuers of these investments are stronger and more stable than others — and these strong and stable issuers are the ones you should stick with.

Ultimately, most of your investment efforts will probably go toward your long-term goals. But your short-term goals are still important — and the right investment strategy can help you work toward them.

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Fesitval showcases many talents



Olivia Kentley showing off her artwork



Jasmine Do by her poem.

KIMBERLY MASCHI
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

From copies of great artists to found objects hobo art, giving voice to expression can be taught, but it needs to be given a lot of leeway.

Auburn High School held the annual Festival of Arts. The festival was joined by STEM and Wellness programs. There were various styles of art, sculpture, paintings, ceramics, poetry, and more. Participants in the art show were from all the local schools in Auburn. The art was displayed throughout the gymnasium, each section for a different grade.

"A lot of people are here and having a good time," said Meaghan Contios, a volunteer at the front tables to help guide the visitors to all that was displayed.

"All the schools in the district come together

and the art and music teachers set everything up," said Contios.

The gallery of various forms of art surrounded the musical acts that performed in the center of an immense audience. Music erupted from the bands and orchestras that performed. The bands did not miss a beat and had everyone swaying to the music.

The chorus captured the attention of all who visited the festival. The performances changed and went on for hours at the festival. Soon, kids were up and dancing to the music. All were laughing and having a wonderful time.

On the third floor of the high school, STEM was set up with a variety of interactive fun and learning. There were robotics and solar house designs. The science, technology, engineering and mathe-



Chorus



atics had participants engaged and learning.

There were activities and different ways for children to learn, set up all around the gymnasium. Olivia Kentley, 5 years old and kindergarten student at Pakachoag, works at a loom set up for kids to try out. She passes the yarn through the various strings to continue the design. Kentley states she loves art and likes to make things.

"It's fun!" Kentley smiles as she runs off to find her artwork to show her mom. Kentley and mom Donna Kentley find a beautiful and creative design of a fish bowl with colorful fish inside. Olivia's mother beamed with pride at seeing her daughter's artwork and hard work displayed. The festival is a wonderful opportunity for parents to see what their children are making in school. Olivia went running off to find her friends and to enjoy the music and activities.

Among the parents and students, many teachers visited the festival and were happy to find their students work. Special education instructors Susan Krikorian and

Alison Bell were so happy to see their student's artwork integrated and included in with the other students.

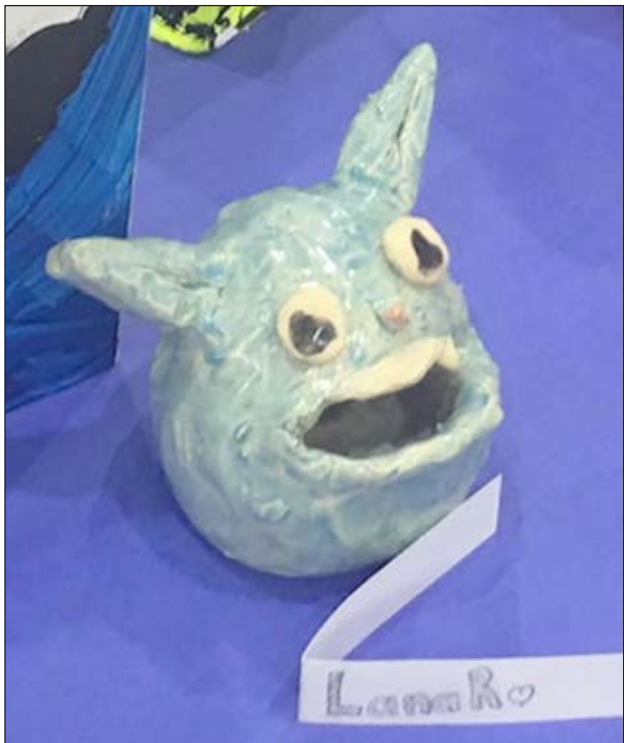
Bell states, "This is how it should be. Art and music are adaptive and the music and art teachers are great."

Teenager Jasmine Do, Auburn High School student kneels by her poem.

"The poem, To Give, explains relationships between parents" says Do, "I wrote the poem in creative writing and the art belongs to a student in AP art."

A student writes and another student draws with how the writing made them feel. Such an interesting way to display thoughts and feeling along with teamwork and creativity. Art brings students together in many ways.

There was so much to see and so much to do at the annual Festival of Arts in Auburn. Students enjoyed showing off their artwork to their parents. The parents enjoyed their child's enthusiasm and pride in their hard work. The festival comes every year and is put together with various school programs.

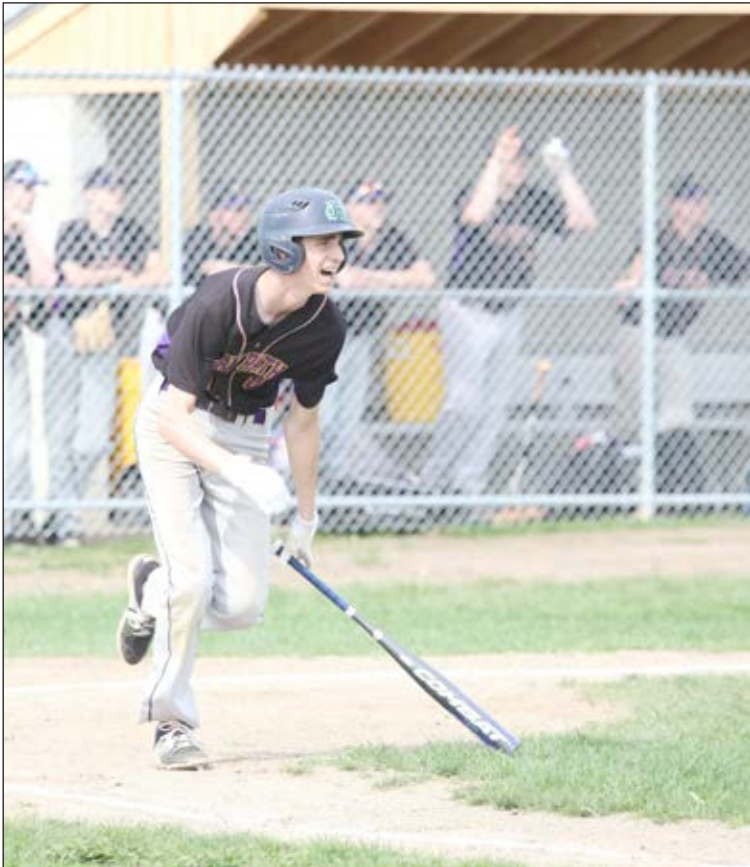


SPORTS

Early offense, late defense helps Bay Path hold off Aztecs



Bay Path second baseman Andrew Fritze waits for the ball to hit his glove during an Assabet stolen base.



Nate Shoemaker of Bay Path watches the ball fly to the outfield as he runs down the line.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
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CHARLTON — An early offensive eruption to the tune of seven runs through two innings was enough for the Bay Path Regional varsity baseball team, who then held on to defeat Assabet Valley, 7-5, on Wednesday, May 9. The victory improved the Minutemen's record to 8-2 overall and 7-1 in the Colonial Athletic League (CAL), as the Aztecs are now 10-2 after suffering their second CAL loss.

"They are a great team. It is all clumped in the top of our division with BVT [Blackstone Valley Tech], Worcester Tech [and] Assabet, so any time we can beat a team like that is huge," explained Bay Path head coach Mark Sansoucy.

With one out in the top of the sixth inning, Assabet had runners on first and second base threatening to score some runs. A hard line drive was

hit to shallow center field and Bay Path's Nate Shoemaker dove full extension to make a miraculous catch. He then snapped up and bulletted a dart to second base to double up the runner. That play stopped the Aztecs' rally and ended the inning — and a potential momentum shift.

"That is about the third or fourth play he has made like that this year," praised Sansoucy. "It is almost like you expect them to make those plays out there. It is just how Nate plays hard every out."

The Minutemen's defense as a whole made the important plays in the field after the offense staked starting pitcher Tim Kunz to the aforementioned 7-1 lead through two innings.

"Our defense is one of the strongest defensive teams we have had in a while," Sansoucy expressed. "We pride ourselves on defense — our infield and outfield."

Kunz was effective on the mound, getting out of many jams by forcing easy ground-ball outs or routine fly balls.

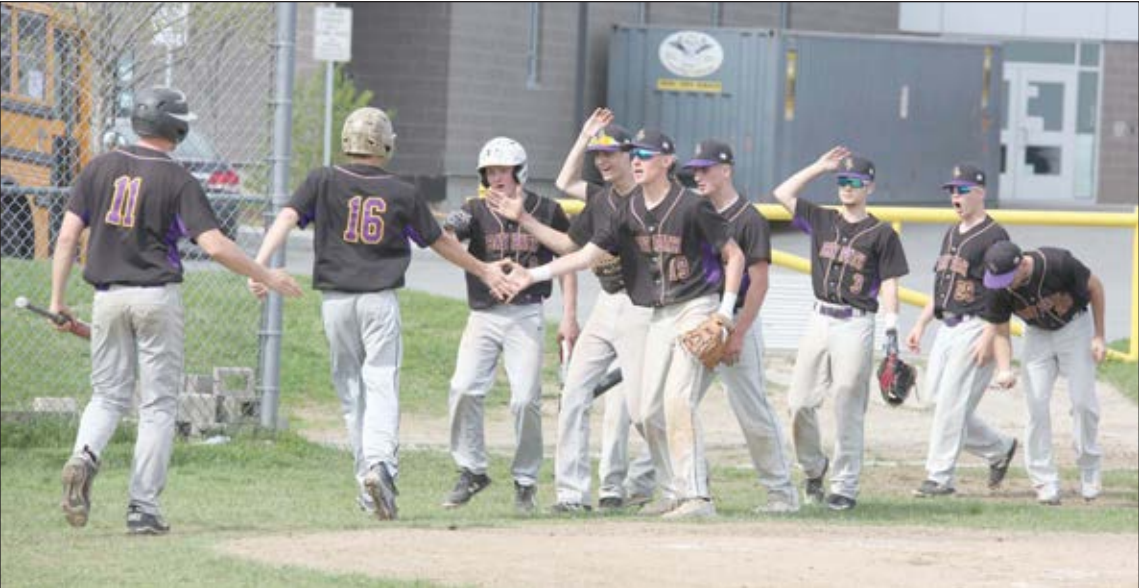
Bay Path played with the lead as John O'Loughlin scored on a wild pitch. The first run was followed by four consecutive singles by the 4-5-6-7 hitters for Bay Path in Nick Jose, Jake Leone, Cam Stitisit and Noah LaTour. Stitisit's single up the middle of the diamond scored a run and Latour's opposite field single plated two more for the Minutemen in the bottom of the first.

Stitisit finished with two singles with an RBI, while Jose also recorded two singles and added a pair of RBIs.

"You want to come out like that, especially against a pitcher like that," Sansoucy explained. "He is probably one of the better pitchers in the league, so to come and get a lead like that helped us out a lot."



Tim Kunz of Bay Path fires off a pitch to the plate versus Assabet.



The Bay Path baseball team gets excited after jumping out to a 4-1 first inning lead. Bay Path then held on to defeat Assabet Valley, 7-5.



Noah LaTour of Bay Path fields his third base position cleanly during a putout.

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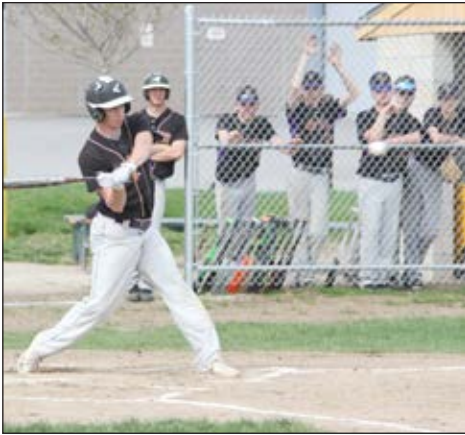
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Bay Path's John O'Loughlin begins his swing as the ball approaches home plate.



Bay Path shortstop Alec Desimone gets the force out at second base before firing over to first during an attempted double play.

SPORTS

Rockets lose close decision to Doherty

AUBURN — Playing at home and under the lights on Friday, May 11, the Auburn High varsity softball team played a tight contest with Doherty High. But in the end it was the Highlanders who emerged victorious, 8-7.

All is still well for the Rockets, though, as they won their next game, 13-6 over Millbury High on Monday, May 14, to improve to 10-4. Auburn has now qualified for the Central Mass. Division 2 tournament.



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Auburn first baseman Kayley Markvenas catches the ball during an attempted pickoff attempt.



Colleen Fellows of Auburn records the first out of an attempted double play.



Liz Simonian of Auburn attempts to bunt her way on base.



Colleen Fellows of Auburn hits a towering home run to center field.

Warriors down Auburn, continue impressive season

AUBURN — On Thursday, May 10, the Tantasqua Regional boys' varsity lacrosse team improved its record to 9-2 following a 12-3 victory over Auburn High at Memorial Field. The Rockets slipped to 2-11 in their second year of varsity competition, while the Warriors have now qualified for the Central/West Division 2 sectional tournament.



Nick Ethier photos
Auburn defender Ryan Murphy, right, stops an attacking Sean Farland from Tantasqua.



Kristos Fotos of Auburn scoops up a ground-ball following a faceoff.



Patrick Horan of Auburn passes the ball down the field.



Auburn's Billy Erickson makes a run past Tantasqua defender Bryce Iller.



Logan McCarthy of Tantasqua runs up unimpeded to a loose ball.

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OBITUARIES

John H. Jandron, 93



A U B U R N / SOUTHBRIDGE- John H. Jandron, 93, formerly of Southbridge, passed away on Tuesday, May 8th, in his home, after an illness. His wife, Helen A. (Tarquinio) Jandron, died in 2000. He leaves his three daughters, Carol A. Sanford and her husband George of Agawam, Linda H. Moriarty of Auburn and Catherine M. Suprenant and her husband Claude of Fiskdale; his brother, Gerald Blair of Dudley;

7 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by three brothers, Clarence Blair, Ernest Blair and William Blair and two sisters, Marion Rosario and Eileen Sadowski. He was born in Putnam, CT, the son of Edgar and Catherine (McElhenny) Jandron. John was US Army Veteran of World War II serving in the 82nd Airborne – 101st Infantry division. He served in the European theatre during the war including the battle of Normandy and was a recipient of the Bronze Star. John was a self-employed carpenter for many years, retiring many

years ago. He previously worked for Bellefont Dye for many years. He was a member of the Leonide J. Lemire post 6055 of the VFW in Southbridge. He was also a member of St. Mary’s Parish, in Southbridge, now St. John Paul II Parish. John was a loving son, husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He was a fine example of a man. His funeral was held on Friday, May 11th, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass at 11:00am in St. Mary’s Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge.

Burial was in St. Mary’s Cemetery, Southbridge. A calling hour in the funeral home was held on Friday, May 11th, from 9:30 to 10:30am, prior to the Mass. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Amedisys Foundation, 36 Williams St., Leominster, MA 01453. www.morrillfuneralhome.com



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Boy Scout Yard Sale 2018: Auburn Boy Scout Troop 101, which is celebrating its 94th Anniversary this year, will have its famous Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, May 26 (Memorial Day Weekend) at Auburn Library. The yard sale helps fund scouting programs and equipment. If you have usable furniture, scout or camping equipment, sporting goods, old aquariums, antiques, collectibles, books, games, children’s items, or any other materials suitable for a yard sale that you wish to contribute to us, please call (508) Chris (868-5634,) Beth (981-6840,) Fred (508-612-9228,) or Jeff (774-289-4423) for a pickup. We will also accept clean, undamaged cloth and clothing for our Cub Scout fund-raiser. Thank you. Please - no TVs or computer monitors, no junk. Thank you very much for your contributions.

Monday May 28

DUCK, DUCK...Auburn Junior Woman’s Club - 16th annual Memorial Day Duck Race on Monday, May 28, immediately following the Parade which starts at 10:00 a.m. at the Auburn Pubic Library grounds at Mirror Pond in the back, 369 Southbridge St. Come and enjoy our annual Memorial Day Duck Race! \$500 first place prize to the duck that crosses the finish first, plus many more prizes. Free activities for children! Ducks can be adopted at the fire station during the parade and at the library prior to the race. Free Parking.

For more information, or to adopt your duck, email us: AuburnJuniors@gmail.com

Saturday June 23

SPACES AVAILABLE: Spring cleaning? don’t throw that good “stuff” away. Recycle it by selling it to someone who needs it! Do you have an accumulation of things that are just too good to throw away but you no longer need? Don’t have enough to hold your own yard sale? Join us on the lawn of the First Congregational Church, Saturday, June 23rd, for our Annual Community Yard Sale.

ONGOING EVENTS

12 STEP PROGRAM: Christian 12 Step Program for Men and Women 7-8:15 p.m. every Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave, Auburn. Do you feel your life/relationships/habits are spinning out of control? A Christian 12 Step Program is the key to Christ and life providing abundance, blessing and grace. Come as you are or contact (508) 832-5044 x 155 for information.

SUICIDE PREVENTION: Attempted Suicide Prevention Group. Held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St Bernard’s Church, 236 Lincoln St., Worcester Gym Entrance Side, second floor meeting room. Parking & T services. Weekly facilitator, inspirational speaker, founder Dan Pelly, two time attempted suicide survivor. Your life matters, never give up. No charge. More info at

(617) 592-5081.

STORY TIME: Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It’s a great place for children and their grownups to listen to stories, share nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. For information, you call the library at (508) 832-7790.

MUSEUM HOURS: The Auburn Historical Museum, 41 South St. is open Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon, and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Admission is free to see a variety of artifacts and memorabilia concerning Auburn as far back as when it was known as the town of Ward. All are welcome to come. For more information contact Sari Bitticks at sarilb@verizon.net.

NEW GROUP FORMING: If you’re separated or divorced, you don’t have to go through it alone. DivorceCare meets weekly, you’ll receive practical support and find healing and hope for the future in a friendly, confidential setting. We meet Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., beginning Feb. 1 at Faith Church, 22 Faith Ave., Auburn. Call (508) 832-5044 or email divorcecare@faithauburn.org for more information.

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the

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

STORY TIME: Open Story Time will be held 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Auburn Public Library. No registration required. Please drop in. Open to all ages. For information, call (508) 832-7790.

BOYS’ GROUP: Chuck wants boys in the 6th through 10th grades to join The Man Cave. The Man Cave is a boys’ group that meets from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Thursdays at the AYFS, 21 Pheasant Court, Auburn. This is where members will learn that peers their own age share similar concerns. Group members will be able to discuss ways to cope with their concerns as well as receive positive feedback. Each week will center around a particular topic for discussion. No cost to join. For information, call Brandon Pare (508) 832-5707 x 16 or Dan Secor (508) 832-5707 x 14. Free food available.

Steuben Glass



TREASURES
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PAUL JOSEPH

Glass and china prices have dropped considerably since I started selling antiques over 30 years ago. Fortunately, some types remain popular with collectors. Sandwich glass was made by the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company between 1825 and 1888. Cut overlay oil lamps can bring thousands of dollars at auction. Modern glass can also bring strong prices. Rare artist signed Murano pieces can bring five figure sums. Around the turn of the century, several companies were producing high quality art glass. Louis Comfort Tiffany created glass from 1875 to 1932. Tiffany Studios glass is highly desirable with a Tiffany lamp selling for \$2.8 million in 1997. René Lalique began producing objects of art from glass in the studio he opened in 1905. A Lalique auction record was set in 1990 when a fountain sold for \$1.1 million. Steuben Glass was founded in 1903, and I will

focus on them in this column. Rarer Steuben pieces can sell in the tens of thousands. Steuben Glass Company was founded in Corning, New York by Thomas G. Hawkes, who was an engraver, and by Frederick Carder, who was a glassmaker. Corning is located in Steuben County, which was used for the company name. The firm started by creating the colorful glass art nouveau glass that was typical of the era, according to the Steuben Company website. In 1932 Steuben developed “a glass with an exceptionally high refractive index that throws off an extraordinary rainbow of color.” The brilliant finish became Steuben’s hallmark and continues today. The following year Steuben focused entirely on the new brilliant crystal and phased out the other glass patterns they produced. Steuben opened their first store in New York City in 1934. In 1935 Sidney Waugh’s Gazelle bowl incorporated Steuben’s first engraved design. Steuben’s manufacturing method of “blowing, cutting, polishing, and copper-wheel engraving” produced the weighty objects with elements that embellished the basic form. Their glass became highly acclaimed. In 1938 four pieces were added to the permanent

collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art Steuben was shown at the “World of Tomorrow” exhibit at the 1939 New York World’s Fair. The New York Steuben store invited 27 contemporary artists to exhibit their works along with Steuben sculptures in 1940. Artists included Henri Matisse, Georgia O’Keeffe, Isamu Noguchi, and Salvador Dali. In 1953 Steuben became the only American glassworks to be included in L’Art Du Verre at the Louvre Museum in Paris. Several presidents have presented Steuben crystal as gifts to dignitaries of other countries. Martin Luther King Jr. was presented with a Steuben bowl when he won the Nobel Peace prize in 1964. Ronald Reagan presented Princess Charles and Princess Diana with an engraved bowl as a wedding gift. Some Steuben glass can be purchased for well under \$100. However, many pieces can bring much more. A Paul Schulze design of New York from 1984 sold for \$22,000 at auction last year. A rare circa 1908-12 red and alabaster leaded glass vase also brought \$22,000 at auction in 2016. A 1959 Moby Dick glass sculpture that was designed by Donald Pollard and engraved



by Sidney Waugh went for a whale of a price when it sold for \$17,000 at auction in 2017. We will be offering several pieces of Steuben Glass in our antique estates auction in Worcester on May 31st. That auction will feature a large Lionel train collection at 5:30 PM. The main auction begins at 6:30. The preview for the Weymouth, MA online auction that includes a Harley Davidson motorcycle and two Chevrolet Suburbans takes place on May 19th. The estate

sale at the Westborough farm runs on June 2nd and 3rd. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events. Contact us at: Wayne Tuiskula Auctioneer/Appraiser Central Mass Auctions for Antique Auctions, Estate Sales and Appraisal Services www.centralmassauctions.com (508-612- 6111) info@centralmassauctions.com

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ruptive the eventual solution will need to be. We’re probably in the most fiscally irresponsible period in recent American history. Debt is a major threat to our preeminence in the world, since it constrains our ability to steer the economy and react forcefully to unexpected events. How we deal with it will be a real test

of our constitutional system and our political system. Can Congress and the President act against the popular grain to cut spending and raise taxes in the public interest? Can we, as citizens, demand credible action by our political leaders even when it hits us in our pocketbooks? What we need to do is no secret: we have to spend less and tax more. This is very hard to do. But the system is not self-correcting. Unless Americans demand action, we will continue down our current road until,

at some point, the pavement ends and the wheels come off.

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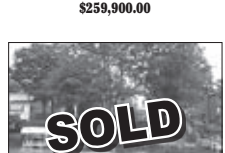
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WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Long Island! Accessible by Boat Only! True Summer Cottage! Ready to Rough It! Loads of Potential! Water on 2 Sides! Panoramic Views Across Wide Expanse of the Middle Pond! 3 Bedrooms! Connected Buildings! 4 Bedrooms! Town Water & Sewerage! **\$229,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Lakeside Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! Ideal Summer or Year Round! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! New Quartz & Stainless Steel! 3 Remodeled Bdrms! 2 New Baths - Master Bath! Tile & Hrdws! Frpld Oil Heat! Unique Waterfront! **\$575,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 15 Lakeside Rd! Reid Smith Cove! Enjoy the Music of Indian Ranch & the Indian Princess! 7 Rm Summer Cottage w/Possible Bdrms! Master Overlooking Lake! Great Potential! Or Tear It Down, Build Something New! 50' X 118' Lot w/Gentle Slope, Almost Level! Town Sewer! **\$297,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 33 Beacon Rd! 6 Rms, 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths! 141' Waterfront! 12,458' Lot w/Plenty of Privacy! Kit, Master Bdrm, Master Bath, Roof & Windows New in 2013! Enjoy Sunsets from Wrap-around Porch! Beautiful Lake Views! Frplc Liv Rm! SS Appliances C/Air! 2 Car Garage! **\$519,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 109 Beacon Park! Waterfront, Beach Front, Pool Side! Townhouse w/BOAT DOCK! 5 Rms! Move-in Condition! Panoramic Lake Views! Appliance! Din & Frpld Liv Rm w/Hrdws! Lake Facing Master! Master Master Bath! 2 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! C/Air! Garage! **\$288,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - Access! 124 Gore Rd! 440' Waterfront! Great Location! Direct Highway Access! 3/4 Acre! UNDEVELOPED LAND w/EXQUISITE VIEWS! Explore the Opps! Build a Restaurant, Hotel, Condominiums! Cozy 4 Rm, 2 Bdrm Home! Oversize 2 Car Garage w/2nd Floor! **\$349,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 602 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rm! 1.5 Bath! Hrdwd Floors! Appliance Granite Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Bidet! 3 Baths! Frpld Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows/Doors! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! **\$349,000.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE - 203 BEACON PARK! Webster Lake Condo in BEACON PARK! 10 acres of Park like Grounds!, Natural Sandy Beach! Excellent for Swimming! Do your early morning laps in the inground pool! 1200+ sf Living space! 2 large bedrooms, dining and living room! 2 sliders - Deck! BOAT DOCK INCLUDED! Buy now - enjoy the 4th of JULY FIREWORKS! **\$254,900**



WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrm, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdws & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdws! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frpld Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$729,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo Super Sunsets! 9,686' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home! New Open Flr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/17' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdws! Granite Kit w/Is! SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdws & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Grand Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Docks! Get Picking! **\$724,900.00**



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Featured New Listing!

WEBSTER - 109 UPPER GORE RD

Gorgeous brick faced, 3 bedroom, 2.5 Bath split entry on a manicured yard! Location, location, location! Spacious home with many updates! Large dining area, inviting fireplaced living room! New wall to wall carpeting and hardwoods! Both bathrooms are remodeled! Master has a luxurious jet shower! Walk in closet! Sun porch overlooks inground heated pool! Family room has new enchanted wood stove with large bar area, great for entertaining! 2 car garage. **\$311,900**

WEBSTER - 36 WEST AVE



First Time Offered! Grand Custom Built Cape! 10+ Spacious Rooms. 4 BRs 3 Full Baths, 2 Full Kitchens, Dining Rm, 2 Lg Family Rms, Gorgeous Formal Living Rm w/ Fireplace, 2 - 3 Season Enclosed Patio Rooms! 3,235 SF +/- ONE LEVEL LIVING w/ 2 BRs. 2nd flr - 2 huge BRs & full bath! in-law setup w/ kitchen, family rm, full bath, garage. **\$279,900**

THOMPSON - 5 BEATTIE AVE



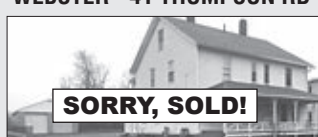
NEW LISTING! Under Construction! 1.31 acre +/- lot Close to I-395! Open flr plan, cathedral ceilings, hrdwd & ceramic tile flrs! Granite counters, center island! Dining rm w/ sliders to deck! 2 BRs, & Mstr BR suite w/private bath! 1/2 bath/laundry, 2-1/2 bath total! Central Air, 2 car garage. **\$259,900.**

WEBSTER - 115 SUTTON RD



New listing! Charming well appointed cape! Mahogany floor farmers porch! Andersen windows! Beautiful 2 story foyer! Cabinet packed kitchen custom cherry cabinets - ss appliances - island, formal dining room w/hardwood floors, family room with fireplace! French doors that open to 15x18 of extra entertaining space! Second floor has large 10x23 master & full bath with jetted tub - bedrooms 28x3 share a full bath! Finished basement! **\$329,900**

WEBSTER - 41 THOMPSON RD



Business zoned 2 family! on a 1/4+ Acre lot, Oversized concrete block garage, 6 rooms, 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths, each unit. Walk up attics. Recent 2 Fuel Efficient gas fired heating systems. Originally built in year 1900 with remodeled improvements over time. **assisted sale \$224,900.**

WEBSTER - 19 PEPKA DR



Desirable one level living with a long list of upgrades! Electrical service, new pro windows, roof, central air & heat pump, gas heat. New ss appliances, new kitchen and more! Hardwood flooring. Private, tree bordered - level lot! Shed which has garage door. Covered back porch for summer enjoyment! **\$245,900**

WEBSTER - 90 UPLAND AVE



NEW LISTING! Excellent home for 1st time home buyers! Cape that has 3 large bedrooms, 2 on the main level and one on the 2nd floor, 1 bath on the main level, 1/2 bath in the basement. Heated by oil - forced hot water baseboard! 1 car garage under **\$134,900.**

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Count	96,530	98,395	102,599	99,270	97,332



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Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Count	67,358	66,380	71,574	77,269	77,429



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Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Count	20,647	20,575	19,908	15,524	11,146



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Southbridge: One of a kind beautiful Condo loaded with costly upgrades! Exquisite Condo with 8 rooms 4 bedrooms 3 baths. Each closet has been upgraded with closet organizers. Lower level all finished including jacuzzi/hot tub. Living room, bedrooms and lower level have built in cabinetry custom made for the seller. Attached 2 car garage. So much storage! Location a premium for commuters! **\$279,900** 2 Barnwood Dr.

Southbridge: PICTURE PERFECT Home in small cul-de-sac neighborhood. Well cared for 7 room 3 bedroom home with first floor heated sun room or den plus lower level family room! Living room has wonderful fireplace, hardwood floors, and bowed window. Beautiful updated kitchen! 4 year old furnace & hot water! Last yr did driveway over! Garage. Large lovely private yard with beautiful plantings! **\$249,900.**


Southbridge: Great 2 family with many renovations! 5 rooms 2 bedroom units. Beautiful hardwood floors, natural woodwork, large kitchen w/pantry. Dining room has closet, could be 3rd bedroom. Updated electrical service with landlord meter. Newer HW heaters. Roof in 2012. Windows & Doors 2008. Long term clean tenants. **\$199,900.**




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**130 English Neighborhood Rd.
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OPEN HOUSE SUN 5/20 2:00-4:00



**200 Paine Road
Pomfret 265,000\$**
1,656 SF, 1.21 acres, beautifully landscaped, detached garage, 3 BR, 1.5 BA, partially finished basement w/ bonus room. **Lauren Heidelberg 860-933-0735**

Woodstock \$599,000 NEW LISTING



Step back in time to this lovely home-stead! This home was built in 3 centuries, 1777, 1820 & 1973. Be part of Woodstock's history! **The White/Cook Team: Diane 860-377-4016**

Thompson \$149,500 NEW LISTING



Attractive townhouse in excellent cond-1300 SF. Open flr plan w/hrst nook & pantry cabinet. Mstr bedrm w/walk in closet. Garage. **Chet Zadara 860-208-6724**

Eastford \$475,000 NEW LISTING



A wonderful country home & working farm on 19.5 acres. Includes large post & beam barn, separate in-law & fenced pastures. **John Downs 860-377-0754**

Brooklyn \$340,000



On 21 acres fronting on Blackwell's Brook. 4,074 SF with 5 BR and 2.5 BA! Outbuildings and updates! **The Gosselin Team: Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960**

Willington \$125,000



Handy person special! Close to I-84. Being sold AS IS. Was rented for \$1200/month. Nice level lot with farm views. **Mary Collins 860-336-6677**

Brooklyn \$359,900



3,000 SF all one level. 9 room 3+ BR, 3 BA, full in law, 5.8 private acres. 5.8 acres **Robert Viani 860-264-5921**

Pomfret \$550,000



Custom Colonial built w/entertaining in mind. New granite counters & solid cabinets for a fabulous cooks kitchen w/eat in area. **Mary Collins 860-336-6677**

Eastford \$359,000



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Thompson \$395,000



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Woodstock \$655,000



Custom Colonial w/5 fireplaces, hand crafted built-ins, granite kitchen & hardwoods throughout the home & in-law/au-pair home. **The White/Cook Team 860-377-4016**

Woodstock Valley \$514,900



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Pomfret \$425,000



Beautiful Colonial on 2.85 acres w/hrdwds & granite counters. Lg in-ground pool & pool house. Master suite & att. 2 car garage. **Mary Collins 860-336-6677**

Woodstock Lakefront \$289,900



Wonderful lakefront home with inlet to dock your boat and be out of the lake traffic! **The White/Cook Team 860-377-4016**

Woodstock \$450,000



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Woodstock \$249,000



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7:30 p.m. start up
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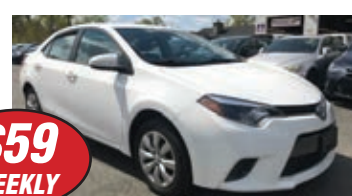


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Preparing garden beds for spring and beyond



Begin preparing garden bed soil early for new plants.

Gardening enthusiasts may have been thinking about their landscape plans throughout the winter, eager to once again get their hands dirty with soil. Whether a home gardener is making preparations for edible crops or beautiful flowers, he or she must take time to make the soil amenable to planting. To establish hearty, durable plants, gardeners can focus on three main areas: addressing soil composition, cultivating and adding nutrients.

SOIL COMPOSITION

Many gardeners prefer growing a variety of plants in their gardens. Such an approach requires taking inventory of the type of soil in one's garden and making the necessary modifications so that the types of vegetables, herbs, shrubs, or flowers that will be planted can grow in strongly. In fact, according to the plant company Proven Winners, the most important step to developing good roots is preparing the soil.

Take a sample of the soil and examine it to see what is present. If the soil is too full of clay, too sandy, too dense, or too loose, that can lead to problems where plants cannot grow in strong. Work with a garden center to add the right soil amendments to make a rich soil. This may include organic compost or manure, which will also add nutrients to the soil.

CULTIVATION

Cultivating the soil can involve different steps. Removal of weeds, errant rocks, roots, and other items will help prepare the soil. Mother Earth News suggests working on garden soil when the soil is damp but never wet; otherwise, garden soil can become messy and clumpy. Use a digging fork or shovel to lightly turn the soil when it's mostly dry. Gentle tillings also can open up the soil to incorporate the nutritional amendments and relieve compaction that likely occurred from freezing temps and snow pressure. Tilling also helps with drainage and oxygen delivery to roots. The DIY Network suggests turning over soil at a depth of 12 inches to work the soil — about the length of a shovel spade. However, the resource Earth Easy says that existing garden beds have a complex soil ecosystem and simply top-dressing with compost or manure can be enough preparation for planting. Gardeners can experiment with the methods that work best for their gardens.

NUTRITION

Testing the pH and the levels of certain nutrients in the soil, namely nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium, will give gardeners an idea of other soil additions that may be needed. Soils with a pH below 6.2 often can benefit from the addition of lime several weeks before planting. Soil tests will determine just how much fertilizer to add to the soil. Complete fertilizers will have equal amounts of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium. Individual fertilizers can amend the soil with only these nutritional elements that are needed.

Top-dressing empty beds with a layer of mulch or compost can prevent weed growth and preserve moisture until it is time to plant. If existing shrubs or plants are in garden beds, use more care so as not to disturb roots or dig too deeply.

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Suggestions when shopping for fencing

Fences can improve functionality of a yard and provide extra security and privacy. Some fences are decorative while others are functional. Families with children and/or companion animals also may find fencing is a necessity to keep everyone safe and corralled.

With a vast array of fencing materials available, homeowners may find it challenging to decide which material is right for their properties. The following breakdown can help homeowners learn more about fencing and potentially point them in the right direction regarding which material to choose for their properties.

BUDGET

Budget is one of the first considerations many homeowners have when installing fencing. Pricing will affect whether one can afford a chain link fence (one of the most budget-friendly options), wrought iron or ornate wood (more expensive). Pricing out several different types of fences will give homeowners an idea of which material fits



A post-and-rail fence can be sufficient if the goal is to mark off property lines but not obscure views.

into their budgets.

PURPOSE

Homeowners install fencing for various reasons. If a fence is an ornamental way to delineate property lines, a picket fence or a post-and-rail fence are simple options that can lend a homey

feel to a property. These types of fences also can enhance and frame landscaping elements, such as gardens.

In many area, laws require homeowners to install fencing around swimming pools. In such instances, chain link fencing that does not obstruct views of the pool

might be the best choice. If security or privacy is the main desire, tall fences that make it difficult for neighbors to see into the yard may make an ideal choice.

RESTRICTIONS

It is important to understand local regulations

before installing fencing. Communities governed by homeowners' associations may have rules in place that dictate the type of fences that can be installed. Townships and other municipalities may have their own rules concerning fence type, property borders, fence height, and other fac-

tors that will have to be adhered to so that fencing will meet code. If such rules are not following fines may be imposed and the fence may have to be removed. Homeowners also may need permits to install fencing, whether they are hiring a contractor or doing the work themselves.

MAINTENANCE

Consumer resource Angie's List advises homeowners to consider maintenance before choosing a fencing material. Wooden fencing requires the most maintenance due to painting and staining. Aluminum or vinyl fencing requires less maintenance, but it can be harder to repair isolated damage or replace pickets, if necessary. In some instances, the entire fence may have to be replaced.

Homeowners install fencing for many different reasons. Considering price, budget, purpose, and maintenance before making a decision regarding fencing can help homeowners make the best decision possible.

Salmonella is 'no yolk' when raising backyard chickens



City dwellers and suburbanites have flown the coop, so to speak. A growing interest in raising chickens has enabled coops and nesting birds to spring up in neighborhoods one would not typically associate with chickens.

Sometimes dubbed "urban homesteading" or "urban farming," these homegrown operations enable people to enjoy fresh eggs from the comfort of home. Henhouses are just another extension of methods to reap the benefits of fresh, local and nonfactory-produced foods.

Although advocates insist that raising chickens on a small scale makes the birds less likely to carry disease than factory-farmed chickens, anyone raising chickens needs to be aware of the potential for disease — particularly salmonella. Also, it's important to care for chickens in a manner that is humane and in line with local laws.

WHAT IS SALMONELLA?

Salmonella is a common bacteria that lives in the intestinal tract of humans, other mammals and some birds,

including chickens. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that approximately 1.2 million illnesses and 450 deaths are attributed to salmonella annually in the United States. The illness causes diarrhea, fever and abdominal cramps between 12 and 72 hours after infection and can last between four and seven days. Salmonella can cause death when not properly treated with antibiotics.

SPREADING SALMONELLA

Although humans cannot catch salmonella from chickens the way one would contract a cold, they can catch it through handling or consuming eggs of infected birds. The rural newsletter and farming resource Grit says salmonella can then be transmitted to humans who eat improperly cooked meat or eggs from infected birds or from putting their hands in your mouths after touching chickens or eggs that have come in contact with contaminated rodent or chicken feces.

The elderly, people with weakened immune systems and young chil-

dren are at the highest risk for salmonella infection than others. Children who help gather eggs and do not thoroughly wash their hands afterward can be at increased risk.

REDUCING RISK

Maintaining clean conditions and routinely inspecting chickens for good health can help lower the risk of salmonella infection. Chicks and adult chickens that have salmonella may produce loose yellow or green droppings; have a drop in egg production; increased thirst and decreased feed consumption; and show signs of weight loss. Look for rodents in the henhouse, as infected mice or other small rodents may transmit salmonella as well.

Chickens also need safe, roomy clean conditions to remain healthy and content. According to the resource MyPetChicken, a diet of whole grains and seeds also may be associated with decreased salmonella colonies.

Some experts warn against washing eggs as a preventative method. According to a report written by Diane Schivera, an organic livestock specialist for the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association, thoroughly cleaning egg shells can remove a protective "bloom" that prevents bacteria from entering eggs. Eggs shouldn't be scrubbed, but some suggest a warm water rinse that will push dirt away from the shell's pores.

Old eggs are more susceptible to bacteria penetration. Storing eggs at room temperature may cause them to degrade faster. Once eggs are gathered, individuals should wash their hands and make sure the eggs are chilled.

Salmonella can be prevented in backyard chicken coops. Plus, it's important to note that risk of infection is very small. The American Egg Board's Egg Safety reference says an average consumer might encounter a contaminated egg once every 84 years.

Be aware of ticks when enjoying the outdoors



Wearing long pants and sleeves and tall socks can discourage ticks from latching on when people are enjoying the outdoors.

When the weather warms, yards beckon, hiking trails look even more inviting and even a patch of grass can be a welcoming respite. Lots of fun can be had outside, but caution is needed. While this time of year is prime for outdoor frolicking, it's also a time when tick populations explode.

Ticks are small crawling bugs in the arachnid (spider) family. There are hundreds of different kinds of ticks in the world. The Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation says there are at least 40 species of tick in Canada alone. The creature subsists on meals of blood from a host animal.

Ticks can carry bacteria, viruses and other pathogens that can cause serious disease in humans and other animals, states LymeDisease.org. Ticks feed and mate mostly on deer, but rodents, birds, lizards, and just about any other animal can be a host to these nondiscriminatory bugs. Animals carry the diseases, which are then passed through the tick to others.

Disease-spreading ticks can be extremely hard to detect because of their diminutive size, especially when they are in the larva or nymph stages. Therefore, preventing tick bites remains the single-best way to stay ahead of Lyme disease and other illnesses. Understanding tick habitats and behavior can make it easier to avoid them.

WHERE TO FIND TICKS

Ticks will congregate anywhere the animals they feed upon live. Primarily

they are located in wooded and grassy areas. Adults will climb up on tall grass waiting for an animal to pass by so they can climb aboard. Nymphs and larvae will live in layers of decomposing leaves under trees.

Moisture is a friend to ticks, which are less active in sunny, dry areas. Therefore, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says removing leaf litter, clearing tall grasses and brush and mowing the lawn frequently can help. The following are additional ways to create tick-safe zones at home.

- Stack wood neatly in a dry area.
- Keep playground equipment and entertaining spaces away from trees and yard edges.
- Discourage unwanted animals with fencing.
- Prevent tick migration into yards with a three-foot-wide barrier of gravel between lawns and wooded areas.
- If desired, employ acaricides (tick pesticides) to reduce the number of ticks in your yard.

ON THE GO

When enjoying the great outdoors, avoid tall grasses and stay on trails. Wear tall socks or pants during hikes to prevent ticks from latching on. A thorough inspection of the body is advisable each time people return indoors. Check hidden areas, such as behind the knees, under the arms and in other skin-fold areas, for ticks.

Tick populations grow as the weather warms. Ensure spring and summer fun is not dampened by tick-related illness.

“Every Town Deserves a Good Local Newspaper”

GARDENING

Introduce earthworms into the garden

Gardeners eager to revitalize their lawns and gardens may spend hundreds of dollars on tools and products designed to improve soil and growing conditions. Although many of these items can be advantageous, gardeners also may want to look to nature's best garden helpers: earthworms.

It is believed that nearly 3,000 different types of earthworms inhabit the planet. Worms have been around for hundreds of millions of years.

Worms can be seen as bait dangling on fishing lines or as meals for red-breasted robins. But these subterranean dwellers play their biggest role beneath the soil.

Earthworms move through dirt as they search for food. The worms consume particles in the soil, helping to recycle materials like dead leaves, plant parts, decaying animals, and feces. Through their travels, worms also serve to aerate the soil. Worms bring the subsoil closer to the surface and mix it with the topsoil. Earthworms' castings also help naturally fertilize the areas in which they reside. The slimy mucus that worms leave behind contains nitrogen, which also helps to amend the soil.

The University of Illinois Extension says most earthworms found, particularly in North America, can only grow so long, even though some worms seem like they stretch forever underneath the ground. Depending on the type of worm and how many segments it has, as well as its age and ability to get nutritious foods, worms typically reach only a few inches in length, offers National Geographic. There are some anomalies, however. The Oregon giant earthworm is one of the largest earthworms found in North America, growing to more than three feet in length. That worm is very rare, however. In 2016, a 16-inch-long earthworm was discovered in England and became part of the collection at the Natural History Museum in London. Some Australian and South American earthworms are known to grow much larger.

Worms need the correct mix of oxygen, moisture and favorable temperatures to survive. If they do not have these components, they will seek them out elsewhere.

Because of the many benefits earthworms provide, they can be a boon to landscapes.



How to read a nursery plant tag



Shopping for new plants for a home can be an exciting undertaking. Nurseries and garden centers are often home to dozens of types of plant species that come in various colors, leaf variations and sizes. Such variety can make choosing plants more fun while also making the process of buying plants a bit complicated, especially for novices. Thankfully, plant tags can help consumers make informed decisions.

Understanding how to read plant tags is key to making good choices. Such labels contain a lot of information, but once a person knows how to decode that data, he or she is well on the way to choosing the right plants.

COMMON NAME

The common name of the plant tends to be the most noticeable word or words on the tag. This

is the name the plant is referred to outside of scientific circles. Most plants have one or more common names in addition to their botanical name.

SCIENTIFIC (BOTANICAL) NAME

Scientific names are also known as the Latin names of the plant. Such names will be written in italics on the tag and are usually one or two words. The scientific name includes the genus (group) and the species of the plant.

CULTIVAR

A plant tag may further describe the type of plant by including the cultivar. A cultivar is the variation on the species. It may describe a size or color variation. The cultivar is listed in single quotations by the scientific name.

SUN REQUIREMENTS

The tag should list how much sun exposure the plant requires to thrive. It may be anywhere from full sun to full shade.

HEIGHT AND SPREAD

The label frequently includes the maximum growing height and width the plant should reach when mature. This gives gardeners an understanding of just how much room the plant will take up in the garden and how to space plants in a landscape.

WATER NEEDS

How much water the plant requires may be featured on the tag as well. This helps gardeners know if they need soil to be damp or relatively dry.

HARDINESS OR ZONE

Tags that list zones will describe the coldest zone in which the plant can exist. Otherwise, it will give a range. Many annuals will not list a hardiness zone because they are not expected to last beyond one season.

PERENNIAL OR ANNUAL

The tag should designate the plant as an annual or perennial. Annuals are not expected to last through the winter and will need to be replanted the following year. Perennials can overwinter and will regenerate year after year.

Tags also may list information such as special care needs, drought tolerance, uses for the plant, and when the plant blooms. Some plant labels will inform gardeners if the plants were produced organically or without GMO practices. Trademark information also may be included.

Plant tags provide important information for selecting and growing plants. When noted, tags help gardeners make the right selections and keep plants as healthy as possible.

Post-winter garden prep

Lawns and gardens can bear the brunt of winter weather and are often in need of tender loving care by the time spring arrives.

Preparing a garden for spring and summer involves assessing any damage that harsh weather might have caused. As temperatures climb, gardeners can heed the following post-winter garden preparation tips in an effort to ensure some successful gardening in the months ahead.

- Assess the damage. Even if winter was mild, gardens might still have suffered some damage. Inspect garden beds and any fencing or barriers designed to keep wildlife from getting into the garden. Before planting anew, fix any damage that Mother Nature or local wildlife might have caused over the past several months.

- Clear debris. Garden beds and surrounding landscapes that survived winter without being damaged might still be littered with debris. Remove fallen leaves, branches and even litter that blew about on windy winter days before planting season. Make sure to discard any debris effectively so it does not find its way back into the garden.

- Turn the greenhouse into a clean house. Spring cleaning is not just for the interior of a home. Cleaning a greenhouse in advance of spring can help gardeners evict any overwintering pests

that can threaten plant life once spring gardening season arrives. A thorough cleaning, which should include cleaning the inside of greenhouse glass and washing flower pots and plant trays, also can prevent plant diseases from surviving into spring.

- Check for pests. Speak with a local gardening professional to determine if there are any local pests to look out for and how to recognize and remove these pests from gardens. Pests may hibernate in the soil over the winter, and such unwelcome visitors can make it difficult for gardens to thrive come spring and summer.

- Assess plant location. If plants, flowers or gardens have struggled in recent years or never grew especially vibrant, then gardeners may want to assess the location of their plant life before spring gardening season begins. Some plants may not be getting enough sunlight in certain locations on a property, while others might be overexposed to the sun during spring and summer. Moving plants that are not thriving prior to the start of spring gardening season may be just what gardens need to flourish in the coming weeks.

Spring gardening season is right around the corner, so now is an ideal time to prepare gardens for the warmer seasons ahead.





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2017 GRAND CARAVAN

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$29,035

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#H0350R • GT TRIM, LEATHER, BACK-UP CAMERA, NAV

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NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$28,005

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#118066A • 4X4, SPORT TRIM, 17" ALLOYS, BLUETOOTH

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NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$20,045

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#H0271 • IPOD INPUT, ALLOYS, RALLYE PKG, 8.4" LCD

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2017 CADILLAC XT5 SUV

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$46,595

WHOLESALE PRICE: \$38,844

#38702R • MOONROOF, NAV, BACK-UP CAMERA, LEATHER

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2010 KIA FORTE EX

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$17,900

WHOLESALE PRICE: \$8,899

#H0313 • MOONROOF, IPOD INPUT, 16" ALLOY WHEELS

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2014 TOYOTA CAMRY

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$23,495

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#H0292L • FUEL EFFICIENT, L TRIM, BLUETOOTH

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2016 BUICK REGAL

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$27,005

WHOLESALE PRICE: \$19,344

#38700L • TURBO, MOONROOF, NAV, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE

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2015 LINCOLN MKC

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$33,995

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#P11264L • MOONROOF, NAV, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, ALLOYS

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#D8929A • ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS

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2013 FORD FUSION

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$28,295

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