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Getting from here to there if buses don't run...

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

WORCESTER – Outraged by the proposed cuts to public transpor-tation services, residents and legislators from throughout central Massachusetts descended on City Hall last week for a rally.

Reduced services have been proposed for several Worcester Regional Transit Authority bus routes, while

Kevin Flanders photos

Gubernatorial candidate Setti Warren addresses guests during the rally.

others have been slated for elimination to save money. Among the proposals is an option to cut all bus services west of East Brookfield District Court on Route 9, while another option could bring an end to weekend bus routes.

At the March 20 rally outside City Hall, several legislators and residents spoke out against the proposed cuts. For thousands of residents in central Massachusetts, an elimination of bus routes would prevent them from getting to work and school.

"Not everyone has their own vehi-

cle, and it is unacceptable to be looking at cuts to public transportation," said State Representative Natalie Higgins, of Leominster, who represents the Fourth Worcester District.

The state's 15 regional transit authorities are short roughly \$8 million for fiscal year 2019, according to projections released by Governor Charlie Baker in his appropriations bill. If the current budget passes, it would have a crippling effect on public transportation across the state, officials said.

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McCormick moves to full principal position

After two rounds of interviews, and a staff and com-munity "Meet and Greet," the Northbridge public school district announces Timothy McCormick as the new high school principal for the upcoming 2018-19 school year.

McCormick was hired eight months ago as the assistant principal of Northbridge High School, replacing long-standing Assistant Principal Jeffrey Lizotte.

Since his arrival at Northbridge High School, McCormick has been instrumental in the development and support of policies and procedures to improve student discipline, streamline the student support process and support teaching and learning in the building.

physical science, wellness and physical education for seven years at Manchester Central High School where he was also an athletic coach. He also spent five years as an athletic director in the North Middlesex School District.

In regards to his recent appointment and his vision is for the school next year, McCormick commented, "I am very excited to be here. One of my first steps will be getting the AP process done and hiring the right person to complete our administrative team. Our two greatest assets are our students and staff, and we want to make sure that the new AP will share our vision of supporting our students and helping them prepare for the future after high school. "

we're teaching our kids. We're going to keep that going.'

During the interview process, many teachers expressed their desire to maintain time-honored traditions at the high school.

McCormick agrees, "We need to honor the traditions of the school community, but we also need to be creative and innovative and look at outside partnerships with the community and other districts and diversify how we educate our kids."

McCormick stressed his desire to empower the students and give them a voice to speak about what's important to them and for them and share it in a productive and meaningful way. "Ultimately," he said, "we

need to come together as a

strong team at the high school

and support each other in

doing what is best for our stu-

dents.'



Courtesy photos

From bright poppies to the hard won food for the table, community gardens will provide a bounty for any family.

Time to Think Spring!

He comes to Northbridge with prior experience as both an assistant principal and principal in the Gardner public school district.

Prior to becoming an administrator, McCormick taught

He added, "Next year is our NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) site visit. So, we've spent a lot of time this year looking at curriculum and instruction and what and how

NHS CELEBRATES



Courtesy photo

The seed catalogs that arrived in December are well thumbed and marked with hopeful notes. Orders have been placed and the packages that promise summer bounty are on their wav.

A gardener's life in March and April is one of renewed anticipation for that perfect garden, regardless of experience or (even) disasters in the past. Because it's SPRING! and all things are possible as the snow melts and the first green shoots burst forth from the ground.

The Uxbridge Community Gardens welcomes seasoned and brand new gardeners to share in the excitement and satisfaction of growing something healthy and beautiful on your own plot of land. Some spaces are still available for this year.



100organic gardens are laid out in 20' x 25' blocks on former farmland

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Here is NHS celebrating world Down syndrome day March 21.

Powers announces bid for Congress

Kevin W. Powers, of Millville, is announcing his candidacy for United States Congress, 2nd Congressional District of Massachusetts.

Powers is running on a platform of term limits, better jobs, protecting Social Security for seniors, and low cost and renewable energy with a plan for energy independence within 15 years. He is also a proud and strong advocate of animal welfare.

"As a small business owner, I create jobs. When I get into Congress, I will work to ensure that the Government doesn't get in the way of small businesses to create better jobs for you."

America is facing chal-

lenges like never before. Under the leadership of career politicians, the people have been let down. It is time to limit terms and return control of our nation to people who have actually had to create jobs, earn an honest paycheck, and pay a mortgage - people in touch with the difficulties created by the career politicians we have been electing.

Kevin is a strong supporter of term limits stating that, "Congress has a $13\,\%$ approval rating, but a 95% re-election rate. The root of this problem is that politicians are incentivized by the political system to care more about retaining their position than about doing what is best for the country. Our elected leaders can and do abuse their power to keep away challengers, transferring power from the hands of citizens to the hands of unaccountable career politicians. To help end this problem, I have signed the congressional term limits pledge."

U.S. Term Limits (USTL) praised Massachusetts U.S. House District 2 Candidate Kevin Powers for signing its congressional term limits pledge. STL President Phillip Blumel commented on Kevin's Pledge saying, "Kevin's support of term limits shows that there are people out there who are willing to put self-interest aside to follow the will of the people and the founding fathers.'

"Our founding fathers never intended for public service to be a career. Rather, serving in Congress was designed to be a temporary sacrifice made for the public good."

That is exactly what Kevin will do; serve in Congress for no more than six years and then return to his life as a local businessman and entrepreneur.

If you would like to know more about Kevin Powers' platform, please visit his website at www.kevinpowersforcongress.com or on Facebook.

Kevin will be visiting vour community soon and he looks forward to meeting you and your neighbors.

BLACKSTONE BRIEFS

DINNER ala POLAND

The Douglas Slovak Sokol Club.405 N.E. Main Street will be serving a delicious Slovak/Polish Buffet on Saturday April 28th. Seating is continuous from 4 to 7 P.M. Tickets are \$15 adults and kids ages 5-12 \$7, advance sale only. Take out will also be available by advance sale. For tickets call Roger Manyak 508-476-2668

ANNUAL MEETING

Northbridge Historical Society will hold its annual meeting and election of officers Monday, April 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Whitinsville Social Library.

The program, "Biking the Blackstone" will be presented by Devon Kurtz, director of audience engagement at the Blackstone River Heritage Corridor. First came the Canal, then the railroad. But who knew the bicycle? Discover bicyclists who explored the Blackstone Valley before automobiles became affordable. Do you know that Northbridge had a bicycle club which held races, classes and social events in the 1890s?

RABIES CLINIC

The Northbridge Board of Health will hold its annual low-cost rabies vaccination clinic on Saturday, April 7 at the Whitinsville Fire Station located at 193 Main Street, Whitinsville. Cats should be brought in a carrier between the hours of 11:00 AM and Noon. Dogs should be brought on a leash between the hours of Noon and 1:00 PM. You must bring proof of prior rabies vaccination to receive a 3-year booster. The cost of the rabies vaccination shot is \$15. For more information please contact the Northbridge Board of Health at (508) 234 - 3272

FATTMAN OFFICE HOURS

BOSTON - State Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Sutton) will host office hours during the month of April on the following days:

Wednesday, April 4, at the Webster Panera Bread, 2 Worcester Road, Webster 8-9 a.m.

Wednesday, April 11 at the Mendon Muffin House, 32 Hastings St., Mendon 8-9 a.m.

Constituents are encouraged to stop by at any point during the hour or may reserve a specific time by emailing Joe Zarrella at Joseph.Zarrella@masenate. gov. Those who cannot make the office hour may call (617) 722-1420 to schedule a meeting with the Senator.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

ALL TOWNS WELCOME to the Electronic and Appliance Recycle Day at Saint Mary Parish, 77 Mendon Street, Uxbridge on Saturday, April 7, 9am - 2 pm (Cash or personal checks accepted) (Rain or Shine).





Car Buying Tips

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Bring your unwanted old or new bicycle and drop it off, it will be reused again. Mountain, Road, BMX, Cruiser, Old/New, Kids, etc. Our aim is to keep bikes from being thrown out when they can be reused. (We can pick up bicycles if you cannot get them there)

Questions: Please contact Dennis Wood 508 277 7513.

HUGE YARD SALE

Check us out on Saturday, April 28, from 8am to 2pm for a church yard sale including furniture, tools, household goods, toys, books, and collectibles. Rain date May 5. Yard sale will take place at the United Presbyterian

Easter services in the Blackstone Valley

Baptist Church of Grafton 1 South Street, Grafton (508) 839-4911

Maundy Thursday, March 297 p.m. The Baptist Church of Grafton will be celebrating an Anabaptist Communion Liturgy on Maundy Thursday, March 29 at 7pm. We will be showing "The Passion of the Christ" at 2 p.m. in Russell Hall.

Good Friday, March 30 7 p.m.

We will also have a service on Good Friday, March 30, at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 1 at 10 a.m. will be extra special with guest musicians: Consuelo Candelaria, associate professor ensembles at Berklee College of Music, performs regularly and is an avid composer. Her music has been recorded

Church in Whitinsville, 51 Cottage St, Whitinsville.

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. Whitinsville Christian School Open House. Please join us to learn more about our joy-filled community that inspires innovative learning, passionate leading, and faithful serving. The morning will include a tour of the school, as well as information about our Elementary, Middle, and High School curriculum and programs. We will be meeting in the Nehemiah Center Lobby at 279 Linwood Ave. in Whitinsville. Please RSVP to: 508-372-3278 or at whitinsvillechristian.org

SIGN UPS

America Youth Football & Cheer family, looks forward to seeing you out on the fields! This season, we will offer in person registration dates in addition to our online registration platform.

Saturday April 28, 1-4pm-Kapi's Pub-Uxbridge- Join us for the Meat Raffle

Tuesday June 26th-5-7pm-Northbridge Town Hall- Bring those report cards

NU AYF&C offers football and cheerleading to kids ages 5-13, and is open to kids in Northbridge, Uxbridge, & Douglas.

NU AYF&C, along with the rest of the AYF family, have partnered with Heads Up Football to ensure that everyone is educated on the importance of safety in youth sports, especially with regards to head injuries and concussion.

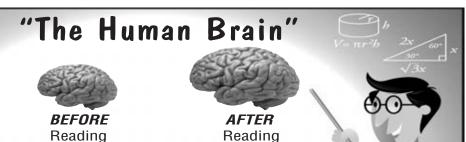
If you can't make it to any of the in person registrations, simply go to www. nubulldogs.com, and register online

by many of the most respected names in jazz; Zoë Daggett Krohne, vocals, who formerly worked at Berklee College of Music and was the founding member of Butterflyfish; and Willie Sordillo on alto saxophone, a professional musician for over 30 years, has toured extensively throughout North and Latin America as well as other parts of the globe. This is the most sacred holiday in all of Christianity. Please come and join our family as we celebrate our Risen Savior!

Rockdale Congregational Church 42 Fowler Road Northbridge (508) 234-8484

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Lindenmayer announces run for BOH

My name is Joann Lindenmayer. I'm a member of the Uxbridge Board of Health, appointed by the Board of Selectman to fill a vacancy last August, and a candidate for the one-year Board term that will be decided in the town's election on May 22.

I met a gentleman named Don in front of Hannaford's while I was collecting signatures for my nomination papers one Saturday morning. He told me about his long career in public service helping to pass federal legislation benefiting the Disabled Veterans of America, and asked me to tell him, in just a few words, why he should support my candidacy. Until that moment I hadn't distilled my qualifications down to a few words, but prompted by him I responded that my entire 32 year professional career had been devoted to protecting and improving the health of the public.

After earning professional degrees in veterinary medicine and public health, I completed public health fellowships on Lyme disease with the Medical Foundation of Boston and as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. My professional experience has taken me from remote regions of

West Africa and Southeast Asia to state health departments in Massachusetts. Vermont and Rhode Island. But I've always believed that all public health, as all politics, is local, and for that reason I seek to apply all I've learned to my town of Uxbridge.

I also believe that it is not possible to have good human health without good animal and environmental health. This simple concept is called One Health, and it speaks to fact that the health of people, animals and the environment, whether natural or built, is interdependent.

How does this apply to Uxbridge?

Contaminating water supplies harms both people and animals. Overusing antimicrobial drugs in people and animals lessens the effectiveness of those drugs and leads to the emergence of bacteria which are resistant to antimicrobial drugs. Providing people who are elderly or infirm with food for their companion animals sustains the health of both.

Community service has always been important to me. After earning my undergraduate degree in biology, I joined the United States Peace Corps as an educator in a teacher-training college in East Malaysia and extended my two-year commitment by a third year. Twenty years later, as a member of the faculty at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine, I was awarded a two-year fellowship by the University's Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service to improve understanding of the contributions by veterinarians to public health. I presently serve as chair of the Leadership Council of the Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association, a member of the board of the Massachusetts Animal Coalition, and as co-president of the Wellness Warriors Boston All-Cancer Survivor Dragon Boat Team.

Since I joined the Board of Health last August, I've adopted several public health challenges as my own. I'm taking stands to ensure that all residents have access to clean, safe water. I'm using publicly available data sources to develop a town health profile that we can use to identify priority health problems, apply for funding to tackle those problems, and measure the effectiveness of public health interventions.

I'm working to strengthen the town's emergency and disaster response plan and capacity by serving on Region 2's Public Health Emergency Planning Committee and the Community Emergency Response Team. A good disaster plan would include companion animals, domestic livestock and horses. I continue to support current and future recycling and reuse initiatives. I have taken steps to estimate the scope and impact of prescription opioids, heroin and fentanyl in opioid-related deaths in Uxbridge so that we may assess the effectiveness of current prevention efforts and identify the unmet needs for intervention

On a personal level, my immediate family has been challenged by the problems of drugs and alcohol, special needs education. long-term care for an aging parent, and single parenthood. I have helped my family cope with these challenges. This has been as important to my understanding of the challenges that so many other people, families and communities face, as has my formal education and professional experience.

I urge you to vote in the town election on May 22nd. If you are not yet registered, I urge you to do so. Uxbridge faces many urgent public health challenges, but I am confident that if we work together we can begin to address them.

BUSES

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The proposed cuts would most severely affect Worcester, Springfield, and the Merrimack Valley, officials warned. Legislators have long decried the inequity of funding between greater Boston communities and the central and western parts of the state.

'Central Massachusetts has not received the funding it deserves for transportation," said gubernatorial candidate Setti Warren. "I will work for you and fight every single day to get this funding.³

As the Senate Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Caucus, Senator Anne Gobi is advocating along with other caucus members for full funding for bus services. This request is in accordance with a 2014 transportation finance law which established a funding schedule for the regional transportation authorities.

Governor Charlie Baker allocated \$80,400,000 this year for regional transportation authorities, which represents level funding. The Senate request for \$88,000,000 supported by Gobi and her colleagues would restore what the House and Senate implemented in the 2014 transportation reform act.

"Reliable bus service is a must for our area, and any decrease or elimination of services is not just an inconvenience – it is the loss of a vital lifeline,'



State Representative Natalie Higgins speaks during the March 20 rally in Worcester.

Gobi said. "I will continue to advocate for more funding than the Governor proposed in order to keep the buses rolling.'

The proposed cuts in bus services would not only impact individuals who rely on public transportation, officials said, but they would also hurt municipal economies. Selectmen in Brookfield and West Brookfield are concerned that if bus routes west of the courthouse in East Brookfield are eliminated, several employees and visitors to their towns would have no means of reaching them.

As part of its proposed cuts, the

TRIPS OFFERED



Residents from throughout central Massachusetts gather at Worcester City Hall to rally against proposed cuts to public transit services.

WRTA is also considering the elimination of Route 40, also known as the Hub Loop. Several other bus routes, though preserved by the proposals, would see dramatically reduced daily service. Legislators are concerned that any cuts this year might lead to additional curtailment in future years, causing a death spiral in public transit.

All proposals must be voted on by the WRTA advisory board and wouldn't take effect until the summer. Prior to

the vote, residents will have an opportunity to weigh in on the proposals during a series of public hearings. A meeting will be held on April 3 at 6 p.m. at Spencer Town Hall, while Brookfield residents will have a chance to share their concerns on April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Brookfield Congregational Church.

To learn more about the proposed cuts in WRTA services, call 508-791-9782.

The "Trips Offered" section is for non-profit organizations and will run as space allows. Mail your information to Trips Offered, c/o Ruth DeAmicis, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; fax to (508) 764-8015 or e-mail to ruth@stonebridgepress.news.

BRIMFIELD SENIOR CENTER

The Brimfield Senior Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Tower Hill Botanical Garden on Wednesday, May 23. Our first stop is at The 1761 Old Mill Restaurant where you can relax and enjoy a sit-down luncheon with fruit cup and choice of pork chop with apple cinnamon glaze or baked stuffed sole Almandine served with potato, vegetable, corn fritters, pecan rolls and homemade apple crisp, coffee. We then head to Tower Hill for an afternoon of exploring the garden's features such as The Cottage Garden, The Limonai, The Moss Steps, the Orangerie, The Secret Garden, The Systematic Garden, The Wildlife Refuge Pond, and More! Be sure to save time to visit the wonderful garden shop. \$68 covers your transportation and luncheon including all taxes and gratuities. Payment must be made in full prior to April 25. Please plan on

arriving at the Senior Center at 10 for a.m. a 10:30 departure. Return time is 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. For more information please contact Lila at (413) 245-7253. The Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield.

CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

Please call Elaine or Debra for more info at (508) 248-2231 ~ Sign up sheets & flyers available at the Senior Center. Flyers are also available on our webpage www.townofcharlton.net: click on Departments then click on Council on Aging/Senior Center. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H Putnam Road Extension, Charlton

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

For reservations contact Jan Caouette at (508) 887-2215. Make checks payable to Bernadette Circle #709 and mail to Bernadette Circle #709, PO Box 201, Webster MA 01570. The Daughters of Isabella is a nonprofit and charitable Catholic women's organization

April 29-May 1: Atlantic City Resorts and Casino. \$249 per person. Leave at

7 a.m. Webster; 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play, \$60 food credit and casino revue show. Right on the Casino Boardwalk!

May 20: Captain Jack's & Mohegan: a delicious lobster luncheon and Mohegan Sun! \$78 per person. 9 a.m. Southbridge: 9:30 a.m. Webster. Mohegan includes dinner and \$10 slot play bonus.

June 24: Lake George. Enjoy a delicious brunch and relaxing cruise. \$87 per person. 7:30 a.m. Webster; 8 a.m. Southbridge. Sightseeing and relaxing with your friends.

July 22: Foster's Lobster bake. Delicious Maine lobster bake and coastal sightseeing. \$102 per person. 8:30 a.m. Southbridge; 9 a.m. Webster. Visits to Hampton Beach and York Village.

August 12: Newport Playhouse show and lobster fest. Special Lobster Feast! \$102 per person. 8:30 a.m. Southbridge; 9 a.m. Webster. Terrific No Tell Motel show and cabaret.

September 11-13: Pennsylvania Dutch. Sightseeing tours of Lancaster and Philadelphia. \$469 per person. 7

a.m. Webster; 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. Sight and Sound Theater's Jesus.

September 30-October 2: Atlantic City Resorts Casino. \$249 per person. Leave at 7 a.m. Webster; 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play, \$60 food credit and casino revue show. Right on the Casino Boardwalk!

DUDLEY SENIORS

For information and reservations contact Evelyn Grovesteen at (508) 764-8254

August 6-10: Lancaster, Gettysburg, Philadelphia. five days-four nights motorcoach transportation, leave Dudley town hall at 8 a.m. \$525 per person double occupancy. Includes admission to Jesus show at Millennium Theater, visit to Gettysburg National Park, guided tour of Philadelphia, visit to Kitchen Kettle Village, admission to Amish Experience and Jacob's Choice at F/X theater, guided tour of Lancaster. Some meals included. Added cost for single occupancy.

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Uxbridge Scholarship applications now available

This unique scholarship fund provides financial assistance to any town resident who is pursuing a degree or certification after receiving a high school diploma or G.E.D. Financial assistance is available to adults who are returning to school, as well as seniors who are graduating from school. The fund makes annual awards based upon financial need, character, scholastic record, and involvement in school activities or community work.

Scholarship applications are available in the town clerk's office at the town hall or on the town of Uxbridge website scholarship committee. Applications are due by 3:30 p.m. on April 30, 2018. The applications should be mailed or hand delivered to: Town Scholarship Fund Committee, c/o Office of the Superintendent, 9 North Main St., Uxbridge, MA 01569.

Contributions may be made at any time to the Town Treasurer's Office. Donations are tax deductible.

For more information contact: Town Scholarship Committee, c/o Office of the Superintendent, (508) 278-8648 x102,





MassHousing announces down payment assistance program

BOSTON — MassHousing announced the launch of a new down payment assistance program designed to lower the barriers to achieving homeownership working households face. MassHousing's new down payment assistance program will allow qualified first-time homebuyers to finance up to 100 percent of the purchase price of their first home.

MassHousing is now the only entity offering a down payment assistance program for low-, moderate- and middle-income buyers throughout Massachusetts, and the only entity in Massachusetts offering a sustainable, conventional mortgage product allowing buyers to achieve homeownership without making a down payment.

"Record-low inventory levels, rising home prices, high rents, and student loan debt are all making it more difficult for the average Massachusetts household to afford to purchase a home,³ said MassHousing Executive Director Chrystal Kornegay. "MassHousing's new down payment assistance program will help ensure that homeownership remains accessible to working families, by allowing creditworthy homebuyers to buy their first home with little to no down payment requirement. By boosting the buying power of low-, moderate- and middle-income households,

MassHousing will support investment in neighborhoods, help the state's workforce remain rooted in Massachusetts, and advance the Agency's mission of confronting housing challenges facing the Commonwealth, to improve the lives of its people.'

MassHousing is making down payment assistance loans available to first-time homebuyers with annual household incomes at or below the area median income, using MassHousing financing to purchase a single-family home or condominium unit. The area median income varies by county. Eligible households will earn \$103,4000 or less in eastern Massachusetts, \$85,700 in Worcester County, and \$67,200 in Berkshire County.

Homebuyers accessing down payment assistance must still meet MassHousing's underwriting criteria, including minimum credit score and debt-to-income qualifications, and attend a homeownership education class.

MassHousing mortgages currently finance up to 97 percent of a home purchase price. The Agency's new down payment assistance program will finance up to an additional three percent of the purchase price, allowing for up to 100 percent financing for creditworthy income-eligible borrowers.

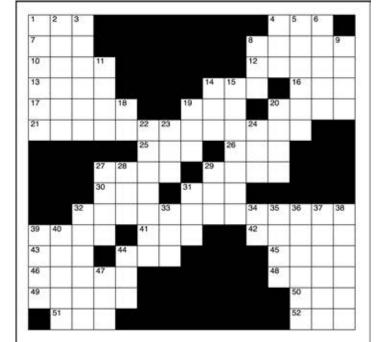
Down payment assistance will be a fully amortizing 15-year, fixed-rate second mortgage, with an interest rate of one percent. The down payment assistance loan will carry no additional fees. and will be due in full upon the sale or refinancing of the property. Down payment assistance will be capped at three percent of the purchase price, up to \$12,000.

Down payment assistance loans will be internally subsidized by the strength of the agency's existing single-family portfolio. The program will not require any additional allocation of funds, or the diversion of funds from other agency uses. MassHousing does not use taxpaver dollars to sustain its operations.

MassHousing finances home purchases through a network of more than 160 banks, credit unions and mortgage companies. Down payment assistance will launch alongside a simplification and consolidation the agency's mortgage products. The new mortgage products, including down payment assistance, are available to consumers immediately.

The new down payment assistance program for low-, moderate- and middle-income households complements MassHousing's ongoing efforts to support workforce housing. The agency has also created a \$100 million workforce housing fund to spur the creation of 1,000 new apartments affordable to middle-income renters. In partnership with the Baker-Polito Administration's Housing Choice Initiative, MassHousing is advancing measures to boost the production of new housing, and deliver 135,000 new housing units by the year 2025.

MassHousing (The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency) is an independent, quasi-public agency created in 1966 and charged with providing financing for affordable housing in Massachusetts. The agency raises capital by selling bonds and lends the proceeds to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, and to developers who build or preserve affordable and/or mixed-income rental housing. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations, although it administers some publicly funded programs on behalf of the Commonwealth. Since its inception, MassHousing has provided more than \$22 billion for affordable housing. For more information, visit the MassHousing website at www.masshousing.com, follow us on Twitter @ MassHousing, subscribe to our blog, watch us on YouTube and Like us on Facebook.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Builder's trough
- 4. Pouch
- 7. Adam's partner
- 8. Zelda soldiers
- 10. Network of nerves 12. Heinrich __, poet
- 13. Algerian port
- 14. Reciprocal of one ohm
- 16. Title of respect
- 17. Form of expression
- 19. Hoover's office 20. Samoan monetary unit
- 21. Cooperation
- 25. Fiddler crabs
- 26. Portion of a play

Can I just sell my home AS IS?

You absolutely can and I highly recommend against it unless you are in a financial position where you cannot make necessary repairs in order to sell your home. Even then I would explore borrowing from a family member or maybe getting a home equity line to pay for the improvements. Most of the time people will ask me if they can just sell as is and

most of the time if they put 10-20K into the home based on my recommendations they are going to get 50-60K back on the sale. There are 2 big reasons for this. First the buyers are unable to typically envision the finished product and second depending on the repairs they may not be able to obtain bank financing without the repairs being made and then you may be stuck selling to an investor who will pay pennies on the dollar because they need to make a profit.

Some of the most common things people want to leave for the buyers to do is paint and carpet because they are concerned that the buyer may not like the colors of the paint or they will want to rip out the carpet and add hardwoods. This is



the logical but people buy based on emotion rather than intellect and old carpets and beat up walls tell people the home needs work and they want to discount for the upgrades but the possibility of unseen repairs as well. I highly recommend making these improvements as well as refinishing hardwood floors and stripping wallpaper and painting. Another

difficult one is landscaping because a nicely edged lawn with no overgrown trees and shrubs and mulched beds will make the home pop and is worth every penny when getting the home ready because it again gives the buyer the feeling that this home is well cared for and they don't have to do any work. Buyers are willing to pay a premium to move right in and not have to do any work.

I recommend as soon as you decide you are going to move to have a Realtor come evaluate your home and give you a list of the recommended repairs to get the most money for your home. Keeping in mind it could taker months to get your home ready for it to be sold.

New arts festival REAL ESTATE being planned **CRANSACTIONS**

Small Stones Festival of the mounted by members of the Arts, is planned Nov. 9-11 as a collaboration of three regional arts organizations to be held at the Grafton Town House, One Grafton Common. The Festival will combine juried exhibitions of photography and painting with an accompanying music program with the goal to elevate the practice and appreciation of fine art in the region. Apple Tree Arts, a Graftonbased nonprofit community music and theatre arts school will host the event and organize the music program. Donna Blanchard, the organization's executive director and co-chair of the Festival said, "This festival will bring together the remarkable talents in our community, providing new opportunities for artistic engagement and expression." photography por-The tion of the Festival is being organized by the Worcester County Camera Club, a regional group meeting at the Brigham Hill Community Barn in Grafton. The juried exhibition, in which prizes will be awarded by an independent judge, will be accom-

A new arts festival, the panied by a special exhibit

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- 32. Diversion
- 39. Turner, rock singer

- 44. Where the Knicks play
- 45. Basics
- - northeast
- 31. Chemical compound used as

- 41. __-bo: exercise system
- 42. Large, edible game fish
- 43. Doctor of Education

- 46. Tall tropical American trees
- 48. Men wear them

50. Midway between north and

49. Widespread destruction

- 27. Tropical American shrub 29. Frosts
- 51. Vast body of water 52. Hair product

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Very brave
- 2. Go too far
- 3. Individual feature
- 4. Drug trials term (abbr.)
- 5. Has emerged
- 6. Helped the Spanish
- conquer Mexico
- 9. Dried-up
- 11. Reactive structures (abbr.)
- 14. Licensed for Wall Street
- 15. Japanese conglomerate
- 18. Home to the Celtics
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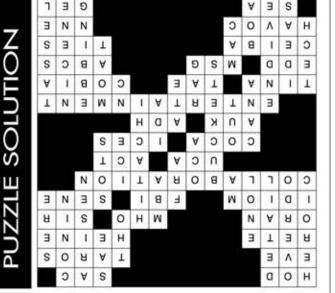
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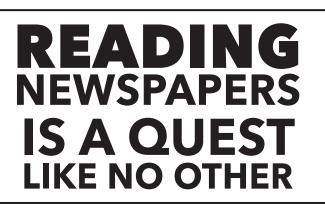
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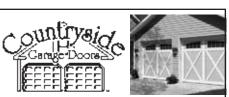
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The Festival will also include a juried exhibition of painting under the aegis of the Blackstone Valley Art Association, based in Uxbridge.

"Central Mass is seeing a blossoming of interest in the arts, and through this festival we hope to bring to greater light some of the many talents who are part of that trend," said Festival co-chair Ken Crater.

The organizers hope to see the festival grow in future years to encompass more art forms and expand to additional venues.

Planning for the event is currently underway, with additional sponsorships being sought. Artist inquiries are welcome, with art submissions for juried selection planned to begin in June. Donna Blanchard, executive director of Apple Tree Arts, may be reached at info@appletreearts.org, or (508)-839-4286 and Ken Crater, Worcester County Camera Club, may be reached at info@smallstonesfestival. org. or (508)-272-9696.

April 17 is an important tax due date!

April 17, 2018, is the due date for filing your 2017 federal income tax return and for paying the tax you

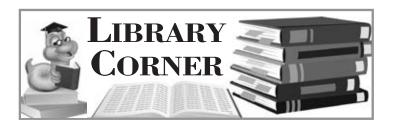
owe. The first installment of your 2018 estimated tax is due the same day. April 17 is also the due date for the first 2018 installment of estimated tax for corporations. Contact our office for any assistance you need.

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Knitting Group and Needlework meets Wednesday 6-8 p.m. Drop in.

Historical Room open: Wednesday April 11 & April 25 from 2 until 3.

Children's April Events:

Music & Movement with Miss Deb, Wednesday the 4, 11, & 25 @ 10:30 for ages 1-5.

Registration required.

Story & Craft with Miss Marcia, Thursdays the 5th, 12th, and 26th @10:30 for ages 2-5. Drop in.

Crafternoons with Anna on Wednesday the 4th, 11th, & 25th after school until 4pm for students in Grades 5 and up. This is a drop in program.

Join us for April School Vacation events:

Tuesday, the 17th, Tween & Teen Bring a Friend Night: Pizza and Board Games @ 6-7:30 for students in Grades 5 and up with a friend. Friend can also be a parent or adult. Pizza and board games are provided. Registration is required including friends.

Wednesday, the 18th, STEAM -Southwick Zoomobile Move it Move it program @ 11 for ages 3 through 8, who can sit through a 30 minute program. Registration required. This pro-

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owned by the town of Uxbridge. A garden can be secured by filling out an application downloaded from the town web site Community Gardens page at http://www.uxbridge-ma.gov/Pages/UxbridgeMA_Bcomm/Gardens/.

The cost for a 20' x 25' garden is \$20 per season. The program is open to Uxbridge residents and those from adjacent towns. Applications can also found at the Uxbridge Library, Senior Center and the Uxbridge Town Hall, office of

TRIPS

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EAST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

For information and reservations, please contact Judy Shute (508) 867-9224

gram is funded by Northbridge Cultural Council.

A Special Evening with Miss Deb Music & Movement, the 18th @ 6:30-7:00 for children ages 1-8, parents and grandparents, too. Drop in program funded by Beginning Bridges.

Friday, the 20th, Family Matinee from 1 until 3, popcorn, too. Register online and find out the title of the movie.

HALFOWEEN for Kids

Monday, April 30

My Pal & Me Art Club for students in K-4 with one adult

Make a tasty Halfoween treat, come dressed in costume, too! Registration required:

Adults

Knitting every Wednesday evening. Drop in from 6-8 p.m.

Memoir Book Club: BREAKING NIGHT by Liz Murray, on Monday the 24th @ 6:30PM. Join Jancye Murray for a book discussion and refreshments. Some copies of the book will be made available at the front desk. Register.

Bullet Journal 101: Saturday, the 28th from 11 until 12:00. Learn how to create personalized planners. Bring your own planner. Supplies will be provided. Registration required.

HALFOWEEN for Adults

Monday, April 30 @7PM

Jeff Belanger, author and paranormal insider and the Emmy-nominated host, writer, and producer of the New England Legends series on PBS, will speak at the library. There will be book selling & book signing after this drop in event.

the Town Clerk.

For more information see the FAQ on the Community Gardens web page.

Through the generosity of the University of Rhode Island and local volunteers, free seeds will be available at the Gardens and the Uxbridge Library at the beginning of the season. So even if your seed order never made it past the coffee table, you can have a varied and successful garden this year.

The 2018 Community Gardens season begins officially on Saturday, April 21 at the Gardens on Sutton Street, weather permitting. Why not give it a try?

Theatre Christmas Show and Chateau Restaurant. \$119, due by Nov. 1.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

SPENCER — Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, is offering the following trips. For more



LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

Contact the Leicester Senior Center, Joan Wall, (508) 892-3967 for information and to make reservations.

Friday May 18: Bull & Claw in Wells ME. Lobster or prime rib bake Cost is \$84. Due by April 17.

Thursday, June 14: Gloucester Lobster Cruise. Cost is \$89, due by May 15.

Thursday, July 19: Interlakes Summer Theater, New Hampshire, "Showboat" with lunch at Hart's Turkey Farm, turkey, beef or haddock. Payment due by June 18.

Thursday, August 15: North Shore Playhouse "Mama Mia" and lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club. \$119, payment due by July 17.

Wednesday, September 12: Newport Playhouse "There is a Burglar in My Bed" with buffet and cabaret. \$89, due by August 21.

October 11-14: Washington DC: staying at the Embassy Suites. Cost is \$610, including tips for driver and guides. Final payment due Sept. 4.

Friday, November 16: Captain Jack's & Foxwood Casino, choice of lobster or prime rib. \$76, due by Oct. 16.

Saturday, December 1: Reagle

information, call Bernard Dube at (508) 885-3098.

2018

Grand Tour of France: May 30 to June 15

England & Scotland: Sept. 5-18, 2018

Grand Tour of Ireland: Sept. 9-22, 2019

Northwest USA Parks: May 21-31, 2019

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER

DAY TRIPS:

NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER Phone: 508-234-2002

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April 12th "Country Legends" at Lake Pearl in Wrentham, MA, \$92/person. A song and dance spectacular with some of the greatest country music both old and new. Songs from Johnny Cash, Tammy Wynette, Hank Williams, Reba McEntire and so many more! Includes luncheon with choice of stuffed chicken or baked scrod.

April 26th "The Kings and Queens of Country" at The Log Cabin in Holyoke, MA, \$91/person. Two of the Log Cabin's most popular shows are joining forces to sing America's top country music songs. Featuring Janice Dee and *Turn To TRIPS* page **A9** New Homes, Service Upgrades, Adding Plugs & Switches

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DOUGLAS SENIOR CENTER

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Open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cupcakes with Ashley, Mia and Mrs. D Thursday May 29 at 11: Come on in and make some festive Easter cupcakes! This program is free and all the supplies will be provided.

Lunch with Police Chief Miglionico Thursday April 12 at 11:00: Come on in and discuss your concerns in the community and learn about the newest scams. We will also be celebrating National Grilled Cheese Day! With of course grilled cheese sandwiches & tomato soup for \$4. Please reserve your place by April 10.

Interactive Memory with Becky from Summitt Tuesday April 17 at 10:30: Come in and enjoy this interactive memory program that is sure to give us a few laughs.

Mother's Day Tea Party: Wednesday May 2 at 11:00 Summit Elder Care will be here for spring makeover day! We ask that you wear plain natural colors as they will be accessorizing us. We will have a special lunch, to be announced.

Lunch with the Police Chief Miglionico May 17 at 11:00: Come on in and see what's going on in town or discuss concerns you have about scams, lunch to be announced!

EVENING EVENTS

Evening Bingo Bingo at 6:00 and the 2nd Tuesday of every month until July!

Movie Nights: The last Wednesday of every Month!

Night time Dinners: March 22 at 6:00 doors open at 5:30 beef stew and entertainment!

HEALTH SERVICES

The Blood Pressure Clinic The Blood Pressure Clinic with Nurse Ann at 10:00 April 9 & April 26, May 7 & May 24, June 4 & June 28. Appointments are not necessary and walk-ins are welcome.

T R A N S P O R T A T I O N INFORMATION

Thursday

9 a.m.: walking club; 9 a.m.: yoga; 9:30 a.m.: computers; 10 a.m.: tai chi; 10 a.m. and noon: acrylic painting; noon: bingo

Douglas Service Schedule in Town: Monday-Friday

Medical first pick up 8:30 a.m. – last pick up 3:30 p.m.

Work first pick up 8:30 a.m. – last pick up 3:30 p.m. General Business first pick

up 8:30 a.m. – last pick up 3:15 p.m.

Out of Town Medical: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Service Hours

Trips to Worcester/Auburn 10:00 - 12:00 12:00 - 2:00

Out of Town Grocery Shopping: Tuesday

Customer Choice Drop-Off Pick-Up

Walmart - Whitinsville 11:00-12:30

Sunshine Club News

Monthly Meetings: Are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the senior center.

Outreach News

Insurance: If you are thinking about changing your insurance or you are confused by any changes going on, let us know. We have a Shine Councilor able to meet and discuss any issues you are having.

Medical Equipment: We have lots of walkers, shower chairs, and commodes available at the center if you would like to borrow one. Please, do not drop off any equipment without letting us know, as we have very little storage.

File of Life: We have many available at the center. These are very important and could save your life. Please, stop in anytime and pick yours up for free.

Emergency Information Sheets: Please, call the center if you would like to be added to the list or update your information.

MILLBURY COUNCIL ON AGING

1 River St., Millbury (508) 865-9154

Lunch is served daily at noon, call to reserve your place 48 hours in advance.

Millbury Senior Center Transportation Services Residents can travel on Craft Classes

Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Plan what you would like to make & pay for the materials you use! For more information call.

MONDAY

8:30a.m.: walking club; 9:30 a.m. light exercise; 12:30 p.m.: Wii bowling; 1p.m.: cribbage, game day, Scrabble, Chinese checkers, scat and Wii bowling.

TUESDAY

9-10 a.m.: blood pressure; 9:30-10:30 a.m.: Tai Chi; 10:45-11:30 a.m.: Zumba Gold; 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.: Yoga. 11 a.m.: Sing-A-Long; 1 p.m.: cribbage & Scat.

WEDNESDAY

Craft Classes, 9:30-11 a.m. Plan what you would like to make & pay for the materials you use! For more information call us. 1 p.m. Social bingo 6 p.m.: Night Bingo!

RMV Transactions

EVERY WEDNESDAY 10 a.m.-2 p.m. including license renewals (drivers younger than 75); registration renewals, change of address, duplicate license or registration, reporting lost or stolen disability placard and how to request a replacement. Call for an appointment.

THURSDAY

9 a.m.: cards; 10-11:30 a.m.: adult coloring class; 12:45 p.m.: whist; 2:30-3:30 p.m.: computer and cell phone classes, reservations required, please call.

FRIDAY

9 a.m.: shopping; 9:30 a.m.: light exercises; 12:30 p.m.: bridge and Scat.

Northbridge Senior Center (508) 234-2002

www.northbridgemass.org/ council-on-aging

Monday–Thursday 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Upcoming Special Events and Announcements

We require registration for all of our events and trips. Additionally, if you need transportation, please inform the center at the time of registration. Simply call to sign-up. Deposits and fees are required at time of sign up in order to reserve your spot.

The Northbridge Senior Center is looking for Seniors to participate in a mentoring program at the Rockdale Youth Center located at St. Peter's Church in Rockdale. Help with homework, reading, playing games or cards, cooking or baking are some of the ways you can mentor. Or maybe you have special skills or hobbies you would like to share. This would be once a week from 3:00-6:00pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays. Call Michelle at the Center for more information.

some of the greatest country music both old and new. Songs from Johnny Cash, Tammy Wynette, Hank Williams, Reba McEntire and so many more! Includes luncheon with choice of stuffed chicken or baked scrod.

April 26th "The Kings and Queens of Country" at The Log Cabin in Holyoke \$91/person. Two of the Log Cabin's most popular shows are joining forces to sing America's top country music songs. Featuring Janice Dee and Danny Lee. A delicious luncheon will also be served which includes salad, red bliss potato salad, honey grilled chicken, country brisket, shrimp Creole, and dessert.

May 7th "Newport Playhouse presents The Edwards Twins -Celebrity Impersonators", \$91/ person. Direct from their act in Las Vegas, Anthony and Eddie are identical twins who look and sound like famous celebrities. You won't believe your eves and ears as they perform hit songs by Barbra Streisand, Elton John, Better Midler, Billy Joel and so many more! Enjoy a delicious buffet luncheon with a large variety of hot and cold items to choose from. Don't miss this great show!

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

36 South Main Street (508) 278-8622

AND PASS THE POPCORN

It's Movie Night at the Uxbridge Senior Center! Starting in March, seniors and friends can enjoy watching a movie together in the comfort of the senior center. Each month on the second Tuesday, a movie will be playing from 6:30 to 8:30. The first films have been selected by our resident expert, Rick Lewis and movie enthusiast, Cathy Thornton.

On April 10, come see "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World" with its all-star cast. May 8 features Hitchcock's "Rear Window," starring James Stewart and Grace Kelly. "Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid," starring Steve Martin and featuring a host of stars in cameo appearances, will be shown on June 12.

Transportation may be available for some of these Movie Nights, if there is sufficient interest with reservations required in advance. Check in with the Uxbridge Senior Center at 508-278-8622 regarding van availability. Refreshments will be provided by the Uxbridge Elderly Connection. Suggestions for films for July and beyond are encouraged; otherwise, Lewis and Thornton will continue aiming to select movies folks will enjoy.

in April. Also, revisiting photography, crafts and health care topics is possible. Forms are available at the senior center to let the Uxbridge Senior Academy know what you might like to learn about or offer to teach.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2018

April 28: MAMA MIA (Manchester, NH) show & lunch: \$87

April 30-May 3: Lancaster w Jesus (FULL, another trip in October)

May 8: MYSTERY TRIP, first ever!! Where will we go?? \$69.

May 29: Lobster Bake Cruise, Gloucester \$78.

June 8-10: Bar Harbor (Blue Nose Inn) \$469.

June 26-29: St. Andrews By the Sea & Campobello Island \$839.

July 22-27: Canadian Cities (Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa) \$699.

Sept. 7-9: Boothbay Harbor (Boothbay Harbor Inn) \$449.

Oct. 5-8: Washington, DC \$699.

Oct. 17-19: Penn Dutch w Jesus. Great in the fall! \$479.

Dec. 7 & 8: Portland, ME. Christmas by the Sea. 319.

More day trips to follow. Call Sue at (508) 476-5820 if you have any questions.

The Silver Club of the Uxbridge Senior Center on Tuesday, May 29 will be taking a trip to Gloucester for a lobster bake cruise onboard The Beauport Princess, a beautiful ship! The historic Gloucester harbor is full of fishing boats and schooners. Extraordinary views only seen by water of the city's historic skyline, working waterfront, iconic Man at the Wheel statue, Rocky Neck Art Colony, America's first lighthouses, and more are what you'll enjoy as you dine. It's a classy lobster bake w/ white tablecloths and music for dancing! There is a buffet w/chicken, corn on the cob, red bliss potatoes, and coleslaw along with the lobster and clam chowder and of course dessert and coffee. You won't leave hungry! \$79. includes everything!

From June 26 to the 29th there is a 4 day trip to the beautiful quaint town of St. Andrews by the Sea in New Brunswick, Canada staying at the prestigious Algonquin Resort. There is a tour of St. Andrews and also free time to explore the area or just to enjoy the hotel. A lobster bake and five other meals are included. There will be a side trip to Campobello Island, the beautiful summer place of FDR. You'll have the opportunity to see several of the "cottages" providing a glimpse into why this was such a beloved summer retreat. The bus leaves from the Whitinsville WalMart. Please call Sue at <u>508-476-5820</u> for more information on these or other trips.

Elder Bus Service Schedule

S.C.M. Elderbus, under contract to the Worcester Regional Transit Authority, provides transportation services to senior and disabled clients for twenty-one communities within central Massachusetts. Please call elder bus directly at (1-800 321-0243) to make all reservations. Reservations must be made 48 business hours ahead of time.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday:

9 a.m.: walking club; 10 a.m. osteo exercise; 10 a.m. reverse glass painting; noon: needleworks

Tuesday

9 a.m.: walking club; 9:30 a.m.: Zumba; 9:30 a.m.: cribbage; noon: bingo

Wednesday

9 a.m.: walking club; 10 a.m.: osteo exercise; 11 a.m.: coloring; noon: needleworks; 1 p.m.: yoga; 11 a.m. (once a month) book and movie club. Monday through Friday 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

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ADA ride costs are \$2.75 in town and \$3 for one town out.

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THE MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER IS NOW ACCEPTING SNAP APPLICATIONS

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Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Call for an appointment & required documentation (508) 865-9154

WEEKLY EVENTS

WEEKLY:

Coloring Club Every Monday 1:00 BINGO Every Monday at 1 p.m.

Tai Chi

Tuesdays from 10:45–11:45 \$2/class

Billiard League

Every Wednesday @ 9:00 Billiard League Players Needed

Every Wednesday morning from 8:30-11:00. If you would like to join, give us a call and we can give you more information. Experience is not required, we have a great teacher here that will show you the ropes!

Technology Help Every Thursday from 1:00-3:00 Call to sign up.

Painting Class Every Friday @ 9:00

TRIPS

April 12th "Country Legends" at Lake Pearl in Wrentham, \$92/person. A song and dance spectacular with Sure you can watch a movie on TV at home, but how much more fun to see it with friends.

Uxbridge Senior Academy Photography class with Dennis Smith every Tuesday. The Uxbridge Senior Academy will be hosting photography classes on April 3, April 24 and May 1 at the Uxbridge Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. Sign up by calling the senior center at 508-278-8622, by filling out a form at the senior center, or emailing catherinethornton941@ gmail.com

The Valley Bean is hosting Local Business Fridays and will feature a sandwich named after the Uxbridge Senior Center on Good Friday, March 30th!

Free Computer Classes are EVERY Tuesday from 3:00pm – 4:00pm.

Hannaford shopping is every Tuesday morning. Shaw's, Dollar Tree & Ocean State will be on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays instead of Walmart.

COMING SOON

Girls' Night Out in partnership with Summit ElderCare ČENTRAL MASS SHINE WEBSITE

The Central Mass Region has recently launched its website. You can visit us on the web at www.shinema.org. Our site has valuable general information and links to other agencies that can assist you with your insurance needs.

Trained SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Everyone) volunteers can help you! They offer free, unbiased, confidential counseling on all aspects of health insurance to anyone on Medicare. Call your senior center and ask for a SHINE appointment. You can also call 1-800-AGE-INFO (1-800-243-4636), then press or say 3. Once you get the SHINE answering machine, leave your name and number. A volunteer will call you back. During Open Enrollment, it may take a couple of days to return your call. You can now visit us on the internet at www.shinema. org



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with them the anticipation of sunny days to come. And for New Englanders, the long awaited warm weather promises a new season of flowers. From altering moods to increasing productivity, tending to flowers can serve as a valuable form of garden therapy. Read on for some inspiration to plan spring and summer gardens this year!

Don't have a garden? Don't fret – simply being in the company of flowers can have a profound therapeutic effect. The mere sight and fragrance of flowers can trigger the release of endorphins, the "feel good" hormones that increase joy and well being.

In fact, research by Rutgers College, New Jersey established flowers have a positive impact on moods and can even decrease bouts of mild depression. According to the ten month study, flowers have an immediate impact on happiness. The research also showed flowers have a long-term positive effect on moods and study participants reported feeling less depressed, anxious and agitated after receiving flowers, with a higher sense of enjoyment and life satisfaction.

Want more? Studies on the effects of flowers by Virginia Polytechnic Institute revealed the presence of flowers enhances communication, restores mental fatigue and promotes a good sense of self esteem! According to various medical reports, all it takes is three to five minutes looking at views dominated by trees, flowers or water to begin to reduce anger, anxiety and pain and to induce relaxation. And research by Dr. Roger Ulrich, PhD proved patients recovering from surgery healed quicker and needed less pain medication when they had flowers within view. These patients also had shorter hospital stays than their flowerless counterparts!

Need a nudge to bring more flowers into your life in 2018? Here are some eye opening facts on the virtues of flowers!

"Flower Power" takes on new meaning when you understand fresh flowers have the capacity to alter our energy and emotions. Why not take the benefits of the flower garden one step further and plant specifically to improve both body and soul?

**Lavender*: Want to relax? Plant lavender. The scent of lavender prompts calmness. Studies report that the smell of lavender triggers alpha waves in the part of the brain associated with a relaxed state.

**Roses*: No flower is more sentimental than the romantic rose. And it's no wonder. The scent of roses evokes nostalgia, which can recall happy memories from the past.

**Violets:* Research shows violets enhance learning speed by 17%, and also improve concentration when used in study rooms. **Lilies*: Need an energy boost? The scent of lily has been proven to increase wakefulness and help you stay alert.

Legends and Lore of the Blooms: Flowers have long played a role in our everyday lives and according to folklore, perhaps even our futures. The "magical" power of blooms is legendary, as the following superstitions suggest:

*Daisies: Perhaps the most familiar floral "predictor" of love is the daisy. Plucking off petals one by one while reciting "He (or she) loves me, he loves me not," has long served as an amusing indictor of requited love.

***Bachelor Buttons:** Folklore may explain how these bright blue and purple cornflowers earned their name. Legend has it that young suitors would place freshly picked flowers in their pocket while courting. If the "bachelor buttons" remained fresh and unwilted for the duration, it was a sure sign the relationship is on a steady course of success!

***Roses:** Romantic lore claims rose petals helped young ladies of earlier eras choose between two or more suitors. Writing the name of each prospective husband the petals and tossing them to the wind, it is said the last petal to hit the ground holds the name of the one she shall marry.

**Primrose Etc.:* Superstition has it that bouquets of flowers should always contain an odd number of blooms, lest bad luck be lured. This belief especially applies to primroses, as the English believed the flowers should be only be brought into the house in groups of 13 to ensure good fortune.

**Daffies:* Perky yellow daffodils can be an instant mood booster, but according to Welsh folklore the flower can also bring wealth. It is said the first person who spots a spring daffodil will be rewarded with prosperity throughout the year!

***Roses:** To bring good luck into a home in days of yore, rose leaves were tossed into the fireplace flame.

***White Flowers:** White blooms are beautiful, but they can carry a melancholy message, according to age old folklore. Think twice before you send a bouquet of white flowers to a sick friend in the hospital as legend claims whites with a strong fragrance can worsen a sickness or even bring on death! Ditto for white flowers that show signs of wilting. And never pair white and red flowers in a bouquet for a sick person, as the combination is said to bring bad luck.

*Day Lilies: These bright orange flowers, common to the New England landscape, were considered a lucky health charm when worn. It was believed wearing a lily would lighten one's worries and lessen distress.

Poppies: While wearing a poppy in the lapel on Veteran's Day has long been a tradition to honor those who served and died for their country. poppies were also worn in the belief they help dispel worries and anxiety.

Students in the Northeast gifting the flowers to each other during the Irish holiday.

Paired with seasonal greenery, the colorful green carnation is a popular St. Patty's Day centerpiece.

Easter Lily FYI: Easter Lily symbolizes innocence, purity and virtue as the gorgeous white flowers reflect the spiritual aspect of Easter. Legend tells of lilies growing in the garden of Gethsemane – springing up where Christ's drops of sweat fell during his final agony.

Each year at Easter, pots of white lilies grace the alters of Christian churches and the homes of believers.

While the Easter Lily is a symbol of the holiday, the seasonal perennial flower can be planted and enjoyed for years to come.

After the plant is done blooming, trim off dead foliage and plant it outside when ground is thawed. Lilies like a sunny area with well drained soil. Give the plant plenty of water and add an all purpose fertilizer. It probably won't flower again until the next year, but replanting the Easter Lily rewards the gardener with years of beautiful blooms!

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! 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 thee to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint, c/o Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdrr@aol.com.

New networking connection with Tri-Valley benefits seniors

Tri-Valley, Inc. is now part of the National Council on Aging's network dedicated to helping people with Medicare improve their financial outlook by enrolling in programs to help them afford health care, prescriptions, food, and more.

Nationally, half of all people with Medicare live on incomes less than \$26,200 per year, and they often lack the resources needed to meet basic living expenses. Federal, state, and local programs exist to help these individuals, but many people do not know how to apply for assistance.

Tri-Valley, Inc. has a strong history of helping vulnerable residents in 25 towns located in South Central Massachusetts (Bellingham, Blackstone, Brookfield, Charlton, Douglas, Dudley, East Brookfield, Franklin, Hopedale, Medway, Mendon, Milford, Millville Northbridge, North Brookfield, Oxford, Southbridge, Spencer, Sturbridge, Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, Warren, Webster and West Brookfield)," said Susan Salisbury, director of community services. "We're proud to be part of this national network of organizations that, since 2009, has helped more than 850,000 low-income older adults and younger adults with disabilities achieve economic stability.'

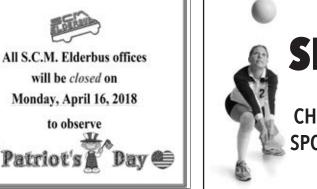
to serve low-income Medicare beneficiaries in 36 states. BECs are supported by funding from the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act, administered through the U.S. Administration for Community Living. Tri-Valley's BEC will cover the agency's 25-towns listed above plus 36 additional communities in Central Massachusetts.

BECs use NCOA's free online BenefitsCheckUp(r) tool (www. BenefitsCheckUp.org to screen lower income older adults, and younger adults with disabilities, for more than 2,500 benefits-including Medicare Savings Programs, Part D Extra Help, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and to help them apply for and use those benefits.

To see if someone you know qualifies for assistance call Tri-Valley at 508-949-

Tri-Valley, Inc. is one of 69 Benefits Enrollment Centers funded by NCOA 6640.

Tri-Valley is a private, non-profit agency. The agency receives funding from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Executive Office of elder Affairs and from the Federal government, under the Older American's Act, processed through the Central Mass Agency on Aging. Funds are also received from other public and private sources. All donations are welcome and memorials may be established.



SERVE! CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!

Tri-Valley, Inc. - April

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	3	4	5	6
Beef Stew Steamed Rice Green Beans Pineapple	Vegetable Cheese Bake Broccoli & Red Peppers Corn Yogurt	Chicken Milano Wild Rice Tuscany Blend Vegetables Mandarin Oranges	Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit	Breaded Fish Tartar Sauce Lemon Seasoned Potato Scandinavian Vegetables Fruited Ambrosia
9	10	11	12	13
Chicken Sausage Jambalaya Rice Pilaf Green Peas Cookie	Meatballs w/Onion Gravy Bowtie Pasta Scandinavian Vegetables Mandarin Oranges	Marinated Pork Loin Herb Seasoned Potatoes Oriental Blend Vegetables Fresh Fruit Minestrone Soup	Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Beans & Corn Sour Cream/Pita Bread Pineapple	Fish with Crumb Topping Potatoes O'Brien Broccoli Gingerbread Diet=Small Piece
16	17	18	19	20
PATRIOTS DAY NO MEAL SERVED	Salmon Boat with Dill Sauce Mashed Potatoes Peas & Pearl Onions Peaches	BBQ Chicken Red Bliss Potatoes Summer Corn Salad Cantaloupe	Cold Roast Beef S/W Lettuce & Tomato Potato Salad Beet Salad Pears	Lasagna & Meatballs Corn Niblets Cheesecake Mousse
23	24	25	26	27
Roast Pork with Gravy Mashed Potatoes Jardinière Vegetables Fresh Fruit Split Pea Soup	Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Coleslaw Mixed Fruit	Beef and Bean Chili w/ Cheese Baked Potato Sour Cream Mixed Vegetables Peaches	Chicken Cacciatore Penne Pasta Italian Blend Vegetables Birthday Cake & Plain Cake	Haddock w/Picatta Sauce Garden Blend Rice Broccoli Brownie Diet=Half Piece Brownie
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Chicken Mornay Couscous Roman Blend Vegetables Tapioca Pudding & Diet	Sutton 508-234-0703, Upton 508	3-529-9094, Uxbridge 774-482-61 ial support under the Older Amer	85-3904, Sturbridge 508-347-506 174, West Brookfield 508-867-141 ricans Act furnished by the Central	1



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Editorial

Sounding off: it ends now

A few years ago, before the advent of Facebook news and faceless media trolls on the Internet, a different editor and others at Stonebridge Press adopted an idea. It wasn't entirely new, it had been done elsewhere, but it was taken as our own.

The premise was, some people were afraid to express their opinion, afraid of repercussions from, well, take your pick: politicians, the police, neighbors, whomever this person or that thought might not agree and would take offense in some hostile manner.

So it became a policy, you could call in and leave a voicemail, or you could mail an anonymous letter, and be assured it would get into the pages.

But there were some major problems with this in the long run. We couldn't know just who it was that was sending us these gems. We couldn't know if they were "on the up and up" for one thing, whether the people were who they claimed to be.

And there wasn't a lot we could do about their information. We couldn't ask them where they found their information, what it was based on, who they had spoken to, whether other steps had been taken...really whether any of what they purported to say was even truthful.

We couldn't know.

But we printed them.

We've had second thoughts. As our publisher Frank Chilinski eloquently put it, "In this era of the internet, social media, news online that goes unchecked and unchallenged, it is a much different world then the world of 15 years ago."

And in the last week or so, we've had some varied responses to some harsh anonymous contributions.

With that in mind, while there are some responses in this week's opinions, be assured there will no longer be anonymous letters to the editor in our pages.

We may, if the writer chooses and can prove a need, withhold a name of a writer upon request, but the writer must provide us with their contact information first, so we can verify their information with them if we have questions. That's the only way we can do it and be as balanced as possible on all fronts.

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

She has made such a positive impact for the senior center and we commend

her for all the that she has given to

Uxbridge seniors and residents. We

would like to thank her for inspiring

She was a very knowledgeable, moti-

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OUTREACH COORDINATOR

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

vating and focused in supporting the

seniors of this community. Marsha

us all to do our absolute best.

will be missed by many.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Senior Center: wishing Marsha Petrillo well

To the Editor:

We wish to congratulate our Director Marsha Petrillo on her retirement.

Marsha will always be remembered for her accomplishments, dedication, hard work, compassion and caring advocacy that she has for our seniors over the years. She had worked six and a half years for the Selectmen's office and 15 years as Uxbridge Senior Center Director.

Marsha is an inspiration to us all and we congratulate her on her well-deserved retirement!

SOUND OFF

Sound Off: I agree

Just finished reading the Letter to the Editor and answering to what "just Saying" wrote.

Thank you for writing this article. It has been on my mind for a long time but thought I was the only one that thought that. I am old now, but when I see the immigrants taking over my town that I lived here all my life. And getting sympathy, so they go on welfare, free housing, medical care, etc.

You wrote the honest thing that I have read in a long time. "Just Saying," I am proud that you wrote the truth. Believe me I have nothing against them especially the good ones, but since we been bringing them in all it has been is guns, drugs, robbing people, not to mention killing. I am afraid of going out, I feel I am becoming a recluse. Thank you again.

Space memorabilia

Given the rich history and significant contributions in our region, it's no surprise that we have local connections to the space program.

Dr. Robert H. Goddard is considered the father of American rocketry. He was born in Worcester in 1882. Goddard graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1908. Dr. Goddard began his graduate studies the same year at Clark University. NASA's website states his 1920 trea-tise, "A Method of Reaching Extreme Altitudes." outlined the possibility of a rocket reach-

ing the moon. On March 16, 1926 Goddard launched his first lig-



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maneuvers. In the late 1950s, David Clark produced equipment for the space program. John Glenn wore a headset manufactured by David Clark when he orbited earth in 1962. When Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon, he also wore a headset made by David Clark. David Clark Company was also in the news more recently. Felix Baumgartner made a record breaking 24 mile jump from the edge of space wearing a David Clark spacesuit.

developed the anti-G suit for

pilots during World War II.

It helped prevent pilots from

blacking out during high speed

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Newer investors: don't panic if bear market returns



FINANCIAL Focus

DENNIS ANTONOPOULOS

If you're in your twenties or thirties, you might be starting to focus more on investing to reach your financial goals. Because of this, you also may be more attuned to moves in the financial markets. Depending on your age, you may have only experienced the bull market of the past nine years, so you might not know what to expect - or how to respond whenever the next bear

market strikes.

Of course, just recently, you've witnessed a market correction - a drop of at least 10 percent in the major stock market indices, such as the S&P 500. This sudden plunge made big news and reminded many investors of how volatile the financial markets can be.

But a full-fledged bear market usually isn't identified until the markets are down 20 percent from their recent highs. Plus, bear markets, unlike corrections, tend to linger for a while.

The last "bear" emerged from hiber-nation in October 2007 and stayed on the prowl until early March 2009. During that time, the S&P 500 declined by about 50 percent. Clearly, investors were not happy - but the market recovered and moved to new heights. This long and strong run-up may have obliterated your bear market memories, if you ever had them at all. And that's why you might want to familiarize yourself with some of the bare facts about bear markets:

Bear markets may provide good buying opportunities. When gas is expensive, you may just buy a few gallons at a time – but when the price falls, you're probably more likely to fill up your tank. The same principle can apply to investing – when stock prices are down, your investment dollars will buy more shares. And the more shares you own, the greater your ability to build wealth once the share price rises. In short, a bear market may provide you with a chance to buy quality investments at good prices.

Bear markets don't last forever. No one can predict precisely how long bear markets will run, but they've typically been much shorter than bull markets. So, while you might not particularly like altitude suits for pilots selling in the looking at your investment statement during a decline, you can take some comfort in knowing such downturns are a normal feature of the investment landscape. Bear markets don't affect all investments equally. If you only own U.S. stocks, your portfolio may well take a sizable hit during a bear market. But other types of investment vehicles may not be as directly affected - and some may even show positive results. Consequently, you could reduce the bear's "bite" if you also own a variety of other investments, such as international stocks, bonds, government securities, certificates of deposit (CDs) and so on. However, while owning this type of diversified portfolio can help reduce the impact of market volatility, it does not guarantee profits or protect against losses. A bear market can be challenging. But by making the right moves, such as staying patient, looking for buying opportunities and maintaining a diversified portfolio, you may be able to prevent a market decline from becoming unbearable.



We hope this helps clarify our position, and makes us a bit more responsible.

On another note, while debating the pros and cons of gun controls, First Amendment rights of various groups debating those rights and the newest demonstrating Children Who Have Discovered Voices; we nearly missed a huge issue much, much closer to home.

Every one of the towns served by a Stonebridge Press newspaper is affected.

While we who drive Massachusetts highways and byways continue to pay for the Big Dig, the Massachusetts Turnpike, the airports and the non-existent-to-us train services beyond the I-495 corridor, the Governor who gets driven to work has chosen not to fully fund transportation services out here.

That it doesn't do enough already, and if anything should be expanded in most areas, the idea of a cut in services is ludicrous.

We can't conceive of the words to condone this idiocy. People who need this service, who must get to work, to health services, to get to schools, even to shop or to enjoy a little time away from home depend entirely on the bus runs. Many rural areas still don't have regularly scheduled runs now; they should be expanded not contracted.

This one thing is enough to change our minds about Charlie.

uid fueled rocket on Pakachoag Hill in Auburn. NASA equates the historical significance of this event to the Wright Brothers first flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

A handwritten letter by Robert Goddard can bring four figures at auction. Letters with important rocket related content can bring even more. A typed letter signed by Goddard may even bring \$1,000 or more. Five photos of Goddard target shooting, in a car and performing other activities sold for \$375 in a 2006 auction.

The Worcester Historical Society website highlights local companies that contributed to the space program. NASA approached Allegro Systems, in Worcester, for help with a project. World leaders had written messages for the astronauts to carry to the moon. NASA needed them reproduced on some type of small surface to be left at the moon. Allegro created a 14/1000th inch disc to hold the messages that is easily readable with a microscope. It was left on the moon during the lunar landing in 1969.

Wyman Gordon Company, of North Grafton, produced more than 150 fittings that were used on the Saturn V booster rocket for Apollo II. More recently, Wyman Gordon forged the main landing gear for the U.S. Space Shuttle.

David Clark Company, in Worcester,

thousands of dollars. Pressurized helmets also can bring four figure sums. A Gemini space suit thermal layer made for Gus Grissom rocketed to \$43,750 at auction.

There are other types of memorabilia that are more common. Signed astronaut photos are popular with collectors. Because Neil Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon, his autograph is especially desirable. His signed photos can sell for over \$1,000. For collectors on a budget, there are autographs by lesser known astronauts. A photo signed by Michael Rich Clifford, who was on three Space Shuttle missions, recently sold for just over \$1 on eBay. You can still find prices on some space memorabilia that aren't priced out of this world.

We will be offering space memorabilia from a David Clark Company executive in our fall live auction. Info will be coming soon on an online auction we'll be running in Sterling. See www. centralmassauctions.com for details on this and other upcoming events.

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SOUND OFF!

WE KNOW you've got an opinion, so what are you waiting for? Sound Off!

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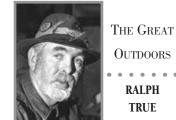
You can e-mail your Sound Off! to ruth@stonebridgepress.news. Just remember to label it as a Sound Off.

You'll want to keep your remarks relatively brief so we have enough space in the newspaper to include it all.





Humbled to be recognized



This past weekend this writer attended the annual Worcester County League Banquet at the Wachusett Country Club in West Boylston. It was the 55th annual Appreciation Banquet honoring the actions of individuals for their outstanding efforts during the year that helped promote hunting, fishing, and environmental issues that benefited sportsmen and the general public. Many legislators were also in attendance and played a big role in the night's festivities. Long time member of the league was Mel Crouse, at age 93 still active in the league and still hunting deer in Maine annually. He and his brother, also in his 90s, managed to harvest a huge buck in Maine a couple of years ago

Special guest wildlife artist Ed Desrosiors was introduced to the members and guest by Jim Berube, followed with keynote speaker Bob Durand and Dr. Dick Callahan, which was followed by numerous awards to the following individuals: Ralph True Sr. received the Words of Wisdom award in recognition of his efforts through journalism to inform and educate, and promote sportsmen issues. He also received a certificate from the House of Representatives and the State Senate and signed by numerous Representatives and

Senators. I was certainly humbled by the award.

The next award was made to Jack Whitehead receiving the Youth Mentor award for his work in establishing the first annual Young Guns Trap Tournament!

Next was Bonnie Booth, awarded Sportsmen of The Year award in recognition for her work to promote the League for Sportsmen's & Sportswomen's issues.

Legislator of the year award was presented to Senator Ann Gobi in recognition of her constant support of sportsmen's issues in the State Legislature.

Farmer of the Year was presented to Ed and Dave Davidian in appreciation for their preservation of land that protects wildlife habitat and provides recreation to sportsmen & women throughout the year.

Entered into the Hall of Fame this year was Ken Stidsen, for all of his continued work in the league over many years.

The Worcester County League also set up a four point action fund for education, conservation, public relations, and legislation, which are as follows: funds set aside for the next ballot question, funds set aside or help of a sportsman's issue, providing archery equipment for schools, and monies set aside for protecting land. These are just a few programs that the League offers to support sportsmen's issues throughout the year.

Dr. Dick Callahan reported on the loss of bees in Massachusetts and surrounding states at last week's League Banquet. He spoke at length about his concern for bee popu-



Courtesy photos This week's picture shows this writer with my son Ralph Jr. after receiving my awards at last week's Worcester County League Banquet.

lations and what is killing them off annually. Numerous poisons used by large farms and back yard gardeners containing Neonic chemicals that are the major cause for the loss of our bee population. It is not only killing bees, but is responsible for killing ground worms and other insects that are good for gardens. Without bees pollination of flowers and all vegetables that we consume daily, are at high risk of being lost. It is a very serious dilemma and bee keepers are also sounding the alarm. Small back yard bee hives are being lost annually, and it is very serious. House bill 4041 if passed will stop all stores from selling pesticides with Neonicotinoids chemicals in them. It will still allow large farmers to use the chemical



Second picture shows Jim Berube with Ken Stidsen, this year's inductee into the hall of fame.

on their crops. You are urged to contact your state Reps and state Senators to favor the bill.

The Mass. Fish & Wildlife Board will hold their annual hearing to set migratory bird regulations on April 10 at 2:00 p.m. at the MF&W headquarters in Westborough. On the same day, the hearing to extend the archery season in zones 10-14 will also be held at the same place starting at 7:00 pm.! Archers are urged to arrive early!

Trout fishing on the freshwater scene is starting to warm up, with anglers catching most trout on power baits. As the waters warm, the trout will start to hit flys and lures. This week's forecast of a bit warmer temperatures locally should get the freshly stocked trout feeding more aggressively. Rivers and streams have started to recede locally, and should start to receive fresh stockings of trout as early as this week.

Local Rod & Gun Club ponds are also giving up hold over trout from this past winter stockings. Bass anglers are still catching some nice bass on live bait in local ponds.

Take A Kid Fishing & keep Them Rods Bending!

Events at Buffumville for spring

Sunday, April 29

Buffumville Dam Tour: 1-2 pm, Buffumville Dam, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. Would you like to know why the lake is lower in the winter months? Have you ever wondered what the Park Rangers do in the winter and in other seasons? Do you like to learn about weather and perhaps learn a little about food water storage and protection? Then join Park Ranger Jamie to learn all about it. Meet at the gate house doors (48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton) for an exclusive tour, inside and out. Rain or shine. Please Note: There are many stairs within the tour. Questions? 508-248-5697. Free tour. Moderate; restrooms nearby, especially

need to register. Free event. For more information, call 508-248-5697, x399. Easy; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children.

Wednesday, April 18

School Vacation Buffumville Dam Tour: 10:30 am to noon, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. Attention Families with kids: Are you home with the children, a daycare and/or homeschool group? We have tours of Buffumville Dam during School Vacation week. Join Park Ranger Jamie at the gatehouse doors for an exclusive tour, inside and out. Rain or shine. Please Note: There are many stairs within the tour. Questions? 508-248-5697. Free tour. Restrooms nearby, especially for

limited to 20, so please R.S.V.P- 508-248-5697 or nicole.c.giles@ usace.army. mil. There will be light refreshments and door prizes. Families with children encouraged and welcome. Free event. Easy; restrooms nearby, wheelchair accessible, especially for families with children, NO dogs please! Leader: Karen Osbrey, email: kareno@winyradio. com, phone: 860 928-1350

Sunday, May 13 Hodges Village Dam Mother's Day Tea & Walk: 2-3 pm, Hodges Village Dam, 30 Howarth Rd., Oxford, Bring your friends, family- especially the kids. Tea and light refreshments will be served, yet feel free to bring a picnic for your family or cookies to share. A ground cloth or picnic blanket is also recommended. For all ages! Questions, call Jamie at 508-248-5697, X399. Free event. Moderate; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children, NO dogs please!

Jamie.r.kordack@usace.army. mil. Easy; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children, NO dogs please! Saturday, June 2

Family Fishing Fun: 10 am to 1 pm, Buffumville Park, 229 Oxford Rd., Charlton Road, Charlton. Bring the kids to Buffumville Park for some outdoors fun! Lean about boating safety, water safety, learn how to fish, catch a fly fishing demonstration, ask your questions to a wildlife expert, and take a short hike! Stay after the event for a picnic or a swim. Want to help out? Please call Park Ranger, Nicole at 508-248-5697, x411. Easy: restrooms nearby. wheelchair accessible, especially for families with children, NO dogs please,

for families with children; NO dogs please

Saturday. March 31

7-8 pm Spring/Easter Saturday Full Moon Walk at Hodges Village Dam, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. Bring the family down for a leisurely, springtime stroll under the moon. Please meet the Ranger on at Hodges Village Dam. No registration required. Cancelled if very rainy. Free event. Easy; 1 mile, restrooms nearby, especially for families with children.

April 2, 4, April 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30

A Mile in My Shoes Walk: 6:30-7:15 pm, Buffumville Lake office, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. A walking club each Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening in April. (features nature themed informational tidbits, inspirational/motivational messages along the route and/or little rewards). No

families with children; NO dogs please! Saturday, April 21

Second Annual Let's Clean Up Holland: 9 am to noon, Holland Elementary School, Holland. The main objective for event is to clean up the five main roads coming in and going out of this pretty town. The second objective is to increase morale and spirit in this community wide event and build awareness of the Opacum Land Trust and The Last Green Valley. The third objective is to have a fun pizza party after the clean- up at Diane's Villanova. Sponsored by Opacum Land Trust and The Last Green Valley. For info: annehallgo@gmail.com, phone: 413-245-4197

Thursday, May 3

Invasives in Your Yard/What to Plant Instead: 6:30-7:30 pm, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. Join Park Rangers Nicole and Jamie at Hodges Village -- Seating is

Friday, May 18

2nd Annual Plant for Pollinators: 10 am to 2 pm, May 26, 30 Howarth Rd., Oxford. CALLING ALL SCOUTS AND FAMILIES: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is requesting your help with planting as many 4'X4' plots of wildflowers. And for this, your plot will be posted with a sign. Please, bring the soil amendments- top soil, humus, natural fertilizer, peat, etc. Please bring gloves and your own drinking water. Snacks will be provided. The USACE will supply the New England Wild flower mix and all the tools. Group or club supplies the garden supplies. Register by 5/24/18 to 978-318-8399 or

bring canoe or kayak, PFD & whistle Thursday, June 21

Solstice Music in the Forest: 7-8:30 pm, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. CALLING ALL MUSICIANS, the musically inclined and anyone that just wants to ROCK-OUT. Singers and those who want to just listen, invited too! Let's ring in summer with an evening concert. Please bring your guitar/ keyboard (electricity on site)/violin/ kazoo/etc. or feel free to bring your own nature-inspired instrument. Have the kids make some hand-made percussion items utilizing seeds/sticks/ pinecones/etc. Prizes for the following instruments: Creative natural, largest, smallest, prettiest sound and more! Free event. Please call Park Ranger Jamie should you have any questions-508-248-5697. X399. Easy; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children, NO dogs please!

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Danny Lee. A delicious luncheon will also be served which includes salad, red bliss potato salad, honey grilled chicken, country brisket, shrimp Creole, and dessert

May 7th "Newport Playhouse presents The Edwards Twins - Celebrity Impersonators", \$91/person. Direct from their act in Las Vegas, Anthony and Eddie are identical twins who look and sound like famous celebrities. You won't believe your eyes and ears as they perform hit songs by Barbra Streisand, Elton John, Better Midler, Billy Joel and so many more! Enjoy a delicious buffet luncheon with a large variety of hot and cold items to choose from. Don't miss this great show!

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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

Trips are open to the public!

to the Make checks payable Senior Southbridge Citizens Association, payment due at sign up:

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS 2018 TRIP SCHEDULE OPEN TO PUBLIC

Sunday, April 29-Tuesday, May 1: Atlantic City

For \$249 per person double you will get two nights on the boardwalk. You also get a \$25 in slot play and \$60 food credit and see a casino revue show. For details call Jan at (508) 887 2215.

Tuesday, May 15: Foxwoods \$25

You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 p.m. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

Sunday, July 22: Fosters Lobsterbake For \$87 you will get a deluxe motor coach tour of the Maine coast and a delicious lobsterbake. For details call Jan at (508) 887 2215.

Tuesday, August 14: Bobby Rydell in person.

For \$105 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Venus De Milo where you hear the music of Bobby Rydell with songs like Volare, Swinging School, Forget Him, Wild One and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or scrod.

Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 11-13: Penn. Dutch Tour

For \$469 per person double you will take a deluxe motor coach tour of Lancaster and Philadelphia and see the show "JESUS". For details call Jan at (508) 887 2215.

Oct. 9-16: ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA

Happily Full. I am taking names for standby on this trip and for 2019 trip Tuesday, Nov. 13: Foxwoods \$25 - 10 a.m. bus.

You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 p.m. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

UNION SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CHAPTER 12

Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring a variety of excursions for all to enjoy in 2017. We are a non-profit family oriented Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

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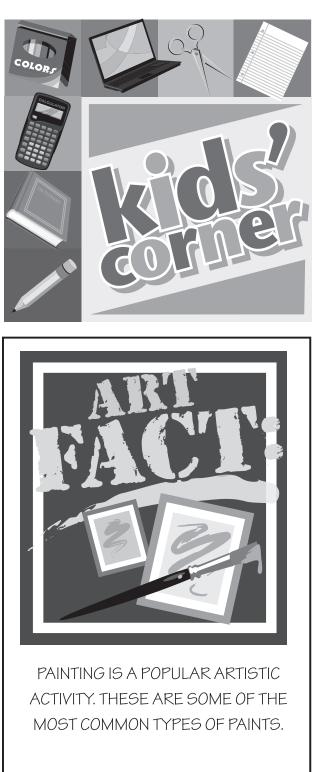
2018 is the Society's 26th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experience excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

April 28: A spring day in New York City to do as you wish. A day of sightseeing, shopping, visit a museum, dine in a special restaurant, attend a Broadway matinee, or visit the 911 Fountains and the new museum via a ticket through 911museum.org. The possible activities are many. Departure from Southbridge is 6:30 a.m., return departure from NYC is 6:30 p.m. \$58 per person. For early reservation call (508) 764-7909. Deadline is April 9.

May 25: Evening with the Pops features the best of the Boston Pops Orchestra's broad repertoire with the music of Fiedler, Bernstein, Copeland, Rodgers, Ellington, Gershwin and the soaring music of John Williams. The cost is \$59 per person for the 8 p.m. concert with reserved second balcony center seating and motor coach transportation. Departure is 5:30 p.m. from RMV, LaRochelle Way in Southbridge. Always sold out, so reserve early.

July 15: Sunday at Tanglewood at noon, luncheon at the Red Lion Inn followed by the 2:30 p.m. concert with reserved seating in the Koussevitsky Music Shed. Andris Nelsons, conductor, leads the Boston Symphony Orchestra with music of Mendelssohn and Beethoven, the Tanglewood Festival Chorus with James Burton, conductor, and guest pianist Yuja Wang. Cost is \$125 per person which includes transportation, concert and all inclusive luncheon. A payment plan is available. Reservation deadline is July 1. Departure is 9 a.m., RMV parking lot, Southbridge.

September 11-13: three day excursion for the performance of Jesus at the Sight & Sound Theatre, Lancaster PA, the Amish Country and Philadelphia. Two Turn To TRIPS page A15



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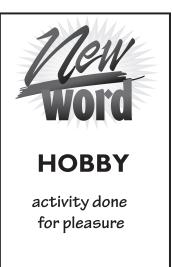




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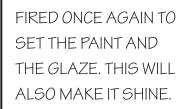




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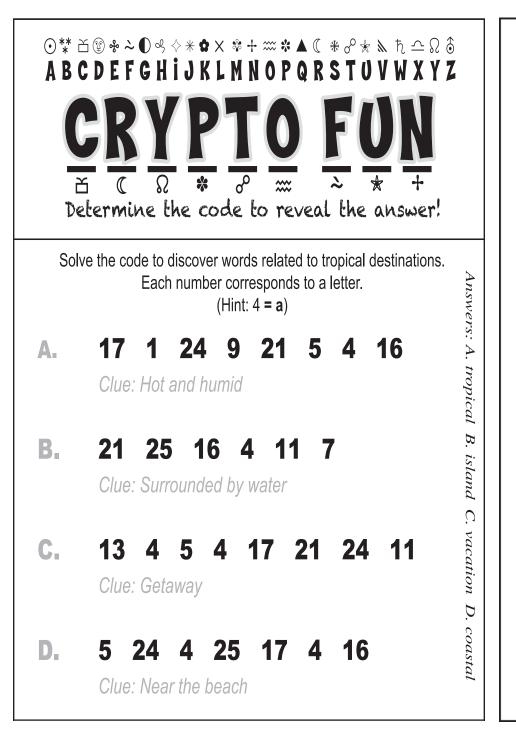


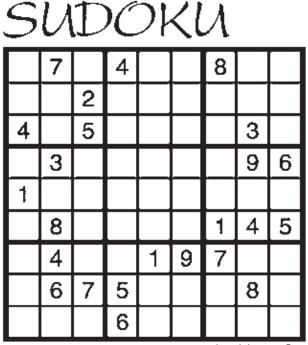




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Determined Owusu shines at SWCL All-Star game, wins MVP



The Southern Worcester County League All-Stars before their game.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — It was raining 3-pointers at the Southbridge High gymnasium on Friday, March 16, as the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) boys' basketball teams officially closed out the 2017-18 season with an All-Star game in front of family and friends.

The teams combined to hit 35 shots from beyond the arc — and score 227 points.

The Home Team, with five players scoring in double figures and 10 recording at least seven points, won the game, 124-103.

Oxford High's McAddai Owusu led the Home Team — which connected on 21 of its 3-point attempts — recording a double-double, scoring 18 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. For his performance the junior was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

"This was a great way to end the season. It was fun; it was a great game played in a really nice atmosphere. I really enjoyed it," said Owusu, who drilled a pair of 3-pointers and recorded three assists. "I was disappointed I didn't get selected for this game last year so I worked hard during the summer so I could get selected for this year's game. Hopefully I'll get selected for the game again next year and that will give me a chance to repeat as game MVP."

David Prouty Regional senior Sage Maryyanek was the Home Team's top scorer, finishing with 21 points (five 3-pointers), four rebounds and an assist. Northbridge High junior Robbie Cannon added 15 points, six rebounds and six assists, while Bartlett High's Dylan Paddleford scored 14 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Northbridge junior Sean Rosenlund chipped in to the winning cause with 13 points (three 3-pointers), five rebounds and five assists. Harrison Mansfield, Bartlett senior Dom Palmerino and Oxford senior Klaytin Silva all scored eight points. Mansfield also grabbed six rebounds and served up three assists while Silva recorded eight rebounds and a pair of assists.

Northbridge junior Dillon Padula finished with seven points, two rebounds, an assist and a steal while Uxbridge junior Tyler Tedford — his playing time cut short when he reinjured his left ankle — scored three points and grabbed a pair of rebounds.

The Home Team — which was coached by Northbridge's Aaron Katz — put the game away early, outscoring the Away Team 31-6 during a seven-minute span of the first half to turn a 16-15 deficit into a 46-22 lead. The run included a string of 14 consecutive points. Maryyanek scored eight points in the spurt, six coming on 3-pointers, while Owusu added five and Rosenlund four.

Northbridge senior Jared Richardson, Uxbridge senior Scott Kaeller and Oxford senior Jared Perkins were also selected for the game but were unable to attend. Auburn High seniors Tyler Judice and Matty Backlin were also originally on the roster, but both were forced to bow out of the competition due to injuries.

After the run the Home Team, which led 55-44 at halftime, led by double digits the rest of the way, its largest lead being 36 points, 89-53, on a 3-pointer by Padula



Northbridge's Dillon Padula launches a deep 3-pointer.

Tantasqua senior Evan Couture and Southbridge senior Justin Reyes each scored nine points while Leicester High senior Kyle Enberg added eight points (two three-pointers) and Millbury High senior William Nadeau tossed in six points on a pair of 3-pointers. Couture also grabbed three rebounds while Reyes had five rebounds and two assists, Enberg had two rebounds and an assist and Nadeau had five rebounds.

Rounding out the Away Team roster were Tantasqua juniors Hayden Peterson and Chase Freeland, Grafton's Kyle Sawtelle (senior) and Ryan Jack (junior), and Leicester seniors Kyle Padeni and Anthony Goodney. Quaboag Regional senior Zach McCann was also picked for the game, but he was unable to attend.

"I told the guys before the game that we were going to try to have a Grinnell type of game," said Tantasqua's Tom O'Neil, the Away Team coach, referring to the Grinnell (Iowa) College men's basketball team, which averages 120 points a game and subs five guys at a time every four minutes.



Harrison Mansfield of Uxbridge watches the ball fly after attempting a 3-pointer.



Bartlett sophomore Logan Paranto scored nine points (two 3-pointers) to go along with four rebounds and four assists while Uxbridge High junior

with 13 minutes to play.

The Away Team, which drained 14 treys, was led by Southbridge High senior Jared Figueroa, who scored 20 points (two 3-pointers), grabbed eight rebounds, served up five assists and made three steals.

Grafton High's Will Herndon led the Away Team in scoring with 22 points. The senior also grabbed six rebounds. Tantasqua Regional senior Drew Peretti also scored in double figures, nine of his 13 points coming on triples. He also recorded six rebounds and three assists. "I wanted us to try and run and score and put on a show for the fans," O'Neil continued. "I just tried to let the kids play and do what they want. This is a game where it's all about them so I wanted them to go out and just let the offense happen. I wanted them to just go out there and have fun; that's what this game is about."

This All-Star Game, and the girls' game which preceded it, were organized — for the second year in a row by Victor Colon, the Southbridge High boys' varsity coach.

"I thought it went great," Colon said.

Robbie Cannon of Northbridge steps back beyond the 3-point arc.

"I'm doing this for the kids so they have a chance to play together and play with the other guys. They seem like they're having fun, so why not keep doing it."

UXBRIDGE BATTING CAGE DEDICATED TO MEMORY OF JAKE GALLERANI



Courtesy photo

On Monday, March 19, Uxbridge High School dedicated its new batting cage to the memory of Jake Gallerani. Members of the Uxbridge baseball and softball teams, as well as Joe Gallerani and Uxbridge High Athletic Director Marc Calarese were present during the dedication. The baseball and softball teams would like to thank those that donated time and money fundraising for the batting cage, including the Gallerani Family, the Uxbridge Booster Club, the Pomeroy Family, the Uxbridge Girls Softball Association, Duane Dube and the Uxbridge High School baseball team.

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SPORTS

Delgado's all-around effort leads to victory and MVP in SWCL All-Star Game



Auburn's Semran Sahota slices through defenders on her way to the basket.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — Julitza Delgado enjoyed one final moment on the basketball court where she made a name for herself and, in the process, helped lead the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) All-Stars Home Team to a come-from-behind victory over the Away Team, 84-75, on Friday, March 16.

The Southbridge High senior poured in a game-high 18 points — 13 after halftime — pulled down five rebounds, served up five assists and made two steals in the game. For her efforts, just a month after surpassing the 1,000-point plateau for the Pioneers on this very court, she was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

"This was really a lot of fun," said Delgado, who had both arms wrapped around her very large MVP trophy. "I really enjoyed the chance to play with some girls I haven't played with before. We all really seemed to work well together. I didn't feel like I had to do a lot of the work; I could just go out there and play."

As the years went on Delgado shouldered more and more team responsibilities during her time at Southbridge. By the time her senior year rolled around



The Southern Worcester County League girls' basketball all-stars, along with their respective coaches.

Photos courtesy Lina Gonzalez



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she was the Pioneers' main scoring threat, rebounder, ball handler and defender. In this game she was able to let some of her teammates take on some of those duties.

"I was able to just be a piece of the puzzle; I really like that," Delgado said. "I think playing in college is going to be like that, too, which is one of many reasons I'm looking forward to playing at the next level."

The SWCL All-Star Games — the boys' All-Stars played following the girls' game — was a yearly postseason highlight for the league for several years, but hadn't been played for some time until Southbridge High boys' head coach Victor Colon brought the event back to life last year.

The Home Team roster consisted of 10 players: Delgado and freshman Ashanti Morales from Southbridge; sophomores Shannon Reno and Morgan Cronan and seniors Samantha Brady and Jenna Nasuti from Millbury High; junior Kelly Moran from Northbridge High; junior Olivia Hicks from Uxbridge High; junior Allison Grzembski from Bartlett High; and junior Brooke Pepin from David Prouty Regional.

In addition, Northbridge senior Maria Cray, junior Jackie Puda and freshman Hannah Lomonaco were selected for the game but were unable to attend.

Also scoring in double figures for the Home Team were Reno, who tossed in

Julitza Delgado of Southbridge earned the MVP of the SWCL All-Star Game.

17 points and hit three 3-pointers and Brady, who contributed a dozen points to the winning effort. Reno also co-led the Home Team in assists with five, while Moran led the way on the boards, grabbing eight rebounds.

The Home Team trailed, 18-5 and 27-13, before outscoring the Away Team, 26-10, over the final five minutes of the first half to grab a 39-37 lead at intermission. The Home Team then opened the second half with a 14-7 run to extend its lead to 53-45 with 15 minutes left in the game.

The Away Team then went on a run of its own, outscoring the Home Team 16-6 to take a 61-59 lead. The Home team quickly bounced back, however, using a 10-2 lead to re-take the lead for good, 69-66, with six minutes remaining.

The Away Team roster consisted of nine players: Junior Lindsey Zak, sophomore Lydia Boland and freshman Ainsley Way of Tantasqua Regional; juniors Anya Kopyra and Jenna Gordon of Grafton High; junior Emily Fontaine, sophomore Maddie Hippert and freshman Alex Dufries of Leicester High; and junior Semran Sahota of Auburn High.

Tantasqua freshman Morgan Smith, Grafton junior Abby Rogers, Quaboag Regional sophomore Kiarra Dorman and Oxford High junior Gina Parmenter

Olivia Hicks of Uxbridge makes a strong move to the hoop.

were all invited to play in the game but were unable to attend.

Sahota led the Away Team with a double-double, scoring 14 points and pulling down a game-high 15 rebounds. She also recorded a steal and an assist. Also scoring in double figures for the Away Team were Fontaine with 13 points (including three 3-pointers), Dufries with 12 (two 3-pointers) and Kopyra with 10 (two 3-pointers). Way was the team's second-leading rebounder, with 10, while Gordon pulled down eight boards to go along with a teamhigh five assists. Hippert led the way for the Away Team in steals, with four, to go along with five points, four rebounds and an assist.

"I had a great bunch of girls and we had a lot of fun," said Leicester head coach Dave Padavano, who, along with Auburn's Nicole LePrevost, coached the Away Team. "The game was competitive. We cut a 14-point deficit to two at the half and even managed to have the lead for a little while in the second half, too.

"It was an All-Star game; there were a lot of points scored and not a lot of defense played, but we had a lot of fun," Padavano continued. "This was an awesome opportunity to coach bunch a girls from all over who really enjoy playing the game."

Millbury's Steve Reno served as the head coach for the Home Team.

Our Lady of the Valley set to bost annual Golf Classic

The 22nd annual Our Lady of the Valley (OLV) Regional School's Golf Classic is scheduled for Friday, May 18 at Blissful Meadows Country Club in Uxbridge, and registration is now open! Don't miss your chance to support the students of OLV and enjoy a fun-filled day on the course!

The tournament is a 9 a.m. shotgun start (registration opens at 8) four-person Florida-Style/Scramble with an entry fee of \$150 per player and includes greens fees, cart and meals (light breakfast, grilled lunch and a chicken BBQ following tournament play) and a ball drop contest (\$10 each of five for \$40).

To register, sponsor or donate, please email <u>olvguild@gmail.com</u>. Not a golfer, but want to join in on the fun? Dinneronly tickets are available for \$30 each. We can't wait to see you there!



OBITUARIES

Brendan Michael Baker

WHITINSVILLE- Brendan Michael Baker, age 8 days passed away on Monday, March 19, 2018 at UMass Memorial Hospital after an illness.

Brendan is survived by his parents Michael W. and Elizabeth M.

(Donohue) Baker of Whitinsville; his maternal grandparents John P. and

Kathryn M. (Ollis) Donohue of Worcester; his paternal grandparents Richard

S. Baker and Patricia A. (Brochu) Baker both of Whitinsville; his 2 aunts Katelyn M. Baker of Whitinsville and Patricia A. Donohue of Worcester; and the family golden retriever Sadie Belle.

His Funeral Mass was held Mon. March 26 at 11 am in St. Patrick's

Church, 1 Cross St. Burial followed in St. Patrick's Cemetery. There were no calling hours. Memorial donations may be made to UMass Memorial NICU, C/O Development Office, 333 South St. Shrewsbury, MA 01545. To leave a

condolence message for the family please visit ww.jackmanfuneralhomes. com

Matthew "Harry" H. Harrigan, 32

WHITINSVILLE- Matthew "Harry" H. Harrigan, 32, of Whitinsville passed away Sat. March 17, 2018 at Metrowest Medical Center, Framingham.



He was born February 9, 1986 in Woonsocket, RI. The son of Susan (Rogers) Harrigan of New Smyrna Beach, FL, and the late Howard Harrigan.

addition to In his mother, Susan, he is survived by two sisters; Alisha

Blanchette and Chelsea Harrigan both of Linwood; many aunts, uncles, cousins, and several dear friends.

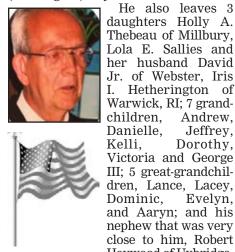
Harry was a graduate of Northbridge High School and was a Boston Bruins fan. He enjoyed time spent with his friends and family, especially going to the movies and concerts.

A Celebration of Life will be held Sat. March 31, 2018 from 2-4 PM at the VFW, Post #5594, 15 Milford Street, Upton.

Arrangements are under the direction of the BUMA FUNERAL HOME, Whitinsville. www.bumafuneralhome. com

George A. Heywood, 83

DOUGLAS- George A. Hevwood. 83, of Depot St. passed away Wed. March 21, 2018 at Umass University in Worcester after being stricken ill. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Aina I. (Beauregard) Heywood.



He also leaves 3 daughters Holly A. Thebeau of Millbury, Lola E. Sallies and her husband David Jr. of Webster, Iris I. Hetherington of Warwick, RI; 7 grandchildren, Andrew, Danielle, Jeffrey, Dorothy, Kelli, Victoria and George III; 5 great-grandchildren, Lance, Lacey, Dominic, Evelyn, and Aaryn; and his

Heywood of Uxbridge. He was predeceased by his brother Byron Heywood Jr., and also a grandson Miguel Tenny.

Born in Milford on April 5, 1934 he was the son of Byron Sr. and Lola (Kilhan) Heywood and was raised in

Mendon. George served a 7 year term in the U.S Army during the Korean War, and when he returned home continued his education and earned a PhD in Social Work. He worked for 30 years at Grafton State hospital until their closing in 1973, he then worked for Valley Adult Counseling Service in Milford until his retirement. George was a member of the Odd Fellows Organization, and the Rebecca Organization both out of Medway, and also was an Uxbridge Grange #200 member. He was an avid family man who loved spending time with his grand and great grandchildren. He also enjoyed gardening and yard work, birdwatching, and always liked a good party. He was a member of the Unitarian Congregation in Mendon.

His funeral service was held on Wed. March 28 at 11am in the Unitarian Congregation, 13 Maple St., Mendon. followed in Evergreen Burial Cemetery, West. St. in Douglas. Calling hours were held Tues. Mar. 27 from 5-7 in Tancrell-Jackman Funeral Home, 35 Snowling Rd., Uxbridge. To leave a condolence message for the family please visit:www.JackmanFuneralHomes. com

Victor F. Stolarczyk, 97

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WEBSTER-Victor Francis Stolarczyk, 97, died peacefully at night on Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

He lived his final years at the Webster Manor. After period of declining health he passed away surrounded by love and care that we only hope lived up to the love and care that he gave to his family, friends and the world, over all the years that

he lived. His wife of 60 years, Frances (Darzenkiewicz) Stolarczyk died in 2010. We imagine they are together

again, the way they lived, inseparable.

He leaves his daughter Judith S. Earls and her husband Dr. Stephen T. Earls of Holden, his son Victor K. Stolarczvk and his wife Cathy of Sutton and his son-in-law Ronald A. Fontaine of Lancaster; 9 grandchildren: Stephanie, Bethany, Laurel and Jonathan Earls, Ronald and Jamie Fontaine, and Rebecca. Maria and James Stolarczyk; 12 great grandchildren: Christian, Monet, Miles, Julia, Grant, Noelle, Aria, Aidan, Max, Isabel, Thomas and Joshuah; a sister Lorraine Dion of Thompson, CT and a sister-in-law Genevieve Darzenkiewicz of Southbridge, MA; many nieces and nephews and a community at Webster Manor that adored him. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his daughter Joyce B. Fontaine, brothers John, Chester and Vincent Stolarczyk and sisters Stasia Jasczur, Joan Plasse, and Teresa Courtemanche.

Victor was born and lived his whole life in Webster, son of Czeslaw and Aleksandra (Krupinski) Stolarczyk. Family and peers called him "Nito", a nickname that was coined in youth because of his mispronunciation of the word "nickel". He was a humble World War II Veteran having served in the Army Corps of Engineers. On the occasion that he would share his experiences, history came to life. A hard worker who made everything seem easy, Mr. Stolarczvk worked as a machinist at Crompton and Knowles Loom Works in Worcester for 38 years. He also worked as a meat cutter at Thrifty Supermarket and was a toll collector on the Massachusetts Turnpike for 5 years. He was a member of Saint Joseph Basilica and held a life membership in the Auburn -Webster Lodge of Elks #2118 and the American Legion.

Victor's life was devoted to his family, especially his grandchildren, who called him "Bumpy".

Victor was generous and kind beyond measure and exuded a unique combination of playfulness and wisdom. He was smart and engaged a living example of dedication to his family and work. He was the quiet steady force that matched his wife's spark. In the prime of their life together, he and Frances created a warm home that nourished their children and grandchildren. It was always a treat to go to "Bumpy and Bumma's" house. Together they were always available to help care for their family. Victor was a gentleman who prioritized fairness and presence, always making the effort, even in his late years, to be a part of family celebrations and holidays and milestones. Bumpy had a sweet tooth like no other. He loved snickers and coke and a nice cup of DD coffee. Those who had the chance to sit with Bumpy knew his gentle yet strong hands and were probably welcomed into a hand squeezing contest (that he usually won). Victor, Nito, Bumpy left the world a better place, with a cultivated legacy of love and peace.

The family would like to express their profound gratitude to the competent and compassionate staff of the Webster Manor for the love and care they rendered to Victor during his time there. They were truly an extended family for him.

The Funeral was held Tuesday March 27 from the Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street, with a Mass at 1:00 PM in Saint Joseph Basilica, 53 Whitcomb Street. Burial was in the Saint Joseph Garden of Peace, with the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council providing military honors. Visiting hours were from 5:00 to 7:00 PM Monday March 26 in the funeral home. Donations may be made in his name to either Webster Manor Patient Activity Fund, 745 School Street, Webster, MA, to Hospice of Western and Central Massachusetts, 1325 Springfield Street , Suite 12, Feeding Hills, MA 01030 or the Felician Sisters, 1315 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski and Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster.

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Keep your lawn green and bealthy all season long



GARDEN MOMENTS

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A healthy lawn is your best defense against lawn diseases and other problems. But when the weather favors the disease more than your lawn, problems can occur.

Reduce the risk of disease by keeping your lawn healthy. Mow high to encourage deeply rooted grass that is more drought tolerant and resistant to disease problems. Water early in the day so the grass leaves, blades, dry quickly and less water is lost to evaporation.

Apply the right type and amount of fertilizer at the proper time to limit the risk of disease. Regular fertilization, three to four times per year, encourages better results since most soils do not contain the essential nutrients for optimum growth.

Avoid high nitrogen quick release fertilizers that promote lush succulent growth that is more susceptible to disease. Instead use a low nitrogen slow release fertilizer like Milorganite (milorganite.com) that promotes steady growth that's more drought tolerant and resistant to disease.

Take a closer look at the lawn if you suspect a disease problem. As the snow recedes, watch for circular gray to straw colored areas of matted grass caused by snow mold. Use a leaf rake to lift the matted grass, remove leaf litter and reduce the risk of this disease.



SEASONAL LAWN DISEASE GUIDE COOL SEASON GRASS

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SNOW MOLD										
BROWN PATCH										
DOLLAR SPOT										
LEAF SPOTS										
RUST										

Keep mowing throughout the fall and avoid heavy fertilization late in the year.

Monitor lawns for Brown Patch when temperatures and humidity rise and grass remains wet for long periods of time. Infected lawns will have somewhat circular patches of thin light brown grass. Look for white cottony strands of fungal mycelium early in the morning on dew covered lawns. Check grass blades for small irregular tan spots with dark brown borders on the individual grass blades. Avoid heavy fertilization with fast release fertilizer in early spring and summer.

Look for dollar size to 6" diameter spots of bleached or light tan grass if you suspect Dollar Spot. Infected leaves have white lesions with reddish tan margins that often resemble an hourglass. Over and under fertilization, drought, water on the grass blades for extended time, and mowing too low all increase the risk of this disease.

Closely examine lawns with a reddish hue to confirm the presence of rust disease. Rust infected lawns are covered with an orange or yellowish powder, the fungal spores, that can leave an orange residue on your shoes. Newly seeded and lawns weakened by inadequate fertilization and drought are most susceptible.

Stay alert for leaf spot diseases that can attack lawns. Avoid excess fertilization and watering late afternoon and evenings.

Once you discover a disease, visit Milorganite.com for more detailed information and photos to help with diagnosis. Correct your lawn care practices to speed recovery and avoid problems in the future. Proper care and reseeding dead areas with disease-resistant grass varieties is usually enough to manage the disease. Be sure you need a fungicide before applying. These chemicals are costly, the results can be disappointing and when used improperly they can be harmful to pollinators and the environment.

Further speed recovery with a change in mowing habits. Continue to mow high but cut the healthy portions of your lawn first. Then cut the grass in

the diseased areas. Once done, use a disinfectant to clean the mower blades then rinse with clear water. This along with collecting and disposing of clippings from the diseased areas of the lawn reduces the risk of spreading the disease next time you mow.

Provide proper care and monitor your lawn throughout the growing season. Discovering problems early means better results with less effort on your part.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 books, including Small Space Gardening and the Perfect Lawn series. 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 Milorganite for her expertise to write this article. Myers' web site is www.melindamyers. com.





Friday, March 30

JAZZ: The Eric Hofbauer Quintet: Prehistoric Jazz; Claflin Hill Symphony Orchestra Chamber Series. Friday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. The EHQ performs Hofbauer's jazz arrangements of groundbreaking 20th century pieces, which he describes as "prehistoric jazz." Tickets: \$19 per concert, \$50 for season. Tickets and information: Claflinhill. org. (508) 478-5924 at the Alternatives' Singh Performance Center, Whitin Mill, 60 Douglas Road.

Sunday, April 1

SERVICES: Northbridge Association of Churches will hold an ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service on Easter at 6:45 a.m. on the Whitinsville Town Common. Refreshments will be served.

Trinity Episcopal Church will be open in case of cold weather. The public is invited.

Monday, April 2

ANNUAL MEETING: Northbridge Historical Society will hold its annual meeting and election of officers Monday, April 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Whitinsville Social Library.

The program, "Biking the Blackstone" will be presented by Devon Kurtz, director of audience engagement at the Blackstone River Heritage Corridor. First came the Canal, then the railroad. But who knew the bicycle? Discover bicyclists who explored the Blackstone Valley before automobiles became affordable. Do you know that Northbridge had a bicycle club which held races, classes and social events in the 1890s?

Saturday, April 7

RABIES CLINIC: The Northbridge Board of Health will hold its annual low-cost rabies vaccination clinic on Saturday, April 7 at the Whitinsville Fire Station located at 193 Main Street, Whitinsville. Cats should be brought in a carrier between the hours of 11:00 AM and Noon. Dogs should be brought on a leash between the hours of Noon and 1:00 PM. You must bring proof of prior rabies vaccination to receive a 3-year booster. The cost of the rabies vaccination shot is \$15. For more information please contact the Northbridge Board of Health at (508) 234-3272.

BAKED HAM & BEANS: Home baked ham & bean supper Saturday, April 7 at 5:00 p.m. in the Community House, 8 Court St, Uxbridge located behind the Uxbridge Town Common. Sponsored the Uxbridge Congregational bv Church. Menu includes home baked ham, home baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, brown bread, beverages & dessert. Donation of \$10 per adult, children under 6 free. Raffles will also be available For reservations call (508) 278-2654 after 5 p.m. Limited tickets will be sold at door. Come enjoy great food and fellowship.

Thursday, April 15

FRIENDS OF RACHEL DINNER: at the Three Seasons Restaurant, Blackstone Valley Tech with two seatings, 5:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 12. Seats are limited and reservations are required. Contact Kathleen Manoogian at (508) 529-7758 ext. 3109 or via email to kmanoogian@valleytech.k12.ma.us to book your reservation. This month the meal is baked fish. Each all-you-can-eat dinner is held on a Thursday evening and consists of a themed buffet, dessert, and beverage. Proceeds will benefit the Be Like Brit Foundation, the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism, and the BVT SkillsUSA Chapter.

Saturday, April 21

ANNUAL SPRING FLEA MARKET: The First Congregational Church on 148 West Main St. in Millbury is sponsoring a Flea Market on Saturday April 21 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Anyone wishing to reserve table space, please call Jeri Stead (508) 865-5371. The \$20 inside area consists of a large supper table plus a card table. An outside reservation is \$10 and those chancing the weather need to provide their own table. "The Kitchen" will be serving coffee and muffins, and at lunch time, hot dogs will be served. There will also be a Bakery Table, and a Church Flea Market Table.

Saturday, April 28

DINNER ala POLAND: The Douglas Slovak Sokol Club,405 N.E. Main Street will be serving a delicious Slovak/ Polish Buffet on Saturday April 28th. Seating is continuous from 4 to 7 P.M. Tickets are \$15 adults and kids ages 5-12 \$7, advance sale only. Take out will also be available by advance sale. For tickets call Roger Manyak 508-476-2668

Saturday, May 5

CLOTHING SWAP: The Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church in Whitinsville will host a clothing swap on Saturday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. We accept donations of gently used (no rips or stains please) men's, women's and kid's clothing, shoes and accessories. Donations can be dropped off on Friday, May 4 between 6 and 7 p.m. or the morning of the swap. Use the driveway between Domino's Pizza and the law office and come in the church's back door. Everything is free and the swap is open to the public. You don't have to donate to take something home and you don't have to take something in order to donate. Whether you're looking to update your wardrobe or clean out your closet, this is the event for you! We will also be accepting donations for the NAC food pantry. Call Christine at Cemetery Company on Wednesday, May 9 at 4:00 PM, in the back of the vestry of the Second Congregational Church, Main Street, Douglas. All grave owners are invited to attend. The Trustees also request that all winter flowers be removed by May 15.

Saturday, May 12

PLANT SALE: The Blackstone Valley Gardeners are pleased to announce the annual Plant Sale will be held this year at the VFW, 15 Milford St., Upton on Saturday, May 12 from 9am until sellout. There will be a large selection of members' homegrown, hardy plants at exceptional prices. Many customers tell us they look forward to the sale of to our exceptional perennials. Whether you are filling in spaces in your established garden or have a new yard to design, we have plants for you! See you there!

Thursday, May 17

FRIENDS OF RACHEL DINNER: at the Three Seasons Restaurant, Blackstone Valley Tech with two seatings, 5:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 12. Seats are limited and reservations are required. Contact Kathleen Manoogian at (508) 529-7758 ext. 3109 or via email to kmanoogian@valleytech.k12.ma.us to book your reservation. This month the meal is porketta. Each all-you-can-eat dinner is held on a Thursday evening and consists of a themed buffet, dessert, and beverage. Proceeds will benefit the Be Like Brit Foundation, the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism, and the BVT SkillsUSA Chapter.

ONGOING EVENTS

NOTHING BUT NET: Uxbridge Community volleyball every Thursday 6:30-8:30 p.m. at 130 Douglas St., Uxbridge Valley Chapel lower campus, the Precious Ones child care building. Pick up games, all levels welcomed. Bring a friend, make a friend, stay in shape and have fun. (\$1 a week). Call Jeannette Gokey at (508) 735-0067 for more info.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP: A new divorce recovery support group starts up on Tuesday, Jan, 9, and will meet weekly on Tuesdays. Called "Fresh Start – There is Life after Divorce," this program is for men and women who are separated or divorced and living single again. The group offers support, encouragement, friendship, and hope. Each meeting includes a topical video followed by small group discussion, refreshments, and social time. The program continues to April and is free and open to all. Meetings are held every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church, 25 Cross St., Whitinsville. Contact the church office at 508-234-5268. e-mail howard@pscrc.org or visit www.

(workshop) and fourth (sharing) Friday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Millbury Public Library. Call PPAL at (508) 767-9725 for further information. Parent Professional Advocacy League is a statewide network of parents and professionals and adolescents with emotional, behavioral and mental health needs.

CARING: The Caregivers Group will meet in the library at the Northbridge Senior Center on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 3-4 p.m. If you are currently caring for a family member or close friend, come and join others who share your compassion.

AL-ANON: A "Serenity on The Hill" Al-Anon step meeting will be held at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at the Rockdale Congregational Church, 42 Fowler Road, Northbridge. This is a support group for family and friends of problem drinkers. Newcomers always welcome. For more information, call 508-366-0556.

YOGA GROUP: Come join the Sunshine Yoga Collaborative in our mission to bring community based yoga to Uxbridge and the surrounding communities! These classes are appropriate for those just beginning to the advanced student. Our class is every Sunday morning from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Alternatives, Unlimited at 50 Douglas Road in Whitinsville. We have extra yoga mats, but most folks bring their own. We ask for a \$5 donation per class. which is passed on to a local organization doing good work in our community. Visit us on Facebook: Sunshine Yoga Collaborative.

RECOVERY: Every Monday, Celebrate Recovery is a Biblically based step program designed to heal a wide variety of habits and harmful behaviors, such as drug dependency, abuse, eating disorders, depression, anger, pornography, broken relationships. The group meets every week in a two-part session, an open group followed by gender-specific small share groups. Starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 9. Come at 6:30 for coffee and conversation. Pleasant Street Church, 25 Cross St., Whitinsville, (508) 234-5268, ext. 14, or email howard@pscrc.org.

BREAKFAST: The John 21Community Breakfast at St. Patrick's Church has been established as a response to the needs of many people in our community. Breakfast will continue each and every Saturday from 8-10 a.m. in the Parish Center, 1 Cross St., Whitinsville. Our mission is to serve a nutritious breakfast, free of charge, every Saturday morning in the spirit of community fellowship and hospitality. Teams of volunteers prepare and serve breakfast on a rotating basis. All are welcome. For more information, please contact the ministry coordinator at John21Breakfast@gmail.com. If you

Sunday, April 8

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER: The Uxbridge Parents for Safe Graduation 2018 is hosting a Murder Mystery Pasta Dinner on Sunday April 8 from 5-9 p.m. at the Uxbridge Progressive Club. Doors open at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person, \$55 per couple, \$105 for 4 (half table), \$157.50 for a table of 6 and \$200 for 8 (a whole table). Tickets must be purchased in advance as none will be sold at the door. Tickets can be purchased online through Eventbrite at https://uxbridgepsgmurdermystervdinner.eventbrite. com or contact us at uxbridgepsg2018@ gmail.com or (508) 409 9600.

GOT WEEDS? The Metacomet Land Trust will host guest speaker Michael Bald, owner and founder of Got Weeds? of Royalton, VT at its annual meeting to be held on Sunday, April 8 at 2 p.m. at the Douglas Municipal Center at 29 Depot St. (508) 234-8131 or email edalynne@hotmail.com for more info.

Sunday, May 6

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Uxbridge Parents for Safe Graduation will be holding is 11th annual golf tournament on Sunday May 6, at Blissful Meadows golf course in Uxbridge. Check in is at 11:30 a.m. Shot gun start at 1 p.m. with dinner and awards to follow at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$125 per person. Dinner only option is \$35. Registrations are due by April 20. Registration forms can be downloaded from our website at https:// sites.google.com/ site/uxbridgepsg2018, email us at uxbridgepsg2018@gmail. com or call Andrea Matkowski at (508) 847-5295. If you cannot play but would like to sponsor a hole please contact Ed McCarty at (978) 729-5615 or email him at mccartyedmac@gmail.com.

Wednesday, May 9

TRUSTEES TO MEET: The Trustees of the Evergreen Cemetery, West Street, Douglas will hold their annual meeting of the East Douglas Evergreen pscrc.org for more information and to register. A complementary program for kids ages 5-12, called DivorceCare for Kids, runs concurrently with the adult program.

FREE WILL DINNERS: The First Congregational Church of Sutton, 307 Boston Road, presents its monthly free will offering of open seating dinners from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month. All are welcome. Dinners are served with bread, beverage and dessert. For more information, call (508) 865-6914.

SENIOR BREAFAST: The St. John's Episcopal Church Senior Breakfast is held on the first Friday of the month from 8 to 9 a.m. at the church, 3 Pleasant Street, off Route 122A in Sutton, and is handicapped accessible. Suggested donation is \$5. For more information, call Cyndy Rogers, (508) 529-4437.

PARENT SUPPORT: Parent Support Group in Millbury sponsored by Parent Professional Advocacy League (PPAL). Join us for our free and confidential Parent Support Group on the second would like to make a donation to this project, please contact St. Patrick's rectory at 508-234-5656.

Legos Club: the first and third Mondays of each month, for ages 6 and up from 3 until 5 p.m. at the Whitinsville Social Library. For more information about programming, please visit the library's website at www.northbridgemass.org/whitinsville-social-library.

PROJECT KIBBLE: In this tight economy, it can be tough to make ends meet. What about your four-legged friends? Project Kibble collects donations of pet food and supplies and distributes them to local food pantries. We accept dog and cat food, kitty litter, small rodent and fish food. All donations must be unopened and unexpired. For more information, please contact projectkibble@gmail.com or call Christine at 508-234-8131.

12-STEPS FOR OTHERS: The Adult Children of Alcoholics 12-step support group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Mondays at the Hopedale Unitarian Church, 65 Hopedale St. For more information, call Rose at (508) 234-9004.

TRIPS

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nights at the Crowne Plaze Hotel, four meals, wine and cheese reception, a post dinner show, trip insurance, all gratuities included (two local guides, escort and driver). The production has taken three years in the making and involving about 650 individuals in all phases of its completion for the upcoming 2018 presentation. Cost: \$519 pp/ dbl. Waiver insurance and a budget plan available. Early reservation recommended.

November 17: Do as you wish day in New York City. A day of sightseeing, shopping, visit a museum, dine in a special restaurant, attend a Broadway matinee, or visit the 911 Fountains and the new museum via a ticket through 911museum.org. The possible activities are many. Departure from Southbridge is 6:30 a.m., return departure from NYC is 6:30 p.m. \$57 per person. For early reservation call (508) 764-7909. Deadline is Oct. 25.

December 8: Festival of Christmas Lights at Our Lady of LaSalette Shrine, concert with Fr. Pat the singing priest, the International Museum of Nativities, gift and book shop, Chapel of Light, a bistro for refreshments and snacks, a carousel for the children, optional trolley ride to view the display of more than 400,000 lights and a complete inclusive luncheon at Wrights Farm restaurant. Cost I \$49 per person, \$39 for children aged three to 10, younger than three, free. Reservation deadline is Dec. 6. Departure is 10:45 a.m. from Southbridge and return is about 7:45 p.m. As in the past, a departure from Webster is a possibility.

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All trips depart from the Whitinsville WalMart. Call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2018 April 28: MAMA MIA (Manchester, NH) show and lunch, \$87 The music is catchy, the show is great! There is a wonderful lunch included at Fratello's Italian Grille in one of Manchester's old mill buildings. Choice of broiled haddock or chicken Fratello.

May 8: MYSTERY TRIP first ever!! Where will we go?? \$69. Everyone loves surprises! Join us on a trip to "somewhere" (Or maybe nowhere!!!) The one thing you will know is what you're going to eat for lunch. Choice of grilled chicken, grilled rib eye steak, filet of sole, or a vegetarian lunch plate.

May 29: Lobster Bake Cruise, Gloucester, \$78. Have a relaxing cruise along Gloucester Harbor while you dine on a lobster and grilled chicken dinner, complete with white tablecloths and napkins, and music as you cruise.

June 8-10: Bar Harbor (Blue Nose Inn), \$469. This is a weekend trip so those of you who work don't have to take time off! Bar Harbor is beautiful in June before the crowds come! Includes a tour of Acadia National Park, a cruise of Frenchman Bay, and a lobster bake.

June 26-29: St. Andrews By the Sea & Campobello Island, \$839. Stay at the famous Algonquin Resort, a beautifully redone historic hotel built in 1889. Enjoy a lobster bake in Bangor. Arrive at Saint Andrews by the Sea the second day after a tour of Campobello Island, Roosevelt's summer home. A nice treat for yourself!

July 22-27: Canadian Cities (Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa), \$699. FULL, waiting list available

Sept. 7-9: Boothbay Harbor (Boothbay Harbor Inn), \$449. Stay across the footbridge from the town of Boothbay Harbor at the Boothbay Harbor Inn right on the water! September is a beautiful time to be on the coast of Maine. The crowds are gone and you can enjoy the serenity

Oct. 5-8: Washington, DC, \$699. What better time to see the Washington Monuments than Columbus Day weekend? An illuminated night tour, time to go to the Smithsonian Buildings, plus a tram tour of Arlington National Cemetery are some of the highlights.

Oct. 17-19: Penn Dutch w/"Jesus" -great in the fall! \$479. The Sight and Sound Theater is presenting their newest show "Jesus" this year. That is the biggest reason for some people to go to Amish country. The beautiful fertile farmland and simple way of life of the Amish draw people back year after year.

Nov. 28: Newport Mansions – More info TBA

Dec. 7 & 8, 2018: Portland, ME "Christmas by the Sea" \$319. Enjoy the Portland Symphony Orchestra, a great way to get into the Christmas mood! On the way home, we will make a stop at Ogunquit's "Christmas by the Sea" celebration

More day trips to follow. Also, White Mt. Hotel & Resort, North Conway...

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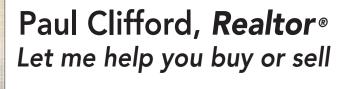
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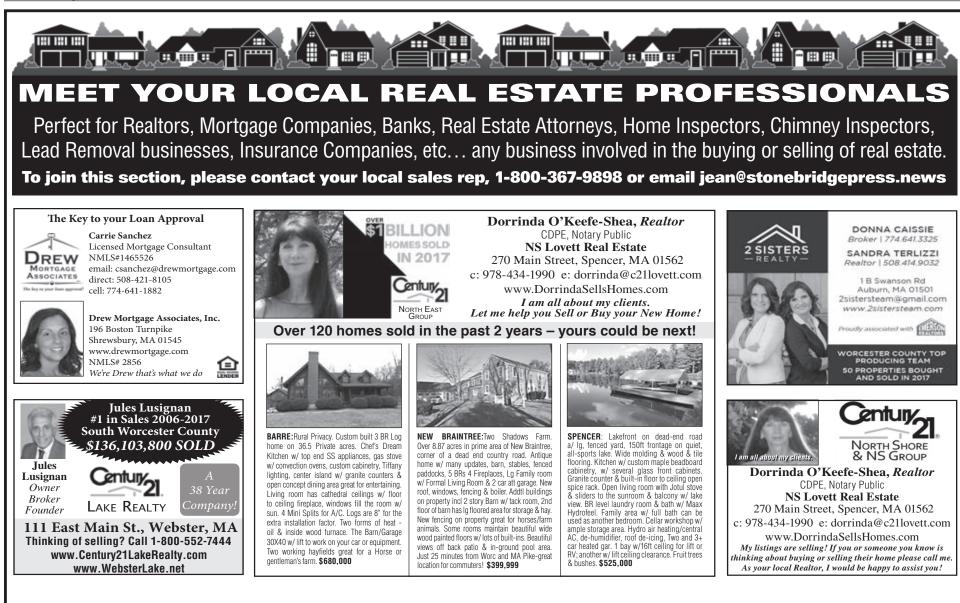
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298 WANTED TO BUY

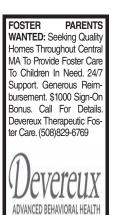
BOUTE 169 ANTIQUES: 884 Worcester St., Southbridge MA. Looking To Purchase Antiques And Collectibles Single Items Or Fntire Estates. We Buy It All And Also Do On-Site Estate Sales And Estate Auction We are now accepting dealchange due to holidays ers for our multi-dealer group shop. Call Mike Anytime (774)230-1662.

310 GENERAL HELP WANTED

DOUGLAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS Substitute Custodians - Interested candidates should send a letter of intent, resume, and three recent letters of recommendation to: Jeffrev Kollett, 21 Davis Street, Douglas, MA 01516. All appointments are conditional based on a satisfactory CORI and SAFIS Backaround check per 603 CMR 51.00 The Douglas Public Schools welcomes and is open to all students, and offers opportunities in all approved programs and courses of study without regard to race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, reli-

gion, national origin, homeless-

ness, or disability.



HAMPTON INN STUR-BRIDGE is now hiring for the following positions: Front Desk Associate, Night Auditor. Apply in Person: Hampton Inn, 328 Main

Part time help needed to stack firewood and run equipment. Starting at \$12 an hour. Please call 413-245-9615 to apply.

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Contact H.R. Salem Transport, LLC.(800) 262-9081

550 MOBILE HOMES

400 SERVICES PARK MODEL: Located at

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LEE IRISH DANCE - Irish dance lessons for ages 5+. Summer classes enrolling now. Southbridge, MA and Charlton, MA Weekday evening and weekend morning classes info@leeirishdance.com 860-

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442 LICENSED DAY CARE

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of Child Care Services requires that all ads placed in the newspaper for child care (daycare) in your home include your license number

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2008 RAM (BIGHORN) TRUCK: Hemi Motor, 4 Door, In Great Condition, Only 37,000 miles. Call for more info. SERI-OUS INTERESTS ONLY. (413) 245-9651

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Street,

Off

Main

<u>LEGALS</u>

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 18 SM 001238 ORDER OF NOTICE TO: Carol A. Dyer and William R. Dyer and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 3901 et seq.: Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper claiming to have an interest in a mortgage covering real property in Douglas, numbered 90 Mumford Street, given by Carol A. Dver and William R. Dyer to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC, dated February 23, 2012, and recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 48636, Page 282, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before APR 23 2018 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act. Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER, Chief Justice of said Court on MAR 8 2018 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recordere March 30, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Docket No. WO18P0794EA Estate of: Robert F Fahey Date of Death: October 3, 2017 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Robert M Fahey** of **Sagamore Beach MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Robert M Fahey of

Sagamore Beach MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **April 23, 2018** or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act. Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on March 7, 2018 Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

(17-000741 Orlans) March 30, 2018

(SEAL)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 18 SM 001197 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Edward F. Martin

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act:, 50 U.S.C.c. 50 §3901 (et seq): Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae)

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Douglas, numbered 12 Bald Hill Road, given by Edward F. Martin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation D/B/A Fairway New England Mortgage, its successors and assigns, dated November 26. 2007, and recorded with the Worcester **County (Worcester District) Registry** of Deeds in Book 42130, Page 381, and now held by plaintiff by assignment has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before April 23, 2018 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act. Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on March 7, 2018 Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

(17-008792 Orlans) March 30, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Worcester, SS. SUPERIOR COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate** and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18C0105CA In the matter of: Sebashtion Alycksander Adams Of : Uxbridge, MA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR **CHANGE OF NAME** To all persons interested in petition described:

A petition has been presented by Dominique M Russin requesting that: Sebashtion Alycksander Adams be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

Sebashtion Alycksander Russin IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT **Worcester** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **04/17/2018**

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 23, 2018

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

March 30, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18P0824EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Theresa M. Benjamin Date of Death: 02/10/2018

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Gerald A. Lemire of Uxbridge MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that

Gerald A. Lemire of Uxbridge MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in <u>an unsupervised</u> administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attornev must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/10/2018. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written ap pearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS **UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)** A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate. including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 15, 2018

Massachusetts; ASK Realty Trust The land in the Town of Douglas, county of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts situated on the southerly side of other land now or formerly of Eleanor F. Schuster, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the Northwesterly most corner of Lot 2 on a 'Plan of Land in Douglas, Mass.' dated May 28, 1991 completed by Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc., recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 654, Plan 11 (the 'Plan'); THENCE S. 89° 06' 10' E. Nine hundred forty-two and ninety-five hundredths feet (942.95) to a point: THENCE S. 43° 13' 27' E. one hundred fifty-seven and seventy hundredths (157.70) feet to a point: THENCE S. 34° 27' 39' W. Two hundred twenty-nine and fifty-four hundredths(229.54) feet to a drill hole: THENCE S. 37° 40' 23' W. Two hundred sixty-three and fourteen hundredths (263.14) feet to a drill hole; THENCE S. 31° 35' 23' E. Two hundred forty-seven and thirty-six hundredths (247.36) feet to a drill hole; THENCE S. 06° 45' 03' E. Two hundred ninety-six and eighty-nine hundredths (296.89) feet to a drill hole: THENCE S. 11° 46' 22' E. Three hundred sixty-six and sixty-five hundredths (366.65) feet to a point; THENCE S. 10° 05' 08' E. One hundred twenty-one and sixty-five hundredths (121.65) feet to a point' THENCE N. 88° 20' 36' W. Two hundred sixty-five and eleven hundredths(265.11) feet to a point; THENCE N. 44° 01' 29' W. Eight hundred sixty-six and twenty-five hundredths (866.25) feet to a point; THENCE N. 04° 10' 53' E. Three hundred fifty-two and four hundredths (352.04) feet to a drill hole; THENCE N. 16° 39' 14' W. Fivehundred fifty-two and sixty-eight hundredths (552.68) to the place of beginning. Being approximately 22.71 acres and being the same premises shown as Lot 2 on the Plan. Being the same premises conveyed to ASK Realty Trust by deed of Eleanor F. Schuster dated May 28, 1991 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 20384, Page 385. Subject to and with the benefit of easements set forth in an Amended and **Restated Cross Easement Agreement**

Restated Cross Easement Agreement dated as of November 10, 1997 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 19342, Page 397. For mortgagor's(s') title see deed

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36805, Page 1,7, and 10.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit

March 30, 2018

(SEAL)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 18 SM 001202 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:

Kevin J. Janovsky; Donna M. Janovsky

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act:, 50 U.S.C.c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-OPT1

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Whitinsville, numbered 926-928 Hill Street, given by Kevin J. Janovsky and Donna M. Janovsky to Mortgage **Electronic Registration Systems,** Inc., as nominee for Superior Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns, dated May 30, 2006, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39120, Page 384, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement, dated May 16, 2008, and recorded in said Registry in Book 43256, Page 98, and now held by plaintiff by assignment has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the <u>active</u> military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property <u>on that</u>

TRIAL COURT CIVIL ACTION

No. 18-418A

To Francis E. Lesack, of Uxbridge, Worcester County in said Commonwealth;

AND TO ALL PERSONS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE SOL-DIERS' AND SAILORS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT OF 1940 AS AMENDED:

Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association, a federal savings and loan association organized under the laws of the United States of America, with a usual place of business in Milford, Worcester County, Massachusetts claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering property situated on Jefferson Court, being numbered 3 on said street, Liberty Estates Condominium, in Uxbridge, Massachusetts;

given by Francis E. Lesack to Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association, dated October 14, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 37600, Page 350 as affected by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded with said Deeds in Book 54915, Page 160, has filed with said court a Complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry on and possession of the premises therein described and by exercise of the power of sale contained in said mortgage.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Worcester in said County on or before the Twenty-sixth day of April, next or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said Act. Witness, Judith Fabricant, Esquire, Administrative Justice of said Court, this fifteenth day of March 2018.

Dennis P. McManus, Clerk March 30, 2018 Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate March 30, 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 Allen G. Riley to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated July 14, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 36805, Page 13, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to HSBC Bank USA, National Association As Trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Securities Corporation, Mortgage Pass- Through Certificates Series 2006-AR8 dated March 27, 2013 and recorded with said registry on March 29, 2013 at Book 50664 Page 324, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on April 30, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 189 Main Street, 229 Main Street, and 239 Main Street, Douglas, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT: Property location:

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 Twenty-Five Thousand (\$25,000.00) 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.

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-AR8 Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 201703-0370 - YEL

March 30, 2018 April 6, 2018 April 13, 2018

EGA

FOOD

Lamb a favorite meal at springtime boliday dinner tables



Versatile and flavorful, lamb is enjoyed across the globe and is especially popular come springtime holidays. Throughout the Middle East and parts of Eastern Europe, lamb has traditionally been enjoyed once the weather warms and the season of fertility

Christians, who refer to Jesus Christ as the "Lamb of God" pay homage to the Easter miracle and often dine on lamb as part of their celebrations. Depending on how they interpret Jewish law, Jews may or may not include lamb at their traditional Passover seder.

Lamb is a tender and tasty meat that can be prepared in various ways. Lamb can be roasted, braised, stewed, broiled, and even grilled.

To prepare lamb well, it is extremely important to follow safety guidelines concerning food cross-contamination. Undercooked and raw meats may contain E. coli bacteria; therefore, lamb should not come in contact with other foods that will be served uncooked.

Many cuts of lamb are very tender so they will not require long marinating times to help break down the fibers in the meat. Lamb does not need a lot of prep time. In fact, a simple seasoning of herbs, garlic or a spice rub will provide substantial flavor. According to The Daily Meal, New Zealand or Australian lamb has a milder flavor than domestic lamb. Over-seasoning can overwhelm the delicate flavor of the lamb in these cases

While preferences differ, many chefs

attest that a bone-in cut of lamb will be more flavorful. However, boneless cuts are easier to carve. Similarly, cooks have strong opinions on the doneness of lamb, with some prefering rare meat while others like theirs well-done. Lamb described: can be juicy and tender at a wide range of cooking temperatures, so home chefs can decide how they want to prepare their lamb. The average temperature for roasting lamb to medium doneness will fall between 135 to 145 F, with the USDA recommending at least 145 F as the desired temperature. Lamb roasts at a rate of 20 minutes per pound at a THERETO, cooking temperature of 325 F.

Use a thermometer to accurately measure the internal temperature of lamb. Remove the lamb when it is roughly five degrees below the desired temperature, as the meat will continue to cook even after it is removed from the oven, skillet or grill. After cooking. let the lamb rest for around 10 minutes for thinner cuts and 20 minutes for roasts or leg of lamb to allow the juices to redistribute.

Certain flavors pair especially well with lamb, including citrus, mint, garlic, oregano, and curry. Lamb can be served beside potatoes, couscous, polenta, vegetables, and even pasta.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate** and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18C0084CA In the matter of: Sydni Ann Burrelli Of : Blackstone, MA

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR **CHANGE OF NAME**

To all persons interested in petition

A petition has been presented by Sydni A Burrelli requesting that:

Syndi Ann Burrelli

be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

Sydni Ann Sorel

YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT IF YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Worcester ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON 04/17/2018

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 12, 2018

> Stephanie K. Fattman **Register of Probate**

March 30, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate** and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18C0098CA In the matter of: Britney Lytae Miceli Of : Uxbridge, MA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR

CHANGE OF NAME To all persons interested in petition described:

A petition has been presented by Britney Lytae Miceli requesting that: Britney Lytae Miceli

be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

Britney Lytae Bretana

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Worcester ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON 04/10/2018

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 20, 2018

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate March 30, 2018

Create and hide unbreakable Easter eggs

Easter is one of the most important days of the year Christians. Easter for Sunday is filled with symbolism and tradition, some of which harken back to early Christianity, while others trace their origins to paganism.

The Easter Bunny and Easter eggs are two Easter traditions with less extensive histories. The Easter Bunny, according to sources including History.com, first arrived in America in the 1700s via German settlers who brought with them their tradition of an egg-laying hare called "Osterhase." Children would make nests where the rabbit could lav its colored eggs. Eventually, the custom spread from Pennsylvania, where many German immigrants settled, to other areas around the country.

Eggs are symbolic of new life and rebirth in many cultures. To Christians, eggs



Experiment with different egg materials to make Easter eggs easier to handle and more durable.

represent the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Another theory suggests that Christians were once forbidden to eat during the Lenten season preceding Easter. Therefore, Christians would paint and decorate eggs for Easter to mark the joyous celebration and cessation of penance and fasting.

Even though these traditions have endured, Easter eggs themselves might not be so strong. This year, Easter celebrants may want to experiment with different materials that are more forgiving and more enduring than standard eggs.

WOODEN EGGS

Families may find that wooden eggs are much more forgiving than standard eggs. Wooden eggs don't have to be boiled, and they don't need time to harden, and they're quite maneuverable for young fingers.

Decorators can explore different ways to color wooden eggs. Acrylic paints are readily available and safe for users of any age. Wood stains or wood markers also can be used to give the eggs a natural finish. Others may want to rip small pieces of decorative paper to create a decoupage effect on their wooden eggs.

SEW SOFT EGGS

Those who are handy with a needle and thread can explore patterns for making soft, stuffed eggs. Cozy fleece or other fabrics can be sewn together to make the general egg shape. Then the egg is filled with polyester filling, feathers or another soft material. Ribbons, buttons, trims, and other decorative touches can personalize the eggs and add a touch of whimsy. Check out www.sew4home. com for their ideas on handmade Easter eggs.

MODELING CLAY

Children who love to get their hands dirty may enjoy making Easter eggs out of modeling materials. Colors can be blended together to create a marbleized effect. Depending on the clay medium, the eggs may air-harden or may need to be heated at a low temperature in the oven to fully cure.

Easter eggs are a fun tradition that adds to the festivity of spring. While traditional eggs can be used, many different, more long-lasting materials can be used as well.

HERE & THE Local Events, Arts, and RF **Entertainment Listings**

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

9:00 p.m. SARA ASHLEIGH BAND Playing homage to some of the best blues, rock & country artists of our time. 308 LAKESIDE 308 East Main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

7:00 - 10:00 p.m. DAN FEELEY Acoustic music in the bar 308 LAKESIDE 308 East Main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

SATURDAY, APRIL 7 KLEM'S FISHING EXPO

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reps, experts and the latest gear for 2018 KLEM'S 117 West Main St. Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

YOUR MOTHER

9:00 p.m. 4-piece local rock band 308 LAKESIDE 308 East Main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

SATURDAY, APRIL 14 BEEKEEPING SEMINAR AT

KLEM'S 11:00 a.m. Learn the basics Instructed by Mary Duane KLEM'S 117 West Main St. Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

TUESDAY, APRIL 17 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. THE BRIDGE OF CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS CAREER OPEN HOUSE 39 Elm St., Suite 212

Southbridge, MA Now hiring treatment co-ordinator, senior residential counselor, full and part-time residential coordinators, and relief counselors For information: thebridgecm.org

or 508-755-0333

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS AT KLEM'S 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Come visit the dogs and cats available KLEM'S 117 West Main St. Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

EQUIPMENT CONSIGNMENT AUCTION AT KLEM'S 10:00 a.m.

Buy or sell! KLEM'S 117 West Main St. Spencer, MA 508-885-2708 (Ext. 104) www.klemsonline.com

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY APRIL 28 AND 29

ANNUAL SPRING DERBY 2018 8:00 a.m. Registration and breakfast starts at 6:00 a.m. Spencer Fish & Game Club Cash prizes and trophies Large trout up to 11 pounds stocked for the event Youth archery shoot 155 Mechanic St., Spencer, MA

SATURDAY, MAY 19

5th ANNUAL RIDE FOR NICK'S HOUSE With the American Legion Riders of Post 138 Registration 9-10:15 a.m. 175 Main St., Spencer, MA Raising money for local veterans \$20 per bike; \$10 general public 774-200-6459 for more info

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

ATHA Quiet Corner HOOK-IN Traditional hooked rugs displayed 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Rte. 169 & 171, Woodstock, CT Join us for fun and good times Vendors/Raffle/ Door Prizes Snacks and Beverages \$15 for Hook-In All Day Pre-register by June 1, 2018 \$5 Vendor Shopping Only Contact: gretchg@verizon.net

ONGOING

ROADHOUSE BLUES JAM Every Sunday, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102



TRIVIA SATURDAY NIGHTS 7:00 p.m. register 7:30 p.m. start up HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB 325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA 508-892-9822

WISE GUYS TEAM TRIVIA Every Tuesday, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike (Rt. 44) Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY NIGHT HEXMARK TAVERN AT SALEM CROSS INN 260 West Main St., West Brookfield, MA 508-867-2345 www.salemcrossinn.com <http:// www.salemcrossinn.com

TRAP SHOOTING Every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Open to the public \$12.00 per round includes clays and ammo NRA certified range officer on site every shoot AUBURN SPORTSMAN CLUB 50 Elm St., Auburn, MA 508-832-6492



HUGE MEAT RAFFLE

First Friday of the month Early Bird 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. 1st table: 7:00 p.m. RAFFLE Auburn Sportsman Club 50 Elm St., Auburn, MA

508-832-6496

TRIVIA TUESDAYS at 7:00 p.m. Cash prizes 308 LAKESIDE 308 East main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

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