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Edmund Burke

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Auburn police officer fatally shot, suspect killed after manhunt



Courtesy photos

Wellesley officers salute the escort of Officer Ronald Tarentino's body to the medical examiner's office in Boston.

COMMUNITIES SHOW OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT FOR LEICESTER FAMILY

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

AUBURN — Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr. was fatally shot during an overnight traffic stop on Rochdale Street last weekend, sparking a massive manhunt that left the shooter dead and a state trooper injured.

Shortly after midnight on May 22, Tarentino pulled over a Nissan Infiniti

SUV near the intersection of Rochdale Street and Zabelle Avenue. The driver, Jorge Zambrano, 35, of Worcester, fired on Tarentino before fleeing.

At around 6 p.m. on May 22, after an extensive daylong manhunt, police arrived at an Oxford apartment (31-33 Watch Street) in search of Zambrano. Though police did

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Schools receive \$60K STEM grant

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — The Central Massachusetts Alliance of Secondary Science Educators, which includes teachers from Leicester, recently received a \$60,200 grant from the Massachusetts Mathematics and Science Partnership.

The grant supports the professional learning of science/STEM teachers in grades 5-12 as they explore the 2016 Mass. Science, Technology and Engineering standards. There will be a specific focus on the structure of matter and transfer of energy, as well as developing and using models.

"We are pleased to be offering this opportunity for our 5-12 science and STEM teachers to study this important

content and collaborate with other area teachers," said Cate Calise, the director of curriculum, instruction, and assessment for Leicester Public Schools.

The grant will allow for a continuation of the partnership between area public school districts and their higher education partner, The STEM Education Center at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

"The STEM Education Center is excited to collaborate with the Alliance and promote WPI's project-based approach for teaching STEM," said Mia Dubosarsky, the director of professional development at the STEM Education Center. "Both faculty members, Pratap

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Kevin Flanders photo

North Brookfield Special Education PAC members and volunteers help prepare dinner at the awards event.

A spirited send-off PAC SUPPORTS SPECIAL OLYMPICS

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD — Special Olympians got a passionate sendoff from their classmates and families last week before they headed to Quabbin Regional High School to compete.

In its very first year of operation, North Brookfield's Special Education Parent Advisory Council (PAC) generated strong momentum for the students it serves. For many of those students, competition in sports had never previously been an option.

But on the morning of May 13, the Special Olympians were cheered by the entire school as they paraded from North Brookfield Elementary School to the buses that would bring them to the competition. Several students held up signs in support of their classmates, and the parade even included a few special guests — members of the North Brookfield Fire Department riding on their ladder truck.

The night before the parade, May 12, the Special

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RIDING IN STYLE



Kevin Flanders photo

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Asparagus and Flower Heritage Festival once again delivered an impressive unofficial start to summer Saturday, May 21. Pictured, friends Woodman Moulton, 5, of Ware, and Kelsey Clark, 4, of West Brookfield, are riding in style. For more photos, turn to page A4!

Keenan to step down from School Committee

"THIS FEELS LIKE THE RIGHT TIME TO STEP DOWN"

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — The race for two School Committee seats is taking clearer shape, with Chairman Tyler Keenan recently announcing that he will not seek re-election.

After initially pulling papers for re-election, Keenan notified Town Clerk Deborah Davis of his withdrawal from the election. A recent graduate of Worcester Polytechnic

Institute, Keenan cited the need for an increased focus on his professional career as the reason for his withdrawal.

"I would have liked nothing more than to have run for another term. However, the last thing I wanted to do was take on too much work and not be able to adequately perform my School Committee duties to

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Courtesy photo

Leicester School Committee Chairman Tyler Keenan will not seek re-election.

LDC includes debate during scholarship brunch



Courtesy photo

Shelby Miller was chosen as this year's Leicester Democratic Committee scholarship winner.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — With the primary election nearing, the Leicester Democratic Committee decided to change it up this year by including a debate at its annual scholarship brunch.

The May 14 brunch featured a debate between the democrat-

ic state representative candidates for the 17th Worcester District — Leicester selectman Doug Belanger and Worcester's Moses Dixon. The two state representative hopefuls will face off in the Sept. 8 primary, with the winner emerging to challenge incumbent State Rep. Kate Campanale in the November election.

For members of the Leicester Democratic Committee, combining the scholarship brunch and debate was a great opportunity for a politically engaging event. This year's scholarship winner, LHS senior Shelby Miller, who happens to be Belanger's niece, was thrilled to have a front row seat at the debate and continue her

political involvement. "Being politically active means that you speak your voice. It means going to town meetings, participating in votes and, most importantly, being educated about the events happening around you," Miller said. "Now that I finally have the privilege to vote, I believe I will be even more involved in the politics of Leicester than I was before. I plan on attending more meetings and voting this time. It will be an entirely new experience."

Each year, the Leicester Democrats give a \$500 scholarship to a graduating Leicester High School senior. Students applying for the scholarship are asked to describe in their application essays all community service projects and political participation.

Miller's essay highlighted her involvement in Belanger's campaigns over the years and what she learned from watching him go through each process.

"By far, the most important thing I have learned is how to be graceful under pressure. Keeping a positive mindset and sticking to your morals is the way to survive politics," Miller said.

Prior to the event, Leicester Democratic Committee Chairman Adam Menard said his committee seeks each year scholarship applicants who embody democratic principles.

And they certainly discovered that person in Miller.

"She has exemplified the democratic values we hold dear by volunteering for

numerous organizations and committees," Menard said. "One of these organizations is the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary, where she volunteered her time over her four years of high school. She has also demonstrated a dedication to dance and other cultural activities."

As part of her scholarship application process, Miller also submitted a biography and provided an impressive resume of political involvement. She is looking forward to attending the University of New Haven in the fall, where she will major in marine biology.

"This scholarship will really help me in my first year of college," the senior added. "Hopefully it will be enough for all of my textbooks in my first semester at University of New Haven."

Miller was impressed with the debate between her uncle and Dixon, which addressed such issues as business and economic development, equal pay, the millionaire tax and legalizing marijuana.

Event organizers also thought the combination between debate and brunch was a big success.

"The debate between Moses Dixon and Doug Belanger went well," Menard added. "Both candidates were able to voice their views on numerous issues facing the 17th Worcester District."

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NEWS BRIEF

Town of East Brookfield Memorial Day observances

EASTBROOKFIELD—The Memorial Day observances for the Town of East Brookfield will be held on Monday, May 30.

A ceremony will be held at the Podunk Cemetery beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The annual parade will begin at 11 a.m. from the Memorial Town Complex on Connie Mack Drive and proceed east on Main Street/Route 9 to Evergreen Cemetery, where a service will be held. The parade will then regroup and follow Main Street to Pleasant Street where closing ceremonies will be held at the Veterans' Memorial at Depot Square.

The Grand Marshal for this year's parade is George Boulette, Boatswain Mate, United States Navy. Guest Speaker is State Representative Donald Berthiaume. East Brookfield Elementary School students will again participate in the proceedings: Ethan Watkins and Paige Cournoyer will recite the Gettysburg Address; Samantha Holmes and Haley Arguin will recite "In Flanders Fields"; and Laci Miranda and Megan Knox

will present "America's Answer." Members of the Show Choir will sing at the observances and Amanda Lambert will sing at Podunk Cemetery.

The East Brookfield Memorial Day Committee invites all veterans of any branch of the military to march in the parade to honor those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Uniforms are not required, however, dress reflecting the somber occasion is preferred. We also invite scouting groups, recreation teams, and antique car owners to join us to offer a proper observance of this national holiday. Scouts and recreation teams should wear uniforms. Parade formation will begin at 10:40 a.m. at the Memorial Town Complex on Connie Mack Drive. Vehicles will be provided for any veteran wishing to participate but unable to march in the parade.

If you are a veteran who would like transportation during the parade, or for more information, contact Heather Gablaski at 774-200-1264 or gablaskih@gmail.com.

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QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

"I would have liked nothing more than to have run for another term. However, the last thing I wanted to do was take on too much work and not be able to adequately perform my School Committee duties to the high standards that the students and teachers of Leicester deserve."

- Leicester School Committee Chairman Tyler Keenan, commenting on his decision not to run for re-election.

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Quaboag Youth Football set to celebrate milestone season



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Coach Maurice Payne celebrates his players' achievements. Payne and the Quaboag Youth Football program are celebrating their 20th year.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Editor's Note: As Quaboag Youth Football gets ready to embark upon its twentieth season, the Spencer New Leader has reached out to different members of the organization each month to share their football memories on Callahan/Landers Field. For this edition, we chatted with Coach Dave Stalker and volunteer Maureen Roberts.

WEST BROOKFIELD — Another summer is about to start, and for now Callahan/Landers Field is mostly quiet. But when August nears, football fever will once again take West Brookfield by storm — though this year isn't just another season for Quaboag Youth Football but a milestone to remember.

Coaches and volunteers can't believe two decades have passed since Maurice "Moe" Payne started the program. For Coach Dave Stalker, who was right there with Payne during the very first year, it's a thrill for them to still be together, coaching at the same program 20 years later.

"I have always enjoyed working with Moe. We both believe that kids can learn anything if you have the patience and are willing to teach them," Stalker said. "Moe is all about the kids. He has so much passion for football, and he deserves all the credit for bringing football to this area."

Stalker's son played on the team during its inaugural season. It was a great experience to coach while his son was in the program, but Stalker has remained committed long after his son moved on, determined to help kids improve each year and reach their goals.

With a heavy sports background, Stalker knows the many important lessons athletics can teach.

"In high school I had a lot of fun experiences in sports, and I like to try to give the same thing to these kids," Stalker said.

During his twenty years coaching in the program, Stalker has mostly led the juniors squad. Quaboag Youth Football fields three teams each year — peewees,

juniors and seniors — and all of the kids are introduced to Payne's innovative strategies. A proponent of not simply coaching but teaching, Payne sees many of his players move on to compete in high school, college and beyond.

Several of those players return each year to the field where it all began — and the coaches who got them started.

"Kids are the future, and the more time you can spend with them the better. Moe gets that — he loves being around the kids," Stalker said.

Volunteer Maureen Roberts also got into the program when her oldest son played football. She took two years off from volunteering after he moved on, but then she had a strong urge to return and assist the program in any way she could.

And she's been doing it ever since, 18 years of volunteering now under her belt.

"All of the coaches and volunteers are great — they all have so much respect for Moe and believe in him as a coach," said Roberts, whose other son also went through the program. "I really believe in this program and the people running it."

The volunteer work behind a youth football program isn't limited to in-season activities, as Roberts and other dedicated volunteers learned long ago. From fundraising to inventorying equipment to scheduling practices, coaches and volunteers are kept busy throughout the year.

But when August arrives and the kids hit the field for another season, all of the work is well worth it.

To learn more about Quaboag Youth Football, which includes kids from the Brookfields, Spencer, Leicester, Sturbridge, and beyond, visit www.quaboagyouthfootball.com.

Our feature series will continue next month with the stories of high school and college athletes whose roots go back to practices with Coach Moe at Callahan/Landers Field.

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While studying dance, Melissa was given the opportunity to perform with the Worcester Ballet Society and compete at the regional and national level. She has extensive training in ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, contemporary, lyrical, acro and choreography, and has worked for regional and national dance competitions as an adjudicator for the past 6 years.

Melissa has taught at and owned studios in both Colorado and Massachusetts. Her students have been awarded high scores, special awards and both regional and national titles, and many have gone on to major in dance at well-known colleges and conservatories. Melissa is proud to bring her students professional dance and fitness education.

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Melissa also works as a Registered Nurse for a home care company where she provides skilled nursing services in the community. Currently, Melissa resides in Charlton with her fiancé, George and her two morkies, Oliver and Chewbacca. She has two adult children, Jason and Kelci as well as a daughter-in-law, Merce. In her spare time she loves to read and do yoga. In the future, she is hoping to be able to travel more; next summer she will be visiting her fiancé's family in Greece.

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Asparagus Festival rings in summer in West Brookfield

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Asparagus and Flower Heritage Festival once again delivered an impressive unofficial start to summer Saturday, May 21. Guests poured in by the thousands for another year of food, music, crafts, and kids activities on the Town Common. Of course, lines wrapped around the Common for several tasty treats that have come to be synonymous with the event.



Kevin Flanders photos
Zach Brien, of Boston, grabs a photo on the fire truck with Levi and Maddie McDonald, 3 and 1 respectively, of West Brookfield.



Darlene Sliwa, of West Brookfield, holds Abigail Markenson, 1.



Kyle Wetherell, 7, of Palmer, and Caden Charron, 4, of West Brookfield, make sand creations.



Blacksmith Robert Lyon, of West Brookfield, knows how to heat up the party.



Lorenzo Mariano, 4, of Worcester, gets a ride on the fire truck!



Erica Martunas, of Worcester, holds her goddaughter, 9-month-old Emma.



Janice Dunham rounds out a successful day of selling jams and jellies, with help from Tree House Brewery in Monson.



Leicester's Donahue family enjoys the day at the festival.



Ed the Wizard, of Orange, wowed guests with his abilities.



Musical entertainment was provided throughout the event.



The Hutchinson family, of West Brookfield, gathers for a photo.

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‘Authors Row’ provides opportunity for local writers

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD — While it’s hard to argue that kids have the most fun at fairs and festivals, local artists, authors and crafters aren’t far behind them in terms of entertainment.

Because while most of their efforts are done in solitude throughout the year, laboring hour after hour to perfect their trades, local festivals allow them to share their talents with the community.

Last weekend’s Asparagus Festival was no different, providing a platform for several talented local people and their creations. At the “Authors Row” setup along the Route 9 side of the Town Common, a panel of writers displayed books ranging in topics. Meanwhile, local artists, photographers, and musicians lined the Common as well; there was even an appearance from wood sculptors and a blacksmith.

Not only did the event bring artists and guests together, but it also enabled people with similar passions to connect.

“It is great to meet and talk with other authors because you learn from your shared experiences. Other authors may have encountered a problem that you are dealing with and can help you



Authors Ed Londergan, right, and Jeffrey Fiske chat about their respective novels while connecting with guests at the Asparagus Festival on May 21.

Kevin Flanders photo

toward a solution,” said Ed Londergan, of West Brookfield, the author of *The Devil’s Elbow* and *The Long Journey Home*.

A longtime historian and writer, Londergan has recently started an editing business as well, and he is always eager to meet new writers.

“The other authors in the area are a great group of people who all

share the love of writing. Being able to talk with someone else about the writing craft, whether it is in general terms or about specific issues, is a wonderful thing – a kind of support group,” Londergan added.

Author Jeffrey Fiske, another member of the Asparagus Festival Authors Row, agreed that it’s always rewarding to

meet other writers. The author of several nonfiction books, as well as a novel based on the life of Bathsheba Spooner, Fiske loves talking all things local history and writing at festivals.

“It’s great to meet writers and talk about what inspires them,” said Fiske, who lives in New Braintree. “For my novel, just reading the

confessions [connected with the 1778 Bathsheba Spooner investigation] inspired me to write. It’s an amazing story.”

The event also directed a spotlight upon an array of other talents. Ed the Wizard, of Orange, wowed families with an afternoon of “mystical magical mayhem” on the Common. Inspired by the Harry Potter series,

the award-winning magician enjoys performing at several venues – from birthday parties to school visits.

Meanwhile, first-year Asparagus Festival vendor, Janice Dunham, was working a different kind of magic on guests with her jams and jellies. Infused with the offerings of Tree House Brewery in Monson, Dunham’s “beer jelly” was a fan favorite.

“I loved the reaction that the beer jelly was getting. People were like, ‘it actually tastes like beer,’” Dunham said. “That was my favorite part of the whole day.”

Of course, fairs and festivals are also helpful for residents eager to support local artists. It’s easy to assist area small businesses, but it can be hard to do the same for authors, artists and crafters due to lack of visibility.

“They work hard every day, but a lot of times I feel like they don’t get the recognition they deserve,” said Jerry Barker, of East Brookfield. “Every time I come to one of these, I try to support them. There’s a ton of talent locally – I’m not sure people realize how much.”

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MOORE PRESENTS FLAG TO LEICESTER

LEICESTER — Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) joined Leicester Police Chief James Hurley and Town Administrator Kevin Mizikar to present a United States flag to the Town of Leicester.

The flag will serve as a replacement for the American flag located on the Town Common that had been stolen earlier in the month. Senator Moore, who first learned about the incident when speaking with former Selectman Tom Brennan, reached out to the town to donate a new flag.

“Given the tragic events that have transpired within the last several days, the presentation of this flag bears special significance to area residents,” said Moore. “Even during tough times, the spirit and unity of the community is captured by our Nation’s flag. I am proud to be a part of restoring this important symbol to the Town of Leicester.”

Gov. Charlie Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flag be lowered to half-staff at all state buildings from sunrise on Monday May 23, until sunset on the day of interment in honor of Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino of Leicester.



Courtesy photo

From left, Sen. Michael Moore, Leicester Police Chief James Hurley, Leicester Town Administrator Kevin Mizikar.

Spencer firefighter arrested, accused of filming woman

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — A call firefighter with the Spencer Fire Department was arrested last week for filming a nude woman at a local fitness center.

Duane Stephens, 29, of 102 Maple Street, was charged by police following the May 14 incident. A woman in her 20’s reported to police that she observed a man using his cell phone to film her while she was in a tanning bed at the fitness center.

The victim reported Stephens watching her work out before the incident. Later, while she was in the tanning booth, she observed Stephens raise his cell phone over the wall of an adjacent

booth to film her.

After the woman confronted Stephens, he fled the facility and was subsequently arrested by police at his residence. At the police station, he admitted to his actions and provided a written statement.

Stephens was released on \$200 bail and ordered to appear at East Brookfield District Court, where he was arraigned and will return in July.

Stephens’s cell phone will be examined for further evidence, Spencer Police Sgt. Michael Befford said.

Meanwhile, Spencer Fire Chief Robert Parsons confirmed that Stephens was terminated on May 16 by Town Administrator Adam Gaudette.

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Knox Trail hosts successful Career Day event



Kevin Flanders photos

Judge Michael Allard-Madaus talks all things law with students at Knox Trail Middle School.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Usually when someone deals with the police and then goes before a judge, it's under unpleasant circumstances. But Knox Trail Middle School students were all smiles in that situation as part of Career Day last week.

Judge Michael Allard-Madaus and Spencer Police Detective James Murray were among six visitors to the school for its second-year event on May 20. Also stopping by for Career Day were

Casey Cormier (vice president of operations and development at Angel-Guard Products); Donna Suter (an atrial fibrillation researcher and former surgical nurse clinician); Connie Collupy (owner of Five Loaves Bakery & Café); and Julie Parenteau (utility business manager at the Worcester Department of Public Works).

Students were thrilled to meet their guests and learn about six very different career paths. Even though the kids still have plenty of time to iron out the details of their own

careers, it was helpful to learn what it takes to pursue certain jobs.

But no matter which career the kids learned about, a common denominator linked each of them — a strong education.

"I can't stress the importance of education enough, not just for police work but any career," said Murray, who discussed several aspects of policing with students. "This was the best career move I could have made — I really enjoy it every day."

Students also learned the importance of hard work and commitment, which can take them to the highest levels of any profession. Judge Allard-Madaus's ascent to the bench exemplified how far persistence can take students. Admitted to the Bar in 1986, Allard-Madaus ran a private practice until 2010 before being appointed as an associate justice.

"Anything you can do to sharpen your mind is helpful, and the ability to read and write is key," Allard-Madaus told a student asking about the most important subjects for aspiring attorneys.

But equally as important as the advice on what to do for a solid career, students learned, was advice on what not to do. For many employers, job candidates' electronic postings when they were in college and

even high school can leave a surprisingly lasting mark, as some have discovered the hard way.

"Everything that you electronically transmit could come back to haunt you [when applying for certain positions]," added Allard-Madaus, who went from a field of 42,000 lawyers in the state to just 158 judges.

Students and teachers appreciated the honest insights from the guests on their careers. Success only comes to those willing to put in the hard work, the visitors conveyed through their presentations.

Murray, for example, has logged over 1,700 hours of specialized training in narcotics and criminal investigations. He holds master's degrees in criminal justice administration and public administration.

"When I was starting out, you could get into law enforcement with just a high school diploma, but now, with the competition where it is, you need to have a college degree," Murray told the students.

After another impressive event, the KTMS staff is hoping to expand Career Day next year and bring in even more speakers.

"It's great for the kids to meet people who are successful and well-established who come from different backgrounds," said school counselor Casey



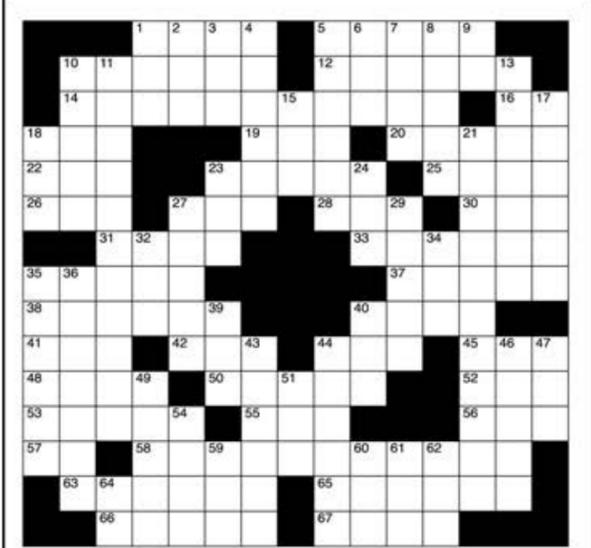
Spencer Police Detective James Murray chats with students.

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Before the event, students brainstormed ideas and came prepared with plenty of great questions. The visitors are always happy to meet students and help share stories from their livelihoods.

"I love the questions — it's fun for the kids to learn more about these different professions," Murray said.

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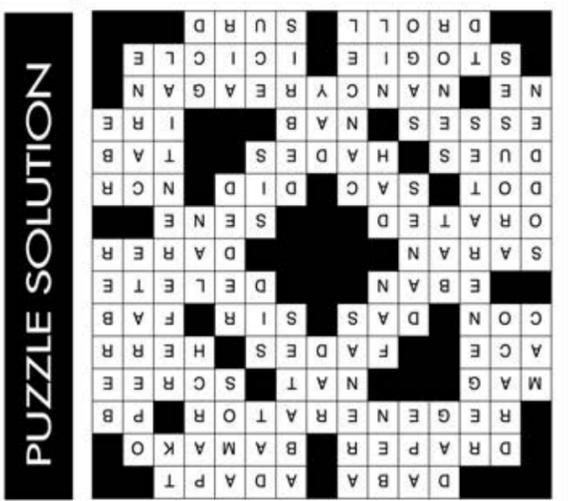


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Chinese mountain range
- 5. Adjust
- 10. Mad Men's Don
- 12. Mali capital
- 14. One who restores
- 16. ___ & J
- 18. Defunct PlayStation game
- 19. ___ King Cole, musician
- 20. Rock fragments
- 22. Breeze through
- 23. Languishes
- 25. German courtesy title
- 26. Bunko game
- 27. War film "___ Boot"
- 28. Title of respect
- 30. He "sang" with Rob
- 31. Abba ___, Israeli politician
- 33. Erase
- 35. It's a wrap
- 37. Has required courage
- 38. Spoke
- 40. Monetary unit
- 41. Scatter
- 42. Pouch
- 44. Have already done
- 45. They ring receipts
- 48. Fixed charges
- 50. Hell
- 52. Pay this before leaving
- 53. Alternating turns on the roads
- 55. Pick up
- 56. Wrath
- 57. Northeast
- 58. She launched "Just Say No"
- 63. Cigar
- 65. Frozen spike
- 66. Unusual
- 67. Type of number

CLUES DOWN

- 1. David Alan Grier
- 2. Someone who copies the words or behavior of another
- 3. Franklin is one
- 4. Where rockers play
- 5. Reduces
- 6. Datong Yungang Airport
- 7. Andy's partner
- 8. A way to dry
- 9. Taka
- 10. Large constellation
- 11. Regrow
- 13. What a surgeon does
- 15. Cool!
- 17. Indigenous people of N. Africa
- 18. Goes great with cheese
- 21. Contains allusions
- 23. A supporter
- 24. ___ Caesar, comedian
- 27. Some are great
- 29. Interpreted
- 32. Hits a pitch
- 34. Local area network
- 35. Soaking
- 36. Stimulates
- 39. Dash
- 40. Female sibling
- 43. Annul
- 44. Scattered fragments
- 46. Chili con ___
- 47. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 49. Adult male
- 51. Not night
- 54. Starch
- 59. Zero
- 60. French coins
- 61. Ventilate
- 62. Greatest common divisor
- 64. Touchdown



DPHS students celebrate EverFi certification

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Countless high school students graduate each year with a mastery of trigonometry, physics and history, among others — and yet they couldn't tell you how to apply for a loan or open a credit card.

David Prouty High School alumnus Ray Martinez co-founded the company, EverFi, with a goal of bringing real-life education into the classroom. And for the past seven years the company has helped students at Martinez's former school become better prepared for the next chapters of their lives.

On May 13, Martinez celebrated the completion of EverFi coursework with another class of Prouty students who made the yearlong commitment. EverFi is a leading education technology platform company that teaches, assesses and certifies students in several areas.

Thanks to a partnership between DPHS, Everfi and SpencerBank, students at Prouty have taken multiple EverFi online courses over the years. Led by teacher Diana Ford and others, this year's students were certified in such courses as financial literacy, alcohol education and STEM.

The 65 students were honored during the May 13 certification ceremony — and they got to meet Martinez as well.

"Coming back to Prouty and seeing the kids is always a highlight of my year," said Martinez, a 1992 DPHS graduate. "Small towns like Spencer and East Brookfield instill a sense of pride and hard work in kids, and it's great to see what they have done." Based in Washington D.C.,



Kevin Flanders photo

David Prouty High School students celebrate their EverFi certifications with Ray Martinez, the co-founder of EverFi and also a DPHS graduate.

EverFi is currently spearheading a national movement that enables students to learn using adaptive and engaging technologies like 3D gaming and social networking. It's important to always stay on the cutting edge of technology and provide instruction through the most innovative formats, Martinez said.

When schools open next fall, over 15,000 high schools nationwide will have students enrolled in EverFi courses — in addition to 750 colleges and universities. In total, over 5 million students have been certified through EverFi platforms.

And SpencerBank was the very first community bank to give the program a shot with a sponsorship seven years ago. Since then, EverFi has grown exponentially and established relationships with several major companies — even the NHL and NBA — and SpencerBank remains at its side.

"We believe in Ray's message that financial literacy is so important for students, and we are happy to be a sponsor," said Rachel Woods, the vice

president of loan operations at SpencerBank. Woods is also a member of the Women's Initiative of the United Way, serving on its financial literacy committee.

Thanks to EverFi and SpencerBank, Prouty students are graduating with more than academic prowess. They're being prepared in high school for the financial responsibilities that baffle many college students.

"When I think about my education at Prouty, my teachers and coaches did a great job of helping me every day," Martinez added. "It's very rewarding to come back and provide a valuable resource to today's students."

Added Ford, "This program gives teachers something extra that we didn't have before. The kids get very comfortable with all of the concepts."

To learn more about EverFi and its programs, visit www.everfi.com.

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EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

Keene State College

KEENE, N.H. — On Saturday, May 7, Keene State College's Commencement honored the graduating class of 2016.

Charlotte Meyers, of Leicester, graduated Cum Laude with a BA in Holocaust & Genocide Studies.

Haylie Dolan, of West Brookfield, graduated with a BS in Management.

Quinsigamond Community College

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College recently graduated 1,429 members of the Class of 2016. Graduates from the local area include:

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS
Brookfield: Adam Buck, Zachary Faugno, Marina Fellmeth

Leicester: Cory Cronin, Holly Fevens, Brendan McCormack, Cameron McCormack

North Brookfield: Francis Cote

Spencer: Rakalee Burdett,

Jasmine Da Silva, Jessica DeLuna, Robert Fraser, Wendy Kelley, Joel Martineau, Kathleen Ricard

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE
Brookfield: Benjamin Brigham, Shaun LaForce, Craig McNeely

East Brookfield: Seth Cournoyer, Nicole LaPorte, Alexander Noonan, Mitchell Starr

Leicester: Liza Harris, Stephen Kustigian, Mary Lambert, Aretha Leclair, Aradia Maser, Lynnel McGee, Jose Rivera

North Brookfield: Courtney Ramsdell

Spencer: Savannah Bennett, Lisa Bousquet, David Czajkowski, Michelle Erickson, Derek Gleixner, Jacob Hayes, Rebecca Lussier, Scott MacWilliams, Trista Markley, Sarah Morris, John Nichols, Andrea Osae, Aimie Peloquin, Shawna Pizzarella, Jamie Poce, Andy Ren

West Brookfield: Maureen Tracy

CERTIFICATE
Brookfield: Kristal Dupuis, Theresa Lamoureux, Jessica Mantha

East Brookfield: Ashley

Kiefer

Leicester: Darcey Cormier, Patrick Normandin

North Brookfield: Kyle Diaz, Anna Mason, Christine Mitchell

Spencer: Francisca Avina, Alexis Jewell, Maxine Melancon, Tracy Oliver, Andrea Osae, Anupa Santram

West Brookfield: Britney Salmon

Merriam-Gilbert Public Library

WEST BROOKFIELD — Ongoing: Knitting Group, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

• Now through Thursday, July 28: New Art Exhibit: "Bee Dreams" featuring long-time local resident, Dorothy Benedict & her tapestries of rivers & fields in the Brookfields. All are crafted from wool from her sheep & dyed with natural extracts from plants which bees visit on a regular basis on her farm.

Merrick Public Library

• Banister Book Group: Tuesday, May 31, 7 to 8 p.m. Whistling Season by Ivan Doig. Hired as a housekeeper to work on the early 1900s Montana homestead of widower Oliver Milliron, the irreverent and perpetually whistling Rose and her font-of-knowledge brother, Morris, endeavor to educate the widower's reluctant sons while witnessing local efforts on a massive irrigation project.

• Tuesday, June 28, 7 to 8 p.m. The Professor and the Madman by Simon Winchester. The shocking story of the single greatest contributor to the first Oxford English Dictionary in 1857 reveals that the man who contributed 10,000 definitions to the book was in fact a patient in an asylum for the criminally insane.

• Share a Book: Tuesday, May 17, 7 to 8 p.m. Bring in your favorite book, a book you are currently reading, or a book you just finished and enjoyed. Share a brief description with the group as we go around the table, introducing new genres, titles, and fun.

• Harmonious Happenings: Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. Pre-School Music Time

with Ms. Renee. Free snack and juice served. No sign-up. Funded by the Jeppson Memorial Fund for Brookfield, Greater Worcester Community Foundation, and the Friends of the Library. Snack donations are always appreciated.

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SCHOOL MENUS

SPENCER/EAST BROOKFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

BREAKFAST
Grades K-12

Monday, May 30: No School – Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31: Assorted cereal or scrambled egg meal or muffin, fruit/juice/milk.

Wednesday, June 1: Bacon, egg/cheese McMuffin or Waffle stix or bacon, yogurt cup, tots.

Thursday, June 2: Assorted cereal, fruit smoothie (Knox) French toast sticks, muffins, fruit/juice/milk.

Friday, June 3: Assorted cereal or bagel with cream cheese or breakfast Bar or muffin, fruit/juice/milk.

LUNCH
Grades K-8

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Mozzarella sticks with dipping sauce, garlic breadstick, fries, sweet potato, peas.

Wednesday, June 1: Bacon, egg, cheese McMuffin or waffle stix, bacon, yogurt cup, tots.

Thursday, June 2: BBQ rib dinner, mashed potato, green beans, roll.

Friday, June 3: Pizza with or without topping, bean salad, broccoli.

LUNCH
Grades 9-12

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Chicken nuggets, rice, chicken noodle soup, carrots.

Wednesday, June 1: Macaroni and cheese with fish sticks, fries, peas.

Thursday, June 2: Mashed potato bowl, breadstick, sweet potato, peanut butter bar.

Friday, June 3: Pizza or double fish stick roll with potato chips, broccoli.

LEICESTER HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day Observed – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Chicken Parmesan sandwich on whole grain roll, tossed salad, assorted dressings, corn, dried cranberry cup, peach cup.

LEICESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day Observed – No School Today.

Tuesday, May 31: Country "fried" chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, whole grain roll and butter, steamed corn, sliced peaches.

LEICESTER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day Observed – No School Today

Tuesday, May 31: Crispy chicken sandwich on a whole grain roll, lettuce and tomato, steamed corn, assorted fruit choices.

LEICESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day Observed – No School Today.

Tuesday, May 31: Chicken Parmesan sandwich on whole grain bun, steamed carrots, potato puffs, mandarin oranges.

TANTASQUA REGIONAL JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Holiday – No School Today.

Tuesday, May 31: Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, lemon broccoli, chilled mixed fruit, milk.

Wednesday, June 1: Pasta with choice of sauce, garlic bread, Italian green beans, spinach garden, salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, June 2: Breakfast for Lunch - Breakfast Burrito, harvest hash browns, sausage patty, sweet bread,

chilled fruit cup, milk.

Friday, June 3: BBQ Pulled chicken sandwich, ranchero beans, roasted carrots, brownie, milk.

NORTH BROOKFIELD HIGH

Monday, May 30: No School – Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31: Cheeseburger, hot dot on a roll, hash brown, chocolate pudding.

NORTH BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: No School Today

Tuesday, May 31: Chicken wrap, or hot dog on a roll, pasta with herbs, chocolate chip cookie.

BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Whole grain pizza

sticks with tomato sauce dip, macaroni, salad, toasted cheese sandwich or chef's salad

Wednesday, June 1: Chicken Patty sandwich, cream of broccoli soup or cheeseburger or yogurt parfait.

Thursday, June 2: Toasted cheese sandwich, creamy tomato soup, mixed greens and bean salad or sun butter & Jelly sandwich or chef's salad.

Friday, June 3: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, seasoned rice, sweet potato wedges, or chicken fajita wrap or yogurt parfait.

BAY PATH

BREAKFAST

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Ham, egg & cheese on an English muffin, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

LUNCH

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

Tuesday, May 31: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, baked tater tots, fruit variety.



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Memorial Day Parade information for Brookfield

BROOKFIELD — The Brookfield Memorial Day Parade will be held Monday, May 30.

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Memorial Day calls upon a united nation to appropriately mark the last resting place of our sons and daughters who saw service while following the flag in times of war.

Fellow citizens, comrades of any military organization, all Comrades of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force or returned Comrades of the same, Veterans of all wars, all Service Men and Women, Town of Brookfield Police, Firefighters, First Responders,

Civil Defense, Emergency Medical Technicians, Sons of the American Legion and V.F.W., Scouts, 4-H Youths, Recreation Teams, Students and Parade Units are earnestly invited to join us in a proper observance of this day.

Order of March:
Brookfield Elementary School, 35 Central Street, Start 10 a.m.

Brookfield Cemetery, assembly 10:30 AM

Town Common, Memorial Square, assembly 11:30 a.m.

Dismissal 12 noon.

In the event of rain, assembly will be at the Brookfield Elementary School cafeteria and gymnasium.

If you have any questions or would like to be in the parade line up, please contact: Bill Simpson, 508-867-9233. Jeanne Lytle, 508-867-6705. Barbara Wilson, 508-867-8080. Janet Seery, 508-867-0471.

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EDITORIAL

Daddy's checklist

I stood there focused like a laser on the action on the stage. I aimed my video camera



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carefully angled at the production, making sure to zoom in and capture the emotion of the

performance, all while trying to enjoy it as best as I could. After all, it was my son up there.

As we near the end of the school year, that means that my son's preschool year is just about complete, and in remembrance of Memorial Day next week, his school (which also just so happens to be alma mater) held a concert, his first-ever performance. So of course, that meant that I couldn't miss it, even if I had to fall behind on a deadline day by an hour or two to attend it. I wasn't missing this for the world.

As the boy gets older, there are going to be more and more events like this that are listed on what I like to call "Daddy's Checklist." His first concert was one of those items, which was special to me in particular just because of where it was held. On that very stage from 1988 to 1997, I had many concerts, plays and other performances on that stage, some more memorable than others. Flash forward to May 2016, and my very own son was singing his very own heart out to various adorable patriotic songs. I have to admit, I was one proud papa.

At one point, I couldn't help but laugh, as he noticed me off to the side as he was singing, and instead of playing it cool, he took the opportunity to give me a wide smile and wave at me in the middle of the song. Soon after, he was picked to play percussion on one of the songs with some of his classmates. He kept the beat quite well for a 4-year-old. After the final song, the audience applauded loudly, and thinking it was a cue, my son followed suit, applauding to himself. I like to think he was clapping for a job well done. Perhaps it was a thank you clap, in appreciation for the crowd's response to his performance. I suppose we'll never know...

His entire part of the concert only constituted about 7 minutes of the event as a whole, but that video will remain one of the classics in the Minor family library. I watched it back again when I got home, and I couldn't stop from smiling. It made me think of all the awesome stuff to come — his first soccer game, first day of kindergarten this fall, and all the other firsts coming his way soon enough.

Speaking of kindergarten, I found myself back at the school only a few days later for his orientation for kindergarten this fall, and to say that time has flown is an understatement.

I think it hits me harder than most just because it's all happening in the same school I grew up in. Perhaps if it were a different school it wouldn't affect me so much, but there are so many memories of that school for me, no matter how different it looks today, that stepping back into it for any reason brings up this nostalgia in my mind that is hard to shake, and now that my son is going there, just like his old man, it's like a piece of me is back there, reliving everything that I did, in the same spots, the same classrooms, and in some cases, even the same teachers. He is playing on the same playground I ran around on for nine years as a child. He is in the same gym, breaking a sweat and learning new games. He is in the same art room that I enjoyed so much a child, with the same teacher, no doubt learning the same stuff I was taught.

Last week was another trip down memory lane, and another item off "Daddy's Checklist." There will, no doubt, be many more to come in the very near future.

Bring it on.

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VIEWPOINT

OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

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Berthiaume: Thank you for your support

To the Editor:
To the citizens of Spencer and East Brookfield, a sincere thank you for the overwhelming support shown to me at the May 10 election.

I look forward to serving on the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School Committee with my fellow members. A special thank you goes to my family, friends and supporters who stood by me through this process. I also thank my fellow board members for showing their confidence in me by

voting me in as the chairperson of the committee. I will do my best to serve in this role with integrity and respect for all involved.

I ask the citizens of our two communities to keep your interest in our school district even though the election is over. Together I hope we can do great things.

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A 529 plan can help with those college bills



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We're at the end of another school year. If you have younger kids, you might be thinking about summer camps and other

activities. But in the not-too-distant future, your children will be facing a bigger transition as they head off to college. Will you be financially prepared for that day?

A college education is a good investment — college graduates earn, on average, \$1 million more over their lifetimes than high school graduates, according to a study by Georgetown University — but a bachelor's degree doesn't come cheap. For the 2015-2016 school year, the average expense — tuition, fees, room and board — was \$19,548 at a public four-year school and \$43,921 at a four-year private school, according to the College Board. And by the time your children are ready for college, these costs may be considerably higher, because inflation is alive and well in the higher education arena.

Your children may be eligible for some types of financial aid and scholarships. But even so, you may want to consider some college-savings vehicles — and one of the most popular is a 529 plan.

A 529 plan offers a variety of benefits, including the following:

High contribution limits — A 529 plan won't limit your contributions based on your income. In all likelihood, you can contribute as much as you want to a 529 plan, as many states have contribution limits of \$300,000 and up. And you can give up to \$14,000 (\$28,000 for a married couple filing jointly) per year, per child, without incurring any gift taxes.

Tax advantages — Your earnings can accumulate tax free, provided they are used for qualified higher education expenses. (529 plan distributions not used for qualified expenses may be subject to federal and state income tax, and a 10 percent IRS penalty on the earnings.) Furthermore, your 529 plan contributions may be eligible for a state tax deduction or credit if you participate in your own state's plan. But 529 plans vary, so check with your tax advisor regarding deductibility.

Freedom to invest in any state's plan — You can invest in a 529 plan from any state — but that doesn't mean your child has to go to school there. You could live in one state, invest in a second state's plan, and send your student to school in a third state, if you choose.

Money can be used for virtually any program — Upon graduating high school, not all kids are interested in, or prepared for, a traditional four-year college. But you can use your 529 plan to help pay for qualified expenses at a variety of educational institutions, including two-year community colleges and trade schools.

Of course, a 529 plan does have considerations you will need to think about before opening an account. For example, your 529 plan assets can affect your child's needs-based financial aid, but it might not doom it. As long as the 529 assets are under your control, they typically will be assessed at a maximum rate of 5.64% in determining your family's expected contribution under the federal financial aid formula, as opposed to the usual 20 percent rate for assets held in the student's name.

In any case, though, a 529 plan is worth considering. But don't wait too long — as you well know, your kids seem to grow up in the blink of an eye.

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Should I buy a distressed property?

If you asked me this question a few years ago, I would have told you that you would have to consider them because of how much of the market was short sales and foreclosures.

At one point in 2009, the short sales and foreclosures peaked at 49 percent of the sales in the U.S. and at one point in 2010, 25.4 percent of homes were underwater (homeowners owed more than their home was worth). At the end of 2015, distressed sales only represented 8 percent (historical average is 5 percent) of the market, with 2 percent of the sales being short sales and 6 percent being foreclosures. At the end of 2015, we only had 8.1 percent of homes underwater and that number continues to drop as the owners pay down the principal balance on their home and values continue to increase.

A question we are always asked is about getting a great deal on a home. People always assume that buying a foreclosure or short sale is always the way to go to save money, and it can be ... but not always. The thing with these sales is that the bank is going to either have an appraisal or broker price opinion on the home completed to discover value and set a price. Many times I have seen these opinions of value come in higher than what the market value of the home is.

Specifically, if there are no repairs needed to the home and it is just ugly and needs cosmetic updates these values many times will not account for that due to the parameters the agents and appraisers need to follow in order to complete their report. Both on short sales and foreclosures, the bank is typically looking for a specific percentage of that appraised value and will not go below that value. Many banks want 94-95 percent of the appraised value on short sales and it can be very similar on foreclosed homes. The bank will leave the home listed at a price until they get that value and every month or two they will reassess value and lower price and then they want a percentage of that new value.

A short sale is when the owner is selling the home for less than it is worth and asking the bank to accept that lower amount as payment in full to discharge the loan. The challenge with this type of sale is that it will usually take several months to get an answer from the bank and you may lose out on several other homes while you wait. Another challenge is that typically the agent and seller set the price and get approval from the bank later, so you could



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offer full price on a home and the bank could come back 3 or 6 months later and say they want 5 percent more for the home. The other two challenges is that since the bank doesn't own the home yet, they will most likely not do

any repairs and the seller is doing a short sale because they can't pay their mortgage so they won't be repairing either, so you are buying as is. The other challenge is if your purchasing is contingent on selling your home. In this case, you should probably sell the home first since you will not get a bank to allow your purchase to be contingent on the sale of your home with a short sale.

When it comes to foreclosures, I am speaking about real estate owned (REO) homes. When you default on a loan on your home it goes to a foreclosure auction and if it does not sell at the auction for a price that the banks thinks they should get, then they essentially buy it back. The bank owns this property so that is why they call it REO. They will usually then remove all trash, winterize the property and assign it to a local real estate agent to sell utilizing the multiple listing service (MLS). These homes many times are in disrepair and may need to be purchased with cash or a renovation loan but not always. The banks many times sell as is, but sometimes will rehab the home if they see they can get a better value for it. These homes will typically close in the same timeframe as a traditional sale except if there are issues with the title on the home and that many times can delay the closing. This is also a situation that if you do have a home to sell you will want to sell it first. The other option is to buy the foreclosed home and then sell your home. The bank is not going to allow the purchase to be contingent on the sale of your home.

This was a good amount of information about these types of sales. As always, I suggest you hire a realtor so they can ask you questions to understand if these homes should be included in the homes you search for. Since right now it is only about 8 percent of the market you will not be excluded a huge amount of homes by excluded these from your search.

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NEWS BRIEF

Informational meeting to be held on Common Core

LEICESTER — Scott Francis has been named as town captain of Leicester for the effort to put an end to Common Core and PARCC testing on statewide ballot in November.

An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave, Leicester. The meeting is free and open to the public.

In 2010, the Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education chose to adopt Common Core Standards without the knowledge and approval of parents, teachers, local school committees or the state legislature. Since then, our National Assessment Education Progress (NAEP) scores have gone down, the experiment is failing. Also, the Common Core aligned PARCC test that has been dropped by 19 states leaving only 7 remaining in the PARCC consortium, yet another failure of trying to create a one size fits all education system in our country. Common Core takes teachers, time and resources out of the classroom to administer and prepare for multiple high stakes timed testing.

Last year, volunteers statewide collected 86,000 signatures to send legislation to the state legislature to end Common Core in Massachusetts. According to the group's website, www.endcommoncorema.com - the goal is to move Massachusetts forward and restore the pre-Common Core, proven Massachusetts standards.

Francis, a School Committee member from Leicester says, "Since the state legislature failed to take action by May 3, we are moving forward to gather the 11,000 signatures in May and June, to get this on the ballot in November. Anyone looking for information or to volunteer is encouraged to attend this informational meeting or go to the website, www.endcommoncorema.com or email him at Sfrancis22@charter.net.

Michigan has a bill to get rid of the Common Core Standards and they want to replace them with Massachusetts' pre Common Core standards. That speaks volumes as to how good our standards were. Why would Massachusetts drop our superior standards? They were dropped for "Race to the Top" money which was the Federal Government's carrot to dangle for enticement. That money was spent long ago, what did our kids get for that money?

Francis ads, "We need to support our teachers and get them out of Common Core to allow them to use their creativity and skill to educate our children, and adjust to individual students, rather than forcing them to teach to the test."

End Common Core MA is a group of citizen activists and legislators opposed to the unproven Common Core standards and PARCC tests. We have launched the End Common Core MA initiative ballot petition. Our goal is to move Massachusetts forward and restore the pre-Common Core, proven Massachusetts Standards.

VIEWPOINT

DIY repairs on flea market finds

Hot on the heels of the first Brimfield Antique Show of 2016 and the official start of yard sale season, it's time to assess those great finds!

While good deals on vintage wares are still plentiful, chances are many old items you scored will need a little TLC before being put into active duty.

To usher in a new season of flea markets, tag sales and estate auctions, this week's column will review a roundup some of my favorite tricks to transform your (not so perfect) bargains into fantastic finds!

Marble repairs can break the budget, but this do-it-yourself tip does the trick for a lot less! Small cracks in marble can be hidden with a mixture of wax and chalk dust. Melt a candle the color of the marble, blend in chalk dust to give it body and apply to the crack carefully with a paintbrush.

Aged linens are lovely, but are often found with stains. Take a tip from housewives of the past to keep vintage textiles terrific: To remove rust stains from old linens the chemical free way, simply rub lemon juice and salt directly on the stain and hang in the sun to dry. For stubborn stains on sturdy linens, boil them in a pot of hot water to which a little eco friendly powdered laundry detergent has been added. Let cook for about twenty minutes. Hang out in the sun to dry. If the stain is not gone, try leaving linens out for subsequent sunny days until stain has faded.

If your less than perfect porcelain or glass piece needs repair, the following chemical free glue often yields great results: You'll need: two packets (1/2 ounce) unflavored gelatin; two tablespoons cold water; three tablespoons skim milk. To do: In a small bowl, sprinkle gelatin over cold water. Set aside to gel. Heat milk to boiling point and mix into softened gelatin. Stir until gelatin is dissolved. Apply a thin layer of warm glue to edges of glass, being sure

to align break. Press firmly and apply masking tape over fix. Then prop the piece in a box filled with sand for support until completely dry, or tape and clamp the item to ensure a tight adhesion.

Old wicker is gorgeous, but it isn't always without its splits and breaks. Here is the easiest way to repair old wicker: For breaks that require the two pieces to be fused: Coat each half of the break with Elmer's glue, applying glue to area around break points. Cover wicker on both sides with wax paper and clamp the broken piece between boards overnight. If the break requires further strength, it can be further reinforced by weaving wire through the surrounding wicker to secure. Wicker splits can be repaired in the same manner.

Was that antique mirror a deal because of its peeling silver? Before you dish out big bucks to resilver the glass, try "foiling" the eye by taping pieces of aluminum foil to the backs of the offending spots. Or, if you can't live with a tinfoil patch, completely remove silver from the back of the old mirror with a razor blade. Have a new mirror cut to fit the size of your frame and attach it to the frame behind the old glass. Voila! You have the look of the old glass with a nice clear view!

Retro liquor decanters are fabulous finds, but the alcohol they once held will often leave dark stains. What do to? Treat it with an organic acid such as citric acid, white vinegar or a mixture of one tablespoon of salt to a quarter of a pint of vinegar. Leave in the glass or decanter for 24 hours, shaking occasionally, then rinse and dry thoroughly. If stains are still there, repeat the process although tough stains may never completely be removed.



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To save serious cash on commercial wax wood restorers, check your shoe shine kit. Lackluster wood finishes on mahogany or cherry furniture or frames can be instantly renewed with a coat of cordovan color wax shoe polish.

Black and brown sponge type shoe polish are also great touch up tools for old wrought iron pieces.

Swinging sixties plastic furniture and accessories are hot collectibles. But many of the vintage pieces on the market are well used - and scratched up! The good news is, you can sometimes hide surface scratches on plastic simply by applying a good coat of car wax.

Want to spruce up silverplate cutlery without hash chemicals? Try the old-fashioned tin foil technique to remove silver. It's quick and easy, especially if you have several pieces to clean.

Fold a thick piece of tin foil and place it in the kitchen sink to cover the entire bottom. Add the tarnished silverware and fill sink with boiling or very hot tap water to fully cover the pieces. For each quart of water add one teaspoon each of salt and baking soda. Soak the silver for several minutes until the tarnish is gone. Remove silver, rinse and buff dry with a soft cloth. Note: Homemade methods may leave a dull white luster on pieces or damage them. Don't polish valuable or enameled silver this way and always test a few pieces first.

If the veneer is bubbled up, place a piece of stiff cardboard on the wood and press with an iron set at medium heat. Press until you the heat softens the glue and you can feel the wood give a bit.

Then press down and weight the area until the glue has redried.

Vintage trunks are affordable finds, but they often come with a musty odor from basement storage. Here's a quick fix: Simply sprinkle some powdered cat litter box deodorizer generously in the trunk. Close it up and let it sit for a week. Better yet, after you've mowed the lawn, toss some grass clippings inside and close the lid. Stir the grass each day for a week. The chlorophyll from the grass will absorb the smell!

Old games and boxes sometimes still wear their original price tags written in permanent marker. Try wetting a Mr. Clean Eraser and carefully rubbing away the ink. This works well on glossy finishes. Be careful, if you start wearing away the paper, stop. Or try removing marker on washable surfaces with hair spray. Spray on and immediately wipe off. Repeat as necessary.

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

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

Watch for kids

Perhaps this is more of my own public service announcement as opposed to my typical column, but I feel strongly that many people need to be reminded of this.

When I was a teen driver, I did my time driving like an idiot. I would speed as fast as my little Hyundai could go on the highway, I would drive down my friends' streets with my music blaring, and I would pack more people into my hatchback than there were seatbelts available. I was lucky I never got in trouble, but perhaps if I did I would have thought about being more careful. I showed off my drag racing skills any chance I got. I thought I was cool. The worst that ever happened, luckily, was one night I was swerving around sharp curves on a long back road on the south shore and I was hit by a deer. No, I did not hit the deer, but I was quite literally hit by it. Luckily my friend and I, who were the only two in my car, were OK. My tiny hatchback was smashed, and I believe the deer didn't make it very long. She was running happily across the street when I turned a corner at about 45 mph and the deer ran into my driver's side door. She was a baby and got her head stuck in my drivers side window. I swerved to stop and she bounced off my fender and ran off into the woods. I was so scared I called 911. Is that even what to do when you get into an accident? I had no clue.

The dispatcher was concerned but by the time the two patrolmen came to check it out and see if I needed to be towed, they thought this was the most hilarious thing they had dealt with all night. My car was red and it was about

midnight so it was hard to tell the blood on my car. My car was drivable and I followed the police back to the barracks to fill out an accident report. Then the jokes started. They probably wouldn't have made fun of me as much if I actually hit the deer, but defensive teen in me was saying over and over again, "No! The deer hit me. I was hit by the deer!"

While filling out the accident report I was told to put "John/Jane Doe" on the other drivers information, a joke I didn't get until I got home and tried to repeat my story to my dad. I was lucky, my friend was lucky, the poor deer probably wasn't. But it was a story I can laugh at now when people say, "Did you know Jill was hit by a deer once?"

The older I got the more attuned I became to scary driving stories. After that night I drove like a slow poke, and still do especially when I have my kids in the car. As I got older, I started watching the news more, reading the paper more, and paying attention more. I noticed more horrifying accidents happening all around me, accidents that could have possibly been avoided had a little more care and attention been spent.

When I lived across the country I was outside with a friend of mine, who lived on a busy main road, when we saw a motorcycle slam into the back of a semi truck. I won't go into the gory details because even to this day, it makes me sick. But it didn't end well for the biker.

My brother was driving tired from Massachusetts to North Carolina to

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get home to his wife and baby. He was living there temporarily but had come up for work. His goal was to get home as quickly as possible, so he didn't stop. He loaded up on coffee and although he was exhausted he kept driving. We got the call the next morning from a

state trooper saying they found his truck in a ditch in the median somewhere in Virginia. He fell asleep at the wheel and broke his neck. Luckily, he is still around to be my annoying big brother, but that's all by chance. Recently one of my son's friend's father was driving down the highway when he tried to swerve to miss a piece of landscaping equipment that was not secured properly. The item flew off the truck and came at his car. That one didn't end as well.

Yesterday, my neighbors and I were outside with kids and dogs, like always, when a shirtless, helmet-less, guy on a motorcycle went flying down my street. He came close to running over someone's dog and the kids were terrified. He gave us a one-fingered gesture as we yelled at him to slow down. So I called the police on him. He came back to confront me and started asking the neighborhood kids where I was, and they gladly replied to him, to this stranger. So I came over and I gave him a "Jewish mom talk." I killed him with kindness about his behavior and by the end I not only got him to promise to slow down, but he promised to wear a helmet from now on, and to never come down our

street again.

The point I am trying to make, is please caution your children again and again every time they leave the house to look both ways, wear their helmet when riding their bicycles, never talk to strangers, and so on. The older your kids are the more eye rolls you will get, but eye rolls are safer than them forgetting. And if your kids are drivers please caution them every time they leave the house to be careful and watch for everything around them. Most importantly please caution the way you drive. Put down the phone, don't reach over for those chips on the passenger seat, if you have cargo please make sure it is attached properly, don't drive angry, keep your kids in the back seat until they are 13, don't smoke (especially with kids in the car, you know that's illegal now right?), and never — I stress never — drive inebriated in any way. Maybe I am being bossy or preachy, but it could be someone you love one day. And regret will never change the outcome of a situation once it has happened. With how fast my toddler can run when happy, yesterday was scary. With summer around the corner, please... be careful!

Please write in and share your thoughts! As always, take what you want from what we discuss as advice or information, share with me your favorite tip or recipe and join me on our next edition of "Mom in Motion." E-mail me your thoughts and tips at jill@stonebridgepress.com.

North Brookfield announces Memorial Day events

NORTH BROOKFIELD — North Brookfield has a full array of events to celebrate the sacrifices and patriotism of North Brookfield veterans who have given distinguished service to their country over the years. These events are:

- 8 a.m. — Military color guard, firing squad render appropriate salutes for deceased veterans at St. Joseph's and Walnut Grove cemeteries.
 - 9:15 a.m. — A parade to honor veterans.
 - 9:30 a.m. — Should there be inclement weather a Memorial Day program will be held in the North Brookfield Congregational Church. This ceremony is a modified combination of the Civil War and Haston Library activities.
 - 10:15 — A ceremony at the civil war memorial where the Gettysburg Address will be read by Kaitlyn Burnham the President of the NBHS Junior class. This is followed by a tolling of the bells symbolizing the joyous welcoming home of returning veterans, concluded by a rifle salute and the playing of taps.
 - 11 a.m. — A ceremony in front of the Town war memorials (Haston Library) that includes: speeches by honored guests: Rev. Paula Sage, from Christ Memorial Church, and Mary Walter the chair of the North Brookfield Board of Selectmen. This is followed by the solemn reading of the names of North Brookfield deceased veterans (by veterans) starting from World War I to the present conflict in the Middle East. The ceremony is concluded with the community singing of the National Anthem lead by Emily Sampson, the formal lowering and raising of the flag by the commanders of the NB American Legion (Ray Dupel) and Veterans of Foreign Wars (Chad Cheras) detachments, a formal gun salute, and the playing of taps.
- Town citizens are then invited to open house functions at the AL and VFW halls, children can participate in an ice cream fest at the fire house, and the Friends of the Town House are sponsoring a chicken bar-b-que at the Time Out Bar and Grill starting a noon time.

Leicester among schools to receive grant for STEM work

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Rao and Izabela Stroe, have been engaged with teaching 5-12 educators through other MMSP partnerships, and they are eager to support educators by modeling STEM teaching and showing the application of science concepts and practices in cutting edge research."

The Alliance has also requested grant money from the Massachusetts

Mathematics and Science Partnership for fiscal year 2017 to continue to build upon its work during the upcoming school year. Plans for future work include lesson studies, the creation of curriculum embedded assessments and online discussion boards.

The Alliance is comprised of teachers from the following school districts: Ayer-Shirley Regional, Ashburnham-Westminster Regional, Berlin-Boylston Regional, Fitchburg, Hudson, Leicester, Leominster, Narragansett Regional and Nashoba Regional.

SPORTS

Uxbridge, Auburn, Tantasqua take top three spots in SWCL boys' track and field championship



Alex Skov of David Prouty begins his descent into the sand pit during the long jump at the SWCL track and field championship.

Nick Ethier photos

UXBRIDGE — The Uxbridge High boys' varsity track and field team doubled up as champions when they won the 55th Fred Warren District E Boys' Class C Meet, held at Lunenburg High on Saturday, May 14, followed by the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) championships at their own track on Wednesday, May 18.

In all, SWCL's 12 member schools participated at Uxbridge High, and Auburn High, which won the District E Class B Meet on May 14, placed second. Tantasqua Regional took third place.

The team and individual top six results from each SWCL event are as follows. The top six performers gained points (10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1) for their respective team.

TEAM RESULTS

1. Uxbridge, 139 points
2. Auburn, 88
3. Tantasqua, 70
4. Quaboag, 55
5. Grafton, 45
6. Northbridge, 40
7. Bartlett, 28
8. Leicester, 14
9. Millbury, 11
10. Southbridge, 4
11. Oxford 2

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

- 100-Meter Dash
1. Tom Anderson, Auburn, 11.46
 2. Ian Merry, Quaboag, 11.73
 3. Nate Beaulieu, Uxbridge,

- 11.87
4. Yulenny Ortiz, Auburn, 11.95
5. Cam Butler, Uxbridge, 11.98
6. Leo Shattuck, Grafton, 11.98

- 200-Meter Dash
1. Tom Anderson, Auburn, 23.12
 2. Keegan Burchard, Northbridge, 23.35
 3. Nate Beaulieu, Uxbridge, 23.99
 4. Nick Maracle, Uxbridge, 24.33
 5. John True, Tantasqua, 24.35
 6. Oliver Sawyer, Uxbridge, 24.65

400-METER DASH

1. Corey Moss, Uxbridge, 51.19
2. Leo Shattuck, Grafton, 51.54
3. Andrew Donahue, Auburn, 54.00
4. Jake Murray, Northbridge, 54.70
5. Robert Price, Bartlett, 55.97
6. Devon Fling, Leicester, 56.09

800-METER RUN

1. Jackson Wright, Uxbridge, 2:08.71
2. Vishall Bajwa, Grafton, 2:11.05
3. Carson Turcotte, Uxbridge, 2:12.73
4. Tyler Rodrigues, Tantasqua, 2:13.02
5. Vinny DiDomenica, Millbury, 2:13.23
6. Jared Orrell, Oxford,

2:14.77

ONE-MILE RUN

1. Jackson Wright, Uxbridge, 4:46.43
2. Tyler Rodrigues, Tantasqua, 4:52.11
3. Max Heaton, Quaboag, 4:55.10
4. Keshav Patel, Tantasqua, 5:04.88
5. Patrick Sorensen, Tantasqua, 5:06.10
6. Lucas Horan, Uxbridge, 5:08.66

TWO-MILE RUN

1. Max Heaton, Quaboag, 10:24.58
2. Vishall Bajwa, Grafton, 10:33.81
3. Vinny DiDomenica, Millbury, 10:47.15
4. Justin Luke, Tantasqua, 11:01.85
5. Marcus Lapointe, Auburn, 11:02.14
6. Jared Orrell, Oxford, 11:10.25

110-METER HURDLES

1. Keegan Burchard, Northbridge, 15.58
2. Russell Bromman, Uxbridge, 16.46
3. Jason Hardina, Northbridge, 16.47
4. Lucas Ford, Leicester, 16.50
5. Evan Cleveland, Tantasqua, 16.64
6. Andrew Turco, Millbury, 16.81

400-METER HURDLES

1. Evan Cleveland, Tantasqua, 59.00
2. Matt Via, Tantasqua, 1:00.97
3. Alex McCall, Uxbridge, 1:03.28
4. Jeff Hodson, Northbridge, 1:03.58
5. Matt Ellis, Tantasqua, 1:04.31
6. Zach Levourrn, Grafton, 1:04.32

4X100-METER RELAY

1. Quaboag, 45.08
2. Uxbridge, 46.03
3. Auburn, 46.95
4. Southbridge, 48.01
5. Leicester, 48.04
6. Tantasqua, 48.54

4X400-METER RELAY

1. Quaboag, 3:50.62
2. Auburn, 3:51.58
3. Tantasqua, 3:56.96
4. Leicester, 3:59.07
5. Grafton, 4:09.58
6. Millbury, 4:13.16

HIGH JUMP

1. Dean Lemansky, Auburn, 5-10
2. Ryan Zahr, Tantasqua, 5-10
3. Oliver Sawyer, Uxbridge, 5-10
4. Sam Majewski, Quaboag, 5-10
5. JJ Howland, Tantasqua, 5-10
6. Isaac Sheldon, Leicester, 5-04

LONG JUMP

1. Yulenny Ortiz, Auburn, 20-08.25
2. Corey Moss, Uxbridge,



Leicester's Donald Harrington finishes one of his three leaps in the long jump event.



A member of David Prouty's track and field team releases the discus.

- 19-08.25
3. Leo Shattuck, Grafton, 19-07.00
4. Matthew Lavallee, Quaboag, 19-04.50
5. Lucas Ford, Leicester, 19-03.75
6. Cam Stewart, Uxbridge, 19-03.00

TRIPLE JUMP

1. Leo Shattuck, Grafton, 43-10.25
2. Keegan Burchard, Northbridge, 41-10.75
3. Corey Moss, Uxbridge, 40-00.75
4. Yulenny Ortiz, Auburn, 39-05.75
5. Cam Butler, Uxbridge, 39-05.50
6. Matt Via, Tantasqua, 39-00.00

SHOT PUT

1. Jon Sylvia, Uxbridge, 51-10.50
2. Amadeusz Piwowarczyk, Bartlett, 47-04.50
3. Zachary Randall, Auburn, 45-06.50
4. Shawn Gatto, Bartlett, 40-11.00

DISCUS

1. Amadeusz Piwowarczyk, Bartlett, 137-05
2. Jon Sylvia, Uxbridge, 129-08
3. Jack O'Brien, Auburn, 129-00
4. Shawn Gatto, Bartlett, 123-11
5. Hunter Walker, Uxbridge, 119-00
6. Junior Fabian, Quaboag, 112-03

JAVELIN

1. Kyle Suchanek, Uxbridge, 165-05
2. Jason Kindl, Uxbridge, 139-06
3. Adam Phillips, Tantasqua, 138-10
4. Zachary Randall, Auburn, 135-08
5. Justin Saucier, Quaboag, 131-09
6. Connor Soucie, Grafton, 127-07

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SPORTS

Grafton, Auburn, Uxbridge finish top three in SWCL girls' track and field championship



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Obiamaka Igwenagu of Auburn huddles down the line during the 100-meter dash.



Kaitlyn Pajer of Leicester finished third in the two-mile event at the SWCL track and field championship.

- 12:29.47
- 3. Kaitlyn Pajer, Leicester, 12:39.58
- 4. Hannah Jones, Uxbridge, 12:56.39
- 5. Lauren Anderson, Grafton, 13:13.32
- 6. Kayla Turner, Millbury, 13:30.80

100-METER HURDLES

- 1. Emily Roxo, Uxbridge, 16.50
- 2. Mary Martocci, Millbury, 17.03
- 3. Madison Cahill, Uxbridge, 17.34
- 4. Alyssa Kievra, Tantasqua, 18.17
- 5. Jackie Puda, Northbridge, 18.46
- 6. Lauren Sousa, Quaboag, 18.47

400-Meter Hurdles

- 1. Lauren Eddy, Grafton, 1:06.52
- 2. Emily Roxo, Uxbridge, 1:06.82
- 3. Amelia Wright, Northbridge, 1:11.94
- 4. Emily Kievra, Tantasqua, 1:15.75
- 5. Christy Dever, Quaboag, 1:16.01
- 6. Alyse Carpenter, Leicester, 1:16.01

4X100-METER RELAY

- 1. Uxbridge, 53.65
- 2. Millbury, 54.00
- 3. Quaboag, 56.54
- 4. Auburn, 56.86
- 5. Grafton, 56.96
- 6. Tantasqua, 57.49

4X400-METER RELAY

- 1. Millbury, 4:24.88
- 2. Uxbridge, 4:27.97
- 3. Grafton, 4:37.41
- 4. Tantasqua, 4:40.14
- 5. Auburn, 4:43.77
- 6. Leicester, 4:49.88

HIGH JUMP

- 1. Madison Cahill, Uxbridge, 5-00
- 2. Amelia Wright, Northbridge, 4-10
- 3. Lynnea Talbot, Tantasqua, 4-08
- 4. Mackenzie Falke, Tantasqua, 4-08
- 4. Mackenzie Breen, Grafton, 4-08
- 6. Kiarra Dorman, Quaboag, 4-06

LONG JUMP

- 1. Lauren Eddy, Grafton, 16-09.25
- 2. Madeleine Schleinitz, Uxbridge, 16-05.25
- 3. Obiamaka Igwenagu, Auburn, 16-02.25
- 4. Jennifer Cacciola, Northbridge, 16-02.00
- 5. McKenna Kennedy, Millbury, 16-00.75
- 6. Logan Prindle, Auburn, 15-10.25

TRIPLE JUMP

- 1. Lauren Eddy, Grafton, 33-03.00
- 2. Jennifer Cacciola, Northbridge, 32-05.25
- 3. Obiamaka Igwenagu, Auburn, 31-11.25



Three members of the David Prouty track team, including Alexis Gosselin, Faye Kuszewski and Hannah Rybicki compete in the one-mile event.



Kiarra Dorman of Quaboag leaps over the high jump bar en route to a sixth place finish.

- 4. Alyssa Kievra, Tantasqua, 31-07.00
- 5. Anna Breau, Uxbridge, 31-01.50
- 6. Logan Prindle, Auburn, 30-10.50
- 4. Gigi Lemay, Grafton, 85-10
- 5. Sarah Moughan, Leicester, 80-08
- 6. Giana Garille, Uxbridge, 79-06

JAVELIN

- 1. Madison Lucier, Auburn, 106-07
- 2. Allison Beaudoin, Tantasqua, 98-10
- 3. Sarah Price, Northbridge, 98-04
- 4. Kiarra Dorman, Quaboag, 95-10
- 5. Gigi Lemay, Grafton, 94-09
- 6. Madison Cahill, Uxbridge, 93-09

SHOT PUT

- 1. Molly Dewar, Grafton, 33-09.00
- 2. Adrianna Boshetto, Auburn, 31-05.50
- 3. Caitlyn Wilbur, Millbury, 29-08.00
- 4. Samantha Brady, Millbury, 29-05.50
- 5. Sarah Price, Northbridge, 29-05.25
- 6. Lyndsey Davolio, Millbury, 28-10.50

DISCUS

- 1. Molly Dewar, Grafton, 102-11
- 2. Samantha Brady, Millbury, 87-05
- 3. Adrianna Boshetto, Auburn, 86-03

UXBRIDGE — Just three days after competing in the 44th annual District E Dick Mulligan Girls' Class Meet at Shepherd Hill Regional High School on Saturday, May 14, the 12 Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) member schools brought their female track and field athletes to Uxbridge High on Tuesday, May 17 for the SWCL championship.

Grafton High, who finished third in District Class B, outlasted the competition to win the SWCL meet. Auburn High, which won Class B, finished second at SWCL while Uxbridge High took third in both Class C and SWCL.

The team and individual top six results from each SWCL event are as follows. The top six performers gained points (10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1) for their respective team.

TEAM RESULTS

- 1. Grafton, 125 points
- 2. Auburn, 92
- 3. Uxbridge, 82
- 4. Millbury, 65
- 5. Northbridge, 56
- 6. Tantasqua, 45
- 7. Quaboag, 15
- 8. Leicester, 12
- 9. David Prouty, 4

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

100-METER DASH

- 1. Meaghan Kelley, Tantasqua, 13.39
- 2. Alicia Palmer, Grafton, 13.43
- 3. Danielle Healey, Uxbridge, 13.54
- 4. Obiamaka Igwenagu, Auburn, 13.62
- 5. Madison Cahill, Uxbridge, 13.70
- 6. Kiarra Dorman, Quaboag, 13.80

200-METER DASH

400-METER DASH

- 1. Jennifer Cacciola, Northbridge, 1:02.27
- 2. Madison Wilson, Millbury, 1:03.18
- 3. Peyton Walker, Grafton, 1:03.53
- 4. Shannon Reno, Millbury, 1:05.34
- 5. Gigi Lemay, Grafton, 1:06.42
- 6. Abby Baer, Auburn, 1:07.23

800-METER RUN

- 1. Sam Carroll, Grafton, 2:26.31
- 2. Andrea Bolduc, Auburn, 2:32.62
- 3. Lauren Anderson, Grafton, 2:34.68
- 4. Keryn Reno, Millbury, 2:37.45
- 5. Liz Anusauskas, Auburn, 2:38.66
- 6. Keira Bergeron, Tantasqua, 2:39.15

ONE-MILE RUN

- 1. Sam Carroll, Grafton, 5:22.30
- 2. Sarah Cavanaugh, Auburn, 5:29.37
- 3. Andrea Bolduc, Auburn, 5:40.26
- 4. Sarah Johnston, Uxbridge, 5:49.81
- 5. Alyse Carpenter, Leicester, 5:54.84
- 6. Kelsey Reno, Millbury, 5:57.31

TWO-MILE RUN

- 1. Sarah Cavanaugh, Auburn, 12:27.59
- 2. Liz Anusauskas, Auburn,



A Leicester athlete takes off out of the blocks to open the 4x100-meter relay event.



Quaboag's Heather Fontaine competes in the one-mile event at the SWCL track and field championship.

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ATHLETE of the WEEK

Quaboag boys' track and field team

At the Southern Worcester County League championship meet, held May 18 at Uxbridge High, the Cougars finished in fourth place as a team. Max Heaton (two-mile, 10:24.58), the 4x100-meter relay team (45.08) and the 4x400-meter relay team (3:50.62) all won their respective events.

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SPORTS

Undefeated Bay Path baseball clinches league championship

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — All season long the Bay Path Regional varsity baseball

team has been checking off goals they had set for themselves. First, the Minutemen won the Rotary Cup, a four-team tournament over

April Vacation. Then, Bay Path's 10th victory clinched a spot in the Central Mass. Division 3 district tournament.

The Minutemen's most recent accomplishment was 19 years in the making. Following a 7-3 victory over the Advanced Math and Science Academy (AMSA) on Thursday, May 19, Bay Path improved to 17-0, including a 13-0 mark in Colonial Athletic League (CAL) play. All other CAL teams have at least three defeats, and with two CAL games to go, the league championship belongs to Bay Path.

"Best feeling in the world," said Bay Path's Mark Sansoucy, now in his 18th year serving as head coach. "Since Bay Path's been in the Colonial League, they were co-champs in 1997 with Worcester Voke and this is the first time they've won it outright."

The Minutemen, ripe with nine seniors on its roster, have been dreaming about a league championship for quite some time, according to seniors Tucker Hetherman and Jeremy Ravidou.

"We all knew this was our last year to do something," explained Hetherman. "We've played together since we were freshmen and we knew we had to come out strong and we did. This is our time."

"It's just a great feeling," added Ravidou. "Every year it's just BVT [Blackstone Valley Tech] and Worcester Voke and we're just sick of that, to be completely honest. Even during football season we were talking how

we had nine seniors and we couldn't wait for baseball season."

Hetherman shook off a slow start on the pitcher's mound and fired a complete game five-hitter, allowing three runs — one earned — with nine strikeouts and no walks. He retired the final 14 AMSA batters he faced.

"I think he was just over-amped and finally when he settled down he pitched the way he can always pitch," Sansoucy said of Hetherman settling in after surrendering a run in the top of the first inning and two more in the third. "He was in complete control once he got his composure."

"Once I see everyone playing well I gain confidence and end up pitching better," added Hetherman.

Although AMSA grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first inning, Bay Path responded with a run of its own in the home half of the frame. With the bases loaded, Ryan Fahey (2 for 4) plated Spencer Natale (2 for 3) with an RBI single.

The Minutemen then enjoyed a five-run second inning to jump ahead, 6-1. With the bases loaded Devon Levesque drove in Nick Trinqué with an RBI infield single. Hetherman followed with an RBI groundout, scoring Brandon Aviles, before Ravidou (2 for 4) smacked a single into left field that zoomed past the AMSA third baseman's glove, which plated two.

"It was right down the middle and he left it there, so I just took advantage," Ravidou said of the eventual game-winning base



Spencer Natale of Bay Path bunts his way onto first base in the bottom of the second inning.



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Tucker Hetherman pitches to the Advanced Math and Science Academy, a 7-3 Minutemen victory that clinched a Colonial Athletic League championship.



Bay Path's Devon Levesque swings away during a 7-3 victory over the Advanced Math and Science Academy.

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Christian Keeler finished the second inning by reaching on an error, which scored Ravidou.

After AMSA got two runs back in the top of the third, Hetherman found his groove and pinch hitter Adam Grzyb had an RBI single in the bottom of the sixth to account for the 7-3 final.

Although they didn't tear the cover off the baseball, the Minutemen showed the mark of a champion by rallying and scoring enough runs to win.

"We've done that in a few games," explained Sansoucy. "We really didn't hit but they're finding a way to win. I think that's part of being a good team."

"We're very resilient," added Hetherman. "If we go down three runs, two runs [or] one run, we always come back the next inning."

Ravidou added, "We never really stay down on ourselves for too long. We just come together as a team and pull it out."

Following a subtle on-field celebration following their league-clinching victory, Natale asked Sansoucy to take a picture in front of the double rainbow perched over the left field horizon. Meanwhile, a few Minutemen grabbed the water cooler from the dugout and drenched their coach.

"They set me up, they did a good job," chuckled Sansoucy.

Bay Path hopes for more celebrations, though. One victory over their final three regular season games — to be played after press time — will ensure the best record in school history. The State Vocational Tournament and CMass. D3 district tournament will follow.

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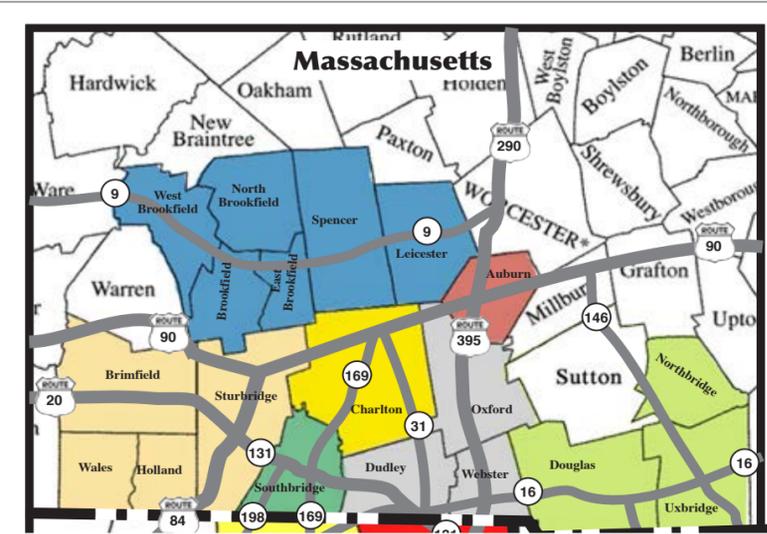
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SPORTS

Cougar baseball beats nearby North Brookfield



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Quaboag's Brannon McMullen drives in two with a single to left field.

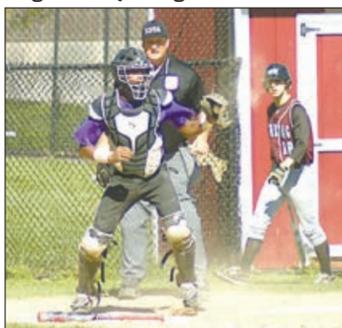
WARREN — Last Wednesday, May 18, the Quaboag Regional varsity baseball team hosted nearby North Brookfield High in an interleague matchup. The host Cougars clawed their way past the Indians, 18-4, for the Senior Day victory. Quaboag improved to 3-10, while North Brookfield dropped to 0-13.



Royal Standish of North Brookfield swings and singles to start the fourth inning.



Lefty Brady Shipman of North Brookfield ends the third inning versus Quaboag with a strikeout.



Above: Tyler Wade of Quaboag finishes a slide-in second inning triple versus North Brookfield.

At left: North Brookfield catcher David Rumph tags home plate for the force out.

At right: Quaboag's Zack Barrett got the start on Senior Day as the Cougars defeated North Brookfield, 18-4.



HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

May 16 Tantasqua 4, Leicester 3 — Abby Stansky went 3 for 3 at the plate for the Warriors' softball team, belting two homers and driving in all four Tantasqua runs while pitcher Abby LaFountain scattered five hits to preserve the victory.

For Leicester, Kiley Hennessey and Meg Steiger both hit solo homers in the top of the seventh inning to inch closer, while Caitlin Kemp went 2 for 3 and Hannah Wickson pitched a four-hitter.

Tantasqua 3, Leicester 2 — Curt Allen (No. 1 singles), Jared Worth (No. 2 singles) and Sam Currier/Noah Scott (No. 1 doubles) all won their respective matches to help the host Warrior boys' tennis team to victory, as they improved to 8-3.

The Wolverines dropped to 7-3, but Trevor Goodwin (No. 3 singles) and Trevor Mott/Harsh Patel (No. 2 doubles) earned points.

Leicester 3, Tantasqua 2 — In a close matchup, the host Wolverines edged the Warriors in a girls' tennis match. Leicester (9-1) earned its points from Grayson Lacroix (No. 1 singles), Jacqui Robidoux (No. 3 singles) and Hannah Brown/Leah Perna (No. 2 doubles).

For Tantasqua (5-8), Morgan Mascolo (No. 2 singles) and Kristy Zhang/Rebekah Bennett (No. 1 doubles) won their respective matches.

May 17 Tantasqua 4, Hudson 1 — The Warrior boys' tennis team picked up its ninth win of the season, improving to 9-3, after defeating the visiting Hawks. Curt Allen (No. 1 singles), Aaron Inthirath (No. 3 singles), Andrew Umanzor/Jared Worth (No. 1 doubles) and Sam Currier/Noah Scott (No. 2 doubles) all produced victories for Tantasqua.

Tantasqua 16, Nipmuc 6 — Cami Hall (4 goals), Grace McHugh (3 goals, 4 assists), Kelly Austin (3 goals) and

Joanie Howland (2 goals) all produced multiple-goal efforts to lead the visiting Warrior girls' lacrosse team to victory. Cassie Arpin, Rachel Godek, Rachel Hayden and Sharlette Laporte also scored for Tantasqua (9-5), while goalie Chloe O'Brien turned aside 10 shots.

May 18 Tantasqua 5, Southbridge 0; Tantasqua 5, Southbridge 0 — Michael Herrmann and Aaron Inthirath won a pair of singles matches for the Warriors when the boys' tennis team hosted the Pioneers in a doubleheader, and Tantasqua gained points in the No. 3 singles slot due to forfeit.

Andrew Umanzor, Zach Merow, Noah Scott, Hayden Peterson, Jared Worth, Bobby Moseley, Sam Currier and Luke Hall all won as parts of doubles teams, as the Warriors improved to 11-3.

Tantasqua 18, Southbridge 0 — Emily Blanchard pitched a three-hitter for the visiting Warrior softball team, while Kelsey Emrich drove in four runs, Sarah Harlinski drove in three and Lindsey Zak batted a perfect 4 for 4.

Tantasqua 4, Southbridge 1; Tantasqua 4, Southbridge 1 — As part of a girls' tennis doubleheader, the Warriors defeated the Pioneers by the same score. Elise Hanks-Witaszek (No. 1 singles), Morgan Mascolo (No. 2 singles), Rebekah Bennett/Kristy Zhang (No. 1 doubles) and Victoria Kirkland/Sarah Scott (No. 2 doubles) all won twice for Tantasqua (7-8), while Tori Trifone won twice in the No. 3 singles slot for Southbridge.

May 19 Tantasqua 12, David Prouty 0 — Behind Kendra Salviuolo's and Emily Blanchard's 4 for 4 days at the plate, the visiting Warrior softball team defeated the Panthers in five mercy-rule shortened innings. Blanchard, Kelsey

Emrich, Jillian Dunn and Lindsey Zak each drove in a pair of runs, which backed the three-hit and seven-strikeout pitching of Abby LaFountain.

The victory was Tantasqua's 10th, which qualified them for the Central Mass. Division 1 district tournament.

Tantasqua 14, Hopedale 1 — Grace McHugh racked up five points (3 goals, 2 assists) en route to the visiting Warrior girls' lacrosse team defeating the Blue Raiders. Camie Hall, Kelly Austin and Brooke Galonek all scored two goals, while Sam Muir, Autumn Vadenais, Joanie Howland, Meaghan Lowell and Claire Matlak also scored. Tantasqua is now 10-5.

Tantasqua 4, David Prouty 0 — Curt Allen and Aaron Inthirath won at the No. 1 and No. 2 singles slots, respectively, while the No. 3 singles game was rained out as the host Warrior boys' tennis team (12-3) defeated the Panthers. Tantasqua's doubles teams of Andrew Umanzor/Jared Worth and Sam Currier/Noah Scott also won.

Tantasqua 3, David Prouty 0 — Playing at home, the Warrior girls' tennis team evened their record to 8-8 after defeating the Panthers. Elise

Hanks-Witaszek (No. 1 singles), Morgan Mascolo (No. 2 singles) and Victoria Kirkland/Sarah Scott (No. 2 doubles) all won for Tantasqua, while Rebekah Bennett/Kristy Zhang (No. 1 doubles) were leading before the match got rained out. The No. 3 singles matchup was also rained out and never began.

May 20 Tantasqua 8, Oxford 5 — Lindsey Zak hit a pair of triples and drove in four runs for the visiting Warrior softball team, while Kendra Salviuolo was 2 for 4 with a pair of RBI. Emily Blanchard scattered four hits and struck out seven in the win.

May 21 Tantasqua 7, Leicester 4 — The Warriors' Emily Blanchard hit a grand slam to break a 3-3 tie in the top of the seventh inning to lead Tantasqua over the Wolverines and to the Southern Worcester County League West Division crown. Teammate Kelsey Emrich was 3 for 3 and Jillian Dunn was 3 for 4, while Abby LaFountain scattered six hits and struck out 11.

For Leicester, Kiley Hennessey hit a homer in the bottom of the seventh and Ally Crowley was 3 for 4 with an RBI.

Motorist donations making a difference

Courtesy photos

SPENCER — On Saturday, April 30, on what turned out to be a gorgeous spring day, the DPHS Athletic Boosters were reassured that there are in fact hundreds (if not thousands) of caring and generous folks out there! Athletic Booster Club members, Coaches, Teachers and community volunteers stood in traffic in down-town Spencer to collect donations from drive-by donors during their annual fundraiser "Toll Booth".

Manned with buckets, helmets and bright green vests, the Boosters and their volunteers took a stand at two locations on that marvelous morning, the first at the intersection of Main Street (Rt. 9) and Pleasant Street (Rt. 31 N) and the second at the Spencer Transfer/Recycling Center off of South Spencer Road. Donations of all sorts from a few pennies up to a \$50 bill, (dropped in by Young's Tree Service) found their way into the big orange buckets!

The final/official fund raising tally was just a few dollars short of \$3,000, proving once again that we have some fine and generous people among us and that the Boosters efforts were well worth every cent! All the proceeds collected during this event benefit the David Prouty High School Athletes and their teams. Thanks to hard work and commitment to these fine student athletes, the mission will

continue. Over the last five years or so the Booster club has awarded well over \$50,000 in Gifts, Scholarships and other financial support that benefits the student athletes and their programs.

The Booster Club members and their families would like to thank all of the wonderful people that helped make this event possible, especially Adam Gaudette and the Town of Spencer, Chief Darrin at SPD, Mrs. Higgins and her Graphic Arts class at DPHS for making our "Thank you" tickets, the Spencer Fire Dept. for loaning us road cones, the Spencer Exchange Club for lending us equipment, the DPHS Coaches and of course to the community that took a few seconds to reach deep into their pockets and ashtrays to drop a few cents or several dollars into the Booster buckets.



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SPORTS

Raising the bar: Donahue helps local student-athlete soccer players grow

BY GREG BARLOW
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Transitioning from the role of head coach of the men's soccer team at Becker College to managing the David Prouty High boys' soccer program, Tim Donahue's coaching style has remained consistent, implementing the same drills and tactics regardless of the varying skill levels of his student-athletes.

However, he's learned to adapt his coaching

philosophy to best fit his squad. Working with young student-athletes for 17 years, Donahue has always had one goal when it comes to coaching: make the team better than how he found it.

"Talking about the level you're playing at and the ability of the players you have—I hate to lose, but the definition of winning and losing definitely changed for me going from the college level to junior varsity and varsity high school

soccer in a rural league," said Donahue. "From NCAA Division 3 to the SWCL is a big change. Philosophically, the winning team is every kid getting something better than what they started with at the beginning of the season—develop mentally, physically and understanding the game and how it relates to their lives."

Growing up locally in the Cherry Valley part of Leicester, Donahue was one of the few stu-

dent-athletes from the area to go on to play at the collegiate level. Attending Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I., he was a four-year member of the men's soccer team from 1991-95.

Donahue was a forward/midfielder for the Seahawks and won the Offensive Player of the Year accolade during his junior year. He notched 10 goals and 13 assists that season.

Upon graduating, Donahue began his coaching debut part time at a basketball camp hosted by Clark University. In the early 2000s, he returned to his stomping grounds and served as a volunteer coach for Leicester High. There, he spent three years working the girls' basketball and softball programs.

Work brought Donahue to Becker College, where he was an Assistant Director of Admissions and head coach of the men's soccer team. Donahue took over the program after a year when the Hawks went 1-15 overall in the prior season. From 2004-2006, he turned the program around, posting an 11-32-8 overall record during his tenure.

Nearly doubling the size of the roster in his first year as head coach (22 student-athletes compared to 12 in 2003), Donahue most vividly remembers his 2004 recruiting class. During that season, Becker took down the No. 8 nationally ranked powerhouse, LaSalle College, 3-2.

Leaving Becker for the opportunity to be the Director of Admissions at Anna Maria College, Donahue left the men's soccer program in better standing than he began. The 2007 and 2008 seasons (which had players Donahue recruited on the roster) are still the two best seasons marked in the Becker men's soccer program history.



Courtesy photo

Former Becker College and David Prouty High soccer coach Tim Donahue.

players' motivation, passion and group cohesion.

During his 2015 season, the Panthers went 3-13-1 overall, producing more wins than in previous seasons. Without a junior varsity development program, he had many young players on the team who were strategically given opportunities to compete in varsity action throughout the season.

In these moments, Donahue recalls times when teams who had crushed his squad 7-0 in the previous contests were now tied, 0-0, at half-time. His team was playing at the same level of intensity and keeping up with strong opponents like Grafton High at a time when the Indians were 9-0 on the season. Although his team didn't end the season with many victories, they learned to play with adversity and a "never quit" attitude.

With the record aside, Donahue believes he was able to instill the passion for soccer within his student-athletes that went further than the soccer field.

"Having the kids find the balance through sport is very important," said Donahue. "We're not doing this to be professional soccer players. We're giving 100 percent every day because that's what you do with something you're passionate about. That to me is the most important thing. That part of life doesn't get hammered home enough with kids. If you're going to do something extra in life, then be passionate about it and want to be your best at it."

Once again, Donahue has had to leave his team due to work demands, but he feels he's left it better than he found it. During the 2016 season, you may see Donahue making a local coaching appearance in Southern Worcester County League action.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Kettle Brook Golf Club — Kettle One League Week Four Results

May 18
First place: Jack Lacroix and Dave Lussier, +9
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Ages 7-10, Half Day, 9 a.m. to noon, \$131
Ages 8-14, Full Day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$200

Teams are also welcome to attend and receive a week of focused instruction to prepare them for the fall season — Team Camp Rates are available. Please contact your local Challenger representative listed below.

Each camper will receive a free camp T-shirt, a free Soccer Ball, free Soccer Poster and a personalized skills evaluation just for singing up. Every child that registers online at Challengersports.com 45 days prior to camp will receive a free British Soccer Jersey (value \$39) shipped straight to their door.

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Wednesday, June 1: Beef and bean chili, brown rice, broccoli, fresh fruit, French bread.

Thursday, June 2: Pork Rib-I-Que, hot potato salad, corn niblets, mandarin oranges, hamburger bun.

Friday, June 3: cracker crumb fish, O'Brien potatoes, Tuscany style vegetables, brownie, diet-small serving, marble rye bread.

LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

The Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave., Leicester, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch is served at noontime, Monday through Friday for a nominal meal donation of \$2.50. Reservations must be made 48 hours in advance by calling Elder Services of Worcester Area at 508-852-3205.

In addition to many "Special Events," the senior center also offers many activities that are repeated each week and are open to all.

- Mondays — 9 a.m., Art with Genevieve; 10 a.m., Zumba Gold; 11 a.m., Yoga; 1:15 p.m., Line Dancing
- Tuesdays — 11:30 a.m., Golden Needles; 1 p.m., Exercise Club; 6:30 p.m., Fiber Group
- Wednesdays — 1 p.m., Balance
- Thursdays — 10 a.m., Cribbage; 11 a.m., Yoga; 12:45 p.m., Bingo
- Fridays — 10:30 a.m., Tai Chi; 1 p.m., Chair Yoga by Jessica
- Saturdays — 7 p.m., Pitch Party

UPCOMING TRIPS

Call Joan Wall at 508-892-3967 for more information and reservation.

• North Shore Music Theatre, showing "Funny Girl." Lunch first at the Danversport Yacht Club. Wednesday, June 8, at 10 a.m. Cost is \$109

• Plymouth Getaway Tour: See Plymouth, cruise the Pilgrim Belle and lunch at the Hearth & Kettle. Thursday, July 7, at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$79.

• Gloucester Lobster Cruise & buffet. Thursday, Aug. 11, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$89.

• Ogunquit Play House for "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" and a lobster bake or BBQ chicken at Foster's,

Thursday, Sept. 8, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$139.

• Foxwoods Casino: Friday, Oct. 21, at 8 a.m. Cost is \$24.

• Pigeon Forge & The Smoky Mountains Show Trip (6 nights – 7 days) 6 breakfasts & 4 dinners. See the Titanic, 3 dinner shows, 1 evening show, one morning show, and more. Sunday-Saturday, Oct. 2-8. Cost is \$560, including tips.

• Indian Head Christmas Tour in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Includes buffet, welcome cocktail reception and open bar and Christmas show. Thursday, Nov. 10 at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$79.

NORTH BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

The North Brookfield Senior Center starts the New Year with some great news. We are now open five days a week! With new programs and popular events it's going to be a great year!

NEWS AND INFORMATION

The North Brookfield Senior Center is open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tri-Valley meals are served Monday, Thursday, Friday and home cooked meals from our Center Café on Tuesdays and Wednesday (suggested donation is \$3). Reservations needed at least a day in advance. Call (508) 867-0220.

The NB Senior Center also has a new Facebook page!

The North Brookfield Senior Connection, our monthly newsletter, is available free of charge at the North Brookfield Senior Centre, the North Brookfield Savings Bank, Christ Memorial Church, First Congregational Church, St. Joseph's Church, Hannaford's Supermarket, The Haston Free Public Library, the Town Offices at 215 Main St., Herard Lanes Community Room, and Hillside Meadows Community Room and can also be mailed free to your home by calling the Senior Centre.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Daily: Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Coffee available all day. Pitch and Cribbage all day until closing. Jigsaw table open. Puzzles available to take home.

• Monday: Line Dancing with J.P. (9:30 a.m.), Bingo (12:45-2:15 p.m.), free

refreshments following last call.

• Tuesday: Hannaford Bread Distribution (9:10 a.m.), Blood Pressure Clinic (10:30-11:30 a.m.) Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See menu for details.

• Wednesday: Corner Cafe: (9:15 a.m.), Free specialty coffee & baked goodies; Queen's Knitting Group (9:45 a.m.), Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See menu for details.

• Thursday: Breakfast with Bill (9 a.m.), Community Yoga (2:15 p.m.)

• Friday: Funday Fridays — See calendar above for special events

• Monthly Specials: Friends Meeting, March 14 (10:30 a.m.), COA Meeting March 14 (4 p.m.), Book Club March 24 (1:30 p.m.)

WEST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

The following is a schedule of events at the West Brookfield Senior Center:

• Mondays: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1:30 p.m., Yoga (drop in, \$5).

• Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., Wii; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Busy Bees knit and crochet.

• Wednesday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Veteran Agent Office Hours; 10 a.m., Blood Pressure (second Wednesday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Pitch.

• Thursday: 8:30 a.m., Tai Chi; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1 p.m., Genealogy (second Thursday).

• Friday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Coffee Hour (third Friday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:45 p.m., Duplicate Bridge.

SPENCER SENIOR CENTER

The Spencer Council on Aging activities at the Spencer Senior Center. The senior center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Free Blood Pressure Clinic on the last Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

Free wellness clinic on the second Thursday of the month for Spencer residents only.

• Monday: 9:30 a.m., Cribbage, cost is \$1; 12:30 p.m., Pitch \$3

• Tuesday: 9:30 Yoga (Free); 10:30 a.m., Exercise class (Free); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1 p.m., Bingo

• Wednesday: 10 a.m., Computer instruction by appointment; 11 a.m., Tai Chi (Free); 12:30 p.m., Line Dancing (Free); 1:30 p.m., Beginners Line

Dancing

• Thursday: 9:30 a.m., Yoga (Free); 10:30 a.m., Exercise class (Free); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1 p.m., Bingo

Wellness Clinic Second Tuesday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

BP Clinic last Thursday of the month.

• Birthday cake the second Tuesday of the month from Quaboag on the Common.

BROOKFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING

• Tai Chi: Join in the classes which continue to meet every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Brookfield Town Hall.

• Medi Car: Call the West Brookfield Senior Center at 508-867-1407 if you need transportation to a doctor's appointment. The Medi Car will also bring you home.

• Use of Laptop at Library: The COA has purchased a laptop that is available for use by Senior citizens at the Merrick Public Library anytime during the library's regular open hours. Tutoring is available, too.

• Brookfield Food Pantry: Open Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the basement of St. Mary's Church, located at the rear of the building off Howard St. The library is also a drop off point for donations to the Brookfield Food Pantry.

• Library Delivery Services: available on Fridays (Friends of the Library). Call 508-867-6339.

EAST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Would you like a day of fun? Come on down to the East Brookfield Senior Center! It is opened at 9:30 a.m. for a free coffee and muffin, lots of friendly conversation and laughs.

We need your participation and ideas. Enjoy a card game, cribbage, coloring in an adult coloring book or do a puzzle. Do you prefer knitting, crocheting or embroidery? Bring it down and share patterns. Would you like to do some creative writing or memoirs? You could also learn a new game. Try it – you might like it.

Opened first, third and fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A Tri-Valley lunch is available for \$3 (call Ginny Allen at 508-867-2741 for reservations). A terrific home cooked luncheon is available for \$4 the fourth Thursday of each month (call Judy Shute at 508-867-9224).

Special Olympians get strong support from North Brookfield PAC

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

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Olympians were honored at a dinner and awards ceremony at the school. Organizers were thrilled with the more than 200 people who attended that event, which they hope will become an annual program to support the PAC.

"A lot of these kids weren't able to play on sports teams in the past, and we wanted them to have the chance to compete," said Katie Griffin, the president of the North Brookfield Special Education PAC. "We thought it was important to have an event recognizing everything these kids have accomplished."

This year's team name was the Running Rascals, a group of 35 students from North Brookfield who have taken part in several track and other competitive activities. After the event at Quabbin Regional High School, each student

received a medal for their participation.

Of course, the program never would have been possible without commitments from staff and parent volunteers. It took a lot of planning and effort to organize all of the events, but seeing the kids' joy as they competed was worth every minute.

"It was great to see kids who didn't always have an opportunity to play on a team get to do this," said Anna Adams, a district paraprofessional who serves on the Special Education PAC.

PAC members and other volunteers were on hand to run the awards dinner on May 12. A number of additional fundraisers have been held to support the Special Olympians, including mother-son and father-daughter dances.

And the community has been very supportive of the PAC throughout its first year, mem-

bers said. North Brookfield High School teachers and students got involved as well, volunteering at the awards dinner and other events.

Special Olympics leaders have received significant support as well, especially from the Special Education PAC. Members have been thrilled to see participation increase.

"We started out with four kids, and it has blossomed to 37 kids," said Gail Miller, a co-captain of the North Brookfield Special Olympics chapter.

To learn more about the North Brookfield Special Education PAC and its programs, visit www.facebook.com/nbspedpac.

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Members of the Running Rascals prepare to embark on their parade on May 13.

This and that

This is probably our busiest time of the year. In addition to our regular coin shows and monthly online coin auctions, there are always those "out of the blue" surprises that continue to amaze us.

We recently had a coin show up at a show in Norwich, Conn., that took my breath away. It was found in a \$30 box of "foreign" coins bought many years ago. The man was cleaning up a closet when he decided to re-examine the coins. At the time he did not think much about his bargain purchase. He found one coin that he didn't think was foreign; so he brought it to me to see what it was. Now, I'm not an expert in Colonial coins, but it looked like a genuine 1787 Clinton half cent, produced in New York state. I graded it a VF 30-35. The cost to ship it, insure it, and have it graded and certified was substantial, so, at my advice, he is going to show it to an EAC (Early American Copper) expert first. It would actually be cheaper for him to fly it out to Colorado himself...which he is contemplating if it is genuine. If it is deemed genuine, we'll get it certified and place



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into a national auction with an estimated value of \$250,000 to \$300,000.

Our appraisal day for the DAR in Sutton a few weeks ago went very nicely. The three of us (Bill Ekleberry of Spencer Country Auctions, Ron Goodrich of Northeast Collectibles, and myself) appraised, antiques, collectibles, art, coins, currency, stamps, postcards, and other ephemera. As we usually do, we only asked for gas money, and all proceeds went to the DAR's scholarship fund.

Onsite estate sales are very much in season. Folks often prefer to hold off on listing an inherited house (and its contents) until the spring. As a result we get quite a few calls asking us to appraise or sell the contents at onsite sales. Sometimes the owners plan ahead and contact us before the house is actually listed; sometimes they do so after it's listed but before an offer is made, and sometimes they wait until after an offer is accepted. It's these latter situations that create problems. Sometimes there's just not enough time for the amount of work

required or we don't have room in our Estate sale schedule. We have become a bit choosier in accepting onsite Estate sale jobs with short windows of time. However, that hasn't seemed to be a problem as we are currently booked through mid-July. We can always work in an estate if all/most of the items are going to auction or if the client only requires a cleanout. We can usually get those jobs done in one day.

We recently had an onsite sale in Charlton that included several quality furnishings. Some of the larger quality pieces did not sell so we have moved them to one of our storage areas and will be selling them off online by appointment.

We also bought the contents of a home on Webster Lake and will be selling those items onsite. In addition we did an appraisal of the contents of a Worcester home for Probate court proceedings. We also have three more estates — in Connecticut, Sturbridge and Spencer — that we either have contracts pending on or that we have to check out. Those sales are likely to occur in the second half of the summer.

Keep those questions coming and we will try to answer some of them in a future column.



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A Clinton half cent.

Contact us! Paul, CAI, GPPA: Grey Ghost Auctions & Appraisals, 508-943-6570, pwogie@charter.net; www.greyghostcorp.com; The author conducts certified coin and antique/collectible appraisals, on site estate sales, auctions, and cleanouts.

POLICE LOGS

The arrests and offenses below were listed in each town's police department logs. People charged are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. This newspaper will publish dispensations of cases at the request of the accused, with proper documentation.

LEICESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 11
10:28 a.m.: Larceny, Washburn Sq. Report taken.

May 12
10:44 p.m.: Fire, brush, grass, Pleasant St. Services rendered.

10:58 p.m.: Fire, brush, grass, Brown St. Services rendered.

May 13
11:42 a.m.: B&E motor vehicle, McCarthy Ave. Report taken.

3:37 p.m.: B&E Motor vehicle, McCarthy Ave. Report taken.

6:26 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, no personal injury, Main St Report taken.

May 14
5:42 p.m.: Shoplifting, Soojians Dr. Spoken to.

10:15 p.m.: Disturbance, Main St. Spoken to.

May 15
10:10 a.m.: Fire unauthorized burning, Harding St and Willow Hill Rd. Services rendered.

1:27 p.m.: Hazardous condition, Soojians Dr. Spoken to

1:42 p.m.: B&E Residential, Atwood Ter. Spoken to.

7:48 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, no personal injury Pine St. Vehicle towed.

May 16
11:02 a.m.: Vandalism, Main St. Report taken.

1:54 p.m.: Fire: brush, grass, leaves, Pleasant St Serviced rendered.

4:49 p.m.: Mutual aid, Spencer Fire Department., Services rendered.

10:16 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, o personal injury, Chapel St. Vehicle towed.

May 17
3:43 p.m.: Gunshots, Waite St Services rendered.

11:42 p.m.: Assist other police, Main and Paxton St's. Services rendered.

May 18
1:06 p.m.: Larceny, Henshaw St Report taken.

SPENCER POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 11
10:20 a.m.: Trespassing real property, Wall St. Male keeps coming to building.

10:52 a.m.: Disturbance, Main St. Roommate won't let him get belongings.

1:45 p.m.: Harassing phone calls, Kingsburt Rd. Spencer, Received IRS Scam Call.

3:34 p.m.: Larceny, Church St. Pair earrings missing from residence.

3:38 p.m.: Fraud=credit card/auto teller, West Main St. Card opened in subject name?

5:02 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, property damage, Maple and Chestnut/Adams St's. Spencer, Motorcycle accident with injury.

5:59 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, property Adams St. Stating, hit by vehicle.

6:07 p.m.: Suspicious motor vehicle, North Spencer Rd. At res/front door wide open

7:56 p.m.: Disturbance, Main St. Drunk male fell down stairs twice/disturbing.

11:46 p.m.: Disturbance, Cherry St. Party advised male party drunk in alleyway.

11:50 p.m.: Disturbance, Maple St. Party reports house playing drums for 2 weeks.

May 12
1:29 p.m.: Motor vehicle theft, West Main St. School bus stolen.

3:03 p.m.: Disturbance, neighbors, Shore Dr. Male party inappropriate behavior.

3:24 p.m.: Mutual aid, West Main St. BOLO from Marlborough PD.

3:57 p.m.: Request for police, Woodside Rd. Spencer, Reporting part to cart missing?

6:45 p.m.: Disturbance, neighbors, Wall St. Speaker outside loud music.

8:39 p.m.: Citizen complaint, Prospect St. Racing remote control card up/down street.

May 13
12:20 a.m.: Suspicious activity, motor vehicle Main St. Flagged down re flat-bed property.

9:02 a.m.: Disturbance, Maple St. Loud Music Blaring.

9:22 a.m.: Threats to kill, Main St. Request officer.

10:03 a.m.: Fire-woods/grass. Lames Gr. Ext'd a small fire on side of road.

4:30 p.m.: Disturbance, neighbors

Ashview Dr. Neigh Hitting golf balls into yard.

4:58 p.m.: Parking, Roys Dr. Black Chevy Cobalt parked for months.

10:30 p.m.: Disturbance, Neighbors, Main St. and Liberty Guest Main. Female won't turn TV down.

May 14
6:19 a.m.: Mutual Aid, West Main St. BOLO from Rutland PD.

9:40 .m.: Request for police, Wall St. Neighbor calling names: Threat to beat up.

11:30 a.m.: Request for police, Paxton Rd. Donation for USPS missing.

10:54 a.m.: Peeping Tom, North Spencer Rd. Party using phone to ape another.

3:30 p.m.: Suspicious activity persons, Main St. Male outside bothering customers.

5:03 p.m.: Larceny attempted, Bixby Rd. Garage door found open.

6:16 p.m.: Disturbance, neighbors, Mechanic St. Can anything be done about noise?

May 15
10:32 a.m.: Motor vehicle accident, property damage, North Spencer and Smithville Cross Rd/s. 2 Vehicles, no personal injury.

2:33 p.m.: DPW Call out, East Charlton Rd. and Ash St. Limb resting on wires p No sparks/fire.

2:59 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, property damage, Norrh Brookfield Rd., Spencer, Single car MVC/Everyone out of vehicle.

3:40 p.m.: MV Accident, property damage, Main St. 2 car MVE.

5:25 p.m.: Juvenile matter, ,Grove St. Party into lobby to Report incident.

10:13 p.m.: Request for police, Borkum Rd. Has issue with parents..

10:26 p.m.: Disturbance - Neighbors, Valley St. Neighbor making too much noise.

May 16
2:39 a.m.: Request for police, Chestnut St., Hears noises in bedroom.

8:42 a.m.: Request for police, Maple St. Out in area RE: recent calls.

10:46 a.m.: Citizen complaint, Main St. Putting dirty couches blocking sidewalk.

2:12 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident, property damage, West Main St. and South Spencer/Meadow Rd. No personal injury, at speedway.

2:18 p.m.: Vandalism Destruc/damage property, Mechanic St. Windows shot in Building.

2:53 p.m.: Animal control, Woodside

Rd. Bird flew in window on front porch.

4:52 p.m.: Fraud-Wire, Paxton Rd., RE Desk attempted to sell?

5:40 p.m.: MV Complaint, R Jones Rd. School Bus seeding/forced driver off roat.

8:02 p.m.: Fire woods/grass, Smithville Rd. Party burning logs.

9:04 p.m.: Suspicious activity person, Main St. Male stumbling into traffic.

May 17
3:26 p.m.: Disturbance, Main St. RE: Sister's Boyfriend at residence.

4:06 p.m.: Disturbance, neighbors, Wall St. Neighbor music so loud vibrating walls.

9:18 p.m.: Juvenile matter, Ash St. 15 year old, destructive/vocal.

12:48 a.m.: Police, West Main St. BOLO from Barre PD.

6:30 a.m.: Animal control, Charlton Rd. Saw black bear in some ones yard.

LEICESTER POLICE ARREST

May 12
Richard W. Turcotte, 32, 1 Male Glen Ln. Leicester. Fail to appear upon warrant DCKT recog.

May 16
Jonathan Velez-Hernandez, 37, 28 Ripley Worcester. Trespassing, Carrying dangerous weapon, Possess Class B drug, Straight warrant.

SPENCER POLICE ARREST

May 14
Matthew Buffone, 45, 143 Denison Hill Rd., Southbridge. Operating motor vehicle negligently to endanger, disturbing the peace.

Duane R. Stephens, 29, 102 Maple St. Spencer, Photo unsuspecting nude.

May 15
Kerry E. McAuliffe, 51, Homeless St., Worcester. Warrant.

May 16
Robert T. Rice, 64, 132 Smithville Rd. Spencer. Warrant.

Angel V. Viera, 44, 15 Maple St. Spencer. Operating under influence of Liquor, operating motor vehicle negligently to endanger, disobeying traffic sign, operating motor vehicle without license in possession, driving with open container of alcohol.

'He was somebody who was always smiling, an outstanding guy'

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not initially locate the suspect after clearing apartment unit 31 with tear gas and K9 units, a basement entrance led them to unit 33, whereupon Zambrano emerged from a second floor bedroom closet and opened fire on police.

A state trooper was shot in the shoulder during an exchange of gunfire that left Zambrano dead. The trooper, whose name was not released by press time, is a member of the Special Tactical Operations Team and a former Navy SEAL. State Police Colonel Richard McKeon confirmed that the trooper was ambulatory before being taken to the hospital to undergo surgery.

Upon investigation, police determined that the Oxford address where the shootout occurred is the residence of one of Zambrano's friends. His name was not immediately released, but police confirmed that the Infiniti SUV involved in the shooting was parked behind the building.

State officials commended all police agencies that collaborat-

ed to end a dangerous threat to the community. Zambrano had previously been convicted several times, police said, on drug and weapons charges. Most recently, he was arrested in April for driving with a suspended license, resisting arrest, and assault and battery on a police officer, officials said.

"I want to acknowledge all of the officers and agencies involved, including Auburn Police, Worcester Police, Oxford Police, the FBI, the Secret Service and the extensive assets of the State Police," said Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early.

Tarentino, a husband and father of three from Leicester, previously served on the Leicester Police Department before spending the last two years on the Auburn force. Residents and law enforcement officials from both towns lined Route 9 in Leicester last Sunday as Tarentino's body was transported to Morin Funeral Home.

Solidarity and support poured in through social media as well, with law enforcement officials and residents from across the state offering con-

dolences. In both Auburn and Leicester, devastated communities have banded together to mourn Tarentino's loss.

"He got along with everybody. He was somebody who was always smiling - an outstanding guy," said Auburn Police Chief Andrew Sluckis. "There is not a member of this department that didn't embrace him."

Police departments statewide came together over the last week to show support for Tarentino's family and the Auburn Police Department. From officers saluting from an overpass in Wellesley, to a motorcade of law enforcement personnel accompanying Tarentino's body to the medical examiner's office in Boston, to area police officers lining Route 9 in Leicester, everyone had Tarentino in their hearts.

"Words cannot adequately express our department's appreciation for the outpouring of support we have received after the tragic loss of Officer Tarentino," read a statement issued by the Auburn Police Department.

On Monday, May 23, Sen. Michael Moore joined Leicester



Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr., of Leicester, leaves behind a wife and three children.



Residents leave flags and flowers outside the Auburn Police station.

Police Chief James Hurley and Town Administrator Kevin Mizikar to present a U.S. flag to Leicester honoring Tarentino's service.

"Given the tragic events that have transpired within the last several days, the presentation of this flag bears special significance to area residents," Moore said. "Even during tough times, the spirit and unity of the community is captured by

our nation's flag." A memorial fund has been established to assist Tarentino's family. Donations can be made to Officer Ronald Tarentino, Jr. Memorial Fund, C/O Savers Bank, 38 Auburn St., Auburn, MA 01501.

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Keenan to step away from Leicester School Committee

ELECTION

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the high standards that the students and teachers of Leicester deserve," Keenan said.

First elected to the School Committee at just 19 in June 2013, Keenan became one of the youngest elected officials in the state. He was elected vice chairman of the committee in 2014 and served as chairman during this school year.

In November 2015, Keenan was one of

only nine individuals recognized by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees as an All-State School Committee member. With this honor, he became the youngest ever All-State member chosen by the organization.

Now Keenan is looking forward to the next chapter in his life, though he may eventually serve his town again.

"I've never intended to be a career politician, and though the decision was difficult, this feels

like the right time to step down," Keenan added. "I'm incredibly grateful to the people of Leicester for having given me the opportunity to serve, and I hope to be able to serve again in the future."

Keenan helped advance the district in a variety of ways during his term.

He was a leading voice for the abolition of the bus fee that had been in place for several years, which the school committee voted to eliminate last year.

Keenan also represented the district at the state

level, helping to lead a statewide movement calling on the legislature to fully implement the recommendations of the Foundation Budget Review Commission. Estimates indicate that Leicester could receive roughly \$700,000 in additional Chapter 70 funding if these recommendations were fully implemented, Keenan said.

Additionally, the outgoing chairman served on the subcommittee that has pushed for a new roof on Leicester High School. "Our district has quite

a few significant facilities needs, and it has been very rewarding to help address some of those through renovations, as well as through discussions of new school facilities," Keenan said. "I've always tried to focus on making sure our students have access to the same quality education that I received, and it has been incredibly fulfilling to play some small role in helping students recognize their full potential."

As Keenan departs, four candidates are vying for two school committee

seats up for grabs at the June 14 election. After everything Keenan did for the community, they know they have some big shoes to fill - and they shared their messages with residents at a May 19 debate at LHS.

Voters will pick two of the following candidates at the election: Gary Collette, Thomas Lauder, Joseph Patterson and Stella Richard.

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Friday, May 27

NORTH BROOKFIELD
Friday, May 27, Saturday, May 28 and Sunday, May 29, North Brookfield High School presents the musical "Footloose," in the North Brookfield Elementary School auditorium. Show times are 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens. Tickets can be purchased in advance by contacting 774-200-6015 or e-mailing dihinerth@nbschools.org.

Saturday, May 28

BROOKFIELD
The Brookfield Garden Club will be holding their Annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 28. The sale will be held on the Brookfield Common from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. near the gazebo. We will have hanging baskets, annuals, perennials and herbs as well as many contributions from our members' gardens, which will be marked and neatly potted. Please stop by, bring a friend and sign up to be a member if you'd like.

At 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, the Brookfield Memorial Committee will host a Bridge Dedication at the new Quaboag River (Rte 148) Bridge. The new bridge will be named Joseph F. Murray Memorial Bridge. Mr. Murray was a decorated Marine war veteran, longtime Brookfield police chief, who served on the Board of Selectmen and held seats on numerous committees.

State officials, including Sen. Anne Gobi and State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume are slated to attend the dedication.

The Brookfield Memorial Committee is fully funding this ceremony and related events. The group has also donated a granite bench in Mr. Murray's name to be placed on the viewing platform of the bridge. The Committee also plans to offer two educational field strip scholarships to Brookfield Elementary School students in Joseph Murray's name. The dedication ceremony and its related activities are funded by a successful fundraising event held last fall. This event marks the first time the town of Brookfield has dedicated a bridge.

Monday, May 30

SPENCER
The Memorial Day Parade will line up at 8:30 a.m. and start at 9 a.m., on May 30. Local groups and organizations are invited to participate in this year's parade. Those desiring to be in the parade are asked to contact James Letendre, Senior Vice Commander, Gaudette-Kirk Post #138, Spencer,

508-885-3730.

REGION
All SCM Elderbus offices will be closed on Monday, May 30, to observe Memorial Day.

Friday, June 3

WEST BROOKFIELD
Friday Night Special, Roast Pork Dinner — June 3, 5 p.m. until sold out. Take out only, Methodist Church, 33 West Main St., West Brookfield. Roast pork, baked potato, glazed carrots, roll, apple cake, \$9. Be on time — only 60 meals!

Saturday, June 4

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Saturday, June 18

WEST BROOKFIELD
The Annual Flea Market on the Common sponsored by The First Congregational Church of W. Brookfield is seeking vendors. The Flea Market will be held June 18th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the West Brookfield Common where average attendance is 1000 shoppers. 20x20 grassy spaces are available for \$35. This annual traditional event has something for everyone! Crafters, antiques, vendors, and those just cleaning out attics and cellars are all welcome to participate! Please call Terry at 508-867-4462 for a registration form. All proceeds from the rental of the spaces will go towards the Annual Washington DC Youth Mission Trip where 30 teens from our surrounding area work in soup kitchens and homeless shelters. Please support this worthy mission. Thank you.

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NORTH BROOKFIELD
There will be free weekly Parent/Child Programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North Brookfield. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at 508-885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettepc@hotmail.com.

The North Brookfield Historical Society Museum will be open from 9 a.m. to noon on the first and third Saturdays of the month through October. Special appointments will be arranged whenever possible. For details and updates, please visit <http://northbrookfieldhistoricalsociety.wordpress.com>.

WARREN
A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the Band or Musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www.emmanuelorthodox.org).

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Section B, Real Estate
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If you have any questions about these deadlines, please contact June at 508-909-4062 or email jsima@stonebridgepress.com

OBITUARIES

James M. Evans, 70



WEST BROOKFIELD — James M. Evans, 70, of Pierce Road, died Friday, May 20, at his home following a short illness.

He leaves his mother, Bertha E. (Hibbard) LeBlanc of North Brookfield; two brothers, Robert T. Evans and his wife Patricia of Linden, NJ, and Steven M. Regula of Cromwell, Conn.; nine nieces and nephews; and his long time good friend, Bernice Stone of Oakham.

He was predeceased by his sister, Caroline Willard in 1995. James was born in Ware, son of the late James P. Evans, and lived most of his life in West Brookfield.

James was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving during the Vietnam War.

Upon leaving the service, Jim worked as a heavy equipment operator for over 30 years, and worked many years

for Gagliarducci Construction in Indian Orchard. He was a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98 and was known for being a highly skilled operator of all types of large construction equipment. James retired in 2001, and enjoyed working in and outside his home, maintaining his property. He was also known for his wonderful gift of long conversation.

Funeral services will be held privately. Burial will be in Pine Grove Cemetery in West Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Notre Dame Hospice, 555 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA 01605. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting his family with arrangements.

Visit varnumfuneralhome.com.



SPENCER — Lorenzo L. "Lester" Forgit, 91, of Main Street and formerly of Rochdale died Thursday, May 19.

He leaves his wife of 67 years, Lorraine A. (Sorel) Forgit, three sons; Lester A. Forgit and his wife Susan of Worcester, Lawrence J. Forgit and his wife Claudia of North Brookfield and Lance E. Forgit and his wife Cindy of Sturbridge, four daughters; Linda Stanley and her husband Alden of Spencer, Louise Small and her husband Ed of Spencer, Lucille Newton and her husband Andrew of East Brookfield and Lisa Chaffee and her husband Herb of Brookfield, a brother Raymond Forgit of Orrs Island, Maine, 18 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two brothers; Arthur Forgit and Rev. Ambrose Forgit.

Mr. Forgit was born in Thompson, Conn., son of Arthur J. and Alice E. (Wellington) Forgit. He worked at Wyman Gordon Co. in Worcester as a die sinker for 44 years retiring in 1986. He proudly served his country during World War II, first as a seaman in the Merchant Marines, then for two years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member of the Worcester Men of Song. He enjoyed going to yard sales and tinkering around the house fixing things. He loved music and played the harmonica.

The funeral was held Monday, May 23, from J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a Mass in St. John the Baptist Church, North Brookfield Rd., East Brookfield. Burial with military honors followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A calling hour preceded the funeral from in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Sacred Heart Provincial Office, 77 Adams Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Visit www.morinfuneralhome.com.



Barbara Jane Gaudette, 89



SPENCER — Barbara Jane Gaudette, 89, died on Thursday, May 19, at Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center in West Brookfield.

She was born in Terryville, Conn., on June 5, 1926, the daughter of the late Albert and Irene G. (Throw) Krause.

Barbara is survived by her son Francis Marderosian & his wife Rita of Spencer; grandsons Jefferey Goodrow & his wife Maureen of North Brookfield, John Goodrow of Newburyport, Kevin Marderosian & his companion Sue Bodish of Sturbridge; son-in-law Jefferey Goodrow of Spencer; step-son William Gaudette of Spencer; 6 Great Grandchildren, Meagan Morin of East Brookfield, Zachary Marderosian of Spencer, Matthew Marderosian of Sturbridge, Jacob and Jarod Goodrow of North Brookfield and Jackson Goodrow of West Newburyport; her favorite nephew and niece, Ronald Krause and his wife Robin & their daughter Rebecca of Barre; Brenda Baker & her husband Garrett and their son Joe of North Brookfield. Special people in her life who she loved dearly: Heather Goodrow of West Newburyport, Brian, Jessica and Alex Bodish of Sturbridge and Kate Ostrout of East Brookfield.

She was predeceased by her first

husband Francis V. Marderosian in 1976 and her second husband Roland "Blackie" Gaudette in 2008; daughters Frances Marderosian and Jane I. (Marderosian) Goodrow; sisters Lorraine (Krause) Marderosian and Viola (Krause) Benoit; brothers Kenneth A., Douglas R. and Ronald E. Krause.

Barbara enjoyed going to Foxwoods, playing bingo and cards. She especially loved going out to eat with her family and friends.

We would like to thank the staff at Quaboag Rehabilitation on 3B for the wonderful care, love and compassion they gave to Barbara. We would also like to thank, Jessica McDonald her Social Worker, Donna Manduke, Unit Manger and Donna Robert Hospice Nurse from Overlook.

Barbara's love, devotion and friendliness that she gave to her family, friends and to all she met is a tribute to the sunshine of her heart and soul. Her loving presence and zest for life will be deeply missed by all those who had the opportunity to have known her.

Per Barbara's request, there will be no services. Donations may be made to Meals on Wheels or the "Activity Fund" at Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center 47 E. Main St. West Brookfield, MA 01585.

Pillsbury Funeral Home 163 Main St. Spencer is directing arrangements. Please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com.

Stella Veronica Jannette, 91

BARRE — Stella Veronica Jannette, 91, was called home to the Lord on May 20, after a short illness.

Born April 23, 1925, in Barre, she was the loving daughter of the late Beatrice and Joseph Jannette. Stella was the youngest of seven children and shared her mother's passion for singing classical music. She had a lifelong passion for reading and writing. Her beautifully composed cards and notes will be missed by all. An avid seamstress, Stella's custom clothing, drapes and upholstered furniture were popular with many friends and family.

Stella graduated from Barre High School in 1943 and began her career working in the family clothing business. At a young age, Stella and her sister Molly moved to Philadelphia, where Stella worked at Wannamaker's Department store. Stella and Molly later moved to Miami, where Stella worked for the exclusive Elizabeth Arden's of Miami and later for Mary Maytag McCahill at her religious shop, "The Key." In the early 1970s Stella and Molly moved back to the family home in Barre to care for their aging parents. Stella then worked part time in the

family businesses.

Stella leaves behind four nephews, George Crowley & wife Patricia of Farmington, Conn., Richard Crowley & wife Eileen of Monroe, N.J., Joseph Jannette and wife Anne of North Brookfield, Charles Mallozzi of Vero Beach, Fla.; many grand nieces and nephews and great grand nieces and nephews who brought so much joy to her life. Also, two devoted sister in laws, Clarice and Marion Jannette. Stella also leaves the love of her life, her cat Bella. Stella was pre-deceased by her six siblings, Armand, John, Rita, Mary, Albert and Molly, and her niece Colleen (Jannette) Sherman.

Relatives and friends paid their respects on Wednesday, May 25, in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 96 S. Barre Rd., Barre. A funeral Mass followed in St. Thomas A. Becket Church Vernon Ave. South Barre. At the request of the family, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St Francis Assisi Parish 398 Vernon Avenue S. Barre, MA 01074.

Please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com.

Lorenzo L. Forgit, 91

Bruce A. Hingston, 73

EAST BROOKFIELD — Bruce A. Hingston, 73, of Podunk Road died Thursday, May 19, in Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge after an illness.

He leaves his wife, Marion (Wakeen) Hingston of 52 years, two sons; Peter J. Hingston and his wife Jill of Pasco, Washington and Paul A. Hingston and his wife Laura of East Brookfield, 5 grandchildren; Allison, Reagan, Thomas, Sam & Sophie Hingston and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by a sister Anne Druyor.

Mr. Hingston was born in Worcester, son of John and Sybil (Perry) Hingston. He was a self-employed contractor

for many years before retiring. He enjoyed classic cars and trucks. He loved his East Brookfield community and enjoyed staying current on all of the towns happenings.

A graveside service in Evergreen Cemetery, East Brookfield will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to East Brookfield Ambulance Fund, P.O. Box 356, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing arrangements.

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Theresa B. Thayer, 88



NORTH BROOKFIELD — Theresa B. (Brunelle) Thayer, 88, of 25 Winter Street was called home by God and rejoins her husband of 64 years, Laurence E. Thayer (deceased 2009) on Wednesday, May 18.



Tessie leaves six children: Laurence A. of Spencer, Anna E. and her husband James A. (Lefty) Cullen of Northfield, Barbara E. and her husband Wayne Kennett of Charlestown, N.H., Deborah M. and her husband Douglas C. Morrison of New Braintree, Kevin Michael and his wife Lynette S. (Abraham) of South Paris, Maine, and Mary R. and her husband Mark R. Plankey of North Brookfield; two brothers Ernest C. Brunelle and his wife Marilyn of Oakham and Philip P. Brunelle and his wife Patricia of Worcester; 19 grandchildren, 34 great-grand children and 12 great-great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews. In spite of the chaos and confusion we can create when gathered together, we learned how to live, laugh and love from an amazing woman who made it look so easy. For that reason, we rise up and call her blessed!

We are given "a time to live" and Tessie lived her life in the fullness of love, joy laughter and exuberance. She was born in North Brookfield on April

12, 1928, and lived here all her life. She enjoyed the simple pleasures including sewing and cooking, but mostly her joy was complete when spending time with her beloved family and devoted friends. She attended North Brookfield High School, retired from the Woolen Mill in Ware, yet kept busy with the North Brookfield Historical Society, Senior Center, and she meticulously worked to keep yearly journals for her Class Reunions.

We are given "a time to die", which Tessie did peacefully with grace and dignity at home under the watchful care and in the loving arms of her family. She was predeceased by her parents Alfred J. & Anna A. (Beinerious) Brunelle; five of her brothers Alfred L. (Louis), Joseph C., John F., William R., Henry M.; five of her sisters Dorothy M. Brunelle, Albina A. Reynolds, Eva Moore, Marion F. Streeter, Elizabeth Ianniccheri; a daughter-in-law Carole A. (Meloche) Thayer; four grandsons Michael Laurence Lique, George Arthur Peck, Arthur Michael Peck, Phillip C. Crevier and a great-grandson Kevin Peck.

Calling hours were held Saturday, May 21, in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 44 Gilbert St., North Brookfield. The funeral for Tessie followed in the funeral home. Burial will be private for the family.

Donations may be made in her name to the North Brookfield Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 73, or to the Toys for Joy C/O the North Brookfield Police Dept. 55 School St. North Brookfield, MA 01535.

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UNION SAINT JEAN BAPTISTE, CHAPTER NO. 12

• July 24: "Sunday Afternoon at Tanglewood" 2:30 p.m. concert with reserved off-center seating in the Koussevitsky Music Shed preceded by a 12 noon Luncheon at the Red Lion Inn, Stockbridge. Conductor Juanjo Mena will lead the Boston Symphony Orchestra in music of Beethoven, Mozart and Ginastera with Veronika Eberle, violinist. Cost is \$124 per person including motor coach and all inclusive luncheon and concert. A budget payment plan is available. Departure: 9.00 a.m. from the RMV. LaRochelle Way, Southbridge, Limited number of tickets are available. Reservation deadline is July 20.

• Sept. 12-14: "Samson" a three-day excursion to Lancaster, Pa., and the Sight and Sound Theater. Motor coach transportation, casino bonus with lunch at the Sands Casino, 2 nights lodging at the new Double Tree Hilton in Reading, Pa. arrival dinner at the hotel, a wine and cheese reception, a musical show at the hotel, two complete breakfasts at the hotel, visit to Lititz for a Chalk Talk Show to learn about the lives of the Mennonite Plain People, Kitchen Kettle Village, orchestra seats for the Samson Performance with dinner at the Shady Maple Smorgasbord included. A visit to Longwood gardens as a journey homeward. Trip cost is \$475 p.p. dbl., including taxes and gratuities. Insurance and a budget payment plan are available. Departure is from a Southbridge location.

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

2016 TRIP SCHEDULE (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

• Thursday, July 21: Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise — \$90 gets you a cruise on Lake Winnepesaukee, lunch

at Hart's Turkey Farm in Meredith, N.H., and a visit to Castle in the Clouds.

• Thursday, Sept. 8: Gambling at Foxwoods — \$25 gets you a deluxe motor coach from the Southbridge Community Center to the Foxwoods Casino and a \$25 casino package subject to the casino. The bus will leave the Community Center at 8 a.m. I must have a minimum of 30 and money is due at time of sign up. You will need a current picture ID or player's card to get casino package.

• Oct. 10-17, 2017: Aruba — This is an all-inclusive trip. The price will be determined in December 2016. You will get seven nights at the Tamarijn in a deluxe ocean front room. All your flights, transfers, food, drinks, and snacks are included. Enjoy the beach all-day and free shows at night. You can also enjoy the casino nightlife in one of many casinos located nearby. A passport is required. This trip fills up fast so sign up as soon as you can. A \$300 deposit per person is required to secure your reservation. Deposit due at sign up.

• Thursday, Nov. 17: Gambling at Mohegan Sun — \$25 gets you a deluxe motor coach from the Southbridge Community center to the Mohegan Sun Casino and a \$25 casino package subject to the casino. The bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. I must have a minimum of 30 and money is due at time of sign up. You will need a current picture ID or player's card to get casino package.

Trips open to public. Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center, 153 Chestnut St., Southbridge, MA 01550, Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m., or call 774-922-4049, or e-mail me at jimtrips@yahoo.com.

STURBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

The Friends of Sturbridge Senior Center offers the following trips for 2016:

• Thursday, July 21: Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise and Castle in the Clouds. Trip includes cruise, lunch at Harts Turkey Farm and visit to Castle in the Clouds. Meal choices are Turkey, Broiled Haddock or Sirloin of beef. Price is \$91 per person.

• Wednesday, July 27: Cabaret Lulu presents The Melody Makers at Old Sturbridge Village. Lunch is at the Oliver Wight Tavern with a choice of Baked Haddock or Sage Chicken. Price is \$44.50 per person. Transportation is on your own.

• Wednesday, Sept. 7: Sightseeing Cruise aboard the Sea Mist around the Thimble Islands. Prior to cruise a meal at the Maritime Grille with choice of baked stuffed shrimp, baked scrod or chicken marsala. Heading home we'll stop at Lyman Orchards to shop. Price if \$75 per person.

• Wednesday, Oct. 5: Newport Playhouse and Cabaret Restaurant with buffet luncheon. Price is \$91 per person.

• Wednesday, Oct. 26: Cabaret Lulu at Old Sturbridge Village with the music of Hogie Carmichael, Louis Prima and Nat King Cole. Lunch is at the Oliver Wight Tavern with a choice of Turkey or Grilled salmon. The price is \$44.50 per person.

All bus trips leave from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Sturbridge. Times to be announced. Flyers are available at the Sturbridge Senior Center. Contact persons are Tina Galati at 508-347-9028 or Marcia Loranger at 508-347-9459.

CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

2016 Trips with Charlton Senior Center — Please call Elaine for more info at 508-248-2231. Sign-up sheets and flyers available at the Senior Center. Mail all payments to Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Charlton, MA 01507. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Please note the updated costs for the trips.

• Tour Essex, Gloucester & Rockport w/lunch at The Village Restaurant — July 20, \$70, includes transportation, tour guide and some gratuities, lunch at The Village Restaurant. Menu: New England clam chowder and rolls, along with a choice of the following three entrees — baked haddock, char grilled steak tips or oven roasted boneless chicken. After lunch there will be a 2-hour guided sightseeing tour. Photo stop at the famous Fisherman's statue. Time allowed to browse galleries and specialty shops. Monies due by June 1. Check payable to: Royal Tours.

• Thimble Islands Cruise & Maritime Grille — Sept. 7, \$75, includes transportation, lunch and sightseeing cruise with a stop at Lyman Orchards on the way home and taxes & gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

• Chocolatorium, Bennington Station Restaurant & Bennington Pottery — Oct. 19, \$71, includes transportation, demonstrations and tasting at the chocolatorium, lunch, visit to Bennington Pottery & taxes and gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

• Christmas Around the World w/ Dan Gabel & The Abletones at Chez Josef — Dec. 19, \$72, includes transportation, Big Band show, lunch, taxes and gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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

• Germany, Switzerland & Austria, including a Rhine River Cruise: Aug. 22 to Sept. 4, 2016

• America, Our Land: From Albuquerque to Tucson: May 22 to June 4, 2017

• Greece and the Islands: Sept. 14-26, 2017

• Alaska (land and cruise): June 27 to July 10, 2017

• Australia & New Zealand: Jan. 28 to Feb. 18, 2017

WEST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER: UPCOMING TRIPS

• The West Brookfield Council on Aging is sponsoring a trip to New York's Yankee Stadium where the Yankees will battle the Boston Red Sox on Saturday, July 16. The bus departs from the West Brookfield Senior Center, 73 Central Street in West Brookfield at 10 a.m., allowing for a lunch stop, which is on your own, and time to visit Monument Park and to view pregame warm ups. Game time is at 4:05 p.m. The total cost is \$109 per person, with \$50 deposit required upon sign-up and final payment of \$59 due by June 17. Checks are made payable to Fox Tours. Please call the West Brookfield Senior Center at (508) 867-1407 for more details.

• The West Brookfield Council on Aging is sponsoring a Narragansett Bay Lighthouse Cruise trip on Aug. 17. This trip features a full course luncheon at the Quonset Point Officer's Club with an entree choice of scrod or chicken, followed by a narrated Narragansett Bay tour on the Millennium Ferry. The bus departs the West Brookfield Senior Center, 73 Central Street in West Brookfield at 10 a.m., with a return time of 6 p.m. The trip cost is \$89 per person, with a \$40 deposit required upon sign up and final payment of \$49 due by July 20. Checks are made payable to Fox Tours. Please call the West Brookfield Senior Center at (508) 867-1407 for more details.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

The Daughters of Isabella proudly present 2016 Fantastic Worldwide Tours!

• May 31-June 2: Atlantic City Resorts Casino — Atlantic City's original casino! \$229. 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge, \$25 slot play/\$60 food credit/two Casino Revue shows. Right on the Atlantic City Boardwalk!

• June 12: Spirit of Boston Cruise — Beantown's best! Scenic harbor cruise and luncheon, \$82. 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster. Public gardens and swan boats, Quincy Market visit! Sail away, sail away, sail away...

• July 13: Lake Region Summer Theatre & Hart's Turkey Farm — "My Fair Lady," \$87. 8:30 a.m. Southbridge, 9 a.m. Webster. Fabulous show and lunch at Hart's!

• July 17-19: Pennsylvania's Grand Canyon — Exciting destination with great attractions! \$399. 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. Narrated Grand Canyon tour, four meals, Williamsport sightseeing tour, Susquehanna dinner cruise and more! The Grand Canyon awaits!

• Aug. 7: Newport Playhouse — Show and Lobster Fest special lobster feast! \$102. 8:30 a.m. Southbridge, 9 a.m. Webster. Terrific "Unnecessary Farce" show and cabaret. Lobster feast and Newport's best show!

• Aug. 21: Essex Steam Train & River Boat — Great summertime tour in Connecticut, \$92. 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster. Delicious luncheon, train ride and CT river cruise. Make tracks for the Essex Steam Train!

• Sept. 11-13: Atlantic City Resorts Casino — Atlantic City's original casino! \$229. 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 casino slot play/two buffets/casino revue show. Atlantic City! The shore thing!

• Sept. 21: Plymouth Whale Watch — Narrated whale watch cruise, \$89. 8 a.m. Southbridge, 8:30 a.m. Webster. Lunch at the Hearth & Kettle, visit to Plymouth Rock! Have a whale of a time!

• Oct. 2-8: Myrtle Beach — Showtime Deluxe Hotel, 12 Meals, three exciting shows, \$889. 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. Oceanfront room, wonderful shows and sightseeing! Hit the

beach!

For reservations on these exciting tours, please contact Jan Caouette at 508-887-2215. Please make checks payable to Bernadette Circle #709, and mail to Bernadette Circle #709, P.O. Box 201, Webster, MA 01570. The Daughters of Isabella is a non-profit and charitable Catholic women's organization!

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER/SUNSHINE CLUB

The Uxbridge Senior Center, in conjunction with the Sunshine Club, will be offering the following bus trips in 2016:

• Monday, June 6: Gloucester Lobster Bake Cruise, \$76

• Thursday, July 28: My Fair Lady at Interlakes Theatre/Meredith, N.H., \$74

• Monday, Aug. 15: Casco Bay Cruise, Portland, Maine, Bailey's Island, \$92

• Tuesday, Sept. 13: Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise w/buffet on boat, \$72

• Friday, Sept. 30: Day trip to Vermont for foliage viewing w/lunch, \$85

• Monday, Oct. 3 – Oct. 12: 10 Days – Scotland – Please Call Pam at 508-476-4474 for information.

• Monday, Oct. 10 – Friday, Oct. 14: Niagara Falls – 5 days/8 meals, \$489

• Sunday, Nov. 6 – Tuesday, Nov. 8: Villa Roma, all-inclusive – \$369.

• Monday-Wednesday, Nov. 28-30: White Mountain Hotel, North Conway, \$439

• Wednesday, Dec. 7: Newport Playhouse "Nana's Naughty Knickers," \$75

• Saturday-Monday, Dec. 10-12: NYC at Christmas with 9/11 Museum, \$339

There are still a few seats left for the Loretta Laroche trip in Stoneham on May 13 w/lunch at Polcari's. Come and enjoy a fun day out with lots of laughs! A new trip has been added on Sept. 30 – a day trip to VT for foliage viewing w/lunch for \$85! The "My Fair Lady" trip has been changed to July 28th by the theatre and the price is now \$74. Come and enjoy summer theatre in Meredith, N.H.!

Call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information on any of these trips. Remember the new parking spot is the Whitinsville Walmart.

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER: UPCOMING TRIPS

• Mount Washington Boat Trip: Thursday, May 26: Cost, \$56 per person.

• Essex CT Train & Boat Trip: Monday, June 20. Cost: \$75.

• Plymouth Ma Lunch & Waterfront Grill Trip: Wednesday, July 13, Cost: \$55.

• York Maine Lobster Bake at Fosters: Tuesday, Aug. 16, Cost: \$65.

For Additional trip information or reservations please contact us at 508-865-9247.

NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

Upcoming Day Trips: Please call ahead and soon to reserve your spot!

• June 9: Magic Wings And The Bridge Of Flowers: Tour of Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory & Gardens located in S. Deerfield, MA, then to the Bridge of Flowers in Shelburne Falls, and finally on to the Yankee Candle Company all via Deluxe Motorcoach transportation.

• June 15: Whittier Farms Senior Citizen Day: 10:30 a.m., we are invited to tour the farm and enjoy a cookout lunch. \$16 per person.

• July 13: Indian Princess Tour on Webster Lake. \$69 per person, board the modern day replica of the grand river boats, lunch at Point Breeze, and on the way home we will stop at Foppema's Farmstand for fruits and vegetables.

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The FINE Travelers Group presents two exciting bus trips this Fall:

1. Washington, D.C.: 4 Days/3 Nights, Sept. 9-12, \$369/DBL

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Details of these trips can be viewed at www.grouptrips.com/finetravelers Click on "Join This Tour". Or call the Sr. Center for more information.



Ad Libs by June

It's hard to believe that it's Memorial Day Weekend. Please take a moment this weekend to pause and remember those who've served our country, attend a local Memorial Day event, and wave your flag proudly. May God bless the families of all who have died in service to our country; especially at this time, the family of Officer Ronald Tarentino of Leicester. May they find comfort in the support of family and friends, and may Officer Tarentino rest in peace. "Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day, unseen, unheard but always near, still loved, still missed, and very dear." Author unknown.

Our Business Spotlight this week features REVIVAL ACADEMY OF DANCE of Rochdale. Read about Melissa Miller, owner and director of the dance academy, and her very impressive bio with over 40 years of dance experience! She invites you to join their OPEN HOUSE on Thursday June 9th & Friday June 10th from 6-8 pm, and for their GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION on Saturday June 11th from 9am-4pm. Welcome Melissa and REVIVAL ACADEMY OF DANCE to 1141 Stafford Street in Rochdale!

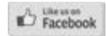
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The 20th ANNUAL MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY INTERNATIONAL BAZAAR, 60 Maple Street, Spencer, is coming up on Friday June 10th and Saturday June 11th in Spencer. Wow...I remember the first one! It's a great family event with delicious international food, a huge flea market, basket raffle (one of my favorites), 50/50 raffles, bouncy rides and games for the kids, and lots more. See the ad this week for free shuttle bus locations, and pray for nice weather!

THE WRITE STUFF for May is in this week's issue! Only one left this school year... June 17. Essays/poems/short stories deadline is Friday, June 10th!

Have a great week!

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RUTLAND
Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road, Rutland. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache

SPENCER
Bingo at the Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. Along with our regular games we feature two winner take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payout's of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available at Judy's Kitchen. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully

The VNA Care Network and Hospice is holding a free Keep Well Clinic to residents 60 and older from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Spencer Fish and Game Club on Mechanic Street. Local residents may have their blood pressure checked and learn about health concerns. Blood sugar, weight monitoring and other health assessments may also be available. VNA Care Network and Hospice clinics are funded in part by the United Way, local boards of health, private foundations. For up-to-date

EAST BROOKFIELD
The East Brookfield Baptist Church invites all senior citizens (ladies and gentlemen) to a Community Lunch at 11:30 a.m. every second Thursday of the month in Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be soup, sandwich and a light dessert. This will be followed by a time of fellowship and games concluding with a devotional just before 2 p.m. Reservations are encouraged. Call 508-867-7725.

Senate passes omnibus tobacco bill

BOSTON — Sen. Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) has announced that the Massachusetts Senate passed S. 2234, An Act to Protect Youth from the Health Risks of Tobacco and Nicotine Addiction, an omnibus bill that seeks to reduce tobacco use and nicotine addiction among youth. Among other provisions, the legislation will prohibit the sale of all tobacco and nicotine delivery products to individuals under the age of 21. The legislation received bi-partisan support, passing 32-2.

Gobi supported a military exemption amendment that would have allowed anyone 18 and older with a military ID to continue to purchase tobacco; however the amendment was defeated 19-14. Gobi also supported an amendment that would have allowed retailers within 3 miles of a state whose law is 18, 19 or 20 years of age to sell at that state's legal limit, but the amendment was also defeated.

"Massachusetts has made tremendous strides in reducing youth smoking and implementing policies that limit the harmful impacts of tobacco and nicotine use, including our new regulations to prevent the sale of e-cigarettes to children," said Attorney General Maura Healey. "Unfortunately, the tobacco industry continues to pose a serious public health risk to our residents. This legislation is an important step to further reduce nicotine addiction among young people."

"Tobacco kills more Americans annually than car accidents, alcohol, illegal drugs, murders, and

suicides - combined," said Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst). "That's why today the Senate took action to further curtail access to this harmful substance and reduce youth tobacco use. I hope other states around the country follow our lead, and I look forward to working with the House and Governor Baker to move this important policy forward."

Tobacco and nicotine use remains the leading cause of preventable illness and premature death in Massachusetts, requiring the Commonwealth and our residents to spend more than \$4 billion in healthcare related costs each year. Smoking practices begin at a young age; a 2015 report from the Institute of Medicine found that 9 out of 10 daily smokers first tried a cigarette before age 19. This omnibus tobacco bill was created to prevent teenagers from starting to smoke by removing sources of tobacco and nicotine delivery products from their reach.

The Commonwealth has collectively made progress in reducing rates of youth smoking; according to the Center for Disease Control, cigarette smoking among high school students in Massachusetts has declined from 21 percent in 2005 to 11 percent in 2013. However, the tobacco industry is changing and innovating, introducing new products and marketing strategies directed to appeal to youth. As a result, the Commonwealth now faces growing use by young people of other nicotine delivery products such as e-cigarettes; according to the National Youth Tobacco Survey, use of e-cigarettes among high school students has risen alarmingly from 2 percent in 2011 to 13 percent in 2014.

Worcester pediatrician Lynda Young, M.D., Chair of Tobacco Free Mass, said "We applaud moving this critically important bill forward. Enactment of this bill will be a giant step forward for public health, as it will have an immediate, positive impact on the well-being of our young people. We urge its quick passage by the legislature."

This bill also:

- Responsibly regulates nicotine delivery products such as e-cigarettes by prohibiting their use at schools, including vocational schools and technical institutes, and in any workplace;
- Requires child-resistant packaging for e-cigarettes;
- Prohibits tobacco vending machines;
- Prohibits the sale of all tobacco and nicotine delivery products in pharmacies and other healthcare institutions;

- Grants the Department of Public Health the authority to regulate new, emerging tobacco and nicotine delivery products; and,
- Requires the Center for Health Information and Analysis to study the current tobacco cessation benefits offered by commercial insurers, MassHealth, and the Government Insurance Commission to determine how these benefit levels compare to CDC guidelines and best practices.

These provisions were adopted into the omnibus legislation from eight specific tobacco-related bills that were heard by the Joint Committee on Public Health. The legislation will now move to the Massachusetts House of Representatives for consideration.

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We hope you'll join us again in June!

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Memorial Day
quiet, sad
celebrating, honoring, thanking
parades to remember soldiers
Special day
(Aaliyah)

Soldiers
brave, strong
loving, fighting, saving
they join the army to protect
Heroes
(Zayden)

Soldiers
smart, brave
fighting, protecting, saving
we thank them for protecting us
Soldiers
(Nicholas)

America
fun, exciting
playing, riding, learning
my family loves to live here
America
(Dalia)

Our Flag
stars, stripes
waving, remembering, honoring
we love our flag and country
Parade
(Valeria)

Soldiers,
brave, strong
watching, fighting, saving
they love and protect our country
Thanks
(Kaylee)

Soldiers
brave, helpful
marching, fighting, saving
they save America for us
Soldiers
(Patrick)

Our Flag
red, white, and blue
waving, pledging, honoring
see the flag flying everywhere
America
(Olivia)

Our Flag
colorful, bright
waving, pledging, saluting
red, white and blue on the flag-
pole
Our Flag
(Owen)

Soldiers
brave, determined
protecting, caring, helping
soldiers work hard to keep us
safe
Awesome
(Ryan)

Soldiers
helpful, caring
protecting, fighting, loving
see flags at the cemetery
Hero
(Parker)

Soldiers
brave, nice
running, fighting, saving
both men and women keep us
safe
Strong
(Dylan)

Our Flag
stars, stripes
blowing, flowing, showing
say the Pledge every day at
school
Remember
(Clara)

Our Flag
colorful, patterned
flying, honoring, blowing
I see stars and stripes flying
high
America
(Morgan)

Soldiers
interesting, helpful
watching, waiting, protecting,
they watch over our country
Soldiers
(Thomas)

Our Flag
stars, stripes
waving, reminding, honoring
it means we are free to play and
learn
Our Flag
(Elizabeth)

Soldiers
brave, smart
loving, helping, protecting
Marines, Air Force, Army,
Navy
Heroes
(Christopher)

Our Flag
red, white, and blue
waving, watching, blowing
I pledge allegiance at my school
Our Flag
(Meaghan)

Our Flag
red, white, and blue
flying, waving, reminding
it makes me think of the sol-
diers
Thanks
(Madelyn)

Memorial Day
quiet, special
marching, honoring, remem-
bering
a day to say thanks for all you
do
Heroes
(Nathan)

Our Flag
red, white, and blue
waving, pledging, honoring
it has 50 stars and 13 stripes
Our Flag
(Addison)

MOTHER
BY DEBORAH JM GREGOIRE-
LEFEBVRE, SOUTHBRIDGE, MA
My mother is someone I share
memories with,
Only with her is it so special,
The times we spent the entire
day shopping together,
Having fun travelling from
mall to mall.

Eventually going home once
the stores closed.
Realizing how the time just
flew by!

SPECIAL SUNDAY VISITS

BY EVA E. PERRON,
EAST BROOKFIELD, MA

It was many decades ago when my friend Gladys and I, as 8-year-olds, visited an elderly widow on the next street on Sunday afternoons. Her name was Sarah Lynch, and her husband died many years before from his injuries suffered in World War I. Her only baby died at childbirth; she was truly alone. We addressed her as Mrs. Lynch, but she preferred to be called "Sarah," much to the chagrin of our mothers, who insisted that we address our elders as Mr. & Mrs.

When we got to her house, she would give us 10 cents to buy a Milky Way candy bar; usually we bought it at Dumases Drug Store, and we would scurry back to Sarah's house and we'd play dominoes; she would slice the bar into 7 pieces. We each enjoyed two slices and the one left over, we would insist that Sarah ate it. She would compliment our "kindness."

During the game, Sarah's stories and proverbs always stressed the virtues of a happy life - honesty, compassion, generosity, etc., and a little did we realize that we were getting a "tune up" on our faith as we enjoyed our visits.

During Advent and Lent, we refrained from playing games on Sundays, and instead attended Holy Hour at St. Joseph's Church. The first Sunday after Christmas and Easter, you can be sure that we were back at Sarah's. The sacrifices, hard work, and dignity of proud people like Sarah, who struggled to make our country a great one, is kind of slipping away and dishonesty, lust for power and viciousness is displaying its ugly head, along with lots of stress and unhappiness in families.

Generations of proud people who have gone before us are probably shedding tears and turning in their graves as they see the moral climate of our country going down.

I'm sure we all agree that our country needs prayers, and more Sundays of hope and humility.

Life and Stress

BY JOAN BEDARD,
EAST BROOKFIELD, MA

When we think of life, we should be aware that all life has stress! The way we cope with it determines how long we will live, as well as the plant life affected by stress.

Little children cry, have temper tantrums, pull their hair, bite their fingernails, and hit to cope with the stress in their everyday life.

It is amazing all the

addictions young adults and even older adults submit to without realizing they are coping with stress. The most common are smoking, drinking, drugs, over-eating, and sex which certainly do not help stress. Actually, problems multiply and health is affected, as well as happiness for those relatives, friends, and co-workers around us.

I certainly do not have all the answers; but I have lived to be in my nineties so I must be doing something right.

I am blessed because I place my problems before God to solve. He can do all things! He listens and answers prayers; so there is no reason for me to worry and live with stress!

When we are kind and think about other people we can help, we are not as apt to be self-centered. It is a happy day when we socialize with people and have some good belly laughs. Have you tried the new adult coloring books? Senior centers also provide activities to share your hobbies with people with the same interests, as well as card games and puzzles. Exercise is always important and I especially like dancing, as well as music! I always liked the rewarding results of gardening, tho' I have to admit, I never enjoyed weeding.

How do you face life? I think about attitude, gratitude, faith and love!

BECAUSE OF YOU

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY

Today is dedicated to mothers everywhere
Thinking of you as I say a prayer

You're up and about before the morning sun

Way past midnight your work's still not done

You taught me how to tie my shoe

When I was young I depended on you

As I lay in bed sick with the bug

You came into the room just give me a hug

As a teenager we didn't always see eye to eye

But on you mom - I could always rely

As an adult I received your warmth and smile

You made the time just to talk for a while

You cooked - cleaned and were busy all day

You were a mother so received no pay

You'd call a friend to say, "Hi, how are you?"

You never let on when you were feeling blue

Every opportunity a card you would send

A little note saying "How have you been?"

You were always there to show you cared

A better person you would find nowhere

When I needed you - you were there for me

Those moments are treasured in fond memories

You always worried about everyone else

Everyone of course except yourself

Although I seldom let my feelings show

I love you, MOM - more than you'll ever know

Especially for you, I'm sending this wish

Today and forever - for your happiness!

May all your hopes and dreams come true

For I'm the person I am - BECAUSE OF YOU!

May God protect you from the heavens above

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
MOM - WITH ALL MY LOVE

A BIKER'S RIDE

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY

Thank you for always going out of your way

To all bikers in the USA!

Years ago you were considered bad

This I think is very sad

Because of your tattoos and unshaven beard

You were stared at and even feared!

But beneath your leather and chains of gold

Is a loving person with a heart and soul!

Every year on Memorial Day

When for our veterans and dead we pray

Hundreds of bikers gather together

No matter the time or kind of weather!

When all your families are having fun,

You are out on a poker run

To gather together toys or money

For a sick child or homeless family

You make this run many times a year

You are people who really do care!

I remember in January on a very cold day

You were all lined up in a certain way

Paying tribute to your "Other Brothers"

Always they're for one another

er

Tim Jackson used to say, "This parade is for me!"

He was a biker you could plainly see

This parade Tim, was in honor of you

And for Paul, James, Joseph, Thomas and Jeremiah, too!

In the frigid wind they would make this run

To raise money for the Firefighter's Fund!

As you started your bikes and began to depart

This picture of you captured my heart!

When money is needed all people have to do is ask

Without hesitation you're there in a flash!

Not often enough is thanks given to you

For all the wonderful things that you do!

If you have second thoughts about Bikers - think again

For one day you might need some of them!

For on their kindness you can always depend

And in them you will find a lasting friend!

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RED, WHITE AND BLUE

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY

I remember you when you were fragile – so small
Then you grew up – so strong and tall

From the start I knew you would go far in life

A graduate – career – father – family and wife

But growing up you had your own plans

Your love for your country – being a proud man

When you were five you started playing with toy tanks – guns

You were our hero then – only child – son

Marching around the yard with an American flag

We treasured it in our memory box – now torn – soiled like an old rag

As a teenager you began working out – staying fit

You had big dreams – a survivor – never would quit

When you became of age you enlisted in the marines

Our once baby – a man now – what does this mean?

You were always so in control of yourself

Saying it was a career choice that God had dealt

I wouldn't have to worry – there would never be a war

This is what I hoped – but not in my heart I saw

Morning – noon and night for you I would pray

That the world would never see that day

We're now so advanced this year is 2003

This could never happen to us – to me

But after September 11th, I saw a different light

For our great country you would one day fight

Then one day after a joyful afternoon together at the mall

A message on the answering machine – you received the call

You would be leaving in another week

Comfort – peace of mind – I was trying to seek

An eerie feeling suddenly came over me

Filled with emotions trying not to let you see

I wished you could have stayed at home – safe – secure

But our little boy you were no more

In the front yard where you once sat on your father's knee

I tied a bright yellow ribbon around the blooming oak tree

In your bedroom window was a candle – light

That would shine like a star on a dark lonely night

It would be lit always – even through the day

Until you came home again and would be okay

The day had arrived – you had to leave

This in my heart I couldn't accept – believe

But you were your own person – we had to let go

Trying so desperately not to let our feelings show

With hugs – kisses – smiles we all said goodbye

After you left we broke down and cried

Going upstairs to your room to get your faded torn flag

To friends – family and strangers about you I would brag

Reminiscing – memories now frozen in time

You were loving – caring – courageous – so kind

But I knew your love for this country you had to depart

Although inside it was breaking my heart

Trying to pull myself together – looking on the bright side of things

When you returned home the happiness it would bring

Over 30,000 men – women you would be safe

Angels protecting you like in college – a roommate

Every day we waited – read newspapers – watched TV

For your loving face we would soon one day see

But for you God had another plan

Heroes in heaven were in great demand

The doorbell rang and there in uniform stood two men

An emptiness in my heart – I could not pretend

Our only child was killed in Iraq

Our son – friend – hero was not coming back

Smiling – remembering your last words spoken Mom-Dad I love you

Looking down in my hand, your flag of "Red, White and Blue"

FATHERS

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY

For this day was meant especially for you

For dads, grandfathers and uncles too

You're the head of the family and always so strong

You can handle situations when things go wrong

You tie our shoes and dry a tear

You manage a family and handle a career

You're up before dawn and on the go

And never let your feelings show

You put on a smile whenever you're sad

Very seldom do you ever get mad

I don't ever remember seeing you cry

You answer my questions when I ask but "why?"

The house you fix and clean the yard

Always working so very hard

You pick up the kids and off to the game

Without you life wouldn't be the same

You give me money and keys to the car

You worry about me whether near or far

My homework you'd help me with when I didn't understand

Always willing to lend a hand

Whenever I was feeling sad or blue

You understood and I depended on you

You were always there for me

I'll make you proud just wait and see

You know how I feel and what I'm wishing

You give us the love – some families are missing

Not often enough do I ever say

What I'm feeling in my heart today

Especially for you, I'm saying a prayer

For you and fathers everywhere

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
DAD – WITH ALL MY LOVE
MAY GOD BLESS YOU
FROM THE HEAVENS ABOVE

I AM A VET

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY

I am a vet just back from war

Not being able to comprehend the horror I saw

It's been over 3 months since I've been home

But still in my heart I feel all alone

The uncertainty – anxiety can't anyone see

What in the world is happening to me?

Once back I thought I'd be in a far better place

But the events of the war I can't seem to erase

Every day I awake to a sudden calm

Then all of a sudden in my head there's an alarm

Hearing voices – seeing people who aren't really there

Every moment of my life still living I fear

Who will listen to me – to whom can I turn?

Must try to pull myself together and try to be firm

Awaken in darkness – with tears in my eyes

Remembering my best friend and how he died

Women – men – soldiers – all united as one

And then all of a sudden shot dead from a gun

The food there was okay but felt too sick to eat

Wanting to end this war – not lose to defeat

The conditions unbearable – not a 5 star hotel

But the worst part of it all was that uncertain smell

Our shoes – our uniforms soon became old and torn

Not fresh and clean like the first ones we wore

Some got care packages – some nothing at all

Feeling neglected – not proud and tall

If one soldier got cookies or candy he would usually share

The difference it made to others

ers he was unaware

I see fires – hear shots – blasts all day long

Even being a guy it's difficult to be strong

Thinking back of yesteryears and the days still to come

What a gift it would be relaxing on the beach in the sun

But here there are no days – no weeks or even time

Reassuring each other we are going to be fine

Now I am sitting alone in a broken chair on the street

People just stare at me not someone to greet

My wife has deserted me – my children left the state

I can hear my heart pounding at a very fast rate

Unemployed – no insurance – no roof over my head

The cold bleak days of winter I every day dread

With my old worn clothing I try to stay warm

My life seems hopeless – my heart is torn

Once I returned home I thought I'd be living like a king

But no one really knows the uneasiness it brings

Nothing to do – nowhere to go

Who can I turn to if there's no one I know

This is the land of the free – home of the brave

But is my life even worthy to save?

I gave up everything for my country – for people I never met

Now I'm alone – homeless – scared – but still

"I AM A VET"

Uncle Jimmy's House

BY CHARLES THANAS,
LEICESTER, MA

It was the year of Sputnik, when people walked around with their heads craned to the sky bumping into parking meters affirming a bold and glorious declaration of science which rang out like a pistol shot signaling the start of the great race to the moon.

It was also the year that my uncle's little league team almost went all the way on the strong anonymous arm of a palm throwing left hander who will forever be only a foot note of street gab between old timers at Cash Corner.

It was even a time to discover the difference between workers and drones, yellow jackets, wasps and bumble bees. It was a good time to find out just how skilled you were at running full speed through a mish mash of pricker bushes on the other side of Broadway where the blueberries grew. Our mission, always, was to cross the road and fan out with soup pans, sauce pans and salad bowls galore and to pick blueberries. They gathered like purple diamonds on a green brocade and with awkward fingers, my cousins and I plucked them up like precious stones.

Dangerous work, to be sure, as there was always the chance of bee stings or worse, much worse. There was always the malevolent chance of being bitten by the unthinkable, always hidden: Black Widow. It meant only one thing: Instant death or at the very least near instant death.

It was very well understood, Cousin Larry included, that no one ever recovered from the bite of a Black Widow. And it was also known full well that blueberry bushes, through which our fingers plucked and poked, were certainly full of them, absolutely full of them, although no one ever really saw one. Still, it was common knowledge that they were there, even though we never even heard of anyone seeing one, or getting bit by one. Still we never took for granted the luckless happenstance of instant or near instant death resulting from a Black Widow's bite.

South Portland Maine was a dangerous kind of place then, because there were snakes too among those blueberry bushes; millions of them. Poisonous, life threatening snakes that made you wonder if you could still run with one coiled around your ankle or should you remain still and unbreathing the way Rama Of The Jungle did until it slithered off in silent retreat. It seemed that no risk was too great for a pan full of blueberries. Me and Cousin Larry and the rest would safari through many a rambling blueberry patch with soup pans

and sauce pans and salad bowls galore, never full, always half full and never enough left for the pie when we got home. It was always blueberries and milk in a breakfast bowl, never a pie but just as good.

I remember South Portland Maine as a dangerous kind of place, with a prehistoric river at the end of Hall Street. It was definitely dark as pre history there. The trees were giant and decrepit moss covered fossils that stuck out from the steep banks at odd angles like rotten and twisted teeth.

It was darker at the end of Hall Street, by the river, dark and moody - mysterious like pre history.

Lippy had a homemade skipjack moored there to a few loose and unsteady boards which he called a dock. The River Rat was always half submerged and no one ever saw it skim across the water although there was always plenty of talk of it doing just that. Still no one ever saw it do that, but for all of us on Hall Street, it was enough that he had even built it. It didn't have to float. It just had to be moored there, half submerged in the reeds, ever so delicately tethered by a single strand of gray hemp to the decaying loose boards which will forever remain Lippy's dock.

Across the river and the tide pools, there in the shallows among the reeds and mosquito filled vegetation, there was quicksand; deadly as in all Tarzan movies: Dangerous quicksand. No one ever swam in that water except for Larry and Lippy and the fearless older boys. They would swing out over the lazy river, buck naked, clinging to a rope swing whose giant knot had fused to a black colossal limb somewhere among the upper branches like an enormous beehive. It was a special rope. You almost never see rope like that anywhere; a Maine rope: An Ocean rope. A summer rope, the kind you almost never see anymore.

I got on that rope one day at the river. I measured my way backwards on the steep banking, spit into both hands and grabbed hold of that wonderful rope. The adventure of its tether filled my hand with roughly woven excitement. And holding on as tight as a bull dog's bite, eyes wild and glazed with a fabulous fear, I stepped out into space above the dark brown current of that prehistoric river, above cousin Larry and Lippy and the others screaming and cheering. I sailed in glorious slow motion, hell-bent on propelling myself past the Russian Sputnik should I let go on the out swing of that perfect ellipse. Instead, I held my weight, chafing my hands until my feet found the steep bank of earth again on the back swing.

No one ever really knew where that rope came from, it was just the rope swing, and it was always there every summer and beyond that there wasn't a need for much more of an explanation.

Across the river, at the end of Hall Street, the street where my uncle lived and where I spent my summers, across the prehistoric river, on the other side, the side where no one, not even Lippy or cousin Larry ever went; on that side, there was a place. There weren't even stories about anyone ever crossing to that place - a fenced in place, most prehistoric like the place that concealed King Kong. Only this place concealed worse. A place much worse than prehistoric Maine or condominiums or even shopping malls.

On those lazy summer afternoons, Larry and I would lay flat on our backs on the river bank next to Lippy's half submerged dock, listening to the River Rat creak in the wind, after having sucked the last of a Frostie Root Beer through a paper straw before it got wet and collapsed. On those afternoons, when we lay real still, our bodies full of summer, we could hear ever so faintly, the quiet, distant cadence of tractors and soft voices, eerie and mysterious, a corporal blend of machine and humanity - the joyless sound of boys in reform school.

And as we flipped our empty soda bottles, not looking, but waiting for the splash in the cool shade, staring up at the huge black knot high in the twisted branches of the giant

rope swing, prison boys worked the garden rows behind the wall, inside the fences of that place across the river - a reform school as real as my uncle's house. And at night, when Larry and I slept in the spare room with the windows open, as the cool blue summer night filled the curtains, we always knew that one of those boys had escaped and was hiding in the yard, by the garage, soaked by the river, covered in mud and worn tired by quicksand.

In the morning, it would all change and be less dangerous. Still summer at my uncle's house in South Portland Maine was no walk in the park.

Then there were the apple raids on Mr. Griffin's Farm: Moderately dangerous. He was an old dirt covered man in worn coveralls who walked bent over his cane and always gathered a revolution of wild gray curls under a sailor's cap and coughed up white puffs of smoke from his brown cob pipe. Melville could not have created a more pathetic, used up, sea captain than Mr. Griffin.

He was perfect for us. He was captain of his farm. He was old and dangerous and most certainly prehistoric. It was never an easy thing to plan a raid on Mr. Griffin's apple trees. He was always there - somewhere. His property was uncharted for the most part: Mysterious. He was also wrapped in a special mystery himself. He had lived so long that he walked with a crooked penance: Very mysterious.

Next to his perfect white house were rows of neatly cultivated earth, so unlike the farm captain himself who was always stuck in one of those rows, bent over like a weathered scarecrow clutching an earth utensil and poking at the dirt in front of his black fossilized barn. A barn so warped and tilted, the fact that it could lean so precariously on its foundation without collapsing was proof enough that the old man knew black magic: Definitely mysterious.

His trees were never any easy assault. Just because his tired frame couldn't run you down didn't mean he couldn't get you with magic; especially at night. It was enough to worry about the truants from the reform school but magic was another story. But his apples were always worth it because they were the best - greenest, sourest, most stomach aching apples we ever swiped.

Of course that was then, years ago. Captain Griffin is now an old gray puff of smoke himself up in the summer sky. And that prehistoric river at the end of Hall Street still runs north and south, only now the brown currents and dangerous quicksand have been turned into the asphalt and white lines of I-295.

Amazing still, on these hot summer nights, as I lay in bed with my wife while the children sleep in their rooms dreaming of the eighth level of Nintendo, I can still hear those boys working the farm, ever so faintly, digging up memories of my summer vacations and reminding me why I loved the adventure of South Portland Maine.

And as for Cousin Larry, it wasn't the quicksand or the near instant death of a Black Widow's bite that took him off the swing but instead a chopper crash in the jungles of Viet Nam, half a world away from Lippy's dock. All of us remain, in some way, changed forever.

THE END

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POEM

BY ZACHARI CORBETT  
FROM CHARLTON

I wish I had cat  
Or a really fancy hat  
That is what I want and nothing but that,  
I wish I had a pet guinea pig  
Or a booby trap to rig,  
That is my wish  
So put it on a gold dish,  
I want a club house  
And a pet mouse,  
I want my wishes to come true,  
Wouldn't you?

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| <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 36 Joyce St! Charming 7 Rm Cape! 4 Bdrms! All Natural Woodwork! Frp/Lv Rm w/Hrds! Fr! Din Rm w/Hrds &amp; Chair Rail! Kit! SS Appliances! Full Tile Bath! 1st Flr Master! Full Town Water &amp; Sewer! Roof 2011 Gas Furnace, Water Heater &amp; Gas Line! 08 Circuit Breakers &amp; Some Windows 07! <b>\$194,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>CHARLTON</b> - South Charlton Reservoir! 302C Partridge Hill Rd! Full Recreational! 75' Waterfront! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! Great Water Views! Open Fr Plan w/Cathedral, Skylights, Fireplaces! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage! Sandy Shore! Great Swimming! Dock! <b>\$369,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - Waterfront! Pierpoint Meadow Pond! 112 Klondike Rd! 100' Sandy West Facing Shoreline! Sunsets! 15,575' Lot! 5 Rm Year Round Ranch with that Cozy Cottage Feel! Knotty Pine, Cathedral &amp; Hardwoods! 2 Bdrms! Open Floor Plan! Shed! <b>\$309,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 18C Linwood St! 5 Room Townhouse! End Unit! Spacious and Comfortable! 1,220! Applianced Eat-in Kit w/Raised Panel Wood Cabinets &amp; Slider to the Deck! Living Rm w/Ceiling Fan! 2 Bdrms! Master w/Walk-in Closet! Fam Rm w/Slider to the Back Yard! 3 Zone Oil Heat! Easy 355 Access! <b>\$169,900.00</b></p> | <p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 3 June Street! Corner of Mason Rd! 9 Room Split! 4 Bedrooms! 2 Full Baths! Granite Kitchen w/Black Appliances! Open Living Room! New Tiled Entry Foyer! Finished Lower Level which is Perfect for Entertaining! Pellet Stove! Laundry Room! 12'x15' Deck! Shed! Nicely Landscaped! <b>\$233,900.00</b></p>         | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 Rm Colonial w/Greenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm w/Wood Floors! Full Bath! Den w/Built-in! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 355 Near! Walk to Schools &amp; Churches! <b>\$122,900.00</b></p>                          |
| <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND!</b> 2 Checkerberry Isl! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Water! 3 Bdrms! 1st Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skywalk Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit, SS Applianced, Open Din &amp; Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrm, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frp/Lv Rm, Bdrm &amp; Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawns! Decks! Patios! Ideal Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! <b>\$1,449,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 71 Birch Island! 7 Rm Colonial w/Lake Views from Every Rm! Hrds in Din/Lv &amp; Master Bdrms! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Walkout Lower Level! Fam Rm! 23' Waterfront! New Metal Roof! 2 Car Attached Garage &amp; 3 Car Detached w/2nd Flr! Needs to be Seen to Appreciate Everything it Could Be! <b>\$674,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                 | <p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 402 Treasure Islands! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,574' Hardwood Floors! Applianced! Open Floor Plan! 2 Story Entry! Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Quartz Counters, Center Isl w/Decor Appliances &amp; Walk-in Pantry! 2 Master Bdrms - Lake Facing! 1st Flr! Ceilings, Frp/Lv &amp; Bath w/Dble Sinks, Shower, Whirlpool &amp; Walk in Closets! Lake Facing Sunrm w/French Door, Sliders, &amp; 14' Ceilings! Office, 1/2 Bath, Laundry Rm! 2nd Flr w/2nd Master Suite w/Full Bath w/Dble Sinks! 2 Bdrms Share Another Bath! Lower Level w/Frp/Lv Rm, Wet Bar, Billiard Parlor, Workout Rm &amp; 6 Seat Theatre Rm w/60" TV w/Surround Sound! Full Bath! Walkout to Lake, Patio &amp; Private Yard! 42 Baisi Furnace! 2 Car Garage! Extra Lot! Glen Echo Awaits! <b>\$869,900.00</b></p> | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 21 Wakefield Ave! In a Cove Protected! Idle Out to the Lake - South Pond Lake Access! 10 Rm Colonial! 5 Bdrms &amp; 2.5 Baths! Applianced! Flexible Fr Plan! Master Suite w/Bath, Dressing Rm &amp; Office Area! Buderus LP Gas Heat! <b>\$344,900.00</b></p>                                               | <p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 305 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,574' Hrdwd Floors! Applianced Granite Kit! Open Fr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Custom Tile Shower! 2.5 Baths! Frp/Lv Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows/Doors! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! <b>\$299,900.00</b></p>                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, AC'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Technical/Electrical! 2 Story Grand Entry! Fully Applianced Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/2 Dishwashers, Heated Fr &amp; Pantry! Spacious Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit &amp; Slider to the Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frp/Lv Rm w/Entertainment Center! Din Rm w/Trey Ceiling! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master w/Trey Ceiling, Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool &amp; Corner Shower! Upstairs 3 Comfortable Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing, both connect to a Full Bath, the 3rd has its own Full Bath &amp; Walk-in Closet! Walkout Lower Level Lake Facing Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Cedar Sauna &amp; Full Bath! Separate Utility Rm &amp; Workshop! 3 Car Attached Garage! Detached 1 Car Garage! Security System! LP Gas Whole House Generator! Boat House that Auto Draws Boat Out of the Water, Launches it on a Rail System! Weather Station! Well Irrig System! See/Ask For All Attachments! <b>\$1,375,000.00</b></p> | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 17 Mark Ave! South Pond - "710" Waterfront .69 Acre Peninsula! "Lake Views in All Directions! Sunrise to Sunset! Beautiful 12 Rm 3,292' Ranch! Breezeway to 3 Car Garage! Grand 2 Story Entry! Cherry &amp; Granite Kit w/Is! Frp/Lv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylights &amp; Hrds! Liv Rm w/Hrds! Lake Facing Master w/Bath! Fam Rm, Game/Pool Rm w/Bar &amp; Exercise Rm! Summer Kit! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! Buderus! Irrigation! Trex Deck, Farmers Porch! Beautiful Grounds! <b>\$1,299,900.00</b></p> | <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 17 South Point Rd! Middle Pond! 6 Room Cape! 72' Waterfront! Completely Renovated! Center Island Kit! Mostly Lake Facing Rms! Master w/Bath &amp; Private Suite! 23 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Oil Br Buderus! 4 Electric Mitsubishi Heat Pumps w/Air! Farmers Porch! Garage! <b>\$499,900.00</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 14 Bates Crossing! South Pond! East Expo - Beautiful Sunrises! Expansive View! 11,000' Level Lot! 6 Rm Colonial! 10x46 Porch! Open Fr Plan! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Master w/Cathedral, Master Bath! 2 Baths! AC! Garage! <b>\$559,900.00</b></p>                                                                | <p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 296 Kildeer Island! North Pond! 180 Degree Panoramic Water Views! Front Row Seat to 4th of July Fireworks! 5 Room Ranch! Ideal Second Home or Live Year Round! Winter in Florida - Summers on Webster Lake! Open Floor Plan! 2 Bedrooms! Nice Deck! Garage! <b>\$299,900.00</b></p>                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| <p><b>DUDLEY-217 DUDLEY SOUTHBRIDGE RD</b></p> <p>Lovely Country Setting for this 3 Bedroom Cape! Motivated Seller! Private setting on 1 Acre +/- 2 Car Garage! Living-Dining Area! Country Kitchen! Eat in Dining Area! Walk out Basement for Convenience Access to Backyard. Needs some Cosmetic Updates but still a Good Valu <b>\$259,000.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p><b>THOMPSON-839 THOMPSON RD</b></p> <p>Young, Huge 60 X 40 Ranch! Outstanding Quality! Cathedral Ceiling in Living Room, Kitchen, and Dining areas! 10 Skylights! 3 Bedrooms! 2-1/2 Baths! Propane Fireplace! Lower Level Finished with Bath, and Bedroom with walk out sliding door! 2 Acres! Approximately 395 Feet of road frontage <b>NEW PRICE \$299,987.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>DUDLEY - 14 JAYBEE AVE</b></p> <p>Spacious raised ranch! Open layout floor plan! Hardwoods throughout!!! Fireplaced living room! Double deck w/ hot tub! Lower deck has french doors from replaced family room! Applianced kitchen! Lower level family room w/ fireplace! 2 Car garage! And much more!<br/> <b>\$249,900.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p><b>THOMPSON - 20 LAURELWOOD RD</b></p> <p>Charming 4 bedroom 3 bath colonial nestled in a picture perfect quiet neighborhood with large manicured yard and privacy gate! Sit out on your screened in porch on those warm summer nights and look out at the fruit trees and garden! Open floor plan has so much to offer! Front to back living room has a lovely fireplace and pellet stove included. Fully applianced kitchen is open to back den and attached garage offers added storage!<br/> <b>New Price \$259,900.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <p><b>LAND!</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER/DUDLEY BUILDABLE LOTS</b></p> <p><b>Webster</b> - Lot 1198 Thompson Rd Town Water &amp; Sewer \$43,500.<br/> <b>Webster</b> - Lot 1194 Thompson Rd Town Water &amp; Sewer \$43,500.<br/> <b>Webster</b> - 114 Lake St. Multi-Family Zoned, 12,000 +/- Sq Ft Lot. Town Water &amp; Sewer, and City Gas! \$59,900.<br/> <b>Webster</b> - 122 Gore Rd. Lot Approx. 1-1.2 +/- Acres. Town Water &amp; Sewer. Level Lot. <b>Business Zoned</b><br/> <b>Dudley</b> - Lot# 149 Southbridge Road - 4.5 +/- acres. 150 ft +/- of Rd. Frontage 610 ft +/- - River Frontage <b>\$85,000.</b></p> |
| <p><b>THOMPSON - 473 LOWELL DAVIS RD</b></p> <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p>Pristine 3 Year Young Ranch! Absolutely better than new! 2 Bedrooms! Applianced Kitchen! 2 X 6 W/ Plywood Construction! Screened in porch! Nestled on 1.7+ nicely landscaped acres! Garage W/Work Shop and attached Carport! Home Generator! Forced Hot Air by oil! Lower Level Pellet Stove!<br/> <b>NEW LISTING \$189,900.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                        | <p><b>Lets Talk Real Estate!</b></p> <p><b>Should You Buy a New or Existing Home?</b><br/>         You may have noticed that some new homes are going up around town again. Along with the sale pending signs on existing homes there are builders, building again. A national index measuring builder sentiment rose in June 2015 to its highest level since May 2007. But is buying a new home right for you? Homebuyers trying to decide between new and existing homes have more choices than they have had in the past 7 years. The case for new homes: New homes come with builder warranties. New homes allow buyers to select colors and floor plans. New homes can be easier to insure. Newer homes may have a resale advantage. The case for existing homes: Existing homes may offer more space for the money and a more convenient location. Existing homes can be 10 percent to 20 percent less than new construction for comparable square footage. Existing homes are in established neighborhoods. New homes can take several months or longer to build.</p> | <p><b>WEBSTER - 25 STEFANK AVE #3</b></p> <p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p>Very Affordable! Low Monthly Fees! Desired END Unit gives Wooded Privacy &amp; Extra Windows! Located in a Low Traffic Neighborhood! The Entire Main Level has been Freshened Up with New Paint in a Neutral Tone! This Complex is close to Shopping, Highway, Private &amp; Public Schools! Close Vicinity to the Webster Lake Beach for Lots of Summer Fun! Cheaper than Renting! Heated Lower Level - Extra Space for Office, Family Room, Computer Room, Game Room... etc <b>\$115,000.</b></p>                                                                                                                        | <p><b>WEBSTER - 10 DIDONATO AVE</b></p> <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p>An affordable starter (rental friendly) Original 1954 Cape style, 4 room home with stairway to unfinished walkup attic. 2 bedrooms on main level, some hardwood floors, ceramic tile bath. Young, economical, natural gas fired, forced hot air furnace, electric hot water heater Full basement with interior and outdoor walkout access. Recently painted. Large corner lot with good sized yard, some fenced-in yard area, 6x8 storage shed and 10x20 1 car attached garage. Located in convenient East Village area of Webster with close proximity to grocery store, banks, service providers, retailers, restaurants, highway access, etc. <b>ON DEPOSIT \$122,550</b></p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - TREASURE ISLAND</b></p> <p>Welcome to Treasure Island! Located on the Shores of Beautiful WEBSTER LAKE! Current Owner's Remodeled every inch of this Unit with a "Magazine Worthy" Flair! Each Room is Elegantly Appointed! Bamboo Floors! Family Room in Lower Level has Gas Fireplace with "Floor to Ceiling" Custom Granite &amp; Marble! Tastefully Finished w/ Crown Molding! "Lux" Master Bath w/Italian Tiled Shower Surround! Enjoy the Outdoors Deck, Private Beach &amp; Heated "Salt Water" Pool! 2 Boat Slips!<br/> <b>NEW PRICE \$334,900.</b></p> | <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 113 BIRCH ISLAND RD</b></p> <p>Webster Lake Waterfront! Breathtaking view of Middle Pond! Catch the Early Morning Sun at breakfast right at water edge or in the huge 4 season porch! Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted! Fieldstone Fireplace! Hardwoods! Oil Heat! 2 bedrooms! and much more!<br/> <b>NEW PRICE \$329,900.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 11 BATES POINT RD</b></p> <p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p>ON BATES POINT! Elegant Webster Lake Waterfront Home offers all the amenities of a fine home Plus Direct Webster Lake Access! Located in a sheltered cove which provides boat access to full open water! Inground pool, a fully fenced lakeside yard. Fine features include: crown moldings, 9' ceilings, beautiful cherry kitchen w/ceramic tile floors, granite countertops, S/S appliances, center island, Slider to large lake facing deck! Formal dining, formal living rooms w/gleaming hardwood floors! Plus private 2nd floor 20x26 family room! Spacious master bedroom!<br/> <b>NEW PRICE \$485,000.</b></p> | <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE- 267 THOMPSON RD</b></p> <p><b>SORRY SOLD!</b></p> <p>Webster Lake Waterfront! Breathtaking view! The House is located on Middle Pond which is the Largest Expanse of Webster Lake! Very Private! Abundance of Land for Entertaining! 11 Rooms Total! 3-1/2 Baths! 4 Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2 Fireplaces! Walkout Finished Lower Living Level! Oversized 2 car garage with unfinished space above! Foundation already in for Future Boat House at waters edge! Need an office? This has 2! Property is within a Business Zoned area! Be in before Summer Hurry won't last. <b>\$599,900.</b></p>                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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 CoxMLS@aol.com

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 Bjohn97871@aol.com

**OXFORD - \$148,900**  
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**AUBURN - \$389,900**  
 Outstanding 4 Br Colonial, 2.5 baths & 1 car garage. Open floor with Kitchen-Family room combo, formal living room & dining room. Walk closet off master BR. Call Kevin Maher

Kevin Maher  
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 kjmaher@emersonhomes.net

**AUBURN \$105,000.**  
 This gorgeous mobile home has many upgrades. Offering 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, \$10K in stainless steel appliances, central air, laundry area and 2 parking spaces. Nice sized rooms and open floor plan. Make sure you add this one to your list of homes to see. Park fees are \$225. Call to schedule appointment.

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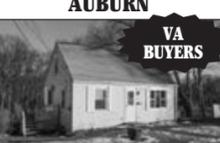
**OXFORD - QUALITY CAPE**



\* 26'x24' Great Room  
 \* Fireplace  
 \* Appliances Kitchen  
 \* Breakfast Bar  
 \* 8 Rooms  
 \* Office, Den, Formal Dining  
 \* Sided  
 \* Inground Pool

131 Old Webster Road • \$317,900

**AUBURN VA BUYERS**



\* Sided  
 \* Freshly Painted  
 \* Newly Carpeted

58 Rockland Rd • \$204,900

**LEICESTER IN-LAW SPACE**



\* 2.5 Baths  
 \* Cherry Cabinets Kitch  
 \* Living Room  
 \* Cathedral Ceilings

3 Traci Place • \$379,900

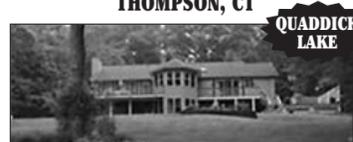
**WEST BROOKFIELD 2 ACRES**



\* Large Master Suite  
 \* 2.5 Baths  
 \* Central Air  
 \* Open Floor Plan

198 Wickaboag Valley Rd  
 \$284,900

**THOMPSON, CT QUADDICK LAKE**

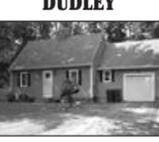


\* Full service Lake  
 \* Multi-level  
 \* 21' Gourmet Kitchen  
 \* 22' Living Room w/fireplace  
 \* Totally Finished Lower Level

**DUDLEY OPEN HOUSE SAT., • 10-12**  
**6 Acre Lot**  
**PRICE REDUCED!**  
 Builders can subdivide  
 Build your dream house  
**3 Car Garage,**  
 Privacy Easy Commute

Tobin Farm Estates • 197,000

**DUDLEY**



\* Hardwoods  
 \* Fireplace  
 \* Title 5 Completed

40 Brentwood Dr  
 \$239,900

**DUDLEY FANTASTIC VIEW**



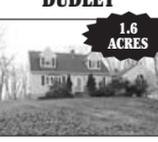
\* Fireplace  
 \* Eat-in Kitchen  
 \* Inground pool  
 \* USDA eligible

96 Charlton Rd • \$239,900

**RENTAL 1/2 DUPLEX**

\* 3 bedroom  
 \* 2.5 Bath  
 \* Garage  
 \$1300/Mo

**DUDLEY 1.6 ACRES**



\* Maple Cabinets  
 \* Granite Counters  
 \* 4 Bedroom  
 \* 2500 Sq. ft.

17 Corbin Rd • 339,900

**SZYMCZAK SELLS DUDLEY-SPLIT**



**SOLD**

1 Raymond St • \$279,900

**SZYMCZAK SELLS OXFORD-2 BEDROOMS**



**SOLD**

4 Malden St • \$213,000

**HOLDEN ASST. SALE**



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1994 Main St • \$214,000

**CHARLTON**  
 2 BR, 1 BA home. 1485 sq ft. Meticulously maintained by original owners. HW floors in LR & DR. Updates inc central air, garage & driveway. All utilities are underground. Close to major rtes.  
**\$234,900**

**CHARLTON**  
 3 BR 2 BA Cape on 2.7 Acres. 2,262 sq ft. Pride of ownership shows throughout. Eat-in kitchen w/ exterior access to deck & backyard; Formal DR; Cathedral ceilings in LR; Huge 1st fl Master BR.  
**\$310,000**

**CHARLTON**  
 4 BR, 1 BA Colonial. 1368 sq ft. Set back from main road w/ a large flat backyard; Open layout; Pellet stove in LR; New vinyl siding; Large BRs, lots of closet space; Town sewer.  
**\$234,900**

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**NEW LISTING \$424,900**



27 Old Worcester Rd, Charlton, MA. Single-Family (4-Bedrooms, 2.5- Full Bath) Excellent Condition & Location (2,868 sf, gourmet kitchen, screened-in deck, fruit trees)  
 See MLS# 72011001  
**Open House Sunday 12:30-1:30pm**

**PRICE REDUCED \$424,900**



153 Old Worcester Rd. Charlton, MA. High-End Home (4-Bedrooms, 4-Full Baths) (3,675 sf including finished basement, gourmet kitchen, basketball & tennis court)  
 See MLS# 71978399  
**Open House Sunday 2:00-3:00pm**

**PRICE REDUCED \$599,900**



86 Dresser Hill Rd. Charlton, MA. Sprawling Ranch (4-Bedrooms, 3-Full Baths) (One-Level living with 3,400 sf of space, exceptional home)  
 See MLS# 71990647  
**Open House Sunday 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

**George P. Goulas, MBA, Broker-Owner**  
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 58 North Main St., Charlton, MA 01507  
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**Open House Directory**

**Deadline: Monday at 10am**

|              |                 |                   |                     |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| (C) Condo    | (X) Condo       | (M) Multi-Family  | (T) Townhouse       |
| (B) Business | (U) Duplex      | (S) Single Family | (D) Adult Community |
| (P) Land     | (L) Mobile Home | (A) Apartment     |                     |

**SATURDAY, MAY 28**

| ADDRESS               | STYLE | TIME       | PRICE     | REALTOR/SELLER/PHONE                                             |
|-----------------------|-------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>DUDLEY</b>         |       |            |           |                                                                  |
| Tobin Farm Estate     | S     | 10-12      | \$197,000 | Remax Advantage 1/Jo-Ann Szymczak<br>508-943-7669 • 774-230-5044 |
| <b>SUNDAY, MAY 29</b> |       |            |           |                                                                  |
| <b>CHARLTON</b>       |       |            |           |                                                                  |
| 27 Old Worcester Rd   | S     | 12:30-1:30 | \$424,900 | All Worth Realty/George Goulas 508-434-5871                      |
| 153 Old Worcester Rd  | S     | 2-3        | \$424,900 | All Worth Realty/George Goulas 508-434-5871                      |
| 86 Dresser Hill Rd    | S     | 3:30-4:30  | \$599,900 | All Worth Realty/George Goulas 508-434-5871                      |

**To have your open house listed in this directory please contact Sandy at 508-909-4110**

# REAL ESTATE

## BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HomeServices | New England Properties



**OPEN HOUSE SAT 5/28 3:00-5:00**



349 Pomfret Street • Pomfret \$549,900  
G10083497.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Come see this lovely antique like something out of Better Homes and Gardens!  
White/Cook Team 860-377-4016

**Woodstock, \$574,900 NEW LISTING**



G10124326.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Over 3000sqft with 5 bedrooms, an office, finished lower level and a grand open layout located on a convenient cul-de-sac.  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Woodstock \$350,000 NEW LISTING**



G10131356.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Elegant Cape with an open floor plan on 10 acres of very private Paradise in Woodstock.  
New Master Bath.  
John Downs 860-377-0754

**Woodstock \$495,000 NEW LISTING**



G10133311.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Fabulous 2080SF home, 54 acres, private 8-acre pond! Updated one floor living, 3BR, 2.5 baths, central ac, gorgeous details, gardens!  
Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960

**Woodstock \$157,000 NEW LISTING**



G10136566.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Spacious 2 level, 2 bedroom condo with office area, screened porch & 1st floor laundry!  
Simply needs paint & flooring!  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Woodstock \$460,000 NEW LISTING**



G10134887.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Picturesque New England setting! 20+ acres with a 3 story barn and beautiful, spacious home with original details!  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Killingly \$145,000 NEW LISTING**



G10134243.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Beautiful Two-Family. Use as owner occupant or investment. Wood & Tile Floors, New Kitchens Etc., this won't last  
Rachel Sposito 860-234-1343

**Pomfret \$269,000 NEW LISTING**



G10135579.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Charming country cape, very private, 3.6 acres surrounded by state park. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, garage and work space.  
John Rich 860-315-2615

**Congratulations! April Top Agents**



Top Listing Agent: Brooke Gelhaus  
Top Selling Agent: John Downs  
Top Buyers Agents: Joyce Fortin and Brooke Gelhaus

**Woodstock, \$299,000 NEW LISTING**



G10135897.bhhsNEproperties.com  
The sweetest 4 bedroom cape with a first floor master suite and large family room!  
2 large bedrooms upstairs!  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Eastford \$245,000 NEW LISTING**



G10133631.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Renovated antique near Eastford Center. 1400 sq ft on 2.5 acres. Charm of an antique but conveniences of a new home.  
Mary Scalise 860-918-1539

**Woodstock \$325,000 NEW LISTING**



G10135727.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Wonderful 4 bedroom home with finished lower level, landscaped yard, pool and a huge detached post & beam garage!  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Woodstock \$175,000 NEW PRICE**



G1011565.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Bungee Lake cottage! Built in 1987, 1040SF 3BR, 2 Baths with garage below, partially finished lower level. Wide pine floors, 2 Sheds!  
Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960

**Woodstock \$310,000 NEW PRICE**



G10079520.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Move right in to this beautiful home with a perfect entertaining kitchen just off the deck with a hot tub for warm weather!  
Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408

**Thompson \$450,000 NEW PRICE**



G10044926.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Renovations from top to bottom, include a copper roof! 1 acre, gorgeous pool and gardens.  
3443SF, 4BR and 2.5 baths, granite kitchen!  
Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960

**Woodstock \$275,000 NEW PRICE**



G1011579.bhhsNEproperties.com  
On Woodstock Hill on 1.20 acres! 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths and 3000SF detailed appointments throughout, barn, 2-car garage, lovely views!  
Stephanie Gosselin 860-428-5960

**Brooklyn \$399,000**



G10130132.bhhsNEproperties.com  
New Construction! 4 BR on a Beautiful Private Lot bordering the brook. Open Floor Plan. Fireplace, Dramatic Ceilings, Hardwoods.  
John Downs 860-377-0754

**Pomfret \$335,000**



G10087468.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Completely renovated throughout! Custom Granite kitchen, hardwoods, FP Living RM, 3 Full Baths, 2 car Garage  
Mary Collins 860-336-6677

**Woodstock \$185,000 WATERFRONT**



G10130559.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Hot weather is coming. Enjoy summers at Quasset Lake. Seasonal home. You own the land.  
Chet Zadora 860-208-6724

**Pomfret \$279,000**



G10070887.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Sweeping views through new back windows, refinished hardwoods, new carpet in-law apt. 2 Car Garage, 5.7 Acres on Airline Trail.  
Mary Collins 860-336-6677

**Pomfret \$459,000**



G10130702.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Dramatic open floor plan, 9ft ceilings, wide front porch, granite, hardwoods, 3000SF Bonus Rm Potential. One floor living at its finest.  
John Downs 860-377-0754

**Hampton \$279,000**



G10086696.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Hampton General Store, Great for restaurant. Village setting, new commercial kitchen.  
Peter Plourde 860-377-9185

**Woodstock Commercial Lease \$950/Mo**



G686753.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Ideal business or professional location. Unit measures 1000 SF-Neat & clean-High traffic route.  
Chet Zadora 860-208-6724

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# HERE & THERE → Local Events, Arts, and Entertainment Listings



**SATURDAY, MAY 28**

**TALK IS CHEAP**  
9:00 p.m.  
Debut performance for this 3-piece classic rock band  
308 LAKESIDE  
308 East Main St.  
East Brookfield, MA  
774-449-8333

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

**THE PAISLEY'S**  
Amy Herrera and Reed Trevaskis  
Folk, blues and classic rock!  
308 LAKESIDE  
308 East Main St.  
East Brookfield, MA  
774-449-8333



**SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

3:00 p.m.  
**AUDITIONS**  
**BIG FISH**  
The Musical  
12 Chairs Version  
At The Cultural Center at Eagle Hill  
centerateaglehill.org



**MONDAY, JUNE 6**

7:00 p.m.  
**AUDITIONS**  
**BIG FISH**  
The Musical  
12 Chairs Version



At The Cultural Center at Eagle Hill  
centerateaglehill.org

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY JUNE 10 & 11**

20th Annual International Bazaar  
Mary Queen of the Rosary Church  
60 Maple Street, Spencer, MA  
Free Admission, free entertainment, food, giant flea market, raffles, 50/50, rides & games for the kids. Free shuttle bus from Price Chopper, Spencer Bank, Howe Village & Senior Living at Prouty

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

**KLEM'S 12th ANNUAL EQUINE DAY**  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Rescue horses, raffles, food, pony rides, miniature horse group, driving demonstrations and much more!  
**KLEM'S**  
117 West Main St.  
Spencer, MA



**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**

**ROTARY CLUB OF THE BROOKFIELDS LOBSTER, CLAMS AND STEAK BAKE**  
1:00 p.m.  
Scholarship fund raiser  
St. Stan's Polish Club  
West Warren, MA  
Tickets call Lynn 413-262-8783 or Patti 413-813-8854



**SUNDAY, JUNE 26**

**ALBANIAN DAY PICNIC**  
12 noon - 5:30 p.m.  
**ST. NICHOLAS ALBANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH**

126 Morris St., Southbridge, MA  
Shish Kebab, Spinach Pies, Albanian Pastries, Mosaic Ensemble Band  
Free admission  
Rain or shine  
Event supported in part by a grant from the Southbridge Cultural Council, a local agency, which is supported by the MA Cultural Council, a state agency



**FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY JULY 22, 23, 24**

**DockDogs**  
The world's premiere canine aquatics competition  
**KLEMS**  
117 West Main St., Spencer, MA

**FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY JULY 29, 30, 31**

**M.A.D. Productions Presents BIG FISH The Musical**  
The Cultural Center at Eagle Hill  
For tickets  
centerateaglehill.org



**ONGOING**

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



**TRIVIA NIGHT**  
Wednesdays  
7:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m.  
**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

**TRIVIA NIGHT**  
**AT THE STOMPING GROUND**  
Every Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.  
132 Main St., Putnam, CT  
860-928-7900  
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**TRAP SHOOTING**  
Every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.  
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**AUBURN SPORTSMAN CLUB**  
50 Elm St., Auburn, MA  
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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT CRUISING FOR CHARITY CAR SHOW**  
June 8th through August 31st  
**KLEMS**  
117 West Main St., Spencer, MA

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# LEGALS

## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Richard B. MacLean and Kathreen A. MacLean to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Prime Mortgage Financial, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated August 2, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 37011, Page 15, subsequently assigned to GMAC Mortgage, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 48045, Page 237, subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by GMAC Mortgage, LLC, by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 50860, Page 285, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust by Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC, by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 54643, Page 184, of which the Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 01:00 PM on June 10, 2016 at 10 West Avenue, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon situated on the northerly line of West Avenue and the westerly line of Main Avenue in that part of Spencer as North Spencer, and bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner of the intersection of the West Avenue and Main Avenue; THENCE southwesterly by said West Avenue one hundred (100) feet to a stake set in the ground; THENCE northerly by land now or formerly of Laura E. David one hundred (100) feet to a point; THENCE easterly by land now or formerly of Henry Freeman one hundred thirty and three tenths (130.3) feet, more or less, to a stake set in the ground at the westerly line of Main Avenue; THENCE by the southerly line of said Main Avenue one hundred four (104) feet to the place of beginning. Being Lots No. 12 and 13 on a Plan of Land dated May 28, 1938 described as Camp Louis owned and Developed by Henry Freeman, drawn by E.A. Chamberlain, C.E. and set out as Map No.2. Together with the right to pass and repass for all purposes in common with others over Main Avenue and West Avenue from the Paxton-Spencer Highway, so-called. Subject to flowage rights and restrictions as recited in Deed to Harold H. Supernor et al dated July 16, 1941 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 2822, Page 492, but not reimposing the same. Being the same premises conveyed to the mortgagors by a deed from David Breault and Shelli Breault dated November 13, 2003 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 32394, Page 40. "For informational purposes only, the subject premises is shown on Plan Book 134, Plan 22, Worcester District Registry of Deeds."

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check, or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

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

U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC P.O. Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: 781-790-7800

May 20, 2016  
May 27, 2016  
June 3, 2016

## MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Joseph H. Robinson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS") dated December 1, 2008 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 43555, Page 113, as affected by Note and Mortgage Modification Agreement dated August 3, 2010 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 46128, Page 216, as further affected by Assignment of Mortgage to Country Bank for Savings dated June 2, 2015 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 53803, Page 189, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m. on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016, on the mortgaged premises believed to be known as 14 High Street, Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

"THE LAND AND BUILDINGS THEREON IN SAID BROOKFIELD SITUATE ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF HIGH STREET IN THE VILLAGE OF SAID BROOKFIELD, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE GROUND AT THE NORTHWESTERLY CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN CONVEYED AND AT LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF ONE BLEUMER; THENCE EASTERLY ON LINE OF LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF SAID BLEUMER ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN (187) FEET TO A STONE WALL AND AN IRON PIN; THENCE RUNNING SOUTHERLY ONE HUNDRED SIX (106) FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE GROUND; THENCE RUNNING WESTERLY ON OTHER LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF LEON W. MOORE, TWO HUNDRED TWO (202) FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE GROUND AT SAID HIGH STREET; THENCE RUNNING NORTHERLY ON SAID HIGH STREET ONE HUNDRED SIX (106) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. BEING THE SAME PREMISES CONVEYED TO MORTGAGOR BY DEED IN BOOK 43555 PAGE 111."

The premises will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, improvements, covenants, outstanding tax titles, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, and existing encumbrances of record superior to the Mortgage, if any. Said premises will also be sold subject to all leases and tenancies having priority over said Mortgage, to tenancies or occupation by persons on the premises now and at the time of said auction which tenancies or occupation are subject to said Mortgage, to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, also to all laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, all building and zoning laws and ordinances. It shall be the bidder's sole responsibility to ascertain all items described in this paragraph and no representations are made concerning compliance with applicable zoning, building, sanitary or other state and/or municipal regulations.

TERMS OF SALE: FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS will be required to be paid in cash, or by certified or bank cashier's check by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price on the sale shall be paid in cash, or by certified or bank cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter and the Deed transferred contemporaneously therewith. The successful bidder at the sale shall be required to sign a Memorandum of terms of sale containing the above terms at the Auction sale. The purchaser will be responsible for all closing costs, Massachusetts deed excise stamps and all recording fees.

The sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the attorney for the mortgagee at the scheduled time and place of sale. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms, if any, will be announced at the sale.

Country Bank for Savings, Present Holder of said Mortgage

By: /S/ Jonathan C. Sapirstein SAPIRSTEIN & SAPIRSTEIN, P.C. 1331 Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, MA 01103 (413) 827-7500 Its Attorneys Date: May 16, 2016

May 27, 2016  
June 3, 2016  
June 10, 2016

## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Richard J. Saad, Jr. and Kristen Marie Bartkiewicz to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated July 21, 2011 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47626, Page 333 of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment recorded with said Registry in Book 52235, Page 383, for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM. on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016 at 90 Chestnut Street, Spencer, MA 01562, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Spencer with the buildings thereon on the Northerly side of Chestnut Street as shown on plan of land entitled "Plan of Property in Spencer, Mass., owned by Eugene J. Archambeault," dated June 1, 1970, Theodore P. Drazek, R.L.S., bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point at a drill hole in the Northerly line of Chestnut Street, said point being the Southwest corner of the tract herein conveyed and the Southeast corner of land of Rose Fecteau (sic Fecteau), as shown on said plan; THENCE N. 14 degrees 12' W., 59.88 feet along said Fecteau land to a point; THENCE N. 00 degrees 24'08" E. 198.00 feet still along said Fecteau land to a point at an iron pin at land of the Spencer Branch Penn Central Railroad; THENCE N. 43 degrees 22'E., 130.98 feet along said Railroad land and land of Armand Cournoyer to an iron pin at land of Lionel Berthiaume; THENCE S. 2 degrees 40' 44" W., 226.80 feet along said Berthiaume land partially along a wall to a drill hole; THENCE S. 5 degrees 25' E. 40.45 feet still along said Berthiaume land and said wall to an iron pin in the Northerly line of Chestnut Street; THENCE S. 39 degrees 55' W., 109.94 feet along said Northerly line of Chestnut Street to the point of beginning. Containing 22,000 square feet of land, more or less.

For Mortgagor's title see said Registry Book 47626, Page 331.

In the case of any typographical errors or misdescriptions, the property description in the subject mortgage shall control.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) shall be required to be paid to the mortgagee in cash, by certified or bank's cashier check at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, by certified check or by bank cashier's check in or within 30 days from the date of the sale. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

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

Planet Home Lending, LLC f/k/a Green Planet Servicing, LLC Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, Edward P. McCarthy Rosen & McCarthy, LLP 4 Whittier Road Natick, MA 01760 508-907-6444

May 13, 2016  
May 20, 2016  
May 27, 2016

## Town of Spencer Conservation Commission PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:

Richard Cormier has filed a Request for Determination of Applicability with the Spencer Conservation Commission to construct a single family home with septic system located at 20 Lake Whittemore Drive, Spencer, MA.

Carla Gallagher has filed a Request for Determination of Applicability with the Spencer Conservation Commission to install an inground pool located at 75 Borkum Road, Spencer, MA.

Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 7:00 p.m., public hearings begin at 7:15 p.m.

**Mary McLaughlin**  
Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman  
May 27, 2016

## Town of Spencer, MA Tree Hearing

A public hearing will be held at the Spencer Memorial Town Hall, Conference Room B, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to consider the proposed removal of the following trees:

Cranberry Meadow Road - 1 tree  
Information of different sizes and species is available on the Town website [spencerma.gov](http://spencerma.gov)

Ray Holmes  
Tree Warden

May 20, 2016  
May 27, 2016

## (SEAL) COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 16 SM 003838 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: David Nolan  
Rosemary Nolan  
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 501 *et. Seq.*: Nationstar Mortgage LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in East Brookfield, numbered 386 Howe Street, given by David Nolan and Rosemary Nolan to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for GMAC Mortgage Corporation, dated April 8, 2003, and recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 29968, Page 105, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before June 20, 2016 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 May 9, 2016.

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder

16-025408 / Nolan, David/05/27/2016  
May 27, 2016

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2000 Docket No. WO16P1562EA Estate of: Donald M. Guerra Date Of Death: 4/8/2016 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Tracy A Eccleston of Spencer MA

a Will has been admitted to informal probate,

Tracy A Eccleston of Spencer 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.  
May 27, 2016

## Notice of Public Hearing Town of Spencer Board of Selectmen

A public hearing will be held on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA on the application of Gerardo Cifuentes for a Class II Auto Dealer License to operate an office for Internet Sales of used cars at 17 Main Street, Spencer. No vehicle sales or storage on display onsite; office use only. Interested parties are invited to attend.

Gary E. Woodbury, Chairman  
May 27, 2016



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| <b>2013 Scion TC</b><br><br>P0130-AUTOMATIC, MOONROOF<br><b>\$14993</b>                    | <b>2014 Toyota Tacoma</b><br><br>16428A-ACCESS CAB 4X4 W/ SR5 PKG<br><b>\$23992</b>  | <b>2011 Toyota Tacoma</b><br><br>16365A-DOUBLE CAB<br><b>\$14991</b>                                    | <b>2010 Lexus RX350</b><br><br>16232A-AWD, LEATHER, MOONROOF<br><b>\$19992</b>    | <b>2013 Toyota Avalon LTD</b><br><br>P0129-NAVIGATION, LEATHER<br><b>\$18992</b>     | <b>2014 Chevrolet Silverado CK 1500 4x4 Double Cab</b><br><br>1618A- ONLY 12 K MILES, LT<br><b>\$30993</b> |
| <b>2010 Honda Pilot EX-L</b><br><br>16269B-LEATHER, MOONROOF<br><b>\$17991</b>             | <b>2016 TOYOTA COROLLA LE</b><br><br>16009R, 7K MILES<br><b>\$15991</b>              | <b>2005 Chevrolet Monte Carlo Super Charged SS</b><br><br>16190B-SUPERCHARGED, LEATHER<br><b>\$7991</b> | <b>2014 TOYOTA RAV4 LE</b><br><br>P0064, AWD<br><b>\$18795</b>                    | <b>2012 Acura RDX SH</b><br><br>16252A-AWD, NAV LEATHER<br><b>\$23991</b>            | <b>2010 Toyota 4-Runner SR5</b><br><br>16398A- 4X4, MOONROOF<br><b>\$23991</b>                             |
| <b>2013 Toyota Highlander Limited</b><br><br>16233A- NAVIGATION, LEATHER<br><b>\$30992</b> | <b>2015 Subaru XV Crosstrek</b><br><br>16379A- LIMITED, NAVIGATION<br><b>\$26991</b> |                                                                                                         |                                                                                   | <b>2013 Hyundai Eleantra GS</b><br><br>16145A- SPORT COUPE<br><b>\$9993</b>          | <b>2015 Toyota 4-Runner</b><br><br>P0091- 3RD ROW, NAVIGATION, 4WD<br><b>\$30993</b>                       |
| <b>2013 Toyota Corolla LE</b><br><br>16166A-30K MILES<br><b>\$12992</b>                    | <b>2013 Toyota Tacoma TRD</b><br><br>P0134- DOUBLE CAB, SPORT<br><b>\$29991</b>      | <b>2001 Mercedes Benz M Class ML350</b><br><br>15708A, NAV, LOADED<br><b>\$21993</b>                    | <b>2012 Toyota Highlander LTD</b><br><br>16460A-DVD, NAVIGATION<br><b>\$29991</b> | <b>2012 Toyota Rav4 Limited</b><br><br>P0121- NAVIGATION, LEATHER<br><b>\$20993</b>  | <b>2013 Toyota Tacoma 4x4</b><br><br>16356A- OFF ROAD, DOUBLE CAB<br><b>\$28592</b>                        |
| <b>2014 Toyota Rav4 LE</b><br><br>16311A- BAKCUP CAMERA, AWD<br><b>\$20991</b>             | <b>2015 Toyota Rav4</b><br><br>P0095- AWD, LIMITED<br><b>\$26993</b>                 | <b>2013 Lexus G5 350</b><br><br>P0126- F SPORT, LOADED<br><b>\$32992</b>                                | <b>2012 Toyota 4-Runner SR5</b><br><br>16301A- 4WD, MOONROOF<br><b>\$25993</b>    | <b>2015 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo</b><br><br>16226a - 4X4, LAREDO<br><b>\$24991</b> | <b>2012 Toyota Prius Three</b><br><br>P0106- NAVIGATION<br><b>\$16592</b>                                  |



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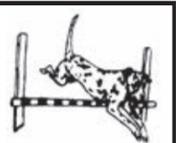
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## Four Tips For A Sweeter, Simpler Life

(NAPS)

These days, many Americans are embracing simplicity for a more balanced and joyful life. They're cutting out the complications and focusing on what matters most—whether it's spending time with family or prioritizing wellness.

If you'd like to enjoy the simple life, consider these four suggestions and this recipe:

1. Schedule time for yourself. It's easy to get caught up in life's chaos. Set aside 30 minutes to do something you enjoy, such as talking to a friend or going for a jog. By taking a mental break, you'll be better prepared for your busy day.

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- 1 medium banana, sliced
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Combine frozen berries, yogurt, banana and juice in blender. Cover and process until smooth. Pour into small serving bowl. Sprinkle with toppings and enjoy.

4. Get information, tips and recipes from [www.rwknudsenfamily.com](http://www.rwknudsenfamily.com) and [www.facebook.com/RWKnudsen](https://www.facebook.com/RWKnudsen).



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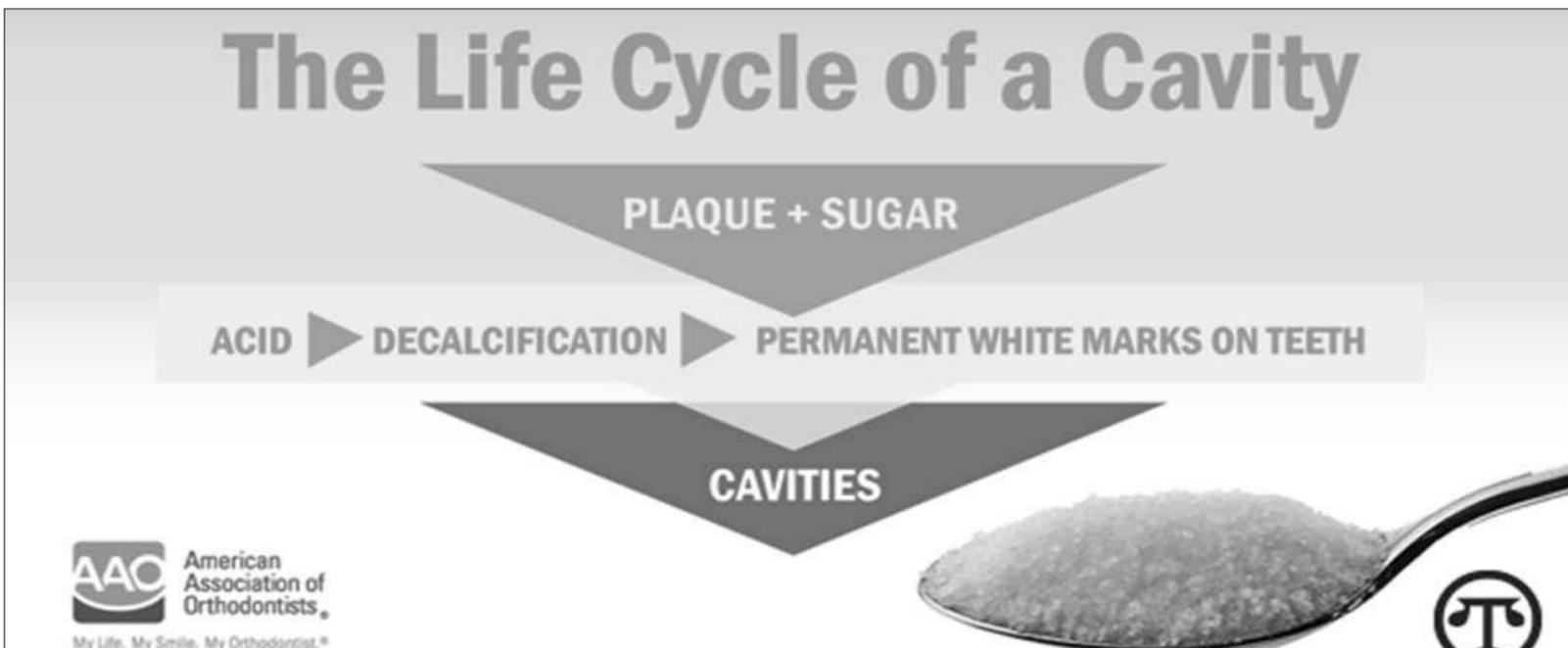
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## Soft Drinks And Orthodontics: A Recipe For Disaster



The acid in regular and diet soft drinks can attack and weaken tooth enamel.

**(NAPS)**  
Many people don't know that soft drinks—even diet soft drinks, sports and energy drinks, and fruit drinks—contain acids, which can be especially troublesome for people in orthodontic treatment. The American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) strongly advises patients to avoid drinks with low pH levels because the lower the pH level, the more acidic the beverage. "It's tempting to reach for soft drinks. People

around us drink them regularly, they are easily purchased in vending machines and at convenience stores, and many are heavily advertised," says Morris N. Poole, DDS, president of the AAO. "Sugar is known to be bad for the teeth but sugar-free soft drinks present dangers, as well. "Consumption of soft drinks during orthodontic treatment puts teeth at risk of decay due to the acid attack on enamel," says Dr. Poole. "The acid in soft drinks pulls calcium out of tooth enamel.

Repeatedly bathing teeth with acidic soft drinks dissolves enamel and is a sure path to a cavity. If soft drinks contain sugar, the risk increases. Sugar interacts with plaque and forms another acid to further dissolve enamel. When enamel is gone, the loss is permanent." To help, there's a new AAO educational flier, "Soft Drinks + Orthodontic Treatment = A Recipe for Disaster" ([www.mylifemysmile.org/why-you-should-get-orthodontic-treatment](http://www.mylifemysmile.org/why-you-should-get-orthodontic-treatment)), that lists pH levels of

more than 30 soft drinks and explains problems and solutions, including:  
• Plaque—a sticky, colorless film made up of bacteria, food debris and saliva that feeds on sugar and starches. Frequent brushing and daily flossing remove most plaque. Hard-to-reach plaque requires professional attention, however.  
• Damage You Can See—"I tell patients that a single sip of a soft drink is the catalyst for an attack on tooth enamel, and the attack is renewed with each new sip," says Dr.

Poole. These "attacks" can leave white spots or lines on teeth. The portion of a tooth covered by a bracket is protected, but damage around the perimeter can leave a permanent outline of the bracket.  
• Recommendations—Overall, orthodontic patients should:  
1. Never consume soft drinks while wearing clear aligners or clear retainers.  
2. Drink fluoridated water and use a fluoride toothpaste.

3. Always follow their orthodontist's instructions on oral hygiene.

**IF YOU DO HAVE A SOFT DRINK:**

1. Use a straw.
2. Drink it with a meal.
3. Drink it quickly.
4. Brush right away.

*Learn More*  
For facts on orthodontists and to find one nearby, visit [mylifemysmile.org](http://mylifemysmile.org).

## Tips For Cleaning Your Kitchen



Enjoy a light, fruity beverage in a fresh, clean kitchen.

**(NAPS)**  
While many find joy in the comfort foods of winter, spring provides a chance to embrace a fresh approach to your eating habits. The following tips will put a spring in your step and get you ready for this temperate season:  
• Out with the old. There's a reason spring is the chosen season for all things related to cleaning. It's the season associated with ideas of rebirth, rejuvenation and renewal. What better way to refresh your food choices than by cleaning your pantry and fridge? Toss expired products and donate the shelf-stable goods you no longer want to a worthy cause.  
• Celebrate color. Spring ushers in fresh new produce that adds a variety of flavor and nutrition. Produce such as apricots, green beans and broccoli all provide a pop of color that helps ensure you are enjoying the best seasonal pro-

duce this spring.  
• Get organized. Eliminate cluttered bags of rice or pasta by placing them in glass jars to make searching for pantry staples a breeze. Visit the grocer's bulk aisle for a variety of snack staples such as nuts and seeds—great for that afternoon craving.  
• Springtime beverages. Swap the hot and rich drinks of winter for the lighter, fruit-infused tastes of spring. New Santa Cruz Organic® Agua Fresca beverages are lightly sweetened and blended with organic fruit juice and a splash of lemon juice. Available in Mango Passionfruit, Pomegranate and Grapefruit flavors, Certified USDA Organic Agua Fresca beverages are a revitalizing companion to warm weather fun.  
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## Tender Heaven



A new take on a longtime favorite: chicken tenders dipped in honey-butter-biscuit batter.

**(NAPS)**  
If you've ever wondered exactly what part of the chicken is a Chicken Tender, the answer is simple—and delicious. "Tenders" are typically small breast-meat strips known for being more juicy and moist than typical white meat. These little fillets are excellent for single-size, handheld portions—which quickly vaulted them to "favorite" status in many restaurants.  
While there's some debate about the "inventor" of the Chicken Tender, nearly everyone agrees that the popular cut can be the beginning of a surefire winning chicken dish. Traditional preparations often involve a battered and fried coat-

ing, but inventive variations are constantly cropping up and keeping tenders in the spotlight.  
What's New  
One of the latest developments, the Honey-Butter Biscuit Tender from Church's Chicken, is made of fresh, all white-meat chicken, dipped in the chain's signature Honey-Butter Biscuit batter, fried up golden brown and served with Honey-Butter dipping sauce for a sweet-and-savory combination to suit chicken lovers of all ages.  
Learn More  
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## Five Tips For A Well-Stocked Pantry

(NAPS)

A well-stocked pantry is your answer when there is no food in the fridge, if guests show up unannounced and on days when the weather just isn't cooperating. It arms you with the ingredients you need to throw together a meal fit for a king.

Here are five quick tips for assembling your well-stocked pantry:

### Dried Herbs & Spices

A selection of your favorite herbs and spices is a must. Consider buying them from the bulk section of the supermarket or natural foods store so you can get just the right amount. Store them in matching jars with homemade labels if you're so inclined.

### Oil & Vinegar

Oil and vinegar are essential. Olive oil is delicious for salad dressings. Safflower oil, which is neutral in flavor, is good for everyday cooking. And then of course there is coconut oil with its multitude of health benefits. As for vinegars, they go far beyond being the key ingredient to your basic vinaigrette; they are ideal for marinades, quick pickling and even cleaning. Red wine, balsamic and white vinegar are all worthy additions to your pantry.

### PASTA & GRAINS

Long, short, large or tiny pasta, a few boxes will keep you covered



Colorful, flavorful and filling, this easy dish will delight family and friends.

whether you're making a full-on spaghetti dinner or tossing a few handfuls into your favorite chicken or vegetable soup. And don't forget to stock up on grains including rice, quinoa, polenta, farro and barley.

### NUTS & SEEDS

Healthy and tasty, nuts and seeds add texture and

crunch when sprinkled on salads, yogurt, and hot and cold cereal. It's a good idea to keep a variety on hand—walnuts and pine nuts are delicious in pesto, sunflower and pumpkin seeds are great in a homemade trail mix. And who doesn't love a handful of pistachios or cashews, especially to stave off hunger?

Jarred & Canned Goods

Olives, capers, peppers, pickles, tuna, anchovies, beans, chicken broth and tomatoes add fun and flavor to every meal. Your pantry isn't complete without an ample stash of jarred and canned goods.

Following is a recipe using primarily ingredients found in your well-stocked pantry.

### THE PERFECT

### PANTRY PASTA: PASTA PUTTANESCA

#### INGREDIENTS YOU'LL NEED:

1/4 cup olive oil  
1 onion, cut into 1/2-inch dice  
4 cloves garlic, smashed  
Pinch red pepper flakes, plus more for serv-

ing  
4 anchovy fillets, chopped (optional)  
1/2 cup dry white wine  
1 28-ounce can crushed tomatoes  
10 ounces spaghetti, linguini, fettuccine or other favorite pasta  
3/4 cup halved Lindsay® Naturals Kalamata Olives  
2 tablespoons drained Lindsay® Capers  
2 tablespoons chopped fresh oregano  
Salt and black pepper, to taste Grated or shredded Parmesan cheese, for serving

#### COOKING DIRECTIONS:

In large skillet over medium heat, warm olive oil. Add onion, garlic, red pepper flakes and anchovies, if using; cook, stirring occasionally, until onion is tender, 6 to 8 minutes. Stir in wine and increase heat to high; cook until reduced to thin layer in skillet, 2 to 3 minutes. Add tomatoes, bring to a boil, and reduce to a simmer; cook, stirring occasionally, until sauce is slightly thickened, 8 to 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook pasta according to package directions.

Add olives, capers, oregano, and salt and pepper to taste to tomato sauce. Drain pasta and add to skillet, tossing with sauce. Transfer to plates and serve, with cheese and additional red pepper flakes on the side.

## Peanuts, Peanut Butter May Hold Key To Preventing Obesity

(NAPS)

Here's good news about tasty treats: Adolescents at high risk for obesity significantly reduced their Body Mass Index (BMI) by substituting peanuts and peanut butter for unhealthy snacks according to a new USDA-funded study.

"Obesity is the most pressing public health issue facing us today," said Dr. Craig Johnston, principal investigator at the University of Houston. "We'd like to think it's preventable but until now there haven't been many studies showing large scale effective measures."

Instructors guided over 250 adolescents through a program of physical activity and nutrition education. About half the students received an after school snack of peanuts or peanut butter about four times a week, while the rest had peanuts less than once a week.

"We have a lot of kids skipping meals for a lot of reasons," Dr. Johnston said. "What we found is that kids get home from school around 4 p.m. There's less supervision by parents and less structure. Kids are sitting down at the TV and eating, eating, eating," he added.

On average, American children consume between two and three snacks a day, a quarter of their daily energy intake. Data has shown that some children are actually eating snacks up to ten times a day.

Peanuts and peanut butter were

chosen as snacks because they are very high in protein—more than any other nut, in fact. The protein promotes the feeling of fullness and cuts the number of snacks needed. Peanuts also have a very concentrated number of important nutrients.

Following the 12-week study, students spent another 12 weeks maintaining the healthy snacking habit. At the end, those students who ate the snack more regularly experienced a decrease in their overall BMI compared to those who did not.

The new nutrition standards for USDA's Smart Snacks in School highlight peanuts as one of the healthiest snacks with zero empty calories. The standards apply to all snacks sold during the school day in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores and snack carts. You can read more about Smart Snacks in School at [www.fns.usda.gov/healthierschoolday](http://www.fns.usda.gov/healthierschoolday).

Researchers at University of Houston, Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Woman's University conducted the study. Their findings are published in the Journal of Applied Research on Children.

*Learn More*  
For recipes and further facts about the nutritional benefits of peanuts and healthy snacking, visit [www.peanutpower.org](http://www.peanutpower.org) or [www.peanut-institute.org](http://www.peanut-institute.org).



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| <p><b>2015 Renegade</b><br/>Trailhawk Trim • #36889A<br/><b>\$22,377 or 79/wk</b></p>            | <p><b>2015 Chrysler 200</b><br/>V6, Only 3 Miles • #D7491R<br/><b>\$28,377 or 101/wk</b></p> | <p><b>2015 Chrysler 200</b><br/>V6, Only 3 Miles • #D7492R<br/><b>\$24,477 or 87/wk</b></p>   | <p><b>2011 Nissan Armada</b><br/>Platinum Trim • #P9921A<br/><b>\$25,488 or 128/wk</b></p>     | <p><b>2015 Ford Escape</b><br/>SE Trim • #P9847A<br/><b>\$20,977 or 75/wk</b></p>                                                                                         | <p><b>2014 Mercedes E350</b><br/>AWD, Sport Trim • #136456L<br/><b>\$34,877 or 124/wk</b></p> |                                                                                             |
| <p><b>2015 Chevy Cruze LTZ</b><br/>Leather, Loaded! • #37124R<br/><b>\$17,744 or 63/wk</b></p>   | <p><b>2015 Chrysler 200 S</b><br/>Alloy Wheels • #D7225R<br/><b>\$16,377 or 58/wk</b></p>    | <p><b>2015 Chrysler 200</b><br/>Only 3 Miles • #D7447R<br/><b>\$24,977 or 89/wk</b></p>       | <p><b>2012 Grand Cherokee</b><br/>Laredo Trim, 4x4 • #16362A<br/><b>\$23,477 or 118/wk</b></p> | <p><b>2013 Dodge Durango</b><br/>Low Miles, V8 • #10672A<br/><b>\$29,977 or 107/wk</b></p>                                                                                | <p><b>2015 Ford Mustang</b><br/>Only 2,700 Miles • #P10062<br/><b>\$31,677 or 113/wk</b></p>  |                                                                                             |
| <p><b>2015 Chevy Impala</b><br/>10,000 Miles, LT Trim • #37127R<br/><b>\$22,344 or 80/wk</b></p> | <p><b>2015 Chrysler 200</b><br/>Only 6,925 Miles • #D7446R<br/><b>\$26,477 or 94/wk</b></p>  | <p><b>2012 Ford F-150 XLT</b><br/>SuperCab 4x4 • #16353A<br/><b>\$25,477 or 91/wk</b></p>     | <p><b>2016 Ford Fusion</b><br/>Only 1,700 Miles! • #P10166L<br/><b>\$24,355 or 87/wk</b></p>   | <p><b>2015 Nissan GT-R</b><br/>8,851 Miles, Heated Leather Seats,<br/>All Wheel Drive, Twin Turbo,<br/>Back-Up Camera, NAV.,<br/>Aluminum Wheels.<br/><b>\$82,944</b></p> | <p><b>#6203A</b></p>                                                                          |                                                                                             |

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