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# Conservation in action



Gus Steeves photos

Trees cast reflections in the only remaining pond on Hamant Brook, the southernmost of three that once existed.

BY GUS STEEVES  
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE – People from all over the nation come to Sturbridge.

That’s not news; they’ve been drawn to Old Sturbridge Village for decades. Last weekend, though, a crew of young people from as far away as Alaska came to town to work. For free.

They were members of the Student Conservation Corps, an Americorps-affiliated organization that travels the nation doing environmental projects. In this case, the 23 members were working on expanding the Leadmine Mountain trail network south of OSV, specifically by building the new Ledges Trail and extending Sand Hill Trail.

According to Alaska resident Steven Taylor, SCA members received five months of environmental education before being sent out on five months of trail or other work. He has already graduated college, but some of his peers are taking a “gap year” during college or between high school and college.

“We’ve definitely become a tight-knit group,” said Zack Friedman of Baltimore. “Everybody’s living in one big cabin. We cook together and do chores together.”

His trail-building partner, Ella Stack of

Nashville, agreed, noting they’ve done various things during their year, from farm work to trail construction.

“Sturbridge has a great network of trails, and it seems the community is really involved in making and designing them here in a way they’re usually not in other places,” she said.

They were working within sight (albeit through trees) of Hamant Brook. In December, the town and American Rivers collaborated to remove three roughly 100-year-old mill dams along the brook, emptying two of the three ponds. The southernmost one remains in a natural depression, but isn’t as deep or as large as it was.

Sturbridge Tree Warden Thomas Chamberland said the work included planting dozens of saplings, each protected from browsers by small fences. He noted it will take some time for the brook to find its own channel through the now-dry and grassy lowlands.

According to the American Rivers page on the project, the goal was to restore “habitat for native brook trout, wood turtles and mussels.” It dubbed the Hamant dams “deadbeat dams,” in the sense that “they no longer serve a purpose. They’re choking our

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# SONG festival at orchards fueled by concern



Kevin Flanders photos

Event organizer Wally Connor, right, introduces musical performers.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE – For several years Wally Connor worked hard to build support for his former local charitable organization. Fueled by a passion to increase the number of children assisted by his community fundraising efforts, Connor worked equally hard over the last two years to start a brand new organization.

Previously known as Socks for Siberia, the organization has been restructured and is now called Supporting Orphans Nationally and Globally (SONG). But even though the name has changed, the organization continues to see the same strong support from residents and business owners. At one of SONG’s first major community fundraising

events of the year, residents came out in large numbers for a June 9 music festival at Hyland Orchards.

The event included food, vendors, raffles, kids’ activities, farm animals, and live music. The Otters band, which has supported Connor and his organization countless times in the past, was once again front and center at the event. Other bands included The Gypsy Cowboys and Frankenphil.

For Connor, it is a thrill to see his new organization off and running after a lengthy process of restructuring.

“There were a lot of steps, but we finally completed it and have done some big events already,” said Connor, who also attended the Asparagus Festival last

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# Sturbridge under mandatory water ban

To meet the town’s Water Management Act permit # 9P2-2-09-287 01 (Quinebaug River Basin) issued by MassDEP, the Sturbridge Water Department has been required by MassDEP to enter into a voluntary water ban when the Quinebaug River flow rate at the USGS Quinebaug River gauge station near Southbridge #01123600 falls below 87 cubic feet per second (cfs) for three consecutive days between May 1 and June 30 and below 37 cfs between July 1 and September 30.

The rules apply from May 1 through September 30. When the flow rate falls below the trigger condition during that

time, the following water use restrictions shall be in effect and enforced to comply with the town’s. Once implemented, the restrictions shall remain in effect until stream flow at the gauge meets or exceeds the trigger for seven consecutive days.

Non-essential outside water use is not allowed, except that sprinklers may be used for lawn watering outside of the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. one day a week.

Non-essential water use is defined as water use that is not required: (a) for health or safety reasons, (b) by regula-

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# Music and Muskets returns to the Common

STURBRIDGE — On Saturday, June 23, the Sturbridge Colonial Militia will re-enact the muster of local patriot forces on the town Common in response to the news of the British expedition to Lexington and Concord in April, 1775.

The program of drill, musket firing, and historical commentary begins at 6:30 p.m. Visitors are most welcome at the Revolutionary-era encampment on the Common from 4 p.m., followed by a concert of period music at 6 p.m. by the Yalesville (CT) Senior Fife and Drum Corps. These events are presented with the generous support of the Sturbridge Tourist Association.

According to veteran re-enactor Douglas Quigley, who portrays Captain Timothy Parker, this is the 22nd consecutive year the “new” Sturbridge Colonial Militia has commemorated its ancestor’s gathering on the Common. The historical background for the event is based on the continuing research of Sturbridge historian Brian Burns. See Sturbridge Colonial Militia on Facebook for updates and further details.

# Ride for Conservation in the works



Courtesy photo

A group of riders from the 2017 ride at the Rapsallion Brewery.

Opacum Land Trust is once again partnering with Rapsallion Brewery and Hyland Orchard of Sturbridge, and Southbridge Bicycle for our second annual Bike Ride for Land Conservation, scheduled Sunday, July 8 in Sturbridge.

The Ride brings cyclists through the heart of Opacum’s service area including Sturbridge, Brimfield, Brookfield, Monson and surrounding towns in south-central Massachusetts. Bike enthusiasts will be challenged by our hilly 100 mile ride while others can choose a route in keeping with their ability, including 50 and 25 mile loops, and a family-friendly 7.5 mile ride that makes the day a win for everyone! All proceeds from this ride will go to support the land conservation work of Opacum Land Trust – helping to protect the beautiful character of our communities.

Registration for all routes is online at BikeReg.com, with the proceeds from

the \$50 registration fee going to support Opacum Land Trust. Rest stops with food and water are available, and a SAG vehicle will be on hand for emergency assistance. Registrants receive a free T-shirt, snacks and flatbread pizza, and a free craft beer upon their return. Rides begin at staggered times and are synchronized to wrap up between 1:30 and 2:00 back at Rapsallion. Details of the routes and starting times can be found at BikeReg.com/tour-opacum, and on our website. For specific questions about Opacum Land Trust or the TourOpacum, please call or contact us at info@opacumlt.org.

The afternoon will feature live music from the Tony Soul Project along with additional food options and craft beer at the beautiful Hyland Orchard Pavilion. Guests are invited to bring their own lawn chairs and picnics, and hang out in the orchard

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# Hitchcock Happenings

Courtesy photo

Make Music Day is an international day of celebration! Join in Brimfield's celebration at Hitchcock Academy from 6-8 p.m.

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SEN-I JUDO CLUB: This course runs all year long and is well suited for all levels of practitioners including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez (413) 279-4330 for more information.

Tuesday, June 19

ART GROUP: Participants enjoy time to socialize, draw and paint together informally without instruction. No pre-registration required. Bring your own supplies and enjoy! Free will Donations are welcome. Time: 9-11:30 a.m. Contact Hitchcock for more information.

Wednesday, June 20

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Thursday, June 21

INTERNATIONAL MAKE MUSIC DAY: FREE! International Make Music Day was created to celebrate music and the arrival of Summer! Outside if possible, inside in case of rain. Musical guests include: Bells & Beaus bell ringers; Jared Fiske, Jessica Adams & Rob Adams as New England Weather; violinist Linda Day; music instructor Jodi Stevens; Luke DeRoy. Other highlights include a drumming circle led by Tim Kane, a kazoo finale, and a special presentation on Alice Sawin Davis-one of the many sponsors of this year's Make Music Day! Bring chairs or blankets and a picnic to enjoy the evening on the lawn! Time: 6-8 p.m. Contact Hitchcock for more information.

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Friday, June 22

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Thursday, July 12

Deb's Sing and Swing returns with her popular music and movement program! For children pre-K through about 6 years. Free. Sponsored by the Friends of JHL. Pre-register at [www.sturbridgelibrary.org](http://www.sturbridgelibrary.org) 2:00 p.m.

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# Chamber of Central Mass South awards scholarships



The Chamber of Central Mass South is very pleased to announce the winners of the Chamber scholarships for 2018. This year, three scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to three local students upon successful completion of their first semester of college with a 3.0 GPA or higher.

“This is a highly competitive scholarship,” said Chamber Executive Director Alexandra McNitt. “We received applications from all but one of the high schools in our catchment, and our selection committee worked hard to identify the most deserving students. All applicants have great grades and involvement at their respective schools. What sets these three students apart is their level of community engagement. These young women have already made a positive impact on their community.”

This year’s \$1000 scholarship recipients are Julia Ferron and Erika E. Quesada, both graduates of Southbridge High School, and Jiliana Marrero, a graduate of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School.

Julia Ferron, of Southbridge, is an exceptional student, a gifted artist and dancer. Julia was a member of the National Honor Society, the Art Honor Society and served as class president through her sophomore, junior and senior years. During her tenure at Southbridge High School, Julia has given tirelessly of herself and demonstrated leadership within the school and our community. Julia has worked as a summer camp counselor with the Southbridge Recreation Department and an assistant dance instructor at Spotlight Dance Academy. Active in her community, Julia has volun-



Julia Ferron

teered at Relay for Life since 2009, the Southbridge Police Department, Holiday Visions, and the Lions Club among others. Julia ranked second academically in her graduating class. Passionate about art, Julia is a talented photographer, painter and sketch artist and hopes to major in illustration.

Jiliana Marrero, of Southbridge, is a wonderful example of a good citizen who is committed to academics and her community. With an impressive transcript from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School and outstanding grades, Chelsea was active in Student Council where she was vice president, the Class Steering Committee, Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) and the National Honor Society. Hard-working and committed, Jiliana has truly made a difference in our community. She was the recipient of the Community Service Hours Award for volunteering over 100 hours in one year. Jiliana is now a Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health aide, an active member of the Charlton Police Explorers and she works as a Dietary Aid at Harrington Hospital. With the goal of working in the medical field, Jiliana plans to major in biology.



Jiliana Marrero

Erika E. Quesada, of Southbridge, is a motivated and focused student who has dedicated much of her energy and resources to her school and community. In her senior year at Southbridge High School, Erika was president of the Student Council and president of the school’s National Honor Society. Smart, driven, organized and a great participator, Erika has been on the varsity cheer squad, varsity tennis and volleyball teams. She has won the Anna Maria College Book Award, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award, a DECA award and a HACE (Hispanics Achieving and Celebrating Excellence) award. During her senior year, Erika was dual enrolled with Southbridge High and Quinsigamond Community College where she continued to achieve at the highest level and made QCC’s Dean’s List. Through her National Honor Society commitment, Erika is a frequent volunteer in our community. Academically, Erika ranked fifth in her graduating class. She intends to major in accounting.

The Chamber is extremely gratified to be able to contribute to the ongoing education and success of these exceptional young scholars and we wish



Courtesy photos

Erika Quesada

them the very best as they pursue their academic ambitions. The Chamber of Central Mass South typically offers three \$1000 scholarships to local students each year. Monies are allocated from the Chamber’s Charities and Scholarship Fund which is supported by the annual ‘Your Chance to Be a Millionaire’ lottery scratch tickets raffle, the Chamber’s Golf Classic and individual contributions from Chamber Members. Scholarship applications can be obtained at local high school guidance offices or online at the Chamber website. The annual deadline to apply is April 1.

## RIDE

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surrounding the pavilion, soaking up the sun. The venue also offers a full 18-hole Disc Golf Course.

Rapscallion will again brew a special “Opacum Ale” for the occasion – celebrating the land trust’s namesake, Ambystoma Opacum, the blue marbled salamander, a rare and threatened species that inhabits this region. A portion of the sales of the beer will be donated to the organization.

Opacum’s Executive Director Ed Hood is pleased to announce that Southbridge Credit Union is the lead sponsor for TourOpacum, demonstrating their commitment to the character of the communities that Opacum Land Trust serves. The Sturbridge Tourist Association has also made a substantial commitment supporting TourOpacum, including funding to support digital marketing efforts that will bring riders to the Sturbridge area.

“After a successful first year with 91 riders, we hope to more than double participation in 2018 with the help of the expanded marketing impact that our relationships with Southbridge Credit Union and the Sturbridge Tourism Association will provide,” says Hood.

Hood is also excited to have Rapscallion Brewery’s enthusiastic and generous support for this event. With its central location in Opacum’s service area, the very important feature of local craft beer, and its commitment to helping grow TourOpacum, Rapscallion is an ideal partner for the event. Hood is particularly grateful for the guidance and technical support of Jon Steppic, owner and manager of Southbridge Bicycles, and himself an avid bike rider. Southbridge Bicycles will provide a “SAG Wagon” – a vehicle equipped to assist riders who have mechanical failures during the ride.

Based in Sturbridge, Opacum Land Trust is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization lead by a volunteer board of directors. Opacum cares for 1,992 acres of conservation land in its 13-town service area, stretching from Monson to Charlton and Southbridge to North Brookfield. Proceeds from the first TourOpacum in 2017 were used to help purchase a 76-acre forested parcel on Monson Road in Brimfield known as Dingley Dell, which Opacum will open to the public as The Clayton and Margaret Thomas Nature Preserve. This property contains a waterfall, a natural spring, a spectacular 25ft high boulder, and

is adjacent to the Hemlock Gorge section of Brimfield State Forest.

In 2017 Opacum Land Trust also conserved 57 acres of “Stillmeadow Farm” in Monson, belonging to Nancy Clark, her daughter Laura Rogers and her son-in-law Eric Rogers, and 125 acres of land in Charlton belonging to Richard Kisten. Opacum’s other public properties include Opacum Woods in Sturbridge, The Claire Birtz Sanctuary and the Thompson Family preserve in Southbridge, and the Flynt Quarry Lands in Monson. These four beautiful properties have trails for public hiking.

For more information on these properties and the conservation work of Opacum Land Trust, go to [www.opacumlt.org](http://www.opacumlt.org).

Situated in the rolling uplands of central Massachusetts, in the watersheds of the Quaboag and Quinebaug rivers, the service area of Opacum Land Trust is a scenic region of forests, farms and quintessential old New England Villages. TourOpacum will bring riders past some of Opacum Land Trust’s conservation properties, including Monson’s Flynt Quarry (site of one of the ride’s rest stops), the Plimpton Community Forest and Riverlands conservation areas in Sturbridge and

the Broz-Simon Conservation property in Brookfield. Most of the routes bring riders through the beautiful village of Brimfield, with a rest stop at the historic Hitchcock Free Academy, which now serves the town as a community and education center ([www.Hitchcockacademy.org](http://www.Hitchcockacademy.org))

Opacum Land Trust can be reached at Opacum Land Trust, PO Box 233, Sturbridge, MA 01566; [OpacumLT.org](mailto:OpacumLT.org), 508-347-9144.

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# Gobi secures reimbursement for regional school transportation

BOSTON – Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) has announced a unanimous vote by the Massachusetts Senate to increase regional school transportation reimbursement funding during Tuesday’s budget debate. The amendment, filed by Senator Gobi, raises the reimbursement rate to 80 percent of full funding, at a total of \$68,878,679 - a \$7,357,679 increase over FY18 funding.

“This 80% reimbursement is a positive step towards the 100% promised by the state when schools were encouraged to regionalize,” said Senator Gobi. “There are 107,000 students in 170 regional schools across the state and this fund-

ing helps to assure they receive other critical services.”

Ellen Holmes, chair of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, had this to say, “Anne’s advocacy for regional school district issues has been greatly appreciated. The unanimous support in the Senate today for her Regional School Transportation reimbursement amendment moves us closer to the legislative promise to the voters in these regions. We look forward to the members of the Senate Conference Committee working with the House to secure this essential funding.”

“Regional school transportation costs represent

a significant portion of the Wachusett Regional School District’s annual budget,” said Margaret Natowicz, Rutland town administrator. “The state’s year-on-year regional transportation reimbursement underfunding has resulted in increased assessments to member communities. If funded, Senator Gobi’s amendment to increase regional transportation reimbursements from 68% to 80% would provide much needed relief to the town of Rutland and other municipalities challenged with sustaining an array of public services. We express our sincere appreciation to the Senator for her tireless work to assure that the

state allots its committed share of aid to municipalities and school districts.

State Auditor Suzanne Bump released a study on October 18, 2017 making recommendations to modernize laws and regulations within the regional school district structure. The report made sure to point at that state laws passed in 1949 entitle regional school districts to full reimbursement for school transportation expenses, but this is subject to annual appropriation. In fiscal 2016, the reimbursement rate from the state was just 73 percent, the auditor reported, creating a collective shortfall of \$14.4 million in this category for region-

al districts.

Regional school districts often have higher student transportation costs since they cover larger geographic regions. There are currently 58 regional school districts in Massachusetts with 171 member schools. The transportation money that is not reimbursed by the state comes directly out of their school budgets. Senator Gobi has advocated each year for an increase in funding with a goal of 100% reimbursement.

The House of Representatives approved \$63,521,000 and the two amounts will be negotiated by the conference committee.

## Unique edibles to wow your guests



GARDEN MOMENTS  
• • • • •  
MELINDA MYERS

Make your next gathering one to remember by including a few unique vegetables on the relish tray, as a side dish or for dessert. Your guests will be “wowed” not only because you grew your own ingredients, but because of the unique shape, color or flavor of the vegetables you serve.

Create a memorable dining experience with attractive edible containers adorning the patio, balcony or deck. Include a few Candle Fire okra plants in large containers to create a tropical feel. The dark green leaves, hibiscus flowers and colorful red pods make a striking display in a container or the garden.

Surprise guests with roasted Candle Fire okra and Candyland red currant tomatoes. Roasting okra eliminates the slime that prevents many from eating this unique vegetable. And don’t discard any overripe pods, use them in flower arrangements to dress up any event.

Allow your guests to harvest their own greens, herbs and cherry tomatoes to toss into their salads or season their meal. Use Prizm kale as a vertical dark green accent in your containers. Then

add a contrasting ornamental leaf lettuce like Red Sails, long lasting vibrant Red Kingdom Mizuna (Japanese mustard) and edible flowers like calendulas, nasturtiums and pansies. The new Patio Choice tomatoes produce up to 100 yellow cherry tomatoes on an 18” plant. Plant it in a container for a splendid display then watch as guests harvest fresh tomatoes from your centerpiece.

Dress up the table, indoors or out, by using a few potted herbs as centerpieces. Include Dark Opal basil with dark purple leaves and compact Dolce Fresca in a simple container or more decorative pot to create a splendid display. Just place a pair of garden snips on the table and let your guests flavor their meals.

Make any meal special with a bok choy frittata. Your guests will be impressed when you create this popular dish from your own homegrown ingredients. Asian Delight pak choi (or bok choy) is slow to flower so you will enjoy season-long harvests. The mild flavored tender white stems and textured dark green leaves look good in containers, the garden and when served fresh in a salad, frittata or stir fry.

Serve a colorful platter of sliced tomatoes with the Chef’s Choice series of red, pink, orange, yellow and green fruit. The globe shaped beefsteak tomatoes have the perfect balance of acid to sugar. Their disease resistance, productivity, yield, flavor, color and performance made them winners in the non-profit All-America Selections national trials (all-americanselections.org).

Stuff a few of the uniquely shaped Mad Hatter sweet peppers with cheese. Your guests will enjoy the beauty and refreshing citrusy floral flavor of this three-sided red pepper. The vigorous plant produces an abundance of fruit, so you’ll have plenty to use fresh in appetizers and salads throughout the growing season or pickled for future enjoyment.

End the evening with a surprise. Serve each guest their own watermelon for dessert. Mini Love watermelon packs lots of sweet flavor into individual size fruit. Or brighten their desert plates with a slice or two of Gold in Gold. This eye-catching watermelon has a yellow rind with golden stripes. The orange-gold flesh is crisp and sugary.

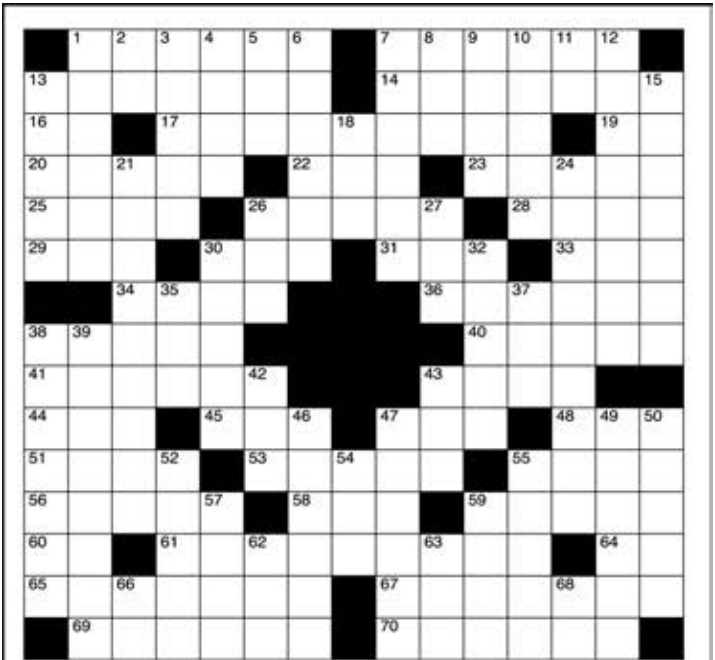
With just a little planning, you can plant unique and beautiful edibles in your garden and containers this season.



Photo courtesy All American Selections  
The uniquely shaped Mad Hatter sweet red pepper has a refreshing citrusy floral flavor.

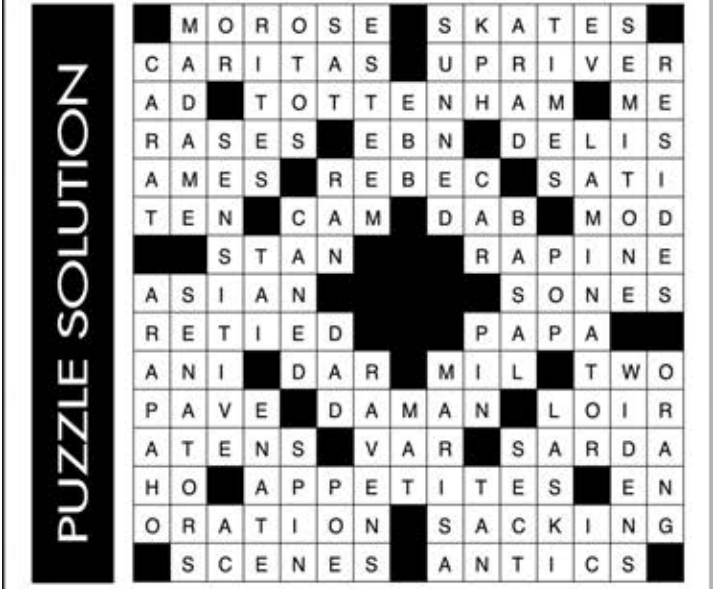
Then find fun ways to include these in dishes shared at potlucks, meals for family and friends, or as a snack to enjoy on a summer afternoon.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything”* gardening DVD series and the nationally syndicated *Melinda’s Garden Moment TV & radio segments*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by AAS for her expertise to write this article. Myers’ web site is [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com).



- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Glowering
  - 7. Sports equipment
  - 13. Relief organization
  - 14. Go against the flow
  - 16. A public promotion of some product or service
  - 17. Premier League’s Spurs
  - 19. Of I
  - 20. Tears down (Brit.)
  - 22. One point north of due east
  - 23. Sandwich shops
  - 25. American spy
  - 26. Medieval stringed instrument
  - 28. Self-immolation by fire ritual
  - 29. Pearl Jam’s debut
  - 30. Panthers’ Newton
  - 31. Press against lightly
  - 33. \_\_\_ Squad
  - 34. Eminem hit
  - 36. Violent seizure of property
  - 38. Native or inhabitant of Asia
  - 40. Loudness units
  - 41. Knotted anew
  - 43. Daddy
  - 44. Folk singer DiFranco
  - 45. Women from the Mayflower
  - 47. Metric capacity unit
  - 48. Couple
  - 51. A way to coat
  - 53. \_\_\_ and Diu: Indian territory
  - 55. French river
  - 56. Asteroids
  - 58. Investment measurement (abbr.)
  - 59. India and Nepal border river
  - 60. Santa says it three times
  - 61. Hungers
  - 64. Linear unit
  - 65. Speech
  - 67. Taking forcefully
  - 69. Places to be
  - 70. Amusing behavior

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Adult female
  - 2. An alternative
  - 3. Rituals
  - 4. Native American people
  - 5. High school exam
  - 6. Respect
  - 7. Tanned
  - 8. Kilometers per hour
  - 9. Ancient Israeli city
  - 10. Periods
  - 11. Electron volt
  - 12. Smallest interval in classical Western music
  - 13. Metric weight unit
  - 15. Occupies
  - 18. \_\_\_ and flow
  - 21. Responsive to physical stimuli
  - 24. One who presses into thin sheets
  - 26. Jogged
  - 27. Automobile
  - 30. Punished
  - 32. Belonging to a bottom layer
  - 35. Japanese delicacy
  - 37. Soda
  - 38. Algonquian language
  - 39. Legislators
  - 42. Father
  - 43. Needed at the ATM
  - 46. Baltimore footballers
  - 47. \_\_\_ Tomei, actress
  - 49. Expands
  - 50. Person (Indonesian)
  - 52. Related
  - 54. Where wrestlers work
  - 55. American communist leader
  - 57. Creatively tell
  - 59. Separatist group
  - 62. Edgar Allan \_\_, poet
  - 63. A way to discolor
  - 66. Actinium
  - 68. Integrated circuit



**Water Ban**  
*continued from page 1*

tion, (c) for production of food and fiber, (d) for the maintenance of livestock, or (e) to meet core functions of a business.

Examples of non-essential use are irrigation of lawns, washing of exterior buildings surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks unless it is to apply paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement. Acceptable outside examples are irrigation to establish a new lawn during the months of May and September, irrigation for production of food and fiber or the maintenance of livestock, irrigation by plant nurseries as necessary to maintain stock. The irrigation of public parks and recreational fields shall follow the same restrictions.

Note: lawn sprinklers are very popular, and

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# Fishing both fresh and saltwater just fine say anglers



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Fishing fresh and saltwater can be an exciting past time for young and old. It also can make great memories for the fishing public.

This past week this writer went striper fishing with Steve Mercure of Uxbridge at the Providence River. We arrived at the Bold Point boat ramp at 4:30 a.m.! By the time we had launched my boat it was just breaking light. As I navigated my 16 ft. boat through the channel and out into open water, I noticed a couple of boats about a quarter mile out and decided to check them out. Now I know I wrote a column about “Googans” a couple of weeks ago, where some fishermen follow and fish too close to commercial fishing vessels, but I was just trying to observe what they were fishing for. My prediction was right! They were trying to snag a few porgies for bass fishing.

We set up a few hundred feet from them and found our own school of porgies. It was not a large school of bait fish but we managed to snag a few for our morning fishing trip.

I decided to head out to a favorite spot of mine that often had us catching stripers on past fishing trips. We started our first drift by 6:00 a.m. and had a couple of hits on the

first drift. They evidently were school stripers and were not large enough to handle a full size bait.

After a short run, they dropped the bait and it was time to go back up to where we had started our first drift. As we let our lines out we noticed a couple of osprey circling our baits. Suddenly one of the large birds plunged from the sky and picked up Steve’s bait fish.

What the heck!!

I started to laugh as Steve battled the huge bird with his fishing rod. Suddenly the osprey dropped the bait fish and it crashed back to the surface of the ocean. Because the bait fish were swimming close to the surface it was easy for the osprey to spot the fish swimming just under the surface of the water.

Suddenly the second osprey plummeted from the sky and grabbed my baitfish, and I went through the same ordeal that Steve had just encountered. Giving the rod a good tug, the osprey also dropped my bait. Now we noticed that there were five osprey circling our boat waiting for another opportunity to steal one of our baitfish.

We decided to leave the area to avoid another encounter with the birds. We were also concerned that they could become entangled in our fishing line or ingest one of our hooks. I sure wish I had my camera running to capture at least one of the moments, but it happened so fast I did not have time.

We soon found ourselves fishing back where we had

snagged a few porgies earlier in the day, and encountered a few more short runs from more than likely school stripers. I decided to check out another favorite spot of mine and found some larger fish by using my fish finder. We quickly let out our baits and had a fish on almost immediately. After the second run, this writer had a good hook up with one stripper. After a 10 minute battle, the large stripper was brought alongside the boat, where my fishing partner could scoop up the somewhat impressive stripper and place it in the boat. He measured out at less than 40 inches, but slightly more than 30 inches?!!!! At least it was a legal fish and was all that we needed to bring home for some of my acquaintances at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club to eat.

My brother Ken and his son Mark sent along a picture as shown in this week’s column of anicelake trout they had caught a couple of weeks ago at Gate 8, in the Quabbin Reservoir. A \$23 fee to rent a boat and 9.9 hp. motor for the day also included a full tank of gas and admission. They caught seven lake trout throughout the day. They were all released back into the Reservoir. Although no salmon were caught by the two anglers, many fishermen still catch them on some of their trips. They are planning another trip to the Quabbin as early as next week.

Ed Pokornicki will be holding another firearms safety class at the Whitinsville Fish & Game Club for 12 to 17 year olds for first time applicants want-



Courtesy photo  
Ken and Mark True with lake trout from the Quabbin Reservoir.

ing to obtain their FID card on Saturday Aug. 11, and Sunday Aug. 12. A \$25 registration fee, which is refundable after the student passes the course is required. Live shooting of handguns and shotguns will be available for every student taking the course. Contact Ed to register, or for more information at (508) 278-6002. The course is open to both female and male students from any town or state. A light lunch will be served both days.

To the disappointment of many people in the area, the 200 Sportsmen’s club will not be holding their annual spring picnic this year. It was rated as one of the best picnics in the area, and the food was always

top notch. The Blackstone Valley Beagle Club is planning a clambake with all of the trimmings in the coming weeks. I will try to keep you posted.

Haddock fishing on the North Shore remains steady. Talking with a couple of anglers that fished aboard a charter boat in Salisbury this past week commented about the fast action fishing for haddock, but also stated that they had caught many nice cod fish that had to be released because of the closed season on all of the Gulf of Maine. Hopefully the restrictions will be lifted soon.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!!

## Sturbridge Rotary fundraiser helps food pantry

The fifth annual Dinner Dance Fundraiser to benefit the St. John Paul II Food Pantry was held recently by the Sturbridge Rotary Club. Rev. Kenneth Cardinale accepted a check for \$3,000 with his gratitude.

“The Food Pantry serves an average of 400 families every month and this check will certainly help in the challenge to feed these families in need,” said Rev. Cardinale.

“We are fortunate to have individuals, young people, companies and organizations such as Sturbridge Rotary that hold fundraisers for this growing need we face,” stressed the Reverend.

This year a new initiative was launched with the Community Food Collaborative (CFC). The CFC is a com-

munity garden in Sturbridge that is growing fresh, organic vegetables, all of which will be donated to the Food Pantry. The CFC is overseen by the Rotary Corps of Sturbridge and Southbridge.

“We are committed to the Food Pantry and the great work that it does. Hunger is a real issue today and we want to do our part to help alleviate it,” noted Past-President Austin Jenkins, who with his wife Kim, organizes the Dinner Dance fundraiser each year.

To date, the Sturbridge Rotary Club has raised \$15,000 from the Dinner Dances for this worthy cause.

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Left to right: President David Zonia, Rev. Cardinale and Past-President Austin Jenkins.



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# Staying Strong for Ryan



Dragon Volleyball Club playing a game

Kim Maschi photos



Firefighter Explorer Post 2021



Ryan Myers Strong group photo

**KIMBERLY MASCHI**  
NEWS CORRESPONDENTS

It was a beautiful day for a beautiful boy. June 2 was Ryan Myers Strong Benefit day and the partying didn't stop until late that night. During the day event hundreds of residents from Oxford, Charlton, Auburn, and more came to support this boy and his family. Ryan Myers was diagnosed with leukemia and is current-

ly going through treatment. Ryan is also diagnosed on the autism spectrum and this adds to the struggle that Ryan and his family faces. There have been multiple pleas for help from the community to help the Myers family and all have been answered. While the bills, from hospital and home, keep increasing the community continues to rally for this strong little boy and his family.

Behind the A.M. Chaffee school there were numerous activities and countless supporters sharing in fun. An enormous bouncy castle, where children jumped and flipped for Ryan, was full of laughter. An enormous inflatable slide rested in the shade and kids slid down with glee. The Suzy Q's ice cream truck from Charlton was parked and the lines continued for refresh-

ing treats. The kids were so grateful to have a nice cold ice cream on this hot stunning day. Later in the day Coco's Tropical Ice from Auburn came to join in the festivities and supply some more icy treats. Children ran around and played on the school playground. There was face painting and the Firefighter Explorer Post 2021, from Oxford came to demonstrate the firetruck and equipment. The Dragons Volleyball Club set up a net and had everyone playing a game. A water company donated 5 10-gallon tubs of water to



Stacy White and family



Leilani Lopez, age 2 from Oxford dancing with Puddles



Ella Davis, age 4 from Oxford getting her face painted.

keep everyone hydrated. There were so many activities outside for Ryan Myers, the amount of support Ryan is receiving is truly inspiring and inside the school were tables lined with gift baskets and prizes all in support of him. Companies and residents all chipped in to help this little boy and his family. Raffles and silent auctions were numerous and the prizes were amazing. Robin's Garden Center was giving away one ton of pellets, Sue Bray Photography was giving away multiple prizes one being a \$250 session. There were sports memorabilia, like Stephen Gostkowski signed football. There were raffles for gift certificates to Isador's in Oxford, N&J Donuts, Ted's, Walmart, The Home Depot, Zoink's Fun Factory, Clambox at Dresser Hill, Baba Sushi, and Annie's Country Kitchen plus so much more. There were gift baskets made for the raffles. This was all just for the day event! There was still an entire night for parents to enjoy. At the Singletary Rod and Gun Club in Oxford partici-

pants were able to enjoy a night out of live music and dining adventures with friends and fellow residents. There were tastes of the town provided from many local restaurants including P&D Pizza and Asia Kitchen. The end result was around \$10,000 raised for this little boy and his family. Ryan Myers is fighting every day for his health. He remains strong and his family is determined to get him everything he needs. Residents from near and far rally around this young boy and his family. They show their support through kind words, volunteering, and helping to get the family all the care and support they need as they continue through this trying time. The Myers family needs support in any way possible, not just by check, but by a smile, a hug, a hand and a heart. A time no child should ever have to go through, but Ryan has us. We are all strong for Ryan. Please visit Ryan Myers Go Fund Me page here: <https://www.gofundme.com/f3zm8-ryanstrong>

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# LEARNING

## Local students take part in wellness conference

PAXTON — Hundreds of middle and high school students from across Worcester County learned about the dangers of drugs, got more facts about tobacco and vaping, and heard a personal story of mental illness at District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s 10th annual Student Wellness Conference.

The conference, held at Anna Maria College on Thursday, May 31, had a record-high attendance this year with nearly 300 students attending from about 20 different high schools.

"The conference this year focused on issues our teens are facing every day: drugs and alcohol, vaping and mental health," Early said. "Prevention is always our focus and I think our



Tantasqua students with District Attorney Joseph Early.

presenters did an amazing job encouraging the students who attended to make good decisions and positive choices when faced with these challenges. I'm hopeful that these incredibly engaged students will bring these messages back to their schools and share them with their peers."

The conference included a keynote presentation

by Drug Story Theater, a Plymouth-based group of teens in recovery who delivered their real-life stories of struggles with drug and alcohol abuse. For the first time, this group brought their stories to Worcester County.

The 84 Movement, a statewide youth tobacco prevention movement, talked to students at the conference about tobacco

and vaping.

Bancroft School graduate Ali Veinbachs spoke at the conference about her efforts in promoting mental health wellness. Veinbachs is a student ambassador to the SHINE Initiative, a leading organization in recognizing mental illness among children and young adults as a mainstream issue. In high school, she delivered a speech at the State House urging more support for the social and emotional needs of youth.

The Student Wellness Conference is open annually to students from across Worcester County. Initially, the conference focused on preventing underage drinking, but has been expanded over the years to touch on a wide variety of health and wellness topics.

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## TANTASQUA ANNOUNCES GRADUATES

The following students graduated from Tantasqua High School.

Tech program: \*  
NHS: #  
Quinn Antanavica, Jared Arcouette\*, Cameron Arello, Margaret Arndt, Jessica Ashleigh, Charles Ashworth\*, Brent Aubin\*, McKensie Avanesian, Justin Baker\*, Terrence Baker, Christopher Ballou#, Brooke Beaucage, Victoria Beauchamp\*, Ryan Beauchemin\*, Alexander Bedus, Rebekah Bennett, Brett Benoit\*, Merwin Berrios, Noah Berthiaume#, Jessica Bolte, Joshua Bolte#, Caitlin Bonja, Abigail Boria, Harry Boudreau\*, Charlie Bouhanna, Victoria Bowler#, Eve Boyd#, Emily Bready\*#, Hunter Brooks\*, Max Brooks\*, Morgan Brooks, Dakota Brown\*, Aidan Buck, Thea Bulak, Drew Burnham, Amanda Burns, Sean Butler\*, Nicholas Campbell, Samantha Cantwell\*, Noah Casey, Garrett Casavent\*, Luz Castillo\*, Seth Campoux, Allyson Chase\*, Samantha Checka, Brooks Chernisky#, Kayla Choquette, Isis Coburn, Cameron Comptois\*, Abigail Cortis\*, Sylvia Costa#, Kristy Cournoyer#, Evan Couture, Sarah Cox\*#, Michael Crisp, Samuel Cudgma, Mason Dahrouj, John Dalton#, James Damon, Makenzi Dansereau, Jonathan Daou, Petyon Davis\*, Ethan DeForge\*, Christopher Desmond, Alyssa DiBiasie, Elizabeth DiRuzza#, Joseph Distafano, Abbygale Dorr, Madeline Doyle, Cameron Dube\*, Victoria Dubeau\*, John Ducharme\*, Allura Dupuis, Dawson Durgin\*, Adam Eineberg, Colin Eliason#, Hanna Ellis, Mathieu Ellis, Emily Ellithorpe#, Andrew Emanuel#, Roxanne Emerson\*, Emily Esposito, Michael Fafard Jr., Mackenzie Falke, William Farland#, Marie Fedor, Liam Ferguson\*, Tiana

Ferguson, Alexandra Fish#, Joshua Fitts\*, Madison Flandreau, Kaylea Flynn\*, Kayla Fortuna\*, Perry Furey\*, Leo Gaboury, Cameron Galonek#, Brandon Garman, Alena Gatchell, Alec Gay\*, Rachel Godek#, Deshaun Gomes\*, Joseph Gonzalez\*, Justin Guillette, Eliza Haggerty, Jared Hammond#, Riley Hanrahan\*, Sarah Harlinki#, Madison Hawes\*, Rachel Hayden, Alexia Hayward\*, Devin Hazen, Michael Herrmann, Olivia Houde, Madelyn Jacque, Julia Jarvis\*, Jillian Jarzabski#, Haley Jennette\*, Jordan Jennings, Sarina Johnson\*, Charles Johnson, William Jones#, Zachary Kelley, Lilly Kent#, Steven Killmer, Josephine Kinghorn, Cameron Kirby\*, Victoria Kirkland#, Anthony Korman, Jordan Kryger\*, Jake LaCerte\*, Laurel Star LaChance\*, Lauren Lafond#, Riley Lane, Jared Langevin, Ryan Lapierre\*, David Lapierre\*, Joseph Lariviere III, Elizabeth Lataille, Nicholas Lawrence, Audrey Lafebvre, Victoria Livingston#, Autumn Loosemore\*, Nathan Lowell\*, Madalyn Lowell, Erin Lyons, Julia Macero, Emily Macey#, Mackenzie Magierowski, Matthew Mahon#, Dawson Major, Dakota Marin\*, Samuel Markey#, Autumn Martelli, Joshua Martinez\*, Brendon Martinez\*, Claire Matlak, Joseph Matte#, Julia Matton#, Brian Mayberry, Kaspar Mazeika, Thomas Mazeika#, Isabel Mazzone, Sarah McCarthy#, Brianna McCollum, Lillian McDonnell\*, Jack McDonough\*, Allison McGlinchy#, Eamon McHugh#, Kourtney McIntyre, Connor McTigue, Veronica Melican#, Isabella Mercado#, Yeiry Mercedes, Fabio Mercurio, Nicholas Merseareau\*, Samuel Mersereau\*, Meghan Meserole#, Brian Messier\*, Victoria Messina#, Vitoria Miles#, Daniel

Molta III, Isiah Moore, Steven Moran\*, Mackenzie Morrell#, Thomas Muir#, Robert Mulder, Emma Murphy, Alicia Nascembeni#, Sara Nelson, Hannah Niemiec\*#, Carrie Nollstadt#, Cooper Novelline, Riley O'Brien, MaKayla O'Brien\*, Shane O'Connor\*, Kaylee Olander, Matthew Oldenburg\*, Jakep Olszta\*, Ndidiamak Onwubueke#, Jacob Ouimette\*, Dylan Packard\*, Julia Pafumi\*, Stephen Palmer, Tyler Palmer\*, Christopher Pano, Christian Parent, Lila Parker\*, Michael Partlow, Arsh Patel, Dakota Patel\*, Brent Pearl, Angela Peduzzi\*, Anthony Pepper\*, Matthew Pepper\*, Drew Peretti, Dorian Perkins, Thomas Pillsbury\*, Nathaniel Pires\*, Leah Plumley\*, Mackenzie Pratt, Nathan Quattrocelli, Luke Quattrocelli\*, Jessica Randall\*, Gabriel Rhault\*, Daniel Rickson, Kevin Riel#, Cody Robert#, Evan Robert\*, Jose Rodriguez\*, Chloe Rourke\*, Cameron Rousseau\*, Desiree Rousseau, Camden Rowe#, Tyler Rowley\*, Rachel Rynearlson\*#, Samantha Sagendorph,

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The dark line on this rock indicates where the water level was before the dams on Hamant Brook were demolished.



Part of the re-naturalization process involved planting various trees, shrubs and grasses on what used to be beaches and some underwater areas.

### CONSERVATION

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rivers. We need to be thoughtful about which dams make sense and which need to come down."

The website ([www.americanrivers.org](http://www.americanrivers.org)) has a time-lapse video of the demolition work.



Ella Stack of Nashville and Zack Friedman of Baltimore work on leveling the new section of Sand Hill Trail.

## Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Deniol and I love basketball and soccer!

Deniol is a sweet and social boy of Hispanic descent. He makes friends easily and his favorite activity is playing sports, especially basketball and soccer. He also enjoys playing video games. Deniol is very comfortable talking and playing with adults and children of all ages. He also adapts quickly to new environments.

Legally freed for adoption, Deniol is looking for a loving family that can provide him with support, structure and consistency. An ideal family will also

help him utilize appropriate community services. Although his social worker believes that he will do well in a family of any constellation, with or without children, she believes that he will do particularly well in a family where he can have siblings. A family who enjoys being active would also be a good match for Deniol.

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EDITORIAL

We are not  
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In the wake of the G-7 conference, at which our president has confirmed decisions to continue to levy tariffs and penalties on historic trade partners; it is interesting to realize the world could easily go on without us.

We are not integral to the world's markets any longer.

Name one, just one product produced in the United States that is not available elsewhere.

Anyone? Anyone?

You are right.

There isn't one.

And often, because we are somewhat isolated from some of the most populous possible customers, our costs for shipping and handling mean we may not be the most economically feasible choice. We have oceans between us and many of the places that might rather have US goods. Air shipments or ocean shipments are expensive.

It limits just who our closest possible trade partners might be, north or south; and we pretty much ticked off our neighbors to the north this week.

We already messed up our relations to the south by threatening to bar them all with a gigantic wall...whether it is ever built or not it is a subtle threat indeed.

Everyone else in the world...an ocean. And costs.

The costs we incur in this country for employees, insurances, utilities, raw materials, spaces, machinery, display costs, shipping, and even advertising means we are not competitive with many other, smaller, leaner, entrepreneurial global enterprises. We just can't compete. And when we start demanding others pay our prices or else, we're cutting our own throats.

We can't even demand it on the precedent of quality. Not any longer.

Others do it better.

They just do.

So we are in trouble in the US of A. And we are not helping ourselves much with our bully attitudes. It might have worked in the earlier industrial ages, but no longer. Because we just aren't the best, or the even the least expensive, or the only ones with the widget others need, or a lock on any market anywhere.

It's going to hurt when the rest of the world realizes the power they have, and begin to exercise it. The power of the wallet has always been the most telling; and it will crush us in the long run.

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So, what are you waiting for? Start writing!



OPINION

VIEWS AND COMMENTARY FROM STURBRIDGE, BRIMFIELD, HOLLAND AND WALES

Happy Father's Day



A father is more than a man; he is a hero, warrior, mentor, and friend. He loves, listens, cares, and leads. He leads by example, or by hand; he leads you through the journey of life with strength and intelligence. A father is there, and sometimes he's not. No matter what part he plays he leaves a mark like the sun on a flower. He can attain its bloom or he can scorch the delicate petals. A father will always be true. No matter the role, he will always be a part of you. He will compose the fabric of your thoughts, introduce you to the basics of life, be close to your heart, or a voice in your conscience. Near or far, a father is a fragment in us and helps design who we are and who we become. The journey I faced with my own father is not different from some but unique to me. If you miss a father, you can find strength in others to guide you, his absence does not define you. If you have a father that is all the things he should be, love him and show him how much he means to you on this day and every day. If your father is lost, given up to the cosmos, know he is watching from the stars and leading you with each sparkle in the night and each day break. When the sun illumines from darkness it is him, keeping you warm, keeping you safe, keeping you within his light for eternity.

I stand alone on the front stairs of my mothers' home. My bare feet pressed into the concrete step. I focus on the pain and the remaining heat left from the sun soaking into me; hopefully giving me the strength I need. I push my skin deeper into the concrete until I'm intimate with every pebble and stone. The jaggedness is deeply engraved into my flesh and I welcome the discomfort. I can do this. If I can take this pain, if I can grind the soles of my heels in deeper I can stay, I can be the bigger person. I must be the bigger person. That's how it's always been with my dad. I made a hard choice, instead of running away, I would stand still.

My father was to drop my little sister off from her visitation with him any minute now and I would be here. A sign of forgiveness, me to him. A shadow crosses over my sight. My father's silhouette formed in the sunshine coming down the hilltop. He brought my sister to my feet. My feet, bare and numb now from the heat and pain. I smile at my beautiful sister and watch her go inside. With the same smile I look up into his eyes. He sees me. He sees his daughter, 15 years old, in front of him, standing, staying, I'm here dad. His eyes leave mine and drift to the ground, he turns on his scuffed shoes and walks away from me. I watched his silhouette fade beyond the hill and I knew I would never see him again.

I used to go to my father for everything and he would give me advice on things that truly mattered to him. We had the kind of relationship that every father and daughter would be jealous of. I remember our road trips. He would sit me in the front of his Jeep and lean me out the window to look for lost wallets on the side of the highway. It was so exciting, like a scavenger hunt through a wind tunnel. He would explain that when he finds a wallet he keeps the cash inside but never the cards or the wallet itself. He would look at the ID and mail the wallet back to the person explaining in a kind note that they were so very lucky that it was him who found their wallet and not some crook. He would be keep-



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ing the cash as a finder's fee, but returned the wallets intact. He was so kind and giving. He told me this all the time so it must be true. My father told me I had eagle eyes and he used my eagle eyes for so many things. I was the look out for when he found items in neighbors' yards to sell on ebay. He brought me to thrift shops to find antiques that could be re-sold at higher prices. I could spot trinkets of gold and silver from anywhere I was planted, I was his little helper and he always made everything an adventure! He would take his earnings in clinking bottles and reside himself to his office, but when he eventually returned, the adventures could begin again. My childhood was filled with excitement. On weekends we would go digging for arrowheads together and hike into the woods. He taught me to always watch my path, know where I was going, and intend every step I took. He would use my youth and drive to his advantage in the community. Posing me for pictures in local newspapers, he was a beacon of pursuit in justice my father, he fought for those who could not fight for themselves, and I was proof of success. He was my hero, and I was his little helper.

My father was a writer. He wrote articles for newspapers and magazines. He was working on a few books about politics, politically incorrect toys, and how communism is essentially a good thing. Not many were published but when they were we all celebrated. He was such a brilliant man when he succeeded; when he didn't, it was because his family got in his way. We were too loud and needy, or just too alive.

I love to write. I believe his sense of whimsy may have infected me. I thank him for that. He has instilled in me a certain outlook on life. Everyday is an opportunity for adventure. The dull and mundane can be altered by your perception of it. What was once an amazing father to me is now a distant memory. I thank my father for showing me the exact kind of man that I can learn from, but not necessarily have to love. The man I choose to love is far from cruel, miles from hate, and strong in all ways that matter. The man who is the father of my children will never leave. If his children's feet hurt he will lift them off the concrete and carry them. He will bathe them in cool water and kiss them until they're better. He will love his children no matter what path they choose. Happy Father's Day to my husband Keith, father of my children, and the most kind, generous, intelligent, and hard-working man I have ever met.

And Dad, wherever you are, I hope your adventures keep you sustained and your heart is full with everything that is not me and mine. You were my father, long ago, but, the adventures had to stop when I became aware to the scheme. When I lost my child like whimsy and grew knowledgeable on my own, that is when reality set in and the dreams ceased. On this one day a year, I promise I will think about the joy I felt when I made you proud. Only on this day will I think of you, briefly, in passing, while I share my gratitude to those more deserving and hold my children tight and thank the world that they don't know you as I did. Happy Father's Day dad, may you spend the day waiting for the silhouette of the young girl with eagle eyes.

Tips to  
gear up  
for a great  
garden



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TRAINOR

Hot on the heels of Memorial Day weekend, gardeners everywhere are heralding in a long-awaited annual rite of late spring: official planting time! Backyard gardeners who patiently waited for the threat of frost to pass, are now eagerly scurrying to get their precious seeds, seedlings and fertilizer into the ground in anticipation of a bountiful harvest crop. And while many successful planters boast their own "secret" techniques to cultivating impressive rows of ripe, red tomatoes and patches of multi-blooming flowers, there are some easy tricks even "green thumb impaired" gardeners can use to give their plants a growing edge.

The following are some planting concoctions culled from readers of this column, gardening periodicals and past columns. All the methods are simple to do, and who knows, they just might improve the fruits of your labor!

Light Scent: Did you know most fragrant flowers are lightly colored or white? If you want to add a scent to your garden, be generous with white or pastel blooms.

Dash of Salt: Adding Epsom salt to plants has been reported to enhance the color of blossoms and leaves, promote new flowers and fruit, improve the root system and improve the strength of stems. For roses: sprinkle one teaspoon of Epsom salts per foot of plant height and spread evenly around the base for better blossoms and deeper greening. Add 1/2 cup sprinkled around the base and then scratched in, for strong production of new flowering canes and healthy new basal cane growth.

Pepper Position: Pepper plants thrive on heat, so it can be beneficial to place large rocks next to your green pepper plants to attract the sunlight.

Rein in Mint: Mint is easy to grow and useful in everything from herbal tea to holiday jelly. To stop vigorous mint from spreading and taking over the garden, keep it corralled by planting it in a large plastic bucket with the bottom cut out.

Rain Gauge: When planting your garden, sink a small jar or can in the middle of a row. This way, you can gauge exactly how much water your garden is getting from both irrigation and rainfall.

Boost Blooms: Plants that grow best in alkaline soil such as geraniums and hydrangea will thank you with better blooms if you water them with a mild mixture of baking soda and water occasionally.

Proper pH: The first thing to check if your azalea leaves are looking yellow is the soil pH. Azaleas need a soil on the acid side. Alkalinity locks up iron needed for green color.

Save \$: For cost effective mulch, use three sheets of newspaper under bark mulch. You'll save money on bark and the newspaper decomposes, enriching the soil.

Rooting Trick: It can be difficult to successfully take cuttings from shrubs to root and plant. Here is an option that ups your chances the cutting will take: Take a small potato, make a small hole, and place your shrub cutting inside. Immediately plant, potato and all, either in the ground or in a pot.

Pucker Power: To safely keep ants and insects off your plants, simply sprinkle concentrated lemon juice in the garden.

Need more green thumb tips? Try these problem solving "recipes!"

Miracle Grower Garden Tonic: Are your plants suffering from lackluster leaves? Are your blooms bowing out? Try this tonic to miraculously rejuvenate your plants this growing season.

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month in West Brookfield to help promote SONG.

Funds raised during SONG events help provide food, clothes, supplies, and emergency shelters to kids in need throughout the nation and the world. While most kids in our communities focus on summer reading or athletic activities, youngsters nationwide and internationally are wondering where their next meal will come from. Others trek several miles each day just to access drinking water. You can help make the difference for them by donating to SONG.

Looking ahead, the organization is gearing up for a music and dining event to be held at Worcester's Mechanics Hall on July 28. The event will feature entertainers Peter J. Newland and Roomful of Blues, with special guest Mitch Chakour dropping by.

For more information about SONG and its upcoming events, visit [www.supportingorphans.org](http://www.supportingorphans.org) or call 413-813-8100. You can also send an email to [info@supportingorphans.org](mailto:info@supportingorphans.org).



The Otters get ready to perform.



Robert Chamberlain spends the day with his wife, Danielle, and his mother, Sue.



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Kathy Mosio, of Charlton, introduces guests to her products.



Diane Sarkala, of Brookfield, is excited to be a vendor at the event.

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Ingredients: Five gallon bucket; water; three pkgs. unflavored gelatin; two cups Epsom salts; one teaspoon borax (boron); one fourth cup dishwashing liquid (made with vegetable oils, not animal fats). Instructions: Put gelatin and Epsom salts in bucket as you fill it with water, so they will dissolve properly. Add borax and stir. Put soap in last (to keep down suds). Mix well. Use about two cups of formula per plant or group of plants. May be poured directly over foliage and allowed to soak in ground. In two to three days, plants and foliage should perk up nicely.

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All Purpose Lawn Fertilizer: Lush lawns don't have to be a luxury with this homemade brew.

Ingredients: One can of beer; one can of cola (not diet); one box or cup of apple juice; one cup lemon scented dishwashing liquid; one cup ammonia; one cup liquid lawn fertilizer. Instructions: Mix together all ingredients. If you buy liquid lawn fertilizer with a hose sprayer attachment, you can use the attachment with any one liter bottle to make a 50 gallon sprayer. Spray your lawn and garden with the above mixture every three weeks, early in the day. \*For houseplants, mix four shot glasses of the above mixture to one gallon of water and add one quarter tsp. unflavored gelatin.

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Easy Pesticide: This mild insecticide uses only two ingredients, but gives bugs a powerful one-two punch!

Ingredients: One gallon water; 1/3 cup Murphy Oil Soap

Instructions: Mix oil soap with water and apply to stems and leaves of plants.

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mon in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

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



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# SPORTS

## Tantasqua battles, but sees season end at hands of Colonials



Cody Robert of Tantasqua carries the ball up the field and through Shrewsbury’s defense.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos



Tantasqua’s Tom Muir, left, battles for a loose ball versus Shrewsbury.

**BY KEN POWERS**  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WORCESTER — The Shrewsbury High boys’ varsity lacrosse team came into its Central/West Division 2 first round District game on a mission, having lost the previous two meetings with Tantasqua Regional. The Colonials were able to avenge those losses with a six-goal third period, which led directly to their 11-7 win over the Warriors on Tuesday, June 5, at Assumption College’s Multi-Sport Stadium.

“That’s a really good team over there,” Tantasqua head coach Gregg Anderson said, looking at the Shrewsbury bench after the game. “They were gunning for us because we beat them the last two times we played them in

a couple of really back-and-forth games.”

Tantasqua not only defeated Shrewsbury, 4-3, on May 4, but the Warriors also defeated the Colonials last year, 10-9, and in the process knocked them out of Central/West Division 2 Tournament.

With the win seventh-seeded Shrewsbury (12-7) advanced to the quarterfinal round of the tournament, where it played No. 2 St. John’s High and lost a nail-biter, 5-4. Tantasqua, the No. 10 seed, finished its season 11-8.

Early on it looked like the June 5 result might have a similar outcome as the previous two, with Tantasqua jumping out to a 2-0 first quarter lead on a pair of goals by Tom Muir. Muir put the Warriors ahead, 1-0, on a

shot from right in front of the goal with 6:42 left in the period, and then pushed the lead to 2-0, scoring off a right-side rush and short right-to-left shot.

Shrewsbury proceeded to score the next four goals of the first half to take a 4-2 lead into the break. Tantasqua pulled to within a goal, 4-3, with 10:16 left in the third quarter on a goal by Riley O’Brien. The Colonials, however, then scored the final six goals of the quarter to take a 10-3 lead into the fourth and final frame.

“They just took the game over at that point,” Anderson said. “Even up 2-0 we knew we were in for a dogfight. They are a very skilled team. It was the kind of game that if a couple of things went one way or the other, I think

we would have been closer. Their goalie made a couple of great saves at really key moments that kept them in the game.”

“I think one of the key things for them was their generally winning the faceoff battles,” Anderson said. “In the third quarter they had the ball in our zone most of the time.”

Tantasqua opened the scoring in the fourth quarter, Chris Ballou cutting the Shrewsbury lead down to 10-4 with 8:45 left in the game. Shrewsbury answered Ballou’s goal with one of its own 13 seconds later, to push the lead back to seven, 11-4.

The Warriors closed out the scoring with three straight tallies, two by Cody Robert, whose goals were sandwiched around a goal by Austin Varney.



Austin Varney of Tantasqua scans the field, looking to make a play with the ball.



Tantasqua’s Tom Muir fights for space while shielding the ball against a Shrewsbury defender.



Justin Guillette of Tantasqua launches a high pass down the field.

Despite the loss, Anderson was very pleased by the play of his defense.

“You look at the score and we gave up 11 goals, but the possession advantage was lopsided,” Anderson said. “I can’t say enough about our defense. I can’t say enough about how hard those guys played. Our entire defense — our LSMs [long-stick mid-dies], the goalie, Mike Lucas — those guys just battled their butts off.”

Lucas finished with five saves, while Shrewsbury goalie Michael Fornal recorded six stops.

Anderson said he was also happy with his team’s never-say-die attitude.

“Our guys didn’t give up. Our guys kept battling to the end. Our guys, they just worked their tails off,” Anderson said. “We would have liked to win the game, we would

have liked to go on and play the Johnnies [St. John’s], but the fact is, and I know I speak for all the coaches, we’re really proud to be associated with these guys.”

With a smile on his face, Anderson took a moment to reflect on the season that was.

“We had a successful year. The cliché is that almost every successful season ends with a disappointing loss,” Anderson said. “Early on we lost one of our best attackmen [Drew Darger]. We were able to recover from that and play some really good games. We had a great win over [Shrewsbury] early in the season and we had a great win over Northampton as well. I’m just so proud of these guys. They stepped up and they worked their butts off.”



Tantasqua’s Sean Farland tangles with a Shrewsbury player as both fall to the ground and the ball squirts loose.

### POSTSEASON SCOREBOARD

#### Warriors fall just short

In a Central Mass. Division 1 Girls’ Tennis Quarterfinal, played on Wednesday, June 6, eighth seeded Tantasqua Regional had the tough task of playing No. 1 Doherty High. And the Warriors nearly pulled off the upset before falling, 3-2.

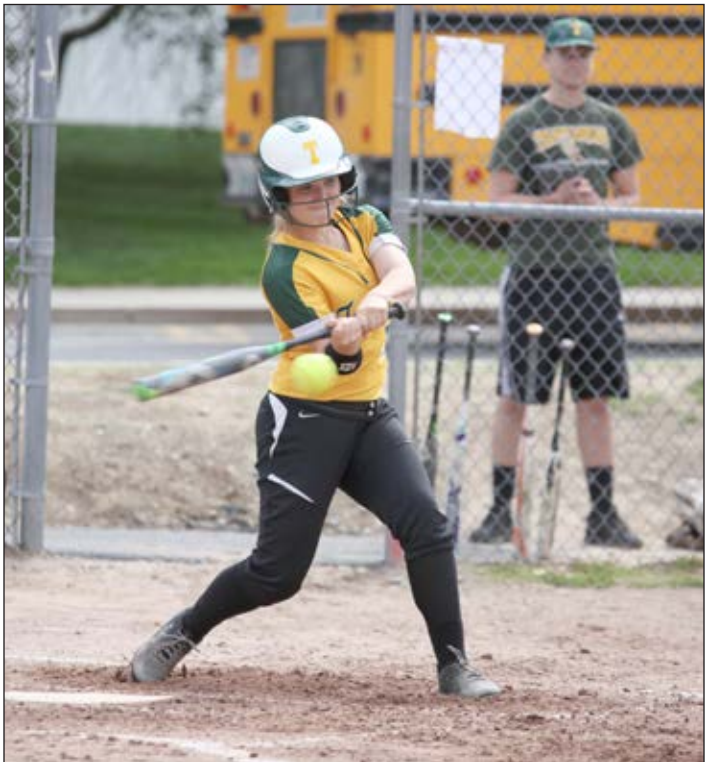
Tantasqua won both doubles matches, as the No. 1 pairing of Rebekah Bennett/Victoria Kirkland as well as the No. 2 team of Elizabeth Harrell/Ava DeBruin emerged victorious. The Warriors finished their season with a record of 9-8.

# SPORTS

## Warriors can't shake slow start in District loss to Westborough



Tantasqua shortstop Emily Locke moves toward the ball on a Westborough steal of second base.



Jenna Casine of Tantasqua swings away and puts the ball in play.



Tantasqua's Jillian Dunn drops down a bunt, which was good for an infield single.

WESTBOROUGH — Surrendering a 4-0 lead before an out could be recorded in the first inning, Tantasqua Regional's varsity softball team didn't get off to a strong start in its Central Mass. Division 1 first round game versus Westborough High played Thursday, June 7.

And it proved to be too much to overcome as the eighth ranked Rangers (10-9) defeated the ninth seeded Warriors, 11-5.

For Tantasqua, which finished with a record of 11-10, Jillian Dunn was a perfect 4 for 4 at the plate with a pair of RBI. Marie Stewart added an RBI.

Maia Morgado had three RBI, while Flaherty Foster was 3 for 3 for Westborough.



Nick Ethier photos

Rachel Flamand of Tantasqua sends a pitch to the plate.

## Tantasqua Regional Youth Soccer — U10 D2 girls work hard to top Quaboag



The Tantasqua Regional Youth Soccer U10 D2 girls' team includes, from left, (back row) Coach Marino, Abby Korenda, Bryce Vonhold, Kelsey Rodas, Kina Demears, Tess Alexander, Coach Amaru, (front row) Maddie Guertin, Emma Fitzgerald and Natalie Amaru.



Natalie Amaru begins a breakup up-field against Quaboag.



Courtesy photos

Bryce Vonhold finds open space with the ball in the midfield.



Kelsey Rodas starts a breakout from the back versus Quaboag.

The Tantasqua Regional Youth (TRY) Soccer U10, Division 2 Girls rose above adversity on Saturday, June 9, at Brimfield Acres against Quaboag to earn a 4-1 victory thanks to solid team play both on offense and defense.

Head Coach Andy Marino and Assistant Coach Chuck Amaru deployed a 2-3-1 formation against the visitors. Tess Alexander started in net, protected immediately by Abby Korenda and Emma Fitzgerald in the back. Natalie Amaru, Bryce Vonhold and Kelsey Rodas anchored the mid-line, while Kina Demears played point striker. Maddy Guertin patiently waited her turn to sub.

Quaboag scored first, and looked to score again on a penalty, but missed. Alexander sent the goal kick up the middle to Vonhold, who threaded a through pass to Demears, who put the ball home to tie it at 1-1.

At halftime, Coach Marino shuffled some positions around. It all seemed to work as just five minutes into the second half, Amaru got a throw-in to Alexander, who turned it to Vonhold, who shot one home from the top of the box to make it 2-1. Just a minute later, Demears took advantage of Quaboag's defensive confusion in the box and notched her second goal to make it 3-1. In the 40th minute, Tantasqua once again took a transition play from defense to offense as Korenda sent a goal kick to Amaru, who found Vonhold hustling across the middle. Vonhold swept around the left side and then sent a shot to the right side of the net for her second tally and put Tantasqua up by the final score, 4-1.

### SPORTS BRIEF

#### Annual Saint-Jean-Baptiste Educational Foundation golf Tournament comes to Pleasant Valley

The 22nd annual Saint-Jean-Baptiste Educational Foundation golf tournament is set for Monday, July 23 at Sutton's Pleasant Valley Country Club. The cost is \$150 per person — twosomes and singles are welcome — and there will be a hole-in-one contest as well as a putting contest, door prizes and a special golfers raffle. There will be 18 holes of golf on a PGA and LPGA course with valet parking, bag handling services, unlimited use of the driving range, and chipping and putting areas prior to the 10 a.m. shotgun start, Florida-style scramble. Early registration begins at 8 a.m. with carts with bag rain covers, a gift bag, coffee, continental breakfast and snacks. An executive buffet dinner follows the tournament. For additional information and registration please call Ken (Golf Committee) at (508) 277-5314 or Ted (Foundation Trustee) at (508) 764-7909. Golfers who make entire payment by July 1 will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a gift certificate from the Pleasant Valley Pro Shop.



Ocean Word Find

Find the hidden words in the puzzle.

CORAL	OCEAN	SURF
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EXPLORE	SEA	TIDE
FISH	SHELLS	WAVES
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Clue: Bethrothal
- B. 4 24 19 8  
Clue: Covers face
- C. 4 7 18 16  
Clue: Promises
- D. 26 7 5 9 8 24  
Clue: Two people

Answers: A. wedding B. veil C. vows D. couple

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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6	5	9	4	2	1	8	3	6	7
9	7	6	1	2	5	4	8	9	6
7	3	1	8	5	2	6	4	9	4
2	9	2	6	5	1	4	8	7	3
4	8	6	3	6	7	9	1	5	2

ANSWER:

# OBITUARIES

## Claire E. Toth, 81



**SOUTHBRIDGE-** Claire E. (Dionne) Toth, 81, a lifelong resident of Southbridge, died at home Friday, June 8th, after an illness.

She leaves her husband of 56 years, Calvert "Cal" O. Toth, whom she married April 30, 1962. She leaves her son and daughter-in-law Calvert J. Toth and his wife Carol of Southbridge, She 5 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. She also leaves a brother Leo Dionne of Sturbridge, and 2 sisters Jeanne G. Dionne of Putnam, and Marie I Dionne of Southbridge, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a daughter Louise Corriveau, and her brother George E. Dionne, Jr. Claire was born in Southbridge,

January 3, 1937, daughter of the late George E. and Ida M. Paquin, and lived her all her life. She was a faithful parishioner of St. John Paul II Parish (Notre Dame Church), where she was a Eucharistic Minister, and many years ago taught CCD. Claire enjoyed camping, knitting and crocheting, but most of all loved spending time with her family. She retired from Hyde Manufacturing, where she worked for many years.

Calling hours were Monday, June 11, 2018, from 6-8PM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. The funeral Mass was at 10AM Tuesday, June 12th, at Notre Dame Church 446 Main Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial followed at New Notre Dame Cemetery, N. Woodstock Road, Southbridge, MA 01550.

## Marie R. Rouisse, 83



**FISKDALSE - Marie R. (Gratton) Rouisse,** 83, of Fiskdale died on Monday, May 28, 2018 at Harrington Memorial Hospital.

She leaves her son, Allen R. Kondrat and his wife Emily of Warren; her daughter, Traci M. Hackney of Texas; a sister, Doris Lemay of West Brookfield; seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers, Armand, Roland, Albert, and Freddy Gratton. She was born in West Brookfield, daughter of the late Albert and Rose (LaFlamme) Gratton and lived in West Brookfield for over 20 years, before moving to Fiskdale 10

years ago.

Marie worked as a Police Officer for the Town of West Brookfield for 21 years, and also was a machine operator at the former Ludlow Paper Company, before retiring in 2017. She was an auxiliary member of the Adams-Cooney-Frew American Legion Post 244 in West Brookfield.

Calling hours for Marie were held on Monday, June 11, 2018 from 6 to 8PM in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield. Burial will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

An online guest book is available at [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)

## Michele A. Benoit, 74



**B R I M F I E L D - Michele A. Benoit,** 74, of 7th St., passed away on Monday, June 4th, in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, after a brief illness.

She leaves her best friend and house mate of 34 years, Patricia Gelinis; her two nieces, Laura Gorman of West Yarmouth and Lisa Peirce of Sarasota, FL; her nephew, William Peirce of Cape Cod; two great nephews, Mark Gorman and Jack Peirce; her great niece, Taylor Peirce; and many cousins. She was predeceased by her sister, Audrey Mary Peirce. She was born in Springfield the daughter of Adelard and Audrey (Weldon) Benoit. She was a 1961 graduate of West Springfield High School.

Michele was a telephone operator and office clerk for New England Telephone in Springfield for 10 years. She went on to work for Consolidated Beverages, a Budweiser distributor in Auburn for 5 years. She then worked for Galileo Fiber Optics in Sturbridge for 7 years, and Spectran in Sturbridge for 11 years. She worked as a driver

for Charlton Shuttle in Charlton for 3 years before retiring several years ago.

Michele was truly a great lover of animals; she loved cats, birds, dogs and any animal that passed through her neighborhood. She was a great athlete; she enjoyed waterskiing, snowmobiling, ice skating, playing softball and was an avid golfer.

Michele loved 'Camp', her home on Little Alum Pond and below her beloved Chamberlain Mountain in Brimfield. It was a place she never wanted to be away from and each day she looked forward to her daily rounds, driving her 'buggy' around Camp and checking on her neighbors and 'furry friends'.

A calling hour for Michele will be held on Saturday, June 16th, from 10:30 to 11:30am in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a funeral service to follow in the funeral home at 11:30am. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

[www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com)

## Lorraine T. Tremblay, 84

**SOUTHBRIDGE-** Lorraine T. Tremblay, 84, died at home Friday, June 8th, after a brief illness.

She was born in Southbridge, daughter of Josephat A. and Marie Rose (Rondeau) Tremblay, and has lived here all her life.

She is survived by her brothers Alfred and his wife Gloria Tremblay of Woodstock, CT, Leon Tremblay of Southbridge, Paul and his wife Brenda Tremblay of Sturbridge, David and his wife Ann Tremblay of Southbridge, 3 sisters Constance Fontaine of Sturbridge, Aline Vosberg and her husband Russell of Sturbridge, and Diane Tremblay of Southbridge, and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her brothers Richard, Roger, Roland and Robert, and her sister Jeanne Lacasse.

Lorraine was a member of St John Paul II Parish, and a former member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.

She worked for over 30 years at the American Optical Company, retiring in 1995.

The funeral for Lorraine was Thursday, June 14, 2018, from 8:30AM, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, with a Mass at 10AM at Saint Mary's Church, 263 Hamilton Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. A calling hour was held prior to the mass at the funeral home from 8:30-9:30AM. Burial followed at St. George Cemetery, Paige Hill Road, Southbridge. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the VNA Hospice & Palliative Care, 100 Trade Center, Suite G-500, Woburn, MA 01801. [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com)

## Saturday, June 16

**A HOOK IN:** The Association of Traditional Hooking Artists Quiet Corner Chapter is hosting a Rug Hook In gathering on June 16 at the Woodstock Fairgrounds in Woodstock, CT. Registration fee of \$15 is required for this event and must be paid in advance by June 1. Registration forms for this event may be received by contacting treasurer Gretchen Gray at [gretchg@verizon.net](mailto:gretchg@verizon.net), or call Whispering Hill at (860) 928-0162 for more information. To learn more about rug hooking and become a member of Atha Quiet Corner, individuals can contact Whispering Hill regarding membership. All are welcome.

**HOW DOES THE GARDEN GROW?** Garden Tours in Charlton on June 16 from 10am-3pm! Featured will be gardens of 6 local residents in all their summer splendor. Join us in touring these classic and unique outdoor spaces celebrating the wonder of nature. Proceeds will benefit Elm Street Congregational Church in Southbridge. Tickets are available for \$15 by calling Tricia Gay @ 774-230-3589 or Linda at the church office @ 508-764-8058.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL:** The Charlton City United Methodist Women will be hosting their annual strawberry festival on June 16. Bring Dad for an early Father's Day dinner. We will be serving tasty slices of ham, homemade baked beans, our famous potato salad, fresh coleslaw, roll & butter, choice of beverage and of course the best reason to attend fresh homemade strawberry shortcake. Cost is adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5 and children 5 & under are free. Family maximum of \$35. Dinner is served from 5-7 p.m. with continuous serving. For information call (508) 248-9616 or the church at (508) 248-7379 for reservations. We are handicap accessible and located at 74 Stafford St.

**KIDS' CLUB:** Charlton City United Methodist Church located at 74 Stafford St. would like to invite children ages 3-12 to join their new Kid's Club. On Saturday June 16th, we will be offering parents a safe environment for their children. There will be story time, music, crafts, games and lunch. There is no cost and all are invited. The program will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please call the church if you have any

questions or to sign up your child at (508)248-7379.

## Wednesday, June 21

**MAKE MUSIC DAY!** On Thursday, June 21 6-8 p.m. Rain or Shine! International Make Music Day, [www.makemusic.org](http://www.makemusic.org) was created to celebrate music and the arrival of summer! Outside if possible, inside in case of rain at Hitchcock Free Academy. Also the Summer Fun Registration Night! Meet some of our music instructors, register for summer programs, including musical instruction, and/or just enjoy. Bring a chair or blanket, and a picnic to enjoy with great music. Come join the fund, play with your community friends and make music with joy!

## Monday June 25

**CHURCH PLANS BLUE GRASS SUMMER:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church is pleased to announce its summer schedule for Outdoor Bluegrass Worship Services:

- June 25th - 9:30 am Bethlehem lawn
- July 30th - 9:30 am Bethlehem lawn
- August 27th - 9:30 am Bethlehem lawn

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## Tuesday June 26

**LEARN ABOUT LYME:** On Tuesday, June 26 at 6:30 p.m. in Dexter Hall of the Charlton Public Library, 40 Main St., Charlton: Take a Bite Out of Lyme Disease: The Central Massachusetts Lyme Foundation will be offering a free presentation on Lyme disease. Learn the facts about this disease and how to protect you and your family. Informational materials will be available.

## Friday, Saturday & Sunday July 20, 21 & 22

**SEUSSICAL!** Pasture Bedtime Players present Seussical a Youth Musical Friday, July 20 at 7 p.m., Saturday July 21 at 7 p.m. and Sunday July 22 at 2 p.m. at Bay Path Regional Vocational High School, 57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton. Seussical is fun for the whole family! Adults \$18, seniors and student \$15; children age 10 and younger \$10. For tickets contact [pasturebedtimeplayers@gmail.com](mailto:pasturebedtimeplayers@gmail.com) or call (774) 230-9275.

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## Sunday September 9

**STURBRIDGE PLANNING HALF-MARATHON:** a half-marathon road race to honor Sturbridge resident and ESPN's ESPY award winner, Rick Hoyt will be held on Sept. 9 at 10:00 a.m. Registration page can be found at: <https://app.racereach.com/event/the-rick-hoyt-sturbridge-half-marathon>. If you have questions about the event or wish to participate, please contact Kevin Filchak at [kfilchak@town.sturbridge.ma.us](mailto:kfilchak@town.sturbridge.ma.us)

## ONGOING

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

**NUMISMATICS:** Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of coin collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly

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

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

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

**THRIFTY:** Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

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

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Today we have 1774 single family homes for sale in Worcester County compared to 6 months ago where we had 1547 single homes for sale. However, 12 months ago we had 1821 homes for sale so inventory is still just slightly lower than this time last year. of year. The average days on market is currently 92 days which is a 8.0% decrease in days



## REALTOR'S REPORT

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on market from last month. This shows that homes are continuing to sell quicker and homes that have been sitting on the market are either expiring or selling as well. If we look at homes sold over past 12 months compared to the same time for the previous year there is a small decrease in sales of less than 0.1% and a 5.0% increase in average sales price while it is taking 16.0% less time to sell the homes this year than last year in Worcester County. This shows that prices are still rising and homes are still selling quicker than a year ago. The lower inventory is starting to catch up with the sales causing a lower number of sales these past 12 months compared to the 12 months prior.

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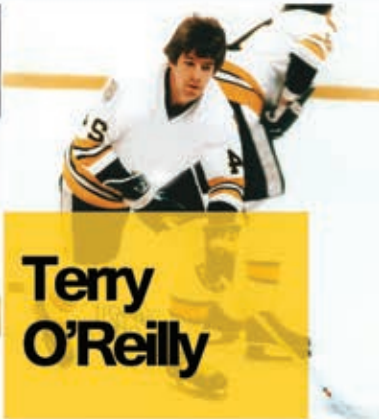
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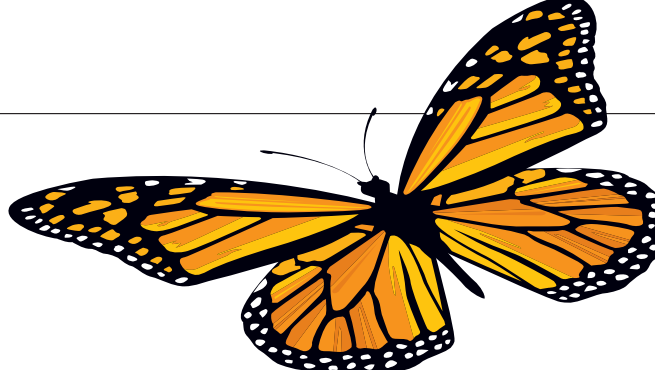
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**WEBSTER** - 175TH Ave! 3 Fam! 4/4 Rm! 222 Bdrms! Each w/Spacious Kts, & Liv Rm! Full Baths! 1st & 2nd Flr Units Remodeled, Rented in VGood Cond! 3rd Flr Vacate, Needs Cosmetic! Washer/Dryer Hookups Each Unit! C/Breakers & Landlord Meter! Separate Gas Heat & Water Heaters! Newer Roof! Nice Yard! Sheel! **\$249,900.00**



**SUTTON** - 36 Boston Rd! Well Maintained 5 Rm Ranch! Applianced Eat-in Kit! Formal Din Rm w/Corner Hutch! Frplc Liv Rm w/Bay Window! 3 Bdrms! Full Bath! Hrdwd Flrs! Vinyl Siding & Windows! Newer Roof! Garage Under! Walkout Basement w/ Laundry! Fenced Yard! Sheel! Town Services! **\$224,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 34 West Main St! 10 Rm, 3322' Antique Colonial! 87 Acre! Grand Entry Foyer! Frpld Formal Liv Rm & Frpld Library! Fam Rm w/Hrdwds! Formal Din Rm w/Hrdwds & Tall Bay Window! Applianced Eat-in Kit w/Isle & Walk-in Pantry! 1st Flr Laundry Rm! 1/2 Bath w/Dressing Rm! Grand Stairway to 2nd Flr! Spacious Frplc Master Bdrm w/Hrdwds, Walk-in Closet & Full Bath! 2 Additional Bdrms w/Built-ins & Hrdwd Flrs, 1 Bdrm w/Access to Additional Full Bath! 'Maid's Quarters' w/Spacious Bdrm w/Hrdwd Flr, Full Bath & Separate Stairway Access! 4 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths, 4 Frplcs! Lower Level Finished Fam Rm w/Frplc & Abundant Shelving & Storage! 2 Car Detached Garage w/Full Loft! Fenced Yard w/Circular Driveway! Commercial Zoned! **\$695,000.00**



**DUDLEY** - 7 Sawmill Rd! 6 Rm Custom Ranch! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/ Breakfast Bar! 2 Full Kts! Din Area & Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedrals, Skylight & Hrdwds! Fam Rm! 1st Flr Laundry! 2/3 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! C/Air! Solar Panels! Garage! 1.02 Acre Lot! Listed by Another - SOLD by C21 Lake Realty! **\$329,900.00**



**STURBRIDGE** - 13 Main St! Work & Live Here! Completely Remodeled! "Turn Key" 1st Flr Beauty Salon w/Cair, Handicapped Bthrm, Kt, Gas Heat! 2nd Flr - Applianced Kit, Liv Rm, 2 Bdrms, 1.5 Baths, New Oil Furnace! 13 Parking Spaces! 2 Car Garage! Sep Utilities! Town Services! Rte 26, 84 & 90! **\$289,900.00**



**OXFORD** - 19 Wheelock St! 6 Rm Cape! Well Maintained! Level Lot! Knotty Pine Sunroom w/Slider to Stone Patio! Applianced Eat-in Kit! Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Flr! 2 Spacious 1st Flr Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Full Bath! 2nd Flr 3rd Bdrm w/New Carpets! Full Basement w/Laundry! Attached Garage w/Workshop! **\$229,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 53 Brookside Ave! 7 Rm Cape! 46 Acres! Applianced Eat-in Kit, Breakfast Bar, Din Area, Slider to Deck! Liv Rm w/New Carpet & Wall A/C! Full Bath! 2 1st Flr Bdrms! 2nd Flr w/2 Huge Bdrms, Walk-in Closet & Skylights! Full Bath! Walk-out Fam Rm! 2 Sheds! Fenced Play Area! **\$294,900.00**



**THOMPSON** - 1338 Riverside Drive! 8 Rm Colonial w/Grand Entry Foyer! 94 Acres! Sunners Porch! Applianced Granite Kit w/Isle! Din Area w/Pellet Stove & Slider to Deck w/Jacuzzi! Din Rm & Frpld Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Den/Office! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Finished Lower Level! C/Air! Garage! **\$369,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 38 Batten St! 6 Rm Ranch is Ready for You! Recently Painted Eat-in Kit w/New Flooring! Large Liv Rm w/Cedar Closet! Bonus Rm/Den w/Access to the Deck! 3 Bedrooms! Full Bath! Expandable Lower Level! New Roof, Electrical Service & Panel! Recent Exterior Paint! 1 Car Garage! **\$249,900.00**



**SUTTON** - 33 Old Mill Rd! West Sutton! Country Road! Fabulous Craftsmanship in this 4,592' 9 Rm, 4 Bdrm, 3+ Bath Custom Home! Entertaining is the Essence of this Open, Airy Flr Plan! Spacious Country Kit Surrounds the Sunken Liv Rm! Frpld Din Rm! French Drs to Deck and In-ground Pool! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Vaulted Ceiling, Spacious Windows for Natural Light, Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower, Private Water Closet! You'll Enjoy the Fam Rm w/3 TVs, Pool Table, LP Gas Frplc & Wet Bar! Oversized Garage for 6 Cars w/Ceiling Height for a Lift! Generator Hook-up! 5.5 acres! Easy Access to 395, 146 & MA Pike! **\$892,600.00**



**WEBSTER** - 32 Canille Rd! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Flr Plan! Applianced Kit! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Frplc Cathedral Liv Rm! Den or Din Rm! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Master Bath! 2 Add Bdrms! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! LL Fam Rm! Garages! Irrigation! Shed! **\$349,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 50 Airport Rd! Updated 5 Rm Ranch! 1/2 Acre Level Lot! Kit 2009! Frpld Liv Rm! 2 Comfortable Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths Total! Mud Rm Entryway! Walk-out Frpld Lower Level! Updated Roof & C/Air 2010, Breakers 2011, Windows 2015, Furnace 2016! Won't Last! **\$269,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated 6 Rm, 3 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath! 1 Acre Lot! Cul-de-sac! Hrdwds Throughout! Open Liv Rm, Kit & Din Area! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Isle! Slider to Composite Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Master Bath! 2nd Flr w/2 Large Bdrms & Full Bath! Garage Under! **\$309,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 21 Madden Dr! 7 Rm Split Entry Cape! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar! Din Area w/Slider to Dble Tier Deck! Din Rm & Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Fam Rm! 1st Floor 1/2 Bath Laundry! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! Skylights! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage! 52 Acre Lot! **\$309,900.00**



**WEBSTER** - 7 Vine St! 5+ Rm L-Shaped Ranch! Looking for Larger, this May Be It! 10'6" X 19' Eat-in Kit! 27' Liv Rm! Entry Foyer! 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/Dble Closets! Huge Master! Hrdwds Flrs! Tile Bath! 1.5 Baths! Walk-out Lower Level! Heat & Hot Water by Gas! Garage! **\$219,900.00**



**THOMPSON - QUADDICK LAKE!** 28 Beaulieu's Landing! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 100' Waterfront! 8 Rm Colonial for Your Year Round or Summer Enjoyment! Open Flr Plan! Applianced Center Isl Kit! Lake Facing Din, Liv & Fam Rms! 3 Bdrms! Lake Facing Master! 2 Full Baths! C/Air! Generator! **\$399,900.00**



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



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 412 Beacon Park! WATERVIEW! 1,280' 5 Rm Townhouse! End Corner Unit! Lake Views! Applianced Galley Kitchen! Frpld Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Din Rm w/Hrdwds! Master w/Custom Bath & Closet w/Sight! 2.5 Remodeled Tile Baths! Central Air! Garage! Great Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$279,500.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE Access!** 2-A Lakeview Rd! 7 Rm Split Entry Cape! Applianced Granite Kit! 4/5 Spacious Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! C/Air! Handicap ELEVATOR! 3 Car Under! 30'x40' 2 Story Detached Garage w/12' Ceiling & 3 Car Lifts! Overlooking & Short Walk to Lake & Dock! **\$479,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo Super Sunsets! 9,698' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/17' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdwds! Granite Kit w/Isle, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdwds & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Deck! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 405 Treasure Island! Townhouse! 6 Rm! 1,874! Hardwood Floors! Applianced! Remodeled! Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Frpld Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Recent Trex Deck! Garage! 2 BOAT SLIPS! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! **\$289,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - Access! 124 Gore Rd! 440' Waterfront! Great Location! Direct Highway Access! 3/4 Acre! UNDEVELOPED LAND w/EXQUISITE VIEWS! Explore the Opps! Build a Restaurant, Hotel, Condominiums! Cozy 4 Rm, 2 Bdrm Home! Oversize 2 Car Garage w/2nd Floor! **\$359,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** - 602 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rm! 1,874! Hrdwd Floors! Applianced Granite Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Bidet! 3 Baths! Frpld Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows/Doors! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! **\$339,900.00**



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## 110 NOVENAS

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** In Thanksgiving for requests received Holy Spirit, You who make me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideals, You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and You who are in all instances of my life with me, I want to thank You for every thing and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from You no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with You and my loved ones in Your perpetual glory. Amen, In Jesus Christ, Your Son's name, I ask that you grant me (state your specific request or intention here). While making the request, you must promise either: (a) publish this prayer or (b) to circulate the favor. This prayer should be said for 3 consecutive days or 3 hours straight. After the 3rd day, the request will be granted, no matter how difficult it may be. LMP

## 130 YARD SALES

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**DEADLINE FOR YARD SALE SUBMISSIONS IS NOON MONDAY FOR ALL MASS. WEEKLY PAPERS**  
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**MOVING/ ESTATE SALE, SATURDAY JUNE 16TH** 7am-3pm. 35 Grant St., Spencer. House is at the top of the hill on the left side. Cameras, glassware, furniture, etc.

**SOUTHBRIDGE YARD SALE.** 30 High Street, 9am-2pm. June 16 & 17, Downsizing - large variety of gently used household items, plus-sized clothing 07-18, Jeep Wrangler accessories, plants, Hav-a-hart traps.

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## 313 CLERICAL

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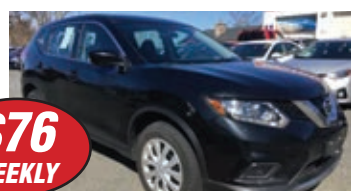


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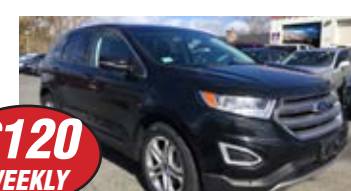


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## Safety tips for grilling season



People have been cooking meals over open flames since the discovery of fire. Even today, when there are so many ways to cook a meal, many still insist there's nothing better than the taste of food cooked on the grill.

The Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association, which tracks industry trends, points out that one-third of con-

sumers plan to use their grill or smoker more often this year. Even though grilling is widely associated with summer, a growing number of people are embracing year-round grilling. HPBA's CEO Jack Goldman has said, "Barbecuing is no longer just a pastime, but an integral part of the North American lifestyle."

Seven in 10 adults in the United States

and eight out of 10 in Canada own a grill or smoker. With so many people firing up their grills, it's important to recognize the importance of grilling safety. Each year an average of 8,900 home fires are caused by grilling, and close to half of all injuries involving grills are due to thermal burns, advises the National Fire Protection Association.

- Here's how to stay safe.
- Only grill outside. Propane and charcoal barbecue grills should only be used outdoors. Grills should be placed well away from the home. Keep grills away from deck railings, eaves, overhangs, and tree branches.
  - Keep the grill clean. Thoroughly clean the grill prior to first use, and keep it tidy all year long. Grease or fat buildup can ignite and cause a fire.
  - Always attend the grill. Grill distraction-free and keep an eye on the food being cooked. Simply stepping away for a few moments can lead to a fire or accident.
  - Start fires safely. Charcoal grills and gas grills may be lit using electronic starters that do not require fire. If using starter fluid, only do so on charcoal, and do not add more fluid or other flammable liquids after the fire has ignited.
  - Check for gas leaks. Whether the gas grill is hooked up to a propane tank or the natural gas supply of a home, ensure that the hoses or tanks are not leaking. Apply a light soap-and-water solution to hoses to see if they bubble from leaking gas.
  - Keep baking soda nearby. Baking soda can control grease fires, but it's also helpful to have a fire extinguisher or a bucket of sand on hand for other types of fires.
  - Watch children and pets. Keep children and pets at least three feet away from grilling areas.
  - Wait for the grill and coals to cool. Practice safety around the grill until all coals are cool and the grill is no longer hot to the touch. Only then should the grill be moved or relocated.

Grilling is a passion that is enjoyed throughout much of the year. Safely cook outdoors by heeding safety guidelines.

## Entertain summer guests with a DIY taco station

(MS) — Tired of eating the same old staples of burgers and hot dogs at barbecues? Try this easy-to-make, do-it-yourself taco station that lets you do some simple prep beforehand. Arrange ingredients in fun serving bowls and have guests serve themselves for a delicious fiesta.

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### TACOS WITH GRILLED STEAK AND VEGGIES

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- Ingredients:
- 2 10.5-oz. packages of Mann's Southwest Chipotle Nourish Bowl
  - 4 beef flat iron steaks (about 7 ounces each)
  - Juice of 2 limes
  - Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
  - 1 package whole wheat tortillas
  - 1 avocado, sliced

### CHIPOTLE MAYONNAISE

- 12 cup mayonnaise
- Juice of 12 lime
- 1 to 2 teaspoons adobo sauce (the sauce that canned chipotle peppers are packed in)

#### Directions:

1. Prepare the Nourish Bowl according to package instructions. Squeeze lime juice over the vegetables and season with a bit of salt and pepper. Toss to combine then set aside.
2. Season steaks with salt and pepper. Place on grill and cook with the lid closed for 10 to 14 minutes over medium-heat for medium to medium-rare doneness, turning occasionally. Allow to rest off the grill for 5 minutes, then carve into slices.
3. To make the mayonnaise, place all ingredients into a small mixing bowl and stir well to combine.
4. Place tortillas on grill and cook until warm and slightly charred.
5. To assemble the tacos, place a couple slices of grilled steak on the bottom. Add vegetables and top with a slice of avocado. Drizzle the top with chipotle mayonnaise.



## How to handle raw meats when grilling out

Cooking over an open flame on a grill in the backyard requires cooks keep watchful eyes on their grills. Charcoal

grill devotees must stay nearby as flames grow before settling down as the coals turn gray. Cooks using charcoal

- grills should also make sure children or pets don't accidentally run into the grill, potentially knocking it over and creating a fire and/or injury hazard. But even gas grill users must be mindful of safety, checking hoses for leaks before igniting fires and then staying within arm's length of the grill to make sure everything is working smoothly.
- Fire safety is essential when grilling outdoors, but cooks also must prioritize safe handling of raw meats. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has established a host of guidelines to promote safe grilling and the safe consumption of grilled foods and offers the following recommendations to cooks planning to grill raw meats.
- Separate foods when purchasing them. The grocery store might be far away from home, but safe grilling begins at the checkout counter. The FDA recommends consumers separate raw meat, poultry, seafood, and eggs from other foods in their shopping carts and grocery bags to prevent cross-contamination. Keep these items separate when storing them in the refrigerator as well.
  - Use separate cutting boards. Another way to prevent cross-contamination is to use separate cutting boards.

- Designate one cutting board for produce and another for raw meat, poultry and seafood. If grilling more than one type of raw food at once, thoroughly clean the cutting board with soap and hot water between uses.
- Keep separate plates for precooked foods and cooked foods. The FDA notes that cooked foods should never be placed on plates that previously held raw meat, poultry, seafood, or eggs unless the plate has been washed in hot, soapy water. Bacteria from the juices of raw meat can linger on an uncooked plate, compromising the safety of cooked foods placed on unwashed, previously used plates.
  - Discard marinades once you start cooking. Marinades used on raw foods should be discarded once the foods are removed from the marinade and placed on the grill. Repurposing marinades to use as sauces can increase the risk for bacterial infections. However, the FDA notes that marinades used on raw foods can be repurposed so long as they are boiled before resuing them.
- When grilling raw meat, poultry, seafood or other foods, cooks must be careful to prevent cross-contamination that can lead to bacterial infections.



# GRILLING

## Practice food safety

Warmer temperatures lead to an increase in outdoor dining. Grillmasters anxiously wait to show off their skills while guests gravitate around the barbecue in the backyard. No matter the temperature outside or the size of the crowd around your dinner table, food safety is a concern whenever foods will be transported inside and outdoors or enjoyed in the fresh air.

A survey conducted by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics found that, while most people realize the months of May through September are prime times for the threat of food poisoning, consumers still are not practicing correct outdoor food safety procedures. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says there are around 76 million cases of foodborne illnesses each year in the United States alone. Those involve hundreds of thousands of hospitalizations and thousands of deaths. The CDC warns that people need to be even more diligent during warmer months to prevent food-related illnesses.

### FOOD SAFETY STARTS AT THE STORE

Food can spoil even before making its way into your kitchen. When food shopping, put the cold and frozen items on your list in your cart last. This will help keep them fresher longer.

Always use plastic bags to



Maintain food safety when cooking or dining outdoors.

protect other foods against raw meat or poultry juices that can leak. Bag these items together at checkout so that you'll know to immediately put all of the perishable items away when you get home.

Some people invest in insulated, reusable tote bags that can keep cold food cold on the ride home. Even if you use such bags, always head directly home after food shopping; do not stop along the way and

leave food in a warm car where it can quickly spoil.

### SAFETY AROUND THE GRILL

Preparing foods involves avoiding cross-contamination between uncooked and cooked foods. That means switching utensils so that bacteria will not transfer from uncooked or partially cooked food to fully cooked food.

Use a cooler to keep refrigerated foods cold until it's time to put them on the grill if you're cooking away from home, such as at a public picnic site. Otherwise, wait until the grill is hot and ready before bringing out foods that need to be cooked.

Rely on a cooking thermometer to test the internal temperature of foods to ensure they reach temperatures that will kill bacteria or other patho-

gens. Hamburgers should reach 160 F and chicken breasts 165 F. When reheating fully cooked meats like hot dogs, grill to 165 F, or until steaming hot.

Discard any unused marinades so that they do not contaminate cooked foods.

### OUTDOOR BUFFET TIPS

Food also needs to be protected once it is served. Use ice or coolers to keep cold salads and condiments at at least 40 F. Foods should not remain outside in hot weather of 90 F or above for more than one hour. The maximum time food should be kept sitting out is two hours, says the USDA.

Keep hands and utensils clean at all times. This way you do not transfer any germs onto safe foods. If a fresh water source is unavailable, keep hand wipes or disinfecting gels at the ready to clean up before eating.

### CLEAN UP WELL

Promptly clean all serving platters, utensils and cutting boards if they have been in contact with raw food juices. The FDA even recommends that you sanitize your cutting board with chlorine bleach, and replace it if the surface gets worn and difficult to clean.

Outdoor cooking and dining are quite popular. Following safety precautions can go a long way toward preventing foodborne illnesses.

## Master magical marinades



With their mix of acidic ingredients and spices, marinades add flavor and may even pack some nutritional punch.

Grilled foods boast inviting flavors that put many diners on the lookout for second helpings. Quite often the magic behind grilled meals lies in the marinade used to give foods that flavorful kick.

Marinades can be used to enhance the flavor of meats, vegetables and poultry. While marinades add flavor, they also may be responsible for some other benefits in grilled foods.

### MARINADES ADD FLAVOR

Defined as a savory acidic sauce in which food is soaked to enrich its flavor, marinades help break down fiber and tenderize certain foods. The base of many marinades include vinegar, lemon juice or wine, and marinades can be enhanced with spices, oil and herbs.

It's important not to let foods sit in marinades for too long, as any alcohol, acid or salt in the mixture can chemically "cook" the food in a process known as "denaturing." Adhere to timing recommendations when using store-bought marinades, and keep such guidelines in mind when using homemade marinades as well. Many may tell you to let foods sit no longer than four hours. Marinades with citrus juices may require even less time for flavor to penetrate.

The timing of marinade use also will depend on the foods being marinated. Delicate items, such as seafood, may change with regard to texture or color in a matter of minutes.

It's important to always marinate foods in the refrig-

erator. Food left sitting out on a counter — even when it's in a marinade — invites the growth of bacteria. If a recipe calls for marinating at room temperature, continue to marinate in the refrigerator, but extend the length of time you marinate. This helps to prevent foodborne illnesses.

When marinating, use plastic or glass containers so the marinade does not cause a chemical reaction, which may occur if you marinate foods in metal containers. Discard all marinades for raw meats and poultry when the time comes to cook the foods, as leftover marinades may contain bacteria that makes them unsafe to reuse on other foods.

### THE NUTRITIONAL BENEFITS OF MARINATING

In addition to flavor, marinades may improve the nutritional value of grilled foods. In 2008, researchers at Kansas State University discovered that marinating meat in antioxidant-rich spice blends can reduce the risk of forming heterocyclic amines, or HCAs, by more than 80 percent. HCAs are harmful, cancer-causing compounds that form when food chars over an open flame at high temperatures. Marinades must be rich in spices to have any HCA-busting properties.

Marinades are a secret weapon in the creation of tasty, tender and healthy foods. They come in quite handy when grilling, and add an extra dose of flavor when cooking over high heat.



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#17541

17" Alloys, MyLink, Bluetooth, Back-Up Camera, 19K Miles!

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$27,795

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,944**

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### 2015 CHRYSLER 200 C

#18124A • NAV, REMOTE START, HEATED LEATHER, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$24,610

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$14,555**

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### 2017 JEEP COMPASS

#118086A • 4X4, SPORT TRIM, 17" ALLOYS, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$28,085

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,944**

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### 2016 CHEVY TRAX LT

#10390L • TURBO, IPOD INPUT, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS

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### 2016 FORD FUSION SE

#18068A • BACK-UP CAMERA, HEATED LEATHER, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$29,990

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,855**

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#10907L • LATITUDE TRIM, 4X4, BACK-UP CAMERA

NEW Retail Price: \$29,135

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### 2017 CADILLAC XT5 SUV

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

NEW Retail Price: \$46,595

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### 2016 LINCOLN MKZ

#18087A • HEATED LEATHER, TURBO, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE

NEW Retail Price: \$35,605

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### 2010 KIA FORTE EX

#10313 • MOONROOF, IPOD INPUT, 16" ALLOY WHEELS

NEW Retail Price: \$17,900

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### 2014 DODGE DURANGO

#18108A • SXT TRIM, ALLOYS, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, IPOD INPUT

NEW Retail Price: \$38,890

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$22,977**

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### 2014 TOYOTA CAMRY

#10292L • FUEL EFFICIENT, L TRIM, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$23,495

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### 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO

#38860L • DOUBLE CAB, 4X4, TOW HITCH, BACK-UP CAM

NEW Retail Price: \$40,505

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$27,944**

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### 2017 RAM 1500 4X4

#18029L • EXPRESS TRIM, 3.6L BEDLINER, QUAD CAB, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$40,085

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$26,977**

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### 2017 CHEVY EQUINOX

#18068A • 17" ALLOYS, ONSTAR, BLUETOOTH, IPOD INPUT

NEW Retail Price: \$27,795

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$16,644**

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### 2015 GMC TERRAIN SUV

#38729L • SLE-1 TRIM, 4X4, 17" ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM

NEW Retail Price: \$27,900

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$18,944**

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### 2017 HYUNDAI ELANTRA

#18033R • FUEL EFFICIENT, SE TRIM, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG

NEW Retail Price: \$19,110

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$12,699**

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### 2015 HYUNDAI SONATA

#180325 • HEATED SEATS, 17" ALLOYS, SPORT TRIM

NEW Retail Price: \$24,800

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$14,999**

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### 2015 JEEP RENEGADE

#180293 • 4X4, TRAILHAWK, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$29,285

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,799**

SAVE \$13,500 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 HYUNDAI ACCENT

#180336 • SE TRIM, GREAT ON GAS, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG

NEW Retail Price: \$18,445

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$12,399**

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### 2015 LINCOLN MKC

#171394L • MOONROOF, NAV, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$33,995

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,388**

SAVE \$14,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2014 FORD F-150 4X4

#17479A • SUPERCA, TURBO, TRAILER HITCH, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$38,065

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$28,355**

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### 2014 FORD FIESTA S

#18012A • BLUETOOTH, GREAT ON GAS, 33K MILES, IPOD INPUT

NEW Retail Price: \$16,810

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$8,855**

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### 2014 CHEVY IMPALA LT

#38240B • MYLINK, 8" LCD, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$33,025

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### 2016 FORD FUSION

#18020R • SE TRIM, ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$28,295

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,155**

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### 2017 CHEVY CRUZE LT

#18068R • HEATED SEATS, RS PKG, TURBO, 16" ALLOYS

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SAVE \$6,600

5 AVAILABLE

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#18093

BACK-UP CAMERA • TURBO

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TOP 10 MOST RELIABLE

45 AVAILABLE

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#18059

ONSTAR • 16" ALLOYS • TURBO

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NUMBER 1 MIDSIZE CAR

15 AVAILABLE

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4x4 5.3L V8 AUTO

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5 STAR CRASH SAFETY RATING

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#17858

4x4 • BACK-UP CAMERA • XLT

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**\$31,977** BUY FOR: **\$86/wk.**

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BEST CARS FOR FAMILIES

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JK SPORT • 4x4 • BLUETOOTH

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17" Alloys, MyLink, Bluetooth, Back-Up Camera, 19K Miles!

NEW RETAIL PRICE: \$27,795

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,944**

SAVE \$7,800 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2015 CHRYSLER 200 C

#18124A • NAV, REMOTE START, HEATED LEATHER, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$24,610

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$14,555**

SAVE \$10,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 JEEP COMPASS

#118086A • 4X4, SPORT TRIM, 17" ALLOYS, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$28,085

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,944**

SAVE \$12,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2016 CHEVY TRAX LT

#10390L • TURBO, IPOD INPUT, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$21,995

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$16,899**

SAVE \$5,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2016 FORD FUSION SE

#18068A • BACK-UP CAMERA, HEATED LEATHER, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$29,990

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,855**

SAVE \$14,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2015 JEEP CHEROKEE

#10907L • LATITUDE TRIM, 4X4, BACK-UP CAMERA

NEW Retail Price: \$29,135

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,977**

SAVE \$9,200 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 CADILLAC XT5 SUV

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

NEW Retail Price: \$46,595

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$38,944**

SAVE \$7,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2016 LINCOLN MKZ

#18087A • HEATED LEATHER, TURBO, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE

NEW Retail Price: \$35,605

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,377**

SAVE \$16,200 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2010 KIA FORTE EX

#10313 • MOONROOF, IPOD INPUT, 16" ALLOY WHEELS

NEW Retail Price: \$17,900

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$8,999**

SAVE \$8,900 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2014 DODGE DURANGO

#18108A • SXT TRIM, ALLOYS, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, IPOD INPUT

NEW Retail Price: \$38,890

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$22,977**

SAVE \$15,900 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2014 TOYOTA CAMRY

#10292L • FUEL EFFICIENT, L TRIM, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$23,495

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$14,599**

SAVE \$8,900 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO

#38860L • DOUBLE CAB, 4X4, TOW HITCH, BACK-UP CAM

NEW Retail Price: \$40,505

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$27,944**

SAVE \$12,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 HYUNDAI ACCENT

#10336 • SE TRIM, GREAT ON GAS, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG

NEW Retail Price: \$18,445

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$12,399**

SAVE \$6,000 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2015 LINCOLN MKC

#11394L • MOONROOF, NAV, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$33,995

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$19,388**

SAVE \$14,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 CHEVY EQUINOX

#18068A • 17" ALLOYS, ONSTAR, BLUETOOTH, IPOD INPUT

NEW Retail Price: \$27,795

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$16,644**

SAVE \$11,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2014 FORD F-150 4X4

#17479A • SUPERCA, TURBO, TRAILER HITCH, ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$38,065

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$28,355**

SAVE \$9,700 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2015 GMC TERRAIN SUV

#38729L • SLE-1 TRIM, 4X4, 17" ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM

NEW Retail Price: \$27,900

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$18,944**

SAVE \$8,900 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 HYUNDAI ELANTRA

#10303R • FUEL EFFICIENT, SE TRIM, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG

NEW Retail Price: \$19,110

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$12,699**

SAVE \$6,400 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2016 FORD FUSION

#18020R • SE TRIM, ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM, BLUETOOTH

NEW Retail Price: \$28,295

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,155**

SAVE \$13,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2015 HYUNDAI SONATA

#10325 • HEATED SEATS, 17" ALLOYS, SPORT TRIM

NEW Retail Price: \$24,800

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$14,999**

SAVE \$9,800 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!

### 2017 CHEVY CRUZE LT

#18068R • HEATED SEATS, RS PKG, TURBO, 16" ALLOYS

NEW Retail Price: \$23,475

WHOLESALE PRICE: **\$15,944**

SAVE \$7,500 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!