

Dudley-Charlton School Committee examines school security

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As the issue of school security becomes an ever growing topic of discussion on the national stage, locally the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District is paying attention, taking note of where things stand on the local and national level. This includes studies from nonpartisan entities as well as the opinion of the representatives of the Commonwealth in Washington.

During a recent meeting of the Dudley-Charlton Regional School Committee Interim

Superintendent Kristine Nash brought a pair of reports to the table for brief discussion, both focusing on the idea of improving safety in schools. With school shootings and gun violence becoming all too common, and a topic of contentious debate since the Sandy Hook shootings in 2012, schools across the country have been seeking answers to security concerns and Nash cited the two reports as a starting point for the local discussion.

The first report was produced in July by the Division of the United States Secret Services and the National

Threat Assessment Task Force. Nash said this report is a detailed look at the idea of threat assessment models including identifying students who may be a risk to perform violent acts, and having a plan in place to respond to identified threats. While much of the discussion on preventing school violence has involved mental illness and early intervention, Nash said identifying a student who could be a potential threat isn't as easy as it might seem.

"One of the things that's very clear when you start to read this is this particular model really looks at the fact that

when we start talking about threat assessment, particularly around students, and trying to get a profile of the student who might potential do harm or injury to other students and certainly staff, what we recognized and what they say very clearly is there's no single profile of a student," Nash said.

"Part of their approach is looking at establishing a threat assessment group at each building to really begin to define some kinds of behaviors the students have and to be proactive in looking at threat assessments at the school level, not after they happen but before."

The longest section of the National Threat Assessment Task Force involved the establishment of assessment procedures and what the group expects should happen. Nash said she felt like this section was well put together and noted that forming such groups is already becoming commonplace in schools throughout the country.

"To some degree schools already have those groups. We have different names for them. We used to call them child study teams. We have all

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Bartlett Principal Dr. Peter Cushing

Cushing aims to build on Bartlett's tradition

BY GUS STEEVES
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WEBSTER – To new Bartlett Principal Dr. Peter Cushing, a key part of his job is to build on Webster's tradition.

He replaced Stephen Knowlton at the high school's helm July 1 after 10 years at Narragansett, a place he said had "a lot of new families, so there wasn't really a lot of tradition."

By contrast, during just the first couple of weeks of school here, he noted he has seen a huge outpouring of support for the first football game and other events and spoken to people who are fourth-gener-

ation Bartlett families.

"You can really feel the tradition here, and it's our job to build on that," he said. "I'm happy to be part of Webster, a strong culture that's focused on improvement."

Figuring out how to do that, he admits will take some time.

For his first year, Cushing said he doesn't plan on making too many major changes to Bartlett other than one anyone visiting will immediately see – the installation of new security doors and glass at the entrance.

"I need to learn about Bartlett, need to learn about Webster," he said. One thing

he already likes is "the dedication of Webster to the schools." It was a major reason he took the job, an "opportunity to be part of a transformation" that he sees as helping Webster schools become as notable as places like Weston or Wellesley "that have the perception of better economic advantage."

Cushing came to the public schools years ago from two somewhat unusual places. He spent all of his educational years in Catholic schools, including college at St. Anselm and graduate school at Boston College. After

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TIF approved for IPG

Oxford received news that the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council approved tax incentives for IPG Photonics Corporation, as the company plans an on-site manufacturing expansion. The incentive, known as Tax Increment Financing (TIF), falls under the state's Economic Development Incentive Program, and will mean a combined existing and new tax revenue of \$8.6 million for the town over the next 15 years. IPG reached out to Business Development Strategies to assist with negotiating and securing the government tax incentives.

IPG is Oxford's largest employer, starting with just a handful of employees in the late '90s and growing to 1,550

employees today. The company plans a \$70 million expansion at its Oxford campus by constructing a 170,000 square foot, four story office, manufacturing, and research facility and a new 460,000 square foot parking garage. According to Lynn Tokarczyk, government incentives consultant and founder of BDS, securing the TIF was an important component of the company's corporate real estate decision to expand in Oxford.

IPG has relied upon the services of Business Development Strategies for almost two decades on this and several other projects.

IPG is a world-wide leader in

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Dudley to sell surplus to benefit rail trail

BY JASON BLEAU
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DUDLEY – The town is expecting a decent return for the sale of surplus rails collected from the town rail trail.

According to Dudley Highway Superintendent Dan Gion, the rails had been in storage and the town decided that rather than scrapping

them they would seek bids to sell the rails, with the town receiving three responses. The bids were sealed, according to Town Administrator Greg Balukonis, with the highest bidder revealed to be Railroad Sources and Reclamation of Pennsylvania.

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CHIEFS ON PARADE! WEBSTER AND DUDLEY WELL REPRESENTED



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Left to right - Chief Bent, Chief Wojnar, Deputy Chief Shaw at the Jimmy Fund walk in Boston.

Dudley Police Chief Steve Wojnar, Webster Police Chief Timothy Bent, and Webster Deputy Police Chief Michael Shaw were among the participants in the 30th annual Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk held Sunday, Sept. 23 in Boston.

Numerous police chiefs from across the state, including several from the surrounding area, and family members joined hundreds of other supporters to walk the final three miles to the Boston Marathon finish line. Some walked the full marathon route.

Everyone walked along side young people battling cancer, their families, friends, and supporters. Thousands of dollars were raised to help with cancer treatment and research at Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

The Jimmy Fund is the main charity of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association.

History in the mirror: Nichols looks at apartheid

BY GUS STEEVES
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DUDLEY – It's almost a truism to say that understanding the world requires living elsewhere for a while.

But most people who do that don't get to experience events that are truly historic, like Dr. Jeffrey McKee did.

Speaking to a few dozen Nichols College students last week, the Ohio State professor related his decade in South Africa, when he saw the collapse of the brutal apartheid regime while doing field work at one of the most famous loca-

tions in anthropology.

He almost didn't go at all. McKee said he originally declined the offer, but saw a Time cover on the anti-apartheid sanctions headlined "If not here, where? If not now, when?" and took that as a personal message to do it. Friends thought he was a little crazy, some thought he'd live in "a mud hut," and when he jokingly told some his gear had to travel by elephant, several believed him.

The reality was far different. McKee lived in one of the country's major cities,

Johannesburg, and had a job at its most prestigious university, Witwatersrand, working with Dr. Phillip Tobias, "the leading expert in the world on human evolution in Africa." When he was in the field, McKee was mostly at the famous Taung site, where railroad workers in 1924 accidentally uncovered a 2.8 million year old child's skull, identified the following year by Raymond Dart as the first sample of Australopithecus africanus, one of humanity's ancestors.

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SPLASH OF PANACHE
St. Joseph Women's Club is sponsoring a **SPLASH OF PANACHE VENDOR EVENT** on Sunday, Nov. 4 at Point Breeze Restaurant. Hours are from noon to 5 pm. Many vendors will be on hand to start your holiday shopping or something to pamper you. Once again there will be a Lottery Raffle, Special Raffle, Attendance prize, Appetizers and much more. Tickets for the event are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. For ticket information please contact Kathy Sirard 508-943-0173 or Felicia Kolodziejczak 508-943-6591.

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10% of profits from this evening will go to local organization Blessed Backpack Brigade. During the August 2018 tornado that hit downtown Webster, the organization suffered damage and

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FRIENDS BOOK SALE
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JAZZ BRUNCH
The United Way of Webster and Dudley will host its 9th annual Jazz Brunch at Point Breeze Restaurant on the lake in Webster on Sunday Oct. 14. The event will be held from 11am-2pm and features a wonderful brunch buffet, great live music by the Jerry Seeco Trio and a huge raffle. Tickets can be purchased at Webster First Federal Credit Union's Webster & Dudley branches, Cornerstone Bank Webster branch and at Sam & Evelyn Pappas CPA office, 175 Thompson Road in Webster. Your \$25 donation helps support the fifteen health and human service agencies funded in part by our United Way. Over 7,000 Webster & Dudley residents access help and support each year.

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high-performance fiber lasers, which are used in the fields of automotive, aerospace, medical, defense, renewable energy, communications, and transportation.

"IPG and the town of Oxford continue the symbiotic relationship they started over 20 years ago," said Oxford Interim Town Manager Dennis Power. "The TIF incentive will enable IPG to continue to grow while providing the town with additional revenue, infrastructure improvements and many community

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IPG plans to create 400 new jobs in Oxford. It is estimated that IPG and its employees spend more than \$2 million dollars annually supporting other local businesses.

"The Webster-Dudley Chamber of Commerce was proud to support IPG Photonics and its request for a TIF from the town of Oxford. IPG is a world-class company and good corporate citizen," said Dennis Luukko, president of the chamber, which is an affiliate of the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce.

"There is no question the residents of Oxford recognize the value of IPG. Many voters turned out on a hot, summer night for a special town meeting and overwhelmingly voted to approve the tax incentive for IPG to keep them at home in Oxford," said Tokarczyk, who leads the BDS team, which for 15 years has helped more than 100 companies expand, retain, and create jobs in Massachusetts.

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Staying grounded with stones



Tiffany Myers during her presentation and lesson.

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There are various ways to heal your body, but crystals help to heal the body, the mind, and the soul. Tiffany Myers from Whole Body Healing in Auburn taught a group of local residents the proper way to use crystals for their healing influences. A group of curious and open minded women came to the Oxford Public Library to learn what

crystals are, how they are used, and how they can use them in the comfort of their own homes.

“Crystals help to clear your chakras and keep you grounded,” says Myers as she passes out bags of precious stones to those in attendance. When Myers uses the stones during her sessions, she finds that it helps the person she is supporting reach an inspirational calmness.

“I call it mellow Jell-O,” says Myers, most of her clients end up falling asleep, being so calm and comfortable that they feel like Jell-O. There are numerous techniques that Myers utilizes in her practice. These methods can be done with the stones to help heal in numerous ways.

“We are so busy every day, running around after our kids, working, and stressing,” says Myers. “Our chakras can get out of balance and this can cause sleep problems, pain, and an overall unbalanced feeling.”

Myers explains how to balance your chakras and return to a sense of peace. There are seven major chakras. The Root, 1st Chakra is at the base of the spine, 2nd is the Sacral which is just below the navel. Solar Plexus is 3rd and located around the stomach. 4th is the Heart, in the center of the chest. 5th is Throat and is located at the base of the throat. The Third Eye is between the eyes on the forehead. Lastly, the 7th chakra is the Crown located on the top of the head. Each chakra joins with a color. Root, red; Sacral, Orange; Solar

Plexus, yellow; Heart, green; Throat, blue; Third Eye, indigo and Crown, violet. Myers offers Reiki and hot stone massage, aromatherapy, and angel card readings. Myers utilizes crystals and stones in a lot of her teachings and relaxation techniques.

“Crystals can hum, they can vibrate, they are living organisms,” explains Myers.

Myers suggests going with your intuition when picking out your own crystals and stones. Pick them up, carry them around, go for what you are attracted to.

“It can be overwhelming,” says Myers on picking crystals out and using them appropriately.

When you have crystals, you need to clear and charge them. Clearing helps to rid the stone of everyone else who has touched them. Charging helps to empower the crystals and thus, empower you. When clearing your crystals, you are also charging them. This can be done in a variety of ways. You can smudge them with sage, leave them out in the wind, sun, and moon. You can also place them with a quartz cluster or use a salt water bath. Having a clear and charged stone is necessary when beginning any practice.

The participants during the class were eager to start practicing on their own. Many asked questions on how they could help their children relax and gain some meaningful meditation. All those in attendance picked up each stone and examined them.



Kim Maschi photos

Stones given in class

“The stones all have different properties and benefits,” says Myers. Each participant was given a bag with eight stones. Red Jasper, for grounding. Carnelian, for courage. Citrine, for manifestation. Malachite, for wealth. Amethyst, for calming. Sodalite, for peace. Quartz, for energy, and black Obsidian for grounding and protection. Everyone was excited to go home and clear and charge their stones and begin working to heal their chakras and space.

Tiffany Myers, Whole Body Healing is located on the second floor at 63 Auburn St. in Auburn. (508)341-3273. healing@wholebodyhealing.net. www.wholebodyhealing.net.

Changes could reduce costs for rate payers

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DUDLEY — A new study aims to determine if new practices in how the town handles its water and sewer needs could result in cut costs in the near future.

As the town continues to examine the possibility of embracing a Department of Public Works concept, Town Administrator Greg Balukonis said at a recent Board of Selectmen meeting that the Water & Sewer Commission at a recent meeting is exploring

the inflow and infiltration of the town’s system. Balukonis said the results included plans to explore possible changes that could reduce costs to the rate payers.

“I thought it was a really good meeting and what came out of it is the Water and Sewer Commission will be embarking on a program to study inflow and infiltration. It’s a requirement of the state Department of Environmental Protection,” Balukonis said. “Every gallon that flows to the Webster treatment plant Dudley pays for so it reduces that amount of flow.

There are some costs associated with it. It’s about \$230,000 just on the study piece alone.”

The study would look at two particular areas, West Main Street and Daniels Street, with the \$230,000 proposed to be taken out of the water and sewer revenues and anything else borrowed. Balukonis explained the funding will need to be appropriated through three different town meetings, the first in October and the other two in May and October of 2019.

“The study will require down the road that the town

establish a track for solving infiltration which means the shovel hits the ground,” Balukonis said. “It will require at some point additional work to be done and I think the engineers that the Water & Sewer Commission brought on board have demonstrate a thorough understanding of our issues and our problems. They looked at eight areas in the community and identified only two areas which exceed the peak infiltration and inflow rates that the DEP has established. They will not be repairing the entire community.”

Balukonis admitted the project will likely inconvenience a few citizens, but it’s something that has to be done.

“There may be some who are found to have illegal connections which will alarm people. There will be people who will be required to make repairs to their property which would upset them. What I’m saying is it’s good to get this information out there early so that people understand that this is a requirement and a mandate that the town has to face,” Balukonis concluded.

Dudley announces date for first Spooktacular

BY JASON BLEAU
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DUDLEY – A date has been set for the first ever Spooktacular parade in Dudley as the town looks to add something new for the community to enjoy around the scariest holiday of the year.

Dudley Selectmen had previously discussed the idea of a new Halloween-themed event in August, but waited until September to finalize the date and time to make sure they had everything planned out properly. Dubbed the First Annual Dudley Spooktacular, the event will take place on Thursday, Oct. 25 to allow local youngsters to dress up in

their costumes and march down the streets of Dudley starting at the Pearle L. Crawford Library at 40 Schofield Ave. and ending at the Dudley Municipal Complex on West Main Street, a walk of a little over half a mile and around 15 to 20 minutes.

The events is expected to include fire pits with s’mores, a haunted house, candy and other amenities all sponsored by the Friends of the Dudley Library. Selectman Steve Sullivan compared the event to the annual Christmas Tree Lighting, and hopes to see the Spooktacular become a new annual tradition.

“We all know how well the Christmas

holiday has really taken off. This is about quality of life. It’s about something for your children to do. It’s about having something for people to get involved in,” Sullivan said.

Volunteers are being sought to help put the event together with a small committee charged with organizing the event. Those interested can inquire about volunteer opportunities in the selectmen’s office in the municipal complex. Selectman are also seeking any sponsorship or monetary donations to help make the event a huge success in 2018. More information on the Spooktacular is expected to be released in the coming weeks.

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graduating college in 1999, he took a job in the internet industry. That proved short-lived; he was soon “one of the many thousands of workers who were no longer needed” when the tech bubble imploded around 2002.

Cushing landed back at his father’s house, and dad wasn’t one to let him sit. He had to find some kind of work fast. So he fell back on his political science degree and the education certificate program he’d taken afterward to become a substitute teacher in Lynn and “really fell in love with it,” he said. When asked what he most loves about teaching, he said “the ability to connect with students.”

“This isn’t just a job, it’s a vocation...a giving of yourself,” he said, noting he loves “helping kids move

forward,” face challenges and “get those moments of self-discovery and realization” of what they can do and who they can be. That’s particularly challenging today for various reasons, including the internet and the fact “the world is an ever-complex, evolving place.”

Educators need to give kids the tools to understand that world, to identify good-quality information from junk, and become “culturally proficient” so they can “connect with anybody,” he said.

Cushing’s own life has given him a few of those challenges, and made him see that a crucial part of teaching is developing trust between teachers and students and between teachers and administrators. The latter came through his dissertation on “how to build capacity in teachers;” the former was more personal.

“I definitely attracted the negative attention of others

[when young], and may or may not have been bullied,” he admits. “When I see what kids are going through, I want to make sure school is a safe haven for all of them.”

Webster’s nature helps that process to some degree because of its diversity, something he noted he didn’t see much of at Narragansett, a rural and very white district. In economic respects, though, the two districts have some of the same issues, he added.

To address that, Cushing is on the Board of Directors of the Mass School Administrators’ Association, which is working on changing the funding formula for state Chapter 70 aid. He said it’s critical to get the Legislature “to understand that maybe a property-tax-based system” can’t fund education adequately; it just helps create “haves and have-nots.” Instead, he thinks districts can look at

other districts to see what works and replicate those ideas.

“It’s not just about money,” he said. “What’s important is not changing [policies and practices] every year or two. It’s about longevity.”

Maybe even more important is giving the students some say in their education, by both finding out what they want to study and getting them more involved in experiencing the real world in context. Although we often hear claims that today’s kids aren’t interested in what’s happening, Cushing said he feels “kids want to be more involved in politics than their parents. I think if we gave them the right to vote at 16, we’d see some of the greatest social changes in history.”

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Are Open Houses a good strategy to sell your home?

It all depends on what you expect that Open House to do. I did one time have someone drive by an open house on a waterfront home that was visiting a friend and not intending a to buy a home and they bought that home on that day. It usually does not happen this way. An open house a great way to get everyone to come into the home at the same time so someone may buy due to seeing all the other interest and fear losing out. This strategy backfires when you have an open house and that interested buyer stays for 45 minutes

and no other buyers come and they start to wonder why they are the only one interested in the home. Lets say your home is beautiful but for whatever reason there is no way to get someone to see its true beauty online, this would be a great time to do an open house. This would bring in people that are sort of interested in the home but not interested enough to



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setup a private viewing. An open house is also a way to bring people back that saw the home but still had not purchased another home but are not 100% on the home. In summary, the open house is not going to bring you a buyer that were not buyers before but may pull in some people on the fence. It will pull in many unqualified buyers and

nosey neighbors. Sometimes the noseey neighbors however will know someone who wants to move into the neighborhood. I have heard stats that only 1% of homes sell at open houses, which is about right based on our personal sales. So open houses can be a strategy but not the main strategy to sell the home. You want to hire a local expert that knows what strategy to implement in your market to sell your home and sell it quickly for the most money.

Latest auction news

There has been plenty of auction news since my last update in this column. A collection featuring over 700 pieces of Abraham Lincoln memorabilia is among the important items soon coming to auction. The Smithsonian.com reports that the Lincoln memorabilia belonged to Historian Harold Holzer. One of the first items Holzer purchased for his collection was a franked letter by Lincoln. As a Congressman, Lincoln used his franking privilege to sign the envelope and not have to pay postage. One of the auction highlights is an 1860 portrait of a beardless Abraham Lincoln. A 1907 bronze relief plaque that was used as the likeness of the penny will also be featured, as well as a bust by artist Sarah Fisher Ames. A period painting believed to be by John C. Wolfe has the highest pre-auction estimate at \$12,000 to \$18,000.

Other important historical artifacts will also be coming to auction when 5,500 pieces of Titanic memorabilia are offered, according to CNN. Items include a bronze cherub from its grand

staircase, sets of china from the dining room and a section of the hull. Premier Exhibitions, which owns and exhibits them in 4 cities, filed for bankruptcy in 2016. The Titanic sunk after hitting an iceberg in 1912. Individual items have brought strong prices at past auctions. A letter written by a man during the Titanic's final hour sold for \$166,000 and a violin played by the band leader as the ship sank went for \$1.7 million in 2013. Three hedge funds have offered an opening bid of \$19.5 million for the collection, which is being sold as a group.

Some newer items are also making news in the auction world. Architectural Digest reports that memorabilia from the estate of Frank and Nancy Sinatra will be



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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21
12:14 a.m.: MV crash (Jesse Road) arrest: Danielle Wilga, age 30 of 9 New Boston Road #2, Dudley: OUI-liquor; negligent operation of MV; leave scene of property damage.

Webster Police Department

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16
12:37 p.m.: MV stop (Upper Gore Road) arrest: Brett P. Costello, age 47 of 7 Upper Gore Road, Webster: operating MV with license suspended subse-

quent offense; uninsured MV; unregistered MV.
7:46 p.m.: disturbance (Arkwright Road) arrest: Elexis T. Jutras, age 24 of 211 Everett St., Southbridge: warrant.
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17
6:17 p.m.: EMS request (Clark Street) arrest: Nathan Zel Thomas-Cooper, age 20 of 9 Clark St., Webster: A&B.
7:23 p.m.: shoplifting (Worcester Road: summons: Mark P. Prince, age 42 of 5 Robinson Road #1, Webster: shoplifting by concealing merchandise; AND arrest: Mark P. Prince, age 42 same address: warrant.
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 18
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household member.
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 19
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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22
7:12 a.m.: domestic dispute, arrest: adult female age 71 of Webster: two counts A&B.
9:16 a.m.: domestic dispute, arrest adult male age 59 of Webster: A&B on family or household member.
5:29 p.m.: MV operating erratically (Thompson Road) arrest: Anthony D. Lisenio, age 43 of 20 Beaudry Lane, Webster: OUI-liquor second offense; negligent operation of MV; marked lanes violation.

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kinds of names but to really go back and profile this group a little different oftentimes while we're talking about academic reasons students don't succeed and social or emotional reasons we're not really digging deeper into the communications and the profile of the student or the relationships the student has," Nash explained. "It's similar to creating, if you will, a group that really specializes in looking at the profile of a student particularly who may down the road have the potential to do this — It's not the answer, but it is something I think really provides some thought about how we promote safe cultures and climates and how we can go about particularly being proactive in our own environments."

The second report Nash addressed was a joint document from the offices of U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren and U.S. Representative Catherine Clark's offices titled "Keeping Schools Safe: Perspective from Massachusetts Educators and Families." The document focuses heavily on opinions from school administrators, teachers, parents and everything in between, utilizing around 400 individuals to create a letter which the two lawmakers brought back to the capital.

"It really asked individuals to look at and to rate the level of concern that they have with gun violence in schools. Not surprisingly almost 88 percent of the respondents, regardless of what cross section they represented,

rated four or five their level of concern with five being the highest," Nash said.

"The summary of findings they found from this core section of individuals may reflect the feelings or the sentiments of others, a larger pool."

Nash admitted that with only 400 participants this report is far from a true representation of all opinions on the subject, but it's a good start to understanding the different perspectives and surprisingly there were numerous viewpoints that shows some disparity especially in regards to the general public's outlook versus those who work in the school system.

Nash said the first findings were consistent across most of the board. The report notes stakeholders support policies that reduce access to firearms in schools and 70 percent of the participants stated expanding the number of guns would make them less safe. Respondents however were split on whether to use federal, state or local funds to place school resource officers or security officials in K-12 schools. Principals and supers were more in favor whereas taxpayers were more mixed on that subject.

The second finding was that participants want federal lawmakers to strengthen current gun laws. Sixty-eight percent of those profiled said they support extended wait periods and other measures meant to ensure the right people have access to firearms.

The report also ranked banning military assault weapons, establishing a searchable database and raising gun purchasing age from 18 to 21.

The third finding was that

stakeholders believe expanding or improving access to mental health service would make education institutions safer, something Nash said schools have started to address.

It's with the fourth finding where the big difference in opinion is really apparent though. The report stated that when asked "should there be enhanced building security," only two-thirds of the participants felt enhancing security would work and many did not consider it the solution to the problem. Only 57 percent felt requiring training of staff and other school employees would reduce the risk of school-based gun violence and only 43 percent agreed that using funds to purchase cameras and metal detectors would be an effective solution.

"Both the senator and representative sent a letter to the Secretary of Education outlining these findings certainly because there has been much discussion recently around increasing and allowing school districts across the country to use some of the federal funds that they receive to do some kinds of things regarding security measures so we will see," Nash concluded.

While these discussions didn't lead to any groundbreaking revelations for the school committee on how they would like to proceed with their own security improvements, the reports do gives a snapshot to how local educators and taxpayers feel as well as how the national task force is responding to these concerns setting the ground work for Dudley, Charlton and other towns to explore their own paths to making schools safer and more secure in the future.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Relaxing places

5. Creepy crawler

11. Blacklisted artists

14. Fought for position

15. Outer layer of the eyeball

18. Gymnopedies composer

19. Membranes

21. Short-term memory

23. Comfort

24. Icelandic poems

28. Breezes through

29. In the general surface area

30. Replacement worker

32. Days have 24 of them (abbr.)

33. Bro or sis

35. Large, flightless bird

36. Future hovercraft

39. Complication

41. Core muscle

42. Electronic point of scale

44. Language of Cameroon

46. Skin problem

47. Slowly drink

49. Meaty part of a chicken

52. Bangladeshi currency

56. Shout

58. National capital

60. Word derived from a noun

62. Dances

63. A memorable garden

CLUES DOWN

1. The woman

2. Leaders

3. "Sin City" actress Jessica

4. A type of machine

5. Enhancing an offer

6. Detachable aircraft unit

7. Priestess of Hera

8. Tooth caregiver

9. A way to engrave

10. Count on

12. Williamson Airfield code

13. Ancient Greek city

16. Range

17. Ancient Roman poet

20. Scottish tax

22. Doc

25. Bad grades

26. A great pitcher

27. Helpers

29. Former CIA

31. Guy (slang)

34. Actress Ling

36. One from the Balkans

37. Unofficially boxes

38. Mathematical ratio (abbr.)

40. Atomic # 64

43. Broken glass

45. Equally

48. Serbian currency

50. Envisions

51. Source of the Blue Nile

53. Leo's acting pal

54. Sour

55. What relief pitchers do

57. Ma

58. Spy organization

59. Monetary unit

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The secret to canning: no short cuts

BY GUS STEEVES
TIMES CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Normally, if someone says ‘Can it’ they mean ‘shut up.’ But if Kate Donovan says it, she’s probably referring to your tomatoes and fruit.

Donovan, a co-owner of Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens, brought a “high level” look at canning, dehydrating and freezing produce to Pearle L. Crawford Library last week, speaking to about a dozen people, most of whom already practiced one or more of those things. Still, the whole point is to learn from each other, and in that vein Donovan illustrated her points with YouTube videos.

“People are afraid to can; they’re afraid they’ll get botulism,” she said.

But there’s no need to fear it, just follow the right process. “It’s very procedural. Follow the procedure and you’ll be safe.”

Specifically, she and her videos noted there’s two different kinds of canning – water bath and pressure. The former is somewhat more limited; it works best for “high-acid foods” like tomatoes, anything pickled, fruit you’re turning into jelly, and the like. Pressure canning should be used for just about anything else (including beans, carrots, chili, beets), including tomato sauces that include other ingredients like peppers or zucchini. Regarding fruit, she noted “Put them in a pressure canner and you’ll get juice at the end because they’re

not hard enough to stand the pressure.”

Tomatoes “are the only vegetable you can safely water-bath can,” she noted, adding that people have been breeding them to be less acidic over the years, so even they often now need a little lemon juice or vinegar to can properly.

Either method requires the jars to be sterile first. That’s a simple process: stick them in boiling water for three minutes or more, although one audience member noted he sticks his in the oven for that time instead. Once they’re out, don’t touch them with bare hands until after the process is complete. Done right, canned goods should keep “longer than it’d take for your family to eat them,” she noted, estimating it could last five or more years.

Donovan said many sources state you have to use jars designed for canning (most of them come from the Ball company). Those are reusable, but the aluminum lids shouldn’t be (except for future uncanned storage). Some audience members disagreed with both points. Ray Sullivan noted he regularly reuses Ragu jars to can, and others noted they have successfully reused lids.

Done right, the presenter of Donovan’s “Canning 101” video stated, “In February, when it’s dismal and freezing cold, you can open a jar of tomato sauce and relive the pleasures of summer.”

Far easier than canning is freezing. Things with too much water don’t freeze well, and it’s

critical to remove as much air from the storage bag as possible. Some fruit and vegetables also benefit from blanching – a brief period of steaming that brightens color and “brings some flavor to the surface,” Donovan said.

“When you freeze something well, it will last at least three months in the freezer,” six months if vacuum sealed, she said.

Various kinds of food sealers exist to create such vacuums, but people can also make a less complete type by sucking the air out of a zip-type baggie with a straw before completing the seal.

For longer-term storage, there’s dehydration or freeze-drying. Several firms make dehydrators, but some things can also be dehydrated by using low temperature ovens or hanging them in a warm, dry place. Donovan said freeze-drying removes 95-99 percent of the water, while dehydrating removes about 90 percent.

“You can do almost anything with a decent dehydrator,” she added, noting she typically uses it for herbs. If uncooked, though, the dehydrated food generally won’t have the same texture when restored (blanching helps that for some foods), and she noted some people grind such vegetables into powder to use it for spicing foods and thickening soups. Vacuum sealed dehydrated or freeze-dried food will last decades (that’s why it’s popular among those stockpiling for



Gus Steeves photo

Kate Donovan lifts the cover off a dehydrator.

disaster survival).

Donovan’s presentation, linked videos and various other seminars by Donovan and partner Eric Bromberg can be obtained by emailing

Donovan via the Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens website.

Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

Kochling receives a standing ovation

Last Thursday night, former Charlton resident, Christopher Kochling, a 2012 graduate of Shepherd Hill Regional High School, delivered a convocation to over 130

first honors students and their families. Kochling, who holds a BS in aerospace engineering, is currently employed as an attitude determination and control officer in sup-

port of the International Space Station operations at NASA. Kochling presented photos taken from the International Space Station while he shared not only what his job entails but how he came to be interviewed at NASA Mission Control.

He was certain that he would never hear back from NASA. In fact, his original objective was to become a pilot. However, he noted to the audience that “it always seems to be the little things that initially go unnoticed that ending up changing the course of your life.”

In addition to the photographs, Kochling shared his advice to students. He said “While (your) path may change, don’t let anyone tell you that you can’t do something or that you won’t reach your goals. In the end, everything is up to you.”

Kochling also thanked SHRHS teachers and noted the importance of dealing more kindly with others as we are all together on this “tiny blue dot (Earth).” He was met with a standing ovation from the crowd.

The First Honors Recognition Dinner is an event organized by facul-

ty that was first started 30 years ago under then Principal Al Thibadeau

to honor the academic performance of students who maintain first honors (92+) for all four quarters from the preceding year. It is supported by the Quo Vadis Club, the SHRHS Booster Club, Balfour Ring, and Sitkowski and Malboeuf Funeral Home. Historically, the event was chaired by Thompson Boyd, now retired. This year, the event was organized by Tracy LeBlanc; and Mr. Boyd, last year’s teachers of excellence, and the middle school National Junior Honor Society presidents were also invited to attend as guests.

Other keynote speakers included Principal William Chaplin, Superintendent Kristine Nash, and School Committee Chair Pauline

Aucoin.

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Chris Kochling addresses the crowd at the 29th First Honors Dinner

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Oxford welcomes the autumn



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TIMES CORRESPONDENT

Oxford had its annual Fall Festival and residents from all over came to enjoy the festivities and fun. Main Street was packed with vehicles, swarming with families, and filled with friends as the community came together to enjoy the new season approaching.

Oxford FIRE-EMS had big news to bring to the Oxford Lions Club Fall Festival. “Rudman” the T-Rex is fierce, friendly, and proud to be the newest addition to the Oxford Explorer Post team. FIRE-EMS was there to promote SAFE, Student Awareness of Fire Education, a grant program designed to provide resources to fire departments to teach fire safety in schools. The program teaches students to be aware of fire causing dangers. This program has helped to drop child fire related deaths since 1996 when it was established. The fire department passed out pamphlets on fire safety, personal medication records, and first aid tips.

State Sen. Ryan Fattman attended the festival with Joanne Powell, candidate for Clerk of Courts, State Rep. Joe McKenna and State Rep. Paul Frost. The four answered questions, posed for pictures, and enjoyed the festivities. McKenna showed off his new furry friends on his Facebook page; two pups named Charlie and Bobby.

The Oxford Dog Park had a booth up and running early, “we are selling hot coffee, pumpkin muffins, and

donut holes for breakfast,” says the group in expectation to raise money for the Barking Lot, future dog park for Oxford. In the afternoon, the booth had walking tacos, loaded baked potatoes, and apple crisp with ice cream. The perfect recipes for fall.

There were countless vendors lined along the grass, each space was full and thriving. The Oxford Untied Methodist Church gave out free apples, kind words, and any information wanted.

Oxford Naval Junior ROTC were in uniform, poised, proper, and there for a great cause. The ROTC was raising money to help the Oxford Food Shelf, open on Thursday nights in the lower level of the Oxford Community Center.

The bouncy castle and face painting were a favorite among the children, and the adults loved taking home the hand painted pumpkins their munchkins created. Cub Scouts Pack 147 was selling their Scout popcorn, accepting donations, and answering questions from future Cub Scouts.

Can’t forget about the local Honey Hebert with his honey sticks and helpful honey jars to clear out those allergies.

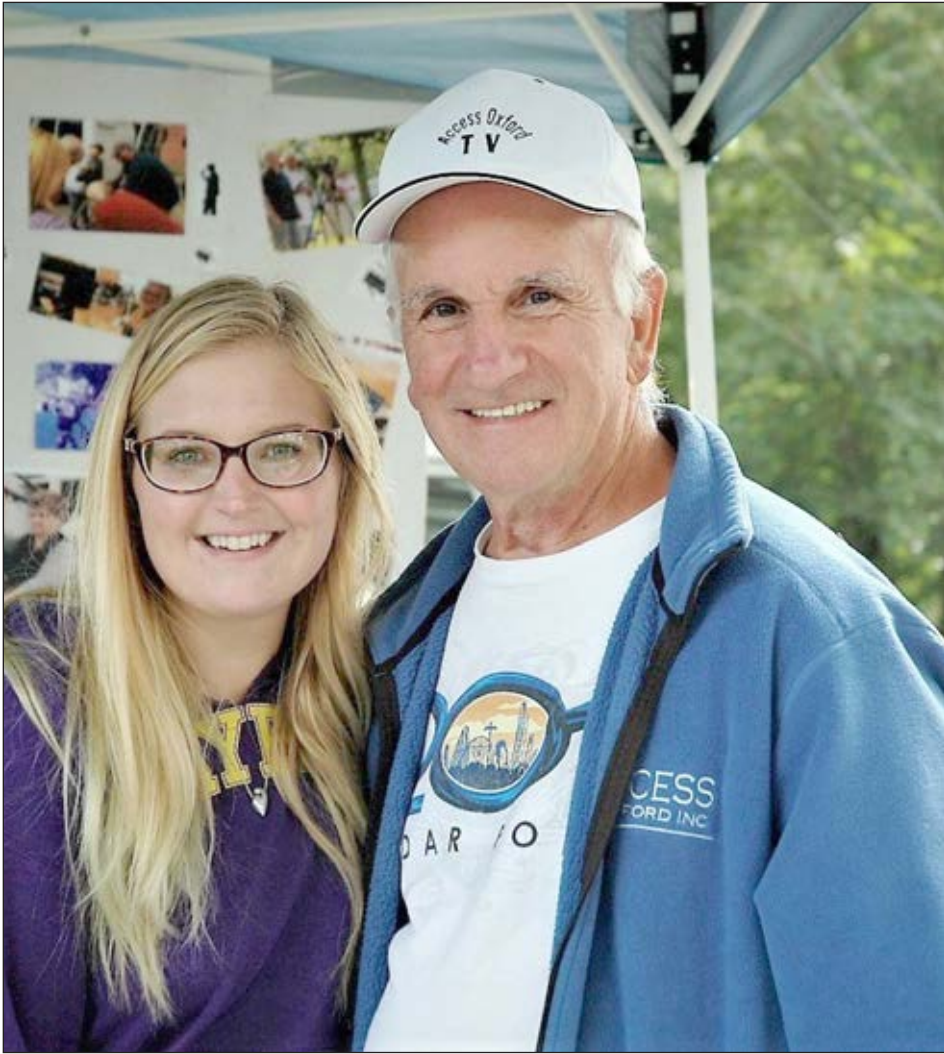
Access Oxford Inc was there to promote the local channel where residents from all over can get the latest news on town politics, schools, and fun activities.

Every year, the Oxford Lions Club puts on the best Fall Festival around. See you next year!



Ryan Farman with Robert Shedd, Joanne Powell and Joe McKenna.

Courtesy photos.



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Friday’s Child



Felix and Felixiano
Ages: 7 and 9

Hi! Our names are Felix and Felixiano and we care a lot about each other!

Felix and Felixiano are brothers of Caucasian and Hispanic descent. They are very close and play well together. Felix describes himself as a caring, friendly, funny boy who likes karate and is a good sharer. He loves to eat and will try almost anything, including vegetables! Felix identified basketball as his greatest talent and when he grows up he wants to be a teacher or a firefighter. He is communicative, outgoing and likes to ask questions so that he knows what is going on around him. Felix enjoys school, and has a strong desire to learn. He particularly enjoys math.

Felixiano describes himself as a boy who does the right thing and likes to play catch with his friends. Felixiano also enjoys playing basketball, video games, giving hugs, superheroes, cooking and playing outside. His favorite color is red and his favorite food is pancakes. When asked what he wants to be when he grows up, he said to be a teenager. Others who know Felixiano say that he is a playful and curious boy who is eager to please, and is both endearing and imaginative. Felixiano is very smart and performs well in school. His teacher reports he is helpful in the classroom and gets along well with the other students.

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The Dudley Lions Club hosted the 24th annual Yesteryear Car Show on Sept. 23, a tradition showcasing beautiful automobiles of today and yesterday in the parking lot of MAPFRE Insurance in Webster. From familiar brands like Mustangs, Chargers, Corvettes and Monte Carlos to more obscure vehicles and a great mix of classic personality and modern flair the event was a huge success as always bringing car enthusiasts from throughout the tri-state area to vie for the best in show.



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EDITORIAL

The angst of it all

In 1967 there was a rather large party, an after party really, at a large apartment complex in a military town. This was after there had already been a fun evening at a local dance and drink establishment where soldiers and airmen were encouraged to congregate, were charged a small cover charge, but local young women were allowed in without that charge to encourage them to come, an enticement to get those soldiers and fly-boys in the door.

It worked. The place was always jumping.

So back to the story. A few people found themselves at an apartment; with beer and snacks. Not ready to call it a night yet.

There were some willing partnerships, but some weren't quite so willing; and sometimes there was some pressure to be "more willing" than certain people wanted to be.

Depending on who needed a ride home, that could be pretty daunting.

And scary.

And downright dangerous.

To be real, some of those people weren't even using their names, only nicknames.

We were lucky, the one or two of us who really, really wanted to leave found a way to do so.

It was not the last situation, or even the worst situation women have found themselves in.

Being hugged a little too tightly, kissed a little too knowingly, leered at, innuendos, "teasing" in an unpleasant manner, overbearing and condescending language; even wolf whistles in the street.

Unwanted attention is just that. Unwanted.

It is a frightening experience. And very, very hard to handle at the time it happens.

It is often unexpected, coming without warning from someone we thought we could trust; who had shown no signs of being covertly disdainful of us in the past. But suddenly there is an opportunity and that person becomes someone different.

We not only react badly, both frightened, and unnerved; but wonder what happened. Where did this behavior come from?

The excuse of drinking, or "only teasing" or a myriad of other reasons doesn't hold water.

Yet we are so astonished our first reaction, besides fear and surprise, is to blame ourselves and worry about reactions of others.

It's a woman thing.

Women will understand.

So the brouhaha over whether something should have been said 40 years ago is valid. Absolutely it is. But we do understand too why something wasn't said.

The first reaction would have been, "But this isn't like him! What the heck, what is going on? Stop it! Get away!"

And then shame, worry, fear, and agonizing over whether or not it really happened (it did), whether you had somehow done something yourself (she didn't), or whether he meant to do it (yes, he did, he just didn't have the courage to do it right when not drinking).

Drunken stupors aside; and age of people involved as well, the right of a woman of any age to be safe in an environment should be a given.

We will give one caveat however to the entire scenario. Why didn't she contact Kavanaugh through private channels, or his lawyers or representatives; or other people involved in this entire procedure to present this and try to quietly present her case? It did not have to be as sensational as it has become. It has indeed been 40 plus years. If Kavanaugh has been free of incidents since that time, it was indeed a one-off and not a pattern of behavior for his entire life, then this investigation could have been one and done. People doing the vetting could be informed as part of the entire process, it would have been informational with ALL the facts.

If in fact he is guilty of many breaches of conduct, this then would have been discovered and then a bigger case made at that time; and most likely be more plausible because the investigation would already be done.

Instead, we have a tempest over the woman's behavior instead of his, and questions over the timing instead of the reality of the incident.

How and to whom the query was made were not well planned. We have to ask whether that was done intentionally to cause the sensationalism or whether someone was just that dumb.

VIEWPOINT

THE DEADLINE to submit letters to the editor and commentaries for next week's newspaper is Friday at noon. **SEND ALL ITEMS** to Editor Ruth DeAmicis at THE WEBSTER TIMES — ruth@stonebridgepress.news

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Moore: appreciates library

To the Editor:

Libraries are the cultural center of any community and, during the last great recession served many of our unemployed as a center for seeking new jobs on the library's internet and for polishing resumes. Libraries are often community meeting places and can help people to learn throughout their lives.

As the noted Massachusetts author David McCullough has stated, "We must not think of learning as only what happens in schools. It is an extended part of life. The most readily available resource for all of life is our public library system."

Although in my time in public service, I've been a leading sponsor of legislation expanding access to health care, improving the quality of health care, and containing the cost of health care, of abolishing most of archaic and corrupt county government, opposing a major landfill in Douglas, establishing state parks and trail systems, creating a system of school building construction, and much more, I am especially proud of my support of our local schools and libraries.

During the years that I had the honor of representing the people of Webster as State Representative and, later, as State Senator, I always strongly advocated for funding our public libraries. Over the years, I've had the pleasure of advocating for new or renovated libraries in Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Dudley, Mendon, Milford, Millville, Oxford, Southbridge, Sutton, and finally, in Webster.

When former Webster Town Administrator John McAuliffe, and Library Trustee Chair Jean Travis asked me to seek maximum state sup-

port for the replacement of the Corbin Public Library, I went to work.

The law governing state funding for local libraries provides for a maximum 75% grant, with the community raising the remaining 25%. However, it has become common for the Board of Library Commissioners to prorrate the available funding in an effort to support as many building projects as possible. Local officials told me that it was unlikely that the Webster could afford to replace the old library with a modern facility if voters had to come up with half the cost.

Using my seniority and position as the Senate President Pro Tem, I gained funding in a capital bond bill to provide the full 75% reimbursement and then convinced the Executive Office of Administration and Finance to agree to release the funds. Webster is also especially fortunate to be the home of very generous benefactors in the persons of Marilyn and Gerry Fels who helped to make the local fundraising effort a great success with their substantial support in honor of Marilyn's mother – Gladys E. Kelly. I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated to the cause and to the voters who supported this important local project. This state-of-the-art new library will serve the people of Webster for many years to come. I am proud to have helped to bring it to reality.

RICHARD T. MOORE
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NOTE: The writer represented Webster in the Massachusetts House from 1977-94 and in the Massachusetts Senate from 1996-2015.

Hay! I see pumpkins!

Yes, we are THAT family. You know the one. With our bigger than necessary comfy sweaters, fleece lined boots that makes our feet sweat (but we don't care), flannel scarves, and pumpkins on the brain. We are the first ones onto that hay wagon and last ones to pick out our pumpkins. We take our time, we examine each of the 700 orange orbs that are in the magnificent patch! We are the family to get totally and completely lost in corn mazes, even the ones made for kids. We are what some may call the Fall Frenzied Family. We line our front steps with pumpkins and gourds. So many, many gourds that you cannot walk up the steps. If you do somehow get up there, good luck finding the door. There are corn stalks and wreaths all over the place. Hay bales and leafy drifts, colorful scarecrows and funky doormats. We love it all and we love fall.

On Sunday, the first official day of fall, I took my family to Monson to visit Westview Farms and bask in the delight of campfire smoke, churning ice cream, and crackling straw beneath my feet.

We finally land in Monson, after driving through the ever-exquisite antique shops along the way. I am happy to report that I did not make my husband stop the car so I could go into every open shop available.

I know, I am proud of myself too.

We parked on the grass and walked towards the farm. Now, I had my children with me so I could not go total



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fall fanatic. Not yet at least. I had to hold my composure and keep it at a suitable pace because I have to be a good role model and be an adult and blah blah blah. It was difficult. But thankfully when you have kids you get to go on to all the kids' activities and live your life vicariously through them. It's a perk! A pumpkin patch perk!

I did lose my composure a wee bit, I really wanted to ride the wagon the tractor was pulling, but I wanted to be in the front. You know, where it bounces the most and tosses you around like a ride, So I whisper secretly to my daughter, 'hey Charlotte want to ride up front?' She of course, as a miniature me, obliged and I shrugged my best, 'well if she wants to go up there, I guess I have to go with her' shrug.

Good job Charlotte!

When frolicking though fall festivities, like Westview, I have some helpful tips.

First tip, enjoy your visit. The seasons are short and fall is one of the best ones, not too hot, not too cold, goldilocks would say it is just right. So, Enjoy!

Second, goats. Goats are awesome. Don't just go over to the goats and have expectations that they will do backflips or act like that famous goat that goes around flip kicking its friends all over the farm. Stoop down to their level, gaze into those weird looking eyes and really see the goat for what it is. A magnificent fall creature, here to amuse you with its bleats and tiny soft licks at your hands. Bring food for them of course, if you don't, well than don't expect them to stick around.

Third, take home the weirdest gourds and pumpkins. Take the ones that are deformed and dented. Pick up the ones with weird stony bumps all over them because we weird things need attention too. Trust me, people will love your peculiar pumpkin a lot more than some perfectly round boring, grown and aged right pumpkin. Put some pumpkin spice into your décor!

My last tip, wear jeans, I am still picking hay out of places I rather not discuss because I thought yoga pants were okay to wear! Wrong, so very wrong.

If you are a Fall Frenzied Family, like us, then you will appreciate all things autumn. So, go out there and pick those apples, drink that cider, and befriend a goat. Take your time, relax and breathe in that crisp cinnamon air.



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The Maschi family on the hay ride

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Rules at a four way stop



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I have been asked several times to remind people of the rules to follow at an intersection with a four way stop. We have several of these in town. Often when numerous vehicles meet at roughly the same time, one vehicle will proceed through and a second vehicle will follow immediately behind it. This not only upsets the others waiting, it is illegal and may also cause a crash.

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 89 Sections 8 and 9, deal with right of way at intersections and stop sign regulations. It provides when two vehicles enter an intersection "at approximately the same instant" the vehicle on the right shall have the right of way. The obligation of a driver is to stop for a stop sign and "yield the right of way to any vehicle in the intersection."

In the case of a four way stop, all operators have the obligation to stop and yield to traffic within the intersection and all share an equal responsibility. Therefore, the first vehicle to arrive at the intersection shall have the right of way as the driver is able to proceed after stopping. The other vehicles must wait until that vehicle clears the intersection, and come to a full stop before they can proceed.

The penalty for a stop sign violation is a \$35 civil infraction. Should a second vehicle proceed behind a first vehicle, they would be guilty of this violation. It does not qualify as a legal stop to simply stop behind another vehicle. You must stop at the stop line or the nearest point where there is a clear view of approaching traffic. Rushing through an intersection can cause an accident, as most drivers at four way stops are only watching the front vehicle stopped at the intersection. Please be aware of this issue and do your best to show courtesy to your fellow drivers.

Thanks again for your questions and comments. Please send them to me at the Dudley Police Department, 71 West Main St., Dudley, MA 01571 or email at swojnar@dudleypolice.com.

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Remember, libelous remarks and/or personal attacks are a no-no and could lead to your letter not being published.

So, what are you waiting for? Start writing!



Goodbye Mel; fishing will not be the same



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This past week my brother Merrill “Mel” True Sr. passed away at the Providence Hospital from numerous complications at the age of 81. He had heart trouble for many years, and when it seemed as though he did not have long to live, a new heart was found after a long wait. The donor of the heart was not revealed, but we were all appreciative of the new heart, and it gave Mel 17 extra years of life, which he enjoyed to the fullest.

When he became well enough to use his boat again he called it Second Chance. His love of fishing and hunting never stopped him from enjoying his favorite pastime with his two sons Jamie and Mel Jr. Mel Jr. left his job a few years ago to pursue his love of fishing, and is now a boat captain in Massachusetts! His boat is named Fishnet Charters, and has become well known on the ocean and on the internet. Mel Jr. often brought along his dad to fish alongside many of the charter fishermen and women, giving him the opportunity to continue fishing. This week’s picture shows my brother Mel a few years back with a 40 lb. striper he caught while fishing

with his son Mel Jr.

I also fished alongside of my brother Mel in our younger years when our dad took time off from his job at the Whitin Machine Works to fish for trout on opening day. Fishing Prentice Brook and Johnsons Brook in Whitinsville back in the day did not take long for us to catch our limit of brook trout. We were back home in time for school, but my dad was a bit late for work.

When we got out of school we both grabbed our fishing rods and bicycles & fished both Meadow Pond and Arcade Pond. Our report cards reflected our failure to do our homework, but we could not do both, so fishing took up most of our time. I showed one of my report cards to my granddaughter. A big smile said it all!! If I had it to do all over again I would not change anything. I know my brother would do the same. In our early years, we were a different kind of millionaire with little money, but enjoyed a great childhood growing up in Whitinsville enjoying life.

Catching stringers of yellow perch, blue gills and calico bass, which were brought home for my dad to make fish chowder at least once a month. I have not had a good fish chowder since his passing many years ago .

When we got out of church on Sundays, we quickly grabbed the fishing rods and left the neighborhood to do some fishing, but it was not long before my mother realized that we

had gone fishing. My mother was very upset, as a Dutch Deacon of the church would take a walk along the shores of our favorite fishing spots every Sunday after church. God forbid he spotted us and reported our fishing activities to my mother. Our mother would instruct my dad to get in his 1937 Pontiac and try to find us. The poor guy would slowly drive up and down the road at Meadow Pond trying to locate us, but we would stop fishing as he drove by, and he could not see us crouching against the embankment of the pond.

As soon as he went by we started to fish again. Being a good Dutch family back in those days was really tough. There was no fishing, no reading Sunday papers, no movie theaters, etc. Our family was very religious which was not a bad thing, and our parents were trying to do their best to raise us that way.

I will miss my brother’s weekly phone calls updating me on the fishing he and his son enjoyed the previous week, and the visits he and I had in my back yard weekly. Rest in peace brother.

A spray and neuter clinic in Boston’s Angell Memorial Hospital offers low cost dog & cat services, as well as low cost veterinary care in some cases. There are also low cost pet services at some of the major pet shops in the area. This is a follow up on my recent column about high cost veterinary bills for pet owners which drew a



Courtesy photo
Mel True Sr. with a 40 pound striper caught while fishing with his son Mel Jr.

substantial response from our readers. They also offer adoption to responsible residents looking for a pet. Check them out on line for more information and other low cost care for your pet at www.mspca.org/medical-centers/angell-animal-medical-center-boston/

Fishing on the saltwater has been sporadic, but anglers that are putting in their time have had some great fishing. Now that the hurricane threat is over for now, things should get back to normal, although this week’s weather forecast had a lot of wind and rain for most of the week.

The early goose hunting in the valley was extremely poor this year, but hopes are high

for the start of the second opening day scheduled for Oct. 9, at which time ducks also become fair game. Waterfowl hunters are reporting a significant number of ducks in the area, with many wood ducks and mallards. By the time you read this column, trout stocking by MFW should be under way.

Pheasant hunting opens on Oct. 13 in Massachusetts! More next week!

“ Correction” The 200 Sportsmen’s Club will hold their chicken & rib barbecue on Oct. 13 and is open to the public starting at 1 p.m.!!!!!! Plenty of good food there.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!!!!

Understanding risk tolerance is essential for investment success



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To succeed as an investor, you might think you need to know about the economy, interest rates and the fundamentals of companies in which you’d like to invest. And all these things are indeed important. But it’s most essential to know yourself. Specifically, you need to know how much risk you are willing to tolerate to achieve your goals.

Of course, you’ve lived with yourself your entire life, so you probably have a pretty good idea of your likes and dislikes and what makes you comfortable or uncomfortable. But investing can be a different story.

Initially, you may believe you have a high tolerance for risk, but if the financial markets drop sharply, and you see that you’ve sustained some sizable losses (at least on paper – you haven’t really “lost” anything until you sell investments for less than what you paid for them), how will you feel? If you find yourself constantly fretting over these losses, perhaps even losing sleep over them, you might realize your risk tolerance is not as high as you thought. In this case, you may need to scale back the part of your portfolio devoted to growth in favor of a more balanced approach.

On the other hand, if you believe yourself to have a low risk tolerance, and you start off investing in a conservative manner, you may indeed minimize short-term losses – but you also might find yourself frustrated over the slow growth of your portfolio. So you may decide that being highly risk-averse carries its own risk – the risk of not making enough progress to achieve your long-term financial goals. To reduce this risk, you may need to tilt your portfolio somewhat toward more growth opportunities.

In short, you may have to invest for a while before you truly understand your response to risk. But even then, don’t get too locked in to one approach – because your risk tolerance may evolve over time. When you are first starting out in your career, and for many years after, you are probably investing primarily to accumulate assets for retirement. Consequently, you may need to include a relatively high proportion of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, in your portfolio. While stock prices will always fluctuate, you will have many years, perhaps decades, to overcome short-term losses, so you can possibly afford to take on a greater risk level in exchange for the potentially higher returns offered by stocks and

stock-based investments.


However, things can change once you reach retirement. At this stage of your life, your overall investment focus may shift from accumulation to income. This means you will need to start selling some investments to boost your cash flow – and you won’t want to sell when prices are down. (Remember the first rule of investing: “Buy low and sell high.”) To help avoid these “fire sales,”

you may want to adjust your investment mix by adding more income-producing vehicles and reducing your holdings in growth-oriented ones. By doing so, you will be lowering your overall risk level. Keep in mind, though, that even in retirement, you will need some exposure to growth investments to help you stay ahead of inflation.

Become familiar with your own risk tolerance – it can play a big role in your

investment decisions.

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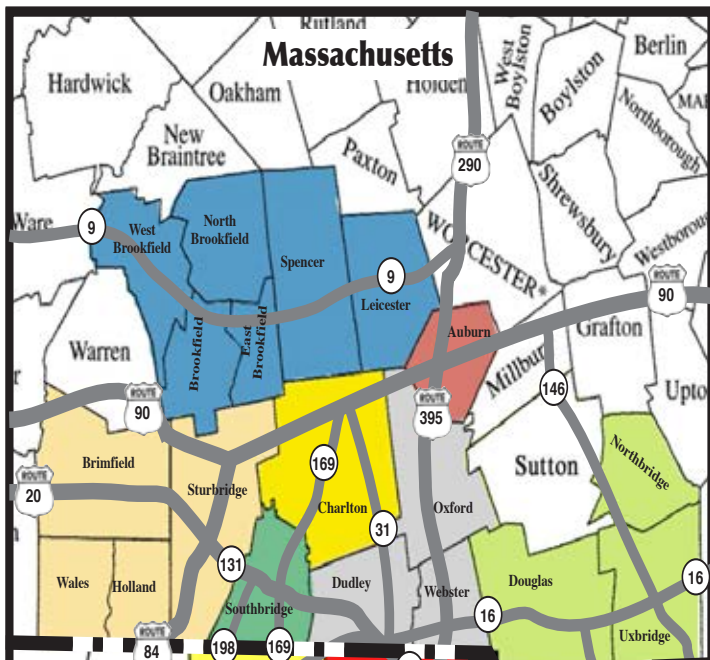
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SPORTS

Kunkel's last-second TD boosts Bartlett by Worcester Tech, 44-38

WEBSTER — Memorial Athletic Field was the place to be on Friday night, Sept. 21, as the Bartlett High varsity football team defeated Worcester Tech, 44-38, in dramatic fashion. With the Indians trailing, 38-36, Erik Kunkel scored a touchdown with one second remaining for the win.

Logan Paranto tossed three touchdown passes for Bartlett, while Troy Johnson and Romeo Soto each had 100-yard rushing performances. The Indians are now 2-1 on the season and will clash with undefeated Northbridge High (3-0) on Friday, Sept. 28 at Lasell Field at 7 p.m.



Bartlett's coaching staff gives a pep talk following the Indians' dramatic 44-38 victory over Worcester Tech.

Jason McKay photos



Romeo Soto of Bartlett keeps his feet moving while trying to carry the ball through a pair of Worcester Tech defenders.



Bartlett's Troy Johnson carries the ball and cuts inside to avoid a Worcester Tech defender.



Eric Nunez of Bartlett drives a Worcester Tech player backward with a vicious hit.

Shepherd Hill gets past Panthers in close contest, 2-1



Shepherd Hill's Caitlin Burke pushes the ball up the field.

Nick Ethier photos



Katie Lavoie of Shepherd Hill, left, has the inside track to track down the loose ball ahead of David Prouty's Kailyn McCue.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SPENCER — Practice makes perfect. That's certainly what Shepherd Hill Regional head field hockey coach Katie Pellegrini was thinking after the Rams defeated David Prouty Regional, 2-1, for their first win of the season — and the first of Pellegrini's head coaching career at the school, at Eugene R. Hurley Memorial Field on Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Shepherd Hill's Abby Karalus broke a 1-1 tie and scored what wound up being the game-winning goal in the 12th minute of the second half. Karalus, a senior, scored off a scramble in front of Panthers' goalie Fiona Halloran.

"Abby was in the right place at the right time," Pellegrini said. "We always talk about how there is a sweet spot right in front of the goalie. We stress that in our shooting drills, having them right there with their stick down ready to go."

The Rams improved to 1-3 with the

win while David Pouty fell to 1-2-2 with the loss. Last year Shepherd Hill won the lone meeting between the teams, 6-0.

Brooke Garrepy put Shepherd Hill ahead, 1-0, less than four minutes into the game on a left-to-right shot that slipped just inside the right post of the goal cage.

"We've been working on trying to go around the goalie with our shots and she executed that perfectly," said Pellegrini, who added that jumping out to the early lead was very important for the Rams. "We've struggled in the first 10 minutes of every game and our opponents have scored multiple goals and we've had to fight back from that."

"So, for us, getting that first goal was a complete game-changer," Pellegrini explained. "It boosted our confidence. Then, after they scored to tie the game, 1-1, the girls kept battling, didn't let up and pushed through. I'm very happy with how they responded. They played real well."

David Prouty evened the score in the 12th minute of the first half, on a goal by

Brooke Pepin off a penalty corner.

"Abby Cashman sent the corner in and it went to Brooke," Panthers' head coach Cricket Bolduc said. "She had just come into the top of the circle on the left side and she took the shot. She took one step into the circle and drove the ball and it went in just inside the far post."

David Prouty had chances to tie the game in the final 18 minutes, but the Panthers just couldn't put together an offensive effort that would result in a game-tying goal.

"I feel like we should have won. We had a lot of chances," Bolduc said. "We're slim, numbers-wise, and our substitutions, we just can't rely on them yet. They're working hard and they're growing and they're improving, but they're just not there yet. So, it's tough for us when the girls who are playing run out of gas."

"But, we played hard. We're putting it together. We're passing the ball into open space and our defense, our formation, they're coming together,"

Bolduc continued. "We played Grafton [Monday, Sept. 17] and beat them, 1-0. That was a sweet win."

Bolduc knows one thing for sure — the David Prouty field hockey program is headed in the right direction.

"I definitely think we have the nucleus to have a good program," Bolduc said. "We lost a lot of kids that went to play at Bay Path, and we lost our seniors off of last year's team, so I wasn't sure when the season started what we were going to have, but boy have they come together."

"I have players that are making great strides and we're working together. And we didn't give up," Bolduc continued. "We battled. We're disappointed by the loss, but we'll learn from it."

Both goalies performed solidly in net. Halloran finished with six saves while Hailee Cronin-Loggie, Shepherd Hill's guardian of the cage, finished with three saves. The Rams won the battle of penalty corners, taking 12 in the game compared to just three for the Panthers.

SPORTS

David Prouty’s defense holds true in shutout of Minutemen



A gang of Bay Path defenders forces a fumble by David Prouty’s Geo Martinez.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — The David Prouty Regional varsity football team played dominant defense throughout, along with 14 second half points, to complete a 14-0 shutout of Bay Path Regional on Friday, Sept. 21. Both the Panthers and Minutemen are now 2-1 on the season.

With 28 seconds remaining on the clock before halftime hit, Bay Path lined up for a fourth-and-goal play from the David Prouty five-yard line. Signal-caller Michael Keeler turned to the right and tossed a pass to Tyler Gillespie, who was swarmed by a bunch of Panthers’ defenders.

“It was our best shot at it,” Bay Path head coach Matt Fall said of scoring against Prouty. “It was a missed assignment and we tried to make the correction at half, we ran the same play after the half and the correction wasn’t made and it bit us. What we did good as a team last week we didn’t do as a team this week.”

David Prouty’s defensive stand forced a scoreless tie at halftime and was the positive reinforcement they needed being on the road against a previously undefeated team.

“It was a great momentum swing,” expressed head coach Pat Rossi. “It gave our defense a lot of confidence. We played a different scheme this week based on what they were doing and the guys bought in and were in the right spots. They played true to form and played their assignments the entire night. You can’t ask for anything better than that.”

To open the second half the Panthers drove down the field methodically — taking over nine minutes of game time — and eventually scored on a 19-yard touchdown strike from Braedon Wood to Geo Martinez. The Panthers were successful on the two-point conversion to make it 8-0 with 1:44 left in the third quarter.

“That was good to chew up a lot of clock,” Rossi explained. “We had noticed a couple things they were doing defensively, so we wanted to make a couple adjustments to capitalize on that. We knew if we did that and controlled the third quarter we had a good shot to win this football game.”

The Panthers’ defense used the momentum gained from their stop to end the second quarter and just smothered the Minutemen’s offense in



Mathew S. Plamondon photos
Quarterback Michael Keeler of Bay Path releases a throw down the field.

the second half. David Prouty was getting multiple players to the tackle and brought many different looks to the line of scrimmage with their linebackers, which made it hard for Bay Path to move the ball efficiently.

“They changed up their blitzes,” Fall stated. “Their defense is similar to ours, we had an idea it was coming. Their linebackers created a lot of chaos with our offensive line.”

On Bay Path’s final drive of the game, Keeler launched a ball down the left sideline that was intercepted by David Prouty’s Sam Dubois. It not only sealed the win for the Panthers, but was also his second pick of

the game. Dubois also was huge on their long scoring drive in the third quarter, catching three passes for 23 yards and two critical first downs on the drive.

“Sammy is special,” Rossi praised. “He had two picks today and a couple big completions and it is just week five of him ever playing football. I can’t say enough about him, he works hard and is just a great human being. The kids really put a lot of trust in him and he made a lot of great plays for us tonight.”

Cam Dubey added a fourth quarter rushing touchdown for the Panthers to account for the 14-0 final score.

Strong second half showing boosts Beavers by Bay Path



Nick Ethier photos
Devin Hanlan of Bay Path, left, and Blackstone Valley Tech’s Grant Van Dyke battle for possession of the ball.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — After a pair of defensive breakdowns led to first half goals for the Blackstone Valley Tech and Bay Path Regional boys’ varsity soccer teams at George L. Fowler Memorial Field on Monday, Sept. 24, the Beavers played a more inspired second half, scoring a pair of goals.

That effort was enough to get past the Minutemen, 3-1.

“I was definitely a lot happier with the second half — obviously the score, but also I do think that we were controlling a lot more and making better passes. I’m glad that the results showed,” said Valley Tech head coach Khalid Al-Haza’.

“They had control of the game in the second half,” conceded Bay Path head coach David Martinson. “They were a little quicker than we were. We went a little flat.”

The Beavers nearly took the lead in the 45th minute when Steven Makynen hit a 25-yard free kick that ricocheted off the Minutemen’s defensive line, which altered the save that was made by keeper Aiden Sabatinelli.

Undeterred, Makynen set up the eventual game-winner two minutes later when he made a left-to-right and up-and-over crossing pass to Grant Van Dyke, who finished the job with a shot back into the opposite lower left-hand corner of the net.

Makynen capped off

his stellar second half by drawing a penalty inside the box in the game’s final minute. He then booted the PK past Sabatinelli to make the 3-1 final.

“He’s my center attack, my senior captain. He’s the one kid that I’ve had since freshman year on varsity,” said Al-Haza’.

Makynen started his career as a defender and then moved to midfield and now attack throughout his four years.

“I’m proud of him,” Al-Haza’ said. “He plays defense for his club team, but I need him at attack.”

Back in the first half, Van Dyke gave his team a 1-0 lead in the 10th minute with his first of two goals. A Bay Path defender couldn’t clear the ball out of the box and it scooted over to Van Dyke, who slipped his shot into the far left-hand corner.

Martinson called a timeout just five minutes later to possibly jolt his team and to take an offensive approach upon the game’s restart.

“We started flat, so the idea was to get the timeout and try to get them regrouped, and we changed our formation,” he explained. “It gave us a little more offensive opportunity.”

It worked, as Devin Hanlan scored in the 24th minute to knot the score at 1-1. Hanlan found the ball on his foot when keeper Zachary Brabham (two saves) misplayed a clearing attempt. Hanlan then had an open net to shoot into as the game was tied

at halftime.

But BVT’s impressive second half improved their record to 4-2. The win was crucial for the Beavers, who have lofty seasonal goals.

“Our first goal this year is we want to win back our league. The last three years, since AMSA’s been in our league, they’ve won it,” Al-Haza’ said of the Advanced Math and Science Academy, adding that qualifying for the State Vocational and District Tournaments are the team’s other goals.

Bay Path, meanwhile, slipped to 4-3-1 as Martinson praised the play of Sabatinelli in net, who finished with 16 saves.

“He did a great job, kept us in the game,” said Martinson.

Martinson hopes that his team can avoid short stretches of flat play as the season reaches its second half.

“That’s been the case every game, we have a flat spot,” he said. “It’s just practice and getting prepared.”

The Minutemen have a game against a new opponent — Pioneer Valley of Springfield, to be played after press time — and Tri-County at Homecoming (Saturday, Sept. 29). Martinson wasn’t afraid to call those contests must-wins.

“We need the next two, it’s not an option. It would be a disappointment if we don’t make Districts this year,” he concluded.

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SPORTS

Late lineup shift doesn't deter Tantasqua in win over pesky Pirates



Chloe Davis of Oxford pushes the ball up and over the net.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD — The Tantasqua Regional varsity volleyball team had to make a last-minute substitution in the starting lineup because one of its regulars was not feeling well, but the Warriors showed no ill effects of the change, defeating Oxford High, 3-0, on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Tantasqua, who won the match with set scores of 25-8, 25-13, and 25-8, improved to 3-3 overall and 2-1 in the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) with the win, while Oxford dropped to 0-3 overall and 0-3 in SWCL play with the loss.

"I'm really proud of the whole team because they really adapted today," Warriors' head coach Brittany Sargent said. "One of our middle hitters — Lindsey Zak — was out so I had one of my setters, Addie Ellithorpe, playing middle. Addie, who is normally one of our setters, did a fantastic job."

Despite Zak's absence Tantasqua didn't miss a beat, jumping out to leads of 6-0 and 11-1 in the first set. Morgan Smith, the Warriors' sophomore co-captain, said getting a fast start in matches is important to her and her teammates.

"It's really important because if you start slow

then the team chemistry will start to fall and the communication between players really shuts down," said Smith, a middle back who had eight kills in the game. "When you get off to a fast start the team's morale gets a boost, everyone's upbeat and we play better together as the game goes on."

"When you start fast as a team you know you're going to have a good match," Smith continued. "Everybody feels it and you can see that confidence in each other's eyes and body language."

Sargent said that in addition to Smith, other players who performed well against the Pirates included seniors Emily

Reyes, Hannah Raymond and Isabel Batchelor, and Ellithorpe, a junior.

"Emily is one of our setters and she had a lot of great assists. Without her, Morgan wouldn't have been able to put the ball down the way she did. Emily did a really great job setting for us," Sargent said. "Hannah played really great defense; she did a good job covering the floor, and Isabel hit the ball really well. Addie is a great all-around player. She did a great job playing back row. We're a versatile team; we have a lot of versatile players that can play multiple positions."

Sargent said she likes the direction her team is headed this season.

"I feel good where we're at; we're continuing to jell as a team," said Sargent, whose team has also defeated Bartlett High and Doherty High and lost to Nipmuc Regional, Shepherd Hill Regional and Millbury High, despite having taken the Woolies to five sets. "We graduated six seniors last year. At the beginning of the season you're always trying to figure out lineups and I think so far the girls are coming along and doing a great job. I'm excited about the rest of the season."

For Oxford, first-year head coach Emily Boutilette said this season is not about wins and losses.

"We're kind of starting over," said Boutilette, who is also the boys' volleyball coach at Doherty during the spring season. "Previously the girls weren't properly shown certain things on the court. So, I've had to really start over with them, even though some of them have been playing for three years. I have tons of athletes. The girls are amazing; they want to learn. It's just that it's a learning process. What I love about them is that



Oxford's Isabella Auclair gets low to bump a pass over to a teammate.

they don't give up in a game. They always hustle; they always go after it."

Last Friday's loss to Grafton High was a perfect example of the Pirates' never-say-die attitude. Oxford lost the first two sets 25-10 and 25-9 but then won the third set 25-20 before losing the final set 25-20.

"Instead of rolling over and playing dead after the first two sets the girls ramped it up instead of giving up," Boutilette said. "I'm really proud of them for that."

"They're really trying hard, they really are. I can't ask for more out of them because they're really, really trying," she added. "They've been playing for a while; they just haven't been playing together. The process we're in is playing together and being in the right spots and knowing the switches. These are things they're not used to doing that they have to learn how to do, and then faster, and better."



Oxford's Hannah Buxton throws the ball into the air to begin her serving motion.

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Chet's Social
Single — Tom Smith 143, Ben Allaire 127, Ryan Pelletier 125, Marsha Kallgren 109, Erin Van Dam 108, June Carpenter 101
Series — Tom Smith 361, Ryan Pelletier 340, Ben Allaire 326, Marsha Kallgren 300, Erin Van Dam 290, June Carpenter 275
Series over average — Ken McDaniel +42, Marsha Kallgren +21

Women's Industrial
Single — Marie McNally 117, Roberta Zacek 115, Kris Russell 110
Series — Marie McNally 322, Roberta Zacek 312, Kris Russell 302

Oxford’s own Talman out to make his mark



Troy Talman during a victory at Thompson Speedway last year.

SUBMITTED BY KYLE SOUZA
THOMPSON — With just one race remaining in the 2018 Sunoco Modified championship chase, Keith Rocco has a 48-point lead and will likely seal the championship by starting the season finale at the 56th annual Sunoco World Series.

But right behind Rocco, Troy Talman has put together a consistent season filled with top five finishes. Talman, a native of Oxford, has finished inside

the top five in all but one race this season with a best finish of third as part of Icebreaker weekend.

“We’ve been really consistent, we could do a little bit better, we haven’t found Victory Lane quiet yet, but I’m happy,” Talman said. “With the races spread out, it takes a little bit to dial the car in. We won a race last year but this year we haven’t quite been up to snuff to contend for a win.”

But, the last time on the track

as part of For the Fans Night on Sunday Sept. 10, Talman found speed under the hood of his #3, something he hopes he can keep with him going to the finale.

“Last race, we went with the package we raced last year, and we had good speed. The race was a little bit spread out because there were not many cautions. I’m pretty happy with the way we have been running. Ending up second in points right now is definitely pretty good. Racing against the top guys in the Sunoco Modifieds is a challenge.”

He’s been working inside the Keith Rocco Racing stable, and has used Keith’s assistance to his advantage for various aspects of racing, including the setup with the car.

“It’s helped a lot, there isn’t anyone better to partner with in the Sunoco Modifieds in the last decade, Keith has all of his stuff together,” Talman said. “He offers good advice and I’m not afraid to ask him anything. It’s really good for me to be able to jump into a car that is top notch. It’s been a good experience.”

Over the years, Talman watched his uncle compete on the Thompson high-banks, and now has the opportunity to take his own talents to the 0.625-mile oval.

“It’s always been a personal favorite track of mine growing up, I watched a ton of races there as a fan, and I’ve watched plenty of in-car cameras. It has

really exciting racing and you really have to be aggressive to pass there which is something I enjoy. The speed, the banking, it’s just different.”

With just one race left on the schedule, Talman is definitely excited to head back to Thompson for the 56th annual Sunoco World Series. The Sunoco Modifieds will practice on Friday, qualify on Saturday and run their 30-lap feature right at the start of the day on championship Sunday.

“It’s a weekend I mark on the calendar and look forward to every year, it’s always jammed packed and full of events,” Talman said. “It’s always nice to race in front of a packed crowd at Thompson and it really gets you going. It’s a neat experience to cap the year off.”

“I’d love to finish the year in Victory Lane. I think it’s looking up for us because we definitely found something the last time out. I think we will have a good handling car and we will have to make the right adjustments for Sunday.”

The 56th annual Sunoco World Series will take place from Friday Oct. 12 through Sunday Oct. 14. Over the course of the weekend, 17 different divisions will compete in feature racing, spread out across the three days.

The NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour will conclude their 2018 campaign with the fourth appearance on the high-banks this season, wrapping the weekend on Sunday.



Troy Talman

As always, both the breakfast buffet (\$11.95 plus tax) and the prime rib dinner buffet (\$22.50 plus tax) will be available for fans in the clubhouse.

A paddock pass for the weekend is \$75, and is good for all three days. Fans can enter the grandstands with a general admission ticket for the entire weekend at \$55, while seniors (65+), veterans and active duty military members can enter at \$50. Kids 12 years of age and under are free.

Fans can visit www.thompsonspeedway.com for the full event schedule, parking map and camping options for the weekend. As always, follow the track on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for the latest updates.

Cleaning strategies that cut time, effort & money



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Autumn has officially arrived and fall cleaning is an annual chore that’s almost always initiated with reluctance. With so many tasks to complete, it’s no wonder we often procrastinate when it comes to the most dreaded household tasks. The good news is, today’s dismissal of the strict cleaning rules of generations past means “a good cleaning” has been replaced with “a good enough cleaning.”

(Who really wanted to eat off of anyone’s floor anyway?) That said, your seasonal deep cleaning efforts don’t have to fall short – thanks to savvy shortcuts and strategies geared to save time, effort and money.

Priority and Purpose: prioritizing your cleaning efforts is probably the most important step to successful house cleaning. Tackling rooms in their order of importance means you’ll see results quicker and gain inspiration to finish the rest of the house.

The Detergent Association’s (SDA) reveals consumers rate the following rooms as priority areas: Kitchen (37%), Living Room (19%), and Bedrooms (14%). Nearly one quarter of responders, 23%, claim the

kitchen cleaning is their most rewarding task. Cleaning the garage was rated as the least rewarding cleaning chore.

Wherever you decide to begin, cleaning pros advise working in one room at a time, and to avoid moving to another until that first room is complete. If you stick to cleaning one area, you will likely remain motivated to finish it. Always start in one corner of the room and work clockwise from the ceiling down. Working from top to bottom prevents repeat cleaning of surfaces and ensures you only have to do it once. You’ll be amazed at how quickly the job goes when you work around a room with priority and purpose in mind.

Save steps and stress by dragging around a plastic garbage bag as you clean, so you won’t have far to go to throw away clutter. Hook the bag on the doorknob of the room you are working on. Also keep two other bags handy, one for laundry and the other for items that belong in other rooms. The cleaning will go quicker and you can toss out, wash and sort out the items in the bags when the room is completed.

Another great tool to have at your fingertips is a cleaning kit, which saves time and steps. Make one up by stuffing a bucket with cleaning supplies, rags, paper towels, etc. You can tote the kit around easily as you

clean. Wrap a tool belt around the outside of the bucket to carry small items from room to room. Or recycle a cardboard six pack to use as a disposable tote to hold cleaning bottles, rags and towels.

The SDA survey cited above revealed the kitchen is the number one priority for spring or fall cleaning in most households, and that’s no surprise because as the hub of family activity, the kitchen is typically the busiest (and dirtiest) room in the house.

Kitchen Tricks: washing large windows, such as sliders to a deck can be grueling chore. Once you get them clean (use

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EVENTS

FAMILY MOVIE ~ JURASSIC WORLD: FALLEN KINGDOM
Monday, October 1, 5:00
Join us for a screening of JURASSIC WORLD: FALLEN KINGDOM starring Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard and Rafe Spall. Fresh popcorn. No registration. PG-13. 2 hours 8min. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

MUSICAL STORYTIME WITH JULIE STEPANEK
Tuesday, October 2, 10:30-11:15
Children sing songs and do finger plays while Julie accompanies on ukulele. Recommended for ages 1 month to age 5. Parents/caregivers must be present. No registration required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

BOOK DISCUSSION ~ THE ZOOKEEPER’S WIFE by Diane Ackerman
Thursday, October 4, 6:00-7:00
This book discussion is open to all. Books are available for checkout one month prior to discussion. No registration.

WINGMASTERS ~ THE WORLD OF OWLS
Friday, October 5, 1:00-2:00

Owls are probably more misunderstood than any other kind of bird. This program shows how owls use their specialized powers of sight, hearing, and flight to survive and thrive. A wealth of fact and folklore about these masters of the dark explains the natural and unnatural of owls. A variety of live owls provides the focus of the presentation. Recommended for ages 6 and over. No registration required. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

TEEN IMPROV WITH MEREDITH CHARLES
Thursdays, 3:45-4:45, October 11, November 8, December 13
Try your hand at improv with Meredith Charles-Out of The Box. No experience needed. Warning: you will laugh. A lot. Recommended for teens, tweens welcome. Meets in the Teen Room. Registration requested. Drop-ins encouraged!

MUSIC & MOVEMENT STORYTIME ~ FABULOUS FALL CELEBRATION
Friday, October 12, 11:00-11:45
Nothing gets kids on their feet and having fun quite like songs, dance and silly stories. Deb Hudgins has been conducting children’s programs that get kids up and moving since 1991. Join Deb for an Fabulous Fall Celebration!! No registration. Children under 12 must be accompanied by parent/guardian. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE
Thursday, October 11, 5:00-8:00 (Members only; no dealers please)
Friday, October 12, 10:00-5:00
Saturday, October 13, 10:00-2:00

CARTOONING WORKSHOP WITH JERRY CRAFT
Saturday, October 20, 11:00-12:00
Join award-winning syndicated cartoonist Jerry Craft as he shares his

experiences as a professional cartoonist and illustrator. Then it’s your turn to draw! Mr. Craft will give you step-by-step instruction on how you can use simple shapes to create your own cool comic book characters. For those ages 6 and older. Registration suggested but not required. Sponsored by Hugh W. and Harriet K. Crawford Endowment.

Ongoing

POKEMON CLUB
Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30
Pokemon Fans! Children ages 7 to 14 welcome. Bring your Pokemon cards, Nintendo DS games, and anything else you would like to share. No registration. Parents are not required to attend but must stay in the building.

KNIT & CROCHET @ THE PEARLE
Fridays, 10:00-12:00
An informal fiber arts group offering the opportunity for people to get together bring a project to work on, or get help if needed. Knitters and all other fiber artists are welcome.

CHAIR YOGA ~ SUMMER SESSION
Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30, July 11 through August 15 (No registration)
Chair yoga modifies some of the basic poses for those who prefer a seated, more stable position. Dress comfortably. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

YOGA WITH JULIE
Tuesdays, 3:15-4:30, July 31-August 28 (Register at door)
No prior experience. Bring a mat and blocks if you have them; otherwise, Julie has some to lend. \$10/person.

STORYTIMES
Tuesdays @ 10:30 for ages 1-3 years old (beginning Tuesday August 28)
Thursdays @ 10:30 for ages 3-5 years old (beginning Thursday August 30)

Join Ms. Pam in the Story & Craft Room for songs, stories and crafts! No registration is required but parents/caregivers must be present for these programs.

TAI CHI CLASS
Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30, October 3 through October 24
Open to mature teens and adults regardless of experience level. Wear loose, comfortable clothing, flat shoes with a back, and bring a bottle of water. Held in the Fels Community Room. Drop-in; no registration but space is limited to first 12 who sign in at the door. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

LITTLE BUILDERS PLAYTIME
Fridays, September 28, October 19 & 26, 10:30-11:45
An informal, unstructured playtime for toddlers and their parents/caregivers. Colored, wooden & alphabet blocks, and DUPLOs are provided for play in the Story & Craft Room. No registration.

CHAIR YOGA ~ FALL SESSION
Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30, October 3 through November 7
Chair yoga modifies some of the basic poses to make them more accommodating for those who gain strength from a seated, more stable position. This program is free and open to the public. No registration is required. Participants should dress comfortably. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

LEGO CLUB
Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30
No registration required. Drop in. Build and play! Recommended for ages 5+. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

RAIL TRAIL

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The bid offered \$233.50 per ton for the rails, which selectmen accepted during a meeting on Sept. 10.

So why is this sale so important? Well for one, it appears at least one selectman was adamant about not letting the rails go to waste. Selectman Paul Joseph made his opinion clear during the meeting that he wanted to make sure the rails would be sold to provide

the best return for the town.

“Scrap it, and it will end up being melted. Through railroad reclamation, it will be put to use as best as possible as railroad rails and spikes. Philosophically, I’m very much more in favor of that,” Joseph said.

The other reason for the sale’s significance is that the funds coming back to the town will help with the rail trail itself. Gion said the town received permission to sell the rails as long as the money earned went back into maintain-

ing the community’s rail tail for future generations.

“Originally the state was going to take control of all those rails once we pulled them out, but they said the towns could keep them and sell them as long as we put that money into a designated account to keep the rail trail maintained,” Gion told selectmen.

Balukonis added this is exactly the plan and the money earned will be allocated to an account specifically designated to the upkeep of the trail.

“What we expect is we put the money toward the ambitious expansion and maintenance of the rail trails. I think that’s a great plan and a great idea and I know the board of selectmen has endorsed that in the past,” Balukonis said.

Selectmen calculated the expected net income to the town using the weight per ton estimates provided by Gion. The final number put the estimated income between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

SENIOR CORNER

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5 Church Street,
(508) 949-3845.
Email: SeniorCenter@Webster-ma.gov

Open Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.
Like the Webster Senior Center Facebook page to view our photos, news and announcements!
Tri-Valley Lunches: Served Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Fridays at 11:30 am. Please call (508) 949-3845 at least 48 hours in advance to reserve your meal or to cancel a reserved meal.

The Webster Senior Center will be closed on Monday, October 8th in observance of the Columbus Day holiday.

FREE Blood Pressure Screening on the second Thursday of every month at 10:30 am. Sponsored by Webster Manor.

Elise Wilson is an Emergency Room RN that has worked at Harrington Hospital for the last 45 yrs. She will be coming to the Webster Senior Center on Thursday, October 4th at 10:30 am to present information regarding November Ballot Question No.1.
WEEKLY EVENTS

MOVE WHILE U GROOVE classes with Forty Arroyo will begin again Oct. 1.

Please Note: BEGINNING in October, Forty Arroyo’s Monday and Wednesday classes start times will change. Chair Dancing class will run from 10:00-11:00 am and Move While You Groove (dance fitness) class will run from 11:30 am-12:30 pm.

Mondays: Knitting/Crocheting Social 10:00 am- 12:00 pm

Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts at 1:00 pm promptly. Please plan to arrive by 12:45 pm to allow time to buy your bingo sheets. Our bingo group is looking for volunteers to call bingo. Stop by the front desk or call (508) 949-3845 for more information.

Progressive Pitch: Every Monday and Wednesday at 1:00 pm. No need to commit to a league, come and play when you can make it. NEW! – Mahjongg. Wednesdays from 1-3pm. Please call 508-949-3845 if you are interested or stop by the Senior Center.

13-Card Pitch: Every Thursday at 1:00 pm
9-Card Pitch: Every Friday at 1:00 pm
NEW...CRIBBAGE GROUP! Fridays at 1:00 pm.

S.C.M. Elderbus Inc. Passengers: Please note that you need to call 1-800-321-0243 at least 48 business hours (2 days) in advance to schedule a ride.
House Number Signs: Worcester County Sheriff’s Office offers a free service to anyone who may be interested in having a number sign made for his or her house. Please inquire at Senior Center Office.

Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 or stop in and pick up our monthly newsletter for a complete list of additional activities and upcoming events.

Dudley Senior Center
71 West Main Street
(508) 949-8015
Margaret Bussiere Director (extension 3)
coa@dudleyma.gov

Hours: M & F 10am-3:30pm
For Tri Valley Senior Lunch Reservations please call Inge Gassner, at 508-949-9081
Tri Valley Lunches are served here on Mondays and Fridays @ 11:30 AM. A \$3.00 donation per lunch is requested. Please call 48 hours ahead to reserve your lunch, Call Inge @ 508-949-9081, or 508-949-8015 X3.

Important, Please note, the Elder Abuse Hotline for Mass. is 1-800-922-2275.
Please note: If the Dudley schools are cancelled, then we are too! Don’t venture out in bad weather!

Sept. 3, Closed for Labor Day!
Sept 4th Tuesday is Primary VOTING!
No senior center activities scheduled.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sept. 7, BP Clinic @ 10-11AM

Sept. 10, at noon, Ice Cream Social, hosted by Webster Manor/Lanessa

Sept 14 at noon, New Game Day, Scattergories! Come and join us!

Sept. 17, at 9 AM, Tina Bemis of Bemis Farms Autumn Workshop! \$15. Please RSVP to Margaret by 9/14 in order to plan for needed supplies.

Sept 20, 3-5 PM Common Ground Memory Café FREE! Entertainment by Frannie Mik! Refreshments provided. Sponsored in part by MCOA.

Sept 21 at noon Game Day, Scrabble! And BINGO, depending on interest.

Sept 24 After lunch, Happy Birthday Cake, hosted by Brookside Rehab., Also, at 12:30 PM Monday Movie Matinee!

Sept 28 at noon, Jimmy D’s Little Italian Lunch! Authentic homemade Italian meatballs with ziti and sauce, salad, dessert, small house wine, coffee or tea. Only \$5! Tickets are available now in the COA Office, or call Jim @ 508-461-9424 to reserve seating.

PLAN FOR OCTOBER

Oct. 1st, at noon, The Fraud Squad Players will be here acting out scenarios, to help us recognize the clever ways thieves try to get us to divulge our personal info! FREE Proactive Information!

Oct. 2nd 10-12N, Tuesdays for 4 weeks,

a new program beginning for seniors designed to encourage and motivate seniors to live their best lives! A FREE Health and wellbeing workshop! More info to follow, stay tuned!

Oct. 18, at 3PM Sharp, Tony Funches of Platters Fame, will be entertaining our Memory Café guests. Refreshments served from 4-5PM. FREE

Oct. 22 at 9 AM, A “Pumpkullent” Workshop with Tina Bemis of Bemis Farms. \$15, please RSVP.

Oct. 26 at noon Our Annual Oktoberfest! A catered German feast, and Accordion music by Ed Cormier! Tickets will be available late Sept. in the COA office. Stay tuned!

On Going Schedule
MONDAY: Chair Yoga @ 10:30-11:30am, with Joanne LaLiberte HHP, (\$2.00 class). Come join in anytime, it’s great for your mind as well as your body! Tri Valley Lunch is served here at 11:30 am. Please call the Senior Center or Inge Gassner @ 508 949-9081 to reserve a meal. (A \$3.00 donation per meal is suggested). Also, on Monday, a Movie Matinee @ 12:30 pm. April: 9, 23, and 30. FREE, come join us!
TUESDAY, @ 1pm: Card Players, 13 Card Pitch, and Dudley Senior Women Needle-workers.
WEDNESDAY, @1pm: Dudley Senior Women Needle-workers.
THURSDAY, One to One Computer @ 10 AM on Thursdays by Appointment, please call the senior center if you would like to learn how to use your computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone. Instructor, Joyce Cordero has a background in computers. 11AM to 11:45AM Thursdays, ZUMBA GOLD with Instructor Steph Bolduc. (\$2.00 per class). A FUN, upbeat energizing, low impact dance Class! Also, @ 1pm: Cribbage Players, (new players always welcome).
FRIDAY: Chair Yoga @ 10:30-11:30 am, with Joanne LaLiberte HHP. (\$2.00 per class). TRI Valley Lunch is at 11:30am, followed by BINGO, a friendly, small group, slower paced BINGO.

Seniors did you know that you are welcome to attend any of our events or activities regardless of where you live? If you see something on our schedule you’d like to try, come join us! We like making new friends!
Don’t forget, Panera Bread Donation is here on Friday mornings at 10:00 am, until it’s gone! Thank you Panera!

OXFORD SENIOR CENTER
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Email: seniorcenter@town.oxford.ma.us
Facebook: Oxford Town Council on Aging

We will be closed on Oct. 8th in observance of Columbus Day.

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., except holidays.
Tri-Valley lunches served at 11:45 a.m., M-F, 48 hour notice needed.
Call the WRTA for out of town medical appointments at 508-752-9283.

New
Roger Tincknell performs on Oct. 18, 11 a.m.
MEDICARE update, information meeting by S.H.I.N.E., Oct. 24th at 10 a.m.
GROOVE WALKING scheduled Oct. 10 at 12:30 p.m.
“Prepared, Not Scared,” a personal safety workshop presentation to learn strategies on how to avoid dangerous situations and the skills to handle unavoidable threats. Oct. 25th at 1, a \$2 donation requested.

A Country Western Hoe-Down Party complete with a DJ, photo booth and refreshments. Nov. 3, 3-5 p.m., but please sign up before Oct. 26th.
Line Dancing Class. Oct. 11 at 12:30 p.m. Join in or sing-a-long.
Free lamination of your new Medicare card. Stop by the senior center during working hours.
The Oxford Fire Department in partnership with the American Red Cross will install free battery operated smoke alarms in your home. Call Capt. Sellers at 508-987-6012, Monday-Friday, 8-5.
Our Director is interested in hearing from possible volunteers who love to cook and would like to be a friendly visitor to a senior. The commitment would be 3 hours per week. Please call the senior center if interested or need further information.

A BIG Thank You to all those who have donated yarn and equipment for our seniors. We are still in need of wheelchairs, walkers with seats and bath chairs (transfers).

Ongoing

Mondays: Cards and Games - 10 AM, WalMart–(2nd & 4th Mondays)–holiday exceptions (with option of TJ Maxx), cards & games, “Aging Backwards” Stretch-12:45 PM
Tuesdays: Needle workers 11(looking for more knitters!), Grocery Shopping (option of Dollar Tree) -10 AM, Needle Workers – 12, Chair Yoga - 1 PM
Wednesdays: S.H.I.N.E. — Every other Wednesday, call for an appointment, -- Kmart, (3rd Wed of month)-10 AM, Pitch - 12:30-2:30 PM, Mahjong - 10:30 AM, Medical appointment rides
Thursdays: Strength & Balance- 9 AM, Grocery Shopping -10 AM
Lunches from Isador’s Organics (\$5 donation). Call for details.
Fridays: Hair Appointments, Cards and Games -10 AM, Book Club- 1st Friday of the month.

Blood pressure and blood glucose checks available.

The Senior Center van service is available for shopping, appointments, etc., throughout Oxford. Appointments need to be made 24 hours in advance (a small donation fee applies)

NICHOLS

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The Taung Child and various related fossils are now at Witwatersrand.
Getting there proved a minor challenge. At the time, everyone had to carry an identity book everywhere, and its key question was “What is your race?” When he applied, McKee wrote “American,” and the South African authorities transcribed that as “white.” But he later found the country had nine racial categories including black, white, colored and Indian, and the year he arrived many people were allowed to change their categories – but none went from black to white or vice versa.
To show how arbitrary they were, he showed a photo of four of his co-workers who look the same. Three were legally “black,” but one was “colored.” In reality, their distinctions were cultural – two were Tswana, one Zulu and one Ndebele.
“The South African government could have divided things that way,” McKee observed. But the fact they did not proved the goal was to distinguish whites from others, he noted.
Ironically, the government did make such distinctions politically, creating a mishmash of tiny black tribal “homelands” (sometimes termed “Bantustans”) the government claimed were “independent,” but no other nation ever formally recognized. McKee said that was the expression of “Grand Apartheid,” in which blacks “were pushed out of the rest of South Africa” and forced to live in poor places most Americans have never heard of, including Transkei, Ciskei, Venda and the one Taung is in, Bophuthatswana. The latter, he said, was “the worst land possible, desolate land, and white South Africans thought that was a gift.” Its president, like most of the homeland leaders, was notoriously corrupt; “his benevolence pretty much just went to his family.”
Afterward, McKee agreed that the

South African system looked a lot like our country’s way of forcing Natives onto reservations, and he noted a similar kind of conflict can be seen today in places “where Christians attack Muslims or Muslims attack Christians.” Others, including President Jimmy Carter, have called present Israeli treatment of the Palestinians a form of apartheid.
Bophuthatswana’s people were seriously poor, “uneducated but bright,” and mostly unemployed. The nearest village had once worked in a limestone quarry at Taung, but it had closed years before. When McKee arrived, he hired about 40 people to do field work.
He soon found they had an interesting belief system. While they were “basically Christian,” they still maintained some ancient practices, including having shamans called sangomas and believing strongly in legends surrounding “the Snake,” a creature that dwells in rivers and caves. When annoyed it “would move up and you’d have a tornado or a great big thunderstorm,” McKee said. “Very strong grown men were deathly afraid of the Snake.”
He saw that firsthand. He wanted to explore a cave for fossils and took three men with him. Two of them refused to enter for fear of riling the Snake, and urged him not to. He and the other man did, and on the way back to the village, a major storm developed despite the fact it was the middle of the dry season. The locals attributed it to his entering the cave, and McKee said he could have dismissed it, but accepted their criticism.
That and other acts – sharing his music and theirs, playing soccer with them, and generally treating them with respect – eventually led them to tell him “nobody has ever treated us with as much dignity and respect as you.”
At one point, while listening to a Zulu song about killing white people, they said, “‘Oh, no, Mr. Jeff. You are not a white man.’ That was the biggest compliment I got there.” He’s still friends with many of them, and visits them periodically.

Regarding apartheid itself, McKee said it was marked by extensive censorship, particularly of any reference to or photo of Nelson Mandela. Thus, when the government of F.W. deKlerk finally agreed to release Mandela after 27 years in prison, one of the biggest questions was what he’d look like. The major newspaper’s headline for that day, Feb. 11, 1990, was a simple “Here he is,” and a picture of him with deKlerk on the prison steps.
To get there took a lot of protest, some of which McKee joined. One of them, directed specifically at deKlerk (who was Minister of Education at the time and trying to impose caps on black students at Witwatersrand), involved much of the faculty speaking against the government (which they allowed) followed by a street protest (which they didn’t). They faced off against cops in riot gear with guns, and although the school administration had reached a deal with the cops to let them do one more protest song then disperse, the cops started tear-gassing them. In the middle, he and some of the students sent the circling police choppers a rude message using the chairs.
McKee said that experience taught him two lessons: If you’re going to a protest facing tear gas, bring cigarettes and a lighter (the smoke helps clear one’s lungs of tear gas) and “protests can change minds.”
McKee said he thinks that and other protests encouraged deKlerk to release Mandela, and the two later shared the Nobel Peace Prize.
As a permanent resident, McKee was able to vote in the subsequent election that made Mandela president. He and his wife (a South African) stood in line for three hours.
“Everybody was all mixed together in line, like one great big party,” he recalled. Afterward, Mandela’s inauguration highlighted the change, with an air force flyover – “After 27 years in prison, he now had the entire military behind him. That meant a lot to South Africans, and now it means a lot to me.”



Gus Steeves photo

Prof. Jeffrey McKee

The people had high expectations of what would happen with democracy, but soon found any one man couldn’t possibly live up to them. McKee told his friends it’d “take a generation” to see real change “and they were crestfallen;” within six months, Johannesburg “became the crime capital of the world. That’s what happens when you build up people’s expectations and let them down.”
McKee noted subsequent presidents have been inept and/or corrupt, although he said he thinks the current one seems more like Mandela.
McKee ended by noting what he saw as the biggest lesson he took home from South Africa: “There is nothing that can keep the human spirit down. Nothing can break human resiliency as long as they have dignity.”

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a squeegee to speed up the chore) keep them cleaner longer by treating the glass with Rain X, a water repellent sold in auto supply stores. Dirt, as well as water, won't be attracted to the glass which means less cleaning. Another area of the kitchen that can benefit from post treatment is painted walls behind the kitchen stove. After cleaning (with a degreaser) apply a generous coating of furniture polish. Buff it in well. The next time grease spatters on the area, all it will take is a swipe of a paper towel to clean it up.

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For a sparkling glass oven door, wipe the window with household ammonia and let it set for several minutes. Scrape away grease with a spatula (or for stubborn stains try a straight edge razor blade) and wipe the window clean to a quick shine. Grease can also seep in between the glass in the door window. Cleaning this area requires a bit more finesse. Open the drawer under the oven to access the view of the bottom of the door. Some models have open slots through which you can reach the inside of the glass with a rod and a cleaning cloth. Otherwise, remove the bottom of the door (check with the manufacturer, as doing so could render the warranty invalid). Wrap a paper towel sprayed with cleaner around a thin dowel or straightened coat hanger to clean the

area, then repeat with a dry towel. The microwave oven is another appliance that is a magnet for grease and grime. The easiest and fastest way to clean the inside of a microwave is to heat up a cup of water in the oven and allow it to sit so the steam can loosen the grime.

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If your dishwasher drains through your garbage disposal, you can clean it effortlessly by switching it on while the hot soapy water is running through, to give it a thorough cleaning.

Sink stains are a common challenge in the kitchen, but the secret weapon to battle stubborn stains on a stainless steel, porcelain or plastic sink is citric acid. The ingredient gives lemonade its tartness and is found in dry lemonade mix (Country Time, Kool-Aid and Tang). Fill up the sink with water, pour in a packet of the mix and allow it to sit overnight. In the morning, the stains will be gone or much easier to remove.

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Whether you have wood floors, tile or linoleum in the kitchen, dust accumulates in the corners of the room. The quickest way to get into these corners is to attach is to attach a dryer softener sheet to your mop. The properties in the dryer sheet picks up the dust better than dry mopping (or Swiffering) alone. This trick also stalls the build-up of dust (which necessitates eventual scrubbing).

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Use Mr. Clean Eraser in the kitchen to clean up textured refrigerator handles with a mere swipe or two; to wipe away

black scuff marks on linoleum or tile floors; and clean up chrome to a sparkling shine. The erasers can also be used to remove burnt food stains on a glass stove top and clean up any stains on porous porcelain sinks. To save money, try a knock off or store brand magic eraser, as they often work just as well as the real deal for less than half the price.

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Bathroom helps: Prevention is the key to cutting cleaning chores, and the bathroom is a great way to practice this strategy. After cleaning grout and tile, rub liquid Turtle Wax car wax on, and polish when dry. It makes the tiles twice as easy to clean next time.

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Daily shower cleaner sprays have all but alleviated hard scouring, but the popular commercial products are expensive to use. Thankfully a just-as-effective version can be mixed up for a lot less money. Here's how: Combine together in an empty spray bottle: one cup of white vinegar; one half teaspoon liquid dishwashing soap, and one quarter cup of dishwasher rinse agent (such as Jet Dry). To use, just spray down shower and tub walls after each use.

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Around the House: rubbing alcohol does double duty as both a time and money saver. It's an inexpensive cleaner and disinfectant you can use all around the house. In fact, straight alcohol in a spray bottle quickly cleans windows to a streak free shine. It's also an effective

disinfectant for counter tops, telephones and other surfaces you want to be germ-free. The alcohol disinfects as good as costly commercial disinfectants, but costs just a fraction of the price. Rubbing alcohol also shines up chrome trim with just a quick rub. If you buy the pine scented version it will leave a pleasant, clean smell behind.

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OBITUARIES

Mildred L. Bell, 99



WOODSTOCK – Mildred L. Bell, 99, formerly of Woodstock and Webster, Mass., died Friday September 21, 2018 in Westview Healthcare Center. She was the wife of the late Rufus H. Bell who died in 1976. Born in Southbridge, Mass., she was the daughter of the late William and Rozilda (Benoit) LaCroix. Mildred graduated from Southbridge High School. She was a World War II Coast Guard Veteran serving as a switchboard operator. Mildred went on to work for American Optical retiring in 1980. She enjoyed her retirement, spending much of her time with her grandchildren and several winters in Arizona with her sister, Jeannette. Mildred also loved to sew and was an amateur artist.

Mildred is survived by her four sons,

Michael Bell and his wife MaryAnn of Dudley, Mass., Jeffrey Bell and his wife Carol of Woodstock, Dana Bell of Framingham, Mass., and James Bell and his wife Debbie of Webster, Mass.; her brother, Ernest LaCroix of Southbridge, Mass.; her sister, Gladys Carrier of California; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her siblings, George LaCroix, Claude Arnold, Jeannette (LaCroix) Ladyka, Leona (LaCroix) Gaudette, and Pearle (LaCroix) LaFleche.

Private funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church Street, Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guest-book visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.



Southbridge: H. Patricia “Patty” (Ancil) Petro, 79, of High St., passed away on Friday, Sept. 21st, in Harrington Healthcare at Hubbard in Webster after a long illness. She leaves her husband of 60 years, Lazaraq L. Petro; her daughter, Christine Cloutier of Sturbridge; her three sons, Ronald Petro and his wife Stacy of Woodstock, CT, Joseph Petro of Southbridge and Gregory Petro of Charlton; her brother, Albert Ancil of Charlton; her sister, Priscilla Plaza of Dudley; her five grandchildren, Vanessa Cloutier, Jennifer Mitchem, Tyler Petro, Alexa Walsh and Nikita Petro; 7 great grandchildren, Avery Mitchem, Angelina Petro, Madeleine Gaumond, Jocelyn Gaumond, Jaden Mitchem, Emerson Walsh, Mia Mandel and another great grandchild due any day. She also leaves many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers, Henry “Pete” Ancil

and George Ancil, and three sisters, Eleanor Nielsen, Gloria Lindquist and Elaine Larochelle. She was born in Southbridge the daughter of Lorenzo and Anna (Arsenault) Ancil. Patty worked at the American Optical Co. in Southbridge for many years and later worked at Shaws Supermarket in Sturbridge for 13 years before retiring several years ago. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting. Patty loved to play bingo and going to the casino with her sister-in-laws, Judy Ancil and Terry Ancil. Most of all Patty loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Patty’s funeral service and burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Southbridge, will be private. There are no calling hours. The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements. www.morrillfuneralhome.com



Joseph A. Borowski, 77



WEBSTER – Joseph A. Borowski, 77, died Monday, September 25, 2018 in Brookside Rehab & Nursing Center after period of declining health. His wife of 48 years, Charlotte (Lamb) Borowski, died in 2015.

He leaves a brother, David Borowski of Fabyan, CT; and several nephew and nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces. He was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Patricia Betley and Joanne Houle. He was born and raised in Webster, the son of Joseph and Gladys (Gontowski) Borowski and lived here all his life. He graduated from Bartlett High Trade School. He served in the Army National Guard in the 1960’s. Mr. Borowski was a machine operator at Cranston Print Works Company

for over 30 years. He then was a custodian at Brookside Rehab for many years. He was a member of Saint Joseph Basilica where he served as a collector. His greatest love was deep sea fishing with his brother David, his godchild Jolene, and his good friends Bob and Rad. The funeral will be held Friday, Sept. 28, from the Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, with a Mass at 10:30 AM in Saint Joseph Basilica, 53 Whitcomb Street. His cousin, Rev. Charles E. J. Borowski, will be the celebrant. Burial will be in St. Joseph Garden of Peace with the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council performing the military honors. Visitation will be from 9:00 to 10:00 AM Friday in the funeral home. www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com



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CALENDAR

Sunday September 30

WALK THROUGH HUGUENOT HISTORY: The Oxford Historical Commission and the Huguenot Memorial Society of Oxford are hosting A Walk through Oxford’s Huguenot History at the Huguenot Fort, 87 Fort Hill Road, Oxford on Sunday, Sept. 30 beginning at 1:30 p.m., rain or shine. Parking is available on two side streets near the Fort, and about eight handicapped parking places are designated along Fort Hill Road directly in front of the site. Costumed interpreters will give short presentations about life in the “Settlement of New Oxford” for the French Huguenots who came here to live in 1686. The Walk will then be narrated by Joyce Clements and Jean O’Reilly. Questions are welcomed. People will be invited to walk through

the remains of the Fort itself as well as to also walk around the 8 1/2 acres of open space surrounding the Fort. This historic site is unique in Huguenot history, and marks the first established settlement of Europeans on this English Grant. Information about the Huguenots and the Huguenot Memorial Society can be found at thehuguenotmemorialsocietyofoxford.org.

Saturday October 6

BLACK TAVERN CRAFT FAIR: the 6th annual Black Tavern Historical Society craft fair at the Tavern, Center Road, Dudley, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Juried craft fair; still room for additional crafters. Contact Karen Mosely at karenmosely2134@gmail.com or by calling (508) 943-8782. ROAST PORK DINNER: Saturday,

October 20 4:30-6:30 p.m. a Taste of Fall dinner will be held at Holy Trinity Church, 68 Lake Street in Webster. Roast pork with oven roasted potatoes, butternut squash, applesauce, and apple crisp for dessert. Cost \$15 per person. To purchase a ticket for the upcoming events call 508-943-0608 and leave a message or call Rita at 774-314-0927.

Sunday October 7

PUBLIC WHIST PARTY: On Sunday, Oct. 7 Killdeer Island Club House, 191 Killdeer Island Road, Webster. A light luncheon will be served at Noon. Play begins at 1 p.m. Door prizes/Raffle baskets. Tickets are \$5 at the door, or advanced tickets are available for \$3 by calling Elizabeth Luchina at (508) 949-1498.

Thursday October 11

DWC OCTOBER MEETING: On Oct. 11 the Dudley Woman’s Club will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Dudley Senior Center, West Main St. Dudley. Rhonda Bertram Roberts will demonstrate the steps and then lead us in line dancing. Our voluntary giving project this month is donations of old eyeglasses to be recycled for someone in need sponsored by the Essilor Vision Foundation. The Dudley Woman’s Club is open to all women from Dudley and surrounding towns, and we welcome your attendance. For more information please send an email to DudleyWomansClub@gmail.com, contact Andrea at 508-868-7110 or visit our website: <http://DudleyWomansClub.org>.

Friday October 12

CENTER OF HOPE EVENT: On Friday Oct. 12 Center of Hope Foundation hosts a wine tasting and live auction at Point Breeze Restaurant, 114 Point Breeze Road, Webster beginning at 6 p.m. with the tasting and the auction at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person at the door; \$85 per couple if purchased by Oct. 8. Contact Pauline Davis (508) 764-4085 for tickets or information.

Saturday October 27

HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Road, Spencer a Halloween event to benefit Second Chance is planned. Indoor and outdoor event activities including costume contest and trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle, Walk ‘N Wag pledge raising trail walk with scavenger hunt, doggie games and contests, music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown, guest appearance by the Pike’s Adam Webster, CGC certifica-

tion by 4 Paws Academy and agility ‘Try Its’. FREE ADMISSION! Families and pets are welcome! HARVEST SUPPER: Oxford United Methodist Church, 465 Main St. will hold its annual Harvest Dinner Saturday, Oct. 27 from 5-6:30 pm, with takeout beginning at 4:30 pm. Dinner includes turkey, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, peas, stuffing, rolls, dessert and assorted beverages. The cost for the dinner is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12. For questions contact the church at 508-987-5378 or Nancy at 508-328-8839.

Sunday November 4

SPLASH OF PANACHE: St. Joseph Women’s Club is sponsoring a SPLASH of PANACHE VENDOR EVENT on Sunday, Nov. 4 at Point Breeze Restaurant. Hours are from noon to 5 pm. Many vendors will be on hand to start your holiday shopping or something to pamper you. Once again there will be a Lottery Raffle, Special Raffle, Attendance prize, Appetizers and much more. Tickets for the event are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. For ticket information please contact Kathy Sirard 508-943-0173 or Felicia Kolodziejczak 508-943-6591.

Saturday November 10 & Sunday November 11

VENDORS & CRAFTERS WELCOME: St. Andrew Bobola Holy Rosary Sodality will be holding the annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday Nov. 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 6 p.m., & Sunday Nov. 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the church hall located at 54 West Main St., Dudley. The Bake table will feature homemade pastries along with babka & paczki. Tables will include Thanksgiving Dinner, Attic Treasures and Christmas Shop, Money Raffle and Lottery Tree. Kitchen will be featuring homemade cabbage & cheese pierogi. Vendors & Crafters if interested please contact the president at 508-943-1689 or email Joyce_crafting01@hotmail.com. Cost is \$15 to reserve a space.

Saturday November 17

CRAFT FAIR: Saturday, Nov. 17 a Christmas Bazaar at Holy Trinity Church, 68 Lake St., Webster 9 am-2:00 pm, \$20 per table. To reserve a table call 508-943-0608 and leave a message or call Rita at 774-314-0927.

ONGOING EVENTS

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OBITUARIES

Albert J. Grudzinskas Jr., 67



OXFORD – Albert J. Grudzinskas Jr., 67, of Charlton Street, died Saturday, September 15, 2018, after a long illness. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Joy M. (Lockwood) Grudzinskas of Oxford; two children, Jason Ellis and his wife Elaine of Pembroke, and Lisa McGarry of Oxford; two sisters, Julie Grudzinskas of Park Hill, and Christine Mancini of Spencer; four grandchildren, Rilee Ellis, Daniel Ellis, Robert McGarry, and Rachel Torres; two cousins, Cathy Erickson of Barre and Paul Cody of Chatham, and several nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his brother Michael Grudzinskas who died in 2009. He was born in Worcester, son of the late Albert and Eve (Jurgelionis) Grudzinskas, and lived in Worcester before moving to Oxford 36 years ago. He graduated from St. Peter's High School in Worcester, Northeastern University, and received his Juris Doctorate from Syracuse College of Law.

Mr. Grudzinskas was currently the Assistant Professor of Psychiatry in Law Coordinator in Legal Studies at the University of Massachusetts Department of Psychiatry. In addition, he was also the Director of Mental

Health and Sexually Dangerous Persons Unit for the Worcester County District Attorney's Office. Previously, he worked in the Psychiatry Department at Worcester State University and was in general private practice. He was also the co-author of several mental health text books.

Mr. Grudzinskas was active in Oxford as a member of the Planning Board, Finance Committee, High School Building Committee, and Master Plan Committee. He had a great love for soccer. He was the founder and coach of the Zalgiris soccer team in the Worcester area. He coached Oxford Youth Soccer, Oxford High School soccer, and Nichol's College soccer. He was the assistant coach of the Worcester Wildfire semi-professional soccer team. In addition, he coached the American Indoor Soccer team when they won the International Championship in Lake Placid, NY.

Services will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005, the American Society of Adolescent Psychiatry, PO Box 3948, Parker, CO 80134, or to the World Wildlife Fund, 1250 24th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20037. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

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Clayton C. Harris, 74

WEBSTER- Clayton C. Harris age 74 died Wednesday, September 18, 2018 at the Webster Manor. He was the husband of the late Marlene (Smith) Harris who died in 2008. He leaves his son Clayton C. Harris Jr. and his wife Josefine Harris of Springvalley, CA. Clayton was predeceased by a brother, George Harris and a sister Esther Catlow. He was born in Foster, RI son of the late George E. Harris and Esther Gott Harris and lived in Webster most of his life. He was a US Navy Vietnam Veteran. He was retired from Cranston Print Works in Webster where he was Supt. of industrial waste water plant operations. He was a avid reader and

enjoyed bible study and the history of the church. Clayton was also a scuba diver and enjoyed Kayaking. A graveside service with military honors was held Monday Sept. 24, 2018 at 10 am at St. Joseph Garden of Peace, Webster, MA. Calling hours at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA were held Sunday Sept. 23, 2018, 5 - 7 pm. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.



Patricia “Trish” Dionne



Patricia “Trish” Dionne passed away Sunday, September 2, 2018, at home in the arms of her family. She was born in Ware MA but lived most of her adult life in Southbridge, MA.

Trish is survived by her sons, Albert Dionne of Southbridge MA, Gary Maznick of West Warren, MA, Philip Maznick and his wife Debbie of Las Vegas NV, and by her daughter Denielle Raimondi and her husband Gino of Oxford MA. She also reluctantly leaves her beloved grandchildren Emilia and Jakston Raimondi, as well as Connor, Brandon, Ryan, Logan, and Austin Maznick.

Trish will be sorely missed and mourned by them, as well as by her sisters, Lynn Wood and Tracy Kaufman of CA, and by her mother Nora Tracy Kaufman of Florida.

Trish also leaves her finance Marlon Dunn of Southbridge and a much-loved

extended Dunn family.

Trish had an abundance of interests, including reading, decorating, gardening, wild life, ecology, teaching children, and she always loved a good conspiracy theory.

A dream fulfilled was completing the renovation of a hundred-year-old farmhouse by her and her fiancé. The renovation was conceived, designed and decorated by Trish and built by Marlon.

The farmhouse and Trishs’ beautiful garden fish ponds will long sit in testimony to her; but her true passion was her family and extended family. Many will long remember the love, sanctuary and true caring they found in her company. From her own children and their friends to the nieces and granddaughter she so lovingly prepared for pre-school. Her home and her heart were always open.

Please open your heart if you see a hummingbird. It will be Trishs’ spirit bringing you a blessing.

We will miss you Trish.

Doris H. Armstrong, 81



WEBSTER - Doris H. (Fitzgerald) Armstrong, 81, died Friday, September 21, 2018 in Cape Heritage Rehab, Sandwich, after an illness.

She leaves her husband of 34 years, Joseph P. Armstrong; 4 children, Robert Hanlon and his wife Patricia of Plainfield, CT, twins Jean and Joan Hanlon of Belmont, and Susan Hanlon of Webster; 2 step-children, Majorie Geddry and her husband Bernie of Franklin, and Jonathan Armstrong and his wife Mary of Mashpee; 7 grandchildren, including Alisha, Christopher and Tyler whom she raised; 5 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, Charles Fitzgerald of Webster, Victor Fitzgerald of Florida and Brian Fitzgerald of Stoughton; 3 sisters, Julia Nicholson and Joan

Walsh, both of Webster, and Hazel Holding of Stoughton; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers John and Michael Fitzgerald and by her sister Rosemarie Phelan.

She was born and raised in Cambridge, one of the ten children of John and Hazel (Ogden) Fitzgerald. She moved to Webster in 2006.

Doris was an attendant at Dunkin’ Donuts in Quincy for several years. She enjoyed dancing and playing bingo.

Visiting hours will be held on Friday, Sept. 28, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM in the Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster with a time of remembrance starting at 6:30 PM. Donations in her name may be the Jimmy Fund, c/o Dana Farber Cancer Institute, PO Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

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Kandy R. Riley, 57

PLAINFIELD, CT- Kandy R. (Ford) Riley age 57 died at her home Friday September 14, 2018. She leaves her husband of ten years, Shawn M. Riley, and a son Thomas Riley of Canada. Besides her husband and son, she leaves a brother Billie Ford of Maryland, and nieces and nephews.

She was born in Annapolis, Maryland daughter of the late Louis and Marie Ford and lived in Plainfield since 2009 prior that living in North Grosvenordale. Kandy enjoyed crafts

painting with many different types of media. There are no calling hours. All service are private with a celebration of life in Maryland. Please omit flowers, family requests donations in her memory be made to Cancer research. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Thomas E. Skebos, 61



OXFORD – Thomas E. Skebos, 61, of Dana Drive, died Monday, September 17, 2018, in his home. He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Nancy M. (Antos) Skebos of Oxford; his son, Daniel T. Skebos of Oxford; his parents, Edward A. and Marjorie R. (Gustafson) Skebos of Spring Hill, FL; his sister, Nancy R. Roche and her husband Jack of Auburn; two brothers, David A. Skebos and his fiancée Robin Galkahis of Auburn, and Mark T. Skebos and his fiancée Deborah Buckles of Worcester; and many nephews and nieces. He was born in Worcester and was a life-long resident of Oxford. He graduated from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School in Charlton in 1975.

Tom was an electrician throughout his life, working for various companies and as a self-employed electrician for many years. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Oxford. Tom was a Master Mason with the Oxford Lodge of Masons where he was raised in June of 1999. He served as Junior Steward, Senior Steward, Tiler, and Inside Sentinel. He was a member of the kitchen staff for five years where he cooked the monthly lodge fundraiser breakfast. Tom served as chairman of the Board of Directors for four years, chairman of the Angel Fund for ten years, and chairman of the Wheelchair Placement Committee for ten years, placing 28 wheelchairs and one bed during his tenure. He designed, built, and installed a 24-foot ramp for a boy in Oxford after receiving a donation of supplies from the Home Depot. In addition, he delivered food to the food pantry for six years.

Tom was member of the Scottish Rite where he was raised in November of 2008. He earned the Golden Passport in 2016. He set up and dismantled the stage for all of the plays, lighting, and sound for five years at both the Worcester and Boston Valleys of the Scottish Rite. He used his abilities as an electrician to re-wire all of the lighting and design new props – some of which existed since 1952. Tom completed all of the electrical work and maintenance in the Worcester Masonic Building since he joined the Scottish Rite. He supplied equipment and assisted cooking for their Family Life Campouts.

Tom was a member of the Shriners and served as 2nd Vice President of the Worcester County Shrine Club. He was co-chairman of the mini cars and owned 3 mini cars of his own which he

proudly displayed in several parades each year. He served as chairman of the Can Tabs Fundraiser and was a member of the Director's Staff and Ambassador to the 24th District. Tom was co-chairman of the Transportation Van and drove nearly 8000 miles transporting children to medical appointments at Shriners's Hospital. He participated in the Leprechaun Plunge for the Aleppo Shriners's to raise money for Shriners's Hospital.

Tom served as secretary for the Aletheia Grotto for five years and helped design and build the smoker's room in the Boylston Lodge. He was DeMolay for the Worcester Chapter for 6 years.

Tom proudly served the Oxford community for many years. He was a member of the Police Cadet Program for 3 years and was promoted to reserve officer where he worked with drug enforcement for four years. He was a member of the Founder's Day Committee for 15 years and was responsible for lighting, sound, and electricity to each booth for the 3-day celebration. He was the assistant wiring inspector for Oxford for four years and worked on the old and new kennels for the Oxford Animal Shelter. He has been a trustee of the Oxford Dog Park Committee for two years. Tom worked in the old and new food pantry locations, building shelving, designing and helping to build the new location, and donating all of the lumber. He helped set up and break down the books for the semi-annual book sale for the Friends of the Oxford Public Library, raising thousands of dollars for the children's programs at the library. He was a Boy Scout leader for Troop 147 in Oxford for 12 years. He participated in the annual field day for Oxford schools for 12 years, where he was known as Mr. Hamburger for grilling food for the students at the elementary schools.

Tom had many dogs over the years that he loved dearly. He enjoyed growing up on his grandfather's farm in North Brookfield, and he missed the farm every day of his life. Tom earned his blackbelt in Tang-Soo-Do from McCoy's Action Karate and the Cheezic Federation.

Calling hours were Friday, September 21, 2018, from 3-7 p.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. A service was held at 7 p.m. at the conclusion of the calling hours with the Oxford Lodge of Masons and Rev. Dr. Samuel Young. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners's Hospital for Children, 516 Carew St. Springfield, MA 01104.

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Don Ray MacDermott, 81

AUBURN- Don Ray MacDermott age 81 died at his home, Wednesday September 12, 2018. He leaves three sons Ryan MacDermott of Auburn, Jimmy Howard of CA and Carl Howard of Cape Cod, a daughter Carline LaPlante of Charlton and two grandchildren.

He was born in Worcester son of the late Ray MacDermott and Hildegard (Skantz) MacDermott , living Auburn most of his life. He was a retired con-

ductor for Amtrak also working for other railroads through the years. Don enjoyed shooting skeet. There are no calling hours. Services and burial will be private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Mary Ellen Grazulis, 76



SPENCER – Mary Ellen (Fellner) Grazulis, 76, of 350 Main Street, died Wednesday, September 19, 2018, at Webster Manor Healthcare in Webster. She is survived by her husband of 37 years, Daniel John Grazulis of Spencer; her son, Paul Grazulis of Stafford, CT; two brothers, Robert Fellner of St. Louis, MO, and David Fellner of East Stroudsburg, PA; four grandchildren and many nephews and nieces. She was born in Belleville, IL, daughter of the late Virgil J. and Eleanore (Rennschidt) Fellner, and lived in Dudley for over 25 years. She graduated from Notre Dame High School in St. Louis, MO, in 1960 and received her bachelor's degree in Art and Music from Notre Dame College in St. Louis, MO, in 1963.

Mrs. Grazulis was a school teacher at

David Prouty High School in Spencer before retirement. She was a member of St. Joseph's Church in Charlton. At the church, she belonged to the adult and children's choirs, the Mary Martha Guild, and made her Cursillo. In addition, she was a Eucharistic minister and lector at the church. Mrs. Grazulis was a sister of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in St. Louis, MO, for 25 years before leaving the convent.

A funeral was held on Monday, September 24, 2018, from Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, followed by a Mass at 12 noon at St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Burial followed at Mary Queen of the Rosary Cemetery in Spencer. Calling hours were Sunday, September 23, 2018, from 4-6 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the School Sisters of Notre Dame, 320 East Ripa Ave., St. Louis, MO 63125.

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Theresa A. Wright, 79

WEBSTER- Theresa A. (Maurice) Wright age 79 died Saturday September 22, 2018 at the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, MA. She leaves her husband of 57 years, Richard W. Wright. She also leaves her three daughters; Kelly and her husband Juan Saucedo of North Oxford, Mandy and her husband Nick Chomes of Northbridge , Jody and her husband Bill Perkins of Uxbridge. Theresa also leaves a brother, Robert Maurice of Corning, NY and a sister Jeanne Maurice of Uxbridge as well as eleven grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

She was born in Northbridge, MA

daughter of the late Joseph Maurice and Irene (Long) Maurice and lived in Webster for the past 20 years, prior to that living in Northbridge. She was a CNA working for several area nursing homes. Theresa was an avid Red Sox fan and enjoyed quality time with her family.

Calling hours were held Wednesday, September 26, 2018 from 11 am – 1 pm in the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster with graveside services and burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Webster. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

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OXFORD - 247 Main St! 10 Rm BUSINESS ZONED 2 Family! 4 1/2 Rm! Well Maintained! 4 Rms on First w/2 1/2 Bath! Perfect Office Location! 2nd Flr 3 Bdrm Apartment w/Eat-in Kit, Dining Area, Lr Rm w/Hr'dws & Sun Rm! Full Bath! Oil Heat, New Furnace! Full Basement! Ample Parking! Handicap Ramp! 2 Car Detached Garage! **\$359,900.00**



WEBSTER - 24 Oakwood Dr! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Spacious Center Isl Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabs! SS Appliances! Slider to Trex Deck! Din Rm w/Hr'dws! Den! Fp'd Lr Rm! 1/2 Bath! 2nd Level Master w/Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Walk-in Shower! 1/2 Bath! 2nd Full Tile Bath! C/Air! 32 Heat! Loft Office! **\$425,000.00**



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



NEW PRICE



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ON DEPOSIT



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WEBSTER - 32 Canille Dr! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Flr Plan! Appliance Kit! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Fp'd Cathedral Lr 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**



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SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! Expandable 9 Rm 2 1/2 Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Driv! New Granite Kit! Din, Lr & Fp'd Fam Rms w/Hr'dws! Yr Rd Sunroom w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! 24' Master w/Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 12x24 3 Season Porch! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage! A/C! **\$464,900.00**



SOLD



WEBSTER - 14 Elaine St! 6 Rm Ranch! Level Tree Studded 12,023' Lot! Appl'd Eat-in Kit! Bay Window Lr Rm w/Hr'dws! Tile Bath! 3 Bdrms w/Hr'dws! Lower Level Knotty Pine Plank! Large Attached Garage! Large Deck! Detached Garage! Updated Electrical! Town Services! **\$199,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 54 West Pt Rd! North Pond - Killdeer Isl - West Expo - Beautiful Lake Views & Sunsets! 2002 Built 6+ Rm Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Rd Living! Appl'd Kit w/Center Isl! Lake Facing Din Rm w/Panoramic Lake Views & Recent Wood Flr! Lake Facing Lr Rm w/LP Gas Fp'd, Recent Wood Flr & French Door to Deck! 1st Flr Laundry & Hall Bath! 2nd Flr w/3 Spacious Bdrms! Lake Facing Master Suite w/Fantastic Lake Views, Fp'd, French Dr to its Deck, Dressing/Office Area & Full Bath w/Whirlpool Tub! 2nd Full Bath off the Hall! Huge Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level w/Gas Store & Slider to Stone Patio is Ready for "Finishing"! Additional Lakeside Deck! Dock! **\$559,900.00**



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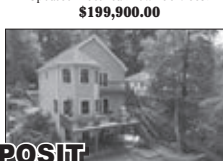
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DUDLEY - 9 Progress Ave! 6 Rm Cape! Move In Ready! Appl'd Eat-in Kit! Din & Lr Rms w/Hr'dws! 1st Flr Master w/Hr'dws & 2 Dble Closets & Ceiling Fan! 3 Season Porch! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/2 Bdrms w/Hr'dws & a Full Bath! Roofs 2013! Town Services! Quick Close Possible! **\$254,900.00**



ON DEPOSIT



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 Appl'd Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hr'dws & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Fp'd Lr Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hr'dws! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Fp'd Lower Level Bath off the Hall! Huge Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level w/Gas Store & Slider to Stone Patio is Ready for "Finishing"! Additional Lakeside Deck! Dock! **\$559,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 210 Beacon Park! 5 Rm, 1,100' Corner Garden Unit! Appl'd Kitchen! Dining Room! Spacious Living Room! 2 Bedrooms! Master Bedroom with Master Bath! 1.5 Bathrooms! Tile Floors Throughout! C/Air! Garage! Gazebo! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$239,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 130 Killdeer Island - North Pond! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm 3 Season Home! Add Heat & Use Yr Rd! Great Porch! 4 Bdrms w/Hr'dws, 2 Lake Facing! Fp'd Lr Rm w/Lake Views! Spacious KIt & Dining Area! 2 Baths! 55' of Sandy Beach! **\$475,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,000' Level Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemp Colonial! Built 2015! Like New! Open Flr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Island, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Fp'd! Surrounded by Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling Fan! Dining Area w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile! Laundry Rm! "Wood Look" Tile Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/2 Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hr'dws, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bthrm Access! Lake Facing Bdrm w/Hr'dws, Dble Closet & Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hr'dws & Dble Closet! Full Hall Bath w/Dble Granite Vanity & Tile Flr! C/Air! Gas Heat! 24x20 2 Story Detached Garage! Deck! Get Packing! **\$789,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 100 Union Point Rd! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! 11 Rooms! 2,300' Recently Renovated! Hardwood Floors! 5 Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Expansive Decks! Garage! Extra Lot! Parking Across Street! Still In Time for Summer! **\$629,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd! Waterfront Lot! Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Conservation Approval! Build Your Dream! 100' of Shoreline! 53'4" Front! Frontage! Land Area 8,147' Town Services Available! 2 Docks! Lots on Webster Lake a Rarity, Don't let this Slip by Without Your Consideration! **\$199,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 812 Beacon Park! Waterfront! 1,280' 5 Rm Townhouse! Lake Facing! Recently Appl'd Granite Kit! Fp'd Lr Rm w/48" Smart TV & Hr'dws! Master Bath w/Recent Skylight! 2.5 Tile Baths w/Recent Vanities & New Toilets! 2013 A/C & Heat! Great Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$284,900.00**



SOLD



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 Appl'd Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hr'dws & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Fp'd Lr Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hr'dws! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Fp'd Lower Level Bath off the Hall! Huge Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level w/Gas Store & Slider to Stone Patio is Ready for "Finishing"! Additional Lakeside Deck! Dock! **\$559,900.00**



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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 Fp'd, Surround Sound & Glistening Hr'dws! Granite Kit w/Isle, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hr'dws & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hr'dwt 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 Fp'd, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Decks! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE - 810 Beacon Park! 5 Rms, 1,100' Garden Unit! Fantastic Lake Views! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths! Brand New Heat & AC Unit! Appliances! Din Rm w/Bay Window! Large Covered Patio & Manicured Courtyard! Garage! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! Best Seat for July 4th Fireworks! **\$259,900.00**



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WEBSTER - 7 HICKORY LN



New Listing Warm and Inviting. This Lovely Ranch Sits On A Beautifully Landscaped Yard Nestled in A Very Quiet, Wanting Neighborhood. This 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath Home Has So Much To Offer!! Fully Appl'd Eat in Kitchen, Newly Carpeted Living Room and Three Cozy and Comfortable Bedrooms All On One Floor. Walk Down To The Lower Level To The Open And Spacious Family Room With Pellet Stove! **\$259,000**

THOMPSON, CT - 359 E. THOMPSON RD



Very Interesting property, to a home owner or developer. **47 +/- Acres!** Home is a 1300 sq ft ranch with a barn. The home consist of 3 bedrooms, and 1-1/2 bath, basement, farmers porch and 1 car garage. Much of the land is cleared. This property has 300' +/- of road frontage on East Thompson Rd. and road frontage on the entire length of pavement on Roy Rd. Rectangular in shape greater than 1300' wide X over 1600' deep. Needs TLC! **\$300,000**

THOMPSON, CT - 653 QUINEBAUG RD



Fantastic Ranch - One Floor Living with 3 Bedrooms / Hardwoods, 2 Full Tile Baths! Eat-In Kitchen with Built-Ins, Appliances Included. Fireplaced Family Room with Hardwoods. Lots of Natural Light. Ceiling Fans, French Doors, First Floor Laundry. Secluded in Pond - walks right out to your own private patio. New Roof in 2014. Spacious Flat Level Lot with Circular Driveway. Two separate 1 Car Garages. **\$279,900**

PUTNAM, CT - 310 WALNUT ST



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WEBSTER - 36 WEST AVE



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THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE



New Listing! Roomy 1300 sq. ft., Hip roof Ranch Attached 2 car garage! PLUS 32x32 Detached Garage! Eat in Kitchen, Fireplaced living room with bow window! 3 bedrooms, enclosed heated sun room, central air, Koi Pond, on .87 +/- acre! **\$275,000.**

PUTNAM, CT - 10 KNOLLWOOD LN



NEW LISTING! Spacious Townhouse! 2 Large Bedrooms w/ plenty of closet space, 1-1/2 Baths, Open Flr Plan, Appliances, Packed Kitchen with Breakfast Bar & Pantry Closet, Living Room with Sliders to Private Deck, 1 Car Garage Under, Basement for Laundry/ storage. Convenient Location, near Interstate 395! Fabulous area amenities like restaurants, shopping, walking trails along the river, community events, and recreation! **NEW PRICE \$129,900.**

WEBSTER - 7 ARKWRIGHT RD



ON DEPOSIT

First Time Offered! Beautiful & Spacious 1600+/- SF, 3BR Ranch! Freshly painted! Updated Kitchen & Bath. Large Formal Living Rm w/lighter bay window. Great Rm w/cathedral ceilings, fireplace, ceiling fan, & skylights! 3 BRs. Whole house fan. Private back yard, & in-ground pool! 10' x 12' - 3 season porch! Patio w/outdoor fireplace. Room in basement served as a large workshop. 15' x 20' Carport & 2 storage sheds! **\$248,800.**

WOODSTOCK, CT - 606 PROSPECT ST



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NEW PRICE

KILLINGLY-This completely renovated Bungalow style home is sitting on a great city lot with a spacious fenced backyard for gardening and close to downtown & all amenities. Two bedrooms, 1 bath home features a kitchen with new appliances, counters, lighting & flooring. The heated second floor walk-up attic has been recently remodeled and makes great additional living space. The three season front porch is a great addition along with the rear entrance/mudroom off to the back deck. There is a large 1+ car garage also! Live here & own for cheaper than you can rent! **\$152,500**

THOMPSON-A great mixture of new and old greet you in this 1920's vintage gambrel colonial with 1980's style addition. Located just off historic Thompson Hill, this home offers 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths, one of which is located in the master suite. There is a formal living room in the main section while the newer addition hosts a 600 sqft family room with fireplace and wet bar. The kitchen has solid oak cabinets, Corian countertops, and double corner sinks. There are numerous nooks and crannies for reading, sewing or play. Sitting on almost 1/2 acre, the graciously manicured grounds also provide a potting shed as well as a 1 car garage with attached workshop. **\$295,000**

WOODSTOCK-A unique Ranch style home sitting on 1.27 acres. Large kitchen opens to a dining room with wide pine floors and a living room with vaulted ceilings and a newer pellet stove. 3 bdrms, 2 full baths with the master suite featuring double sinks. The lower level is just about completely finished with a bar, another possible bdrm, and a family room. The commercially zoned barn is over 3,500 sq. ft on 2 floors of commercial space with heating system that could easily be hooked up along with plumbing for a potential bathroom. Currently heated with pellet stove. The town of Woodstock is limiting commercially zoned properties in the town so do not miss this opportunity to live and work on one property! **\$339,900**

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ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT: The Webster Alzheimer’s Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at Webster Manor, 745 School St., from 6-8 p.m. Anyone in the area who feels they are in need of help, doesn’t know what to do, or is a caregiver for someone with Alzheimer’s, is invited to attend and express their concerns regarding the care for their loved one. The members of the group will discuss the ways, means, and the help you will need as your loved one progresses in this disease.

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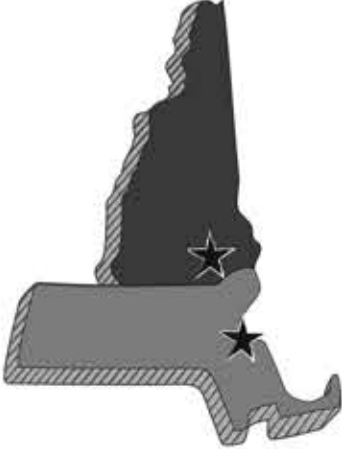
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September 14, 2018
September 21, 2018
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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE 8 Oakmont Street Webster, Massachusetts 01570

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Joseph P. Armstrong and Doris H. Armstrong** to the **Webster First Federal Credit Union** dated May 2, 2012 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in **Book 48927, Page 43** of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breaching conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction, on the premises described in said mortgage on the **17th** day of **October, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.** at the mortgaged premises of **8 Oakmont Street, Webster, Massachusetts**, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage, and therein described as follows:
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In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of the Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale agreement executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right, but not the obligation, to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder (or other successive bidders, in the order of their bid) provided that the said highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorney, Kevin M. David, Esquire, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) working days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder, and the balance of the sale price shall be paid by certified or bank check by the purchaser, and the deed shall be delivered to said highest bidder, within twenty-nine (29) days of such notice.
TERMS OF SALE: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars as a de-

posit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee are exempt from this requirement); high bidder must sign a Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid and tender deposit of \$5,000.00 in cash or by certified or bank treasurer's check. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified or bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter to be deposited with Kevin M. David, Esquire, 271 Greenwood Street, Worcester, MA 01607. A foreclosure deed will be delivered upon payment of the balance due. The description of the premises in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.
WEBSTER FIRST
FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
Present Holder of Said Mortgage
By Its Attorney, Kevin M. David
271 Greenwood Street
P.O. Box 70505
Worcester, MA 01607
September 21, 2018
September 28, 2018
October 5, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18P3030EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Roger D. Harris Date of Death: 01/22/2018

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Brian Harris of Oxford MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Brian Harris of Oxford MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/09/2018.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 11, 2018
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
September 28, 2018

(SEAL) COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 18 SM 004003 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:
The Heirs, Devisees or Legal Representatives of the Estate of Ruth M. Pajala Lilly V. Mullen Eric S. Pajala Howard A. Pajala
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. §3901 *et seq*:
U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee of the GMACM Home Equity Loan Trust 2005-HE3 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 2 Allen Avenue, given by **Arnie H. Pajala and Ruth M. Pajala** to **“MERS”, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a separate corporation that is acting solely as nominee for GMAC Mortgage Corporation, “Lender”, and its successors and assigns**, dated June 24, 2005, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 37112, Page 135, and now held by

Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.
If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **OCT 22 2018** or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.
Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of this Court on SEP 10 2018
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
September 28, 2018

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Scott A. Armstrong and Elizabeth M. Armstrong to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Drew Mortgage Associates, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated June 30, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 34008, Page 120, subsequently assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 44247, Page 77, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57889, Page 258 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on October 19, 2018 at 86 Birch Island Road, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:
The land with the buildings thereon in the Town of Webster, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on the northerly side of Birch Island Road, being shown as Lots 62, 63, 64, and 65 on a plan of land entitled “Plan of Lots owned by The Narrows Land Co., Webster, Mass., dated June 9, 1923 by B.A. Wakefield C.E., Plan No. 2” recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 41, Plan 1, to which plan reference is made for a more particular description thereof. Lot 62, 63 and 64 on Plan Book 41, Plan 1: Being the same premises conveyed by Donna M. Leria to the above named grantors by deed dated March 29, 2000 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 22495, Page 350. Lot 65 on Plan Book 41, Plan 1: Being the same premises conveyed by Vernon L. Wilson, Jr. to the above named grantors by deed dated November 18, 1999 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 22405, Page 367.
The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.
TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**
Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.
U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT

Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
18-007131
September 28, 2018
October 5, 2018
October 12, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Docket No. WO18P3021EA Estate of: Joan Isabel Kasabula Also Known As: Joanna I Kasabula, Joan I Kasabula Date of Death: 8/12/2018 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Robert E Kasabula of North Grafton MA**
Robert E Kasabula of North Grafton MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
September 28, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18C0423CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME In the matter of: Sandra Jean Biron

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Sandra Jean Biron of Webster MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:
Sandra Jean Devlin
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/16/2018. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 20, 2018
Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
September 28, 2018



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Thank you **St. Jude** for prayers answered. L.J.B.

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What To Do When The ‘Lice Letter’ Comes Home



(NAPS)
If any of America’s 56 million school-children is yours, you are probably familiar with the “lice letter” alerting parents that a head lice outbreak has been identified at school. When the letter comes home, some parents panic while others delay action because “it wasn’t my child.” Fortunately, there are steps you can proactively take to control the exposure risk.
Be Proactive
Catching lice early is vital in halting the spread of these itchy pests. It can take four to six weeks after infestation begins for itching to start, and not everyone develops this telltale symptom. Help the entire family to avoid an outbreak by acting quickly after exposure.
Steps to Take
• Check the child and ALL family members for lice using a nit comb. To check fine sections of hair with the comb, apply a 50/50 solution of conditioner/water to the hair to help facilitate combing. Work under bright light and watch for movement. Examine the comb after each stroke, wiping it on disposable towels or running it under water.
• Nits and scurrying lice are so small that they can be easily missed. It’s likely other family members and friends have already been exposed to lice by the time an infestation is identified. If you don’t find lice but are still concerned, switch the whole family to a daily lice defense shampoo. How is a daily lice shampoo different from a lice treatment shampoo? For starters, shampoo is a form and treatments

If you get a message from your child’s school that there are lice in the class, don’t panic, but take control.

come in many forms. This topic really deserves its own article, but there is one key difference worth noting. A daily lice defense shampoo is pesticide-free and can be used like regular shampoo to defend your family against a head lice infestation or control against re-exposure to someone who has not been successfully treated. A lice treatment shampoo is used to treat an active lice infestation, and most OTC products contain pesticides so they aren’t ideal for a daily regimen. One gentle daily shampoo that offers ongoing control is Vamousse Lice Defense. It’s been found in laboratory studies to kill lice with each use and is recommended for 10 to 14 days following the risk to help reduce the potential growth of an infestation contracted but not yet identified.
• Treat anyone who is infested. With lice increasingly resistant to traditional over-the-counter pesticides, look for a pesticide-free treatment that is proven effective against super lice. There are many new types of products, so read the instructions carefully. For example, Vamousse Lice Treatment comes in a convenient mousse format that kills lice and eggs before they hatch—in just one application. Lice eggs are rendered no longer viable with this treatment, so there’s no waiting for them to hatch to treat again a week later, thus decreasing hassle and the risk of spreading lice throughout your family.
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(NAPS)
2018 marks the 30th anniversary of the first laser vision correction procedure where, for the first time, people with vision issues had an option beyond glasses and contact lenses to see well. So far, more than 19 million LASIK procedures have been performed in the U.S., proving it is a popular alternative to the struggle many people have with their vision. In fact, the U.S. military relies on LASIK for its operation-ready personnel. While technologies and techniques have advanced the science of LASIK, not everyone is a good candidate for the procedure. On average, between 15 and 20 percent of patients are considered ineligible. While every patient is unique, there are general guidelines that surgeons use in determining if a patient is a candidate for LASIK eye surgery.
For adults over 18, LASIK can correct nearsightedness, farsightedness and

astigmatism, within certain prescription ranges set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. LASIK improves vision by reshaping your cornea—the surface of the eye that helps focus light to create an image on the retina. A thorough eye exam will confirm the vision correction needed isn’t too extreme. Importantly, the prescription should be stable, meaning it has stayed the same for at least a year. During the exam, the thickness of the cornea is measured to make sure there is enough tissue for the reshaping required to achieve the desired amount of correction.
Certain health issues and medications may interfere with the healing process, making laser vision correction a poor choice. It is important that patients share their complete health history with their surgeon to ensure a recommendation for candidacy based upon all available facts.

Because many people are interested in LASIK, understanding that there is a process for becoming a candidate, accepting that the procedure has limits, and recognizing that there is a healing and recovery period involved is helpful in making an informed decision.
Knowing if you are a good candidate is important for considering any procedure, including LASIK. Finding and working with a highly qualified surgeon, having a complete evaluation of your eyes and vision, and doing your own research into the procedure are important steps in the process. Armed with the facts, both you and your surgeon will have the information needed to make the best recommendation for you and your vision.
To learn more about what to expect from a LASIK consultation, visit www.americanrefrativesurgerycouncil.org/blog.

Make Vision A Focus

(NAPS)—Did you know that more than 23 million American adults have never had an eye exam? May is Healthy Vision Month—and the National Institutes of Health’s National Eye Institute (NEI) urges all Americans to make vision a focus.

Take steps to protect your vision today, so you can see the people and things you love for years to come.

To protect your vision, see your eye care professional.

Get an eye exam—Since many eye diseases and conditions have no early symptoms, an eye exam is the best way to find out how healthy your eyes are and if you are seeing your best. Talk to your eye care professional about how often you should have an eye exam.

Eat eye-healthy foods—The foods you eat can help you protect your vision. Eat a variety of fruits and vegetables—especially dark, leafy greens like spinach, kale, and collard greens—as well as fish that are high in omega-3 fatty acids, like salmon, tuna and halibut.

Give your eyes a rest—Spending a lot of time in front of a computer can tire out your eyes. Remember the 20-20-20 rule: Every 20 minutes, look away from your screen and focus on something that’s at least 20 feet away for 20 seconds.

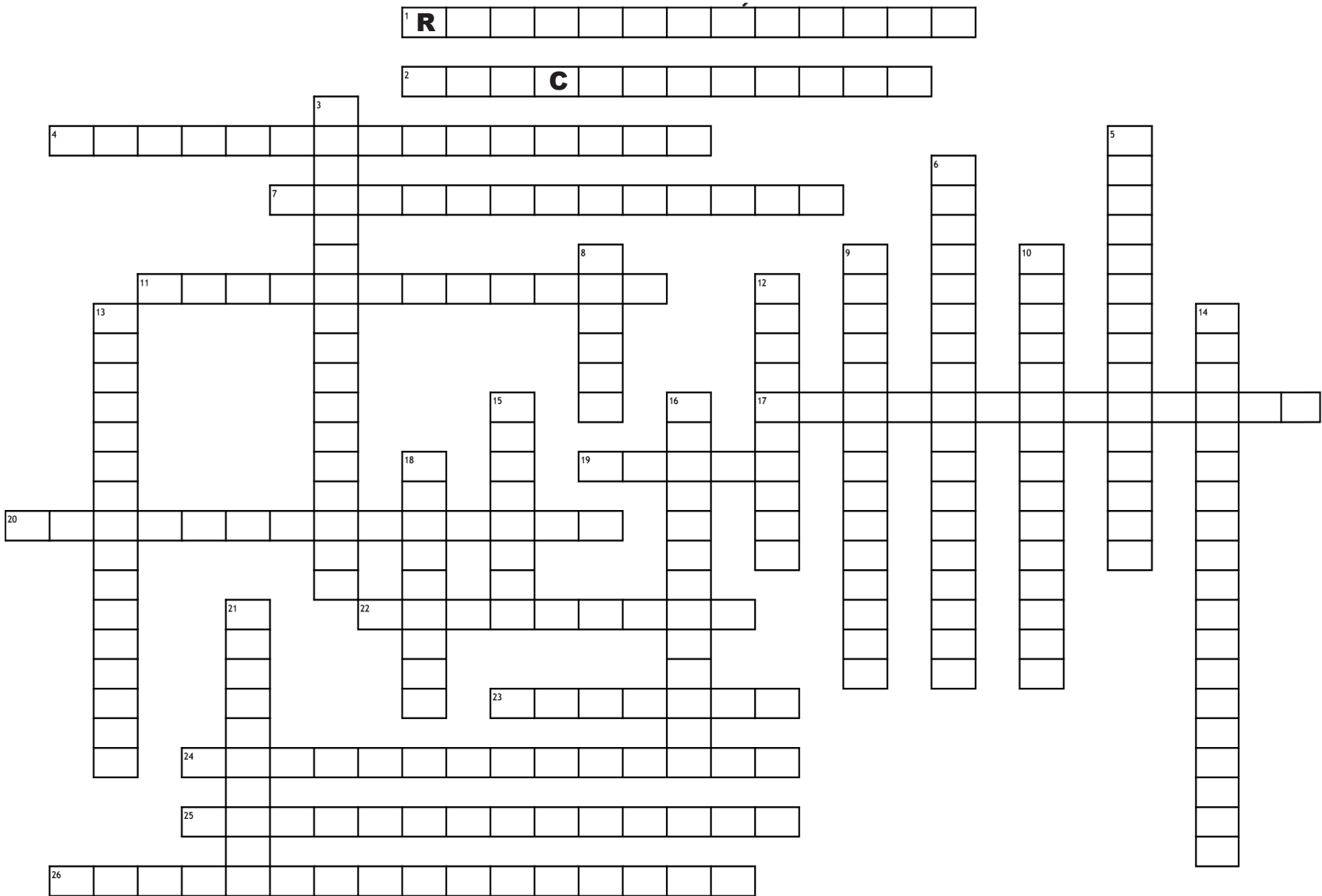
Know your family’s eye health history—Ask your family members about their eye health. Because most eye conditions run in the family, knowing your family history can help you tell if you’re at higher risk. If you learn that someone in your family has an eye disease or diabetes, talk to your eye doctor.

Wear sunglasses—even on cloudy days! Sunglasses can protect your eyes from the sun’s ultraviolet (UV) rays. When buying sunglasses, look for ones that block at least 99 percent of both UVA and UVB radiation.

Don’t take your vision for granted—take steps to protect it! To learn more, check out the Healthy Vision Month website: <https://nei.nih.gov/hvm>.

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Reducing On-The-Job Stress Improves The Classroom Experience

(NAPS)

As with any helping profession, teaching can be a stressful job— but teachers say the rewards are worth it.

Why They Gladly Teach

According to a University of Phoenix survey, K-12 teachers most enjoy the interaction with children—with 68 percent citing seeing the growth of students and 57 percent citing working with children in general as their favorite part of the job.

How to Make Teaching Better

“Those who go into the teaching profession tend to have a passion for it. It's hard work and sometimes thankless. Self-care is important,” said Pamela Roggeman, Ed.D., academic dean for the College of Education at University of Phoenix. She offers these tips:

1. Don't be afraid to ask for help. Whether from the school principal, classroom parents or your colleagues, a support system is important.
2. Request donations for the classroom to relieve personal financial burden. Teachers often dig into their own pockets to pay for classroom supplies. Ask parents for assistance in collecting needed items.
3. Do small things every day to take care of yourself. Have snacks on hand for those days when your lunch break is interrupted. Look into short meditations or breathing exercises for times when stress levels are higher.
4. Take time to recharge. Career burnout can happen. Take a day off or a short break when you can and focus on something you enjoy.
5. Make your classroom



The teacher's self-care is an important tool for providing a better classroom experience for students.

a place where everyone can refocus. Remember that your state of mind will guide your students. Try things students can benefit from, too, such as mindful moments throughout the day or even aromatherapy. What Else You Can Do Staying up to date on current trends can also help reduce on-the-job stress. According to the survey, about half of the people who've been teaching for at least five years say there are more leadership role oppor-

tunities than in the past, but only 16 percent of all teachers gave themselves an “A” when it comes to educational technology, leaving room for growth in this area for many. Many of those who feel that teaching may be their calling or are looking to advance their career in education may care for information about University of Phoenix teacher preparation programs, continuing teacher education and professional development

programs. They're available on the University of Phoenix website at www.phoenix.edu/education. Learn More The University of Phoenix College of Education has been educating teachers and school administrators for more than 30 years. It provides bachelor's and master's degree programs for individuals who want to become teachers or current educators and administrators seeking advanced degrees to

strengthen their professional knowledge. With education programs available throughout most of the U.S., it has a distinct grasp of the national education picture and priorities for teacher preparation. It's just one way University of Phoenix helps working adults. To learn about all the programs offered through the College of Education, visit www.phoenix.edu/education.



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