

## Frost announces fun for Republican State Committee



Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito and Rep. Paul K. Frost.

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AUBURN — State Rep. Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn) is officially announcing his campaign for the Republican State Committee in the 2nd Worcester District which is comprised of Auburn, Grafton, Leicester, Millbury, Shrewsbury, Upton, Northbridge (Precincts 2 & 4 ) and Worcester (Wards 5, 6,7,& Ward 8 precincts 1 & 5). The election for Republican State Committee positions is Tuesday, March 3, and which appear on the Republican Presidential Primary Ballot.

Rep. Frost is seeking the Republican State Committeeman's position and is campaign-

ing with Mindy McKenzie of Shrewsbury who is running for re-election for the Republican State Committeewoman's position. The Republican State Party elects its members every four years on the Republican Presidential Primary Ballot and each district votes for one man and one woman to serve on the 80 person committee.

Rep. Frost has served the 7th Worcester District as its State Representative since first taking office in 1997. He has maintained a 100

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## Selectmen decide against mosquito spraying program

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The town of Charlton will not be pursuing a contract with the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project, at least for the time being, after conversations exploring the opportunity fell flat during a meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Bill Borowski brought the top to the table in response to the EEE epidemic of 2019 which was spread through contact with mosquitos and saw over ten cases and four deaths in the commonwealth as well as numerous communities, including Charlton, being designated as high risk. Borowski brought the idea forward seeking input from his fellow selectmen on Tuesday, Feb. 11 to explore the possibility of bringing the concept to a town meeting for consideration. The program would have cost the town \$120,000 yearly and initiated an optional spraying program for business and property owners to reduce the risk of ticks, mosquitos and other disease bearing insects on their properties.

“What this program allows is they do voluntary spraying, so people have to opt in. It’s not an opt out. You actually have to call and say you want your property sprayed. Town property obviously we’d make the call on that and we’d work with the schools and they could obviously opt out. Additionally, they have other programs now such as tire collection – They do a lot of education around lime

disease,” Borowski said.

However, this is not the first time Charlton has explored such a program and in the past such programs have been dismissed as too expensive or too exclusionary to be effective. The same result seems to have happened with this latest proposal as Borowski stood as the lone vocal supporter of the idea during the meeting.

Selectman David Singer, who sat on the Board of Selectmen when a previous similar program was explored, said he felt the combination of cost, lack of interest, and public disposition towards the use of chemicals in general were all road blocks the program would need to break through.

“It’s not just the opposition from certain residents in town, but the schools themselves and privately owned fields. The reality was in the past that places where our kids congregate the most all declined the spraying and didn’t want to participate. That was a big hit because now we can’t spray where we really want to be spraying,” Singer said.

This sentiment was shared by not only several other selectmen but also Health Director James Philbrook who joined the meeting along with Board of Health member Kathleen Walker to provide their input on the matter. Philbrook said optional nature of the program alone was enough for him to want to avoid it.

“If you’re going to spend \$120,000 in taxpayer money it

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## From student nurse to wound care nurse

TWO PERFECT DAYS OF WOUND CARE CENTER OBSERVATION

CHARLTON — Before becoming a practical nursing student, Genshire Mwaura of Webster, formerly of Kenya worked as a real estate agent, routinely taking care and assisting individuals or couples to become homeowners. He learned to really pay attention to details. Mwaura still carries that experience with him today, with an even more keen observation skills, in the classroom setting, in the appre-

ciation he has for the nurses at the Wound Care Center at Harrington and via the leadership skills he observed.

“Practical Nursing students are blessed to have the opportunity to have Clinical Observation at the Wound Care Center at Harrington” stated Gretheline Bolandrina MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. “Having a certified hyperbaric therapist,

an LPN and an alumna at that, (Paige Huie, LPN, CHT, PN Class of 2014) makes a positive difference for both patient care and the bottom line.”

As with Mwaura’s experience, he reflected, “Often, when a wound is mentioned a lot of people dread, squint and sometimes they may turn their head to the side. Truth be told, I was not any different! I had the same reaction when I learned I had been scheduled

to attend two observation days at the Wound Care Center at Harrington in Charlton.

“Because I had some uncertainties, I spent time studying the required pre-observation articles, researching wound management and the crucial role that nurses play, well ahead of time in anticipation of my clinical observation,” explained Mwaura.

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Genshire Mwaura

## Charlton Lions touch lives in Africa



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Our Charlton Lions have made a few lives better through the efforts of a couple of our members, Shelley Yeager-Doucette and Don Fortin.

CHARLTON — There are Lions roaring in Africa, but not the traditional ones you might think. Our Charlton Lions have made a few lives better through the efforts of a couple of our members, Shelley Yeager-Doucette and Don Fortin.

For many years, Charlton Lions Club member Shelley Yeager-Doucette directed diabetes education programs for children worldwide. She also served as a Senior Faculty Member for the International Diabetes Federation’s Young Leaders in Diabetes (YLD) Program. This program trained young adults around the world to educate communities about diabetes and to distribute donated supplies to underserved communities. What she could not predict was how her new role as Executive Director at Nurse Practitioner Associates for Continuing Education (NPACE) in Natick would introduce her to Karen Windle, RNC, MS, WHNP-BC, a nurse practitioner who volunteers to provide critically needed medical care and education to villagers in Farato, a small village in The Gambia. And how that introduction would bring Shelley, Karen,

one Young Leader in Diabetes, the Charlton Lions Club (and especially the efforts of Lion Don Fortin) together. It’s a story of small worlds that are meant to be connected when there are needs and people who care.

When Karen Windle told Shelley that she would be traveling to Farato, The Gambia, on a medical mission, Shelley knew that Lamin, a Young Leader from The Gambia, was active there. Over the years, Lamin would call Shelley, “Auntie,” as their joint efforts to improve the lives of those with diabetes found both challenges and success.

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# Country Bank donates more than \$900,000 to local nonprofits

WORCESTER — Country Bank proudly reported donations for 2019 totaling \$905,049. Through the bank's philanthropic efforts, they provide support to local non-profits throughout the communities they serve; in 2019, more than 500 of these organizations received generous donations. Organizations receiving support included The Children's Fund, Hearts for Heat, The Children's Trust, Provision Ministry, Sherry's House, the Worcester Youth Center, and Preservation Worcester.

Recognizing the importance and overwhelming need to help organizations that address hunger, Country Bank provided monetary donations to

food programs throughout the region that exceeded \$100,000. The recipients of these funds included Mustard Seed, St. John's Food Program, and the Worcester County Food Bank as well as many local food pantries.

"Our desire to support and enrich our communities is not only a part of our mission, it's truly who we are," stated Paul Scully, President, and CEO of Country Bank. "Team members embody our Standards of Professional Excellence every day by applying the bank's iSTEP core values of integrity, service, teamwork, excellence, and prosperity. These values continue to guide our mission, especially through

our community involvement efforts."

In addition, Country Bank's Employee Charitable Giving Program raised more than \$30,000 in 2019 through events such as jeans days, bake sales and raffles. "Our team volunteered more than 1,000 hours of personal time at various events within our communities. These volunteer hours speak directly to our culture and our belief in helping others. Serving meals, filling backpacks for the homeless and building beds for children in need are just a few of the ways we gave back to our communities," stated Jodie Gerulaitis, Vice President of Community Relations.

To learn more about Country Bank's

Charitable Giving program, visit <https://www.countrybank.com/communications-center/>.

About Country Bank

Country Bank is a full-service mutual community bank serving central and western Massachusetts with 14 offices in Ware, Palmer, West Brookfield, Brimfield, Belchertown, Wilbraham, Ludlow, Leicester, Paxton, Charlton and Worcester. Country Bank is a member of FDIC, DIF and the SUM network. Country Bank can be reached at 800-322-8233 or online at [countrybank.com](https://www.countrybank.com).

## Federated Church announces winter events

STURBRIDGE — The Federated Church of Sturbridge & Fiskdale is celebrating the wearing of the green with two special St. Patrick's Day-themed March events.

On Friday, March 13, a Baked Potato Buffet complete with Irish music will be held in Fellowship Hall. The menu includes a baked potato with a variety of delicious toppings, coffee, tea, or juice. Assorted desserts will also be available for purchase. The festivities begin at 4:30 p.m. and continue until 6:30 p.m., and take-out orders will also be available. The ticket price is \$6 for adults, and \$4 for a child's portion (6 & under).

Event organizer Nancy Castendyke says the Baked Potato Buffet is a repeat of last year's successful event.

"Everyone had such a good time and enjoyed it so much that we decided to do it again this year," she said.

Advance tickets are available from any church member or by dropping by the church office at 8 Maple St., Sturbridge any weekday from 8 a.m. to noon.

The second event, a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, is slated for Monday, March 16 at the Publick House Historic Inn & Country Lodge on the Sturbridge Common. The dinner, which is part of the Publick House Cooks for Community Organizations program, will offer two seatings in Paige Hall, the first of which takes place from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. A second seating will take place from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The menu for this popular annual dinner includes corned beef cabbage, potatoes, carrots, macaroni and cheese, and Irish soda bread.

This casual dining event is conducted with open seating and no reservations in Paige Hall at The Publick House. Advance tickets are available from Sturbridge Federated Church members Ken Benson, Linda Misiaszek or Susan Schwartz, or they may be purchased in the church office weekdays from 8 a.m. to noon. Price of admission is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children (ages four to 12). A portion of each ticket sold benefits the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale.

For additional information about one or both of these programs, please call the church office at (508) 347-9980.

## Students named to Dean's List at Western NE

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates more than 730 students named to the Fall 2019 Dean's List.

Jacqueline Clark of Auburn is working toward a BA in Communication/Public Relations Concentration.

Michael Stephen Robichaud of Auburn is working toward a BS in Health Sciences/Pre-Physicians Assistant Concentration.

Jacob D. Dileo of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.

Maxwell Richard Strong of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.

Jacob Brett Benoit of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.

Emily Paige Wambach of Auburn is working toward a BSE in Biomedical Engineering.

Christopher J. Bernier of Auburn is working toward a BSE in Electrical Engineering.

Haley Phoenix Burek of Auburn is working toward a Pre-Pharmacy degree.

Sebastian John Smreczak of Auburn is working toward a Pre-Pharmacy degree.

Katelyn E. Arthur of Auburn is working toward a BS in Health Sciences.

Nathan J. Ramos of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.

Celebrating its Centennial in the year 2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

## Auburn student recognized for academic excellence at Tufts University

MEDFORD — Brendan Kelleher was named to the dean's list at Tufts University for the Fall 2019 semester.

Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions. A growing number of innovative teaching and research initiatives span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty and students in the undergraduate, graduate and professional programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.

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## "Every Town Deserves a Good Local Newspaper"



# Walmart Giving grant presented to Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy



CHARLTON — Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy recently received a Walmart Giving grant from the Walmart Foundation to help support the PN Class of 2020 with NCLEX- PN preparation.

Rachel Carlisle of Oxford, a member of the PN Class of 2020 is the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy Liaison and communicated with the Walmart North Oxford Branch Manager, Melissa Pariseau. Carlisle and her four-year-old daughter, Harper made a special trip to Walmart at 742 Main St., North Oxford to extend the PN Class of 2020's gratitude for Walmart Giving's generosity. Carlisle is a nominee for the National Technical Honor Society and a member of the UNICEF Club.

"Walmart is a vital part of our community, and we are honored to be the recipient of their generosity through this grant," Carlisle said.

"As members of the Southern Worcester County community we appreciate organizations such as Walmart and we are excited to collaborate. Being supported by Walmart with much needed funds is an important and fundamental



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piece in our work to produce real world ready, Licensed Practical Nurses," Gretheline Bolandrina, MSN, Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director, said.

Bolandrina added, "This education grant will assist Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy PN Class of 2020 in addressing systematic inequities and barriers that prevent them from taking an NCLEX-PN Live Review Course and eventually taking the NCLEX-PN exam and passing on their first try. The enrollment and attendance to the Hurst Live NCLEX Review will greatly improve the PN Class of 2020 NCLEX success rate, overcome the social and environmental challenges in term 3 of their practical nursing journey."

## Frost maintains perfect voting record through 2019

BOSTON – State Rep. Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn) finished the first half of the 2019-2020 legislative session having participated in all 142 recorded roll calls cast in 2019, maintaining a 100 percent voting attendance record. Frost, appointed Assistant Minority Whip in 2015 and just completed serving in his 23rd year as a member of the House of Representatives, now has a grand total of 6,529 consecutive roll call votes cast since first taking office in 1997.

This is one of the longest voting streaks of active House members, second only to the House Minority Leader Brad Jones.

Representative Frost voted in favor of significant bills that were signed into law in 2019, including a comprehensive education reform bill known as the Student Opportunity Act, set to increase Chapter 70 funding by \$1.5 billion over the next seven years while also creating strong accountabili-

ty standards for local school districts to help close student achievement gaps. Frost has continued his support for local aid for the towns in the district. Other legislation backed by Representative Frost in the House included expanded access to behavioral and mental health services to children, the creation of a Women's Rights History Trail promoting awareness of the struggle for women's rights in the Commonwealth, and a

University of Massachusetts Medical School continuing education program to address PTSD and other deployment-related health conditions among Massachusetts veterans.

Frost commented, "It's an honor to serve in this position. I have always made it a priority to be there when it matters most both in the district and on the

House Floor."

The second half of the legislative session began in January of 2020.

## Bring your appetite to Chowder Fest this weekend

STURBRIDGE – Residents are invited to bring their appetites to the Sturbridge Host Hotel this Sunday.

The Tri-Community Exchange Club is gearing up for its 11th annual Chowder Fest, which will take place on Feb. 23 from noon-3 p.m. at the Sturbridge Host Hotel.

Come sample chowder selections from some of the area's best restaurants. The event will also include drawings, a silent auction, and a cash bar.

"We appreciate all of the support from the community, as without you we wouldn't be able to give back and help the needy in the Tri-Community Area," read a statement released by the organization.

Tickets for the event are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at Penney's Appliance (171 Charlton Rd. in Sturbridge) or at Cornerstone Bank (200 Charlton Rd. in Sturbridge).

## Western NE University students Named to President's List

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates close to 500 students named to the Fall 2019 President's List.

Jessica Clifford of Auburn is working toward a BA in Psychology

Emily Sarkisian of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Accounting

Conor Scully of Auburn is working toward a BSBA in Sport Management

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# Practical Nursing students to be inducted into National Technical Honor Society

CHARLTON — The Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy announced this week that The National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) Chapter 3994 will induct seven new members at a special ceremony scheduled on May 7. Future inductees include Rachel Carlisle of Oxford, Aja Johnson St. Val of Springfield, JoAnn Milford of Woodstock, Conn., Genshire Mwaura of Webster, Barbara Owusu of Worcester, Yaitzarie Rodriguez of Millbury, and Fjolla Shehu of Worcester.

The NTHS honors the achievements of top career technical education (CTE) students, provides scholarships to encourage the pursuit of higher education, and cultivates excellence in today's highly competitive, skilled workforce. For more than 30 years, NTHS has been the acknowledged leader in the recognition of outstanding student achievement in career and technical education.

“By being inducted into the NTHS, we aim to recognize the academic excellence of practical nursing students and encourage them to pursue academic progression in nursing. To be eligible, students must maintain a minimum 3.0

grade point average, demonstrate conduct on campus and in the clinical areas that reflects integrity and professionalism, be committed to service learning, and recommended by faculty,” said Gretheline Bolandrina, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director. Further, Bolandrina adds, “Our students demonstrated excellence in scholarship, which is a high achievement, especially since practical nursing is a rigorous and demanding major. We are proud of our practical nursing students.”

Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy offers a 40-week, (10-month), full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a Practical Nursing Certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy's 2019 NCLEX Pass Rate is 90.48%

The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is fully approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health Board of Registration in Nursing 239 Causeway

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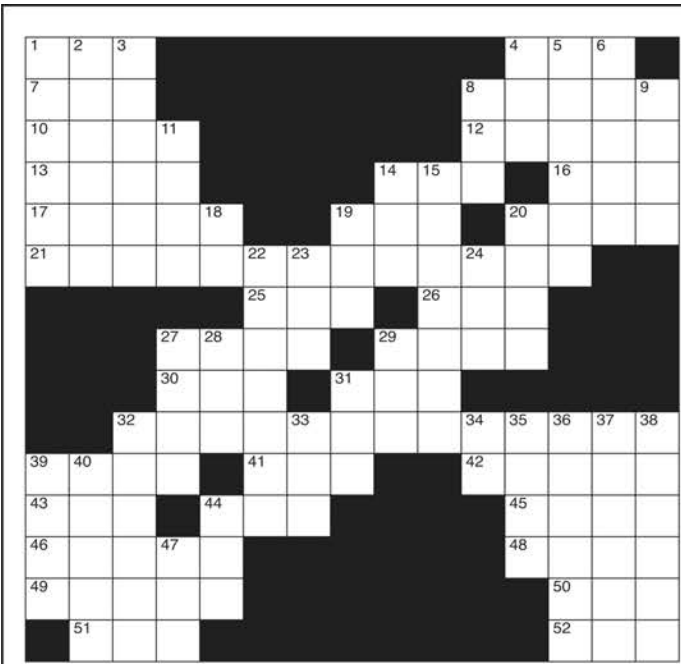
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- CLUES ACROSS
1. Expression of disgust

4. A place to unwind

7. A type of cooking range

8. Grasp tightly

10. Sea eagles

12. Carb dish

13. Late-night host

14. Revolutions per minute

16. Indicates odd or erroneous

17. FDR's military chief of staff

19. Swiss river

20. Norwegian district and river

21. A form of motivation

25. Car mechanics group

26. Once a must-have home theater accessory

27. Broken branch

29. Apple and pumpkin are two

30. Skeletal muscle

31. Small Eurasian deer

32. Tight-lipped fellow

39. Comes after a cut

41. A place one lives

42. Cognizant of

43. Albanian monetary unit

44. Carrot's partner

45. Famed garden

46. Chilean seaport

48. Days (Spanish)

49. Sudden anxiety

50. 100 square meters

51. A type of beer

52. French/Belgian river
- CLUES DOWN
1. Spanish dish

2. Concurs

3. \_\_\_ and her sisters

4. Patti Hearst's captors

5. Used to refer to cited works

6. A state of excited movement

8. Advertising term (abbr.)

9. Nocturnal S. American rodent

11. New York art district

14. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!

15. Pre-release viewing

18. Northwestern Canadian territory (abbr.)

19. Consumed

20. Falters

22. Radioactive form of an element

23. Catch a wrongdoer

24. Breeze through

27. Thick piece of something

28. Yellowish-brown color

29. "The Raven" poet

31. Rural free delivery (abbr.)

32. Creating

33. Supervises flying

34. Northwestern state

35. Was obligated to repay

36. Diverging in lines from a common center

37. Bleak

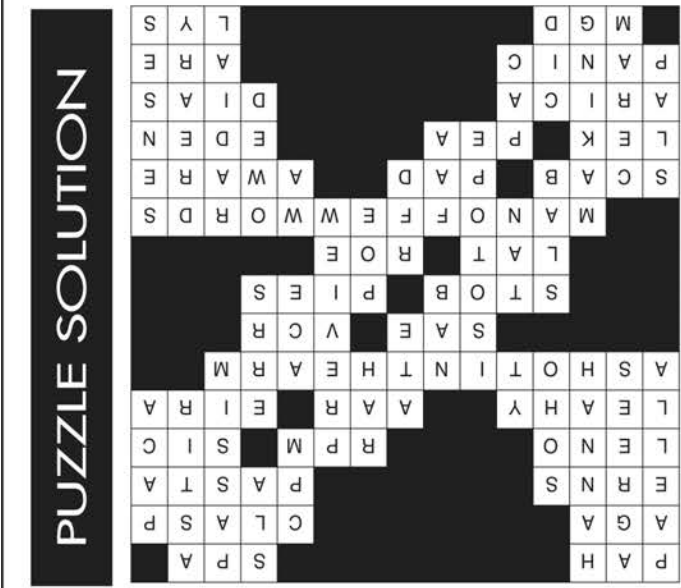
38. We all have them

39. Hit with the palm of one's hand

40. Sea that's part of the western Pacific

44. Political action committee

47. Famed Spanish soldier El \_\_\_



## Vouchers offered for Hazardous Waste Day

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The Charlton Board of Health and Recycling Committee are offering a new tool to help local citizens take advantage of two upcoming hazardous waste disposal events hosted by Casella.

Kathleen Walker, a member of both the Board of Health and Recycling Committee, revealed to the Board of Selectmen on Feb. 11 that the two boards pooled their resources together to create vouchers which will offset the cost for Charlton residents to dispose of hazardous waste at Casella's upcoming events, although only a select number of vouchers are being made avail-

able.

“We decided through the Recycling Committee to create a voucher system. We created a hundred vouchers which people can pick up at the Board of Health office and take to the Household Hazardous Waste Day at the end of March or the end of June and get in for free,” Walker said.

The vouchers are being funded by \$3,000 set aside for hazardous waste initiatives in the Board of Health's budget.

“A lot of people are having a problem with their yard waste and hazardous waste. We had an opportunity this year to help them out,” said Walker. “Only about half of the number of Charlton residents show up for

hazardous waste day down as Casella because it cost \$30 for half a car – So people are doing something else with it, I don't want to know what.”

If this program proves to be popular Walker said the Board of Health wants to make it a permanent part of their yearly budget. As of the Feb. 11 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, 94 of the vouchers remained available on a first-come-first-serve basis. The vouchers are available to resident of Charlton only and can be used at either of the upcoming Casella events on March 28 or June 27. Casella will also host Household Hazardous Waste Day events in September and December.

## Area residents on Bridgewater dean's list

BRIDGEWATER – The following area residents were named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Bridgewater State University.

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Marc Louis, Timothy Prosser and Nicholas Williams.  
Brimfield  
James Damon and Joshua Watts  
Charlton  
Shaelyn Donovan, Julie March and Carlos Sousa I.  
Charlton City  
Lauren Fox  
Douglas  
Katherine Bullied, Zachary Ells, Ian Haire, Nathan Haire, Ryan Kuczer and Lydia Labonte.  
Dudley  
Nicholas Disley, Kevin Hill II and Lindsay Vo.  
Fiskdale  
Alyssa Raymond and Hannah

Raymond  
Holland  
Alexzandra Dickey  
Northbridge  
Vanessa Karagosian and Ireland Stuart  
North Brookfield  
Samantha Rischitelli  
Oxford  
Jessica Bourassa  
Spencer  
Ryan Casault, John Dalton, Hunter Deane, Jillian Roy and

Joseph Wilkman Jr.  
Sturbridge  
Meaghan Lowell, Emily Macey, Cooper Novelline and Alice Van Wickler.  
Uxbridge  
Ava Howe, Reid Miller, Tess Miller and Aidan Ryan.  
Webster  
Abigail Adams and Spencer Young

## Emmanuel College announces Fall 2019 Dean's List

BOSTON — In honor of their outstanding academic achievement, Emmanuel College has named more than 800 students to the Dean's List for the Fall 2019 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Emmanuel students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for a 16-credit semester. Local students earning Dean's List honors include:

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# Local Girl Scouts make a difference for foster children

BY JORDAN GABLASKI  
CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — Four Girl Scouts from Burgess Elementary School have worked with incredible dedication to help local foster children feel more comfortable during their time away from home.

Sixth graders Amber Reed, Ella Reed, Isabella Neslusan, and Gretchen Strasheim began working

on the Bedtime Backpack project in November of 2019. Sometimes, children who are placed into foster care must leave their original residence “without being able to pack any necessities or personal belongings, and it could be a day or more before they are able to get any of their

things,” explains Sturbridge Girl Scout Advisor Jenn Reed. With the help of Burgess school

Nurse Lisa Meunier, Sturbridge Police Officer Hilary Murray, school administrators, the PTO

and DCF, the girls worked together to educate themselves on the need, fund the project, and

choose appropriate items for children of different age groups.

“The goal of the backpacks is to make the child’s first night in a strange place more

comfortable and give them a sense that people in their com-



Debra St. Laurent — Courtesy Photo

From left to right, back row: Christine Neslusan, Girl Scout leader/mother; Amber Reed, mother; Jessica Trent, Burgess teacher; Jenn Reed, Adult advisor/mother; Officer Hilary Murray, Sturbridge Police Department; Nurse Lisa Meunier, Burgess Elementary. Front row (Girl Scouts): Amber Reed, Ella Reed, Isabella Neslusan, Gretchen Strasheim.

munity care about them,” Jenn Reed continued.

The girls assembled twelve backpacks in all, to be stored at the Sturbridge Police station, and organized into three different age groups: baby/toddler, elementary, and high school.

They made sure to include essentials, like shampoo/conditioner, soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes, but also brainstormed items other than necessities to help the children feel more

comfortable, such as blankets, stuffed animals, and books. The girls spoke about their process

with great enthusiasm, indicating just how much effort and care they have invested in the

Bedtime Backpack project. Their biggest challenge was in raising funds for the project, and

learning how best to manage their budget. The girls appealed to the Sturbridge

PTO and received a generous donation for both general funding and Scholastic money for the purchase of books. They also talked to the reading specialist and other teachers from Burgess for book

recommendations based on the different age groups they had to provide for.

On Monday, Feb. 10, the girls met with the Sturbridge Chief of Police, Chief Ford,

to present the backpacks, as the police station will be storing the packs until they are needed.

They also talked with police to make a plan for when backpacks need to be replenished. Ella,

Amber, Isabella and Gretchen came together to complete and sustain this project, and will be

submitting a report to their service unit in order to be considered for the Silver Award, which is

the highest award Girl Scouts at the Cadet level can earn.

In addition to the impact this project will have on foster children, this was also a

remarkable learning experience for the hard working girls.

Ella Reed, who recruited three fellow Girl Scouts to collaborate on this project, says, “This project has shown me that even if you have a small group and a big goal, it can still be done,” especially with the generosity and support of an

entire community.

Isabella Neslusan added, “I don’t know how I would feel if all of a sudden I had to drop everything I’ve ever known and then just go to a place that I’m unfamiliar with. I

learned how to recognize the needs in the community.”

Nurse Meunier, who acted as the Project Advisor, expressed joy at the hard work that the young girls have accomplished, saying that the girls have truly shown compassion for others, since they have done so much “for children they’ll never meet and who might not even be from our immediate community.”

The girls want to thank the PTO for their donations, and Ms. Meunier, who “was a phenomenal help” as their Project Advisor and guided them through every step of the project.

Furthermore, the Sturbridge Girl Scout troop would like to acknowledge the wonderful support

they received from the entire Burgess Community.

“This community is really special,” says Jenn Reed. “To see a need and surround these young girls to support other children, and along the way they learned a lot of skills and lessons, the biggest of which was empathy.”

## LEGALS

(SEAL)  
**COMMONWEALTH  
OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF  
THE TRIAL COURT  
20 SM 000546  
ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO:  
**Mark W. Hunter**  
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (et seq)  
**MTGLQ Investors, L.P.**

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 195 Leicester Street, given by **Mark W. Hunter** to “**MERS**”, **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, a separate corporation that is acting solely as nominee for **Homecomings Financial Network, Inc.**, “**Lender**”; its successors and assigns, dated July 25, 2005, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36958, Page 193, as affected by Non-HAMP Loan Modification Agreement dated June 1, 2012 and recorded with said Registry in Book 49875, Page 330, as further affected by Modification Agreement dated September 24, 2018 and recorded with said Registry in Book 59732, Page 156, 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 March 16, 2020 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of non-compliance with the Act.

Witness, **Gordon H. Piper**, Chief Justice of this Court on February 03, 2020

Attest:  
**Deborah J. Patterson**  
Recorder  
February 21, 2020

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 1 Newland Street, Auburn, Massachusetts  
By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Kimberly M. Bridge** a/k/a **Kimberly Bridge** to **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, as nominee for **Salem Five Mortgage Company, LLC**, said mortgage dated September 24, 2012, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 49701 at Page 128 and now held by **M&T Bank** by virtue of an assignment

from **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, as nominee for **Salem Five Mortgage Company, LLC** to **M & T Bank** recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds on July 14, 2014 in book 52546, page 376 for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on March 2, 2020 at 11:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

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TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer’s or cashier’s check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer’s or cashier’s check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

**BENDETT & MCHUGH, PC**  
270 Farmington Avenue  
Farmington, CT 06032  
Attorney for M&T Bank  
Present Holder of the Mortgage  
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February 7, 2020  
February 14, 2020  
February 21, 2020

**NOTICE OF  
MORTGAGEE’S SALE  
OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 32 Pinehurst Avenue, Auburn, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Arthur Marcotte** to **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, as nominee for **Embrace Home Loans, Inc.**, said mortgage dated September 8, 2015, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 54294 at Page 375 and now held by **Embrace Home Loans, Inc.** by virtue of an assignment from **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, as nominee for **Embrace Home Loans, Inc.** dated November 15, 2018 and recorded November 29, 2018 in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 59746 at Page 347 for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on March 2, 2020 at 11:30 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

Legal Description  
The Land with the buildings thereon in Auburn, Massachusetts shown as Lot #13 on plan entitle “Plan of Pinehurst, North West Section dated March 25, 1939 by A.N. Pone, Surveyor and is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

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Title to the above described property conveyed to **Arthur Marcotte** from **Sevim Bastug** and **Gabriel Bastug** by **Quit Claim Deed** dated and recorded September 28, 2001 in Book 24928 Page 88 as Instrument No. 151930. The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagors’ Title see deed dated September 28, 2001, and recorded in Book 24928 at Page 88 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

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**THE COMMONWEALTH  
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DEPARTMENT OF  
THE TRIAL COURT  
20 SM 000656  
ORDER OF NOTICE**

To:  
**Michael P. Kamyck**; **Michelle R. Kamyck**  
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq)  
**Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.**

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 62 Hampton Street, given by **Michael P. Kamyck**, **Michelle R. Kamyck** to **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, as nominee **Sovereign Bank**, dated December 1, 2009, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45175, Page 215 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 March 23, 2020 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, **Gordon H. Piper**, Chief Justice of this Court on February 5, 2020. Attest: **Deborah J. Patterson** Recorder 18563 February 21, 2020



# Vintage Comfort Food Recipes

If your mouth's been watering for baked beans like grandma used to make, if you just can't seem to get the recipe down pat for Aunt Ellen's heirloom pickles, or even if you simply yearn to cook up an old fashioned feast, then perhaps the answer to your food fantasies are as close as a vintage cookbook. Cookbooks of the past provide a peek into yesterday's kitchen. From historical dishes to childhood desserts, the following recipes recall simpler times when food was real, comforting, and made from scratch.

The Boston Cooking School Cookbook (Farmer, Fannie Merritt. The Boston Cooking-School Cook Book. Boston: Little, Brown, 1918)

Fannie Merritt Farmer was credited with standardizing measures for recipes. Until her Boston Cooking School Cook Book came out in 1896, must recipes called for "a pinch" or "egg sized" portions. She has been credited with singlehandedly revolutionizing recipes. One of her most popular recipes is this one for authentic Boston Baked Beans. Note that she has

added helpful notations at the end of the recipe.

**Boston Baked Beans**  
Pick over one quart pea beans, cover with cold water, and soak over night. In morning, drain, cover with fresh water, heat slowly (keeping water below boiling-point), and cook until skins will burst,—which is best determined by taking a few beans on the tip of a spoon and blowing on them, when skins will burst if sufficiently cooked. Beans thus tested must, of course, be thrown away. Drain beans, throwing bean-water out of doors, not in sink. Scald rind of three-fourths pound fat salt pork, scrape, remove one-fourth inch slice and put in bottom of bean-pot. Cut through rind of remaining pork every one-half inch, making cuts one inch deep. Put beans in pot and bury pork in beans, leaving rind exposed. Mix one tablespoon salt, one tablespoon molasses, and three table-spoons sugar; add one cup boiling water, and pour over beans; then add enough more boiling water to cover beans. Cover



TAKE THE HINT  
KAREN TRAINOR

If pork mixed with lean is preferred, use less salt.

The fine reputation which Boston Baked Beans have gained has been attributed to the earthen bean-pot with small top and bulging sides in which they are supposed to be cooked. Equally good beans have often been eaten where a five-pound lard pail was substituted for the broken bean pot.

Yellow-eyed beans are very good when baked.

What Mrs. Fisher Knows about Old Southern Cooking: Soups, Pickles, Preserves, Etc.  
(Women's Cooperative Printing Office,

San Francisco, 1881)  
Abby Fisher was a former Alabama slave who couldn't read or write but was an expert cook. Her talents made her a repeat recipient of blue ribbons at county fairs. Her pickles and jams took first prize at the San Francisco Mechanics Institute Fair in 1880. The next year she transcribed her recipes from memory and the cookbook "What Mrs. Fisher Knows about Old Southern Cooking" was published. This recipe, which is one of the 160 in the book takes a lot of time, but like most great Southern foods, it is likely well worth the effort!

**Sweet Watermelon Rind Pickle**  
Take the melon rind and scrape all the meat from the inside, and then carefully slice all the outside of the rind from the white part of the rind, then lay or cover the white part over with salt. It will have to remain under salt one week before pickling; the rind will keep in salt from year to year. When you want to pickle it, take

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it from the salt and put into clear water, change the water three times a day –must be changed say every four hours – then take the rind from the water and dry it with a clean cloth. Have your vinegar boiling, and put the rind into it and let it lay in vinegar four days; then take it from the vinegar, drain, and sprinkle sugar thickly over it and let it remain so one day. To make syrup, take the syrup from the rind and add eight pounds more sugar to it, and put to boil; boil till a thick and clear syrup. Weigh ten pounds of rind to 12 pounds of sugar; cover the rind with four pounds of it and make the syrup with the remaining eight pounds. While the syrup is cooking add one teacupful of white ginger root and the peel of three lemons. When the syrup is cooked, then put the rind into the boiling syrup, and let it cook till you can pass a fork through it with ease, then it is done. When cooled, put in jar or bottles with one pint of vinegar to one quart of syrup, thus the pickles are made. See that they be well covered with vinegar and syrup as directed.”

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“Ruth Wakefield’s Toll House: Tried and True Recipes” (M. Barrows & Company, New York, 1941)

Ruth Wakefield ran the Toll House Inn in Massachusetts. While her claim to fame was the invention of the chocolate chip cookie in 1930, Ruth created many other memorable dishes for her diners. One of these favorites is the English Cheese Soup recipe below.

**Toll House Old English Cheese Soup**

Melt one half cup butter. Add four tablespoons flour, one teaspoon salt and one half teaspoon pepper. Blend well and add four cups milk. After thickening well add 1 1/2 pounds Old English or a yellow snappy cheese; 1 1/2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce; and 1/2 teaspoon paprika

If too thick, thin to desired consistency with hot milk. Serve with crumbled crisp bacon sprinkled over the top of soup or a garnish or shredded boiled eggs.

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“First Ladies Cook Book: Favorite Recipes of All the Presidents of the United

States,” Parents’ Magazine Press, 1965.

When this cookbook came out in 1965 housewives everywhere scrambled to make dishes fit for a President. This recipe for Johnny Cakes was said to be William McKinley’s favorite.

**Johnny Cakes**

Ingredients: 1/3 cup granulated sugar; one egg; one half stick butter, melted (no substitution); 3/4 cup yellow corn meal; one teaspoon salt; one teaspoon soda; one cup sour milk (modern milk spoils, but won’t “sour” so substitute buttermilk.); one cup flour; butter or lard for greasing the griddle

Directions: Mix sugar, egg and melted butter together. Blend corn meal and salt together, then stir into egg mixture. Stir soda into milk. Add white flour alternately with the milk, a bit at a time, blending to make a smooth batter. Allow mixture to stand in a cool place about 30 minutes to “lighten.”

Heat a greased griddle or heavy skillet until a few drops of water will “spit” and bounce off the surface. Spoon or pour the mixture onto the hot griddle, using up to 1/4 cup at a time. Brown pancakes on each side, (turning only once), about 1 minute per side. Don’t overcook. Serve hot, with

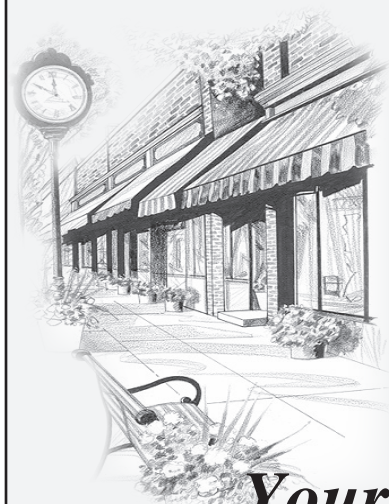
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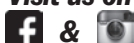
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## EDITORIAL

### Lost time is never found again

Lately, we have been hearing an awful lot of chirping about how people are too busy these days. Too busy to catch up with extended family, too busy to grab a workout, too busy to read a book, too busy to do the things we forgot we enjoyed doing. The largest contributor to the lack of free time seems to be time spent at work. Many people in today's world juggle two or three jobs to make ends meet. Sometimes, however, we need to make some cuts in our lives to give ourselves something more valuable than money, time. Time is a treasure.

For one, you cannot make more time. Ways to earn money will always be at your fingertips however there is never a way to create more time. There is not a spell book that has the answer to creating more hours in a day or a way to give you more years on Earth. Time is finite, and that is something we could all stand to remember.

Take a moment to think about the fact that you can do more with time off than with a day's pay. While we all can earn a different amount of money during a shift at work, a day off is the same to all of us. During a day off, you can choose to do what you want with it. Catch up on chores, hike a mountain, catch a movie, enjoy a nice lunch or pick up your dusty guitar and remember how to play the C chord.

Memories hold more stock in our lives, than money. When we think back on our past experiences that brought us fond memories, how many of those were because of money and how many were because of another person? Travel of course costs money, or the purchase of a fancy boat, however it is the simple moments that are always the ones that count.

At the end of a person's life, you will never hear them say they wished they had more money, however you will hear them say they wished they had more time. A good question to ask yourself if you had a short time to live, 'Would you like \$5 million dollars or ten more years to live?' The answer is obvious.

A survey of roughly five thousand people was conducted to back up the fact that most people prefer time over money. Most people opted to take a position with less hours and less money over long hours with a high salary. Young people, who have more time ahead of them, did choose to make more money, however this proves the point that if you have less time, you value it more.

Money changes in value every day, but time does not. Think about the price tag you would place on a three hour beach day with good friends.


Time brings us awareness and clarity, and gives us a chance to figure out the person we want to be or already are. These things cannot be bought. Sure, we need money to live, however time is what puts life, into our lives. Often, we need to get creative about how we can give ourselves more time. We must always remember to protect and prioritize our time.

DON'T MISS A BEAT

CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!



## “Surviving Networking” with the Chamber of Central Mass South



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leadership skills, manage stress, and improve morale. As a personal strategic coach, Rita helps clients focus specifically on their most important goals, interests, challenges, and needs. She received her Strategic Intervention Coaching Certificate from Robbins-Madanes. Rita is an adjunct professor at The American Women's College and Bay Path University and a past Professional Member of the National Speakers Association. Learn more online at [www.ritaschiano.com](http://www.ritaschiano.com).

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## When optimism isn't easy

“Optimism, optimism, optimism. It's great that you are so optimistic, but I'm just not that way. I'm a realist and I see things as they are and the facts of the situation determine if I am optimistic or not,” the email began. I'd love to be more like you but being optimistic may make you feel better in the moment, but in reality, optimism changes nothing.”

I fully realize there are more people in the world who feel this way. It's easier to let circumstances control your attitude than to thoughtfully work your attitude to positively impact your circumstances.

The email continues. “It's easy for you to be optimistic. Your job is to sit at a desk and type a bunch of happy words into a computer and get paid for it. I'd be optimistic too of that's all I had to do!”

I don't think I've ever met the author of this email. It was sent anonymously and that's okay. I am never offended

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

BY GARY W. MOORE


by a response like this. I view this as a positive opportunity to help this reader and others live a more optimistic life.

It's easy to be optimistic when everything is going your way. Things are good at work, the economy is good, your love life is positive and there is an expectation that your positive life will not change.

Suddenly, without warning, there is a downturn in the economy and your company frantically looks for ways to cut expenses. You lose your job and your significant other becomes irritable at the change in circumstances and the uncertainty of your financial future. Circumstances can change without notice. You can choose to dwell on how unfair life is or you can find the positive opportunity buried within the negativity and move forward.

One of the only things certain in our lives is the inevitable uncertainty. Optimism, when you are on top of

## Can you improve your relationship with money?



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In your life, you will have all sorts of relationships – with your family, your friends, your co-workers, and even with civic groups and charitable organizations you support. But have you ever considered another key relationship – the one you have with money?

Of course, this type of relationship has several aspects, such as saving, spending and investing. And your fellow Americans clearly face some challenges in these areas. For example, in a recent survey by financial services firm Edward Jones, only 21 percent of respondents reported that they feel happy when thinking about saving money, while 92 percent said they see room for improvement in their financial health. Yet only one in four plan to improve their spending habits. Furthermore, just 26 percent said retirement was a top savings priority.

If you share some of these concerns, what should you do? Here are a few suggestions:

- Identify your money-related emotions. Try to recognize the emotions you feel in connection with saving and investing. Do you get nervous about spending? Does putting away money for the future give you satisfaction or not? Do you worry that you don't know how much you should be investing, or whether you're investing in the right way? Clearly, these types of questions can cause some anxiety – and, even more importantly, they may lead you to make poor decisions. Emotions are obviously closely tied to money – but they really should not play a big role in your spending, saving and investing choices.
- Develop a financial strategy. By developing a sound financial strategy, you can reduce money-related stress and help yourself feel empowered as you look to the future. A comprehensive strategy can help you identify your goals – a down payment on a new home, college for your children, a comfortable retirement, and so on – and identify a path toward reaching them. Your financial strategy should incorporate a variety of factors, including your age, risk tolerance, income level, family situation and more. Here's the key point: By creating a long-term strategy and sticking to it, you'll be far less likely to overreact to events such as market downturns and less inclined to give in to impulses such as “spur of the moment” costly purchases. And without such a strategy, you will almost certainly have less chance of achieving your important goals.
- Get an “accountability partner.” Your relationship with money doesn't have to be monogamous – you can get help from an “accountability partner.” Too many people keep their financial concerns and plans to themselves, not even sharing them with their partners or other family members. But by being open about your finances to your loved ones, you can not only avoid misplaced expectations but also enlist the help of someone who may be able to help keep you on track toward your short- and long-term goals. But you may also benefit from the help of a financial professional – someone with the perspective, experience and skills necessary to help you make the right moves.

Like all successful relationships, the one you have with money requires work. But you'll find it's worth the effort.

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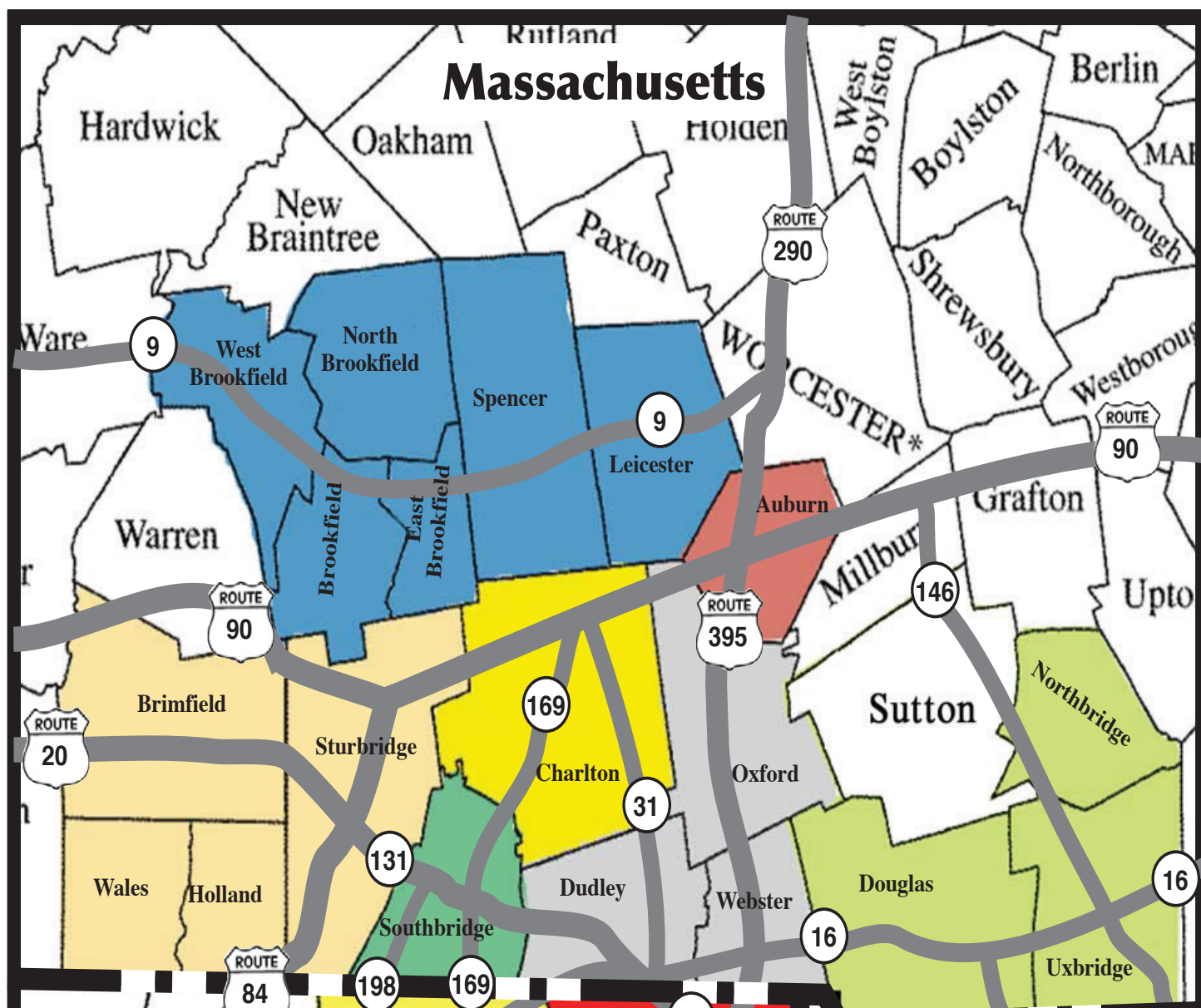
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# SPORTS

## Auburn denied Lady Rocket Classic championship, postseason berth



Ari Gonzalez of Auburn lofts a layup over the reach of multiple Grafton defenders.

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Auburn's Zoe Picard eyes the rim and then releases a jump shot.

BY KEN POWERS  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — The Auburn High girls' varsity basketball team's late-season drive to qualify for the postseason came up one game short, the Rockets losing their regular-season finale to Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) rival Grafton High 44-26 in the championship game of the second Lady Rocket Classic, played Saturday, Feb. 15 at Pappas Gymnasium.

Auburn finished its season 9-11. The Rockets needed to beat the Indians (after defeating Nipmuc Regional a day earlier in the first round) and finish 10-10 to qualify for the Central Mass. Division 2 Tournament. Grafton improved to 10-8 with its win over Auburn and qualified for the same District Tournament that the Rockets were striving for.

The Indians began the season 0-7 but have won 10 of their last 11 games, sandwiching a nine-point loss to Millbury

High (undefeated in the SWCL) in between a six-game winning streak and their current four-game winning streak.

"It's sad to have the season end this way," Auburn head coach Nicole LePrevost said. "You don't talk about it possibly being the end when you're fighting to stay alive, so when the end comes like this, you're not prepared for it."

Auburn's chances to defeat Grafton — a team it lost to 47-35 back on Feb. 7 — took a major hit early in the Feb. 15 game when guard Hanorah Murphy went down with a leg/ankle injury late in the first quarter. Murphy, a freshman, came into the contest averaging 11.2 points per game.

"Hanorah's been our offensive go-to for much of the season, so not having her today definitely put a little damper on things," LePrevost said. "But I think the girls continued to play hard after

she went out. They played hard until the very end, they just kept fighting, which is something they've done all season."

Grafton started quickly, scoring the final 10 points of the first quarter to take a 12-2 lead into the second period. The Indians kept their foot on the gas pedal throughout the second quarter, going into halftime with a 27-6 lead.

The Rockets began to cut into the Grafton lead in the second half, outscoring the Indians 11-3 in the third quarter to trail by 13 points, 30-17, as play moved to the final period.

Auburn got to within 10 points of the lead on two occasions in the fourth quarter (31-21 with 6:31 remaining and 33-23 with 5:44 to play), but Grafton finished the game with an 11-4 run that included the final seven points.

Senior Liv Mathews led the Rockets in scoring with 11 points, while freshman Ari Gonzalez added 9 points and



Michaela Sampson of Auburn keeps the ball away from a Grafton defender while driving into the paint.



Mia DelloStritto of Auburn watches as her free throw attempt sails toward the basket.

hit two 3-pointers.

LePrevost was understandably dejected after the game.

"I just told the team how proud I was of them," LePrevost said. "When faced with adversity — we went through a stretch of games during the season where things weren't looking so good — they didn't give up on themselves or each other."

"They kept coming to practice and kept working hard to get us in the position we were in today [to qualify for the postseason with a victory]," LePrevost added. "So, I absolutely was proud of them for giving us something to play for here in the last game of the regular season."

Auburn, which finished 7-13 last season, appears to be a program on the rise.

The Rockets will graduate just three players (Mathews, Ashley Fazio and Michaela Sampson) and potentially return 12. Players LePrevost expects to be at next year's opening practice include juniors Mia DelloStritto, Maura Donahue, Kaitlyn Jess, Alexia Morawski, Zoe Picard, Kasey Simmons, Izzy Therrien, Emily Turcotte and Jill Zaparaskas; sophomore Meghan Stevens; and freshmen Murphy and Gonzalez.

Jess and Therrien both missed the entire season this year due to injury.



Auburn's Ashley Fazio creates just enough space to be able to release a shot from the interior.



Auburn's Liv Mathews fights through Grafton's defensive double team and hoists up a shot.



# SPORTS

## Under odd circumstances, Rockets tie North Middlesex to take Dana Willard Memorial Tournament



Nick Ethier photos  
Auburn's Nic Spanos skates by a North Middlesex defenseman and toward goalie Thomas Kelly.



Joe Valone of Auburn attempts to chase after the puck following a faceoff.



Zach Schirm of Auburn stick-handles the puck down the ice and into North Middlesex's defensive zone.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

AUBURN — Way back on Saturday, Dec. 14, Horgan Arena hosted the first round of the Dana Willard Memorial Tournament. First up, East Longmeadow High's boys' varsity ice hockey team defeated the Worcester co-op, 2-1. Then, in the nightcap, the Auburn High co-op (along with Millbury High, Tantasqua Regional and Shepherd Hill Regional) played the first period against North Middlesex Regional and trailed 1-0. Then, between periods, the Zamboni hit a door and broke it, making the rink unusable.

"What are you going to do? Things happen like that," Rockets' head coach

Glen Bombard said.

So, on Wednesday, Dec. 18, Auburn defeated East Longmeadow 3-1 and Worcester took care of North Middlesex 7-1.

Then, on Saturday, Feb. 15, the tournament finally came to a close when the Rockets hosted North Middlesex. The game started back up with Auburn trailing the Patriots 1-0 in the second period. But thanks to a goal by Shawn Bradway with 7:54 to play in the third period, the Rockets rallied to tie the game at 2-2.

That gave Auburn the Dana Willard Memorial Tournament title, as they finished 1-0-1 in the two games. East Longmeadow and Worcester both



Auburn's Nolan White dumps the puck down the ice.



Auburn's Joel Miller dangles past a diving North Middlesex defender.

went 1-1, while North Middlesex finished 0-1-1.

"We had the best record in the tournament. We were the only ones that didn't lose, everybody else lost a game," explained Bombard.

Auburn's Joel Miller was named Tournament MVP after registering two points against East Longmeadow and grabbing another point on an assist versus North Middlesex.

Bombard was pleased with the Rockets' two periods of play, which also saw Dillon Winkelmann tie the score at 1-1 in the second period.

"We had some opportunities tonight. For two periods I thought we played pretty well," he said.

Winkelmann's goal came shorthanded as Auburn had three penalties in the second period, all of which were successfully killed off. Nic Spanos assisted on Winkelmann's tally. Spanos carried the puck into the zone and fed a pass to Winkelmann's stick on the right point. From there, Winkelmann blasted a slap shot past Patriots' goalie Thomas Kelly.

North Middlesex (5-8-4) took a 2-1 lead early in the third period on the power play when Nick Miller and Caleb Amidon assisted on Jimmy O'Keefe's goal.

The resilient Rockets then tied it up on the power play when Joel Miller gave a pass to Spanos, who then went behind Kelly's net and found an open Bradway in the slot. His shot then got past Kelly for the equalizer.

That gave Auburn the tournament title in back-to-back years for the first time in school history.

Despite the accomplishment, the Rockets' record stood at 6-10-2 as they will miss the upcoming Central Mass. Division 3 Tournament for the first time in four years.

"That's our ultimate goal," Bombard said of trying to qualify for District play. "We just struggled putting the



Caleb Bartlett of Auburn attempts to block a shot taken by a North Middlesex player.

Auburn lost 13 seniors from a year ago and will lose another 12 this spring, but Bombard enjoyed this season despite the sub-.500 record.

"Overall it was a great year, had a lot of fun with these guys," he said. "Probably the hardest working team I've ever had. They stuck together all year and just kept working. They never quit, they just lacked putting the puck in the net."

"I'm thrilled, I really am," added Bombard. "I had a lot of fun this year, I know they did, and we all worked hard together. We all wanted the same thing, unfortunately we fell a little short."



# Expand your edible garden indoors

No matter the season, size of your garden or climate, you can inject homegrown flavor into your meals. Just clear a shelf, countertop or windowsill and get busy planting herbs, greens and even tomatoes to enjoy year-round.

For quick results, grow microgreens. These nutrient packed edibles are ready to harvest in as few as 10 days. Plant microgreen seeds in a quality potting or seed starting mix. A recycled fast food container or other shallow pot with drainage holes works well. Plant the seeds according to label directions, moisten the soil and place in a warm location. Keep the soil moist and move to a sunny window or under artificial lights as soon as sprouts peak through the soil. Then break out the scissors and start harvesting when the second set of leaves appears. Use microgreens on salads, sandwiches, soups or as a snack.

Replace those underutilized appliances cluttering the counter with an under the cabinet LED light garden like the Bamboo Mini LED Grow Light Garden. You'll be able to grow and harvest your own herbs and greens right in the kitchen for easy access. The LED lights will also help brighten the room – a welcome addition to any dreary winter day.

Purchase plants or start herbs from seeds in individual pots or a container large enough to hold several plants. Select herbs you and your family typically use for seasoning. Basil, chives, sage, parsley, and oregano are a few of the easier herbs to grow. Just harvest a few leaves or sprigs as needed for some homegrown flavor.

Boost the vitamins, minerals and fiber in your meals with leafy greens. Plant an indoor garden of leaf lettuce, spinach, arugula, baby leaf kale and beet greens. A self-watering pot with a built-in overhead light like the Gardener's Revolution® Light Garden Kit (gardeners.com) makes it easy to grow a variety of greens at the end of a counter, next to a desk or anywhere you have a few square feet of space.

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the plants producing. You'll enjoy the convenience and have no excuse not to boost the flavor and nutritional value of your meals.

Reserve a space in front of a sunny window to grow a tomato or pepper plant.

Expand your growing options and ensure a bountiful harvest by supplementing natural daylight with artificial lights. Start with compact tomato and pepper varieties that require less space. You will probably need to start plants from seeds when growing these vegetables outside the normal outdoor gardening season. Once the plants start flowering, you will need to lend a helping hand. Give the stems a shake for pollination and eventually fruit formation to occur.

Reduce maintenance and the mess with self-watering containers. These planters have reservoirs that hold water that moves into the soil via wicking systems. This provides the plants with a constant supply of water while extending the time between watering. Plus, the self-contained watering setup minimizes the risk of water getting on your floor.

Start plans for your indoor edible garden with a walk around your home to identify potential growing spaces. Then develop a list of favorite herbs, greens and vegetables you and your family enjoy. Match the space to your favorites and invest in plants and resources that fit your gardening goals and help ensure success. Then start growing and enjoying the benefits of fresh, homegrown produce all year long.

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



Courtesy Photo  
Self-watering planters like the Gardener's Revolution Light Garden make it easy to successfully grow a variety of greens or other edibles indoors.

## The beaver problem



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should be a cure all for everyone. I think the opt out thing is a key," said Philbrook. "If people are opting out and you're only doing selective areas it's not going to work."

Even in spite of the opposition, both with respect to the opinions of his fellow selectmen and health officials, Selectman Borowski doubled down on his belief that the option should at least be bought to a town meeting for consideration, even an inevitable vote rejected the proposal.

The topic of beaver destruction to our forests and river banks throughout the state was discussed at a recent meeting at a local Rod & Gun Club. Destruction along river banks by beaver and damming of outlets restricting water flow is out of control in many areas. With spring not far off, flooding of private and public land will cause serious damage to areas, killing trees and damaging homes in the area.

Trapping by sportsmen that enjoyed being outdoors, also kept numerous species of fur bearing animals under control, including beaver. The trapping ban in Massachusetts needs to be lifted. Not only did trappers keep the animal population under control, but they also purchased a license to do it. Now trappers can only use live catch traps that are extremely expensive and hard to handle. The cost of trapping is extremely expensive, with the cost being handed to local cities and towns.

The new leg hold traps and trapping laws need to be addressed soon.

Some local clubs have installed "Beaver Deceivers" (a device that restricts beaver damming at water outlets) and helps somewhat, but the beaver are still causing some serious damage to trees and brush along river banks and surrounding areas. If any landowner caused the destruction to riverbanks and woodlots along waterways like the beaver do, they would be locked up. Wildlife of all forms need to be kept under control, and

"I don't trust the state and the federal government to take care of Charlton. I want us to look around and make a judgement to take care of ourselves and not that the state will come this way once we get to a high or critical status. What that means is a town next to us or a resident within us has contracted the disease. Anything I think we can do to not get us to that point I think is beneficial," Borowski said.

Selectman Borowski made an official motion to proceed with the proposal, but it was not seconded by another member of the board effectively ending the discussion for the time being.

the best tool is hunting and trapping.

The deer harvest figures for Massachusetts' 2020 season are in and they are another record setting year. The youth deer hunt day had reported 89 deer harvested and the paraplegic hunt had only five recorded.

The archers scored the largest harvest with a whopping 6,149 animals while the shot-gunners had 4,984. Primitive firearms season scored a good number of deer totaling 2,694. Figuring in non-retrieved deer and car deer collisions the total could reach higher than 15,000 deer.

Many impressive deer sporting huge antlers and weighing in at more than 200 pounds has got to say something about our deer herd in Massachusetts!

There will be plenty of deer meat for the freezer this year, but most, if not all, hunters dis guarded some of the best part of the deer which included the tongue. I was watching a hunting video this past weekend and one of he cooks explained the best way to cook the tongue. They claim it was delicious. I still think I would pass on that part of the deer for food.

This writer received another release from the Mass. Marine Fisheries on the proposed regulations for striped bass this year. It looks as though the slot limit for striped bass will happen. The commercial striped bass fishing will also be cut back along with their season, but they will still be able to take striper's over the maximum size limit of recreational anglers. They reported that the release of striped bass by



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recreational bass anglers have a high mortality rate. The striped bass will see an 18 percent reduction for commercial anglers for 2020. No gaffing of striper's will be allowed for recreational anglers also.

Some ice fishing by local anglers at Lake Ripple in Grafton this past weekend had some nice fish being caught. One angler showed me a nice four pound large mouth he had just caught. Close to a dozen anglers braved the dangerous ice conditions.

This past week, this writer was at Jerry's Pro Shop in Milford and watched nine year old Lucas Bergman receive his birthday present from his dad. The excited archer was presented a new Hoyt bow for his birthday. After he was given the bow he headed for the archery range for some instruction at the shops indoor range, but not before he was given a new Hoyt hat. The young archer is part of the new generation of archers that will hopefully enjoy bow hunting for many years to come.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Sunday, February 23

**WORCESTER MODEL RAILROADERS INC. ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE:** 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Auburn Elks Club, 754 Southbridge St. (Route 12), Auburn. Admission \$5, children under 12 free. Handicapped Accessible. Info: Ralph Kimball, 508-868-5189, ralphkimball@charter.net and www.wmrr.org. The show has approximately 25 model railroad dealers offering items for sale as well as HO scale, operating layouts available for viewing. Raffle tickets for a complete 4'x8' model railroad layout (on display) will be available at the show. Hourly raffle will also be held. The 41-foot-by-53-foot Worcester Model Railroad Club layout will be open and operating using Digital Command Control and is only 15 minutes from the show in Webster. For directions, go to www.wmrr.org.

## Saturday, April 4

**“ROARING ‘20S MOM PROM:** The MOMS Club of Charlton Area will host “A Roaring ‘20s” Mom Prom on Saturday, April 4, from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Auburn South County Worcester Elks #2118, 754 Southbridge St. (Route 12), Auburn. This evening of dinner and dancing will benefit two organizations, the John Paire Student Support Fund, which helps kids in the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District have access to a well-rounded educational experience, and the Kennedy-Donovan Center of Southbridge, a nonprofit organization in Southbridge that supports people with developmental delays, disabilities or family challenges. Grab your spouse, friends and family members, and join the MOMS Club for the second annual Mom Prom. It's not just for moms, but all guests

must be 21-plus. Early-bird tickets are \$45 per person until Feb. 14 and \$50 per person after that date. The MOMS Club, a chapter of the International MOMS Club, is a nonprofit group that provides support for stay-at-home and working mothers. Membership is open to moms in Charlton, Dudley, Webster and Southbridge. For additional information about the Mom Prom or the club, please email charltonmomsclub@gmail.com, or purchase tickets at http://bit.ly/MOMPROM2020. The Mom Prom name and logo are registered trademarks of founder Elizabeth Crapps and used under license.

## ONGOING EVENTS

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

**SUICIDE PREVENTION:** Attempted Suicide Prevention Group. Held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St Bernard’s Church, 236 Lincoln St., Worcester Gym Entrance Side, second floor meeting room. Parking & T services. Weekly facilitator, inspirational speaker, founder Dan Pelly, two time attempted suicide survivor. Your life matters, never give up. No charge. More info at (617) 592-5081.

**STORY TIME:** Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It's a great place for chil-

dren and their grownups to listen to stories, share nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. For information, you call the library at (508) 832-7790.

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

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

**NUMISMATICS:** Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is

the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

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

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

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS:** Is food a problem for you? Have you been worried about the way you eat? Do you resolve to go on a diet tomorrow, only to fail again and again? Is your weight affecting the way you live your life? You are not alone. Overeaters Anonymous can help. No dues, no fees, no weigh-ins. Meetings are held Sundays in Worcester (St. Michael's On-The-Heights, 340 Burncoat Street) at 7 p.m., Mondays in Auburn (Bethel Lutheran Church, 90 Bryn Mawr Ave.) at 7 p.m. and Wednesdays in Putnam, Conn. (Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret Strett) at 6 p.m. Want more information? Call or text Bruce P. (508) 864-0593, email him at brucep.oa@charter.net or visit oa.org.

## LIONS

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Shelley hoped that Lamin could help Karen in Farato but she wasn't sure where Lamin was located within the enormous country. Still, she “What's App” messaged him and almost instantly, he replied, “Auntie Shelley, Farato is the village where I was born! I will meet Karen there and do what I can to help her.” And thus, Karen's world, Shelley's world, Lamin's world and the world of Lions Clubs collided.

Shelley worked with Charlton Lion Don Fortin, who works tirelessly to

gather donated medical supplies that cannot otherwise be used in the United States. Shelley and Don boxed and sent the supplies to Future for Farato, a small Massachusetts nonprofit which manages the efforts of volunteers and amasses support for education and health care in Farato. It's the organization through which Karen Windle volunteers. The Charlton Lions Club sent bandages, antibiotic medications, diabetes meters and strips and other basic medical supplies with Karen on her trek to Farato.

On the very first day, she delivered a healthy baby and instructed village midwives in proper birthing and

post-partum procedures hoping to curb the high infant and mother mortality rate. She treated a 12-year old girl's leg ulcer allowing the girl to return to the school that she must walk many miles to everyday. She hung donated bed nets to prevent malaria, distributed donated shoes to prevent further foot injury and infection; educated teenagers about their bodies, and the right to say “no.” She made the long trek to the city, Banjul, to see Dr. Gaye, the only diabetes doctor in the region. Here, she gave Dr. Gaye donated meters and strips to allow blood glucose monitoring in the most fragile of patients – and he cried in gratitude. She worked hard, celebrated

with her village families and made a world of difference – a difference made greater by the efforts of the Charlton Lions.

As we look at a world where bad things happen, let's take time to celebrate the collision of good work and good worlds – and let's pay it forward even further. If you have interest in getting involved in volunteering with the Charlton Lions Club and all that we do locally and beyond, please send us a message at thecharltonlions@gmail.com.

## FROST

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percent voting attendance record in all that time. Frost has been married for 22 years and has three daughters. He has a strong track record of supporting local aid, lower taxes, seniors, our police, fire, veterans, military and small businesses. Frost is against making Massachusetts a so called Sanctuary State, opposed to giving illegal aliens driver's licenses and is against any new gas tax.

Frost commented, “If elected on March 3, I look forward to bringing my knowledge and political experiences to the Massachusetts Republican Party. It is a unique opportunity to serve on the committee as a State Representative to emphasize the importance of having a two-party system of check and balances in Massachusetts and to support Ronald Reagan's Big Tent.” Frost continued, “I'm also so very happy to have received the support of my current and past Republican colleagues from the area.

I have campaigned for them all and I'm honored by their support now.”

Rep. Paul Frost also announces he is being endorsed by Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito of Shrewsbury, Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis, Worcester County Register of Probate Stephanie Fattman, State Rep. Hannah Kane (R-Shrewsbury), State Rep. David Muradian (R-Grafton), former State Rep. Kate Campanale (served Leicester & Worcester), former State Rep. Matt Beaton (served Shrewsbury), Senator Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton, shares Northbridge) and Massachusetts Republican Party Treasurer Brent Andersen of Auburn.

Frost will be able to serve both as a State Representative and as a voluntary member of the Massachusetts Republican State Committee. All registered Republicans and Unenrolled voters in the district may take a Republican Primary Ballot on March 3. Early voting starts February 24 and runs through Feb. 28.

## MWAURA

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“But still, as the day approached, I became more and more curious about the entire wound care process,” said Mwaura.

“Upon my arrival at the Center, I met a team of wonderful nurses who warmly received, introduced and oriented me to the unit. The team made me feel ready to tackle the day including asking the questions that I was harboring in my mind,” added Mwaura. “As the Wound Care observation went on, I was amazed at how this wonderful Wound Care team worked together ensuring quality care for every patient that needed their service. The experience really helped me learn about best practice, wound care, and teamwork within a short span of time.”

Mwaura elaborated that “The Wound Care Center nurses’ zeal, focus, display of a respectful and professional demeanor, timely communication with

the patient and the physician and offering themselves to patients who were terrified by their medical progress, were among the notable virtues that grabbed my attention and thrilled me the most, as a practical nursing student.”

At the end of his Wound Care Center observation, Mwaura was excited to realize that nurses play a pivotal role and executed all the tasks in ensuring that “patients feel better about themselves as multidimensional beings regardless of their medical diagnosis or prognosis.”

Mwaura looks forward to obtaining his certificate in practical nursing, passing the NCLEX-PN the first try and carrying on the honorable legacy of solid values as he had observed from the Wound Care Center nurses.

He concludes, “By doing so I hope to aid in promoting nurse -patient trust, provision of quality care, and seamless transition to independence for all patients under my care.”

## MOORE

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the world is easy, but when the future is uncertain and your outlook is dire, it's difficult to find and optimistic person. When your optimism is needed most, that's when it's harder to muster.

Controlling your attitude and outlook is difficult for most people. They allow circumstances to determine their outlook. As their attitude plummets, so does their optimism.

Optimism properly applied is a way of life, not a here now, gone later state of mind that is controlled by external forces. It is your optimism that will guide you to a positive future.

In 2004, I was CEO of a company that was growing, thriving and providing great products and services to the incredibly stable housing market. Life was good. It was easy to be optimistic.

I've told you this story before, but with encouragement from family and friends, I decided to write a book about my father's experience in baseball and war.

Once completed I began my search for a publisher. My first rejection came quickly, followed by the second and third ... then the eleventh, twenty-seventh, forty-ninth, sixty-third and seventy-fourth. After seventy-four rejections what did I do? I submitted it a seventy-fifth time and it sold. A reviewer said “Playing with the Enemy” became a surprise hit. A surprise to others, but not to me. I was always optimistic I would find a publisher and the book would succeed. I've since then written two more and have a fourth ready to go.

So, in 2006, I was still CEO of a company and a part-time author. Less that eighteen months later, a massive implosion of the housing market destroyed my company, left me out of work. I lost almost everything. I was depressed for a few days, then I clicked my optimism back on and evaluated my opportunities. It appeared that in the midst of the Great Recession, my chances of landing a corporate position were bleak. I didn't have the resources to start a new business, so I decided I'd write for a living. I published two more books and

began writing this column. It's been a long road. My column is still expanding its reach and I continue to write more books but, deciding to write full-time was a risky decision that mustered all the optimism and positive energy I could find.

Here's my point. If you allow your circumstances to determine your optimism ... you have no optimism. You are a bobber floating in the water. The weather and tide will determine your fate. Optimism allows you to think past your current disaster. Your belief something better is coming encourages you to create the plan to make it so. As I say almost every week ... “If you believe nothing better is possible, why would you try?” Optimism in the worst of times, leads you back to the best of times.

Gary W. Moore is a freelance columnist, speaker and author of three books including the award-winning, critically acclaimed, “Playing with the Enemy.” Follow Gary on Twitter @GaryWMOore721 and at www.garywmoore.com.



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 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/RR/Art Guild/  
 Boy Scouts)  
 108 School Street FREE 1:00-3:00

### FRIDAY, MARCH 21



3RD ANNUAL JOHN PAIRE  
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 TOURNAMENT  
 Shepherd Hill Regional High School  
 64 Dudley-Oxford Rd. Dudley, MA  
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Register by March 1 Grades 5 to 8 (Co-Ed),  
 High School. Women, Men, Adult Co-Ed. \*  
 This tournament is open to anyone who would  
 like to participate

### TUESDAY, MARCH 24

RE-ENACTMENT of signing of town bill and  
 unveiling of Anniversary Quilt  
 Senior Center, Pleasant Street. 6:30pm FREE

### SATURDAY, APRIL 4,

ROARIN' TWENTIES DANCE  
 at Sturbridge Host Hotel \$35, 5:00pm  
 Tickets @EventBrite.com  
 or at the library

### SATURDAY, APRIL 11,

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield 1:00-3:00.  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, APRIL 18,

HISTORICAL TALK - Ed Londergan -  
 The First and Second Settlements  
 East Brookfield Town Hall 9:30 FREE

### SATURDAY, APRIL 25

TOWN WIDE CLEAN-UP DAY  
 Meet at East Brookfield Town Hall 9:00

### SATURDAY, MAY 2,

EAST BROOKFIELD NATURE WALKS  
 at Pelletier Woods  
 Howe Street, East Brookfield 2:00. FREE

### SATURDAY, MAY 9,

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR).  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield. 1-2:00  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, MAY 16,

7K RUN AND FUN WALK  
 Timbertyard Brewery, East Brookfield  
 10:0am. \$30.00 adults, \$15.00 kids

### SATURDAY, MAY 30

HISTORICAL TALK -  
 Ed Londergan - Murder in the Brookfields  
 (Spooners / Newton Murders)  
 East Brookfield Town Hall, 9:30. FREE

### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

HISTORY & DESSERT  
 at Podunk Chapel, East Brookfield  
 2:00 & 3:30 seatings. \$5.00 pp

### FRIDAY, JUNE 12

COAST GUARD BAND  
 East Brookfield Elementary School, 7:00  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, JUNE 13

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield 1:00-3:00.  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, JUNE 20,

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Camp Frank A. Day (archery, boating, bas-  
 ketball, mini golf, lunch) Rain Date: June 21.  
 125 South Pond Road, East Brookfield. 11:00-  
 3:00. FREE

### MONDAY, JULY 6

SUMMER READING KICK OFF -  
 EB Library - continues for five  
 weeks.  
 East Brookfield Town Hall. FREE

### SATURDAY JULY 25

HISTORICAL TALK - Heather Gablaski -  
 East Brookfield: 100 Years a Town  
 East Brookfield Town Hall, 9:30. FREE

### SATURDAY, JULY 11

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION  
 Parade & Fireworks  
 Connie Mack Field East Brookfield

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield,  
 1:00-3:00. FREE

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

PARADE AND FAMILY FUN EVENT!  
 Route 9, East Brookfield,  
 9:30 -7:00. FREE. Rain date Sept 13

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield, 1:00-3:00.  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 3:30

BUS AND CEMETERY TOUR,  
 ending in dinner at Podunk Chapel.  
 Meet at East Brookfield Town Hall.  
 \$15-\$20.00 pp

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

HISTORICAL TALK - Guy Morin- Central  
 Massachusetts during the Revolution  
 East Brookfield Town Hall, 9:30 FREE

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield, 1:00-3:00.  
 FREE

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

HISTORICAL TALK -  
 Ken and Tina Ethier - "Trolley Talk"  
 East Brookfield Town Hall, 9:30. FREE

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

OPEN HOUSE  
 at Hodgkins Building (Museum/ RR)  
 108 School Street, East Brookfield, 1:00-3:00.  
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**AUBURN** – 16 Lorna Dr! 7 Rm Split Entry Ready for the Next Owner! Located on a Cul-de-sac! Many Recent Updates! Windows 2006! Roof 2010! Siding 2016! Water Heater, Garage Door & Opener 2017! Driveway & Deck 2018! Applianced Oak Cabinet Kit w/Tile Floor! Dining Rm! Spacious Liv Rm! Master Bdrm w/Hrdwds! 3 Comfortable Bdrms Total! Full Bath! Finished Lower Level Fireplace Fam Rm w/Custom Bar, Recessed Lighting & 2nd Bath! Screened-in Porch to a Private Yard w/New Pressure Treated Deck is Ready for Entertaining! Nicely Landscaped! 1 Car Garage! Shed! Ideal Commuter Location! **\$325,000.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 9 Pebble Beach Rd! Middle Pond – Winter Cove! Private Peninsula Protected from the Storm – Safe Harbor! Custom 3,179' 8 Rm Contemp Ready for Your Immediate Enjoyment! Grand Entry Foyer! Ideal Open Fr Plan w/Sky Lighted Cathedral Ceilings, Tall Windows & Hrdwd Flrs! Beautiful Applianced Custom Granite Kit w/Center Isl! Formal Din, Fireplace Liv Rm w/Water/Estuary Views! 1st Flr Laundry! Second Floor Master Suite, Ideal Full Bath, Huge Walk-in Closet! 3 Bdrms Total! 2 Full & 2 Half Baths! Walk-out Lower Level Fireplace Fam Rm! Buderus Oil Heat! C/Air! Oversized 2 Car Garage! **\$779,900.00**



**OXFORD** – 27 Rocky Hill Rd! Move Right Into this 6 Rm Ranch! Bright, Fresh Kitchen! Dining Rm! 20' Living Rm! 3 Comfortable Bdrms! Nice Backyard! Deck w/Awning! All the Work has been Done! Roof, Siding, Windows, Insulation, Gas Furnace, Gas Hot Water Heater, AC, Front Porch Windows, Door, Living Rm Floor, Skylights, Kitchen, Bath & Dining Rm Floors! 2 Bdrms! Wall to Wall Carpeting & the Interior Freshly Painted 10/2019! Quick Closing Possible! **\$269,900.00**

**WEBSTER** – 27 N. Main St! 3 Family! 55/5 Rms! 3 1/2 Bedrooms! 1st Flr w/ Eat-in! Liv Rm! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! 2nd Flr w/Kit w/Din Area! Liv Rm! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! 3rd Flr w/Eat-in! Kit! Liv Rm! Bdrms! Full Bath! Long Term Tenants! Sep Utilities! Vinyl Sided! Laundry Hook Ups! Freshly Painted Hallways! **\$249,900.00**

**DUDLEY** – 9 Nellies Way! TOBIN FARM ESTATES! 10 Rm Colonial Set on 1.2 Acres! Applianced Dine-in Granite Kit! 3 Season Sun Rm off Kit! Din Rm, 2 Story Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove, Bdrms, Full Bath w/Laundry & Gleaming Hrdwds Round Out 1st Flr! 2nd Flr Features an Open Balcony to the Liv Rm! Plenty of Space for an Office, Playroom or Reading Area, Use Your Imagination! Master w/Tray Ceiling & 3 Closets! Master Bath w/Dual Sinks, Shower, Whirlpool Tub & Makeup Counter! 2 Additional Bdrms & Full Bath! Huge Finished Walk-out Lower Level Perfect for Entertaining! Wet Bar w/Wine Cooler & Fridge! Half Bath w/Tile Flr! Irrigation! Shed! JD Riding Mower! Don't Miss Out! **\$469,900.00**

**DUDLEY** – 7 – 9 West Street! Brick 4 Family plus a 2 Family! Side by Side! All with 5 Rooms and 2 Bedrooms! Gas Heat! All Separate Utilities! 2 Car Detached Garage! The 4 Family with Beautiful Natural Woodwork! All Apartments are Empty and Work is Needed in Several Apartments! Excellent Potential! Will be a Good Investment for the Right One! **\$399,900.00**



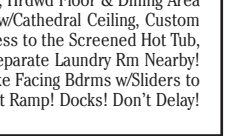
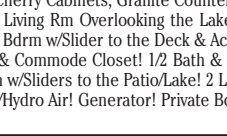
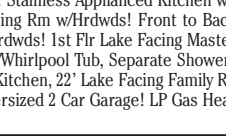
**WEBSTER** – 9 Lake Parkway! Extremely Conveniently Located just off Exit 1 of 385! Loads of Potential! 6 Rm Cape! Applianced Kit! Din & Liv Rms w/Wall to Wall over Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! 1st Flr Bdrm w/Commode Closet! Recent Furnace! Recent Roof! **\$169,900.00**

**THOMPSON** – 299 Quaddick Rd! Custom Cedar Log Home! 5.47 Acres! Stone Wall Entry! 700' Driveway! Nestled in the Woods! 6 Rms of Cedar! Granite Kit! Cathedral Ceilings w/Skylights! Hrdwds! Stone Frpld! 1st Flr Master w/Full Bath & Walk-in Closet! 3 Bdrms & 2.5 Baths Total! Oil Heat! 2 Car Garage! **\$399,900.00**



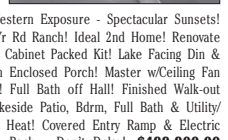
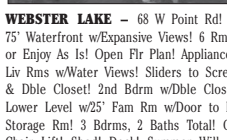
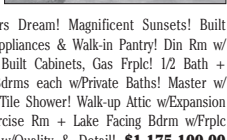
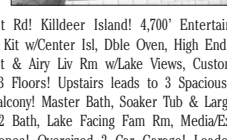
**DUDLEY** – 94 Tracy Road! 7 Rm 4 Bdrm Colonial On 1.24 Acres! Privacy! Many Upgrades! Hrdwds Throughout! Frplce Liv Rm w/Recessed Lights! Formal Din Rm! Eat-in Kit! Updated in 2015! Cherry Cabinets, Granite Counters, Center Isl & SS Appliances! Sunroom w/Skylights, Hrdwd Flrs & Sliders to Deck! 1st Flr 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! Master Bdrm w/Dble Closet & Full Bath w/Linen Closet! 2nd Flr Full Bath! Lower Level Game Rm/Office! Utility/Storage Rm! 16X21 Deck! Garage Under! Save on Your Electric Your Bills, 2015 Solar Panels! Level yard w/Shed! Call now! **\$349,000.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 250 Killdeer Island Rd! North Pond's Sandy Shore! 9 Rm Ranch in Meticulous Condition! Absolutely Beautiful 100' Waterfront Lot! Stainless Applianced Kitchen w/Cherry Cabinets, Granite Counters, Hrdwd Floor & Dining Area w/Slider to Deck! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Front to Back Living Rm Overlooking the Lake w/Cathedral Ceiling, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplce & Hrdwds! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master Bdrm w/Slider to the Deck & Access to the Screened Hot Tub, w/Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Commode Closet! 1/2 Bath & Separate Laundry Rm Nearby! Walk-out Lower Level w/Full Kitchen, 22' Lake Facing Family Rm w/Sliders to the Patio/Lake! 2 Lake Facing Bdrms w/Sliders to the Patio/Lake! Full Bath! Oversized 2 Car Garage! LP Gas Heat/Hydro Air! Generator! Private Boat Ramp! Docks! Don't Delay! **\$910,000.00**



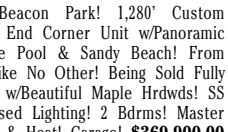
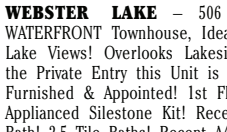
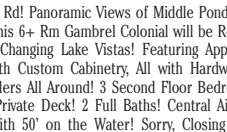
**CHARLTON – GLEN ECHO LAKE!** 3 Sunset Dr! Western Exposure = Beautiful Sunsets! Fantastic 105' Waterfront! Ideal 15,941' Gently Sloping Lot! Comfortable 9 Rm Ranch! Stainless Appliance Eat-in Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwd Flr! Lake Facing Liv Rm w/Panoramic Water Views! 4 Bdrms, 3 Lake Facing including the Spacious Master! Full Hall Bath! Enjoy the Sun Rm w/Lake Views! 32' Walk-out Lower Level Frplce Fam Rm w/Wet Bar & Convenient Half Bath! Nicely Landscaped Front & Back! Lake Level Deck, Dock & Rear Shed! Benefitted by Town Sewer! Start Packing! **\$499,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, Has It All! 2 Story Foyer! Granite Kit w/Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances & Walk-in Pantry! Din Rm w/Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm w/Lake Views, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplce! 1/2 Bath + Laundry! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Upstairs leads to 3 Spacious Bdrms each w/Private Baths! Master w/Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet + Private Balcony! Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level w/Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm + Lake Facing Bdrm w/Frplce & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Zones! Oversized 2 Car Garage! Loaded w/Quality & Detail! **\$1,175,100.00**



**CHARLTON** – 105' WATERFRONT! Baker Pond! 63 Lincoln Pt Rd! East Facing = Fantastic Sunrises! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Beautiful 1/2 Acre Lot w/Lawn to Water's Edge! 2 Story Foyer! Natural Woodwork! Open Fr Plan! Applianced Granite Kit w/Sl, Recessed Lights, Tile Bath & Water View! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Sunken Frplce Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Flr & Water Views! Din Rm w/Hrdwd! 1/2 Bath w/Pedestal Sink! 2nd Flr w/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Water Views! Master w/Cathedrals, French Dr to Balcony, Bath w/Separate Tub/Shower, Walk-in Closet & Laundry! Hall Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/31' Fam Rm! Full Kit! Full Bath & Laundry! Includes NEW A/C SPLIT SYSTEM! Enjoy Outside from the Farmer's Porch, Deck, Patio, Screened Porch or Dock! 2 Car Garage! Full Recreational Use! **\$524,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 50 Union Point Rd! Panoramic Views of Middle Pond – South Facing – Tons of Sun! Principal Residence or as a Second Home this 6+ Rm Gambrel Colonial will be Ready for You! You'll Appreciate its Easy Access and Taken Back by the Ever Changing Lake Vistas! Featuring Applianced Kitchen w/Island, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplace Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Floor & Anderson Sliders All Around! 3 Second Floor Bedrooms! Spacious Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling & 2 Sliders to its Private Deck! 2 Full Baths! Central Air! Composite Decks & Flag Stone Patio for Your Enjoyment! 7,405' Lot with 50' on the Water! Sorry, Closing not before 9/10/2019! **\$624,900.00**



**WEBSTER LAKE** – 506 Beacon Park! 1,280' Custom WATERFRONT Townhouse, Ideal End Corner Unit w/Panoramic Lake Views! Overlooks Lakeside Pool & Sandy Beach! From the Private Entry this Unit is Like No Other! Being Sold Fully Furnished & Appointed! 1st Flr w/Beautiful Maple Hrdwds! SS Applianced Silstone Kit! Recessed Lighting! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Tile Baths! Recent A/C & Heat! Garage! **\$369,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 68 W Point Rd! Western Exposure - Spectacular Sunsets! 75' Waterfront w/Expansive Views! 6 Rm 1 1/2 Rm Ranch! Ideal 2nd Home! Renovate or Enjoy As 1st Open Fr Plan! Applianced Cabinet Packed Kit! Lake Facing Din & Liv Rms w/Water Views! Sliders to Screen Enclosed Porch! Master w/Ceiling Fan & Dble Closet! 2nd Bdrm w/Dble Closet! Full Bath off Hall! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/25' Fam Rm w/Door to Lakeside Patio, Bdrm, Full Bath & Utility/Storage Rm! 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths Total! Oil Heat! Covered Entry Ramp & Electric Chair Lift! Shed! Dock! Summer Will Be Back - Don't Delay! **\$499,900.00**



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#### WEBSTER - 5 SURREY LN



BRAND NEW TO MARKET! Gently Used 5 Bdrm Colonial or 4 Bdrms & Game Room! This 24 x 28 3 Car Garage HAS HEAT! Radiant Heat in Floor. Open Concept Kitchen, Dining & Living Room, Full bath, Beautiful Granite Counters w/Breakfast Bar, Newer SS Appliances – Second Floor – 5 Over-sized Bdrms! Bath & Laundry Rm! Walk up Attic. New Price **\$399,000.**

#### WEBSTER - 8 MAPLE ST



2 Family – 1st Floor: 6 Rooms, 3 bedrooms, 1 Full Bath, open kitchen. Fully Applianced. New Carpeting, Hardwood Floors. 2nd Floor – Open Kitchen with Gorgeous Kitchen Cabinets – 6 Rooms, 3 Bed, 1 Full Bath Hardwood Floors, New carpeting. Each Apartment has 1,200+ sq ft plus. Oil Heat. Off street parking. Town Water & Sewer, 3rd Story Unfinished. **\$237,500**

#### POMFRET, CT - 280 RIVER RD



Motivated Seller! Cape that has been completely re-modelled, 3 Br, 1 bath; 1.7 acres. New kitchen cabinets w/granite counters and center island. New electrical/plumbing. Large Gambrel Post & Beam. 2 bay garage w/loft. New septic. **NEW PRICE \$244,900**

#### WEBSTER - 14 HIGHCREST #4



Ready to move in! 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath condo. Large bedrooms with large full bath master bedroom private access. Skylight Hallway, extra large living area with separate dining! Access to private deck via sliders, fully applianced kitchen, loads of counter space, tons of storage. Full finished basement, brand new heat and a/c system. **\$134,900.**

#### WEBSTER - 212 SCHOOL ST



Large 4 Family! 3 car garage! Off street parking. 2 bedrooms each unit! Walk-up attic with a lot of potential! Solar panels!! Fully Rented. **\$369,900.**

#### WEBSTER - 3 STEFANIAK AVE.



Cute 2 Bedroom Ranch! All hardwood floors, gas fireplace living room! 2 baths. Appliances included. 2 zone heat. Large deck! Young asphalt roof. Walk out lower living level. Town Water & Sewer, City Gas **\$219,900.**

#### WOODSTOCK, CT - 64 LYON HILL RD



Estate like long paved driveway! 3158 Sq Ft Colonial! Geothermal built. Open floor plan, ash flooring throughout! Granite and s/s applianced kitchen! Large master bedroom, coffered ceiling, master bath, w/Jetted tub! Walk in closets. Two car garage. Radiused calwalk on upper level! A walk up attic. Walk out lower level! The third garage is accessed from the lower level. Generator hookup. One beautiful property! assisted sale **\$499,900.**

#### WEBSTER/OXFORD/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS

Dudley - Marshall Terrace 12,000 +/- Sq. Ft. Possible potential for a 2 family to be built! Town Water, Sewer, City Gas! Nice level lot. **\$70,000**  
Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abouts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**  
Webster - 85 Union Gore! View of the Lake. 1+ acre,artisan well, Septic Design, Etc. **\$130,000.**  
Oxford - 4 Leicester St. approx. 8.47 acres! River frontage! Highly possible to be subdivided. **\$99,900**

#### HOLLAND - 6 MAIDEN LN



A nice place to call home! Houses situated perfectly on the lot to promote privacy on this .44 acre Lot! 6 room 2 bedroom 1-1/2 Bath. 2 brick fireplaces! Furnace and roof approximately 6 years old. Plus a guest house! assisted sale **\$229,000.**

#### WEBSTER LAND - COOPER RD



Available 10,000+ sq. ft. of Land. Zoned Lake Residential. Potential to divide into 2 Buildable Lots. Town Water & Sewer Available. **\$49,000.**

On the shores of Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg



#### WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD

Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5.697+/- SF Lot, 50' Rd & Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 996+/- SF of living area w/2 BRs & 2 full baths. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/tremendous potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Floor Plan w/sliders to full front deck! Spectacular Westerly views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available. **NEW PRICE \$299,900**



#### WEBSTER LAKE – 32 JACKSON RD

AN INTRIGUING OPPORTUNITY TO OWN AN EXTREMELY UNIQUE 3.32 ACRE WEBSTER LAKE WATERFRONT PROPERTY! Charming, year-round, 2 BR, 2 bath Ranch, located at the Southern most end of Webster Lake's South Pond beyond Cedar Island! Extremely private w/direct Lake access. The home offers a full finished LL w/walkout access, a screened-in 18x20 patio, 18x26 det'd garage & 8x8 storage shed. Park like grounds! **New Price \$375,000**





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#D10260L • ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, V6,  
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**2019 JEEP CHEROKEE** NEW Retail Price: ~~\$32,180~~  
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**2017 TOYOTA TACOMA  
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#D10295 • LATITUDE TRIM, 4X4,  
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**2017 FORD ESCAPE SUV** NEW Retail Price: ~~\$32,475~~  
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LIMITED SUV** NEW RETAIL PRICE:  
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#TM90774A • SE TRIM, ALL-  
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**WHOLESALE PRICE: \$16,577**  
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**2019 CHRYSLER PACIFICA** NEW Retail Price: ~~\$34,650~~  
#D10391L • ALLOYS, LX TRIM, V6,  
PARKING SENSORS, BACK-UP CAM  
**WHOLESALE PRICE: \$22,377**  
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**2016 RAM 1500 TRADESMAN** NEW Retail Price: ~~\$36,650~~  
#D10086L • 4X4, CREW CAB, 5.7L  
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#120038A • CREW CAB, ALLOYS,  
4X4, BACK-UP CAM, BLUETOOTH  
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**2017 HYUNDAI TUCSON  
SPORT SUV** NEW RETAIL PRICE:  
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