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## Haughey named as new superintendent

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – After interviewing a strong pool of candidates, the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School Committee is confident in its choice for the district's next superintendent.

Dr. Paul Haughey is expected to take over as superintendent this summer, pending successful contract negotiations. With vast experience in both school and town operations, Haughey is currently the principal of Millville Elementary School. He also served the Blackstone-Millville Regional School District in the capacities of special education director and curriculum coordinator, in addition to working in the Uxbridge School District.

On the municipal side, he served as a selectman and on the Finance Committee in his hometown of Blackstone. His two-year term as a selectman lasted until 2017.

The next few months will be a busy time of transition for Haughey, as he advances from the principal's desk to the role of school chief.

"Dr. Haughey is looking forward to meeting administration, staff, and community members in his efforts to bring people together," said SEBRSC Chairman Jason Monette. "The School Committee is looking forward to working alongside Dr. Haughey to continue to move this district forward."

The School Committee received strong interest for a superintendent position previously held by Tracy

Crowe and now overseen by Interim Superintendent Jodi Bourassa. Haughey was recommended by a search committee as one of the finalists from an initial pool of 43 applicants for the position.

After Crowe received heavy criticism from teachers, parents and students for a lack of communications over her two-plus years with the district, school leaders are looking forward to the skills Haughey brings to the district. School Committee members knew that their next superintendent would need to be strong in communications and leadership for a district seeking continued momentum.

"He has all the skills and qualifications that this district needs, and we appreciate his transparency," Monette said. "He has a vast special education background, and we believe he can be a huge asset to this district. He has served on the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee, which gives him the understanding of that side of the table."

"It was obvious during our site visit that he is a very dedicated, student-oriented person," added School Committee Vice Chair Martha Berthiaume, who served on the superintendent search committee. "He is passionate about education and has dedicated his career to helping students."

The New Leader will have a full feature on Haughey once he begins as school chief. His starting date is scheduled for July 1.

## Powell announces candidacy as clerk of courts

WORCESTER — Charlton resident Joanne Powell has announced her intention to run for the Clerk of Courts for Worcester County. Highlighting the need for professionalism, efficiency and accountability within the Clerk's Office, Joanne is eager to share her vision with voters of Worcester County.

"It is time for a hands-on manager to create an atmosphere of professionalism, efficiency, and accountability in the Clerk of Courts office," said Powell. "After all, it is your tax dollars that go towards these services. The voters of Worcester County deserve them to be spent in the most efficient manner possible."

Currently, Joanne is employed at the Probate & Family Court located in the Worcester Court, where she has been heavily involved in making some extraordinary changes. In part with Powell's keen oversight, the Probate Office now boasts a dramatically decreased processing time for claims,

which went from several weeks to just a few days, despite working with a 10 percent reduction in staffing. In addition to implementing increased efficiency within the office, Powell was also instrumental in developing a community outreach program to assist Worcester County seniors when they require services provided by the Probate Office.



Joanne Powell

Accountable to the citizens of Worcester County, the Probate & Family Court was also pleased to return over \$1.7 million in escrow monies to the proprietors or to the state's unclaimed monies fund.

Prior to the Probate & Family Court, her work experience includes time working for District Attorney Joseph D. Early's office as a community liaison. During her time at the DA's office, Powell spoke to thousands of students, parents, school staff, and law enforcement

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Kevin Flanders photo.

Ann Ramsey, the owner of Spencer Yoga Home, made a major investment to improve her space in the Sugden Block building.

## Future of building impacting future of business

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Downtown business owners have a long list of things to be excited about, but rumors surrounding the future of the Sugden Block building definitely aren't on that list. For occupants of the building, the rumors are causing several unnecessary challenges.

Business owners in the 117 Main Street building like Ann Ramsey have gotten several questions about whether they are still open, as false rumors have been circulating about the building being demolished soon. Despite town officials reiterating that there are no such plans, the fate of the town-owned building remains a source of rumors.

Ramsey, the owner of Spencer Yoga Home, joins other business owners in their mounting frustration with the rumors. One of the most damaging false reports, they said, involves the safety of the building.

"There have been a lot of rumors that the building is unsafe, and that just isn't true. It is perfectly safe – it's just a very old building," said Ramsey, who

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## Bay Path sends \$22M budget to towns

BY GUS STEEVES  
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — Bay Path School Committee voted unanimously to send its \$22,347,358 budget to its member towns Monday, after a public hearing attended by just one person who wasn't press.

"We're very excited there are no reductions of services being delivered to students except the continuing planned phase-out of small engines," Superintendent Director John LaFleche said, referring to the fact the coming year will be the last for the power equipment shop, which is being replaced by an information support services and networking program. That's being created to teach the hardware and software aspects of building and running networks, including cybersecurity, with the fourth year being one where students take classes for credit at Quinsigamond Community College.

From a fiscal perspective, though, the overall budget will see a change from many previous years – although it's one Bay Path announced last year they have to do. To catch up to years of spending below the state's Net School Spending requirement, the district is requesting \$200,000 extra this year, spread among member towns.

That's been happening "ever since the state began identifying it" in fiscal 2015, LaFleche said, noting, "The state doesn't wipe the slate clean at the end of the fiscal year."

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## Annual ephemera show planned next weekend

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – There is no better way for postcard enthusiasts to kick off the show season than an annual program in town. And the event not only allows guests to share their passion for postcards, but it also gives them an opportunity to support a great cause.

Set for Saturday, March 24, the 16th annual Greater Worcester Postcard Show will take place at Knights of Columbus Hall. The hours are 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and admission is \$4 per person. Proceeds will benefit the local

chapter of Relay for Life.

For longtime postcard collector and dealer J.R. Greene, who manages the show each year, it means a lot to team up with Relay for Life. Members of the team are always on hand each year to provide refreshments and baked goods to guests.

The show will feature about twelve postcard dealers hailing from four northeast states. The show seems to expand every year, offering old picture postcards of local scenes and several topics.

Free appraisals of postcards will also be offered by Greene, who has served

as the president of the Central Mass Postcard Club for several years. He always enjoys seeing guests and dealers return year after year to support the show and Relay for Life, and he looks forward to seeing new faces as well.

The show started 16 years ago at a charter school in Worcester, but there was no one to continue the program after the principal retired. That's when Greene stepped in as organizer to keep the tradition alive, and it has been going strong ever since. With help from Senator Anne Gobi, Greene was able to get in touch with local resident Missy Bernard – which eventually led to the

Relay for Life connection.

Greene has been thrilled with the community support for the Relay team, and he is hoping for another strong turnout this year.

"It is a great cause, and I feel that a few people might attend to help them out by paying the admission fee and by buying their food," Greene said of the Relay for Life team.

Refreshments will be made available during the show, and off-street parking is free for guests. Knights of Columbus Hall is located at 10 Meadow Road.

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# SPENCER SNIPPETS

## SAFE COOKING

The Spencer Fire Department will present a Safe Cooking presentation at the Senior Center, 68 Maple St. on March 22 at 12:00. A baked potato bar will proceed the presentation for a \$3 donation. Please call 508-885-7546 to reserve your lunch by March 20.

## LEICESTER WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

The Leicester Women's Club will award \$500 scholarships to three Leicester residents who graduate from high school in 2018. Also, this year three \$500 scholarships will be awarded to students majoring in nursing in memory of Elizabeth Swan, given by the Swan family.

Applications are available at your local guidance office. Any Leicester resident graduating from any high school in spring 2018 is eligible. Applications must be submitted by April 1.

## GARDEN CLUB

The Brookfield Garden Club presents a program entitled: "Designing a Multi-Season-Shade Garden" on Sunday, March 25. This program will be held at the Brookfield Congregational Church from 2-4 P.M. The program is open to the public free of charge.

The speaker, Paul Steen, is a retired physician who has been gardening for over 50 years. Now, as a Master Gardener, he speaks for the Master Speakers Bureau. This presentation discusses a variety of shade situations and covers the unique problems, and unique opportunities of shade gardening. He'll suggest the best shade plants to use and describe how to select them so that your garden is in bloom in Spring through Fall. A handout included covers a wide variety of shade plants and their cultural properties. Steen also provides lectures on topics such as plant diseases, cactus, tropicals and greenhouses. Bring a friend!

## CORNERED BEEF SUPPER

Knights of Columbus Council # 11080, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, Brookfield-West Brookfield is having a Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner on Saturday, March 24 in Dugan Hall, Sacred Heart Church, 10 Milk St., West Brookfield. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Youth Activities Fund.

Dinner includes corned beef, cabbage, boiled vegetables, garden salad, Irish soda bread, homemade desserts, water, soda, and coffee. Cost is only a \$12 donation, and \$8 for children 12

years old and under. Family rates are available! Take out is available at 5:30 p.m. and sit down dinner is served at 6 p.m. Raffle tickets for a 50/50 Raffle, Door Prizes, and more will be available!

Advance ticket purchase is encouraged (and appreciated!) as tickets will be limited and are available from any Knight or by calling (413) 813-8100. Tickets will only be available at the door while they last!

## DURANT OFFICE HOURS

State Representative Peter Durant will be holding office hours throughout his district each month. Constituents and town officials are invited to express any concerns, issues, or ideas they have. Walk-ins are always welcome. To schedule an individual appointment, please contact Ann Gaudreau, Chief of Staff for Representative Durant at Ann.Gaudreau@MAhouse.gov or (617) 722-2060 ext. 8563.

This month the Representative will be in the district Monday, March 19 at the following times and places: Spencer Town Hall 9-10 a.m.; Charlton Town Hall 11 a.m.-noon; Southbridge Town Hall 1-2 p.m.; and Dudley Town Hall 3-4 p.m.

## GROW YOUR BUSINESS!

Social media strategies to grow your local business on Monday, March 26 6:00-7:30 p.m. with time after for questions at Webster Police Station - Media Room, 357 Main St., Webster. Hosted by: The Webster Dudley Business Alliance/Score, Worcester Chapter, with presenter Darek Chojnacki. This program is free to WDBA members, \$10 all others. Are you a new business that needs to get started with social media? Are you an existing business that wants to learn how to get more results from social media? This workshop with help you navigate through the many social media platforms that are available. We will review getting setup on a few specific platforms, and how to create content to share. Developing an online presence is important in modern marketing, and we request attendees of the workshop to bring their computers and devices, so that we can have an active workshop. To sign up email contact@thewdba.org or call (508) 949-6232. Darek Chojnacki is the owner of Green Tree Insurance in Webster. He also runs a business coaching and consulting company named Business Runway. Before starting his own companies, he spent 12 years in the financial sector working for Fortune 500 domestic and international companies. Darek works with individuals and business owners who are motivated to achieve their financial goals. He is a Quickbooks ProAdvisor, and is a certified SCORE mentor in Worcester.

## BAY PATH RECOGNIZED

Bay Path Vocational Technical High School has been recognized by the annual PracticalNursing.org state LPN program rankings as the #5 ranked LPN program in Massachusetts. PracticalNursing.org is the leading LPN/LVN advancement and ranking agency; we have been publishing the PracticalNursing.org rankings list for the past four years. You can find the full, detailed ranking at <https://www.practicalnursing.org/lpn-programs/>

## POWELL

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ment officials on the public safety challenges of our time; including bullying, domestic violence and the opioid epidemic.

In addition to Powell's service in the District Attorney's office and Probate & Family Court, in 2017 she was appointed by Governor Baker to serve on the Board of Trustees for the Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children, where her current responsibilities include surplus fund allocation of over \$2 million dollars. Ever committed to strong public education and to our local schools, in 2006 Joanne was elected as vice-chair of the Dudley-Charlton School Committee, where she approved and helped manage a budget of over \$50 million.

## massachusetts#rankings

Approved programs in Massachusetts are offered at community colleges, technical centers, and private career schools - we list 18 schools across the state. After careful review of NCLEX-PN exam first-time pass rates over the past several years, we have ranked the top five programs. For more information on our LPN program rankings, see our methodology page: <https://www.practicalnursing.org/lvn-lpn-ranking-methodology>

## DWC's 10th Annual «FASHIONISTA» FASHION SHOW UPDATE!

Only a few spots are left for the Dudley Woman's Club go-to event of the year! Tickets are \$35pp for our 10th annual "Fashionista" Fashion Show to be held on Sunday, March 25 at Point Breeze Restaurant in Webster featuring boutique vendors, fabulous food and an exciting line up of celebrity models on the catwalk in the latest spring fashions from Paisley Boutique of Hudson & Grafton and Men's Wearhouse in Auburn. Boutique vendors and raffles start at 10:30 a.m., followed by appetizers at 11:30 a.m., lunch at 12:30 p.m. Fashions begin at 1:30 p.m. Boutique vendors on board are Ten Mangos Photography, Paisley Boutique, Little Black Dress, How Charming, Heavenly Goddess Spa Parties, Mary Kay Cosmetics, doTerra Essential Oils, Pretty Things, Grammy's Herbal Garden, Rodan & Fields, Chloe & Isabel, Succulent Dish Gardens, Unique Wearables, Jafra Cosmetics, Soaps for Days, Prestige Nails, Scentsy, Tupperware, Creative Obsession, 2di4, Mystic Creations, Crunch I, Premier Designs Jewelry, Thirty-One, Touchstone Crystal by Swarovsky, Beautycounter and Scout & Cellar! Music will be provided by DJ Jared Manzi from JAM Entertainment Collaborative. Find us on FACEBOOK: Dudley Woman's Club or our website [www.dudleywomansclub.org](http://www.dudleywomansclub.org). To purchase reservations, please mail your check and a list of all guest names to DWC, PO Box 294, Dudley, MA 01571. Please include an email address to receive your confirmation! Please bring non-perishable food items for The Webster-Dudley Food Share and get an additional chance to win the door prize! For any questions, email [imajoy@charter.net](mailto:imajoy@charter.net).

## BERTHIAUME OFFICE HOURS

State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume will hold office hours at the following locations

Tuesday, March 6: Ware Senior Center 10:11 a.m.

Thursday, March 8: Barre Senior Center 11:00-noon; Hubbardston Senior Center 9:00-10:00 p.m.

Monday, March 12 : Oakham @ the New Senior Center-Town Complex 11:00 a.m.-noon

Tuesday, March 20: North Brookfield Senior Center 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with him to express any concerns, ideas, or issues that they may need assistance with. Please feel free to contact Donna if you would like a private meeting. 774-402-4742

Deeply rooted in her community, Joanne has been married for 32 years to her husband Rick, with whom they have five adult children. A graduate of Salem State University, Joanne earned a Bachelor's of Science degree. After starting a family and while working part-time, Joanne returned to school, earning her Master's of business administration from Assumption College in 1993.

Citing her education, extensive public service experience both in the courthouse and the community, Joanne is grateful for the overwhelming confidence and support so many voters have already expressed towards her candidacy. Powell's platform includes: open access to justice in a fair, efficient, and timely manner - and implementing a renewed sense of professionalism and accountability to Worcester Superior Court.

Joanne enthusiastically looks forward to getting to know the voters of Worcester County. Along with her husband, five adult children, friends and many supporters, she will make her official campaign announcement at her kickoff in early May.

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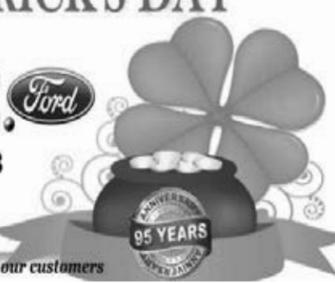


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# Veterans warmed by presentation

On Friday, Feb. 23 four men were presented Quilts of Valor from being "touched by war" at Senior Living at Prouty in Spencer. Not pictured is Al Coolidge, Navy veteran, who will be presented his quilt at a later date. The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is "to cover service mem-

bers and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor". Visit [www.QOVF.org](http://www.QOVF.org) for more information about this non-profit organization. The presentation was followed by a homemade dinner, and afterward an interesting lecture and display by local author Peter Hastings, who along with

his wife Barbara have written a series of history books entitled "The Village of West Warren, A Small Historic Town." The featured topic at this event was "The Strategic Importance of the MILLS in Warren and West Warren during World War II."



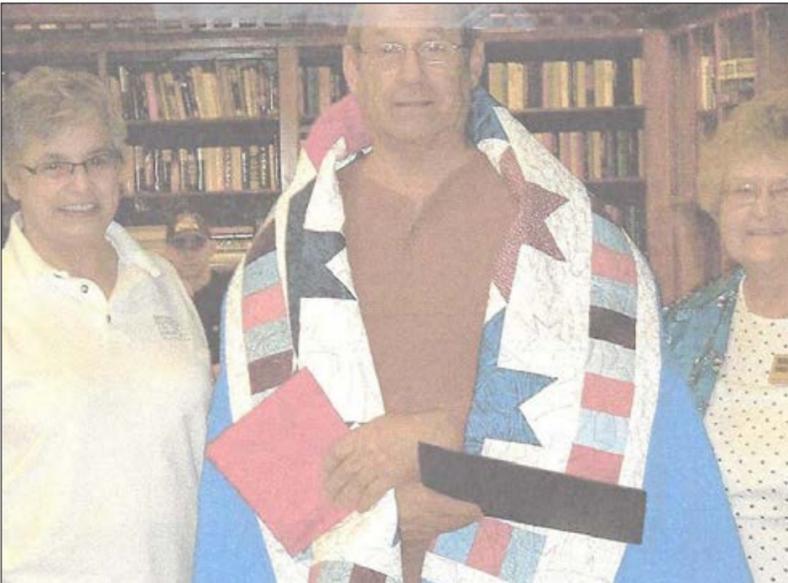
Paul R. MacDonald, Navy veteran, with Jeanie Perron.



Peter Hastings, Navy veteran, with volunteer Jeanie Perron and project coordinator Theresa Perreault.



William Gutterman, Army veteran, is congratulated by others in attendance and volunteer Jeanie Perron.



James Calorio, Marine veteran, is congratulated by project coordinator Theresa Perreault at right, and Jeanie Perron, volunteer, at left.



## ACCURACY WATCH

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# March Real Estate Market Update

Interest rates have increased compared to where they were a couple months ago. According to Bankrate.com as of 3/11/2018 the rate on a 30 year fixed loan was 4.34% which is steady with where the rate was last month. It is easy to compare our most recent rates to these rate and consider them high but the rates are still at one of the lowest levels in history. Refinancing is definitely still a good option but always look at the effective rate of your mortgage and if you have been paying it down for years the better rate may lower your payment

but may not help you to pay down your loan as quickly. Today we have 1221 single family homes for sale in Worcester County compared to 6 months ago where we had 1203 homes for sale which is the first time in many months that the inventory increased in Worcester County. If we look back to 12 months ago we had 1490 homes for sale in Worcester County which shows a 18.1% decrease in inventory year over year which is the same as the year over year decrease from last month. Low inventory is



REALTOR'S REPORT

JAMES BLACK

definitely continuing to cause prices to rise in most areas. The average days on market is currently 141 days while it was 113 days in September which tells me we are continuing to cycle through the inventory

but slightly slower early fall. If we look at homes sold over past 12 months compared to the same time for the previous year there is an almost 0.5% increase in sales and a 4.7% increase in average sales price while it is taking over 20% faster to sell the homes this year than last year in Worcester County. This shows that prices are still rising and homes are still selling quicker than a year ago. The increase in sales and average sales price was less than last month.

The numbers again are all positive and showing contin-

ued growth with no immediate signs of a change in the market. This is the first month that we had an increase in inventory however this is normal as we are entering the spring market. It is crucial to hire a Realtor familiar with your market especially in this market where it seems you can just put a sign out front and get a bunch of offers. The right agent will ensure you get the most money for the house in the shortest amount of time.

## Public invited to join students in learning history and culture of farming

The documentary film *Forgotten Farms* screens at Leicester High School Monday April 9, at 7 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

The screening is sponsored by Leicester Arts Council, Leicester Council on Aging, Worcester County Farm Bureau and is made possible through funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

A question and answer time with the filmmakers, policy experts and area farmers follows the screening.

*Forgotten Farms* profiles the New England dairy farmer and examines the class divides in New England's farm and food communities.

Director Dave Simonds said, "In our enthusiasm for the local food movement, many of us have forgotten that 75 years ago dairy farmers were at the center of a thriving local food economy."

New England has lost over 10,000 conventional dairy farms in the past 50 years; about 1,900 farms remain. (Massachusetts has 135 dairy farms remaining.) New England's dairy farmers tend 1.2 million acres of farmland and produce almost all of the fluid milk consumed in New England.

Producer Sarah Gardner stated, "There's been a lot of focus on the new local food farmers, so we spent the last three years filming conventional dairy farmers. Many of their farms have been in operation for over a century and we wanted to find a way to tell their story. *Forgotten Farms* is their story."

*Forgotten Farms* reconsiders the role of these tenacious farm families. The film gives us a glimpse into the past and a vision of an expanded local agriculture that could serve all of New England's population.

Simonds direct-

ed *Cherry Cottage: the Story of an American House*, with executive producer Hans Morris. It premiered at the Berkshire International Film Festival in 2013. Dave was a familiar face in the indie-film renaissance of the early '90s and his screen credits include *Amateur*, *The Book of Life*, *Signs and Wonders*, *The Fish in a Bath Tub*, *Henry Fool*, among many others. He appeared in music videos for *Everything But the Girl*, *Beth Orton* and others. He is currently working on a documentary called *The Hoy Boys*.

Gardner teaches environmental planning and is the associate director of the Center for Environmental Studies at Williams College. Her areas of research include land use, climate change, agriculture and food systems. She was a leader of the North Berkshire Keep Farming project, a three-year research initiative. She is the co-chair

of the Williamstown Agricultural Commission and a Berkshire Grown board member. Sarah is a graduate of Smith College, she holds a Masters in public policy from Columbia University, and a Ph.D. in political science from the City University of New York.

Dairy farmers remain the backbone of agriculture in New England, but they fight for survival in an age of artisan cheese and kale. *Forgotten Farms* screens 7pm Monday April 9 at Leicester High School, 174 Paxton St., Leicester. [www.forgottenfarms.org](http://www.forgottenfarms.org)

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### REAL ESTATE

#### SPENCER

\$304,000 51 Wilson Ave, Bryan, Felicia J, and Bryan, Eric B, to Parsons, Nicholas, and Parsons, Alison.

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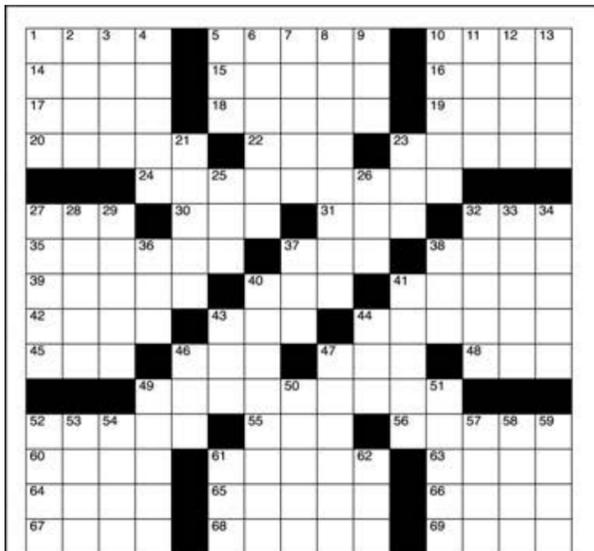
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#### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Unpleasant substance
- 5. Oil group
- 10. One-time Yankees rookie sensation
- 14. Ireland
- 15. Less easily found
- 16. Southeast Nigeria people
- 17. Bridgeline Digital stock designation
- 18. Play loudly
- 19. Elegantly fashionable
- 20. Open sore
- 22. Frozen water
- 23. Sacred Islamic site
- 24. "Kokomo" rockers
- 27. Follows sigma
- 30. Cease to exist
- 31. Cool
- 32. Doctors' group
- 35. Less attractive
- 37. Swiss river
- 38. Greek sophist
- 39. Grandmothers
- 40. Afflict
- 41. Russian pancake of buckwheat flour and yeast
- 42. Actress Rachel Wood
- 43. Not bright
- 44. Western Asia peninsula
- 45. Baseball speedster Gordon
- 46. Golf score
- 47. Transmits genetic information from DNA to the cytoplasm
- 48. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo
- 49. Songs to one's lover
- 52. Cattle's mammary gland
- 55. Having ten
- 56. Fencing sword
- 60. Scarlett's home
- 61. Hold valuables
- 63. Italian Seaport
- 64. Cain and \_\_\_
- 65. Bad places to live
- 66. Large, wading bird
- 67. Witches
- 68. Cover with drops
- 69. Props up the head

#### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Philippine province
- 2. Shallow channel
- 3. Type of acid
- 4. Cygnus' brightest star
- 5. One who buys and sells securities (abbr.)
- 6. Ill will
- 7. Plant of the goosefoot family
- 8. Intellectual
- 9. Mineral
- 10. Shiny silicate minerals
- 11. Ottoman civilian title
- 12. What you wear when eating BBQ (2 words)
- 13. Soul and calypso song
- 21. Advises
- 23. "The Spanish Tragedy" author
- 25. Surrounds the earth
- 26. Paddle
- 27. Adjusted
- 28. Succulent plant
- 29. Forearm bones
- 32. Belonging to Egyptian ascetic Apollo's colleague
- 33. Type of mental illness
- 34. One from Asia
- 36. 007's creator
- 37. Direct toward
- 38. Pie \_\_\_ mode
- 40. Large terrier
- 41. Hillsides
- 43. Patriotic women (abbr.)
- 44. Connects words
- 46. For each
- 47. Flower cluster
- 49. Closes a deal
- 50. Arabian desert
- 51. Vaccine against poliomyelitis
- 52. American state
- 53. Religion practiced in China
- 54. Type of sediment
- 57. Hall of Famer Ruth
- 58. "Layla" singer Clapton
- 59. Gamble
- 61. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 62. Midway between south and southwest



## Easter Bunny hops over to North Brookfield Savings Bank

NORTH BROOKFIELD — A sure sign of springtime is the arrival of the beloved seasonal Easter Bunny! He is ready to make his rounds to visit local children and he is starting at your favorite local bank. From March 16 through the 31, the Easter Bunny is hopping down the bunny trail to visit North Brookfield Savings Bank branch locations.

All are welcome to the series of family friendly events. The Easter Bunny will eggcitedly await visitors who can enjoy fun activities, yummy treats and, of course, keepsake photos with the Easter Bunny. Don't miss out on this eggcellent opportunity to bring the whole family and your camera to North Brookfield Savings Bank!

The Easter Bunny will hop over to visit North Brookfield Savings Bank branches at the following dates and times:

Palmer Branch, 1051 Thorndike St. Friday, March 16, 1-4 p.m.

Belchertown Branch, 10 Daniel Shays Highway, Route 9 & 202, Saturday, March 17, 9-noon.

East Brookfield Branch, 100 West Main Street, Route 9, Saturday, March 24, 9-noon.

Ware Branch, 40 Main Street, Route 9, Friday, March 30, 10 a.m.-noon

West Brookfield Branch, 128 West Main Street, Route 9, Friday, March 30, 1-4 p.m.

North Brookfield Branch, 9 Gilbert Street, Saturday, March 31, 9-noon.

To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank's community giving efforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit [www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com](http://www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com).

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Age: Young Adult



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# Fire companies depend on help from this friend

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Firefighters are always ready to assist those in need throughout their communities and beyond. Now, with the launch of a major regional fundraiser, organizers are calling on residents to return the favor.

The Grafton Fire Department's rehab support vehicle — better known as the canteen truck — has been dispatched to countless fires in area towns over the years. After battling blazes and saving lives and property, exhausted firefighters in 26 central Massachusetts towns rely on the truck for hydration before continuing their work.

But the lifespan of the 37-year-old vehicle is almost burnt out, and fundraiser organizers are asking residents to help fund its replacement. The fundraising challenge began in February and will run through April 30. The current canteen truck, a 1981 Chevrolet van, was donated in 2003 and was outfitted by members of the Grafton Fire Department.

Since then, the truck has responded to thousands of blazes, playing just as critical a role as the ladder and pumper units that put out the fires. The truck is staffed by off-duty firefighters and even the spouses of firefighters, who understand better than anyone the importance of hydration during responses.

"I have been to a lot of fires. When you come out of a house afterward, you're exhausted. It's so important to have



Courtesy photo

This aging fire support vehicle needs replacement, and residents are asked to assist the effort through a fundraiser.

that place to sit down and get refreshed, especially if you have to go back into a burning building," said retired Grafton FD firefighter Andy Kjellberg, who helped promote the fundraiser.

Towns served by the canteen truck include Auburn, Brookfield, Charlton, Douglas, Dudley, East Brookfield, Holland, Leicester, Northbridge, North Brookfield, Oxford, Southbridge, Spencer,

Sturbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, Warren, Webster and West Brookfield, among others. Many fires require mutual aid services from multiple departments, and the truck remains on scene to assist all firefighters.

In addition to water and Gatorade, the truck is stocked with warm beverages in the winter months and cold drinks during hot weather. The truck has even been requested at

such events as the Boston Marathon.

All of the supplies and equipment on the truck are funded entirely through donations. Depending on the size of the call, the canteen truck can serve coffee, hot cocoa, soup, and even sandwiches. With your help, officials are hoping to purchase an even larger canteen truck as a replacement (at least 16 feet long) that can serve even more firefighters.

Several Grafton organizations have established a matching gifts pool from which they will match any donation made. Now they are calling on you to help firefighters to better serve those in need during emergencies.

"So many firefighters have benefited from having this truck at the scene. It means a lot to have the community's support in this effort," added Kjellberg, who spent 23 years with the Grafton Fire Department.

Not only will community donations help fund the purchase of the new vehicle, but they will also defray the costs of several supplies and services. These include a new freezer and refrigerator to aid in food storage; blankets and clothes to assist fire victims; a stove; three sinks to meet Board of Health requirements; and a small bathroom. During lengthy fire responses, firefighters are sometimes forced to ask neighbors to use their bathrooms, and community donations will go a long way toward enhancing the services of the support vehicle.

If you would like to send a donation, please make your check payable to: Grafton Firefighters Association - Rehab. Checks can be mailed to, or dropped off at, Grafton Fire Department, 26 Upton St., Grafton, MA 01519.

If you have questions about the fundraiser, please send an email to [barkerc@graffton-ma.gov](mailto:barkerc@graffton-ma.gov).



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Sign up today for the following programs!

Monday, March 19

Theater games, cool board games and challenges. Come see what it's all about! Teen Mania for grades 6-10 is from 3:30-4:30.

Tuesday, March 20

Come to story time at the library. Every story time has stories, songs, and movement and ends with either a craft or activity. Toddler Story Hour meets from 10:00-10:45 for all toddlers aged 12-35 months by September 1, 2017 and their caregivers. Preschool Story Hour meets from 11:00-12:00 for all preschoolers aged 3 years (by September 1st) and up. Caregivers are encouraged to participate in the program with their child. Come and have some fun!

Wednesday, March 21

Art Slice: make beaded bracelets, critters or fusible bead art. Meets from 4:00-4:45 P.M. This program is

open to anyone in grades K-5.

Thursday, March 22

Read, Build, Play! is a story time that brings engineering to life! Toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers are welcome to this program, sponsored and presented by CFCE. Meets from 11:00-12:00 in the community room.

Thursday, March 29

Cookbook Creations: What's Cooking? Cookbooks that inspire mouthwatering recipes! Register today! We will be making and tasting recipes from Jamie Oliver's book: Happy Days with the Naked Chef. Participants make a recipe and bring the dish to share at the program from 6-7. Friends of the Library provide beverages. Books can be borrowed from the library at the Main Desk. Registration requested, so we know how many people will be tasting! Register for a reminder by visiting, calling the library at (508) 885-7513, or online [www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org](http://www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org).

## SPENCER YOGA

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has operated her business on the third floor of the building for four years.

Even before she invested roughly \$13,000 into a renovation of her space, Ramsey knew the risks. Town officials have been transparent about their desire to see the building purchased by a private owner. Studies have indicated that the costs of repairs are too expensive for the town to take on, but a private owner wouldn't be subjected to the same constraints as a municipality.

If a private buyer doesn't step forward by 2020, town officials haven't ruled out the option of eventually considering taking down the building. Ramsey's lease runs through 2019, but there is no long-term guarantee that her business will be able to remain in the nearly

140-year-old building.

"I understand that the town is in a very difficult position. There are so many differences between town-owned and privately-owned buildings," Ramsey said. "It's like the difference between fixing up a house and fixing a school. You have to do things differently when it's owned by the town."

A lifelong Spencer resident, Ramsey fondly recalls the Sugden Block building always serving as a centerpiece for downtown activity. As a child, Ramsey took art classes in one of the building's spacious studios, and she was excited to have the opportunity to lease a space in the building. But in recent years the building has seen a steady decrease in tenants, to the point that over half of its spaces are currently unoccupied. Parking is also a frequent complaint, as the building shares a small parking lot with the adjacent Richard Sugden

Public Library.

Ramsey and other business owners hope the downtown revitalization project will help bring more patrons and businesses into the building. If the right buyer comes along, the building still has the ability to thrive if it is renovated in stages, business owners agree. There are also several grant opportunities available to a private owner that wouldn't apply to a municipality.

The building's historic relevance would qualify it for even more grants accessible to a private owner.

"I love the character of this building, and I really hope it stays," Ramsey told the New Leader. "It definitely needs a lot of work, but it is a very special place that means a lot to this community. The building has always been used to serve the community in a really positive way, and owners have invested a lot into their businesses here."

It isn't easy to focus on running a business amidst the uncertainty surrounding the building, but Ramsey is doing her best to spread the word to residents. Spencer Yoga Home offers ten classes each week, which combine for about 45 members. Such classes as prenatal yoga and restorative yoga are always popular programs run by Ramsey, who has been teaching yoga for 13 years.

"Everyone here is hoping for the best. A lot can happen between now and 2020," Ramsey said. "The town did a great job of managing the road construction, and I feel like it can definitely bring more people into town."

For more information about Spencer Yoga Home, call 508-769-7050 or send an email to [ann@spenceryogahome.com](mailto:ann@spenceryogahome.com).

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# CLASSROOM CORNER

*Oh the places you go when Seuss is in the house...*



Kevin Flanders photos

East Brookfield Elementary School students show off their Dr. Seuss-themed hats during a reading appreciation assembly last week.



East Brookfield Elementary School students sing about the joys of reading during a March 2 assembly.

KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

**EAST BROOKFIELD** – You don't need an airplane ticket to take an exciting journey to far-off lands, students at East Brookfield Elementary School learned last week. All you need is a good book.

On March 2, students celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday and Read Across America Day with several fun programs. But the celebration of literature doesn't last just one day at EBES, as students and staff are dedicating the

entire month of March to reading.

The March 2 festivities saw several students put on tall striped hats inspired by Dr. Seuss's *The Cat in the Hat*. Kids sang songs about reading during an assembly, and they were able to learn about many fun activities slated for March.

"I have been waiting for this month all year long. We have so many fun things planned," said Kristy Peterson, the district's reading specialist.

Nearly 30 students who logged extra reading hours this winter will be

given day passes to Six Flags New England when the theme park opens. Students also learned about a month-long Read-a-Thon in which each classroom will duel for bragging rights and the opportunity to have a pizza party.

Students also got a visit from guest readers on March 2 to kick off the month in style. Community Reading Month will culminate at EBES on March 29, when multiple guest readers will share stories with the kids. In advance of that event, students are

busily decorating their classroom doors with themes from books that will welcome guests.

Several community readers visit the school every year, while others will get their first taste of the event later this month. Students and teachers look forward to the program as one of the highlights of the year, always drawing at least one reader to every classroom. Meanwhile, incen-

tivized programs like the Six Flags partnership help students keep the pages turning while they aren't in school.

"We hope even more students will participate in it next year," Peterson said of the program.

Students will also convert pages read into prizes earned through several other programs this month. One of the most coveted prizes is Principal of the Day hon-

ors, which will enable one lucky student to join Principal Ron Tomlin for his daily rounds of the building. Other programs will ensure that students and teachers alike share at least a few minutes of quiet time each day to focus on reading.

Staff members thank everyone who has come together to make the month-long celebration possible, especially the community readers.

## MWCC students earn diversity scholastic competition awards



Courtesy photos

The winners of the 2018 Diversity Scholastic Competition - Linda Maher, Gina Vilayphone, and Hafsa Asfa - stand with their projects.

Invisible Disability and Gina Vilayphone (of Westminster) – Diversity is a mindset.

Each will receive a free, three-credit academic course for use during the spring or summer semesters. The students were awarded February 12.

"Everyone thinks of diversity as black and white. But when you have the students write and think about diversity, they think outside the box," said Lisa Williams, chair of the Diversity Committee and an assistant director of Strategic Enrollment Management at MWCC.

The competition was developed by MWCC's Diversity Committee to highlight the value of diversity to work and educational environments. Students are encouraged to submit papers, posters, essays, research work, artwork or other original, creative work related to issues of diversity or identity, such as those involv-



The winners of the 2018 Diversity Scholastic Competition stand with their certificates. Pictured from left to right are Diversity Committee member and MWCC Chief of Campus Police and Public Safety Karen Kollmaga, Diversity Committee Chair Lisa Williams, student winners Linda Maher, Gina Vilayphone, Hafsa Asfa, and MWCC President James Vander Hooven.

**GARDNER** – Three Mount Wachusett Community College students were recently honored as the winners of the sixth annual President's Commitment to Diversity scho-

lastic competition, receiving certificates and a free class.

The three winners and their entries are Hafsa Asfa (of Fitchburg) – My Blood Type, Linda Maher (of Spencer) –

ing disability, race, socio-economic status, veteran status, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation and national origin.

In addition to the awards and

free academic course, the students' work will be displayed at MWCC's Gardner campus.

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# Auxiliary program features program of hope in area of plight

For some individuals, tragedy becomes a catalyst for action and a way to deal with grief. For Mags Riordan, a former guidance counselor from Ireland, the drowning death of her son Billy in Lake Malawi in the village of Cape MacClear led to the creation of a much-needed medical clinic.

The Harrington Auxiliary invites members and the general public to attend a special presentation and book signing event on Tuesday, April 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Harrington Hospital Conference Rooms 1 and 2, featuring Mags Riordan, founder of the Billy Riordan Memorial Clinic, and Suzanne Strempek Shea, a western Massachusetts writer, writer-in-residence and director of the creative writing program at Bay Path College who wrote *This is Paradise: An Irish Mother's Grief, an African Village's Plight and the Medical Clinic that Brought Fresh Hope to Both*. The two women will present this heart-warming story to the audience. Books will be available for purchase.

In February 2000, one year after Billy's death, Mags traveled to Cape MacClear to place a memorial stone by the lake to commemorate his life. During the three months she spent there, Mags



Mags Riordan

Courtesy photos



Suzanne Strempek Shea

witnessed famine, a cholera outbreak, rampant malaria and a high rate of HIV AIDs. These conditions, in combination with lack of access to medical care, prompted her to open a medical clinic and provide other important services to the community.

Since its inception in 2004, the not-for-profit clinic has become a 24/7 operation, employs and trains more than 32 local people, and serves between 80 and 120 patients on a daily basis. In this presentation, Mags will describe her efforts to launch this clinic, to offer educational opportunities for local students, and to initiate a supplementary feeding program, school health program and family planning services.

The event is free, although donations to benefit the clinic are welcome. The presentation is open to the public and includes light refreshments. Handcrafted jewelry and other items made by the men and women of Malawi will be available for purchase. Make your reservations today by stopping at the Volunteer Office at Harrington Hospital or by calling the office at (508) 767-6473. The event is also posted on the Harrington Auxiliary Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HarringtonHospitalAuxiliary/>).

## Dinner out for a good cause

BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Local Meals on Wheels volunteers and staff are busy preparing for a pasta dinner fundraiser to be held March 22 in Southbridge. The event, called March for Meals, will have live entertainment alongside raffles and prizes at the Casaubon Senior Center.

The meal is a special treat, catered by Donald Altiery of 44 Catering. Altiery is a local foodie who recently competed in the popular Worcester's Best Chef contest. He has a long association with Southbridge's Casaubon Senior Center, teaching their senior citizen's cooking workshops in fall and spring.

Meals on Wheels is a lifeline for homebound senior citizens. Every day, vehicles for the program make their way through Southbridge, delivering nutri-

tious meals to senior citizens who might not see a friendly face or have a full meal otherwise.

"We aim to keep people in their homes and to serve nutritious meals to the elder population," remarks Barbara Valentini. Valentini works for Tri-Valley Elder Services, which administers the Meals on Wheels program.

The regional program delivers at least 80 to 100 meals a day, utilizing five drivers over five delivery routes. There is a suggested donation of \$3 per meal, but Meals on Wheels never turns anyone away if they cannot make that donation. The actual cost to the organization is \$8 per meal, so the program depends on donations and grants to continue its work.

Meals on Wheels has a two-fold benefit for the senior popu-

lation. While the primary mission is to provide nutritious meals, a visit by a delivery driver can also serve as a wellness check for isolated or vulnerable elders.

The raffle at the event will include prizes of baskets, gift cards and an early donation of a towel warmer. Organizers are still looking for more raffle prize donations to round out the offerings. To donate a raffle prize, you can call the Casaubon Senior Center at (508) 754-5436.

The second annual March for Meals will be held Thursday, March 22, at the Casaubon Senior Center inside the Southbridge Community Center at 153 Chestnut St. The event will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and tickets are \$10 each.



Photo courtesy Patricia Haddock

Cathy Engle, Mireille Daigneault and Elaine Dupuis volunteer for Meals on Wheels at the Casaubon Senior Center.

## New memory care support group formed

Southbridge Rehabilitation & Health Care Center will be hosting a Memory Support Group on the first Tuesday of each month. We are here to help those that may be caring for a loved one living with memory care needs. At these support meetings, you will learn about the disease process; what to look for, and tips on how to avoid certain situations. The compassionate dialogue exchanged from one caregiver to another is priceless. Joining a group like this will be one of the most rewarding things you will ever do for yourself.

These monthly meetings are supported by TriValley Elder Services/Alzheimer's Network. The meetings will be held the first Tuesday of every month at 6pm at Southbridge Rehabilitation & Health Care Center on 84 Chapin St., Southbridge. Please contact Lorie Kelley, social service director, for more information. You are welcomed to join the meetings whenever you can attend without calling as well. Light refreshments will be served.

Southbridge Rehabilitation & Health Care Center offers a wide range of service such as: Short-Term Rehabilitation, Long-Term and Respite Care as well as a Continuum of Care Offered for Home Health Care and Hospice Services. Please call (508) 765-9133 to schedule a private tour today.

Southbridge Rehabilitation & Health Care Center is managed by Athena Health Care Systems. For more information, please visit our website at [athenanh.com/Southbridge](http://athenanh.com/Southbridge).

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Saturday, March 31 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Shepherd Hill. Admission is \$5 per person. Each dress is \$15.

Donate a prom dress and get another dress free (of equal quality).

Please call or text Kristin at (508) 864-3209 for more information. Proceeds will be donated to the Make a Wish Foundation.

### SHOW

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For more information about the show's offerings, send an email to Greene at [jrg01331@webtv.net](mailto:jrg01331@webtv.net).

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**TO THE EDITOR**

**An idea whose time has come**

Since the truck itself is 37 years old, this is NOT a new idea. And for people who are not the ones out there when the need arises, having a food truck on site, serving up either hot...or cold...drinks, a hot soup, a nourishing sandwich... on the spot in the middle of a hectic event by people who do indeed know exactly what is going in that particular moment, can't be underestimated.

We admit we didn't know this existed until the need for a new truck was brought to our attention. We hadn't seen this in action at any of the particular fires we had been to.

But it has been there. It's seen the worst ones. The Worcester warehouse fire. It was onsite after the tornado. It's been at fatal house fires.

It is staffed by retired firefighters. By spouses. By volunteers who know what it takes to be on the front fire lines.

The funding is entirely by donation. And now, after 37 years and many miles; after serving thousands upon thousands of cups of coffee, being repaired a bazillion times, racking up miles from Grafton to West Brookfield and back again, having been adapted to the edges and the roof; the old truck needs to be retired.

A truck junior needs to be purchased and outfitted. It won't come cheap.

There are plots and plans in place. As long as a new one is in the works, the dreamers have dreamed. Why don't we....

And they should. Let's make life convenient, and better, and as easy as possible for those volunteers. They also have some good ideas for uses for the truck; from providing a portable bathroom for those fighting the fires to storage for other equipment that just makes sense.

This is firefighters taking care of their own. Yes, the Red Cross often steps up and does some of this too; but the Commonwealth and its innovative people often do more above and beyond taking care of itself. This is just one example. For nearly 40 years, this group of firefighting phenoms have taken care of their own.

So step it up, help them out. Send a buck or two to the address provided. We'd love to see this truck a shining example of volunteerism at its best. Is there a dealership out there that can provide the original truck? Some appliance companies to provide necessary equipment? Plumbers, electricians, out-fitters to donate? This can be done with more than just money.

We'd love to see a bidding war for the privilege to be the ones to donate to this cause. Maybe we can put your names on the side...like race car sponsorships.

So step up corporations, dealerships, foundations, banks. Let's see your names on this.

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**VIEWPOINT**  
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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Benoit: conservation impacted**

To the Editor:  
 A solar panel project is proposed in West Brookfield on route 67 near route 9. The plan includes a commercially operated gravel bank and adjacent wooded area. Bordering our land, it will completely clear cut the area's trees and vegetation to within a few feet of our property.

We've lived here 47 years and have invested a great deal of work, our personal funds--along with state and federal grants--to improve its forest and wildlife fields. If approved, this project, made possible by our tax dollars--from all of us--will seriously damage ours and this area's economic conservation values. The scenic vista of road along the Quaboag River will become one of steel and glass.

West Brookfield currently has no strong solar bylaw and can do little to stop any such project; any town not wanting this to happen must enact such a bylaw and place a moratorium on any new projects, because any such venture like this one can legally override local zoning regulations.

Solar energy is an important part of our future; but, the unintended results of the way it is being incentivized through state tax credits can have negative environmental impacts such as I've described here.

If 40+ acres of steel and glass aren't your idea of a scenic view, then act now in your town to prevent consequences.

RON AND LUANN BENOIT  
 WEST BROOKFIELD

*What should investors know about recent volatility?*



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As you may have heard, the stock market has been on a wild ride lately. What's behind this volatility?

And, as an investor, how concerned should you be? Let's look at the first question first. What caused the steep drop in stock prices we experienced on a few separate days?

Essentially, two main factors seem to be responsible. First, some good economic news may actually have played a significant role. A 17-year low in unemployment and solid job growth have begun to push wages upward. These developments have led to fears of rising inflation, which, in turn, led to speculation that the Federal Reserve will tighten the money supply at a faster-than-expected rate. Stocks reacted negatively to these expectations of higher interest rates.

The second cause of the market volatility appears to be simply a reaction to the long bull market. While rising stock prices lead many people to continue buying more and more shares, some people actually need to sell their stocks -- and this pent-up selling demand, combined with short-term profit-taking, helped contribute to the large sell-offs of recent days.

Now, as for the question of how concerned you should be about this volatility, consider these points:

Sell-offs are not unusual. We've often experienced big sell-offs, but they've generally been followed with strong recoveries. Of course, past performance is not a guarantee of future results, but history has shown that patient, persistent investors have often been rewarded.

Fundamentals are strong. While short-term market movements can be caused by a variety of factors, economic conditions and corporate earnings typically drive performance in the long term. Right now, the U.S. economy is near full employment, consumer and business sentiment has risen strongly, manufacturing and service activity is at multi-year highs, and GDP growth in 2018 appears to be on track for the best performance since 2015. Furthermore, corporate earnings are expected to rise this year.

So, given this background, what's your next move? Here are some suggestions:

Review your situation. You may want to work with a financial professional to evaluate your portfolio to determine if it is helping you make the progress you need to eventually achieve your long-term goals.

Reassess your risk tolerance. If you were unusually upset over the loss in value of your investments during the market pullback, you may need to review your risk tolerance to determine if it's still appropriate for your investment mix. If you feel you are taking on too much risk, you may need to rebalance your portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that by "playing it safe" and investing heavily in vehicles that offer greater protection of principal, but little in the way of return, you run the risk of not attaining the growth you need to reach your objectives.

Look for opportunities. A market pullback such as the one we've experienced, which occurs during a period of economic expansion and rising corporate profits, can give long-term investors a chance to add new shares at attractive prices in an environment that may be conducive to a market rally.

A sharp market pullback, such as we've seen recently, will always be big news. But if you look beyond the headlines, you can sometimes see a different picture -- and one that may be brighter than you had realized.

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**Saving democracy**

*"Does this aging democracy remember its log cabin dream the way a man past fifty imagines a mountain stream"*

Derek Walcott - "The Arkansas Testament"

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The poet asks, "Can our ever diverse 240 year old democracy restore itself?"

Before considering the rebuilding our constitutional democracy view Finland, democratic for just 100 years. Just twenty years after independence and despite its troops being outnumbered 3 to 1, it defeated the Soviet Union. Exhausted from this, the country succumbed to the Nazis. However, after World War II and despite a long border with hostile Russia, it has thrived.

A Guardian article lists over twenty areas where the Finns rank among the very best in the world. This includes the;

- most stable,
- best governed,
- highest levels of personal freedom, choice and wellbeing,
- most innovative,
- best school system with the least gap between the strongest and weakest students, and
- fifth lowest income inequality.

Why does Finland come first? The Guardian writes: determination, self-confidence, cooperation, equality, trust and respect for education and educated leaders.

Now to our democracy. Earlier SNL submissions have discussed findings of Harvard University's well reviewed, award winning professors Levitsky and Ziblatt (Z&L), especially their 2018 book, "How Democracies Die." Their research concluded:

over the last decades, the strength of American democracy has declined to crisis,

the first year of the Trump Administration have seen our democratic norms, values, and institutions constantly attacked and undermined. Recently President Trump questioned due process, a basis of our legal system. He later congratulated the Chinese President for being named "President for Life" indicating that perhaps the USA should consider having the same, and

our weakened democracy will not easily return to full health even if Trump and followers lose power. While this President -- considered by many historians as our worst ever -- has caused terrible damage, our democratic decline began decades earlier; now we must overcome sturdy obstacles.

However, Z&L emphasize that, while not easy, a return to strong, healthy democracy can happen.

They propose a simple formula; "mutual tolerance and forbearance." This means working together for the greater American good even if we have a variety contrasting views and cultural differences.

Can we govern more like the Finns?

J&L also say we must re-new our uniquely American principals of individual of individual freedom and egalitarianism. Nobel winner Gunnar Myrdal considers this the "American Creed." Here, they stress, we must focus on two forces driving current polarization, our changing racial and religious make up and growing socio-economic inequality (one of the world's highest).

J&L say both parties deserve blame. The Democratic Party must understand the need to move beyond, not abandon, its perceived "identity" politics approach and emphasize more universal approaches to inequality, and the need to improve the well being of our families and communities.

Can Democrats better remember the universality of the "American Creed" -- and combine it with the words of Martin Luther King?"

However, J&L stress that the Republican Party has mainly caused the American divide, with its obstructionism, partisan hostility and extremist policies. Likewise, they say the GOP's finds itself directed by right wing, very wealthy donor groups and Fox News type media.

Traditional Republicans, moderates and conservatives, J&L say, need to regain control of their party. If not possible, these groups need re-create a new Republican party. It may have a new name, but it must return to former principles and more diverse constituency.

J&L indicate a precedence exists for such re-creation. They point to Germany's center-right Christian Democratic Union (CDU) which with unsullied leadership, formed following the wreckage out of discredited Nazi, right wing tradition. This they accomplished even though part of their country fell under Russian control (including KGB agent Vladimir Putin). Interestingly, the CDU has formed a coalition government with the Social Democrats -- partly to keep Germany's far right away from power.

Can Republicans have a CDU like transformation?

The ending question:  
 Can our middle aged democracy, with dogged determination, tolerance, and mutual forbearance return our special American Creed - individual freedom and egalitarianism?

Yes, one hopes. Without that, we and our, from Independence, diverse democracy lose.

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# Bill of Rights not easily changed

The present assault on the 2nd Amendment reminds us of the 2013 Western States Sheriff's Rebellion stopping cold President Barack Obama's new 23 executive orders further restricting the right of gun owners without authorization from Congress. But today Republicans need to be reminded that neither the executive branch, through executive orders, nor the legislative branch, through laws, can constitutionally legislate away an amendment of the Bill of Rights, so banning AR-15's or bump stocks is unconstitutional. Only a new amendment with 3/4ths support of the states, as outlined in Article V of the Constitution, can alter an amendment.

Many may not remember their basic U.S. history courses as to why the Second Amendment exists in the first place. Certainly, when enacted, there was no thought of restricting type of firearm, or where, or who could carry. So its placement as the second most valued freedom in the Bill of Rights had nothing to do with personal safety or even hunting, these were already assumed. It was specifically placed right after freedom of religion, speech, press and assembly to make certain that these freedoms were never taken from us. It was aimed (pun intended) squarely at the government. But certainly, we need have no fear of the government today?

One must remember that the early patriots did not ask the existing British government if they could revolt against them. They argued in the Declaration of Independence, that they were "endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" coming from a much higher source

than mere man and that "whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government." God is referenced five times in this document and thus, they believed, He sanctioned their rebellion. They were expected to suffer evils while sufferable, "but when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariable the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security."

The right of revolution requires the means of revolution and this is why the Second Amendment exists. Normally the ballot box is the only self-correction needed, but they had no intention of giving up the same right that they exercised to give us freedom in the first place. Nor were they pious enough to assume that their correction would stay in place and that future generations would never need the more serious self-correction they used.

The wordage of the 2nd Amendment was stronger than any other sentence in the Constitution. "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

They saw this right as essential to freedom and specifically forbade the federal government any authority



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with respect to arms because historically it was always a government that took away liberty. An armed populace had twice proved its value to liberty in the Revolutionary War. Many do not remember why Lexington and Concord were so important. The Americans learned that the British planned to go door to door to confiscate their firearms so they gathered and hid them in these two villages. Now the British night gun raid, and Paul Revere's desperate midnight ride warning the Americans enroute, make sense. The Battle of Saratoga preventing British conquest of the north-east by General Johnny Burgoyne was stopped, not by the military, but by angry farmers with their own military styled assault rifles. This American victory encouraged other countries, notably France, to come into the war on our side. It is doubtful that we would have won the war without an armed citizenry.

The Founders' attitude regarding guns—even military issue—was clear. Thomas Jefferson wrote: "No free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms." And George Washington said: "A free people ought not only to be armed," but also, "they should promote such manufactures [sic] as tend to remind them independent of others for essential, particularly military, supplies" (Gun Control, Freeman Report, May 31, 1975, p. 1).

The Utah Sheriff's Association letter

to Obama was the most vocal in the Sheriff's Rebellion of 2013. It read in part, "We respect the Office of the President of the United States of America. But, make no mistake, as the duly-elected sheriffs of our respective counties, we will enforce the rights guaranteed to our citizens by the Constitution. No federal official will be permitted to descend upon our constituents and take from them what the Bill of Rights—in particular Amendment II—has given them. We, like you, swore a solemn oath to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, and we are prepared to trade our lives for the preservation of its traditional interpretation."

This is commendable, but will Congress, under Republicans, remember that an amendment, unlike a law, may not be altered to destroy or weakened—it "shall not be infringed?" The 2nd Amendment can only be altered by 3/4th of the states with a new amendment and this is not likely to happen when so many Americans fear their own government.

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## WCAC offers free tax prep

SOUTHBRIDGE—Worcester County Community Action Council Inc. will offer free tax preparation in Southbridge as part of its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program for low and moderate income working individuals and families. Services will be available by appointment only at the agency's Healthy Families of Southern Worcester County office, 61 Pine St., on Thursday and Friday evenings through the end of March. Call (508) 909-0061 x 10 to schedule an appointment. The program is supported in part by a grant from the United Way of Southbridge,

Sturbridge & Charlton.

Recognizing the economic challenges facing so many in the community, the ability to have income taxes prepared for free by volunteers trained to identify all eligible credits, will result in local families securing and retaining greater returns, which ultimately are returned to the local economy in investments in housing (purchase or rent), vehicles (repair or purchase) and the like. WCAC recognizes the VITA program as an important strategy to build household assets and increase economic self-sufficiency for low and moderate

income working individuals and families. WCAC has operated a VITA site in the city of Worcester for more than a decade. This is the first time the agency has been able to open the program to the town of Southbridge.

This expansion represents one of the financial empowerment programs the agency will make available to Southbridge residents this year. This spring, the WCAC will launch Bank on Worcester County, a partnership with local financial institutions funded by the Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts and designed to

connect unbanked residents in Southbridge with affordable, safe transaction accounts at Cornerstone Bank.

Since 1965, the Worcester County Community Action Council has served as the federally designated anti-poverty agency for central and southern Worcester County, with a mission of helping people move to economic self-sufficiency through programs, partnerships and advocacy.

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## Speech contest winners move to next level of competition

STURBRIDGE — Village Toastmasters hosted its annual international speech and table topics contests March 1.

Cheri Carty of Brookfield and Adam Thibeault of Holland took home the club's awards, respectively, and now they move on to the next level of competition.

Toastmasters' International Speech Contest is an annual event in which tens of thousands of people from around the world compete to deliver the most compelling five- to seven-minute

speech. Contestant speeches are evaluated based on their organization and content, mode and style of delivery and the correct and skilled use of language.

Carty crafted and delivered a relatable and amusing speech about nervousness and human emotion surrounding public speaking. Using emoticons placards to punctuate her speech, she wowed the judges.

The Table Topics contest centers on short impromptu speeches. Each contestant is asked the same question and then responds with a one- to two-minute

off-the-cuff speech.

This year's question was, "describe your future in three words?" Aspire to inspire were the words Thibeault chose. He impressed the judges with his thoughtful and articulate explanation of those words and his future.

As the winners of the Village Toastmasters contests, Carty and Thibeault move on to the Area 56 contests where they will each compete against four other club-level winners. The Area 56 Contest will be held at AbbVie Research Labs in Worcester on

Tuesday, March 27, 6-9 p.m.

Visitors are always welcome at Toastmasters meeting and contests.

Village Toastmasters, located in Sturbridge, is focused on helping members improve their public speaking and leadership skills while building confidence in their abilities. The group meets every Thursday night 7-8:15 p.m. at the offices of the Chamber of Central Mass South, 46 Hall Road. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, visit [VillageToastmasters.org](http://VillageToastmasters.org).

## Foundation accepting applications for Leicester Savings Bank Fund

Greater Worcester Community Foundation is now accepting applications for its Leicester Savings Bank Fund. The fund is seeking proposals for projects that work to build a stronger community and improve the quality of life for all in Leicester. Specifically, the fund supports projects that:

Make a positive difference for vulnerable citizens in the Leicester community.

Improve the community of life in Leicester through com-

munity development, education, recreation, human services, or the arts.

Attracts other resources or secure matching funds from public or private sources.

Any non-municipal association or nonprofit organization serving Leicester is encouraged to apply. Grants are not generally awarded from this Fund to individuals or municipal agencies.

Applications must be received by April 13. For more

information, contact Sarah Shugrue, [sshugrue@greaterworcester.org](mailto:sshugrue@greaterworcester.org) or (508) 755-0980 x109.

Established in 1997 with an endowment gift of \$1 million to Greater Worcester Community Foundation, the Leicester Savings Bank Fund was created as a result of the merger between Country Bank for Savings in Ware with the Leicester Savings Bank. The Leicester Savings Bank Fund is a permanent charitable

resource to benefit residents of Leicester, Massachusetts.

Greater Worcester Community Foundation unites people from diverse sectors to create positive change within our region. Created and built by local individuals, this permanent endowment is used to create personal and lasting legacies that improve lives and conditions within the community. Established in 1975, the Foundation has awarded more than \$110 million to cul-

tural educational, human service and civic organizations.

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## Indian Ranch holding job fair

Indian Ranch announced its hosting a Job Fair to find qualified candidates to fill open full time, part time, and seasonal positions. The fair will take place Tuesday, March 20 from 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM in Slater's Function Hall at Indian Ranch, 200 Gore Road in Webster.

Indian Ranch is seeking to hire people for the numerous positions they have available. Jobs include work in the different facets of Indian Ranch operations including at the amphitheatre, Indian Princess, Samuel Slater's Restaurant, and Campground. Open positions include bartenders, waitstaff, security, boat and campground maintenance, grounds handyman, office staff, and more.

Candidates should come prepared with a completed application and resume. On-the-spot interviews will be conducted during the fair. Those who cannot make the fair in person may send their application materials to Indian Ranch directly by emailing [jobs@indianranch.com](mailto:jobs@indianranch.com) or direct mail to Indian Ranch, 200 Gore Road, Webster, MA 01570 Attention: Jobs.

For more details and a list of open positions, please visit the Indian Ranch Employment Page: <http://indianranch.com/about/employment/>

### Rabies clinic planned

LEICESTER – A rabies vaccination clinic will be held on Saturday, March 24.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to noon at Town Hall (3 Washburn Square). Each vaccination costs \$12; only cash will be accepted.

Prior vaccination history is required for a three-year certificate, and licensing is available with the Town Clerk. The event is being sponsored by the Leicester Animal Control Department, Webster Square Animal Clinic, and the Town Clerk's office.

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# Celebrate Soups!



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Soup, whether it's simple or fancy, is steeped in memories, and many a long, cold New England winter has been cheered by bowls of soup that warm both body and soul. While fast food and quick fix suppers often win out over slow simmering stews and soups for busy weeknight meals, soups still have a place in today's suppertime scramble. Soups are not only deliciously filling, they're typically made with fresh, healthy ingredients. Add in the money saving factor, the convenience of one pot cooking and the opportunity for unbridled culinary creativeness, and it's easy to see why America is rekindling its love affair with soups and stews.

Read on for a dose of inspiration to cook up a pot of soup this season!

**Heirloom Soups:** A generation or so ago soup suppers were not uncommon. Many of these diverse dishes reflected the ethnic background of the family at the dinner table. A hearty bowl of pasta fagioli and crusty bread was a familiar supper in Italian neighborhoods, as Jewish families enjoyed chicken matzo ball soup with braided challah, and those of French Canadian decent baked Johnny cake to go with a pot of green pea soup. Today, many of these family

recipes have been passed down to new generations. While the recipes may be tweaked by enthusiastic Food Network inspired cooks, the tradition of preparing a soup supper, whether it's made from chicken or beans, remains the same. As most cooks will attest, something magical happens when a big pot of water begins filling up with ingredients. Kids stop their homework to peek into the pot; spouses sneak in for a quick taste; and like the classic French fable "Stone Soup," a dash of this and a handful of that contributed by family members add up to not only scrumptious soup, but precious memories as well.

**Tip:** Start a "soup tradition" by preparing a pot of soup to honor an ethnic tradition once a month.

**Inspirational Ingredients:** In some cultures, it is believed a cook's mood, good or bad, can ultimately affect the taste and enjoyment of the meal he or she has prepared. Some claim this to be particularly relevant to soups, simply due to the many chopping and cutting tasks required for soup and stew preparation. "Spiritual cooking" has become a buzz word in the culinary world as mindfulness and love, as well as chanting and prayer are being integrated into cooking chores in the belief it will heighten both flavor and awareness.

**Tip:** Make it a habit to de-stress before cooking, take a few deep breaths, smile and think positive thoughts as you prep and cook in the kitchen.

**Food for Thought - Fun Soup Facts:**

\*The earliest evidence of humans eating soup was 6000 BC. The main ingredient was hippopotamus.

\*The ladies of the French court of Louis XI subsisted mainly on soup because they believed that chewing would cause them to develop facial wrinkles.

\*The story goes that in the late 1700s, French royal chefs created a clear broth (called consommé) because the king wanted to see his reflection in his bowl.

\*Soup is a breakfast food in Japan. The day is often started with a bowl of fish broth with rice.

\*There is an old Yiddish saying, "Troubles are easier to take with soup than without."

\*Frank Sinatra's contracts often specified that chicken and rice soup be in his dressing room prior to performances.

\*Andy Warhol said he painted soup cans because he had soup for lunch every day for 20 years.

**Crock Pot Tomato Soup**  
Whole tomatoes and basil bring freshness to this classic, healthy soup. Best of all, it cooks while you're at work!

**Ingredients:** 8 medium tomatoes; 1 medium onion, chopped; 2 carrots, peeled and thinly sliced; 1 garlic clove, crushed; 1 tablespoon brown sugar; 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil; 1 tablespoon chopped parsley; 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/8 teaspoon pepper; 3 cups chicken broth or bouillon.

**Directions:** Drop tomatoes in a pan of boiling water for 15 to 20 seconds; immediately rinse

with cold water. Remove skins. Cut in half crosswise; squeeze out and discard seeds. Combine in slow-cooker with onions, carrots, garlic, brown sugar, basil, parsley, Worcestershire sauce, salt, pepper and broth (or bouillon). Cover and cook on low 5 to 6 hours or until vegetables are very soft. Puree in blender or food processor fitted with metal blade.

**Giada De Laurentiis' Italian Wedding Soup**

This homemade recipe comes from the kitchen of the famous food network cook.

**Meatball Ingredients:** 1 small onion, grated; 1/3 cup chopped fresh Italian parsley; 1 large egg; 1 teaspoon minced garlic; 1 teaspoon salt; 1 slice fresh white bread, crust trimmed, bread torn into small pieces; 1/2 cup grated Parmesan; 8 ounces ground beef; 8 ounces ground pork; Freshly ground black pepper

**Soup Ingredients:** 12 cups low-sodium chicken broth; 1 pound curly endive, coarsely chopped (1 pound of escarole would be a good substitution); 2 large eggs; 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan, plus extra for garnish; Salt and freshly ground black pepper.

**Meatball Directions:** To make the meatballs: Stir the first 6 ingredients in a large bowl to blend. Stir in the cheese, beef and pork. Using 1 1/2 teaspoons for each, shape the meat mixture into 1-inch-diameter meatballs. Place on a baking sheet.

**Soup Directions:** Bring the broth to a boil in a large pot over medium-high heat. Add the meatballs and curly endive and simmer until the meatballs are cooked through and the

curly endive is tender, about 8 minutes. Whisk the eggs and cheese in a medium bowl to blend. Stir the soup in a circular motion. Gradually drizzle the egg mixture into the moving broth, stirring gently with a fork to form thin strands of egg, about one minute. Season the soup to taste with salt and pepper. Ladle the soup into bowls and serve. Finish soup with parmesan cheese if desired.

**Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House**

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

*Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of The Southbridge Evening News? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint! C/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO BOX 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or E-mail KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.*

## If funded legislation would improve town hall

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER - The State Senate recently approved a bill seeking funding for improvements in several towns across the Commonwealth. If the bill becomes law, Leicester has already proposed multiple projects to receive its portion of the funding.

The Senate voted last month to authorize up to \$3.65 billion in bonds for repairs and improvements of capital facilities across the state. Spending authorizations in the bill include bonds for state university and community college campus improvements, public safety and security facility upgrades, environmental programs, and infrastructure priorities for central

Massachusetts.

"This bill will allow the Commonwealth to maintain and improve capital facilities across the state, ultimately benefiting local residents," said Senator Michael Moore, of Millbury. "The legislation authorizes investments in sectors that are critical for the continued success of our communities."

The bill would authorize the issuance of bonds for the improvement of capital facilities and for general government operations, Moore said. If the funding is received in Leicester, it has been proposed for distribution to the following projects, Town Administrator David Genereux said. Final authorization would need to come from selectmen if the bill becomes law.

\$400,000 for Town Hall accessibility improvements

\$250,000 for a Town Common revitalization

\$175,000 for a revitalization of Burncoat Park and Towtaid Park

Town hall accessibility improvements continue to be a major emphasis for officials, who have spent the better part of two decades transforming the building into modernized offices. Selectmen said it is far too early to make any further proposals for the funding, as the bill must receive additional approvals before moving forward. The next step is for the bill to be reconciled with a version passed by the State House of Representatives, which may cause the funding amounts to be significantly decreased in certain areas.

The Senate bill calls for an increase in spending authorizations for the University of Massachusetts and other state colleges. In addition, the bill would increase several design and construction thresholds for the state's Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance. This would enable state leaders to keep pace with the current costs of construction in Massachusetts, Senator Moore said.

Other local communities like Auburn and Northbridge would also benefit from funding disbursements if the bill is approved.

To track the progress of the legislation, please visit [www.malegislature.gov](http://www.malegislature.gov).

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## When hair becomes valuable

When I was appraising items at the event for the Quaboag Historical Society, someone brought in a mourning locket. It had a painting of the deceased person and a lock of his hair inside a small glass chamber. Making jewelry from the hair of a loved one was a fairly common practice during the 19th century.



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the practice of wearing mourning jewelry.

Hair jewelry and wreaths were a way to show your connection to a departed loved one. The use of hair was more common during this era. Women of the era exchanged locks of hair as a love token.

The trend wasn't limited to the upper class. The middle class also wore mourning jewelry. Wreaths made of wire and human hair from a departed loved one were fashioned together. Sometimes hair from both living and deceased family members were combined into a wreath.

Mourning jewelry sells for a wide range of prices. Some pieces sell for well under \$50, but others can bring much higher prices. Like any other piece of jewelry, the materials that were used and the craftsmanship

are important factors. We sold a 24 karat gold brooch with seed pearls, diamond chips and a compartment that held hair for over \$2,000 at one of our auctions.

Hair from deceased celebrities and historical figures can bring huge prices. A Time Magazine article listed some auction prices for human hair. A lock of John F Kennedy's hair sold for \$3,000, as did a lock of Neil Armstrong's. Mickey Mantle's hair set a buyer back \$6,900. Beethoven's hair reached \$7,300.

Auction records show that a lock of Ulysses S. Grant's hair sold for \$5,000 in 2012. Rock singer, David Bowie's hair brought \$15,000 in 2016. George Washington's hair sold for \$26,000 the same year. Abraham Lincoln's sold for a bit more at \$32,500. Lincoln's assassin's hair, John Wilkes Booth, went to a buyer at \$25,000. CNBC reported that a tress from Marilyn Monroe sold for nearly \$40,000 at auction

in 2016. A lock of John Lennon's hair fetched \$48,000. A letter signed by Robert E. Lee, along with a pocket knife and lock of hair reached \$55,000 in 2014. A former CIA employee sold the fingerprints, death photos and lock of hair from Che Guevara. The lot brought \$110,000 at auction. Elvis Presley's personal barber surreptitiously stashed away a strand of Presley's pompadour. It sold for the hair raising price of \$119,500.

I'll be appraising items for the Leicester Historical Society on March 19. The event takes place at 7:00 p.m. at the Leicester Senior Center. See [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for details on this and other events.

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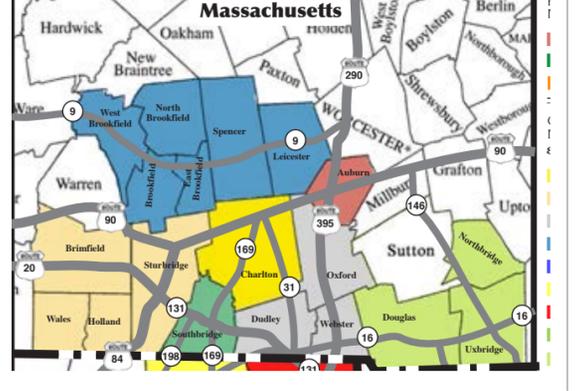
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# SPORTS

## Northampton denies Warriors their first Western Mass. title



Nick Ethier photos

From left, Tantasqua captains Victoria Bowler, Lindsey Zak and Rachel Godek, as well as head coach Tom Goyette, stand proudly with the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament runner-up trophy after falling to Northampton, 57-44.



Rachel Godek of Tantasqua drives the baseline on Northampton defender Bailey Maurer.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

AMHERST — Playing in its first sectional final since the 1986-87 season — where they captured the Central Mass. Division 2 Tournament title — the Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity basketball team was hoping to win another championship when they played Northampton High for the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament crown at the Curry Hicks Cage on the cam-

pus of UMass-Amherst on Saturday, March 10.

Unfortunately for the second ranked Warriors, the top seeded Blue Devils employed a strong full-court press that resulted in 17 Tantasqua first half turnovers. That pushed Northampton out to a 33-17 halftime lead. The Warriors had a better second half but it wasn't enough, as the Blue Devils emerged victorious, 57-44, winning their first district title in 10 years.

"We haven't seen that type of full-court pressure pretty much all year," said Tantasqua head coach Tom Goyette. "They were tenacious out there and they attacked us. They created a lot of those turnovers, but half of them we created our-

selves."

Nerves also played a part in the Warriors' slow start, according to junior Lindsey Zak.

"I definitely think it was nerves, but also our 17 turnovers didn't help us out much," she said.

The Warriors actually held a 10-8 lead after the initial eight-minute quarter, but the Blue Devils surged ahead — and never lost their lead — when they scored nine of the second quarter's first 11 points.

Northampton won the frame by a 25-7 count to lead, 33-17, at halftime.

"We had to regroup in a hurry and in the second half we did," explained Goyette. "We had a strong second half and we made a couple runs... but they made a couple big baskets and foul shots to keep that distance."

That was true, as Tantasqua won the third quarter, 14-7, to pull within nine points, 40-31, heading into the final frame.

But the Blue Devils held their composure and hit eight of their nine fourth quarter free throw attempts (Amanda Mieczkowski, who scored a game-high 21 points, was seven-of-eight from the stripe in the frame) to win, improve to 19-3, and advance to the Division 2 state semifinals, where they will play Central Mass. representative Hopkinton High.

The Warriors finished 19-4. "We can't let this one loss diminish what we did all year," said Goyette. "We won the SWCL title, had 17 wins in a row at one point and made it to the district finals."

Goyette pointed to the senior leadership of Victoria Bowler and Rachel Godek as a key to Tantasqua's success.

"They were fantastic captains for us and really kept the younger players involved. They were just a great influence on the younger players," he said.

But the Warriors are a young bunch, as they will return their entire starting five.

"It really bodes well for us for the future and they're only going to get better," said Goyette.

In fact, 42 of Tantasqua's 44 points were scored by players that will return to the lineup. Freshman Ainsley Way led the way with 15 points, freshman Madison Varney had seven, Zak six, freshman Morgan Smith six, sophomore Lydia Boland four and sophomore Jillian Routhier four, while Godek added two.

When asked about the next season, Zak was confident that the Warriors would be back in search of their first Western Mass. title.

"I think we'll start thinking about it right now," she said. "I think next year we're going to be here but we're going to win and go even further next year."

Goyette said that that will be the team's plan.

"You always want to go one step further — or more," he concluded.



The Northampton High girls' varsity basketball team storms the court after defeating Tantasqua Regional for the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament title.



Tantasqua's Emerson Cherry heaves a pass deep down the court versus Northampton.



Morgan Smith of Tantasqua, right, calls for an inbounds pass while being defended by Northampton's Bailey Maurer.

**ATHLETE**  
of the **WEEK**  
Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity basketball team

The Warriors advanced to a sectional final for the first time in 31 years when they took on Northampton High for the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament title on Saturday, March 10 at UMass-Amherst's Curry Hicks Cage. Tantasqua lost the game, 57-44, to end its miraculous season with a record of 19-4.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### High Hoops to host free AAU basketball tryouts

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### Renewed Leicester High School Athletic Hall of Fame seeking nominations

Leicester High School is pleased to announce a renewed commitment to

the Leicester High School Athletic Hall of Fame. After a 14-year hiatus, a selection committee has been formed and plans made for an induction ceremony in the fall of 2018. Members of the committee are as follows:

- Thomas Lauder — Chair
  - George Albro — Vice Chair
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  - Kimberly Ferdella
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- The committee will be accepting nominations until April 30. Nominations can be made to any member of the committee or via email at [lhshof@lpsma.net](mailto:lhshof@lpsma.net). Nominees must

have graduated from Leicester High School at least 10 years prior to the induction ceremony. Nominees for the Hall of Fame Class of 2018 must have graduated Leicester High School in 2008 or before. When considering submitting an athlete as a nominee, possible accolades may include:

- Selection as a Telegram and Gazette All-Star
- Selection as a Central Massachusetts, State and Regional All-Star
- Selection as Leicester High School recipient of Contributed Most to Athletics Award
- Selection as Leicester High School Wolverine of the Year
- High school multiple sport participation
- Collegiate sport participation

# SPORTS

## HOW THEY GOT THERE

### Tantasqua takes down Spartans en route to first district final appearance in 31 years



Tantasqua's Morgan Smith watches her jump shot fly toward the basket.

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SPRINGFIELD — Team defense and a strong offensive fourth quarter provided No. 2 Tantasqua Regional the magical potion it needed to defeat No. 3 East Longmeadow High, 45-31, in a Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament girls' var-

sity basketball semifinal at Western New England University on Tuesday, March 6. The win gave the Warriors (19-3) a spot in the district final, where they will play top-seeded Northampton High (18-3) at UMass-Amherst's Curry Hicks Cage. Tantasqua hasn't advanced that far in the tournament since the 1986-87 team won the Central Mass. Division 2 bracket.

"I'm kind of just in shock right now," said junior Lindsey Zak.

"I think that we came out knowing that we wanted it more," added sophomore Lydia Boland.

The fact that Tantasqua is so young — they start Zak, Boland and a freshmen troika of Morgan Smith, Madison Varney and Ainsley Way — and has advanced to a district final is a testament to their team-first mentality.

"Our young team, they know what they're doing," said Zak. "I really think them [the freshmen], on top of us [myself and Boland], can take this team far."

"We all play well together, it's not just one player," added Boland.

Boland led the way with 15 points, while Zak finished with 12 points and nine rebounds. Varney chipped in seven points, Smith provided six points and nine rebounds, and Way produced four points and 10 rebounds.

Tantasqua head coach Tom Goyette noted that the game was a defensive struggle in the first half — the Warriors led, 17-13, at intermission — before his team turned on the jets in the second half, outscoring the Spartans, 28-18, over the final two frames. Tantasqua had its best point-producing quarter in the fourth, where they netted 17 points to pull away.

"We both locked down on the defensive end in the first half, but in the second half we started to get better flow with the ball," said Goyette. "We executed a little better as well and we found people getting open."

With the Warriors leading in the first few minutes of the fourth quar-



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua's Madison Varney blows by East Longmeadow's Madison Maurer on a drive to the basket.

ter, 30-24, Boland fought through East Longmeadow's interior defense for a layup and Zak followed on the next possession with a left-corner 3-pointer to extend the advantage to 35-24, which felt monumental based off the game's pace and defensive presence.

"Goyette tells us at practice that when you have the open shot, take it," said Zak. "I really just left it all on the court and when it went in, [a double-digit lead] for this game really brought our energy up because [an 11-point lead] felt like 20."

A few minutes later, with Tantasqua ahead, 39-30, Boland took a charge on the defensive end to provide the Warriors with even more momentum.

"When girls come down I know how to plant my feet because the refs see that I'm little," the 5-foot-5 Boland said of her simple strategy.

Boland then went six-for-six from the free throw line down the stretch — Zak was also two-for-two from the stripe in the quarter — to silence any chance of an East Longmeadow (14-8) comeback.

"We've been practicing every day," Boland said of taking and making free throws, noting that her personal best is 12 made in a row, while Zak's is a monstrous 34 consecutive made.

Defense and free throw shooting can be the keys to winning a district championship, which Tantasqua will next try to do for the first time in 31 years.

### Auburn sees season end at hands of Tomahawks, 4-1



Auburn's Drew Darger attempts to shoot the puck up and over the reach of Algonquin defender Jack Shemligian.

FITCHBURG — Back on Jan. 31, the Auburn High boys' varsity ice hockey team tied Algonquin Regional, 1-1, at the Horgan Arena.

And, when the Rockets took on the Tomahawks in the semifinals of the Central Mass. Division 3 Tournament at the Wallace Civic Center on Tuesday, March 6, Auburn and Algonquin again found themselves tied, 1-1, through two periods of play.

But the second ranked Tomahawks scored three times in the third period — one being an empty-netter late in the contest — to end the third seeded Rockets' season, 4-1. Goalie Cam Carpenter was outstanding in net for Auburn, as



Photos courtesy Mark Seliger, www.SeligerPhotography.com

Auburn's Ryan Lempicki chases down an Algonquin puck possessor.

he turned aside 33 shots. The Rockets, whose co-op team also includes athletes from Shepherd Hill Regional, Tantasqua Regional and Millbury High, finished with a record of 13-6-3. Algonquin advanced to the district final, where they then lost to No. 1 Shrewsbury High, 4-1.



Auburn's Collin McKeon works the puck along the boards and past Thomas Ackil of Algonquin.



Cam Dungey of Auburn tries to move the puck along the boards while battling with Algonquin's Henry Alford.

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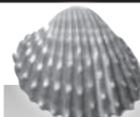
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Now that ice fishing has ended early in Massachusetts on local ponds & lakes, some anglers are still fishing Maine waters that have 20 + inches of ice on them. Some local fishermen are also setting their sights on some steelhead and brown trout fishing in upstate New York.

The two anglers in this week's photos show a couple of anglers holding large steelhead and brown trout, taken on the Salmon River in upstate NY a while ago, while fishing with the Yankee Anglers Guide Service. The steelhead trout are the most acrobatic fish in the river, and will give a fisherman the thrill of a lifetime when they are hooked into one of these hard fighting fish. You do not need a guide to fish the Salmon River, but extreme caution should be used when navigating the river from the shoreline while using waders or hip boots. The rocks in the river are extremely slippery and require an angler to have felt pads or studded boots to keep from slipping on the bottom structure. March and April are prime times to fish the Salmon River, and it is only five hours away.

Mass Fish & Wildlife trucks should be busy stocking trout in local



Two examples of steelhead and brown trout caught in upstate New York on the Salmon River.

ponds and lakes in the coming days and weeks. The Division of Fish & Wildlife has more than 500,000 trout to stock this year. Reports of some brood stocked salmon being stocked in Connecticut waters recently, has some anglers hopeful that Massachusetts may be in line for some of these fish in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!

Prior to the last two snow storms, tree frogs were busy singing their mating calls in my backyard pond. I thought for sure spring had arrived, but that was wishful thinking. I had taken the lawn chairs out and started to wear my shorts, but they have all been put back into storage.

I did get to pull my boat out of storage and managed to get it ready for opening day at Wallum Lake before the snow

returned. Wallum Lake is still closed to all fishing. It will reopen on April 14. The interstate pond provides Massachusetts anglers with the only opening day for trout fishermen in the area, and is governed by Rhode Island regulations. Five trout are allowed daily. Efforts by local fishermen in the valley to make Wallum Lake a trophy brown trout fishery by Massachusetts and Rhode Island more than 30 years ago, failed when the two states were unable to communicate with each other. Fishermen were the losers!!!

Numerous efforts to introduce smelt into the lake were not realized mainly because of acid rain problems, but that was corrected when this writer and other local fishermen were successful in having "Living Lakes" bring in more



Courtesy photos

biologists were reluctant to introduce the new strain of brown trout into Wallum Lake. Maybe the new fish biologist will be willing to give it a try. I hope so!!! They are still available.

This past week I spoke with the new owners of the AI's Goldfish Lure Company at the Saltwater Fishing Show in Providence RI. Back when I was a youngster, I always had a goldfish in my tackle box, and so did everyone else, and we still do today. Today AI's Goldfish Lure Company has introduced numerous new fresh and saltwater fishing lures. Check them out on their web site at [www.alsgoldfishlurecompany.com](http://www.alsgoldfishlurecompany.com).

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun club will host their annual spring archery shoot Sunday March 25. Anyone that enjoys shooting their long bow or compound bow is invited to attend. Breakfast will be available. Noel Rabidor, chairman of the event, does an exceptional job setting up the course, and has some new 3-D targets for attendees to shoot at this year. For more information go to the web site at [www.uxbridgerodgun.com](http://www.uxbridgerodgun.com).

*Note: Because of bad weather the public hearing to extend the archery season in zones 10-14 was postponed to April 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mass Fish & Wildlife field headquarters.*

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introduce smelt and shoal spawning alewives into the lake over the years, with the shoal spawning alewives having some success. Maybe it is time to try the alewives again, and to work with Rhode Island, limiting anglers to a daily brown trout bag limit to two fish. Wallum Lake is capable of growing four pound and six pound browns and better if the bait fish are introduced into the lake. I know, because I myself, and others, caught them not long ago.

This writer also approached Mass Fish & Wildlife about acquiring a brown trout strain from upstate NY! Anyone that has fished Lake Ontario for browns, know what I am talking about. The brown trout grow fast and are aggressive feeders. Trout do not grow fast on insects. At the time, Massachusetts fish

than 10 tractor trailers full of lime. The money was made available by large factories out west, that were identified as the major cause of the acid rain. The lime was spread out over the lake using a large boat that was equipped with the latest equipment, capable of spreading the lime using some of the first computerized technology. Prior to the spreading of lime at Wallum Lake, Massachusetts had stopped the stocking of rainbow trout because of the acid rain problem. Rainbow trout are now stocked annually at Wallum with no problems. We hear very little about acid rain today, but it has not gone away, and could get worse with the lifting of regulations on emissions by President Trump.

Massachusetts made numerous attempts to

# Grow a bountiful garden and share with the hungry

Do you always squeeze in an extra tomato plant, another row of beans or hill of zucchini? It seems like a good idea at the time, until they all start to produce all at once. Your family, friends and co-workers start to hide as you try to pawn off yet another bag of zucchini or tomatoes. Here is a solution that satisfies your gardening obsession and feeds the hungry in your community. Designate some growing space to a Giving Garden and donate the harvest to your local food pantry.

Feeding America reports that 41 million Americans struggle with hunger. And many are children and seniors. Gardener's Supply Company is inviting gardeners to lend a hand and take the "Garden to Give" pledge to grow food to give to those in need.

They surveyed food pantries to find out what types of fruits and veggies people most enjoy eating, and those that store well. You'll find a simple Giving Garden plan for beets, carrots, cabbage, Swiss chard, kale and winter squash on their website at [gardeners.com](http://gardeners.com). Best of all these late maturing vegetables will be ready for harvest all at about the same time, so you can make your donation in just one trip.

Don't let a lack of space stop you from participating. Plant a row or container of one or more of these vegetables to share; join forces with a neighbor who may have the space, but only limited time to garden; or gather a few friends and rent a community garden plot. Together you can grow fresh produce and memories to share.

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in growing and giving. Gardening increases focus, decreases stress and elevates children's moods. Giving helps children grow into caring well-rounded adults. Plus, if they grow the vegetables, they are more likely

to eat them!

Be sure to capture a few photographs of your donation to inspire others to follow your lead. Starting in August, you can enter Gardener's Supply's online "Show What You Share," photo contest for a chance to win a prize for you and your local food pantry.

With the "Garden to Give," program, everyone who participates is a winner. The real prize is making a difference while doing something you love. Once you've experienced the benefits of sharing fresh produce with the hungry in your community, you are likely to find yourself making regular donations of garden fresh fruits and veggies to those in need... and feeling great about it, too.

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



Rob Cardillo photo

Produce about to be transported to a food pantry in West Philadelphia.

# Travel restrictions scheduled on Sagamore Bridge

CONCORD — Replacement of damaged roadway joints on the Sagamore Bridge spanning the Cape Cod Canal in Bourne is scheduled to start in late-March 2018 and continue through late May 2018, according to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers New England District officials.

During the scheduled times for work, travel over the Sagamore Bridge will be reduced from two lanes in each direction to one, wider 12-foot lane in each direction.

State and local police will be on duty at all times work is being performed to assist the motoring public.

Motorists planning to use the Sagamore Bridge during this timeframe should be aware that travel delays are likely to occur during the morning and afternoon peak travel periods each day.

The \$1,695,000 contract for replacement of damaged and worn roadway joints was awarded to R. Zoppo Corporation of Stoughton. The

contractor will work seven days a week with double shifts in order to complete this work prior to the peak summer travel season. Additionally, similar work on the Bourne Bridge is scheduled for fall 2018.

This bridge work is critical to maintaining the structural integrity of the bridges, which are a vital component to the transportation system of the Cape, the Islands and southeastern Massachusetts.

Work will include the replacement of bridge joints on

the roadway, repair of corroded steel and concrete supports at the affected joints, patching of damaged pavement surfaces, and replacement of deteriorated waterproof membranes along the roadway curbs. In addition, USACE work crews will conduct various periodic maintenance activities on the bridge lighting and structure during this timeframe.

Traffic signs, message boards and bridge work alert emails will be used to help inform motorists about pending lane

restrictions and bridge work. To sign up for bridge work alert emails send an email to [CapeCodCanalBridges@usace.army.mil](mailto:CapeCodCanalBridges@usace.army.mil) with the subject title "Bridge Work Alerts." An email alert is sent when there is a major change to the bridge work status or schedule.

Additionally, updates are available from the Corps' New England District via Facebook and Twitter at [CorpsNewEngland](https://www.facebook.com/CorpsNewEngland) or visit the District website at <http://www.nae.usace.army.mil>.

**BAY PATH**

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For Bay Path, that sum has accumulated to just over \$701,000, which he said is about 3.5 percent of the total budget. By law, the limit is five percent, at which point the state begins cutting its Chapter 70 aid, he said. This year's \$200,000 from the taxpayers will be added to \$351,027 from the school's "Excess and Deficiency" account (equivalent to Free Cash in town budgets) to pay down most of that sum, he added.

"It really ballooned up" during the recent renovation/expansion project, largely because they couldn't put funds into various programs then being redesigned,

LaFleche said.

Regarding the building project itself, Business Manager Dean Iacobucci said he expects the Mass School Building Authority to vote on the final audit at either its April or June meeting, thus formally concluding it. Between now and then, there are a few "punchlist" items to complete regarding the related propane tank replacement, which wasn't actually part of the project. The committee also unanimously voted to construct a new parking lot that's been in design for some time, with funds coming from internal transfers that won't add to towns' assessments.

Since the only guest was from Southbridge, Iacobucci's budget presentation used that town

as its key example of how things will work. He noted Southbridge is being allocated 44 freshman seats (same as Auburn, and the highest among the 10 member towns). That means Southbridge's foundation enrollment will stay the same at 191, while Auburn's is far lower (92 this year, 84 next); Charlton's will grow to second place with 190, and Oxford is third with 167. But the towns have significantly different assessments because of their economic conditions: Southbridge is being charged \$1,156,122, while both Charlton and Oxford are higher (\$1,888,782 and \$1,629,663, respectively), and Auburn's is nowhere near as far below Southbridge's as its enrollment would sug-

gest (\$1,057,063).

That prompted a reaction from Oxford representative Rene Hamel, who asked, "How come there's a large disparity between what Oxford has to pay than Southbridge or other towns?"

"The short answer is that Oxford is a wealthier community than Southbridge," LaFleche responded.

Iacobucci added, "with the exception of Oxford's share of that \$200,000, it's all required spending."

He noted Auburn's generally strong economy puts it in a similar situation, to which representative Jack Haroian asked if it would be "to Auburn's financial advantage to give up some seats." Iacobucci said each fewer student would reduce its assess-

ment, but LaFleche noted Auburn already doesn't fill its available seats.

Afterward, they commemorated two students for recent graphic design awards. Kaitlyn Chabot of Dudley came in third in the statewide SkillsUSA t-shirt design competition, while Elliot Zopatti of Webster won the contest to design a booklet for this year's Mass Vocational Association's annual banquet.

Those students and their peers will see a couple of changes to the student handbook next year, primarily to "increase the rate at which our students attend school," Dean of Students Daniel McGowan said. "These are processes we already have in place. We're really just putting them down in writing."

Specifically, more than eight shop days missed "may result in loss of credit," as will 10 academic days. Equally important was an increase in the penalty for on-campus smoking (either tobacco or electronic cigarettes) to in-house suspension, with simple possession getting a Saturday detention. The new rule refers to "the ability to place THC (the drug agent in marijuana) inside these mechanisms," but McGowan said he has not seen any evidence that THC "vaping" is on the rise, in part because it's hard to distinguish between nicotine and THC versions.

LaFleche thanked him for his work, saying, "the main goal is and always has been to keep students and staff safe."

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Police agencies can no longer print the names of people who are arrested or charged with domestic assault related charges. The new law is designed to protect victims, so they are not re-victimized through indirect identification.

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22

12:16 a.m. MV stop-verbal warning (Stafford St.); 1:51 a.m. ambulance (fStafford St.); 8:50 a.m. MV theft (Paxton St.); 10:27 a.m. MV stop (Main St.); 11:16 a.m. MV citation (Main St. and Winslow St.); 2:49 p.m. ambulance (from Main St.); 4:59 p.m. follow up investigation (South Main St.); 5: 52 p.m. MV stop leading to arrest (Pleasant St. and Hillcrest Rd.; arrested for OUI liquor, negligent operation of vehicle, marked lanes violation, lights violation, license not in possession; 154 Peter Salem Rd., Leicester, MA; 33 years old.); 6:01 p.m. follow up investigation (South Main St.); 9:08 p.m. follow up investigation leading to citation (King St.); 9:17 p.m. MV citation (River St.); 9:32 p.m. MV citation (Stafford St. and Huntoon Memorial Highway)

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23

5:46 a.m. ambulance (from Deer Pond Rd.); 7:33 p.m. suspicious vehicle (South Main St.); 10:58 a.m. MV citation (Church Place and Mill St.); 11:13 a.m. MV citation (River St.); 12:09 p.m. suspicious person (Chapel St.); 8:29 p.m. MV citation (Stafford St. and Pleasant St.); 8:38 p.m. MV stop (Pleasant St. and Peter Salem Rd.); 8:46 p.m. MV citation (Stafford St. and Pleasant St.); 9:08 p.m. MV stop (Stafford St. and Siani Rd.); 9:40 p.m. MV stop (Stafford St.); 9:57 p.m. ambulance (from Sabina Cir.); 11:47 p.m. MV stop (Main St. and Rawson St.); 11:52 p.m. MV stop (Henshaw St. and South Main St.)

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24

12:17 a.m. MV stop (Main St.); 12: 37



Courtesy photo.

The driver of this vehicle escaped injury after losing control on Pleasant Street and rolling over last week.

## Driver escapes with little injury

LEICESTER — A man walked away from a rollover crash without injury last week.

At approximately 8 p.m. on March 6, the driver of a maroon SUV lost control near 359 Pleasant St.

The driver was uninjured, though the car is a total loss. Police continue to investigate the cause of the incident. No charges have been filed as yet.

a.m. MV stop (Main St. and Mannville St.); 12:49 a.m. MV stop (Mill St. and Church Pla.; summons for operating vehicle with license suspended, subsequent offence); 12:57 a.m. MV citation (Stafford St.); 1:16 a.m. MV stop (Stafford St.); 1:20 a.m. MV stop (Stafford St.); 1:35 a.m. MV citation (Mill St. and Denny Place); 2:07 a.m. MV citation (Burncoat St.); 2:13 a.m. erratic operator leading to arrest for OUI liquor, negligent operation of MV, and marked lanes violation (Main St.; 18 Arch St. Apt #2F, North Brookfield, MA; 22 years old); 4:55 a.m. MV citation (Pleasant St.); 5:56 a.m. MV stop lead-

ing to arrest for unlicensed operation of MV (Henshaw St. and South Main St.; Joao C. Martins, 1 Vista Lane, Apt. #8, Spencer, MA; 32 years old); 8:56 a.m. MV citation (Main St. and Waite St.); 10:38 a.m. MV stop (Paxton St. and Marshall St.); 4:10 p.m. gunshots heard (Charlton St.); 4:35 p.m. fraud (Autumn Lane); 5:24 p.m. MV stop (Stafford St. and Pleasant St.); 5:30 p.m. MV citation (South Main St.); 5:44 p.m. MV citation (Main St.); 7:56 p.m. MV citation (Stafford St. and Pleasant St.); 8:07 p.m. MV stop (summons for operating MV with license suspended, uninsured and unregistered MV); 8:48 p.m. MV

stop; 9:08 p.m. MV citation (Main St.); 9:31 p.m. assist citizen (Lillian Ave.); 10:00 p.m. MV stop (Main St.); 10:16 p.m. MV stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway; summons for uninsured MV and operating vehicle with registration suspended); 11:25 p.m. ambulance (from Conway Dr.)

## Spencer Police Department

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22

4:19 p.m. officer wanted (West Main St.); 5:28 p.m. MV lockout (West Main St. and Salvation Army); 5:28 p.m. MV accident and property damage (Chestnut St.); 9:09 p.m. suspicious MV (Pioneer Valley Dr.); 9:34- 11:36 p.m. property checks, secure; 10:24 p.m. ambulance (from Howe Village); 10:26 p.m. ambulance (from Donnelly Cross Rd.)

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23

12:34 a.m. traffic citation (Main St. and Lake St.); 1:11 -2:23 a.m. property checks, secure; 2:42 a.m. traffic citation (main St. and Ash St.); 4:36 a.m. ambulance (from Howe Village); 5:12 a.m. ambulance (from West Main St.); 6:35 a.m. ambulance (from South Spencer Rd.); 7:56 a.m. residential alarm (Collier Circle); 9:34 a.m. trespass real property (Main St.); 10:54 a.m. general parking complaint (Main St.)

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24

12:34 a.m. property check, secure; 1:15 a.m. ambulance (from Northwest Rd.); 3:29 a.m. ambulance (from Lincoln St.); 6:47 a.m. general disturbance (Franklin St.); 7:04 a.m. MV disabled (Meadow Rd.); 9:18 a.m. officer wanted (Lake St.); 10:24 a.m. prisoner bailed/released (West Main St.); 12:48 p.m. ambulance (from Ash St.); 1:11 p.m. ambulance (from Maple St.); 2:13 p.m. property released/returned (West Main St.); 2:16 p.m. fire (Paxton Rd.); 2:17 p.m. commercial alarm (Main St.); 2:29 p.m. parking complaint- car blocking street (Church St.); 5:48 p.m. criminal intelligence (Chestnut St.); 7:35- 11:50 p.m. property checks , secure; 8:05 p.m. traffic citation (Main St.); 8:11 p.m. traffic citation (Main St.); 8:24 p.m. property released/returned (keys) (West Main St.)

## Where the hell is Snellville?

The Sturbridge Historical Society meeting will be held on Thursday March 22 at the Publick House Historical Inn on Sturbridge common. The guest speaker will be Robert Briere, on the History and Memories of Snellville School.

There is some confusion as to where Snellville is within the town of Sturbridge. Many years ago it was called Wight Village. The reason for this may be the several Wight families were among the first inhabitants of the village. But, most of you have seen a product of Wight Village, the famous gristmill at Old Sturbridge Village.

The original mill was located near the Quinebaug River just south of Route 20 and today's Cedar Street. In 1798, in order to get the water to power the mill, Captain Alpheus Wight and other men hand dug the canal that ran alongside today's Route 20. It took two years to dig the half mile long canal. The mill opened in 1801.

Melville Snell started making augers in 1841. In 1850, he and nephews Otis and Lucius organized under Snell & Brothers and made augers and bits. Years later, it became Snell Manufacturing. Mill houses were built and the village grew, and around 1852, it took the name of Snellville.

If you had a village, you needed a school. A wooden structure was built across Main Street from the little common at the end of Cedar Street. In 1874 it was replaced by the brick school house at the corner of Arnold Road. It is today's Snellville School and home to the Senior Center.

Taken from a history of the school written by Helen Holley, the first curator of Old Sturbridge Village, the program will detail former organizations who also used the meeting room of the schoolhouse. The Women's Relief Corps, the Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, were among the societies who met and even had separate cupboards for their cups and dishes. They used oil stoves to cook on. You can also hear the Fiskdale Brass Band rehearse in the summer in the meeting room with the windows open for the audience as they strolled around outside. All this plus personal memories about the school days will be shared by former students of the school who are being invited to attend.

A fun night about the Good Old Days in Snellville.

Historical Society meetings are free of charge with dessert and meeting room provided by Michael Glick, Publick House innkeeper. Our sincere thanks go out to Mr. Glick.

Society annual dues are \$10, which help to support the cost of speakers. Meetings are held September through May on the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December. November meeting is held the first Thursday in December. All meetings start at 7 p.m.

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# OBITUARIES

## Ainsworth W. Adams, 90

WARREN- Ainsworth W. "Ainse" Adams, 90, of Warren passed away on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

He was born in Holland, MA and lived most of his life in West Brookfield and Warren.

Mr. Adams was a veteran of the United States Army, serving from 1946-1949, where he was stationed in Japan. He was a former member of the VFW.

Ainse was an electrician, and owned his own business for over 30 years. He loved all things in nature – fishing, hunting, cutting wood, and watching the birds and wild life in the back yard.

He leaves his caregiver, wife, and companion of 34 years, Gisela H.

Page and her family, his daughter, Judy Gadbury of Southbridge, two granddaughters, two great-granddaughters, and two great-grandsons. He also leaves two very special friends, Jo-Ann and Bob.

Services for Ainse will be held privately, and there are no calling hours. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting his family with arrangements. [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)



## Domenica A. Vigneault, 90

WEST BROOKFIELD - Domenica A. (Sottile) Vigneault, 90, of Chapman Ave., formerly of North Brookfield died on Friday, March 9, 2018.

She is survived by three children, Norman R. and his fiancé Diana of Spencer, Leonard J. and his wife Cara of Southbridge and Paulette of North Brookfield; two special granddaughters, Angela of Spencer and Caroline of Southbridge and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband of 55 years Normand G. Vigneault in 2015 and six siblings. She was born in South Barre, daughter of the late Salvatore and Josephine Sottile and lived 44 years in North Brookfield before moving to West Brookfield.

She was a member of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish in West

Brookfield and enjoyed doing ceramics, baking, quilting, sewing and traveling to all 50 states with Norman.

Domenica lived for her family and kept in touch through letters and phone calls with many relatives and friends.

Calling hours for Domenica will be held Thursday, March 15, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield with a Funeral Mass at 11:00 AM in Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church in West Brookfield. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701. [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)



Charles Kady Sr. 93 of West Brookfield, a decorated WWII Army Veteran of the Battle of the Bulge serving under General George Patton was awarded The Purple Heart and a Bronze Star recipient

died Monday March 5th at St. Vincent Hospital Worcester after a brief illness. Born in Methuen he was the son of the late Shaker and Jamilee (Saffe) Kady. Charles was the husband of the late Eleanor M (Hashway) Kady who died in 2000. He leaves his wife Jocelyn (Berard) Wile. Charles is predeceased by his daughter Linda Lee in 2010 and his son Randal in 2006. He leaves 2 sons Charles Jr. and his wife Amy, and Gary Kady, and his wife Sandy who predeceased him in 2017. 3 daughters, Charlotte Pine and her husband Lee, Cynthia and her husband John Whalen and Janice and her

husband Ted O'Neill. He also leaves a sister Nellie Marinaro, 16 Grandchildren and 15 Great Grandchildren. Charles was predeceased by 5 siblings. Charles was well known as a builder.

He established the well-known Kady Builders which he founded in 1945. Charles has raised up in his business several generations of builders in the family that continue the trade today. Charles was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Norwood and a former member of 1st Congregational Church in Spencer. Funeral services were held on Saturday at 10am at the Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Rd Brookfield, followed by burial in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton. Calling hours were Saturday at 9am prior to the service. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to a local charity in honor of Charles.



## Doris D. Smith, 92



HOLLAND- Doris D. (Ringuette) Smith, 92, a longtime resident of Holland, died Wednesday, February 28, 2018, at The Overlook in Charlton. Her husband of 46 years, was the late Joseph Smith, who died in 1991. She is survived by 4 daughters Margaret Bonnette and her husband Michael of Southbridge, Ida Parron and her husband Robert of Holland, Annette Beaudry and her husband William of Holland, and Laura Bissineri and her husband Paul of W Brookfield. She also leaves 8 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her son Edmond Breaux, who died in 2011.

She was born in Southbridge, daughter of Leo and Ida (Grenier) Ringuette. She was a member of St. Christopher's

Church in Brimfield, and the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Smith retired from the housekeeping department at the Overlook Masonic Home, and had previously worked for many years at Hyde Manufacturing in Southbridge.

She enjoyed reading, crocheting, needlepoint, but most of all she loved spending time with her family.

Calling hours were held Sunday, March 4, 2018, from 1-3PM, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550, with a Prayer Service at 1:30PM with Rev. Robert Grattarotti, officiating. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Overlook Masonic Home, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton, MA 01507, or to the Shriner's Hospital for Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104. [www.sansoucy-funeral.com](http://www.sansoucy-funeral.com)

## Gordon L. Richards, 77



WEST BROOKFIELD - Gordon L. "Roundy" Richards, 77, of West Brookfield died on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in Hudson, Florida.

He leaves his wife of 54 years, Alice M.

(Wallace) Richards of West Brookfield; his daughter, Jennifer (Richards) Carlson and her husband Mark of West Brookfield; two sons, Gordon L. Richards, Jr. and his wife Alma of Worcester, and Steven Richards and his wife Kelly of West Brookfield; two brothers, Donald and Harold Richards, both of West Brookfield, and six wonderful grandchildren, Chase, Ethan, Thimjos, Aiden, Brittany, and Josh. He also leaves several nieces and nephews. He was born in Ware, son of the late G. Gordon and Dorothy (Coney) Richards, and a life-long resident of West Brookfield. He and Alice have owned a winter home in Florida for

12 years, and they have made many friends while there.

Gordon was a tractor-trailer truck driver and worked for the former Hannigan's Express and R.M. Sullivan Company from where he retired. His passion was flying and he had his private pilot's license. He was also an avid boater; he and his family have been members of the Lake Wickaboag Boat Club for 50 years.

Calling hours for Roundy were held on Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 10AM -12PM in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main Street in West Brookfield. A private burial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the West Brookfield Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 540, West Brookfield, MA 01585 or the Baystate Regional Cancer Program at Baystate Mary Lane Hospital, 85 South St., Ware, MA 01082.

Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting his family with arrangements. [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)

## Jenifer L. O'Neill



AUBURN - Jenifer L. (Frazier) O'Neill, 35, of Briar Cliff Drive, passed away Thursday, March 8, 2018, in her home surrounded by her loving family. She is survived by her husband of

10 years, Jason R. O'Neill of Auburn; two children, Jolena Houle-O'Neill and Channing James O'Neill, both of Auburn; her mother, Deanna L. Mills of Spencer; her father, Lonnie J. Frazier and his wife Yovilla of Webster; her brother, Jordan L. Frazier of Worcester; three grandparents, James Black and his wife Barbara of Brushton, NY, John Mills and his wife Jaimie of Brushton, NY, and Rita Richards of Moira, NY; several uncles and aunts, including Darrin Mills and his wife Laura, Danny Mills and his wife Melissa, Lynn Frazier and his wife Debbie, Leland Frazier and his wife Sue, Loran Frazier, and Lori Fleury and her husband Kenny; and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. She was born in Malone, NY, and lived most of her life in Dudley before moving to Auburn in 2016. She graduated from

Shepherd Hill High School in Dudley in 2001 and attended UMass Amherst.

Jenifer founded and owned Untamed Salon and Spa in Auburn for 9 years with her mother. She was the most incredible mother – her family was everything to her. Her selflessness made her a rock to many family and friends. Her joy was contagious and her smile lit up a room. She was active in the community, was a fundraiser for children, and would always be there when someone needed help. She loved helping people and giving to others. She will be remembered as a wonderful mother, an exceptional daughter, and an amazing wife. She is a wonderful person to think about, but so hard to live without.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave., Auburn. Burial followed at Hillside Cemetery in Auburn. Calling hours were Monday, March 12, 2018, from 3-7 p.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the O'Neill Family Trust, c/o Bank Hometown, 31 Sutton Ave., Oxford, MA 01540. [paradisfuneralhome.com](http://paradisfuneralhome.com)

## Lloyd Proctor Donnelly, 84



Lloyd Proctor Donnelly, 84, of Summerfield, Florida passed away February 27, 2018 at Munroe Regional Medical Center, Ocala, Florida. He was the husband of Marilyn Donnelly for

17 years.

Lloyd was born on July 27, 1933 in Spencer, Massachusetts a son of the late James and Edna (Dwelly) Donnelly. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Summerfield. He was a Veteran of the US Army serving during the Korean War. Prior to his retirement he was a Supervisor for Flexcon Co of Spencer, MA.

Lloyd is survived by his loving wife, Marilyn Donnelly and Step-Daughter Teresa Shiltz of Ocala, FL and a daughter Lauri Williams of Brookfield MA. granddaughter Sara Donnelly,

grandson Eric. He also leaves a brother James H. Donnelly of Lebanon, CT. and sister Jane Saucier of Spencer, MA. He is preceded by a son Michael a daughter Lisa and his sister Claire Berry of Nashua, NH.

Lloyd loved gardening, fishing, hunting and antiquing,

He will be missed by all.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on March 17, 2018, at 10:00 AM at the First Baptist Church of Summerfield, Summerfield, FL. Inurnment will be private at the Crum Cemetery, Summerfield, FL. Arrangements entrusted to the Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, 5946 SE Robinson Road, Belleview, FL 34420. Condolences may be left at Hiers-Baxley.com.



## Anthony P. "Tony" Zalauskas, 59



REVISED SPENCER - Anthony P. "Tony" Zalauskas, 59, of High St., died Tuesday, Feb. 27 at home.

He leaves his mother Pauline (Pion) Zalauskas of Spencer, his son Aaron

A. Zalauskas and his wife Sarah of SantaCruz, Calif., his daughters Tory and Cami Zalauskas of No.Brookfield, brothers Kenneth J. Zalauskas and his wife Donna of So.Yarmouth and Matthew B. Zalauskas and his wife Dorinda of No.Brookfield, sisters Mary A. Gallant and her husband Michael of Manchester, NH, Patricia Graves and her husband Joseph of Sturbridge, Paula J. Stafinski and her husband Robert of Spencer and Christine Rogan and her husband Kevin J. Rogan of Spencer, his sister in law Linda Zalauskas of Chelmsford, his fiance

Jamie Evans with whom he lived and several nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his father Donald P. Zalauskas, Sr. in 1993 and his brother Donald P. Zalauskas, Jr. in 2014.

Born in Worcester and raised in Spencer, he graduated from David Prouty High School.

Tony was a landscaper for P.G. Landscaping of Spencer for 36 years. He loved the outdoors, working with his hands, making bird baths of granite and he especially loved his children.

Memorial calling hours will be held on Sunday, March 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a Memorial Service concluding at 4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Anthony Zalauskas Daughter's Memorial Fund c/o No.Brookfield Savings Bank, 35 Summer St., No.Brookfield, MA 01535. [www.morinfuneralhomes.com](http://www.morinfuneralhomes.com)



Margaret W. (Murphy) Potter, 102, formerly of Barre died peacefully on Sunday March 4. Born in Worcester she was the daughter of late Martin and Winifred (Loftus) Murphy and the wife

of the late Charles R. Potter who died in 2011. Margaret leaves a loving family of 4 generations. Three sons, C. Ronald and his wife Barbara, James and his partner Claire, Jack and his wife Louise and one daughter Barbara J. Potter. 13 Grandchildren, 24 Great Grandchildren and 5 Great Great Grandchildren. Margaret is predeceased by one loving Great Grandson Marshall D.M. Potter, 4 siblings Edward, Katherine, Mary and James. For many years Margaret was an active resident of Barre working in the public-school system at Ruggles Lane where she retired after 21 years. She was a member of St. Joseph's Church serving in the St. Joseph's Women's Guild. Margaret was also a member of the Barre Golden Agers and a life time member of the #4

Community Club. The family would like to thank the caring staff of the Worcester Health Center and the Notre Dame Hospice for their dedication and care of their mother. Services were Friday March 9. Calling hours 9am at the Pillsbury Funeral Home 96 So. Barre Rd Barre. Funeral Mass 11am at St. Joseph Church Barre. Burial to follow in St Joseph's Cemetery. Family asks flowers be omitted and donations made in Margaret's memory to either; No.4 School House PO Box 85 Barre Ma. 01005 or to St Joseph's Church c/o St Francis of Assisi 398 Vernon Ave S. Barre Ma 01074, or to Cure SMA N.E. PO Box 2902 Woburn Ma 01888.

## Margaret W. Potter, 102



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# OBITUARIES

## Virginia I. "Ginger" Duhamel, 76

BROOKFIELD — Virginia I. "Ginger" (LeBeau) Duhamel, 76, of Brookfield, joined her husband Bernie on March 8, 2018 following a long illness. Ginger was born the youngest of seven on Feb. 9, 1942 in Worcester to the late Henry and Irene (Kneeland) LeBeau. A chance meeting at Coney Island in Worcester, led her to the man she was to spend her life with.

She worked for many years at the former Quaboag Sporting Goods. Ginger was an avid Red Sox fan and rarely missed a game. Ginger was predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Bernie E. Duhamel, Sr. in 2017, her parents; her sisters, Marilyn, Beverly, and Elaine; and her brothers, Henry Leo "Sonny" Jr., Raymond, Richard, and Ronald. She leaves two daugh-

ters, Marilyn Prue and her husband Dick, of Brookfield; Beverly Nunez and her husband, Carlos, of Westfield; a son, Bernard "Bernie" Duhamel, of Lafayette, Colorado; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Visiting hours were held on Tuesday, March 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. in Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Road

in Brookfield. The funeral service for Ginger was held on Wednesday March 14, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home followed by burial in Brookfield Cemetery. Donations may be made in her name to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O., Box 136, East Brookfield, MA, 01515. Online condolences may be made at Pillsburyfuneralhome.com

# CALENDAR

## Friday, March 16

**LENTEN LUNCHESES:** First Congregation Church, 207 Main St., Spencer are holding Lenten Lunches once again this Lenten season. Lenten Lunches, sponsored by the Women's Fellowship, will be served starting at 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. For the next six Fridays: March 16 and March 23. The lunches will feature soups, lobster rolls, assorted sandwiches, desserts and beverages. You may call the office for more information Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to noon at (508) 885-2149. Call to find out what the soup of the day is. Enjoy your lunch in our dining room or call ahead for delivery or pick up 10 a.m. to noon orders ONLY (508) 885-5098. We will deliver to business and individual homes in Spencer ONLY on orders of \$30 or more.

## Saturday, March 17

**ANNUAL GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION:** The BUUC Women's Alliance will be holding their 22nd annual Goods & Services Silent Auction on Saturday, March 17 at the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church (located at 9 Upper River St, Brookfield from 6:30 - 9 p.m. We will also have raffle baskets, a 50/50 raffle, and a cook-off. The Women's Alliance of the Brookfield Unitarian Universalist Church has met since 1859. The Alliance provides support to the church and service to the community. It also serves the social and spiritual needs of women through fellowship, group expression, and programs of education, service and community.

## Friday & Saturday, March 23 & 24

Did Someone Say Murder? A dinner theater presented by The Theatre Guild of N.B. and Time Out. Dinner and a show. Chicken Parmesan, veg, dessert. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at Time Out, Statz, calling 508-331-9031 or a see a member of the cast. Tickets will NOT be available the night of the performances, must buy in advance. Show will be held at Time Out in North Brookfield March 23&24 at 6 p.m.

Friday, March 23

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**AMAZING EVENTS:** Amazing Love Community Christian Choir of East Brookfield is holding two concerts at two venues. Come to hear the tremendous story of our salvation through Jesus Christ in praise and song. Friday, March 23 at 7 p.m. St. John's Church, 121 Blaine Ave., East Brookfield and Sunday, March 25 at 4:00 p.m. at East Brookfield Baptist Church, East Brookfield. Admission is free.

## Saturday, March 24

**CORNED BEEF SUPPER:** Knights of Columbus Council # 11080, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, Brookfield-West Brookfield is having a Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner on Saturday, March 24 in Dugan Hall, Sacred Heart

Church, 10 Milk St., West Brookfield. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Youth Activities Fund. Cost is only a \$12 donation, and \$8 for children 12 years old and under. Family rates are available! Take out is available at 5:30 p.m. and sit down dinner is served at 6 p.m. Raffle tickets for a 50/50 Raffle, Door Prizes, and more will be available! Advance ticket purchase is encouraged (and appreciated!) as tickets will be limited and are available from any Knight or by calling (413) 813-8100. Tickets will only be available at the door while they last!

## Sunday, March 25

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**GARDEN CLUB:** The Brookfield Garden Club presents a program entitled: "Designing a Multi-Season-Shade Garden" on Sunday, March 25. This program will be held at the Brookfield Congregational Church from 2-4 P.M. The program is open to the public free of charge.

The speaker, Paul Steen, is a retired physician who has been gardening for over 50 years. Now, as a Master Gardener, he speaks for the Master Speakers Bureau.

## Friday, March 30

**GOOD FRIDAY VIGIL:** St. John the Baptist Church on Blaine Avenue in East Brookfield, just off Rte. 9 is hosting a unique Good Friday vigil March 30. The Vigil will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and closed at 4 p.m. Arrive at any time during these hours to participate in this self-guided meditative experience. You will wander at your own pace through a series of activities, reflections and scripture to prompt an open heart to the living Gospel. The handicapped entrance is from the parking lot behind the church. Stations of the Cross will be at St. Joseph's in North Brookfield at 3:00 p.m. A Good Friday service will be held at St John the Baptist at 7:00 p.m. For more information contact St. John's at (508) 867-3738.

## Wednesday, April 11

**BE PART OF IT:** The Leicester Public Schools are celebrating our 20th annual Evening with the Arts this school year on Wednesday April, 11 from 5:30-8:30! We are looking for Leicester Alumni that would like to showcase their artwork or perform musically. The liaison for musicians is Kristina Looney, [looneyk@lpsma.net](mailto:looneyk@lpsma.net) and Danielle Rieder is the liaison for Visual Artists, [riederda@lpsma.net](mailto:riederda@lpsma.net).

## Thursday, April 26

**VETERANS SERVICES:** the series supported by Christ Memorial Episcopal Church continues 6:30-8:30 p.m. focusing on communication and collaboration among organizations, programs and businesses addressing veterans services. Each Thursday forum will be held in the church undercroft at 133 North Main St. from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Childcare will be held across the street at the Haston Library by accessing the Spring Street entrance. Refreshments and printed resource materials will be available. For more information, please contact Sue Lewandowski at [CMCseniorwarden@gmail.com](mailto:CMCseniorwarden@gmail.com) or call Rev. Dr. Paula Winsor Sage at (774) 287-7733.

## ONGOING EVENTS

**GIRL SCOUTS SEEK MEMBERS**  
Leicester Junior troop #64765 is welcoming girls in grades 4 and 5. The troop meets bi-weekly on Mondays.

Leicester Daisy/Brownie troop #64656 is welcoming girls in grades 1 through 3. The troop meets biweekly Mondays from 4:30 to 6pm.

Leicester Cadette troop #11077 welcomes girls in grade 8 and meets bi-weekly Fridays from 5 to 6:30pm.

Leicester Cadette troop #11700 welcomes girls in grades 6 & 7 and bi-weekly on Mondays from 2:15 to 4pm.

Spencer Girl Scouts is welcoming girls in kindergarten, first, second, third, sixth and seventh grade.

Joining Girl Scouts is a great way to help girls build confidence, try new things, and discover their inner G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, Leader). Previous Girl Scout experience is not necessary. For more information regarding meeting days and times visit our website [gscwm.org](http://gscwm.org) and click on the pink bar or call (508) 749-3612.

**ECONOMY SHOP HOURS:** First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer has announced ECONOMY SHOP hours for January through June. Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; and Friday 8 a.m. to noon. Come in and see our daily specials. For information call (508) 885-2149.

**Deja New:** Closed until April. Art, Antiques, & Collectibles Vendor Marketplace open on Wednesday from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm in the St. Joseph's Rectory building for its first season. All proceeds will benefit the non-profit "24-7 Community Partnership" which will provide funds to programs for the needy, including the Leicester Food Pantry. Open April-December.

**VFW MEETING:** The Rochdale VFW Post 7556 will hold their monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the post at 713 Pleasant Street, Rochdale on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

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

**THRIFTY:** St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish, 759 Main Street, Leicester, (508) 859-8083. The "New to You Thrift Shop Hours: Tuesday 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**LIBRARY PROGRAMS:** Richard Sugden Library in Spencer has the following weekly programs. For more information contact the library at (508) 885-7513.

Looking for a fun and educational activity to do with your toddler or preschooler? Come to toddler story hour at 10 a.m. and meet other parents, enjoy songs, stories, and activities with your 18 months to 3 year old. Caregivers must remain in the room with their toddler. Preschoolers (ages 3-5) come at 11- caregivers must remain on the same floor. These are free programs but do require registration which you can do when you arrive. Today's themes are drums and rhythm.

Join us at Bouncing Babies on Wednesdays from 10-10:45 a.m. for a rollicking, good time! Meet other caregivers, share stories, songs, & rhymes. It's for ages birth to 24 months & their caregivers. Program followed by open play time. The free Afterschool Fun program is today from 4-4:45 p.m. for

children from k-grade 5.

Tune in Together on Thursdays is a music and movement program for toddlers and preschoolers and their caregivers, sponsored and presented by CFCE. Meets from 11 a.m.-noon.

Paws and Pages encourages children to become better readers by sharing a book with trained therapy dogs. This program is possible because of the generosity of trainer, Barbara Laborde and her canine helper. Come between 4-4:15 p.m. on Thursdays to reserve a spot.

**FREE FOR MOM & KIDS:** There will be free weekly parent/child programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail [Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com](mailto:Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com).

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

**STRE-E-E-TCH:** Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

**SIT AND KNIT:** knitting group every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Merriam Gilbert Library, West Brookfield. Bring your sewing, embroidery, knitting or crochet and enjoy some socializing while you work on your project.

**N-37:** Bingo at the Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. Along with our regular games we feature two winner take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payouts of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available at Judy's Kitchen. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.

**STAY HEALTHY:** The VNA Care Network and Hospice is holding a free Keep Well Clinic to residents 60 and older from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Spencer Fish and Game Club on Mechanic Street. Local residents may have their blood pressure checked and learn about health concerns. Blood sugar, weight monitoring and other health assessments may also be available. VNA Care Network and Hospice clinics are funded in part by the United Way, local boards of health, private foundations. For up-to-date clinic information visit [www.vnacarenetwork.org](http://www.vnacarenetwork.org) or call (888) 663-3688 x 5603.

**IT'S A LUNCH DATE:** The East Brookfield Baptist Church invites all senior citizens to a Community Lunch at 11:30 a.m. every second Thursday of the month in Fellowship Hall. A delicious lunch and great desserts will be served. This will be followed by a time of fellowship and games concluding with a devotional just before 2 p.m. Reservations are encouraged. Call (508) 867-7725.

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<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 9 Asselin Ave! Hospital Near! Brian Acres! Ideal 7 Rm Split Entry! Nicely Landscaped .57 Acre Lot! In-Ground! Above Ground Pool! SS Appliances! Kit! Din Rm w/Slider to Sunroom! Liv Rm w/ Frplcd 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! Frplcd Fam Rm! 2 Oil Heat! 2 Car Garage! Shed! <b>\$279,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 20 Williams St! Nice 7 Rm Cape w/3 Car Garage! SS Appliances! Kit w/Oak Cabinets &amp; Corian Counters! Frplcd Liv Rm &amp; Din Rm w/Hrwd's! Sunroom w/Hot Tub/Skylight! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath &amp; Walk-in Closet! 2 Tile Bathrooms! Buderus Furnace! Town Services! Fenced Backyard! <b>\$244,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 25 North Main St! ATTENTION INVESTORS! 4 Family! 4/4/4 Rms! 2/2/2 Bdrms! Consists of 4 Kitchens, 2 Bedrms Each Unit, 4 Living Rms One Unit with Built-in &amp; Fireplace! 4 Full Baths! Laundry Rm! Full Basement w/Storage! Needs TLC! Walk Up Attic! <b>\$169,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>DOUGLAS</b> - 93 Monroe St! 10.97 ACRES! Updated 1867 8 Rm Farmhouse! Flexible Floor Plan! Loads of Charm! Frplcd Liv Rm! Fam Rm w/Cathedrais! Slider to Deck! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 2 Car Attached Garage! Additional 3 Bay, 50x55', GARAGE BUILDING! <b>\$594,500.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.84 Acres! Appliances Granite Kit! Frplcd Dining Rm! Living Rm! Hrwd's! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garage! <b>\$359,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>MILBURY</b> - 197 W. Main St! 5 Rm, 2 Bdrm Cape! Great Location On 1 Acre Lot! Home needs considerable updating and may not qualify for traditional financing! Being sold AS IS! Tide 5 Passed but there is Town Sewer in the Street! Easy Access to Rte 146! Close to Singletary Boat Ramp! <b>\$120,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>CHARLTON</b> - 44 Oxford Rd! 8 Rm Colonial w/Farmers Porch! 1.38 Acres! New Quartz Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrwd's! Frplcd Fam Rm w/Hrwd's! Spacious Liv Rm! 4 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! HX20 Deck! 2 Car Garage! Shed! 2016 Roof! Many Updates! <b>\$344,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 33 Douglas Rd! 7 Rm Raised Ranch! Over 5 Acres w/Small Pond! Cabinet Eat-in Kit! Carpeted Liv Rm w/Slider to 8x10 Deck! 3 Carpeted Bdrms w/Ample Closets! Full Bath! Lower Level w/Carpeted Fam Rm! 4th Bdrm, 2nd Full Bath! Laundry! Workshop! Minutes to Rte 35! <b>\$179,900.00</b></p>	
<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 11 Upper Gore Rd! Convenient 6 Rm Ranch! Fully Appliances Oak Kit! Frplcd Din Rm w/Hrwd's! 3 Bdrms w/Updated Flrs! Spacious Liv Rm w/Brick Hearth! 1st Flr Laundry! Large Trex Deck! Updated Windows, Siding &amp; Furnace! Garage! Shed! Sold w/Add. 39 Acre Lot! <b>\$259,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 10 Arkwright Rd! Attention Investors &amp; to Owner Occupy! 2 Family! 8/7 Rms! 3/3 Bdrms! 2,500' of Living! Each Has Kit w/Breakfast Nook, Dining &amp; Liv Rms &amp; Den! 1st Flr w/Pellet Stove, Deck w/Enclosed Porch! 2 Car Garage! Updated Windows! Newer Roof! Minor Cosmetics Needed! <b>\$199,900.00</b></p>			<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 294 Killdeer Island! North Pond! 62' Waterfront! Panoramic Views! 8 Rm Colonial! Kit w/Double Oven! GLEAMING Hrwd Flrs! 4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! HX20 Trex Deck! Newly Painted! Pool Landscaped! Fenced Yard! Plenty of Docks Included! <b>\$524,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 10 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! Sandy Shoreline! 9 Rm Contemp Ranch, 3 Bdrms! 3 Baths! Lake Views from Most Rooms! Hrwd's &amp; Tile Flrs Throughout! Brunarhan Custom Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! 1st Flr Office! Master w/New Bath! Frplcd Fam Rm! Deck w/Custom Bar! 2 Car Garage! <b>\$639,900.00</b></p>			
<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 48 Laurelwood Dr! Reid Smith Cove! One of the Lake's Best Lots! Beautiful 10 Rm, 3,686' Contemp! 104' Waterfront, 228' Rd Frontage, 33,628 Sq. Ft. or .77 Acres! The Best on Market! Gradual Sloped Lawn to Beach/Shore! Private Rd w/Woods Across Street! Location, Slope to Water, View &amp; Exposure, Things You Can't Change, After that it's One's Imagination! Front, Back, &amp; Side Yards, Space to Roam, Entertain, Park &amp; Expand! Main Level, White &amp; Black Granite Kit, Center Isl w/Gas Range &amp; Sink, Wall Ovens! Din Area! Lake Facing Din Rm! Frplcd Liv Rm w/Cathedral Open to Sun Rm w/Water View! Lake Facing Office! Possible 4th Bdrm! Half Bath! Upstairs, 3 Bdrms, 2 Bathrooms! Amazing Lake Facing Master, Bath w/Whirlpool, Steam Shower, Double Vanity, Cathedral w/Skylight &amp; Laundry! Walk-out Lower Level w/ Frplcd Fam Rm, Summer Kit &amp; 3rd Full Bath, 3.5 Total! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage &amp; More! <b>\$1,100,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 18 Bates Crossing! South Pond! Beautiful Sunrises! Huge Eastern Exposure! 8 Rm 3,100' Custom Contemporary! 2.43 Acres! Substantial Privacy! Home Features Endless Possibilities! Open Flr Plan w/Magnificent Views from Every Rm! 3 Bdrms, 3 Baths, Cathedral Ceilings w/Skylights! European Kit w/Center Isl! Modern Frplcd Liv Rm w/Glass Sliders Open to Waterfront! Balcony! Master Bdrm w/en-suite Bath, Separate Shower, Jacuzzi Tub, Walk-in Closet &amp; Attached Laundry! Lower Level Bdrms Share Private Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage w/Work Space! Detached 2 Car Heated Garage w/Workshop! Greenhouse! Panoramic Lake &amp; Estuary Views! <b>\$950,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 3 Long Island! Accessible by Boat Only! "True Summer Cottage" Ready to Rough It! Loads of Potential! Water on 2 Sides! Panoramic Views Across Wide Expanse of the Middle Pond! 3 Separate but Connected Buildings! 4 Bedrooms! Town Water &amp; Sewerage! <b>\$229,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 3 Lakeside Ave! Middle Pond! 157' Waterfront w/ Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/Heated Flr! Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit &amp; Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplcd Liv Rm! Din Rm w/Tray Ceiling! Lake Facing Master w/Master Bath! Upstairs 3 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Lower Level Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Sauna &amp; Full Bath! 3 Car Attached, 1 Car Detached! Security! Generator! Boat House! <b>\$1,195,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 3 Long Island! Accessible by Boat Only! "True Summer Cottage" Ready to Rough It! Loads of Potential! Water on 2 Sides! Panoramic Views Across Wide Expanse of the Middle Pond! 3 Separate but Connected Buildings! 4 Bedrooms! Town Water &amp; Sewerage! <b>\$229,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 3 Lakeside Ave! Middle Pond! 157' Waterfront w/ Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/Heated Flr! Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit &amp; Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplcd Liv Rm! Din Rm w/Tray Ceiling! Lake Facing Master w/Master Bath! Upstairs 3 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Lower Level Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Sauna &amp; Full Bath! 3 Car Attached, 1 Car Detached! Security! Generator! Boat House! <b>\$1,195,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 901 Treasure Isl! Prime Beachfront Townhouse! 6Rms! 1,874' Open Floor Plan! Appliances Granite Kit w/Hrwd's! Din &amp; Liv Rms w/Hrwd's! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Frplcd Fam Rm w/Tile Flr! Recent C/Air, Gas Heat &amp; Windows! Trex Deck! Garage! BOAT SLIP! Heated Pool! <b>\$424,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - Access! 124 Gore Rd! 440' Waterfront! Great Location! Direct Highway Access! 3.4 Acres! UNDEVELOPED LAND w/EXQUISITE VIEWS! Explore the Opps! Build a Restaurant, Hotel, Condominiums! Corg 4 Rm, 2 Bdrm Home! Oversize 2 Car Garage w/2nd Floor! <b>\$379,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 60 Lakeside Ave! 100' Waterfront! Huge Views of South Pond! Western Exposure = Fantastic Sunsets! In Time for Summer! 5 Rooms of Rustic Charm! Real Log Summer Cottage! 10,924' Lot Allows for Room to Expand! Remodel! Tear it Down! Build New! <b>\$359,900.00</b></p>

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<p><b>WEBSTER - 6 BOYDEN ST EXT</b></p> <p>Buyers &amp;/or investors take notice! A short sale offering with full lender cooperation. A fantastic opportunity to own an affordable, move in ready, single family, 3 br, 1.5 bath, split level style home with potential for a 2 family conversion! Appears to meet all criteria for conversion to a 2 family. Municipal Water &amp; Sewer.  <b>New Price \$149,900.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 203 BEACON PARK</b></p> <p>Time to Think Summer! Webster Lake Condo in BEACON PARK! 10 acres of Park like Grounds! Natural Sandy Beach! Excellent for Swimming! Or do your early morning laps in the in ground pool! 1200+ sf Living space! 2 large bedrooms, dining and living room! 2 sliders - Deck! Boat Dock Included. Outstanding waterfront views! Buy now and enjoy the 4th of JULY FIREWORKS!  <b>\$254,900.</b></p>	<p><b>Featured New Listing!</b>  <b>WEBSTER - 36 WEST AVE</b></p> <p>New Listing! First Time Offered! Grand 1960 Custom Built Cape is a RARE FIND! 10+ Spacious Rooms Include: 4 BRs 3 Full Baths, 2 Full Kitchens, Dining Rm, 2 Lv Family Rms, Gorgeous Formal Living Rm w/Fireplace &amp; Lovely Front Entry Hall, Plus 2 Delightful 3 Windows Enclosed Patio Rooms w/Slate &amp; Terra Cotta Tile Flrs &amp; Siding! Gorgeous! 3,235 SF +/- (1st Flr - 1,615 SF, 2nd Flr - 540 SF, LL - 1,080 SF). The main 1st Flr has everything you could possibly need for outstanding ONE LEVEL LIVING w/2 BRs (including Master BR) &amp; Full Bath. 2nd floor - 2 huge BRs &amp; full bath! Dynamic in-law setup w/existing kitchen, family/living rm, full bath! Private, level back yard!  <b>\$279,900.</b></p>	<p><b>LAND!</b>  <b>WEBSTER/DUDLEY BUILDABLE LOTS</b></p> <p><b>Webster Lake</b> - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Buildable w/Town Water &amp; Sewer. \$59,900  <b>Webster Lake</b> - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water &amp; Sewer \$229,900  <b>Dudley</b> - View St. 17,280 SF mostly cleared land. Dead end street \$49,900  <b>Oxford</b> - 4 Leicester St., 8.47 acres, mostly cleared \$149,900  <b>Thompson</b> - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! \$99,900.</p>
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<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 7 CEDAR DR</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>English Tudor Style Colonial! Cathedral ceiling Dining &amp; Fireplace! Living Room! 1600+ sq ft of living area! 3 Good size bedrooms. Master bedroom with Master Bath! 1 bedroom on the main level. 2-1/2 Total Baths! 7 rooms total! Finished basement with Heating! Forced hot air by oil! Central Air Conditioning! 14' x 42' car port! 3 car garage! Comes with Non-Separable Waterfront Lot, on Middle Pond! Enjoy Webster Lake without the High Taxes!  <b>\$367,000.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD</b></p> <p>Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront! Prime Location, 5,691 +/- SF Lot, 50' Rd &amp; Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 564 +/- SF of living area w/2 BRs &amp; full bath. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/terrace, dining and living room! 2 sliders - Deck! Boat Dock Included. Outstanding waterfront views! Buy now and enjoy the 4th of JULY FIREWORKS!  <b>\$345,000</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 22 LAURELWOOD DR</b></p> <p>1st Time Offered in Reid Smith Cove, Spectacular 3700 +/- SF, 13 Rm/4.5 Bath Lake Home, Uniquely Designed for Lake-Style Living! Private Setting, Ideal Location, .68 Acres, 92' of Natural Shoreline, Prof. Landscape, Multiple Decks, Lakeside Cabana, 3 Mstr BR Suites w/Elegant 1st Flr Mstr - all w/Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living &amp; Billiard Rms &amp; Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information <b>\$1,150,000.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE • 2 SOUTH POINT RD</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE: PANORAMIC VIEWS OF WEBSTER LAKE!</b> Great South Facing Location, 62' prime lakefront, large deep lot 10.489sf, flagstone &amp; concrete patios, full concrete walkway at water's edge, dock, retaining walls &amp; stonework, privacy fence, storage shed, recently paved drive, plenty offroad parking in driveway &amp; area at roadside, spacious, year-round, 2 story Cape home, 4 BRs (1 on 1st flr), 2 full BRs, Harvey replacement windows, 6 year +/- young roof.  <b>NEW PRICE \$419,900</b></p>
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# LEGALS

## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Randy S. Burdett and Marilyn J. Burdett to New Century Mortgage Corporation, dated December 3, 2003 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 32405, Page 37 as affected by a Loan Modification recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 46451, Page 140 subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Association, as trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2004, Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2004-NC1 by New Century Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47757, Page 319 and subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2004-NC1 by New Century Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57123, Page 176; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on April 6, 2018 at 14 Lyford Road, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: The land in Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being bounded and described as follows: Beginning at an iron pipe at the Southeastly corner of land herein to be described; Thence North 0° 05' W., 408 feet to an iron pipe; Thence South 81° 12' 30" W., 291.8 feet to a stake; Thence South 1° 42' 30" W., 89 feet to a stake; Thence South 38° 46' 30" W., 74.86 feet to an iron pipe; Thence South 57° 26' E., 401.9 feet to the iron pipe at the point of beginning. Jason Lane, a private street, passes through said property and this property is conveyed subject to all rights and obligations that the grantor has in the portion of Jason Lane passing through said property. Containing 2.0 acres of land, more or less. Together with the right to use the old town highway running through the same as described in deed recorded in Worcester District Deeds, Bk. 201, Pages 366 and 368, to the state highway, and subject to the rights of others in said town highway. Being the same premises shown on plan recorded in Worcester District Deeds, Plan Bk. 449, Plan 82. Hereby meaning and intending to convey all and the same premises described by deed dated October 18, 1987 recorded in Worcester District Deeds, Bk. 6592, Pg. 9.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.  
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2004-NC1  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,  
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SEWER RATE FEES  
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SPENCER WATER DEPARTMENT  
3 OLD MEADOW RD.  
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PUBLIC HEARING  
TO DISCUSS WATER RATE FEES  
WEDNESDAY MARCH 28, 2018  
@ 6:00 P.M.  
SPENCER WATER DEPARTMENT  
3 OLD MEADOW RD.  
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March 9, 2018  
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## MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Kimberly LaGorce aka Kimberly M. LaGorce and Keith Faucher aka Keith D. Faucher to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., a Federally Chartered Savings Bank, its successors and assigns, dated August 20, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 41681, Page 370 subsequently assigned to IndyMac Federal Bank, F.S.B. by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 44055, Page 264, subsequently assigned to OneWest Bank, F.S.B. by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as receiver for IndyMac Federal Bank, F.S.B. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 44607, Page 204, subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan servicing, LLC. by One West Bank FSB by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53354, Page 92 and subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust by Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 55623, Page 29; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 3:00 PM on March 30, 2018 at 219 North Spencer Road, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated on North Spencer Road in the Town of Spencer, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lot 3A on a plan of land entitled: "Plan of Land North Spencer and Browning Pond Road, Spencer, Massachusetts prepared for Donald and Linda Faucher by Sadowski Engineering, Inc. dated February 25, 2004", which plan is recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 828, Plan 12, and to which plan reference is made for a more particular description. Being a portion of the premises conveyed to Donald R. Faucher, Jr. and Linda C. Faucher by deed of Barry W. Nirenberg, et al dated December 31, 2002 and recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 28681, Page 366. Also a portion of the premises conveyed to Donald R. Faucher, Jr. and Linda C. Faucher by deed dated August 25, 1007 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 19106, Page 1. A deed from Donald R. Faucher, Jr. and Linda C. Faucher to Keith D. Faucher and Kimberly M. LaGorce recorded herewith in Book 41681, Page 367.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announce-

ment made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.  
U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,  
ORLANS PC  
PO Box 540540  
Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
14-005420  
March 9, 2018  
March 16, 2018  
March 23, 2018

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Project File No. 608190

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed South Pond Road over South Pond Inlet Bridge Replacement Project in Brookfield and East Brookfield, MA.

WHERE: Meeting Room A  
Town Office Complex  
122 Connie Mack Drive  
East Brookfield, MA  
01515

WHEN: Thursday, March 22nd, 2018 @ 7:00 PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed South Pond Road over South Pond Inlet bridge replacement project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of replacing the existing South Pond Road Bridge over the South Pond Inlet with new, single span vehicular bridge and pedestrian bridge structures. The vehicular bridge will be 31'-3" wide with a 35'-0" span length. The pedestrian bridge will be 8'-0" wide with a 45'-0" span length. The bridges will consist of precast, prestressed concrete NEXT beams on pile-supported concrete integral abutments located behind the existing abutments, which will partially remain in place. There will also be roadway improvements to the bridge approaches including: new guardrail, planted slopes and a drainage swale in the shoulder at the northeast approach to the bridge. The existing flow control gate will remain in place with proposed connections to the proposed pedestrian bridge. No modifications to the gate capacity are proposed. The existing gate controls will be removed, serviced, and replaced in a position allowing them to be operated from the safety of the proposed pedestrian bridge.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of Brookfield and the Town of East Brookfield are responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project hand-out will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Bridge Project Management, Project File No. 608190. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be post-marked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to [dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us](mailto:dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us)

This location is accessible to people with disabilities. MassDOT provides reasonable accommodations and/or language assistance free of charge upon request (including but not limited to interpreters in American Sign Language and languages other

than English, open or closed captioning for videos, assistive listening devices and alternate material formats, such as audio tapes, Braille and large print), as available. For accommodation or language assistance, please contact MassDOT's Chief Diversity and Civil Rights Officer by phone (857-368-8580), fax (857-368-0602), TTD/TTY (857-368-0603) or by email ([MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us)). Requests should be made as soon as possible prior to the meeting, and for more difficult to arrange services including sign-language, CART or language translation or interpretation, requests should be made at least ten (10) business days before the meeting. In case of inclement weather, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at <http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/> JONATHAN GULLIVER  
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR  
PATRICIA A. LEAVENWORTH, P.E.  
CHIEF ENGINEER  
March 9, 2018  
March 16, 2018

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court

225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
(508) 831-2200

### Docket No. WO18P0770EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

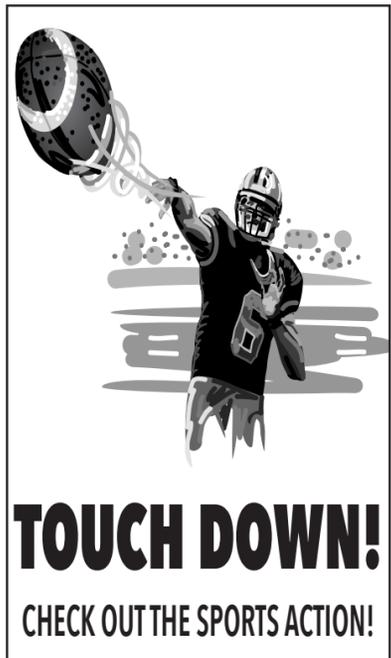
Estate of:  
William A. Remington, Sr.  
**Also Known As:** William Remington, William Remington, Sr.  
**Date of Death: 05/03/2017**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Kathy A. Erickson of New Durham NH and William A. Remington, Jr. of North Brookfield MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Kathy A. Erickson of New Durham NH and William A. Remington, Jr. of North Brookfield MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/10/2018.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.  
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 09, 2018

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March 16, 2018



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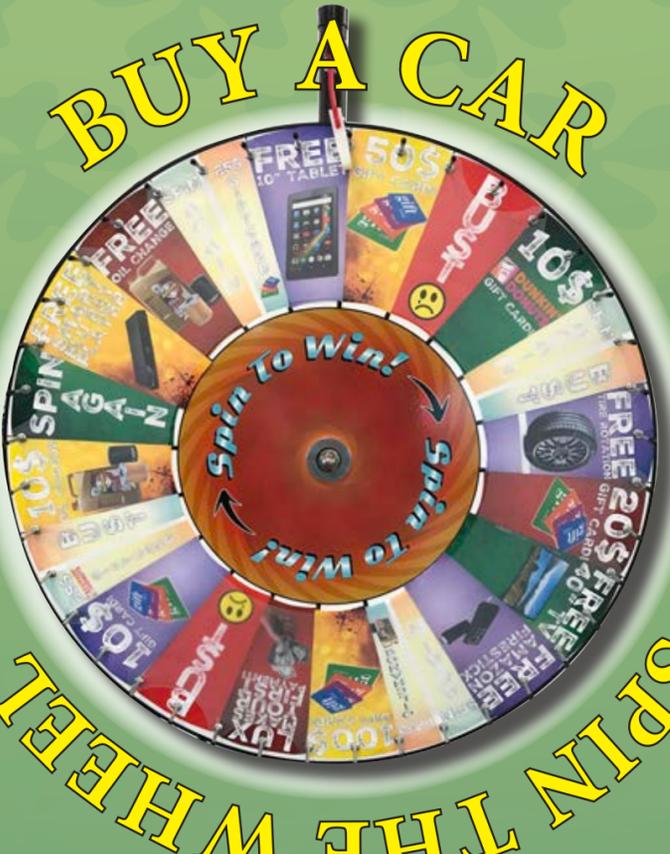


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LAW1163

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LAW831

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