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Friday, October 1, 2021

Lasell Field entertains Northbridge, Uxbridge girls' soccer teams

NORTHBRIDGE — The lights shined brightly at Lasell Field on Monday evening, Sept. 20, when the Uxbridge High girls' varsity soccer team came to visit Northbridge High in a much-anticipated matchup. Following 80 minutes of hard-



Julia Philbrook of Uxbridge serves the ball in for attacking teammates to go track it down.

Nick Ethier

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Uxbridge Athletic Director nominated for statewide award

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge Public Schools Athletic Director Chris Carbone has been nominated for a statewide Award of Merit from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA).

"It is humbling to even be considered for an award like this," Carbone said. "We are all just doing our best to navigate through these crazy times and do right by our student-athletes despite many variables outside their control."

Uxbridge Superintendent of Schools Dr. Patrick Dillon announced that Carbone, who is in his third year as the athletic director in Uxbridge, was nominated by his peers for the award.

The State Award of Merit is presented to an NIAAA member who "demonstrates outstanding leadership and meritorious service and achievement in the vocation of interscholastic administration." The award, according to NIAAA, may be selected and presented annually in each state.

In his role, Carbone is responsible for the leadership and oversight of Uxbridge's interscholastic athletic programs at both Uxbridge High School and Whitin Intermediate School, according to a district statement. He serves as a District 2 representative to the state

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Millville Police Department to hold child seat safety checkpoint

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MILLVILLE — The Millville Police Department has recently been awarded \$19,979 through a municipal road safety grant program.

The funds, made available from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration grant award administered by the EOPSS Office of Grants and Research, will be used for car seat and bicycle helmet checkpoint events, the department announced.

"Millville Police will also be conducting targeted enforcement throughout the town to ensure our pedestrians and bicyclists are safe on the roadways," the department released in a statement.

Millville Police will partner with area towns to host a Child Passenger Safety Seat Checkpoint on Saturday, Oct. 9. All participants are SAFE Kids certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians. The event is funded by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, and the program "aims to help reduce child passenger fatalities and injuries" and partners with municipalities throughout the country to reach this goal, the department released.

The checkpoint will be held at the Millville Police station parking lot, 10 Central Street, Millville from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Free car seats will be made available and installed to Blackstone Valley residents in need. Additionally, free bicycle helmets will be offered to the public at the same time," Millville Police shared. "These events are used to educate and provide assistance to parents when using Child Restraint Systems (CRS). A team of certified technicians will teach child caregivers and parents the basics of correct selection, use, and installation of CRS. This checkpoint also provides the opportunity to detect unsafe CRS."

In other news, the installation of a generator at the Millville Senior Center—funded by a pre-disaster mitigation grant—is complete and will "provide a seamless transition of power to the Millville Senior Center should there be a power interruption."

In December of 2020, Millville's Emergency Management Director Chief Ronald Landry announced that Millville had received an award of approximately \$20,000 through a highly competitive FEMA grant process for "purchase and installation of a propane generator at the Millville Senior Center."

This Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant was submitted to reduce the loss and risk of loss to persons or property in Millville by installing an emergency generator at the Senior Center to provide the town with a shelter that can also see use as an Emergency Operations Center, the department shared.

A permanently installed generator installation provides hazard mitigation and emergency response actions in a central location integrated into relevant town operations. Putting together a well-rounded, successful funding package often takes 18 to 24 months. Healthy doses of perseverance, passion, and patience are invaluable.

WCS launches Fine Arts degree track



WHITINSVILLE — Whitinsville Christian School has launched the first of several Degree Tracks, allowing students more recognition for their dedication to certain areas of study. The first track to launch, the Fine Arts Degree Track, is available to freshmen and sophomores in the 2021/2022 academic year and will allow students the opportunity to receive a Fine Arts Endorsement on his or her high school diploma.

This new arts track will require 20 credits in Fine Arts courses, participation in performing opportunities, attendance and a review of outside performances, and a senior year performance or showcase. All of these

activities are recorded by the student in order to create an e-portfolio, an important tool as they audition for programs and apply for colleges and scholarships.

Heather (Hannon) Rufo, Director of Arts, was instrumental in developing the Fine Arts Track, and commented "I wish I had this Fine Arts Track when I was in high school. For my college auditions, I was auditioning for very competitive musical theater programs, and needed every edge I could get. This endorsement provides an edge!"

The WCS Fine Arts Endorsement was a major initiative of Rick Lukianuk's first year as Head of School.

"The WCS Fine Arts Diploma Endorsement sends the message to colleges that while we may not be a conservatory, Whitinsville Christian School is preparing students for college, and helping them to build a future in the arts," said Lukianuk.

"We have an incredibly rich elective program at WCS that extends beyond drama, choir, orchestra, and band. Students can take specialty classes like sound tech, music composition and songwriting, AP music theory, modern American music, sculpture, and digital art, just to name a few!" said Rufo. "The Nehemiah Center for Arts and Worship, built in 2018, features a stage that some could

only dream of performing on. And, yet, this is a stage that is used for our K-12 WCS Arts programming for all school plays, concerts, and performances."

"This formal recognition of our talented students sets us apart as the top area Christian school for the fine arts," said Lukianuk. "I am grateful for Heather's leadership in this program, and to our Education Committee members for their support of the idea."

To learn more about all of the opportunities for students in grades K-12, WCS is hosting an Open House on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 6:30 p.m. Please visit whitinsvillechristian.org to RSVP, or for more information.

“Thank you to all of

Soter explained that while mostly everything was homemade, some of the ingredients were also locally sourced. A portion of the meat came from Overpass Farm (Uxbridge), seasonings from PJ's Bar n' Grill/Smokehouse (Bellingham) were used for initial flavoring, and barbecue sauce from Goodstuff Smokehouse (Blackstone) was used.

Soter would like to thank all the seniors that he had the privilege of serving at the Uxbridge senior center and looks forward to next summer's cookout.

The Post wishes to thank all shoppers and vendors who participate in these annual fundraisers. The events are scheduled to resume next spring.

A graphic for National Dental Hygiene Month. On the left, the text "YOUR TEETH MATTER" is displayed in large, bold, blue and red capital letters. In the center, the text "OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DENTAL HYGIENE MONTH" is shown, with "OCTOBER IS" in green and "NATIONAL DENTAL HYGIENE MONTH" in blue. Below this, a paragraph of text reads: "Visit one of these Professionals to improve your family's oral health. Good dental hygiene is very important to overall good health." On the right, there is a close-up photograph of a smiling woman with brown hair, wearing a ring, and flossing her teeth with a pink string.

The AAP notes that research indicates periodontal disease increases a person's risk for heart disease, with the inflammation caused by the former leading to the latter. People with existing heart conditions also may find that periodontal disease exacerbates those conditions. The Mayo Clinic notes that the link between heart disease and periodontal disease is not fully understood, but enough studies have been conducted for scientists to support the notion that the two are connected.

A close-up portrait of a young woman with dark hair, smiling warmly at the camera. She is holding a white toothbrush with a green and blue brush head in her right hand. The background is a bright, out-of-focus indoor setting.

Dental hygiene can do more for individuals than produce a mouthful of pearly white teeth. In fact, people who prioritize dental hygiene may lower their risks for various diseases.

ValleyCAST Art Gallery exhibit at Alternatives' Whitin Mill



WHITINSVILLE — Artful Home, an exhibit of unique, handcrafted gifts and artwork will be on display beginning Oct. 22 at the Spaulding R. Aldrich Heritage Gallery at Alternatives' Whitin Mill, 50 Douglas Rd., Whitinsville. An opening reception with the artists will be held at the gallery on Friday, Oct. 22 from 5 – 7 p.m.

This holiday exhibition and art market will showcase the work of eight local artisans and fine artists. Their wares, which will be available for purchase throughout the run of the exhibit, include quilted pillows, hand-printed tea towels and napkins, pottery, stained glass, and framed artwork. The participating artists are potters Caly Almy and Ann Schunior, mixed-media artist Lisa Barthelson, quilters Rosemary

Dziubinski and Liz Foss, knitter David Lane, stained glass artist Stephen Paulson and printmaker Morgan Tartakoff.

Regular gallery hours will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1 – 7 p.m.; and Fridays from 1 – 4 p.m. The exhibit will also be open on Saturday, Nov. 27 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. as part of Shop Small Saturday. The gallery is closed on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Eve. Visits outside of regular gallery hours are by appointment. The exhibit ends on Dec. 31.

For more information about the exhibit and links to participating artist websites, visit

<https://www.openskycs.org/news-events/events/valleycast-art-exhibit-artful-home> or <https://www.facebook.com/ValleyCAST>

To learn more about ValleyCAST and/or Open Sky Community Services, visit [openskycs.org](https://www.openskycs.org). To schedule a visit to the Gallery, call (508) 234-6232 or email: Cristi.Collari@openskycs.org.

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BVT practical nursing program recognized

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TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

UPTON — The Blackstone Valley Tech Practical Nursing program has been ranked third in the state by Nursing Schools Almanac, an organization that annually ranks the best nursing schools in Massachusetts to help aspiring nurses with a resource for selecting their future nursing school.

"It's an honor to be included in the Nursing Schools Almanacs 2021 rankings of the best nursing programs in Massachusetts," said Practical Nursing Coordinator Joann Monks, MBA, MSc, RN-BC, RMA. "This is a tribute to the dedication of our students, faculty, staff, and stakeholders working together in support of our program."

For the 2021 rankings of LPN programs, the research team at Nursing Schools Almanac compiled an "extensive database of student performance" on the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN), according to a Blackstone Valley Tech statement.

"Aspiring practical nurses must pass this examination before commencing practice. Thus, student performance on the exam provides an

excellent benchmark for comparing the relative quality of programs," the school released.

The ranking methodology focused on the NCLEX-PN pass rates among first-time test-takers. As well as the average number of annual graduates and previous calendar years, 2011 through 2020 were analyzed, weighted by year, and averaged together, BVT shared, adding "They used this metric to rank all of the Massachusetts' LPN programs accordingly."

Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School ranked third, with a NCLEX-PN pass rate among first-time test-takers of 95.5 percent and the average number of LPN students graduating annually being 17.

The Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District was formed in 1964

to provide an "exciting and rewarding" career education option for students in the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. The system offers 18 vocational-technical programs and a challenging academic curriculum, as well as a post-secondary program, according to the school.

The Blackstone Valley Tech Practical Nursing (post-secondary) program serves adult learners in the district, out of the district, and out of state. The program is offering information sessions this fall, including: Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, visit www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/pninformationsession.

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Mondays at 12:45 P.M.
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Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. (class is \$3)
BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC
Every Tuesday from 9 A.M. - 10 A.M.
WALKING CLUB
Tuesdays at 8:30 A.M.

We will be walking around the garden
This will be followed by coffee in the garden!
SOCIAL BINGO
Wednesdays at 1 P.M.
Bring your pennies!
DULL MENS CLUB
Thursdays at 10 – 11 A.M

No reservations required for any of our activities! If you would like Lunch ahead of time a 48 hour reservation is required call the center at 508-865-9154

Lunches are served Monday through Friday 12 P.M. at the Senior Center
The menu is available on the town website, www.townofmillbury.org
Or our Millbury Senior Center Facebook page.
A 48 hour reservation is required.

Millbury Senior Center Transportation
Transportation is provided for Millbury Senior Residents

Monday through Friday from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

We travel one town out in each direction including Sutton, Grafton, Auburn and Worcester
A 48 hour notice is required for scheduling rides (business days)
Rides are free until January 1st
For more information or to schedule transportation call the center at 508-865-9154

“MEMORY CAFÉ”
Please join us October 26th , 2 - 3:30 P.M.

A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss/challenges and their care partners. It is a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time.

Fourth Tuesday of each month, refreshments will be served.
We are also looking for volunteers to assist with this program!
Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer

any questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

Millbury Friendly Visitor Program
Our Friendly Visitor Program is now being provided by telephone
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Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.,
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
“Yoga for Grandparents & Grandchildren” 6 week workshop is being offered at Plummer Place. Join Lindsey Centrella, Certified Yoga Instructor, each Wednesday evening beginning September 29th from 6:30-7:00pm to learn fun, mindful ways to move and breath that will help promote a sense of well-being, lessen anxiety and to enjoy more time with one another. Best for ages 4 and up. Feel free to bring your own yoga mats, though will be provided if needed. \$5/family. Please call to register.
Writing Workshop will return on Wednesdays beginning October 6th @ 6:00pm. This is a 5 week workshop meeting every other Wednesday with Diane Pollard as our instructor. We welcome new writers! Call the Center to sign up. \$5/class.
Ukulele Class will be returning on Wednesday, October 6th @ 2:00pm. Raianne Richards will be back as your instructor. This class is for both beginners and those who need to brush

up on their skills. Call the Center to sign up.

Exercise Classes at Plummer Place, Mondays: Chair Exercise @ 9:30 and Tai Chi @ 11:00, Tuesdays: Chair Zumba at 1:00, Wednesdays: Low Impact Aerobics @ 10:30, Thursdays: Chair Yoga @ 11:15, Fridays: Stretch & Strengthen @ 9:30.

Mahjong is looking for new players at Plummer Place. The Four Winds Mahjong League meets Mondays, 1:00-3:00pm and on Thursdays (this change begins Oct. 7th) at 12:30pm, National Mahjong League meets.

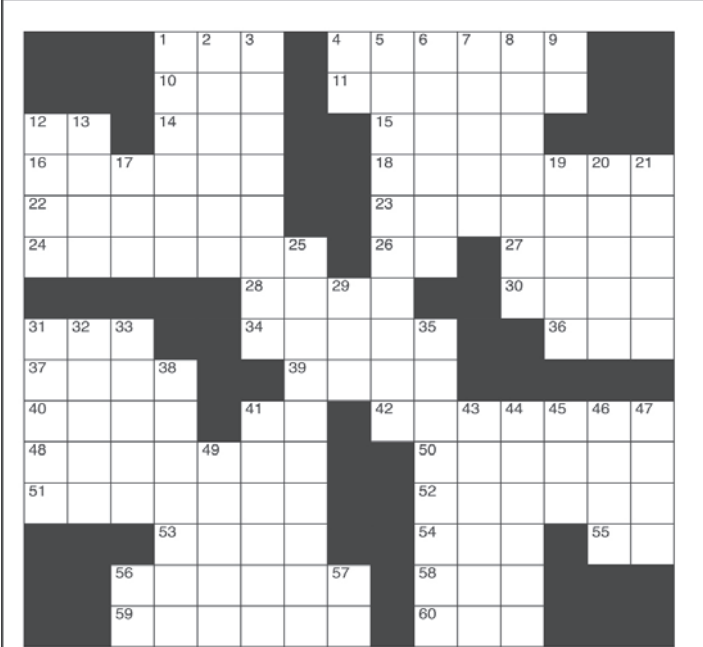
Bridge League meets Tuesdays, 12:30 at Plummer Place. They are in need of more players. If interested, call to sign up.

Aqua Aerobics Class is offered through the Center at the Whitin Community Center Mondays @ 1:00pm. Call to sign up.
Tap Class is back at Plummer Place with Ed Burch as our instructor. Begins Wednesday, September 29th @2:30pm. Call to sign up.

The Plummer Place billiard room is open during our normal working hours to anyone interested.

Cribbage League is in its third week, but they are looking for more players. If interested, call the Center.

Plummer Place is looking for Pitch players to join a new league, start date to be determined. Please call if interested.

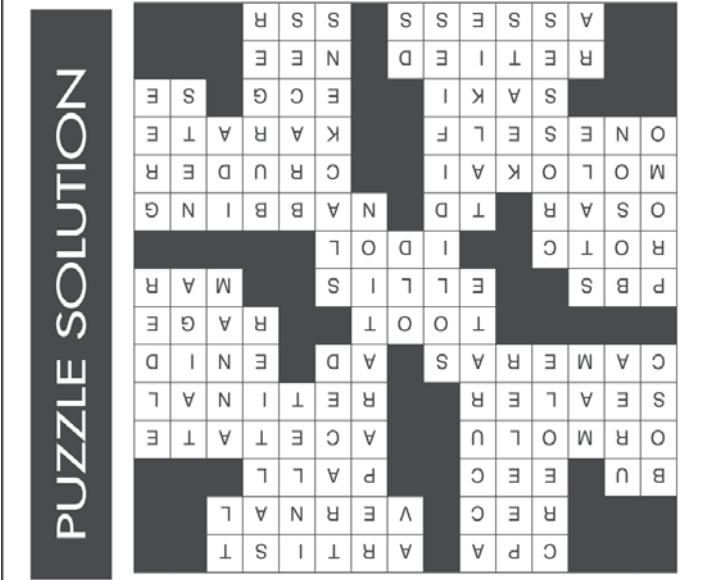


CLUES ACROSS

1. Numbers cruncher
4. Creator
10. A type of center
11. About spring
12. Equal to 64 U.S. pints (abbr.)
14. Precursor to the EU
15. Something that can be cast
16. Gold-colored alloy
18. A salt or ester of acetic acid
22. A hard coating on a porous surface
23. A type of detachment
24. Filmmakers need them
26. Promotional material
27. __ Blyton, children's author
28. Short, sharp sound
30. Feeling of intense anger
31. Popular TV network
34. Island entry point
36. Disfigure
37. College army
39. One who's revered
40. Long, winding ridge
41. Football stat
42. Stealing
48. Hawaiian island
50. More raw
51. In one's normal state of mind
52. Daniel LaRusso's sport
53. Tropical American monkey
54. Measures heart currents
55. Midway between south and east
56. Knotted again
58. Born of
59. Value
60. Soviet Socialist Republic

CLUES DOWN

1. Mother tongue
2. Removes potato skins
3. True
4. Early multimedia
5. The making of amends
6. Discovered by investigation
7. Small arm of the sea
8. More seasoned
9. Atomic #81
12. Type of pear
13. Chemical compound
17. One's mother
19. Vietnam's former name
20. Snow forest
21. Church officer
25. Hardens
29. Ancient
31. Advertising gimmick
32. Subatomic particle
33. Not fresh
35. Loosens
36. Grilled beef sandwich
41. Film
43. Orthodontic devices
44. Grilled beef sandwich
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57. Poor grades



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GRAFTON — Enjoy food, music and fun at Gazebo-Palooza, a benefit bash on Oct. 2, Noon- 6 p.m. just behind the Old Town House, One Grafton Common, Grafton.

Sample food donated by the area’s best restaurants including Bushel ‘N Peck, The Cake Shop, Cancun’s, Grafton Grill & Crust, The Grafton Inn, Pepperoni Express, Post Office Pub, Reunion Table & Tap and Town House Tavern while listening to live performances from local favorites like Josh Briggs, Old Tom & the Lookouts, Dave Rivers, Jesse Garcia & Belit, Pallet House and The Half Wits – all of whom are volunteering their time and talent!

Emceed by father and son team Josh and Nate Briggs, live music will play all day on the Old Town House rear patio while people sample food, enjoy a beverage, and stroll the silent auction items donated by local businesses including Ace Ticket, The Bread Guy, The Cake Shop, Grafton Country Store, Highfields Golf and Country Club, Houlden Farms, Jubilee Chocolate, Pecorino Artisanal Cheese and Fine Wine, Quite Fetching Barkery & Pet Boutique, Touchstone Crystal, and Wicked Twisted.

Be sure to brush up on your Grafton Trivia, because more than \$1000 in gift cards donated by our restaurant partners will be given away.

Admission is \$15 a person, and all proceeds benefit the Small Stones Festival of the Arts and Grafton Art’s Inc. Children 10 and under are free with an adult. Soft drinks, wine and locally crafted beer are available for separate purchase. (Photograph ID required for wine and beer.)

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The Small Stones Festival of the Arts, a juried fine art painting and photography exhibit accompanied by music and literary programs, juror and artist talks and an art collection presentation, runs Oct. 15-24. The exhibit is at the Great Hall, One Grafton Common and programs will be held there as well as the Grafton Public Library and Congregational Church of Grafton.

For more information about the Festival, visit <https://www.smallstonesfestival.org> or contact Ken Crater at ken@graftonarts.org.

Charr Jobe of Uxbridge named to Assumption University Men’s Soccer Team

WORCESTER — The Assumption University Department of Athletics has announced that Charr Jobe, of Uxbridge, has earned a spot on the 2021 Men’s Soccer team. Jobe, Class of 2024, is competing during the fall season.

The Assumption Men’s Soccer team was ranked eighth in the 2021 Northeast-10 Conference Preseason Coaches’ Poll. The Greyhounds are the defending NE10 Champions after winning the NE10 Title as a No. 5 seed in 2019; the 2020 season was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Following the Championship, they earned the program’s first-ever NCAA victory with a 2-1 victory over West Chester. Overall the team finished with a 13-8 record and 7-5 mark in the NE10, including a streak of seven straight games with at least two goals. Assumption ranked seventh in the NE10 in both goals against average (1.65) and scoring (1.67).

“The team is looking forward to competing this season and defending our Northeast-10 Championship,” said head coach Ed Matz, who is entering his first season as head coach of the team. “Our student-athletes has put in a tremendous amount of work and I am looking forward to seeing that they are able to accomplish this year, both in the classroom and on the field.”

For more information on Assumption sports, visit www.assumption-greyhounds.com.

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Spartans blank Blackstone-Millville, continue winning ways

On Saturday, Sept. 25, the Uxbridge High varsity field hockey team improved to 5-0 after defeating Blackstone-Millville Regional, 9-0. Chloe Kaeller led the offensive charge with four goals and an assist. Other goal scorers were Meghan Smith (one assist), Julianna Casucci (one assist), Amelia Blood, Kendall Gilmore and Bailey Dzivasen. In goal, Jessica Lutton and Julia Okenquist combined for the shutout.

Isaac Curley of Uxbridge enrolls at Lehigh University as part of the Class of 2025

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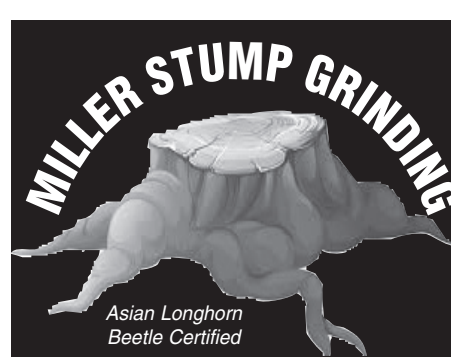
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EDITORIAL

Take a break from bad news

Oftentimes, ideas for Editorials arise when something close to us personally surfaces that hits home, or when we hear a significant amount of chatter about a specific topic. This week, the chatter has been about national news overload.

We love the news — after all, it’s what we do. Sharing information with our readers on the local level is both an honor and a necessity.

This week, however, we have heard many people say they just can’t listen to the national news anymore. They feel bombarded by a relentless parade of doom and gloom, from the continuing (and to us, frankly confounding) debates over mask mandates in schools to the minute-by-minute coverage of the tragic Gabby Petito case, oftentimes leaving them feeling depressed and overwhelmed. News junkies watch the news every morning and night, check their Twitter feeds, listen to talk radio on their commutes and are constantly in the know. It’s important and responsible to be aware of what’s happening around you, however finding a balance is key, even for those of us in the businesses.

It seems as though the national news cycle has been nothing but chaos. Bad news seems to ping our phones almost on the minute. This can be exhausting.

As a way to catch your breath, pick one day of the week as a ‘no news’ day, sort of like a news siesta. Get outside, un plug, read a book, listen to some vinyl or watch Cobra Kai (we do recommend for a splash of nostalgia). Attempt to shut off the little magic box we all stare at way too much on the daily. Could landlines actually still serve a purpose?

If you feel like you can’t make a difference, realize that you can. Do something every day to make the world a better place, even if that means your own little world. Such actions can often result in the domino effect.

Take some time to count the blessings in your life. Positivity still surrounds us in bulk if you look for it. Family, friends, dogs, crisp fall leaves, apple crisp, bacon, a friendly wave from a neighbor, morning coffee, a cold drink, a beautiful hike or walk, a good novel and a nice music blasting session are just a few things we can lean on to always lift us back up.

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Beware of “Lyin’ Eyes”

To the Editor:

Like the Eagles song of the ‘70s warns, be wary of “lyin’ eyes!” Those who regularly watch current events programs or read topical, print stories and articles must wonder about the ‘credibility’ of today’s leaders. Are we to believe what our ears hear or what eyes see so clearly? Daily, we witness warp speed ‘spinning’ of solid facts about anything and everything. Are we to believe what those (clear) eyes actually see or what we hear? Consider these scenarios and decide for yourself if the facts (seen) fit the narratives (heard) which drip into our ears from TV, social media, and print sources.

With “lyin’ eyes,” this administration promised calm, peaceful ‘unity’ of competing political viewpoints and return to government ‘transparency,’ but reality seems exactly the opposite. Shortly, we will see a scorched earth policy being attempted through ‘reconciliation’ (no debate!) on every subject: budget, debt ceiling, ‘infrastructure’ involving not just needed transportation improvements but social welfare programs that fundamentally “recreate America” as proponents proudly proclaim. No matter how verbiage is turned or twisted to explain the unexplainable, we see with our (clear) eyes this is not the middle-of-the-road, compromise administration pledged to voters last November.

With “lyin’ eyes,” we were promised a secure southern border and humane treatment of those entering our country illegally. We listen to the President, VP, Homeland Security Secretary, and Press Secretary boldly assert: “no crisis exists”; “the border is closed and secure”; “the flood of migrants is no more extreme in numbers than in past administrations”, as if we cannot see with our (clear) eyes the falsehoods spoken! Currently, the Border Patrol is being unjustly excoriated and hampered at every turn from doing their sworn duty. Caravans still cross into Texas (and elsewhere), and migrants live under appalling conditions in temporary tent cities. Not counting get-a-ways, statistics show more than 600,000 have arrived on our doorstep since Jan. 20. In vio-

lation of established US Immigration Law, we see a majority released with no COVID testing and scrapes of paper in hand directing ‘appearance’ for a future asylum hearing! If you think the latter will happen often, there’s a bridge in Brooklyn for sale! Lastly, costs in human trafficking, drug smuggling, and social service bills due for their ongoing support are incalculable.

With “lyin’ eyes,” we were promised quick resolution to the COVID pandemic by getting everyone vaccinated with magic medicines (produced under Project Warp Speed in the previous administration to give deserved credit). Yet we see with our (clear) eyes ‘the end’ is farther away than ever. Now, the federal government and corporations are mandating vaccination of everyone (regardless of legitimate exemptions) even to hold a job! How sad for our future that “lyin’ eyes” are confident they can ignore the US Constitution, like an ‘inconvenience’ rather than the law of the land!

The situation in Afghanistan is not forgotten, but too painful to detail again after the recent passing of the 20th anniversary of 9/11. With “lyin’ eyes,” we were promised a “return to a strong America on the world stage” yet the President’s recent speech to the United Nations made no mention of our sworn enemies- China, Iran, etc. What a missed opportunity to remind the world what American really stands for after that debacle which “lyin’ eyes” (with insulting, unimaginable callousness) declared a “success!”

Finally, the strength of the American economy rests on the backs of the middle class and small business owners who create the majority of jobs. Taxing the rich will not produce enough revenue to fund the proposed new social programs, and increasing the corporate tax rate will only cripple GNP expansion! Regardless of what “lying” eyes” promise, pressured by inflation we see the specter of higher taxes and know where America is headed unless anger, hope and courage produce the necessary change required.

JANE F. KEEGAN
UXBRIDGE

Preparing your landscape for winter

Fall is a season of transition and that includes your garden. Make the most of beautiful fall days to enjoy your garden and prepare your landscape for the winter ahead.



GARDEN MOMENTS

MELINDA MYERS

temperature extremes, reduces competition from the lawn for water and nutrients and improves the soil as it decomposes. Pull mulch away from the trunk of trees and stems of shrubs. Piling mulch over these can lead to rot, decline and early death of the plants.

Help your lawn recover from the stresses of summer and prepare for winter with fall fertilization. University research found fall fertilization is most beneficial for home lawns. Fall fertilization encourages deep roots and denser growth that is better able to compete with weeds and tolerate disease and insect pests.

Always sweep grass clippings and chemicals off walks and drives and back into the lawn where they belong. This simple step keeps unwanted nutrients out of waterways and eventually our drinking water.

Add some spring color by planting dafodils, grape hyacinths, tulips, and other

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Courtesy — Pasquesi Home and Gardens

Leaving healthy perennials like coneflower stand for winter provides food for birds, winter interest and homes for many beneficial insects.

Hope

Most of us are hoping for things. Hoping to meet someone special, hoping to get a new job, hoping our business works out, hoping our loved ones break the addiction, hoping to hear good news from the doctor.

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

TOBY MOORE

There are a few definitions of hope in the dictionary. One description says: to want something to happen or be true and think that it could possibly happen or be true.

Another definition is: a wish or desire that something will occur.

Those two definitions, it seems to me, are the way most people use the word hope today.

“I hope I get the job,” “I hope things work out,” “I hope I get a raise,” “I hope to be cancer-free,” “I hope I get a puppy for Christmas!” “I hope we win the game...”

These are merely wishes. They might happen, they might not happen, and it’s a passive way to approach a desire. It doesn’t require anything of you.

There is another definition of hope: to expect with confidence.

This type of hope requires you to believe with a confident expectation. It requires you to have faith; It’s active, not passive.

A lot of people like to say, “I hope for the best but expect the worst.” Sadly, it seems that’s how a large portion of people live their lives.

I had a friend who was fond of saying, “I always expect the worst to happen, so that way I’m never disappointed.”

Upon contemplating what he was saying, I began to realize, whether he knew it or not, what he was saying was, “I expect to live a life of disappointment,” or “I hope the worst happens; that way, I’m never disappointed.”

When you have that type of mindset, you’re satisfied when every disappointment occurs because it’s a reassurance that you’re correct; disappointment becomes a reward!

Sure, bad things happen, and preparing for the worst outcome could be a wise thing to do, but to expect disappointment around every corner is a road that leads to a lifetime of dissatisfaction.

A different and better way to hope and expect with confidence is to predict the best possible outcome, expect to win, expect success, expect good health, and accomplish your goals.

Do you think winners ever hope to lose? Does Tom Brady walk out onto the field hoping and expecting not to get a Super Bowl ring?

One of his best quotes is, “You wanna know which ring is my favorite? The next one.” That’s powerful!

He may be blessed with fantastic football abilities, but I would be shocked if he had a hope and confident expectation that disappointment lurked around every corner. Some of his quotes say precisely the opposite.

“If you want to perform at the highest level, then you have to prepare at the highest level.”

If you’re preparing to perform at the highest level, then you’re hoping and expecting the best possible performance.

A lot of you reading this are probably thinking, “Yeah, Yeah, but I’m not Tom Brady, and I’ve never won at anything like he does, so why should I hope and expect the best possible outcome? It’s not realistic.”

I get that. I’ve spent large parts of my life expecting the worst. When I lived with that attitude, things never got better; they only got worse. I was unhappy, irritated

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Looking ahead to waterfowl season

The regular waterfowl season is scheduled to open on Oct. 11 in the Central district. There is a lot of water this year making plenty of areas for the ducks and geese to hang out. The plentiful acorn crop, which is one of the Wood Ducks favorite food this time of year, should keep them well fed for there long migration South. Wood Ducks are plentiful this year, and provide most of the shooting during the first part of the duck season. If the season starts early enough, you many get lucky to encounter a few flights of blue winged or green winged teal. They provide some great shooting opportunities, and they are fast.

Wood Ducks do not take a lot of hunting pressure and move out of the area sooner than other ducks. Other than Wood Ducks, Mallards make up most of the daily bag limits during hunting season, with some blacks also being harvested. Because of the inter breeding of black and mallard ducks, they can easily be mistaken for a black duck. The three-bird daily limit on Wood Duck is far better than the limits 20 or 30 years ago that remained at a

two-bird limit for years, despite the high population of birds in the area.

Local sportsmen banded together to build and erect a few hundred nesting boxes for the birds to raise their young. It worked well and even more birds were observed in the valley. It was called operation Wood Duck! The high population of birds in the area did not convince Fish & Wildlife to increase the daily limit on Wood Ducks until eight or 10 years ago. The migrating Wood Duck's provided great shooting for the neighboring state of Rhode Island's waterfowlers, as well as the Southern states. Rhode Island did have a shorter duck season back then, but did provide some great shooting opportunities for the most colorful & exciting duck to hunt in Massachusetts, and they still are.

Their feathers were prized by fly tyers for their colorful barbs under their wings, as well as numerous other feathers that made great trout fly's. The meat on the wood Duck was, and still is a great eating bird when properly prepared. Any duck hunters that do not tie flies

should reach out to the New England Fly Tiers organization and donate the male Wood Duck feathers to them for their upcoming classes. They would surely appreciate them. Duck feathers are illegal to sell, but can be donated to individuals or organizations like the New England Fly Tiers!

Waterfowl hunters need to be reminded that when hunting ducks and geese, every possible means to retrieve shot birds needs to be practiced. Hunters that do not can be charged with wanton waste. Most serious duck hunters own a good retriever. These dogs can provide the most satisfaction when hunting waterfowl. Their desire to hunt and retrieve ducks and upland birds provides the ultimate satisfaction for their owners, and also find and retrieve downed birds that would otherwise be lost. Owning a good bird dog can cost a few bucks, but once you own one to hunt with you. You will never hunt without one again, not to mention their bond with their owner throughout the year. He or she will become your best friend, but do not tell your wife!

A good hunting dog



These yellow lab pups were part of a litter this writer had his pick of at seven weeks old. The one on the left (Twig) is now 11 years old, and is a great hunter & family pet. She may not be a field Champion, but she is great in the field. She has had no hip problems which is often a problem for Labs, and has been basically a healthy dog.

is not cheap and veterinarian bills are costly, but they are worth every penny. If you decide to purchase a pup, be sure to do your homework. It cost just as much money to raise a pedigree dog as it does a mongrel, and the final results are totally different in most circumstances. Be sure to buy your pup from a highly respected breed-

er, and you should end up with a great hunting partner for many years to come, not to mention a great family pet.

Saltwater fishing for tautog and seabass is red hot right now in Rhode Island right now, and continues to improve daily.

Freshwater bass fishing has been very good for anglers using shin-

ers. At the time of this writing, anglers were anxiously awaiting the start of the fall trout stocking. Only lakes and ponds are stocked with trout in the fall, in the Central District.

Take a Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Indian Summer and Other Weather Curiosities

Here in New England where long, cold winters make warm weather highly anticipated and much appreciated, few weather forecasts are celebrated more than the promise of "Indian Summer." The bonus of an extra week or two of summer weather as the hydrangeas wane and school buses reappear, is nothing short of a celebratory occasion. From extra swims to extended camp outs, Northeasterners of all ages savor the unseasonal high temperatures.

Now I'm not saying we'll have Indian Summer this year, and while the hope of it conjures up thoughts of autumn boat rides and post Labor day whites, the phrase itself isn't exactly clear. When does warmer weather qualify as an Indian Summer? And is it a Native American phrase as the title implies?

Read on for interesting and intriguing facts about Indian Summer and other old New England weather lore.

Indian Summer Explained

In 1817, writer John Bradbury offered this emotional explanation of Indian Summer:

"The air is perfectly quiescent and all is stillness, as if Nature, after her exertions during the Summer, were now at rest."

Weather Historian William R. Deedler notes "The term 'Indian Summer' dates back to the 18th century in the United States. It can be defined as 'any spell of warm, quiet, hazy weather that may occur in October or even early November.' Basically, autumn is a transition

season as the thunderstorms and severe weather of the summer give way to a tamer, calmer weather period before the turbulence of the winter commences."

Deedler, in his article "What is Indian Summer and did Indians really have anything to do with it?," further explained:

"The term 'Indian Summer' is generally associated with a period of considerably above normal temperatures, accompanied by dry and hazy conditions ushered in on a south or southwesterly breeze. Several references make note of the fact that a true Indian Summer can not occur until there has been a killing frost/freeze. Since frost and freezing temperatures generally work their way south through the fall, this would give credence to the possibility of several Indian Summers occurring in a fall, especially across the northern areas where frost/freezes usually come early."

In short, any spell of unseasonably hot temperatures after autumn has officially begun is called an Indian Summer. Unless of course you're a weather purist, in which case it isn't officially Indian Summer unless the summer temps occur after a frost.

So where does the "Indian" in Indian Summer come in? Like most old New England history, it's not crystal clear. The most likely explanations? According to the aforementioned Deedler, one theory is that Native Americans hunted during such warm autumn spells, since the hazy air allowed the hunter to better sneak up on its prey.

and perennials to the landscape. The soil is warm and air cool, making it less stressful for plants to adjust to their new home. Mulch new plantings and water thoroughly whenever the top few inches of soil are crumbly and moist. Continue watering new and existing plantings as needed until the ground freezes.

Once the garden is prepared for winter, you can put away the hoses and garden tools, break out the snow shovels and wait for spring to arrive.

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TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Supporting this explanation is a practiced the Native Americans to set fires to New England woods and grass to create hazy, smoky conditions. Another theory is that the Indian in the title refers to the ocean. Deedler recounts how ships in the Indian Ocean typically loaded up their cargo during the fair weather season, marking their hull level with the initials IS, for Indian Summer.

Early America Weather Forecasters: Native Americans have a long history of predicting the weather through nature. They taught many of these weather forecasters to the early settlers, some of which have continued to aid farmers for centuries. Here is the logic behind some of the oft repeated phrases:

Phrase: When squirrels chatter, rain will follow.
Principle: Squirrels chatter while gathering or eating food, both of which they tend to do before a rainstorm.

Phrase: A mile winter is in store if a muskrat builds his house toward the edge of the lake it.
Principle: A muskrat requires open water to leave of his house. If he builds near the edge of the lake, it means he knows that there won't be a long hard freeze.

Phrase: If a muskrat

builds his house toward the middle of the lake, a long winter is ahead.

Principle: If there's going to be a long freeze, the muskrat will build in deep water to prevent freezing.

Phrase: If snakes are out in the fall, it will be a long autumn season.

Principle: Snakes hibernate in the winter, so their appearance in fall can be an indicator of a longer than usual season.

Phrase: If crows are seen in February there will be an early spring.

Principle: Birds follow instinctive migratory patterns and routes at various times of the year. Their arrival and departure are indicators of the seasons.

Phrase: When leaves

on the ash trees turn upward it will rain.

Principle: Moisture in the air affects the position of some types of leaves.

Phrase: When cranes return southward in the early fall, we will have a storm.

Principle: Cranes always move ahead of a storm.

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Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House - Contest has resumed!

Your tips can win you a great three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on

Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

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

Friday's Child



Photo by Brandi Ebersole

Gene
Age 15

Hi! My name is Gene and I am learning how to play the guitar!

Gene is a quiet teenager of Caucasian descent. Those who know Gene best describe him as being reserved at first, but once he gets to know you, then he becomes friendly and outgoing. Gene enjoys sports and is athletic. He is looking forward to playing basketball at his school in the winter. In the past, Gene has participated in other sports such as soccer, baseball, and Pop Warner football. Some of his other favorite activities include playing video games on the computer and collecting Pokémon cards. He is currently trying to expand his interests by learning how to play the guitar and ukulele.

Legally freed for adoption, Gene is seeking a two-parent home with a mother and a father, or a single male or female parent. An ideal home for Gene would be a family that can provide him with the stability and structure he needs to thrive. His social worker believes he would do well in a family with or without other children. He would especially do well in a placement with younger children. The considering family must be open to helping Gene maintain his relationship with his older sister.

Who Can Adopt?

Can you provide the guidance, love and stability that a child needs? If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ singles and couples.

The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have a permanent place to call home.

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spring flowering bulbs this fall. It is also a good time to add trees, shrubs,

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ed, pessimistic, lost, and unable to see that my thoughts were the cause of it all. I was so far from my dreams and goals I didn't think I'd ever find my way back.


The only time things ever turned around and moved in a direction I wanted for my life was when I changed my thinking and began hoping and confidently expecting for the best! Now, after many years with this attitude, I'm happier than I've ever been, and I'm closer to accomplishing my dreams than ever before.

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<p>THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF DOUGLAS OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES NOTICE OF TAX TAKING</p> <p>TO THE OWNERS OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LAND AND TO ALL OTHERS CONCERNED YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON Friday, the 29th day of October, 2021, at 12:00 o'clock PM., at DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL CENTER, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, IT IS MY INTENTION TO TAKE FOR THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS the following Parcels of land for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.</p> <p>Cheryl J Vaidya, COLLECTOR OF TAXES</p>	<p>A certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, located at 291 -7 SOUTH ST in DOUGLAS, containing 0.117 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 288-23,recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/Page 49126-350. Tax for FY-2021 \$254.72 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Assessed Owner: CROWLEY DARLENE A certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, located at 6 LAUREL GLADES in DOUGLAS, containing 2.077 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 131-6, recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/ Page 19579-388. Tax for FY-2021 \$6,028.40 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Assessed Owner: HARINGA, WAYNE J & HARINGA, CHARLENE L A certain parcel of land with any buildings thereon, located at 188 WALNUT ST in DOUGLAS, containing 2.088 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 275-19,recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/Page 12418-124. Tax for FY-2021 \$2,422.19 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Assessed Owner: HATFIELD LORI L A certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, located at 36 RICHIE RD in DOUGLAS, containing .230 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 284-107,recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/Page 48886-144. 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Tax for FY-2021 \$279.82 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Assessed Owner: ROUSSEAU, ROBERT & ROUSSEAU, RONDE K A certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, located at 15 JOHNSON CT in DOUGLAS, containing 3.290 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 161-45, recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/Page 14457-4. Tax for FY-2021 \$1,735.94 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Assessed Owner: TRIBOU CHERYL A certain parcel of land with buildings located thereon, located at 131 MAIN ST in DOUGLAS, containing .496 ACRES more or less; shown on Assessor's Map 171-4,recorded at Worcester Registry of Deeds - Book/Page 57438-367. Tax for FY-2021 \$959.98 Plus Interest and Costs</p> <p>Respectfully Submitted By: Cheryl J Vaidya, Treasurer/Collector 10/1/2021 October 1, 2021</p>
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DUDLEY - 10 MILL ROAD



ON DEPOSIT

Beautiful family home! 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, newer widows & heating system. Mini split system. Hardwoods. Lg eat-in kitchen / Corian counters & Island! Warming fireplace with handsome mantel. Generous dining room, spacious enough for your family gatherings. lower level fireplace family room. Harmon pellet insert! 2 car garage. Reduced **\$340,000.**

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Featured Island Listing! Webster Lake - 22 Long Island



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LAND

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Oxford - 2 Merriam Rd 80 +/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton! Great Location for Horses! **\$329,000.**

Oxford - 4 Leicester St - Approx. 8.47 ACRES! River Frontage Possible to be Subdivided! **\$89,900**

Webster - Upper Gore w/View of the Lake! 1+ Acre! Artesian Well, Septic Design & Conservation - DONE. **\$115,000.**

Webster - Cooper Road 2 Buildable Lots! Water & Sewer Access. Zoned Lake Res! **ON DEPOSIT! Each \$24,500.**

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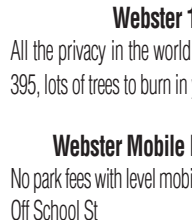
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0-0 result. Despite no goals being scored, the matchup was intense with both sides having opportunities to break through.
Northbridge is now 2-1-1, while Uxbridge is 2-1-3.



At left: Northbridge's Caitlyn Mahoney, left, clears the ball ahead of a hard-charging Kathryn Cahill of Uxbridge.



Northbridge's Jenna Malone receives a pass while shielding an Uxbridge defender.



Skylar Lovell of Uxbridge makes a play on the ball from her defensive position.



Sienna Mastroianni of Northbridge hustles up toward the ball versus Uxbridge.



Uxbridge keeper Saige Frazier slides in to make a save while Northbridge's Sienna Mastroianni tumbles to the ground while giving pursuit to the ball.

AWARD
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Sports Medicine committee, and his work to “identify protocols and support for athletic programs in conducting safe return-to-play procedures in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic” was used as a model for programs across Massachusetts, the district released.


“These past 12 months have been challenging for everyone, but the realm of athletics provided important structure, normalcy, and joy for many of our students,” said Dr.

Dillon. “In that time, Mr. Carbone’s tireless work to keep sports alive and safe in Uxbridge, despite constant challenges and shifting guidelines, has kept our Spartans engaged, enthusiastic, and enriched. We are proud that others recognize his efforts.”

Carbone has a Master’s degree in Educational Administration from Endicott College and is a certified athletic administrator from the NIAAA.

“Nobody delivered a more consistent message regarding sports and its importance over

that past year than Chris Carbone,” said Uxbridge High School Principal Michael Rubin. “Whenever we had a conversation about the challenges that sports brought over the past year, be it in our building and community, or with our colleagues and peers across the state, Chris had one succinct and consistent message: ‘if we can do it safely, we are going to do it.’ His dedication and commitment to the black and orange is unrivaled, and our community is fortunate to have him as part of our team.”



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