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Friday, October 8, 2021

LHS’ Leveillee returns to the field after dirt biking injury

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – After overcoming all odds following a serious injury, Leicester High School junior Kelton Leveillee is thrilled to be back in the game.

Leveillee, 17, returned to the LHS football team this season after recovering from injuries sustained in a dirt bike accident in April 2020. He suffered multiple broken bones in his back, a punctured lung, and several broken ribs.

Adding to the challenges of his recovery, Leveillee was hospitalized at a time when COVID-19 infections were sharply rising. Amid tight hospital protocols and restrictions, he received spinal fusion surgery and entered a long road to recovery, uncertain as to whether he would ever play the sports he loved again.

In the lonely months following his release from the hospital, Leveillee received constant encouragement from family and friends, even if they couldn’t always be at his side.

“Being isolated from family and friends was difficult because of COVID,” said Kelton’s mother, Lisa Leveillee. “Given his injuries and his lungs being compromised, we could not risk visitors or leaving the house unless necessary for months. No friends. No family could visit. Many pitched in and delivered food to the door or said hello through a window, which was huge. His friends dropped off gifts and candy and items to cheer him up and keep him going.”

Leveillee started riding snowmobiles and dirt bikes at age three; he has been racing since he was six. On April 5, 2020, while riding with his friends, he encountered a wash-out that was impossible to see under the dirt.

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Leicester High School junior Kelton Leveillee overcame a major injury and returned to sports.

He was thrown from his bike and landed on his back, protected from severe head injury because he was wearing all of the proper equipment, including a fly racing helmet.

An ambulance transported him to UMass Medical Center, where doctors determined he’d fractured three vertebrae, punctured a lung, and broken ribs on both sides.

“COVID protocols would not allow for visitors of any kind, so one parent could stay with him in his room for his entire stay but could not leave the room at all,” added Lisa Leveillee, who stayed with her son at the hospital for two weeks.

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Leicester officials begin process of purchasing Becker campus

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – Now that voters have fully greenlighted the town’s acquisition of the former Becker College property, officials are beginning the long process of bringing the project to fruition.

At the Sept. 21 Special Election, residents voted 1,222-205 in favor of a \$19.9 million debt exclusion request for the acquisition of the property. The vote came one week after Special Town Meeting attendees voted 546-52 in favor of acquiring the Becker campus.

But even though the votes were delivered swiftly at both meetings, the acquisition of all Becker landholdings will take some time, officials said. With 19 buildings soon to be under their purview, officials will need to form a maintenance and usage plan for each one.

Committees will likely be formed to discuss and plan for specific aspects of the acquisition.

“One of the committees formed will be on how to deal with the buildings and maintenance, and to provide a plan for such,” said Selectman Allen Phillips. “The actual acquisition will take some time and possibly will not be finalized until the December or January timeframe.”

Prior to moving forward, the town is also awaiting approval of the acquisition from the Attorney General’s office. Officials will then advance their acquisition plans and determine which buildings could be considered for lease or sale to create additional revenue.

“The next steps for now are working on the closing, and eventually setting up committees to look at the properties to make recommendations for their reuse or disposition going forward,” said Town Administrator David Genereux.

For residents and officials alike, it’s exciting to envision the possibilities for the campus. Last month, many residents got their first look at the facility when it served as an emergency host for the annual Harvest Fair due to an incomplete sidewalk project on the Town Common. Guests and crafters were thrilled with the arrangement and accessibility of the campus, as well as its ample parking.

Moving forward, the campus could be used for similar town festivals and community

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Quaboag continues to roll, this time over Southbridge

Photos Nick Ethier

Quaboag’s Brendan Burke catches a pass and immediately looks up-field, where he eventually found the end zone for a touchdown.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

WARREN — The year 2009 was not that long ago, relatively speaking. But for David Shepherd and the Quaboag Regional football program, it must feel like lightyears ago.

That’s because the Cougars, at the variety level, struggled out of the gate. Only recently has Shepherd, who has been the head coach all 13 years of the program’s existence, seen a lot of success.

“The difference of the culture now is when we first started as a program we used to come and think about hanging in

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Camp Marshall to host Halloween “spook”-tacular

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Guests will once again visit Camp Marshall for plenty of thrills and chills this Halloween season.

The camp’s second annual “spook”-tacular two-day program will begin on Friday, Oct. 29, from 7-10 p.m. If you dare, venture out to Camp Marshall that evening for a tour through a haunted campground.

Please park in designated areas only. Face coverings are not required of guests, but are strongly suggested. Please follow the designated path through the campground in order to keep the line moving and accommodate all guests.

The next day, Saturday, Oct. 30, will feature a trunk-or-treat event from 3-5 p.m. Youngsters and their families are

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East Brookfield Cultural Council accepting grant applications

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Country Bank recognized by Boston Business Journal for charitable giving

WARE — The Boston Business Journal has once again named Country Bank an honoree in its annual 2021 Corporate Citizenship Awards, recognizing the region’s top corporate charitable contributors. The Business Journal annually publishes this list to highlight companies that promote and prioritize giving back to their communities — a feat that is even more important during times of turmoil and crisis like the one we have experienced. During this year’s virtual celebration held on Sept. 9, 98 companies have qualified for the distinction by reporting at least \$100,000 in cash contributions to Massachusetts-based charities and social-service nonprofits last year. This year, the honorees include companies from health care, technology, financial

and professional services, retail, professional sports, and more. Country Bank, which ranked 55th, employs 215 staff members within Hampden, Hampshire, and Worcester counties. Staff members actively promoted the Bank’s mission of giving back to the communities they serve by volunteering to a variety of non-profits. “The Boston business community has always been committed to helping the people and organizations in need, and 2020 was an extraordinary year,” Boston Business Journal Market President and Publisher Carolyn Jones said. “Given the many challenges we all faced, it is a true testament to the companies and the people who have given so much of their resources, money and time to help others and keep our community moving forward. We at the BBJ are grateful to

have the opportunity to recognize companies large and small for the example they set for us all to do good.” “We are honored to be recognized by the Boston Business Journal for Country Bank’s philanthropic efforts. As a community bank, it is our mission to help make a difference in the lives of others,” stated Paul Scully, President, and CEO at Country Bank. About Country Bank Country Bank is a full-service mutual community bank serving central and western Massachusetts with 14 offices in Ware, Palmer, West Brookfield, Brimfield, Belchertown, Wilbraham, Ludlow, Leicester, Paxton, Charlton, and Worcester. Country Bank is a member of FDIC, DIF, and the SUM network. Country Bank can be reached at 800-322-8233 or online at countrybank.com.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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Are there different types of breast cancer?



Millions of women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. According to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, more than 2.3 million women across the globe were diagnosed with breast cancer in 2020. The BCRF also notes that breast cancer is the most fre-

quently diagnosed cancer among women in 140 of 184 countries worldwide. Breast cancer statistics can give the impression that each of the millions of women diagnosed with the disease is fighting the same battle, but breast cancer is something of an umbrella term. In fact, there are various types of breast cancer, including ductal carcinoma in situ, invasive ductal carcinoma, inflammatory breast cancer, and metastatic breast cancer. Learning about each type of breast cancer can help women and their families gain a greater understanding of this disease. Ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS)

DCIS is a non-invasive cancer that is diagnosed when abnormal cells have been found in the lining of the breast milk duct. The National Breast Cancer Foundation notes that DCIS is a highly treatable cancer. That’s because it hasn’t spread beyond the milk duct into any surrounding breast tissue. The American Cancer Society notes that roughly 20 percent of new breast cancer cases are instances of DCIS. Invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC)

IDC is the most common type of breast cancer. The NBCF reports that between 70 and 80 percent of all breast cancer diagnoses are instances of IDC. An IDC diagnosis means that cancer began growing in the milk ducts but has since spread into other parts of the breast tissue. This is why IDC is characterized as “invasive.” Though IDC can affect people, including men, of any age, the ACS notes that the majority of IDC cases are in women age 55 and older. Inflammatory breast cancer (IBC)

The NBCF describes IBC as an “aggressive and fast growing breast cancer.” Breastcancer.org notes that IBC is

rare, as data from the ACS indicates that only about 1 percent of all breast cancers in the United States are inflammatory breast cancers. Many breast cancers begin with the formation of a lump, but Breastcancer.org reports that IBC usually begins with reddening and swelling of the breast, and symptoms can worsen considerably within days or even hours. That underscores the importance of seeking prompt treatment should any symptoms present themselves. Metastatic breast cancer

Metastatic breast cancer may be referred to as stage IV breast cancer. When a woman is diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer, that means the

cancer has spread, or metastasized, into other parts of the body. The NBCF indicates that metastatic breast cancer usually spreads to the lungs, liver, bones, or brain. Symptoms of metastatic breast cancer vary depending on where the cancer has spread. For example, if the cancer has spread to the lungs, women may experience a chronic cough or be unable to get a full breath. These are not the only types of breast cancer. A more extensive breakdown of the various types of breast cancer can be found at <https://www.breastcancer.org/symptoms/types>.

Symptoms of male breast cancer

Breast cancer is one of the most common forms of cancer diagnosed among the female population. Though breast cancer may seem like a disease that’s exclusive to women, breast cancer can affect men as well.



While they have a smaller concentration than women, men have breast tissue, which means it’s possible for them to develop breast cancer. Male breast cancer is most common in older men, but it is important that men recognize that the disease can strike them at any age.

Signs and symptoms

Men with breast cancer experience symptoms that are similar to those experienced by women. Possible signs to be aware of include:

- skin dimpling or puckering
- a lump or swelling, which is typically (but not always) painless
- nipple retraction
- redness or scaling of the nipple or breast skin
- discharge from the nipple, which may be clear or blood-tinged

The American Cancer Society advises that sometimes breast cancer can spread to the lymph nodes under the arm or around the collar bone and cause a lump or swelling in these locations. The protrusion may be noticeable even before the original tumor in the breast is large enough to be felt. Men should realize that enlargements or issues affecting both breasts (not on just one side) typically is not cancer. Enlargement or changes to both breasts in men can be caused by weight gain, medications or heavy alcohol consumption.

Types of male breast cancer

Various types of breast cancer can affect men, according to the Mayo Clinic:

- Ductal carcinoma: Cancer that begins in the milk ducts. Nearly all male breast cancer is ductal carcinoma.
- Lobular carcinoma: Cancer that begins in the milk-producing glands. This type is rare in men because they have few lobules in their breast tissue.

Especially rare types of breast cancer that can occur in men include Paget’s disease of the nipple and inflammatory breast cancer.

Diagnosis

BreastCancer.org says that a small study of breast cancer in men found that the average time between first symptoms and diagnosis was about 19 months. This can be startling because early diagnosis can be vital to survival. Through the realization that breast cancer can happen to men and more education and awareness, men can feel more comfortable about discussing changes to breast tissue with their doctors.

Male breast cancer is a very real occurrence, albeit a rare one. It is important that men take any abnormalities in their chests seriously.

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The author and neuroscientist Joe Dispenza has had a massive influence on my life. In his books, he writes about becoming greater than your circumstances. His work has had a profound impact on my thought processes and how I live my life.

It's easy to look at your current situation, compare it to where you'd like to be, recognize that it's very far from your dreams, and then logically conclude that your dreams will never happen. When these thoughts occur, you've decided to believe your circumstances are too powerful to overcome.

If your dream is to start a business, write a book, become an actor, professional athlete, go to college, or even make right an injustice in the world. Still, you're stuck working a 9-5, can barely pay your bills, and surrounded by negativity, it's logical to assume that your dream is impossible.

You may not have the financing, the time, the energy, the support, the education, or the connections. You might have children, parents, and friends that need your help; you may have very little time for yourself.

Even so, human beings can overcome their circumstances. We've seen this time and time again from people who maintain a clear vision of a future life they'd like to have and resolutely move towards that vision.

If you can see a vision of the future that you'd like to experience and move

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towards that vision with unwavering faith; You can make it so.

Even when your circumstances are overwhelming, even when the government is unjust and oppressive, you are able to rise above your circumstances and accomplish the impossible.

Dr. Martin Luther King is one man who saw a vision of the future so clearly and believed in that vision long enough that he was able to make possible what seemed impossible.

Dr. King's external reality was that he grew up when blacks were openly considered inferior by the local, state, and federal governments. His internal reality, his vision for the future, was quite the opposite.

He grew up in the Jim Crow era. When government laws, mainly in the south, openly mandated tyranny and hatred against black people.

Dr. King once said, "Never forget that everything Hitler did in Germany was legal."

Segregation, lynchings, church burnings, police brutality, attack dogs, powerful fire hoses spraying protesters to the ground, and citizens attending protests, holding signs that read, "we don't want negroes in our schools!" were the circumstances Dr. King was expected to rise above if he was to accomplish his dream.

Dr. King came into the public eye when Rosa Parks famously refused to

sit at the back of the bus. He came to her aid and helped organize the Montgomery Bus Boycott, which lasted 385 days. During the boycott, Dr. King's house was firebombed! This only served to strengthen his resolve.

King said, "It all boils down to the fact that we must never allow ourselves to become satisfied with unattained goals."

Despite constant threats against his life, and many telling him his dream was impossible, he knew and acted otherwise. The power of his vision eventually convinced millions to join him in the Civil Rights Movement.

He went on to win a Nobel Peace Prize, help to end the era of Jim Crow and see the beginning of desegregation. Tragically, he was assassinated in 1968 at the young age of 39.

Becoming greater than your circumstances will always come with opposition, obstacles, much hard work, and in some cases, death.

He once said, "Courage is an inner resolution to go forward despite obstacles; Cowardice is submissive surrender to circumstances."

Dr. King's life is a testament that we can rise above our present circumstances and achieve the impossible.

If Dr. Martin Luther King was able to rise above ignorant beliefs about skin color, tyrannical government laws, endure the constant threat of death, and still accomplish his dream, what excuse do we have not to accomplish ours?

SPENCER NEW LEADER

ACCURACY WATCH

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EYE CATCHING

Rotary Club Neewollah Event contest winners announced

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Rotary Club of the Brookfields has announced contest winners from its first day-long Neewollah Festival at Ye Olde Tavern on Saturday, October 2, according to Rotary President Sujoy Spencer.

The winner in the youth category of the "Not So Scary" writing contest was "Haunted Rain," by Angel Esser (\$50 prize). The winners in the adult category were "Roswell Massachusetts," by Ed Londergan (\$100/first place), and "Tooth Fairy," by Roberta G. Lojko (\$50/second place).

Food art contest winners were "Zoom Conference Call to Oz," by Sujoy Spencer (adult/ handmade cutting board) and "Tin Man Pumpkin," by Elaina Lapointe (youth/Bogey Lanes gift certificate).

Winner of the "Turkey Scratch" Raffle featuring \$100 worth of lottery scratch tickets displayed as feathers on a wooden turkey was Jeannette Renaud.

"This being our first time out, we expected a somewhat modest celebration," says Spencer, "but we had close to twenty vendors and attendance was good for this event. We'd like to thank

everyone who came out and we're looking forward to being back bigger and stronger next October!"

Brookfields Rotary was chartered in 1955 as part of Rotary International and is now in its 66th year of service to the Brookfields, Spencer, Warren, Ware, and the world. Membership consists of local business and community leaders providing and supporting services that improve lives and make our towns a bit better. Among other benefits, Rotary offers team based community service, networking, and professional development. Rotary is a family, and Rotarians make lifelong friendships locally and beyond. New members are always welcome. Dinner meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the first, third, and fifth Thursday of the month at Ye Olde Tavern, 7 East Main St., West Brookfield. The second and fourth weeks are dedicated to service projects or socials.

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Turkey Scratch Raffle winner, Jeannette Renaud collects her prize from Rotarian Lynn Duffy O'Shea.



CAMP MARSHALL

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encouraged to attend the program in their Halloween costumes. Pre-registration is required for all participating trunk-or-treat vehicles, as space is limited. Participants are only allowed to distribute individually bagged treats; loose candy is prohibited. You can also register your vehicle for the best-dressed car competition.

Please park in designated spaces, as directed by the Camp Marshall staff. All participants are encouraged to wear face coverings for this event, but they are not required.

Also on Oct. 30, junior hayrides will be offered to youngsters from 5-6 p.m. This hayride program is a less frightening version of the standard haunted campgrounds activity; it is designed for families with younger children. Later

that night, the full spectrum of haunts and frights will return for a second night (7-10 p.m.).

And don't forget to stop inside Andrew's Hall for some festive fall activities, plus fun music and concessions. Face coverings are strongly encouraged while indoors.

Last year, the frightful Halloween weekend programs at Camp Marshall were a major success, even with COVID-19 restrictions. At a time when most public group activities were canceled – including trick-or-treating in some towns – the event helped salvage Halloween for many local families.

Looking ahead, camp leaders are hoping for another fun family event in 2021.

"We were thrilled that the event was so popular last year and that we had the opportunity to host something fun for the community," said Camp Marshall Executive Director Sheryl

Moore. "We look forward to seeing everyone back this year, in addition to new faces to make 2021's event bigger and better. Any community members who want to help give out candy or treats at the trunk-or-treat are always welcome."

For more information about the weekend program, or to register for the trunk-or-treat activities, visit www.CampMarshall.net.

The camp is located at 92 McCormick Rd. in Spencer. You can also check out upcoming events by visiting the camp's Facebook page.

PERSON of the WEEK

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He has since been back on the football field with his team and his leadership and commitment has been 2nd to none.

— Submitted by Timothy Leveillee

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LHS seniors reflect on cross country careers

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – Reflecting on their careers with the Leicester High School cross country program, three seniors have memories going all the way back to middle school.

For Timothy St. John, Matt Berube, and Kyle Stapel, the journey began long before those of most student-athletes. It's intimidating enough for freshmen to step up to the varsity stage, but the LHS trio entered the cross country program even before starting high school. Berube and Stapel joined the team as seventh graders; St. John made his debut in the sixth grade.

Over the years, they have made unforgettable memories and lifelong bonds.

"Some of my favorite memories are the meets and the team meals," St. John told the New Leader. "The meets are great because they're when we get to test what we've practiced throughout the week, and they're just really fun to be at. The team meals are also a great bonding experience."

Team meals haven't been possible since the pandemic struck, but the athletes have countless memories from their meals together.

"My favorite memories of the team are the team meals we used to share the night before meets," Stapel said. "This tradition was an unfortunate casualty of COVID. I also have fond memories of some of the larger meets, such as invitational and district meets."

The students have dealt with an array of challenges over the years, headlined by COVID-19. Coaches are proud of how the senior leaders have set a strong example by working hard to overcome obstacles large and small.

"A particularly fond memory was the year that Districts fell on a day where the high was only 35 degrees. We all struggled to stay warm in our meager uniforms," Stapel added.

The seniors credit their coaching staff, particularly Head Coach Norman Everett, with helping to transform them into the athletes they are today.

"I have been running cross country since fall in 2016. I started in sev-

enth grade," said Berube, who hopes to reach his goal of posting sub-20 minutes for a 5K. "Mr. Everett is a great coach, and I'll definitely miss this."

Added St. John, "Our coaches have been really helpful in teaching us different strategies for when we're running and doing different exercises at practice, but also the team environment helps to push me further. We all genuinely like to and want to help each other do our best."

Added Stapel, "The coaches were the biggest help to my development, but my teammates definitely deserve a mention also. We all push each other to be better, and this pushing has greatly aided in my improvement as a runner."

Looking back on where they began, the seniors can't believe 5-6 years have gone so fast. They've come a long way from where they started, both in terms of honing their skills and leadership. Many of the students who were on the team when they first joined have since graduated college, and now it's the LHS seniors who are knocking on the door to college after multiple years as

Wolverines.

"The transition into a high school sport as a seventh grader was not an easy one," Stapel said. "I was competing against kids twice my size at meets. This was a great discouragement to me, but I pushed through and, looking back, this is the major reason I stuck with the sport. I wanted to prove that I was able to run with older kids. This experience has also fueled the way I approach the way I lead the team. I strive to make the team as inclusive as possible so everyone, regardless of age or ability, is comfortable with the team and competing."

Added St. John, who has been on the team for seven seasons, "It's been a crazy experience. Joining as a sixth grader was weird. I was so young, and there were some great people on the team. Throughout the years, all of my friends who I made bonds with began to graduate, and I began to grow bonds with my younger teammates. Now, as a senior, it's weird that I'm on the other end from where I started, but I've had a great time getting here."

Spencer Fire Department hosts open house

SPENCER – Families from throughout the area enjoyed the Spencer Fire Department's annual open house last weekend.

The Oct. 3 event was highlighted by the always popular pancake breakfast. Guests were also able to take a tour of the facility and view fire trucks and fire-fighting equipment.

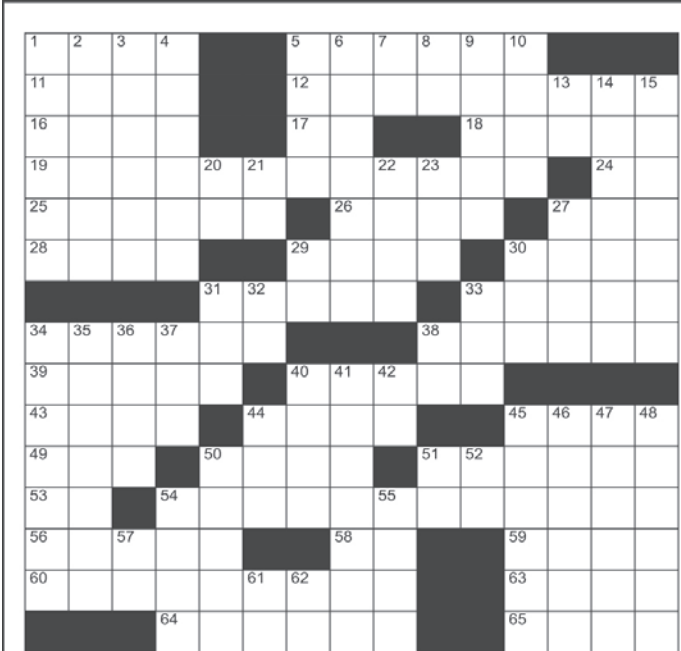
Special demonstrations took place throughout the day, including a vehicle extraction exercise and various showcases of fire-fighting techniques. Moreover, UMass Memorial Hospital's Life Flight helicopter wowed guests with a landing of its specialized lifesaving aircraft.

Appearances were also made

by Smokey Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog. Officials thank all guests for attending the event and promoting fire safety.

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Smokey Bear joined Spencer Fire Department officials at their open house last weekend.

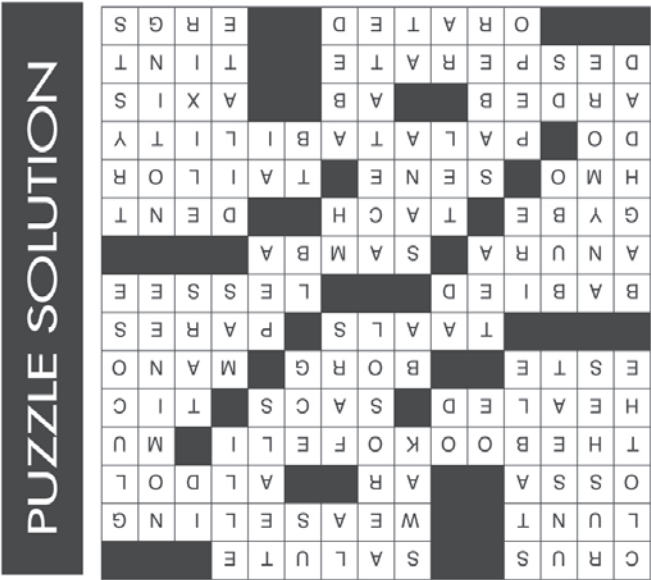


CLUES ACROSS

1. Leg shank
5. A way to recognize
11. "VeggieTales" character
12. Getting out of by cunning
16. Mythological mountain
17. Atomic #18
18. Viscous liquid
19. 2010 Denzel film
24. 12th star in a constellation
25. Made better
26. Pouches
27. Nervous twitch
28. This (Spanish)
29. Tennis legend Bjorn
30. Hand (Spanish)
31. Afrikaans
33. Int'l interpreters organization (abbr.)
34. Treated with kid gloves
38. Leaseholder
39. Frogs, toads, tree toads
40. Popular dance
43. Sailing maneuver: tack & _
44. Indicates speed of rotation (abbr.)
45. Mark
49. Health insurance
50. Custom clothing brand
51. One who makes suits
53. Execute or perform
54. Degree of pleasantness when tasting
56. Equal to roughly 5.6 bushels
58. Blood group
59. Imaginary line
60. Hopeless
63. Darken
64. Spoke
65. Work units

CLUES DOWN

1. A way to fit out
2. Football carries
3. Force out
4. Maintaining equilibrium
5. Sealed with a kiss
6. Type of container
7. Hollywood
8. We
9. Small freshwater ducks
10. Norse personification of old age
13. Says who you are
14. Candidate
15. Sugar found in honey and sweet fruits
20. Defunct language (abbr.)
21. Take too much
22. Iranian province
23. Records electric currents
27. _ and feathers
29. Beloved Mr. T character
30. More (Spanish)
31. Beverage
32. Promotional material
33. Green vegetable
34. National capital
35. To any further extent
36. Swollen, inflamed lymph node
37. Anger
38. Pound
40. Popular Yugo
41. Salt of acetic acid
42. Millihenry
44. Israeli city __ Aviv
45. Make wider
46. Drink containing medicine
47. Acknowledging
48. Private, romantic rendezvous
50. Calvary sword
51. Disease of the lungs
52. 2001 Spielberg film
54. Fleishy, watery fruit
55. In one's chambers
57. Set of information (abbr.)
61. Dorm employee
62. Indicates position



Apple Country Fair returns to Brookfield Saturday

BROOKFIELD – The Apple Country Fair is back for its 42nd year, after COVID-19 caused last year's event to be canceled.

The event will take place on

Saturday, Oct. 9, on the Town Common. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Highlights include dozens of vendors and crafters; live music; raffles; and the famous apple pie contest. Proceeds will benefit the Brookfield Community Club.

Children's events will also be offered throughout the day.

Each year, Brookfield Congregational Church is heavily involved in the bustle of the day. Located adjacent to the

Common, the church will host its traditional tag sale outside this year. The newly upgraded sanctuary will be shown to guests who wish to see the changes.

The church's tag sale will also be conducted along Central Street. Officials invited the Agricultural Commission to host its tractor display in front of the church.

For more information about the fair, visit www.applecountryfair.com.

Local Golf Results

Quail Hollow Golf & Country Club

Pit's Crew Results

First place (-7): Rich Ford, Bob Buzzle, Roger Godbout, Jeff Burl
Second place (-6): Stan Nolan, George Lawton, Galen Johnson, Ed Sutherland

Third place (-5): Tony Negger, Phil Woods, Steve Londergan, Rick Laverne

Tour of Brookfields Grand Tour

Nicklaus Division
First place (-11): Ryan Kularski, Rich Dupell, Jared Danitis, Bill Berube

Second place (-9): Dave Daoust, Mike Kularski, Kevin Kokansky,

George Fiske

Third place (-8): Mike Ellis, Ken Begin, Jim Gegoire, Brian Egan

Player Division

First place (-9): Joe Desimone, Dave Caron, Paul Boulette, Roland LeBoeuf
Second place (-8): Dave Woodward, Darryl Furtardo, John Markey, Doug Brown

Third place (-7): Jeremy Moran, Peter Davis, Jason Kenney, Jarred Dandurant

Palmer Division

First place (-9): Dennis Jennette, Rick Gemme, Pete Peloquin Jr., Ray Rawlston

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Third place (-5): Matt Brown, Andy Durant, Dylan Allen, Jim Parker

Women's Tournament

Men's Division

First place (sudden death playoff, 69): Dave Woodward

Second place tie (69): Pete O'Packi, Mike Valley, Mark LaPrad

Women's Division

First place (73): Beth Potvin

Second place (74): Cathy LaPrad

Third place (75): Sandy Thorpe, Tina Allen

Kettle Brook Golf Club

Kettle One League, Week 23

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Minutemen shake off slow start, rally to defeat Keefe Tech

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

CHARLTON — After allowing a goal just 10 seconds into a match — something the Bay Path Regional boys' varsity soccer team did versus Keefe Tech at George L. Fowler Memorial Field on Thursday, Sept. 30 — any team potentially could continue to play poorly and eventually lose. Luckily for the Minutemen, that didn't happen.

Bay Path shook off its slow start and netted the equalizer a few minutes later. Then, the Minutemen scored early in the second half to ultimately edge the Broncos, 2-1.

"The biggest thing was they didn't get deflated off that quick goal and we came back," said Bay Path head coach David Martinson.

Before the Minutemen mounted their comeback, any fans showing up even a minute late to watch the game would have missed Keefe Tech's goal. A Bay Path player sent a slow pass backward to Evan Frost, but the Broncos' Braylan DeLima intercepted it and was off to the races. His shot off the breakaway then beat keeper Dominic Moniz.

"It was a quirky mental error," Martinson said of the play.

From there, Keefe Tech continued to apply pressure. In fact, before the Minutemen scored the tying goal, the Broncos held the edge on corner kicks (5-0) and shots on frame (3-1), but Moniz (eight total saves) stood tall.

"They absolutely dominated initially," Martinson said of Keefe's surge. "I was ready to call a timeout and then we started to pick it up a little bit. I said, 'OK, I'm not going to do it,' and they ended up finishing."

In the game's ninth minute, Nathan Dreitlein sent the ball down the field and a hustling John Guerin raced up



Bay Path keeper Dominic Moniz follows through on a big boot during a goal kick.

to it, controlled it and then shot it past keeper Julio Pereira Hernandez.

"He used his speed, controlled with his body and then sent it in," Martinson said of Guerin's scoring play.

Now with the game tied 1-1 at the half, Martinson sent a message to his squad.

"At halftime we went in with the idea of possessing the ball, keep it on the ground, quick passing and move through them...keep them on the defensive," he explained.

Bay Path did exactly that just a minute into the second half, when Connor McCarthy one-touched a pass from Guerin into the net for the eventual game-winner.

"We had a nice buildup, moved the ball well, pushed it through and it was probably about three or four passes connecting, and then we finished," said Martinson.

The Minutemen played a strong second half, limiting DeLima — a strong player with supreme footwork and speed — his chances of scoring another



Photos Nick Ethier

Jack Young of Bay Path sends a through-ball down the field.

one.

"We were moving the ball a little better, passing better and we weren't so panicked. We tried to shut down their better player. We had a couple [players] marking," said Martinson.

Bay Path almost added to its lead, but near misses by Colin Gagne (penalty kick that hit the post) and Bryce Hutchinson (shot that got past Pereira Hernandez but a defender kicked it aside before crossing the goal line) kept

the outcome undecided until the final whistle.

"It's a league team, so that's big for us," Martinson said of defeating Keefe, who dropped to 5-2 while the Minutemen improved to 4-2-2. "We only have one league loss. I definitely feel like we're better than what our record is. I feel like some of the mistakes we had early on starting the season we've figured out and taken care of business."

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there. Now, we're coming into the game expecting to win," said Shepherd when comparing 2009 to 2021. "This is our third season now where we've turned the corner."

Quaboag went 6-5 in 2019 and 3-3 in the COVID season of 2020. But, following a 44-0 drubbing of Southbridge High on Friday, Oct. 1, the Cougars are now a perfect 4-0.

"Great start, we couldn't ask for anything better. We've done what we've needed to do the first four weeks and it's setting up a really big game against Oxford," said Shepherd, as the Cougars host the Pirates on Saturday, Oct. 9 at 6 p.m.

Quaboag's defense forced the Pioneers into a three-and-out to start the game, and it took little time to get the hosts on the scoreboard. Quarterback Derrick Shepherd, coach Shepherd's son, tried to connect with Alex Worthington on a deep pass down the left sideline, but it was broken up nicely by a Southbridge defender. On the very next snap, Derrick Shepherd again went to Worthington, this time on a short pass on the right side. Worthington did the rest, hustling into the end zone from 36 yards out.

"It's always nice to get into the end zone. I always give my 100 percent right after I get the ball. It felt good because coach trusted me," Worthington said of getting called upon after not scoring on the first throw.

The Cougars forced Southbridge to punt again, and Derrick Shepherd quickly found Worthington for a touchdown again. This time it was a 73-yard route down the left sideline, much like the incomplete pass from the first possession.

"Always give it a second chance," Worthington said as a wry smile slid onto his face. "Nothing is really going through my head when it's in the air, you just go up and get it."

The Derrick Shepherd to Worthington connection shouldn't be all that surprising to local fans, as they have spent countless hours on the gridiron together throughout their lives.

"They've been playing together since fifth grade. I've been fortunate enough to coach these kids since fifth grade, so our plays are the same," said coach Shepherd, who also coached at the youth level while leading the varsity team.

"We're best friends," added Worthington. "We grew up together playing recess football and youth football, so the chemistry is spot on."

Southbridge (0-4) was again forced to punt, which was partially blocked by Brendan Burke. On the next play, Derrick Shepherd dumped a pass off to Burke, who did the rest and scored from

21 yards out. Tyler Withers kicked the second of his two extra points to extend the lead to 20-0 after one quarter.

The Cougars quickly made it 26-0 early in the second quarter when Burke (116 rushing yards) rumbled in from eight yards out.

As if Derrick Shepherd and Worthington hadn't done enough in the half, the two connected on one more touchdown to up the advantage to 32-0. Derrick Shepherd perfectly lofted a pass up and over a pair of Pioneer defenders and into the hands of Worthington, who then outraced the defense for a 46-yard score.

Derrick Shepherd finished 6 of 11 passing for 225 yards and the four touchdowns, and Worthington had 155 yards receiving and three scores.

Quaboag actually started the second half quicker than it did the first, as Withers took the kickoff to the house, giving the Cougars a 38-0 lead.

Jaden Darnell finished the scoring for Quaboag with a four-yard rushing score.

"All these kids have had me for seven years now, so we're starting to see the benefits of that," David Shepherd said of Quaboag's success. "We are so versatile this year. We can pass to Alex, we can run with Burke, we can run with Withers, so we're not one dimensional or counting on one player to carry the load."

Not to be overlooked, the Cougars' linemen have been exceptional.

"Last week we rushed for over 300 yards against Bay Path and they're not a bad team. Our line has come a long way," said David Shepherd.

Worthington has more than enjoyed the start to the season, and he said that it starts at the top and trickles down to each player on the roster.

"It feels great to be on a winning team. The coaches give their 100 percent, so we give it right back," he concluded.



Jaden Darnell of Quaboag hunts down Southbridge's ball carrier.



With Brendan Burke prepared to block, Quaboag quarterback Derrick Shepherd launches a deep touchdown pass down the field.



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Boyce helps Rams top Leicester, remain unbeaten



Leicester's Connor Linehan looks down the field after catching a pass.



Quarterback Mike Mero of Leicester slides through a pair of would-be Northbridge tacklers.

BY DEAN ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

NORTHBRIDGE — It was a beautiful afternoon at Lasell Field on Saturday, October 2. In front of a packed crowd on Homecoming Weekend, the Northbridge High varsity football team, led by 22 seniors, looked to stay undefeated as they hosted Leicester High.

One of those seniors, co-captain and quarterback Ryan Boyce, helped the Rams do just that. From the start, they fed off the energy from the crowd and led from start to finish, downing the Wolverines 27-14.

Northbridge improved to 4-0 and legendary head coach Ken LaChapelle got his 379th career win.

Boyce commented on how it feels to get off to such a hot start in 2021 and what is the recipe for his team's success.

"It feels great with a short season last year we prepped well during the off-season and these seniors, a bunch of us have been together for a long time and it great to have a start like this," stated Boyce. "It is definitely our chemistry. We play as one, we play as a family and we know if one guy gets knocked down the other guy is going to have his back."

Early on it looked like it was going to be a defensive battle. Leicester received the

opening kickoff and was forced to punt after gaining just two yards on three plays. Moments after stopping the Wolverines, the Northbridge offense trotted onto the field with all the momentum, but in just one play later Leicester regained possession of the football.

Boyce, in what looked like early game nerves, rolled toward the visitor sideline and threw across his body and was picked off by Hunter Senior.

"First pass they did intercept it, but I trust my receivers and I trust my line so I know when stuff like that happens we have to bounce back," expressed Boyce. "That is what makes a good football team, you can't put your head down, you have to keep it up and get a win."

That is exactly what happened. The Rams' defense was able to bail the offense out and Leicester wasn't able to capitalize on the early Northbridge mistake. The Wolverines were forced to punt and pinned the Rams deep in their territory, but it didn't matter.

On third-and-9 from their 21-yard line, Northbridge was able to get on the board first. Boyce corralled the shotgun snap, dropped back and let a perfect throw fly over the middle of the field, connecting with fellow senior captain Tim Visbeek for a 79-yard strike. Northbridge led 6-0 early and

never trailed.

The Rams were able to get into the end zone two more times before halftime and led 20-7 going into the locker room. Boyce was a part of all four of the team's touchdowns. He accounted for two of his three rushing touchdowns in the first half and had the deep touchdown to Visbeek early.

Although Northbridge led throughout, Leicester had its chances. They were able to force two first-half turnovers and only let up one touchdown drive in the second half. They played what would be defined as a bend-but-don't-break defense. Northbridge received the second-half kickoff and quickly drove down the field, but Leicester was able to force a turnover on downs on their own 16-yard line.

The Wolverines were able to take control, but they couldn't get anything going. However, the offense put a lot of pressure on the defense after failing to convert on fourth down in their own red zone. The defense puffed their chest and despite the task of trying to stop Northbridge's offense twice in a row in the red zone they did it, giving the offense yet again another chance.

"Like the third quarter, we were inside our own twenty going for it so we put all the



Leicester's Xavien Rosario intercepts a pass intended for a Northbridge receiver.

pressure on the defense," stated Leicester head coach Tim Griffiths. "Coach Berry who is the defensive coordinator did a nice job, with the defense and it kept us in this game. We needed to make plays offensively."

Griffiths explained why he went for it deep in their territory.

"We needed a spark and we weren't going to win a defensive battle with these guys.

It didn't kill us, but we have to take chances at this point. Desperate times call for desperate measures," he explained.

Leicester was able to put together a touchdown drive in each half, with both scores coming from one yard out. Senior quarterback Mike Mero scored in the second quarter and the other was by junior Griffin Metcalf early in the fourth.



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EDITORIAL

Our love/hate relationship with leaf peepers

Fall is the second busiest tourist season in New England, after winter. Our region, as we all know, tends to see an influx of visitors from both in and out of state this time of year on their way to the Berkshires to engage in the autumnal ritual known as leaf peeping.

Most residents welcome these tourists graciously; however, when fall foliage hits, our true feelings emerge. There is a love/hate relationship with leaf peepers. We love them because they boost our economy, yet a part of us dislikes the disruption they bring with them, however minor it may be.

We prefer to have the city life far away from us; leaf peepers tend to bring that flare when they arrive. Some locals despise it; others are unphased. We appreciate that tourists appreciate where we live, however, we'll say it again — our true feelings show themselves right at the peak of foliage. After a brief break between October and November, before the snow falls, we all seem to be welcoming once more.

Fall has a certain feeling to it. The cool, crisp, dry air complete with the smell of apple crisp, leaves, wood fire, pumpkin spice and the sound of dry leaves racing along the sidewalks, make this the coziest season of them all. We pull on our sweaters and grab old books we haven't had a chance to finish yet and relish in the comforts of it all.

It is still warm enough to take long walks outside without getting too cold. There is nothing better than kicking the leaves on a wooded trail with a hot mug of Earl Grey tea in your hand. Fall evenings are even better. After a hard day at work, there is nothing more satisfying than cooking a nice fall meal, perhaps pumpkin squash ravioli or a nice roast vegetable soup. On occasion we like to replace the evening news with the sounds of vinyl, preferably, Cat Stevens, Paul Simon, Hank Williams, Johnny Cash and Frank Sinatra.

It is no wonder our corner of New England is a fall destination for many seeking to experience all that the season offers that feeds the soul. The highlight of course is the way the forest sets itself on fire with bright yellow, orange and red leaves.

Interesting to note: the term 'leaf-peeker' was first used last century before it was changed to 'leaf-peeper.' The term was spotted in Vermont newspapers as far back as the 1960's. 'Leaf-Peeper' was used during foliage time, in many headlines. Articles in the mid to late 1960's discussed alternate highway routes to make the trek north easier for tourists and would help to avoid traffic jams.

At first, the term 'leaf-peeker' or 'peeper' was used in a derogatory way, however now it is used to lure tourists who want to partake in leaf-peeper tours, or receive a leaf-peeper discount.

In New Hampshire, more than ten million visitors will enter the state during foliage season and will spend approximately \$1.5 billion.

We hope that you all take the time to slow down and enjoy Autumn before talk of Jack Frost nipping at your nose surfaces.



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OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Is it real for you yet?

To the Editor:

A former Spencer selectman just died from COVID-19, and he was un-vaccinated.

At the beginning of the pandemic, there were a lot of people who simply didn't believe it. Despite China building 1,000 bed hospitals in weeks and ice rinks being converted into morgues in Europe...It wasn't real to most people. Despite refrigerated trucks holding bodies in New York because the morgues were full, it wasn't real — that's New York. Despite the death toll mounting in metro Boston, well, we're Central Mass.

It wasn't until massive unprecedented restrictions went into place to avoid people from spreading it. All of sudden, hair dressers and restaurants being closed for a few weeks were more devastating than bodies piling up and hospitals running out of space. Because we never fully nipped this pandemic in the bud, our kids weren't in in-person school for nearly a year.

It wasn't long before the chorus of "it's fake," "it's no big deal," and it's "it's just a cold" started. These claims, of course, weren't true and represented wishful thinking, almost magical thinking. It was explained to me early on: "I don't know anybody who's gotten it," as if the small circle you socialize with is representative of the population — furthermore, the purpose of the restrictions was to prevent them from getting it.

It was explained to me, "I don't know anybody who's been to the hospital. They get sick, and then they get better." Well, ignoring how bad it is to be sicker than you've ever been for one or two weeks, nobody ever claimed more than 10 percent went to the hospital. Now, 10 percent of our population needing to be hospitalized within a year is insane, and our system can't handle that — but of course, that means 90 percent of folks who got it didn't need hospitals.

Deeper into the pandemic, it was explained to me, "I don't know anybody who has died," as if that mattered. As if you know most Americans. As if the

Always to tyrants

To the Editor:

"Sic Semper Tyrannis" is the state motto of the great state of Virginia. What is the translation of this? It is "Thus Always to Tyrants." The seal shows a citizen soldier with his foot on the neck of a despot. Virginia was one of the original 13 colonies that had the men with strength and backbone to rise up in 1776 and overthrow their existing government. The existing being the British. One of these men was Major General Henry Lee III. He was a great American General in the Continental Army, signed the Declaration of Independence, and became Governor of Virginia. He also fathered a son, General Edward Lee in 1802.

This son carried his father's spirit, courage, and backbone. He graduated second in his class at West point and was a hero of the Mexican war. In 1860 Virginia, like the other southern states felt that the northern states with larger population (mostly from immigration) where trying to exert their dominance over them. They viewed this as egregious as the British control in 1776. The southern states decided they needed to succeed from this union if they were ever going keep their rights and independence given to them by the Constitution. Sometimes you got to fight for your rights if you want to keep them. Edward Lee, being a Virginian from a proud family of revolutionary war patriots, decided to throw his support to the state he held so dear.

You have to wonder why people from our education system don't hold a man with this kind of courage and conviction with respect. This man gave five years of his life living in camps and outside conditions for what he believed in. He lost all his land and belonging to fight for the rights of Virginians. To me, it seems that these virtues should be extolled to our children and citizens. Instead, it appears our educators would rather push the Marxist theology of acceptance of government control over their lives. It's not hard to understand

death numbers were made up... Not everyone got it, half the population got vaccinated, and then 1-2 percent of the population (15 percent over age 70) die. That means 98 percent of the population survived, and 85 percent of old people survived...So you're unlikely to know somebody who died. 700,000 Americans died (so far), and only half of them were elderly. COVID-19 was the #1 cause of death of police officers last year, but that doesn't mean you know any of them. The news covers cops who get killed in the line of duty like mad, but of course more cops died of COVID-19 than even car accidents last year... Nobody but Donald Trump is to blame for that, so nothing to see here...

Donald Trump, Republicans, and their allies spent so much time and effort painting the pandemic as no big deal that it undermined the vaccination drive. Trump and the Republicans whipped their people up into a freedom frenzy and created a Frankenstein they couldn't control. Even though Trump (quietly) and all major religious organizations said to get vaccinated, getting vaccinated indicated the pandemic was a big deal after all.

Blaming China for the pandemic, beyond having no rational basis apart from the desire to blame someone other than yourself, doesn't change the outcome. They managed the pandemic well, the United States managed it horribly. Would having a Sinophobic racist epithet on your tombstone make you feel better if you're still six feet under?

Now is not the time to re-litigate the former selectman's lengthy history in town politics, his contemporary political positions, or any of his family members.

Now is the time to get vaccinated, because someone you might know just died.

Is it real yet?

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What does retirement security mean to you?

October is National Retirement Security Month. But what does retirement security mean to you? And how can you work toward achieving it?

Here are some suggestions:

Build your resources. While you're working, save in tax-advantaged accounts such as your IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. In your 401(k), contribute at least enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered, and increase your contributions whenever your salary goes up. Remember, especially early in your career, time is often your biggest asset. Be sure to save early, since the longer you wait, the more you'll need to save to help reach your goals.

Look for ways to boost retirement income. When transitioning to retirement, you can take steps to align your income with your needs. For example, consider Social Security. You can start collecting it as early as 62, but your monthly payments will be much larger if you can wait until your "full" retirement age, typically between 66 and 67. (Payments will "max out" at age 70.) So, if you have sufficient income from a pension or your 401(k) and other retirement accounts, and you and your spouse are in good health with a family history of longevity, you may consider delaying taking Social Security. You also might want to explore other income-producing vehicles, such as certain annuities that are designed to provide a lifetime income stream.

Prepare for unexpected costs. During your retirement, you can anticipate some costs, such as housing and transportation, but other expenses are more irregular and can't always be predicted, such as those connected with health care. Even with Medicare, you could easily spend a few thousand dollars a year on medical expenses, so you may want to budget for these costs as part of your emergency savings, and possibly purchase supplemental insurance. You may also want to consider the possibility of needing some type of long-term care, which is not typically covered by Medicare and can be quite expensive. The average annual cost of a private room in a nursing home is more than \$100,000, and it's about \$55,000 per year for a home health aide, according to Genworth, an insurance company. To address these costs, you may want to consider some form of protection, such as long-term care insurance or life insurance with a long-term care component.

Do your estate planning. It's hard to feel totally secure in retirement if you're unsure of what might happen if you have an unexpected health event, become incapacitated or die earlier than expected. That's why you'll want to create a comprehensive estate plan — one that might include documents such as a durable power of attorney, a will and a living trust. A review of your insurance coverages and beneficiaries can also help protect your assets and ensure they are distributed the way you want. In creating your plan, you will need to work with your financial advisor and a legal professional, and possibly your tax advisor as well.

Thinking holistically about your retirement security and developing and executing a strategy aligned with your goals may help free you to enjoy one of the most rewarding times of your life.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

“It’s MISTER McRae to you, pal!”

To the Editor:
As a totally undisciplined teenage boy dedicated to “living for the moment,” I became addicted to sugary treats which I consumed wholesale while I walked the streets of Brockton delivering copies of the “Enterprise,” the “Globe,” and the “Herald.” Corporate America—in the form of candy, gum, Devil Dogs, Table Talk Pies, Hostess Cupcakes, Hires Root Beer, and all the rest of the poison available at the corner store where I picked up the papers to be delivered—ate up most of the meager profits gleaned from my labors. Despite my mother’s expostulations to the contrary notwithstanding, I also was lazy and too busy with other pursuits to be given over to regular brushing of my teeth. As you would expect, I developed a mouthful of cavities which, on occasion, brought on incredibly painful toothaches, causing my mother to ask, “Well, what would you expect?”

When I finally became sufficiently embarrassed by the deplorable appearance and condition of my chompers, and succumbed to a certain level of self-consciousness about it, I developed a conditioned reflex—a tic, if you will—where I would spontaneously rush my hand up to block one’s view of my front teeth if I felt a smile or a laugh coming on. Later in life, I would see that same subconscious gesture on the part of not a few of my junior high school students; I understood their discomfort.

The long road to good oral hygiene began in boot camp where once a week for three months those of us with bad, broken, or missing teeth, or gum disease were marched over to the Navy dentists—an activity I dreaded—who did what they could to rectify the problems, and who were blithely unconcerned with the pain they produced while they did their work.

Much later in life, after I could afford it (thanks to the generosity of the taxpayers in the school district!), I had a dentist in the area who knew what he was doing attempt a major reconstruction of the whole front of my mouth, the part other people would see. The result? A dazzling, scintillating, indeed coruscating smile, which, coupled with my otherwise ruggedly handsome good looks, might cause one to say in great admiration, “Oh, look! A windblown, octogenarian, demigod!” But, let’s face it, the teeth, they’re all fake...just like CNN’s fake news. Please don’t tell anyone.

Now, folks, I can hear McAlester up there in No. Brookfield muttering, “Come on, old man. Get to the point, already!” O.K., here’s the point. I still can’t shake the ingrained hand-to-mouth routine when the impulse to laugh sneaks up on me without

warning, even after regaining a smile Hollywood wannabes would kill or die for. Just last week, for example, when I read the two dyspeptic letters in the New Leader directed at me by the disgruntled correspondents from, respectively, Leicester and Spencer, one Johannesen and the other the inimitable old leftie, Hicks—uh, sorry, I need to amend that: it’s Doctor Hicks—I burst out laughing uncontrollably (up came the hand) as I envisioned these two worthies rushing to their keyboards to vent their frustration and rage at someone who simply made a few points that real historians—unlike myself—have been making for some time now. They weren’t impressed with my feeble attempt at pleading for an honest and fair understanding of General Lee and the fact that the political left insists on demanding historical figures from a far different time and culture meet those evolved societal standards which exist today—or be expunged from the historical record.

Norman Cousins, the mainstay of the old progressive “Saturday Review,” if you’re old enough to remember, famously said “Laughter is good for the soul.” And I do, for health benefits alone, appreciate the opportunity to enjoy a belly laugh now and then (as there’s been precious little to laugh or smile about since the party of Messrs. Johannesen and Hicks, the Democrat Party of liars, cheats, frauds, incompetents, traitors and demagogues took over nine months ago), but, if only in considerations of good form, I must protest despite having enjoyed the laugh they unwittingly provided me.

In the case of Johansen of Leicester (the town ill-advised enough to hire as their new superintendent a candidate fleeing his tenure at the helm of another school district wallowing in failure and disorientation) all I know is there was once a guy in some unit in which I served whose name was Johansen. He was O.K., thin frame, quiet, wispy blond mustache. Haven’t heard from or about him in 50 years, but it’s his less than inspiring image that comes to mind when I read his fourth cousin twice removed writing from Leicester.

This Johannesen completely—and dishonestly—distorts my words, has me saying things I never said or would have said, and comes across as, to me, most liberals do: sullen, perpetually miserable, and jealous of people like us Trumpsters who, despite having to live in this crypto-Communist state, remain happy, upbeat, and positive about America’s future. I don’t really pay him much attention, but I must add a little more at least about his surname which have occurred to me since I’ve been

reading his port-side leaning views:
I can still remember from March of 1961 being with my dad watching Floyd Patterson, the black American boxer, duel with Ingemar (Ingo) Johansson of Sweden for six rounds of their third meet-up. Patterson, a fine man and courageous fighter, settled the question that night as to who would be the uncontested heavyweight champ of the world. Dad and I, two very white guys, celebrated the victory of the black man over the “Hammer of Thor,” Johansson, who was whiter than the winter snows of the Norrland in his native Sweden. We didn’t see it as a black-white thing, it was an American over the “Svenska” accomplishment we cheered. Weird huh? Coming out of our world of white privilege, systemic racism, white supremacy, etc.? How do you figure it?
But, it was the letter from Hicks, uh, take that back, it’s Mr., no, it’s Doctor Hicks that provoked the most convulsive laughter on my part. You see, I know, or knew, the man; I worked for him and had his family members in school. If anything, he has been known for decades as a loyal foot soldier of the Democrat Party willing to parrot anything—no matter how destructive or foolish—the Party may promote. He also has a famously short fuse, and has a record of histrionic outbursts in town and committee meetings as well as on the street in political settings. He used to find it difficult to practice sound impulse control; maybe now that he’s entered old age, he’s mellowed...his fervid fulminating is a thing of the past, but...I doubt it.
When he referred to me twice as “McRae” in his letter (no mister or John, etc.), I could sense the barely-subdued rage, the red-faced, eye-bulging bluster. I wondered, “Hey, wait a minute, buddy, is there no place for professional courtesy here? No grudging respect for the elderly?” Or, like Brer Rabbit to the Tar Baby: “Ain’t you got no politeness in you?” After all, in our working relationship I never hesitated to address him as “Doctor,” even though I knew he was the last person I would’ve expected to help me solve my problems with black-toe fungus or jock itch—or my lousy teeth. Simply as a matter of professional courtesy, I see no reason to discontinue my practice of referring to the good doctor by the title (the same as Jill Biden’s) he earned; by the same token, however, I should at least merit a “Mister,” which I was to a few thousand kids in these towns over the years.
And even though I hear others refer to him as “Old Man Hicks,” I don’t think he’s in my age group. When I was getting knocked around in boot camp dreading the dentist as much as

the drill instructor, he was, I bet, running for junior high class president as an archetypal adolescent liberal, making pie-in-the-sky promises he couldn’t keep and buying the votes of the ignorant: “Vote for me! I’m for more school dances and pizza twice a week in the cafeteria instead of only once!” Once a liberal, always a liberal.
But, it may just be a question of breeding. Maybe I, like my buds and budettes in the Trump movement, was just raised better. Maybe people like Johannesen and Hi....sorry, Doctor Hicks, just never learned how to be a gentleman. Oscar Wilde put it this way: “A gentleman never unintentionally is rude or disrespectful to anyone.”
Being a consummate “gentleman” myself, I welcome rational criticism of the comments I make in my interminable, prolix, weekly offerings here on this page, and I’m happy to engage in a colloquy concerning same, but if they are addressed to me in an insulting, condescending, and disrespectful manner, you can expect the 16 ounce rhetorical gloves to come off, and we’ll go to bare knuckles brawling. All I ask is that you be a real person, and not a coward hiding behind a fake name or a collection of them. Show me respect, and that’s what you’ll receive in return.
One last thought for Mister Johannesen and Doctor Hicks. If you live by the ideological sword, you can die by it as well: if you can judge people from hundreds of years ago by standards you live under in your time, the day will come when your descendants will judge you by that same measure. Your party today stands totally supportive of abortion to include even the unspeakable horror of the partial birth murder of a fully formed little human being. Do you denounce this barbarity? Do you unequivocally separate yourself from this practice which your party shamelessly promotes? If so, why are you still a member? Some day, more enlightened humans than those of our current age will ask, “What kind of savages were they that stood idly by and said and did nothing while this grotesque behavior was considered acceptable?” And, I might add, to the end of their days were proud and defiant members of the party most responsible for the carnage. One’s advanced academic degrees will not matter much, when someone searches for reasons to justify behavior and attitudes which allowed for such atrocities. And, this will be no laughing matter. Sauce for the goose is, as they say, sauce for the gander.
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The deplorables sink to new lows

To the Editor:
Any frequent reader of this publication is well aware of how Rep. Peter Durant and Rep. Donnie Berthiaume are pretty deplorable. Given all the consternation in this country over the last 11 months, neither has weighed in on who they believe won the 2020 presidential election. It must be tough having constituents that supported a sociopath, publicly endorsing the sociopath, then said sociopath loses and tells his idiots he won, and faith in democracy itself erodes... Durant and Berthiaume aren’t stupid - I totally understand why they’d choose strategic silence.
We can take a stroll down memory lane and remember that there were only three State Reps, out of 160, that opposed the bill to make “bump stocks” illegal. Of course, Peter Durant and Donnie Berthiaume were among the three deplorables. For those who’ve forgotten, bump stocks turn a semi-automatic weapon into a poorly aimed fully automatic weapon for spraying bullets indiscriminately into crowds while the gun itself moves back and forth against a spring in the stock. In Las Vegas in 2017, a man (white American-born) shot into a crowd from a hotel room, using a bump stock, killing 61 people and injuring 867. Thanks to the other 157 State Reps, bump stocks are now banned in Massachusetts.
Both Durant & Berthiaume voted to not fund the state government for FY22 and shut state agencies down. The budget was passed 124-35. Both of them voted against extending COVID-19 emergency measured as the Delta variant was ramping up. The emergency measured passed anyway, 146-14. Another COVID bill they both voted against passed 150-10. They even both voted against a bill banning “sexual orientation conversion therapy for minors” that one passed 152-8. They both voted against a bill to allow for temporary firearm removal from a person deemed a threat by a court (ie: “red flag law” Republicans say they want), that one passed 133-15. They both even wanted to keep flavored vape products on shelves in Massachusetts – the kind kids like. Before you say “that’s because there’s no Republicans in Massachusetts,” well, there’s 30 Republicans in the State House - the Spencer duo is a lot worse than the other Republicans. Rep. Durant and Rep. Berthiaume seem to be in competition for the most deplorable in the state and they’re beating those other Republicans.

Right after the insurrection where thousands of Trump supporters stormed the capital and killed several Capitol Police officers, instead of setting the record straight, one of Spencer’s deplorable State Reps (Durant again) filed a bill regarding police mental wellness and PTSD. This was part of the concerted effort to try and draw a parallel between protests over George Floyd’s murder at the hands (knee, rather) of a cop and say that vandalism and looting in the Midwest is equivalent to trying to overturn the results of an election and overthrow the government of the United States... Because the real problem is the cops’ mental wellness... He hates government employees and rule of law unless they’re cops.
This latest bill, though, HD 4416, which was filed by Rep. Durant and co-sponsored by Rep. Berthiaume, is somehow still shocking. From the party who has been warning of government overreach and clamoring for the rights of business owners to set their own policies and safety protocols given the COVID-19 pandemic... A bill is filed to prohibit business owners from protecting themselves and their staffs. HD.4416, if passed (it won’t), will prohibit private businesses from requiring proof of COVID-19 vaccination as a condition of entry. If passed it would prohibit any school, public or private, from requiring COVID-19 vaccination. If passed it would prohibit amusement parks, resorts, etc. from requiring vaccination.
If passed, this would interject government overreach to take private property and private businesses’ ability to set their own standards. It would be using government overreach to almost collectivize private businesses/property, declare them a public good, and require anti-vax individuals that the private owner doesn’t want on his/her property to have access. It seems almost communist, taking away private business owners’ right to go above and beyond the regulations. It seems like government overreach to me, all to put their arms around the anti-vaxxers and say, “don’t worry, we’ll make safe spaces for you”.
One thing is for sure – HD.4416 is consistent with the pattern of deplorable we’ve seen out of Rep. Durant & Berthiaume. I really shouldn’t be shocked.

FRED BAGG
SPENCER

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Sept. 27
Bay Path 169, Worcester Tech 235 — Playing at Heritage Country Club in Charlton, the Minutemen’s golf team emerged victorious versus the Eagles. Playing well and earning co-medalist honors for Bay Path were Brandon Mertocci and Evan O’Malley with matching 6-over par 41s.

Tantasqua 158, Leicester 213 — The Warriors’ golf team traveled to Leicester Country Club to take on the Wolverines, and Tantasqua did well to earn the victory. Medalist honors go to senior co-captain Nate Wright, who shot a 3-over par 37. Junior Aubyn Phillips contributed with a 38. Low Wolverine was Mason Merrill who shot a 39. Tantasqua improves to 8-3 while Leicester is now 2-7.

North Brookfield 3, Monty Tech 0 — Angie Fritze, Ty Babineau and Sophia Giangrande each scored goals for North Brookfield’s field hockey team, as they improved to 5-1-2. Shannon Toomey had the shutout with four saves.

Sept. 29
North Brookfield 4, Assabet 1 — The field hockey team in North Brookfield improved to a stellar 6-1-2 behind Ty Babineau’s two-goal effort. to lead North Brookfield past Assabet. Sophia Giangrande and Aiden Rodriques also scored for the Indians.

Tantasqua 172, David Prouty 266 — Drew Howard was able to card a 4-over par 36 at Hemlock Ridge to help lead the Warriors’ golf team over the

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Panthers. Tantasqua’s Nate Wright contributed with a 42 and Brodie Shafter added a 44 playing in his first varsity match. Tantasqua improved to 9-3 and qualified for districts with this win.

Oct. 1
Wachusett 4, Tantasqua 0 — Hosting the undefeated Mountaineers at The Cage, Tantasqua’s varsity field hockey team couldn’t play spoiler as Wachusett scored two goals in the first quarter, one in the second and a final tally in the third for the shutout. The Warriors’ Sophia Cadavid started in goal and made six saves, while Ella Grant played the fourth quarter and made another three stops. Offensively, Tantasqua generated five penalty corner opportunities but were unable to convert. The Warriors slipped to 5-4, while Wachusett improved to 7-0-3.

East Longmeadow 155, Tantasqua 159 — The Tantasqua varsity golf team travelled to Elmcrest Country Club to face the East Longmeadow Spartans where medalist honors went to co-captains Drew Howard and Nate Wright of the Warriors, who both shot 3-over par 38s on the par 35-layout. Following the loss Tantasqua is now 9-4 overall.

Oct. 2
Doherty 28, Tantasqua 0 — Malachi Burke rushed for a pair of first-half touchdowns to lead the Highlanders past the Warriors in a varsity football contest played at Commerce Bank Field at Foley Stadium. With the loss Tantasqua dropped to 0-4.

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Fall is here, and it feels great

Fall is here, and it feels great. This past week-end, the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club held their first pheasant hunt for members. The foliage was a bit hard to shoot through, but some members did manage to harvest a couple of birds although many did not. A fairly good turnout of bird hunters enjoyed a home cooked breakfast at the club, prior to heading out to do some bird hunting. The dogs also had a great time! After a couple of weeks, the foliage should be absent from the trees, making it easier to harvest a bird.

Pheasant season opens next week, Oct. 16, state wide. No word was available on the state's changes regarding the season limit on pheasant. More than likely, it will stay the same as last year even if the changes were made, changing the regulations for 2022.

Waterfowl season in the Central District will open on Oct. 11, next Monday, at one half hour before sunrise. Hunters are reminded that only steel shot can be used for waterfowl



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in Massachusetts! With many corn fields now cut, geese should provide some great shooting. Be sure to ask for permission prior to hunting private property.

At the time of this writing, there were no stocking of trout in the Central District, but that should change this week. The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club also held off stocking trout at the club pond until this week, because of warm water conditions.

Saltwater fishing for this writer and my fishing partner, Matt Fontaine, got blown off the ocean last Saturday, but not before we caught our limit of Tautog. We were headed out to deeper water in search of some seabass when the tide changed, and the seas became too rough to continue fishing. Within minutes, small craft warnings were posted and we headed inside the East Wall. We decided to do a bit of fishing inside the safety of the wall. I was lowering my bait to the bottom when this writer felt a small tug on my line. After reeling it in, I realized I had caught a

puffer fish. As I observed the fish hanging from my line, it started to grow to the size that is shown in this week's picture. Pretty darn neat! It was quickly released.

Dropping back down to the bottom I soon realized another small bite. After reeling it in, I did not know what the darn fish was. After Matt and I studied the fish, I took a few pictures and released it. Checking out the fish on my computer, I came to the conclusion that it was a ballyhoo, which is a baitfish found in the warm waters off of the Florida coast? I could be wrong, but with the warming of the ocean due to climate change, it could be?

This past week, Jerry Gareri and his son John went on a moose hunt in the Maine woods and harvested a huge bull moose weighing in at close to 900 pounds, sporting a huge rack. No shortage of meat this winter for the family. Hunting with his son John made the hunt even sweeter.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



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This week's picture shows a puffer fish, this writer caught last week in Rhode Island.



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As the harvest season wanes and the leaves begin to fall, it becomes apparent the backyard garden, so alive and abundant in recent weeks, is soon to retire for a long winter's nap. While bountiful garden rewards may be behind us, garden chores are not. There is still much to keep a New England gardener busy during the autumn season. From planting to pruning, efforts now will be celebrated next year. It is the anticipation of these future crops that sustains weary gardeners through the

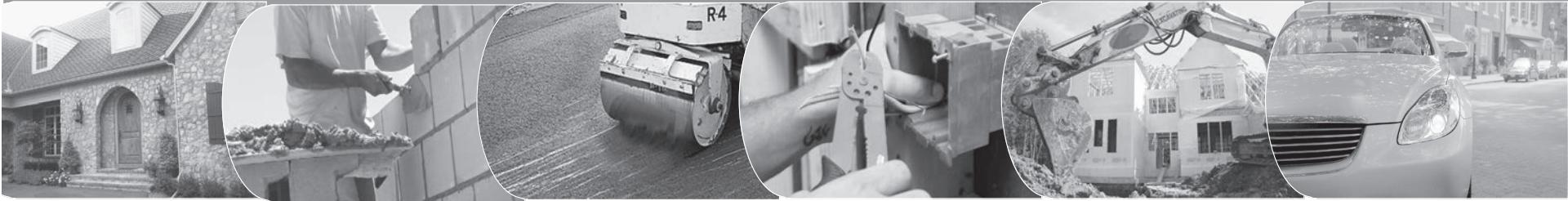
roster of fall chores.
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Fall Garden Chore Roster
OCTOBER: October Stats: Average temperature (Worcester, MA): 50.3%; Possibility of Sunshine: 58%; Precipitation: 4.2".
October is the month to:
• Plant spring flowering bulbs such as tulips, crocuses and daffodils.
• Prune roses to prepare for winter. Cut non-blooming roses back half way.
• Rake leaves from lawn; add to compost pile.
• Make sure evergreens have a good deep watering before the ground freezes. They should receive at least an inch of water a week, preferably more.
• If you test your soil and add any

needed amendments now, the soil will be ready for planting in spring.
• Cut back and mulch fall chrysanthemums after blooming.
• Christmas cactus should rest in a cool, dim room with little water. Bring it back out November 15 for holiday bloom.
• Protect pumpkins from frost
• As leaves begin to fall, remove them long before snow arrives. They not only shade the grass during late fall, but become wet and mat down to smother the grass over winter.
• Raked leaves make an excellent mulch on the bare, winter garden. They can prevent weeds next year, and as they decompose add organic matter to the soil.
• Continue to mow your lawn until

growth ceases. Make the last mowing a notch or two lower, in order to remove much top growth. This will avoid the need to rake off dead growth in the spring, and will help prevent snowmold disease.
Other Fall Garden Chores
Stowing the Stash: Proper storage of your bountiful harvest will ensure your family the fruits of your labor throughout the New England winter. Generations ago, a root cellar was a basement staple. Today, the temperature can be achieved via a little creativity. Whether you are growing your own root vegetables or are buying in bulk from a local farm or farmers market, proper storage is imperative to its flavor and quality.

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For today's column, I'll be discussing two types of antiques and collectibles that have been selling well recently.

I discussed celluloid plastic in a previous column, and today I'll focus on Bakelite plastic. Bakelite is harder and typically more colorful than celluloid. Bakelite was the first natural resin and was invented by Leo Hendrik Baekeland. According to Britannica, Bakelite is "a hard, infusible and chemically resistant plastic." Bright, colorful jewelry in various shapes were produced using Bakelite. Pins and brace-

lets are just two examples. Handles on kitchen serving pieces and teapots, coffee pots and cocktail shakers brightened up these metal objects. Other items made from Bakelite include game pieces, buttons, billiard balls, pencil sharpeners and even radios and telephones. You can often find Bakelite pins for under \$25, but some pins and other pieces of jewelry can be quite valuable. A Bakelite cream, red and blue bracelet fetched \$3,000 in 2009. An authentic opal and diamond Bakelite ring went for \$3,050 earlier this year. Isamu Noguchi was even commissioned to create a Bakelite baby monitor in 1937. A Bakelite "Radio Nurse" sold at auction for \$5,000 in 2013. A rare Fada Blue Bullet Bakelite Radio Model 1000 brought \$9,000 in 2014. A "Drink Coca Cola" Bakelite counter-top display dispensed "free matches" and had a striker so that smokers could light their cigarettes. It sold for \$20,250 last month.

Valuable items manufactured by a Worcester company called O.C. White



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are very collectible and often overlooked. Industrial lighting has become very popular with decorators and those looking to give their homes a retro look. Vintage metal gooseneck desk lamps, swing arms or knuckle joints can be worth hundreds to collectors. Some of the most desirable industrial lights were made by O.C. White of Worcester, MA. O.C. White produced dental chairs, a universally adjustable tool for lathes and a posing chair for photos before patenting a "support for electric lamps." O.C. White wall lamps with swing arms and green shades have recently sold in the \$200 range at auction. A dual lamp unit sold for \$850 and an O.C. White Industrial Long Arm Ceiling Light Fixture brought \$1,000. O.C. White is still in business in Thorndike, Mass. Their website says they are considering recreating some of their industrial lights from over 100 years ago and are looking for distributors. I hope this article helps to shed some light on these trending lamps.

Our online estate auction with 1950s and 1960s Corvettes, boat motors, tools and other estate items is underway. Bidding ends on Oct. 20. Our next multi-estate online auction will begin next month and end on Nov. 9. We will be offering Rolex watches, gold jewelry, sterling silver, paintings, vintage comic books, sports cards and a wide range of objects from multiple estates. I'll be discussing antiques and collectibles at FinnFunn Weekend in Troy, New Hampshire on Saturday, Oct. 30. My "Evaluating your antiques" class will take place on Nov. 10 at Bay Path Evening School in Charlton, Mass. On Saturday, Nov. 13, I'll be appraising items virtually for the Townsend, Mass. Historical Society. Please visit our website for more details on upcoming events: <https://centralmassauctions.com>

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Spartans shift momentum early, defeat David Prouty

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

UXBRIDGE — The David Prouty Regional varsity football team was set to kick off to Uxbridge High to open the game on Saturday, Oct. 2, but instead the Panthers successfully converted an onside kick, taking over possession. Their first play from scrimmage then went for a touchdown, but an offensive holding penalty negated the score. Prouty still marched the ball down the field, setting up a first-and-goal from the Spartans' 7-yard line.

So, with a start like that, how did Uxbridge ultimately prevail by a wide margin of 42-6? Head coach Matt Blood was able to explain the slow start and the team's answer.

"They came out with a little bit of a wrinkle, something that wasn't on film. It took us plays to adjust, but we're very proud of the way we adjusted and our kids showed fight to stay in the game at that point," he said. "It was huge to rebound the way we rebounded after the first series."

David Prouty head coach Pat Rossi acknowledged post-game that his team did indeed go with a new offense.

"We came out with some unconventional offenses for

us this week, and it caught them off guard," he explained. "We were banking on stealing a few series and taking the clock out of the game. We did, but we had four turnovers. We just didn't execute when we had our opportunities."

One of the Panthers' four turnovers came on that opening possession, when they were staring the end zone in the face. On a fourth-and-goal from the 17, Prouty attempted a trick play involving laterals and their second quarterback, Logan Josti, threw an interception to Zachary Oliveira.

Just two offensive plays later, Oliveira put Uxbridge ahead with a 69-yard touchdown run to the right side.

The score remained 7-0 deep into the second quarter, when the Spartans were able to extend the lead to 21-0 with a pair of late scores.

First, Oliveira intercepted Josti again. Then, Ryan Labonte (7 carries, 30 yards) capped a 10-play drive with a one-yard TD plunge. Next, following a Prouty punt, Uxbridge quarterback Kellen Lachapelle hit Aidan Blood in stride for an 11-yard scoring pass with 50 seconds remaining until halftime.

"Going into the half by three scores, I don't ever want to say

we're comfortable, but it puts us in a good position to come out [of the halftime break] and play football," said Matt Blood.

Over on the other side, Rossi was hoping for a closer score at the break.

"We're down 7-0 with four minutes to go in the first half and just the wheels fell off a little bit," he said. "It should have been 14-7 or something like that at halftime and it should have been a tight game coming out."

Instead, the Spartans added three more touchdowns to take a 42-0 lead. Lachapelle (4 for 6, 105 yards) threw his second touchdown pass, this time to Nathan Lauze from 45 yards out. Lauze (6 carries, 72 yards) then ran one in from 40 yards. Finally, Oliveira (12 carries, 155 yards) found pay dirt from 37 yards out.

As a team, the Spartans rushed for 282 yards. Defensively, Braden Cammuso intercepted Panthers' quarterback Justin Falletti twice in the second half.

"We're getting healthy. We're slowly but surely getting guys back and gaining confidence. Each time we can get someone new reps, it's a good thing for us," said Matt Blood, whose team improved



Photos Nick Ethier
After catching a pass while being double-teamed, David Prouty receiver Logan Josti tries to break free and gain more yards.

to 2-2.

To round out the team effort, kicker Khalil Torku was 6 for 6 on extra points.

Prouty concluded the scoring on the game's final play when Falletti rushed one in from 20 yards out.

"We'll get guys healthy

soon and we'll right the ship. We'll be tough in our division. We've played only one team in Division 8 out of our four games. We're hoping to make a run for it and make the playoffs," Rossi said of expectations after dropping to 2-2 on the season.



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12:59 a.m.: suspicious mv (Wall Street),
investigated; 1:02-1:17 a.m.: buildings
checked, secure; 1:17 a.m.: DPW call
(West Main Street), streetlights out;
1:23 a.m.: building checked, secure;
1:27 a.m.: DPW call (Main Street),
lg. roadkill; 1:27-1:31 a.m.: buildings
checked, secure; 1:34 a.m.: medical/
general (South Spencer Road); 1:48-2:20
a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:23
a.m.: disturbance (Ash Street), uncoop-
erative Uber patron; 2:49 a.m.: mutual
aid (West Main Street), Sterling PD
bolo; 4:41 a.m.: medical/general (Elm
Street); 7:21 a.m.: medical/general
(Highland Street); 8:22 a.m.: officer
wanted (Gold Nugget Road), req. from
DPPC; 9:33 a.m.: disabled mv (Pleasant
Street), services rendered; 10:00 a.m.:
restraining order service (West Main
Street); 11:27 a.m.: larceny (West Main
Street), rep. of theft; 11:28 a.m.: DPW
call (Chestnut Street), blown trans-
former; 12:08 p.m.: juvenile matter
(Ash Street), student left school; 12:58
p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village);
2:23 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main
Street), erratic operator; 2:55 p.m.:
abandoned 911 call (Buteau Road),
no contact; 3:10 p.m.: juvenile mat-
ter (Marble Road), poss. violation of
no-contact order; 3:21 p.m.: trespassing
(Charlton Road), re: no trespass order;
3:43 p.m.: suspicious mv (Greenville
Street), investigated; 7:15 p.m.: 911 call
(Wilson Street), accidental; 7:32-7:44
p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:52
p.m.: medical/general (Main Street);
8:00 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main
Street), assisted; 9:08 p.m.: medica/
general (Lloyd Dyer Drive); 10:08 p.m.:
medical/general (Howe Village); 10:39
p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:14
p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street),
Worcester PD bolo; 11:43 p.m.: distur-
bance (Mechanic Street), brothers
fighting; (Total daily mv stops – 1).
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
12:55 a.m.: buildings checked, secure;
6:56 a.m.: sex offender registration/
monthly (West Main Street), assisted;
6:57 a.m.: animal complaint (Condon
Drive), bear dest. chicken coop; 7:42
a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village),
lift assist; 9:48 a.m.: medical/gener-
al (High Street); 9:49 a.m.: medical/
general (East Charlton Road); 10:02
a.m.: officer wanted (Temple Street),
req. VIN check; 10:31 a.m.: mv com-
plaint (Main Street), aggressive
operator; 10:53 a.m.: juvenile matter
(Ash Street), family issue; 10:55 a.m.:
harassment prevention order service
(West Main Street); 11:14 a.m.: LTC
issued (West Main Street), assisted;
12:23 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street),
accidental; 12:46 a.m.: medical/general
(Prospect Street); 1:18 p.m.: restraining

lic; 5:55 p.m.: medical/general (West
Main Street); 6:51 p.m.: medical/gen-
eral (Kittredge Road); 7:24 p.m.: acci-
dent (Main Street), report taken; 7:38
p.m.: fraud (Greenville Street), cable
TV scam; 7:48 p.m.: suspicious mv
(Mechanic Street), investigated; 7:53
p.m.: residential alarm (Mechanic
Street), services rendered; 8:07 p.m.:
parking complaint (Main Street), ser-
vices rendered; 8:16 p.m.: medical/
general (Lincoln Street); 9:18 p.m.: sus-
picious persons (Main Street), couple
panhandling; 11:12 p.m.: disturbance
(Bixby Road), noise complaint; 11:50-
11:54 p.m.: buildings checked, secure;
(Total daily mv stops – 1).
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
12:43-1:01 a.m.: buildings checked,
secure; 1:27 a.m.: disabled mv (Main
Street), assisted; 2:18 a.m.: medical/
general (Oakland Drive); 2:22 a.m.:
mutual aid (Rustic Lane), assist
Millbury PD; 2:55 a.m.: officer wanted
(Church Street), welfare check;
4:36 a.m.: suspicious persons (Maple
Street), investigated; 8:21 a.m.: med-
ical/general (Elm Street); 8:31 a.m.:
explosion (Wire Village Road), explo-
sion w/fire, injury; 9:22 a.m.: accident
(Hastings Road), report taken; 9:40
a.m.: intelligence/criminal (West Main
Street), info taken; 9:45 a.m.: restrain-
ing order service (Main Street); 10:06
a.m.: illegal dumping (Adams Street),
bureau/mattress dumped; 11:37 a.m.:
disturbance (West Main Street), alter-
cation; 12:06 p.m.: mutual aid (West
Main Street), RIT team/Anna Maria
College; 12:44 p.m.: officer wanted
(West Main Street), spoken to; 12:47
p.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), rep.
potential dispute; 1:21 p.m.: mv lockout
(Main Street), assisted; 2:37 p.m.: ani-
mal complaint (Wall Street), missing
cat; 2:56 p.m.: LTC issued /2 (West Main
Street), info taken; 4:39 p.m.: accident
(West Main Street), report taken; 6:41
p.m.: medical/general (East Charlton
Road), lift assist; 6:47 p.m.: medical/
general (Main Street); 7:08 p.m.: offi-
cer wanted (Main Street), req. welfare
check; 7:34 p.m.: suspicious mv (Howe
Road), investigated; 8:12 p.m.: officer
wanted (Greenville Street), branch in
road; 9:56 p.m.: 911 call (North Spencer
Road), accidental; 10:04 p.m.: distur-
bance (Mechanic Street), unwanted
party; 10:24 p.m.: disturbance
(Mechanic Street), lg., loud crowd;
10:24 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street),
erratic operator; 10:39 p.m.: mv lockout
(Main Street), assisted; 11:25 p.m.: sus-
picious persons (Clark Street), inves-
tigated; 11:55 p.m.: building checked,
secure; (Total daily mv stops – 5).
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
12:12-2:22 a.m.: buildings checked,
secure; 3:34 a.m.: abandoned 911 call
(Pleasant Street), accidental; 6:30 a.m.:
fraud (Maple Street), rep. Medicare
scam; 6:49 a.m.: medical/general

call (West Main Street), accidental;
11:20 a.m.: accident (West Main Street),
report taken; 11:40 a.m.: medical/gen-
eral (Howe Village), lift assist; 12:31
p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), acci-
dental; 1:17 p.m.: medical/general
(Wilson Avenue); 1:51 p.m.: lost/found
(Main Street), license found; 2:47 p.m.:
lost/found (Cranberry Meadow Road),
tailgate/trailer plate found; 3:03 p.m.:
lost/found (Main Street), found debit
card; 3:13 p.m.: mv fire (North Spencer
Road), referred; 3:17 p.m.: officer want-
ed (Charlton Road), c/o offensive sign;
3:32 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report
taken; 3:53 p.m.: officer wanted (Wall
Street), handgun taken; 4:51 p.m.: bur-
glary (Cherry Street), spoken to; 4:54
p.m.: disturbance (Wall Street), noise
complaint; 5:00 p.m.: officer wanted
(Main Street), rep. UFO in Leicester;
5:28 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street),
open line; 7:34 p.m.: 911 call (Charlton
Road), hang-up; 8:43 p.m.: medical/
general (Howe Road); 8:47 p.m.: offi-
cer wanted (Charlton Road), bicyclist
in middle of road; 9:03 p.m.: accident
(North Spencer Road), report taken;
9:19 p.m.: building checked, secure;
10:26 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main
Street), assist Paxton PD; 11:07 p.m.:
disturbance (Main Street), noise com-
plaint; 11:33 p.m.: mv complaint (Main
Street), erratic operator; 11:44 p.m.:
buildings checked, secure; 11:45 p.m.:
suspicious mv (Wire Village Road),
investigated; 11:59 p.m.: buildings
checked, secure; (Total daily mv stops
– 4).
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
12:01-2:26 a.m.: buildings checked,
secure; 2:27 a.m.: disturbance (Cherry
Street), noise complaint; 11:08 a.m.:
mv complaint (Highland Street), issue
w/another driver; 11:17 a.m.: animal
complaint (Meadow Road), dog left in
mv; 12:04 p.m.: lost/found (West Main
Street), cane found; 2:09 p.m.: accident
(Hastings Road), report taken; 3:03
p.m.: animal complaint (Collier Circle),
loose dog; 4:28 p.m.: fire/woods/grass
(Hastings Road), referred; 4:30 p.m.:
medical/general (Cottage Street); 4:36
p.m.: medical/general (Bixby Road);
5:05 p.m.: officer wanted (Paxton
Road), bikes found/alarm sounding;
5:20 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street),
noise complaint; 5:31 p.m.: medical/
general (Donnelly Road); 5:59 p.m.: 911
call (Salem Street), hang-up; 7:16 p.m.:
disabled mv (Chickering Road), ser-
vices rendered; 8:56 p.m.: medical/gen-
eral (Howe Village); 10:12 p.m.: 911 call
(Buteau Road), open line; 10:16 p.m.:
suspicious persons (Temple Street),
investigated; 10:45 p.m.: mv complaint
(South Spencer Road), info taken;
11:34 p.m.: residential alarm (Hastings
Road), services rendered; (Total daily
mv stops – 0).
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
12:22- 2:07 a.m.: buildings checked,

secure; 5:36 a.m.: medical/general
(Howe Village), lift assist; 7:44 a.m.:
accident (Main Street), report taken;
8:30 a.m.: medical/general (Howe
Village); 8:39 a.m.: animal complaint
(Kingsbury Road), cows in yard;
9:59 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main
Street), LTC change of address; 10:15
a.m.: medical/overdose (G.H. Wilson
Road); 1:10 p.m.: medical/general
(Main Street); 1:14 p.m.: abandoned 911
call (West Main Street), no contact; 1:19
p.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street),
unwanted party; 1:52 p.m.: disturbance
(Roys Drive), neighbor issues; 1:55
p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick
Road), loose dog; 3:31 p.m.: mv lock-
out (Bemis Street), services rendered;
4:13 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main
Street), spoken to; 4:17 p.m.: suspi-
cious persons (Main Street), unwant-
ed party; 4:49 p.m.: medical/general
(Bay Path Road); 5:01 p.m.: fraud (High
Street), rep. poss. fraud; 5:14 p.m.: acci-
dent (Main Street), report taken; 5:53
p.m.: medical/general (H.J. Perron
Road); 6:29 p.m.: runaway (Kittredge
Road), teen runaway/gone 4 hrs.; 6:53
p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street),
investigated; 8:21 p.m.: mv complaint
(West Main Street), erratic opera-
tor; 8:40 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main
Street), Sturbridge PD bolo; 11:54 p.m.:
lost/found (North Spencer Road), per-
sonal items in roadway; (Total daily
mv stops – 7).
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
12:06-12:34 a.m.: buildings checked,
secure; 2:15 a.m.: medical/general
(Temple Street); 7:34 a.m.: parking
complaint (Main Street), mvs parked
on sidewalk; 9:01 a.m.: 911 call (Shore
Drive), non-emergency; 9:27 a.m.: ani-
mal complaint (Adams Street), chi-
huahua tied to fence; 9:45 a.m.: acci-
dent (South Spencer Road), report
taken; 10:45 a.m.: disturbance (Main
Street), m/f dispute; 11:56 a.m.: med-
ical/general (Elm Street); 12:32 p.m.:
officer wanted (West Main Street),
rep. poss. identity theft; 12:43 p.m.:
disturbance (Chestnut Street), m/f
dispute; 12:46 p.m.: animal complaint
(Irving Street), stray cat; 4:21 p.m.: fire
alarm (Jolicoeur Avenue), referred;
5:10 p.m.: 911 call (Charlton Road),
accidental; 5:28 p.m.: medical/general
(Lincoln Street); 6:29 p.m.: mutual aid
(West Main Street), handgun stolen
from purse; 9:41 p.m.: medical/general
(Howe Village), 10:12 p.m.: disabled mv
(West Main Street), assisted; 10:49 p.m.:
accident (Greenville Street), report
taken; 11:27 p.m.: mv repossessed
(Woodland Lane), info taken; (Total
daily mv stops – 0).
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Leicester Police

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
9:39 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), ver-
bal warning; 10:01 a.m.: mv stop (Main
Street), verbal warning; 10:50 a.m.:
mv stop (Main Street), written warn-
ing; 2:51 p.m.: assist citizen (South
Main Street); 9:29 p.m.: suspicious mv
(Marshall Street), mv towed.
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
5:29 a.m.: ambulance (Willow Hill
Road), transported; 6:59 a.m.: erratic
operator (Main Street), gone on arriv-
al; 7:53 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street),
written warning; 8:06 a.m.: mv stop
(Paxton Street), written warning; 8:21
a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), written
warning; 8:30 a.m.: mv stop (Marshall
Street), verbal warning; 8:34 a.m.:
mv stop (Marshall Street), Patrick V.
McCabe, 36, 60 Main Street, Spencer,
op w/suspended license, no inspec-
tion sticker, speeding, number plate
violation to conceal ID, arrest; 9:04
a.m.: ambulance (Wire Village Road,
Spencer), no action required; 10:54
a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), trans-
ported; 11:21 a.m.: ambulance (Meadow
Lane), transported; 11:36 a.m.: parking
complaint (Winslow Avenue), spoken
to; 12:23 p.m.: debris in road (Main
Street), removed; 1:48 p.m.: mv stop
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LEGALS

**Notice of Public Hearing
Planning Board**
The Spencer Planning Board will be
holding a Public Hearing on Tuesday
October 19, 2021 in McCourt Social
Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main
Street, Spencer, MA, and the hearing
will be conducted in person and re-
motely on the following items starting
at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as
can be heard:
**Major Site Plan Review/ Special Per-
mit/ Aquifer Protection – Applicant/
Owner: Town of Spencer; Location:
69 West Main Street, Spencer As-
sessor’s Map R29-01. The applicant
is looking for a Major Site Plan re-
view under Section 7.4 and a special
permit under Section 3.4.1 (Aquifer
Protection) and 4.2 (Major Utility in
Commercial Zone) of the Spencer
Zoning Bylaw to modernize, up-
grade, and improve the Wastewater
Treatment Plant. The property is lo-
cated in the Commercial zoning dis-
trict.**
October 1, 2021

October 8, 2021
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO21P3165EA
Estate of:
Matie of King
Date Of Death: July 25, 2021
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
G.L. C. 190B, § 3-306**
To all persons who have or may have
some interest in the above-captioned
estate by Petition of **Stewart D. King,
Jr. of West Brookfield MA**
a Will has been admitted to informal
probate.
**Stewart D. King, Jr. of West Brook-
field MA**
has been informally appointed as the of
Personal Representative of the estate,
to serve **without surety** on the bond.
The estate is being administered under
informal procedure by the Personal
Representative under the Massachu-

setts Uniform Probate Code without
supervision by the Court. Inventory
and accounts are not required to be
filed with the Court, but interested par-
ties are entitled to notice regarding the
administration from the Personal Rep-
resentative and can petition the Court
in any matter relating to the estate,
including distribution of assets and
expenses of administration. Interest-
ed parties are entitled to petition the
Court to institute formal proceedings
and to obtain orders terminating or re-
stricting the powers of Personal Rep-
resentatives appointed under informal
procedure. A copy of the Petition and
Will, if any, can be obtained from the
Petitioner.
October 8, 2021
**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. WO21C0454CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO
CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:
Aaron Lutz Caple**
A Petition to Change Name of Adult
has been filed by **Aaron Lutz Caple** of
North Brookfield MA
requesting that the court enter a
Decree changing their name to:
Aaron Richard Lutz
IMPORTANT NOTICE
**Any person may appear for purpos-
es of objecting to the petition by**
filing an appearance at: Worcester
Probate and Family Court before
10:00 a.m. on the return day of
10/26/2021. This is NOT a hearing
date, but a deadline by which you
must file a written appearance if you
object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 27, 2021
Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate

LEVEILLE

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After remaining immobilized in a hospital bed for three days, Leveillee underwent spinal fusion surgery and had two rods and ten screws placed in his back. The surgeons did not know whether he would be paralyzed until the procedure was completed. Recovery was significantly complicated

by the pandemic, forcing him to return home rather than enter a rehab facility where he would not be able to receive visits from his parents.

“We took him home and we were his rehabilitation therapy,” said Lisa Leveillee. “His surgical team and nurses are amazing, and we’re grateful for their expertise and top-notch care. The things that define his whole personality were taken from him in an instant, and he

has fought mentally and physically to regain it for himself.”

Using a back brace, Leveillee eventually began fishing and slowly getting back to other activities. A second surgery in December of 2020 removed all hardware, and he had to endure yet another healing process. This time, however, the dream of returning to competition spurred him on.

“He’s worked tirelessly to get to today. Training for football

is what kept him motivated to push his body and train,” Lisa Leveillee said. “It meant so much to be able to be cleared to be back on the football field with the Wolverines and his teammates.”

Added Leveillee, whose son also plays ice hockey, “Kelton has always been extremely active and physical when on the field or the ice. He’s worked hard at going to the gym and conditioning his lungs to be

able to compete in the sports he loves like before. It’s been a mental challenge as well to basically start fresh and rebuild his body.”

As of press time, Leveillee had played two games and two scrimmages for the LHS football squad. Fishing has also become a favorite activity for the LHS junior.

LEGALS

October 8, 2021

**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. WO21P3206EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Helen C. Kinne
Date of Death: 12/28/2016**

To all interested persons:

Petition for **Late and Limited Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by

Arthur M Kinne of Clearwater FL requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Arthur M Kinne of Clearwater FL** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/26/2021.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 27, 2021
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

October 8, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO21P3166EA
Estate of:
Brenda D. Quintal
Date Of Death: November 17, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Glenn O. Sweet of Wayne NJ. Glenn O. Sweet of Wayne NJ** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
October 8, 2021

**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. WO21P3193EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Zachary Adam Schnitzer
Date of Death: 07/31/2021**

To all interested persons:

Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Steven Schnitzer of Rego Park NY and Dennis R Klein of Jericho NY** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Steven Schnitzer of Rego Park NY and Dennis R Klein of Jericho NY** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/26/2021.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 24, 2021
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

October 8, 2021

**Zoning Board of Appeals
Town of North Brookfield**

September 15, 2021

The North Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing & meeting on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 6:30pm in the North Brookfield Police Department Training Room, 55 School St on the application of Brenda Caraballo of 331 North Main St for a Special Permit to Zoning Bylaw, IV, 2, i: to convert a former pre-school to an apartment. A copy of the application is available at the Town Clerk’s Office at 215 North Main St.
Respectfully,
Kimberly Bent, Clerk
October 8, 2021
October 15, 2021

**TOWN OF
NORTH BROOKFIELD
OFFICE OF
THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

10/7/2021

The owner(s), occupant(s) and public are hereby notified that the following described parcels herein, located within the municipality of NORTH BROOKFIELD and WORCESTER County, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have taxes for the year 2021 as committed to the Collector of Taxes, by the Board of Assessors of this municipality which remain delinquent and unpaid, and the property herein described will be taken by the TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD on Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 10:00 am for non-payment of taxes, including interest and all legal costs and charges thereon, unless the property shall be previously discharged.
LISA M. TAYLOR
Collector of Taxes

Property Location: 63 SUMMER ST
Assessed owners: BATCHELOR, PA-MELA & BRANDON E.
Bill Number: 127
2021 S LIEN 661.72
REAL ESTATE TAXES 2,937.08
3,598.80
Description: A parcel of land with

any buildings thereon, containing about 0.960 acres described as parcel 1060 0039 00630 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 60533 298, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 2 LEE AVE As-sessed owners: BELMONT, DONNA J.
Bill Number: 150
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 448.07
448.07

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.230 acres described as parcel 1070 0920 00020 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 60470 260, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 31 WILLOW ST
Assessed Owners: CARAMIELLO, GINO P. & STEPHANIE A
Bill Number: 353
2021 S LIEN 1,591.34
REAL ESTATE TAXES 0.00
1,591.34

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.470 acres described as parcel 1010 0023 00310 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 28402 0300, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 33 GILBERT ST
Assessed Owners: FANNING’ JASON p
Bill Number: 660
2021REAL ESTATE TAXES 4,992.73
4,992.73

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.850 acres described as parcel 1100 0004 00330 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 26700 0252, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 98 OLDE BROOK-FIELD RD
Assessed owners: JOHNSON, SCOTT K. & CANTWELL, KIMBERLY A
Bill Number: 1070
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 892.75
892.75

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 9.280 acres described as parcel 0440 0008 00980 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 45786 272, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 7 FULLAM HILL RD
Assessed owners: LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC - Subsequent Owner PATTTON, VIRGINIA M.
Bill Number: 1182
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 2,322.88
2,322.88

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.460 acres described as parcel 1110 0061 00070 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 62592 298, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 5 STODDARD CT
Assessed Owners: LOPATO, FRANCIS J. III
Bill Number: 1286
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 166.42
166.42

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.150 acres described as parcel 1030 0013 00050 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 45226 212, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 5 HILLSVLE SPENCER RD
Assessed owners: NORTH BROOK-FIELD REALTY TRUST
Bill Number: 1548
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 576.14
576.14

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 37.033 acres described as parcel 0240 0006 00050 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 16193 212, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 10 ST CLAIR AVE
Assessed owners: OJEDA EMILIO – Subsequent Owner ROMAN, DANIEL
Bill Number: 1576
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 487.28
487.28

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.160 acres described as parcel 1040 0016 00100 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 63490 40, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 309 NORTH MAIN ST
Assessed owners: STRZELECKI, TED
Bill Number: 1963
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 2,401.92
2,401.92

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.170 acres described as parcel 1010 0003 03090 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 56839 55, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 16 ELM ST
Assessed owners: TIERNEY, ERIN & STEVEN R
Bill Number: 2013
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 707.17
707.17

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 0.250 acres described as parcel 1070 0007 00160 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 53007 21, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 63 BATES ST
Assessed Owners: USA PROPERTIE-SI
Subsequent Owner, CHAFFEE, RICHARD
Bill Number: 2077
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 399.82
399.82

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 1.530 acres described as parcel 0310 0050 00630 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 63301 187, WORCESTER County Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 15 OLD W BROOKFIELD RD
Assessed owners: USA PROPERTIES
Subsequent Owner -CHAFFEE, RICHARD
Bill Number: 2079
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 201.52
201.52

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 1.610 acres described as parcel 0310 0051 00150 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 63301187, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 9 OLD W BROOK-FIELD RD
Assessed owners: USA PROPERTIES INC
Subsequent Owner - CHAFFEE, RICHARD
Bill Number: 2080
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 399.82
399.82

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 1.530 acres described as parcel 0310 0051 00090 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 63301 187, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.

Property Location: 13 OLD W BROOKFIELD RD
Assessed Owners: USA PROPERTIES’ INC/
Subsequent Owner - CHAFFEE, RICHARD
Bill Number: 2089
2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES 399.82
399.82

Description: A parcel of land with any buildings thereon, containing about 1.530 acres described as parcel 0310 0051 00130 in the office of the Assessors of the Town of TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD identified in book and page 63301 187, WORCESTER county Registry of Deeds.
October 8,2021

OBITUARIES

Eileen C. Casey, 85

SPENCER- Eileen C. (O'Brien) Casey, 85, of Spencer, died Monday, Sept. 27 in her home surrounded by her devoted husband and six caring children.



She leaves her husband of 67 years, William P. Casey, two sons; William P. Casey, Jr. and his wife Rhonda of Westminster, CO. and Paul F. Casey and his wife Jennifer of Upton, ME., four daughters; Cheryl Cohen and her husband Craig, Colleen Casey, and Carolyn Havalotti all of Spencer and Caryn Shea of Shrewsbury, 14 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter Sharon Marie Casey in 1961. Eileen was one of 8 siblings who have all predeceased her.

Eileen was born and raised in Worcester, daughter of William J. and Etta C. (Davis) O'Brien. She graduated from Sacred Heart Academy

in Worcester as class Valedictorian. She was a title examiner at the Registry of Deeds in Worcester for 15 years. She was a member of Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, a former member of St. Denis in Douglas and a former member of Ascension in Worcester. Eileen loved to host family and friends at their camp on Rocky Pond in Boylston, as well as many other family celebrations. She was an avid reader, crocheted many an afghan and truly enjoyed her time on Cranberry Meadow Lake in Spencer. She especially loved visits with her extended family and friends.

Funeral services and burial in St. John's Cemetery, Worcester are private. There are no calling hours. J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing funeral arrangements. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Spencer Rescue Squad, 6 Bixby Road, Spencer, MA 01562 in honor of Eileen.

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Kevin A. Hayes, 66

SPENCER- Kevin A. Hayes, 66, of Woodside Road died Saturday, October 2 in Harrington Memorial Hospital due to complications of Covid-19.



He leaves his wife of 42 years, Donna M. (Burnor) Hayes, four sons; Joshua R. Hayes of Leicester, Jordan A., Justin F., and Jacob K.A. Hayes all of Spencer, a daughter Jaymee L. Hayes of Spencer, his mother Marguerite P. (Derosier) Hayes of Spencer, three sisters; Karen Hayes Sullivan of Spencer, Debbie Malpass and her husband Wayne of Auburn and Sandra Masiello of Spencer and his one and only grandson Bryson K.M. Hayes who he was devoted to. Many nieces and nephews and lifelong friends Kevin Huard of Leicester and State Representative Donnie Berthiaume of Spencer. He was predeceased by a son Jeremy Hayes in 2017, a daughter Jessica A. Hayes in 2006, two brothers; Francis and Robert Hayes and a sister

Louann Flewelling.

Kevin was born in Worcester, son of the late Francis D. Hayes. He graduated from David Prouty High School Class of 1973 and Worcester State College. He was a Real Estate Appraiser for Liberty Property Manager for over 40 years. He was a member of Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish. He was a former member of the Spencer Board of Selectmen and the Spencer East Brookfield Regional School Committee serving as chairman.

The funeral will be held on Thursday, October 7 with a Funeral Mass at 10:00 AM in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Spencer (Please go directly to church). Burial will follow in Mary, Queen of the Rosary Cemetery, Spencer. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish Memorial Fund, 46 Maple Street, Spencer, MA 01562. J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing funeral arrangements.

Pierre "Peter" Moise Rock, 80

EAST BROOKFIELD- Pierre "Peter" Moise Rock, 80, of Doane Avenue, died Friday, October 1, in Overlook Masonic Home after an illness.



Rock and his wife Brittany of Brighton and Connor Rock of Natick, a brother Paul Rock and his wife Elaine of Auburn, and adopted granddaughter Rose DiBenedetto.

Peter was born in Worcester, son of Wilbur and Cecile (Lamoureux) Rock. He graduated from David Prouty High School in 1959 and received his Bachelor of Science and a Masters degree from the University of Texas at El Paso. He served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He then worked for O.S. Walker Company and DeMambro Electronics. His edu-

cational career began as a high school teacher at Loretto Academy in El Paso. He went on to be a teacher at Prouty Jr. High, a guidance counselor at Prouty, originator of the Spencer Collaborative Occupational School, and school administrator in the Shrewsbury school system and Wachusett Regional schools for many years before retiring. He served on the Spencer-East Brookfield School Committee, Finance Committee, and Board of Selectmen in East Brookfield. Before retiring for good, he served as the regional Veterans Agent for Spencer, East Brookfield, and Rutland. He was a member and former finance officer at the Gaudette Kirk American Legion Post 138. He was also a former member of the Spencer Exchange Club.

Peter will best be remembered for his love of country and his sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew him.

Calling hours are Thursday, October 7, from 4:00-7:00 PM at the J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. The funeral will be held on Friday, October 8, from the funeral home with a Mass at 10:00 AM in St. John the Baptist Church, No. Brookfield Rd., East Brookfield. Burial with Military Honors will follow in Mary, Queen of the Rosary Cemetery, Spencer. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Cure Alzheimer's Fund or the Gary Sinise Foundation.

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Eunice Cathy Jones, 70

NO.BROOKFIELD- Eunice Cathy (Li) Jones, 70, of No.Brookfield, died Sunday, Sept. 26 after a courageous battle with bone marrow cancer.



Eunice was born February 19, 1951 to Norman and Hazel (Chou) Li in St. Louis, MO. She grew up in Pittsburgh, PA, where she attended Sacred Heart High School. After graduating from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in Russian Studies, she worked in various fields, including for many years as a financial controller at Karl Storz Endoscopy in Charlton, MA. Always on an adventure with a camera, Eunice was happiest when actively engaged with nature and travel. She loved to hike, kayak, water-ski, and most especially, downhill ski, her true passion. Eunice formed deep bonds with those with whom she shared her enthusiasm and

sharp humor. Eunice was pre-deceased by her husband Alan and her brothers Peter and Paul Li. She is survived by her sister Mary Li of San Miguel de Allende in Mexico; brother John Li of Lewes, DE; sisters-in-law Ofelia Li, Joy Rosen-Li and Shu-Ti Li; and by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Her family and "village" send a heartfelt Thank You to donor Daniel for his special gift. They also greatly appreciate the dedicated care and loving support of the medical staff at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and Brigham and Women's Hospital, where donations may be made in Eunice's memory. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to support cancer research and patient care at: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284

At her request, memorial services are private. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Paul A. Lavallee, 79

LEICESTER- Paul A. Lavallee, 79, of Leicester, died peacefully at Overlook Masonic Home on Thursday, Sept. 30.



He leaves his wife of 56 years, Ann J. (McCurry) Lavallee, his sisters; Joan Lane of Worcester, Aline Fitzgerald of Charlton, Linda Carter and her husband William of Fullerton, Calif, and Denise Richard and her husband Emery of New Brunswick, Can., many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sisters Janet Ciborowski and Sandra Osborn.

Paul was a purchasing agent for Parker Metals in Worcester for many years, retiring in 2003.

He was born in Worcester, the son of Albert and Noella (Hamel) Lavallee and later graduated from Holy Name High School in 1960 and attended night

courses at Assumption College in Worcester, graduating in 1983. Paul and Ann visited many areas of the U.S. and Canada and enjoyed going to several of the U.S.S.McCaffrey Reunions. He served his country with the U.S. Navy during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

He was a member and past president of the Harmony Club in Worcester, member and past president of the Holy Name Alumni Association, the Greendale Retired Men's Club and past director of the Holy Name Alumni Office.

Paul's funeral was held on Tuesday October 5 at 10:00 AM in MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester burial with Military Honors will follow in Rural Cemetery, Worcester. Calling hours are Monday, Oct. 4 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Tin Can Sailors, Inc. P.O. Box 100, Somerset, MA 02726.

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Richard "Dick" Berard, 76

AUBURN - Richard "Dick" Berard, 76, died of Covid-19 on September 19, 2021.



was like a daughter.

After high school he enlisted in the Army National Guard. Serving as a cook one day on August 2, 1965 a fire broke out in the kitchen. Specialist-4 Richard Berard who was outside of the building ran towards the flames only to see two fellow servicemen running from the building with their clothes afire. Specialist-4 Richard Berard

extinguished the flames with his bare hands, ran into the building, found no one else and doused the flames with a fire extinguisher. He received burns on both hands and was awarded the Massachusetts Military Medal from then Massachusetts Governor John Volpe.

After the Army he recognized his God-given talent for helping people and began a long and successful career in sales and service, all the while making lifelong friendships which he treasured.

He retired in 2019 after almost 30 years of service with Mass Truck Refrigeration. Dick was devoted to helping. A member of the Auburn Kiwanis Club for 20 years and President from 2005 to 2007. Always a gentleman, always there for you. Dick donated monthly to charities like the American Red Cross and Wounded Warriors. He very much enjoyed passing the time with friends on the golf course despite this handicap. "Mr Blue" was a very special man who will be missed but not forgotten.

Funeral services will be private. Arrangements are in the care of care of Rice Funeral Home, 300 Park Ave, Worcester.

Rebecca L. Blanchard, 68

OXFORD - Rebecca L. (Plante) Blanchard, 68, of Dudley Road, died Friday, September 24, 2021, at UMass Memorial Medical Center - University Campus in Worcester. She is survived



by two daughters, Chelsea L. Blanchard of Worcester, and Elyse A. Gallo of Oxford; two sisters, Charlotte Chabot and her husband Richard of North Brookfield, and Marsha Davis and her husband Robert of Oxford; two granddaughters who she loved dearly, Hannah and Layla; her great-granddaughter, Freya; and eleven beloved nephews and nieces, April, Angelique, Shane,

Travis, Taylor, Tara, Shannon, Kerri, David, Joi, and Joseph. She was born in Webster, daughter of the late Charles E. and Phyllis E. (Robertson) Plante, and lived most of her life in Oxford.

Ms. Blanchard was the front-end manager at Park and Shop for many years. She enjoyed reading, music and was an avid tennis player. She loved life and her family meant everything to her. Her greatest joy in life was spending time with family and friends.

Services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

erty is finalized.

The college closed at the end of this past academic year due to financial struggles worsened by COVID-19. The property includes a new turf field; a campus center; a veterinary health clinic; a gymnasium; the historic May House; several dormitories and other residences; and the Swan Library. Additionally, the college's kitchen, gym equipment, and veterinary equipment are included in the sale, as well as the IT network and equipment.

Officials said portions of the property could be used to sig-

nificantly improve the town's schooling situation. Last year, voters rejected a new school proposal, and officials have scrambled to find a solution to aging school buildings and outdated equipment.

Selectmen also emphasized the historical significance of acquiring the campus. They are especially interested in preserving the May House, which was once a stop on the Underground Railroad.

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Lisa, God has you in his keeping, Our love to you, Mom, Chris, Andrea, Sean, Paige, family and friends

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BECKER

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programs. Officials also pointed to the increased flexibility the acquisition provides in terms of scheduling events for the Town Common across the street. Town leaders no longer have to seek permission from Becker to host events on the Common. Previously, Becker owned three quarters of the Common, with the town holding a 99-year lease on it. Looking ahead, the entire Common will revert to the town once the sale of the Becker prop-

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Please call or email Bob Wilby to reserve a spot for Oct. 27 at 508-792-4662 or rwilby@charter.net.

POLICE LOGS

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(Paxton Street), mv towed; 1:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 6:19 p.m.: harassment (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 7:43 p.m.: disturbance (Paxton Street), services rendered; 7:44 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mannville Street), spoken to; 8:29 p.m.: investigation (Whittemore Street), services rendered; 9:00 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:50 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mannville Street), spoken to; 11:43 p.m.: suspicious mv (Gleason Way), investigated.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

10:47 a.m.: suspicious activity (Mannville Street), spoken to; 12:09 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:35 p.m.: welfare check (Soojians Drive), spoken to; 2:19 p.m.: erratic operator (Forest Street), services rendered;

4:53 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 5:01 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 6:22 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:30 p.m.: assist citizen (Park Lane), no action required; 7:39 p.m.: noise complaint (Marshall Street), unable to locate; 7:43 p.m.: threats (Ingram Road), assisted; 9:29 p.m.: investigation (Ingram Road), no action required; 11:44 p.m.: suspicious person (West Street), services rendered.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

1:25 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 1:34 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended registration, uninsured mv, criminal application issued; 4:00 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 7:39 a.m.: suspicious person (Mulberry Street), assisted; 9:33 a.m.: welfare check (Crystal Street), assisted; 4:25 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), no action required; 4:40 p.m.:

neighbor dispute (Main Street), gone on arrival; 5:35 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:50 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, criminal application issued; 8:48 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 9:15 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 9:37 p.m.: mv stop (Westminster Street), citation issued; 9:56 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:01 a.m.: investigation (Stafford Street), services rendered; 8:26 a.m.: mv stop (Marshall Street), citation issued; 8:38 a.m.: mv stop (Marshall Street), spoken to; 10:08 a.m.: disabled mv (Rawson Street), assisted; 10:44 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 11:54 a.m.: assist citizen (Main Street); 12:54 p.m.: vandalism (Dale Street), no action required; 3:54 p.m.: suspicious mv

(Dale Street), citation issued; 4:52 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Lake Avenue), unable to serve; 5:14 p.m.: welfare check (Paxton Street), assisted; 5:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:08 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:35 p.m.: threats (Main Street), report taken; 7:17 p.m.: assist other agency (Spencer PD, no location specified in police log), services rendered.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

12:34 a.m.: ambulance (Brook Street), transported; 12:43 a.m.: missing person (White Birch Street), taken to family; 2:22 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 1:24 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 3:30 p.m.: investigation (Whittemore Street), spoken to; 3:45 p.m.: investigation (Whittemore Street), services rendered; 6:51 p.m.: larceny (Carleton Road), report taken; 7:37 p.m.: investigation (Carleton Road), services rendered; 10:09 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), no action required; 11:46 disabled mv (Main Street), no action required.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

2:50 a.m.: suspicious person (Stafford Street), transported; 8:03 a.m.: investigation (Carleton Road), services rendered; 8:29 a.m.: investigation (Stafford Street), services rendered; 8:31 a.m.: investigation (Main Street, Spencer), services rendered; 8:35 a.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 10:47 a.m.: threats (Fairview Drive), report taken; 11:02 a.m.: assist citizen (Hammond Street); 11:39 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 2:17 p.m.: investigation (Mannville Street), services rendered; 2:58 p.m.: family problem (Monterey Drive), peace restored; 4:13 p.m.: assist other PD (South Main Street), unable to locate; 4:33 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 6:23 p.m.: investigation (Carleton Road), services rendered; 7:17 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 7:38 p.m.: welfare check (Pleasant Street), report taken; 7:41 p.m.: assist citizen (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 8:52 p.m.: residential alarm (Redfield Road), false alarm; 9:21 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 9:33 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), verbal warning.

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Here's the rundown on proper temps to keep your harvest safe and flavorful: Potatoes, beets, carrots, parsnips, turnips, cabbage and celery should be kept in a humid atmosphere at about 35-40 degrees. Squash and pumpkins should be stored in a dry area at 40-60 degrees. Onions and dry beans should be kept at 33 degrees in a dry area.

Generations ago, a root cellar was a basement staple; today some improvising is in order: Those with unheated basements report success creating a substitute root cellar by partitioning off one corner, installing insulation and a heavy, solid door. Keep in mind the temperature inside the root cellar will be coolest near the floor, so place roots there atop an old door or boards.

Or create a root box by filling a large, sturdy cardboard box with a few inches of sawdust or sand. Place a layer of roots such as carrots, leaving two inches along the sides. Cover lightly with sawdust

and alternate layers, adding a final three inches of sawdust on top. Store in a cool basement or in the cellar bulkhead area. Roots can touch each other in storage, just don't pack them in tightly, as some moist air must be able to circulate.

Lawn Care: England lawns can be a challenge this time of year, but there are some shortcuts to do now to help ensure a lush lawn come spring. As leaves begin to fall, remove them long before snow arrives. They not only shade the grass during late fall, but become wet and mat down to smother the grass over winter. Raked leaves make an excellent mulch on the bare, winter garden. They can prevent weeds next year, and as they decompose add organic matter to the soil.

Or add them to the compost pile. Some run over the leaves with a rotary mower, shredding them into fine paces. Unless too thick, or adding to an existing thatch problem, this may work for your lawn.

Continue to mow your lawn until growth ceases, often sometime in October. Make the last mowing a notch or two lower, in order to remove much

top growth. This will avoid the need to rake off dead growth in the spring, and will help prevent snowmold disease.

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